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Associated Students VP removed

Damiano faces 'Loss of Privileges' following alcohol-related incident at Senate Retreat

by **Andrea Camarena**
Editor-in-Chief

At the start of semi-annual review process last week, Associated Students Vice President of Student Affairs, Gina Damiano, was removed from her elected office after an alcohol-related incident that occurred during October.

According to documents provided by Damiano, the fourth-year member of senate was officially removed from office and asked to leave the reviews on Nov. 11 by Mary Spellman, dean of student development.

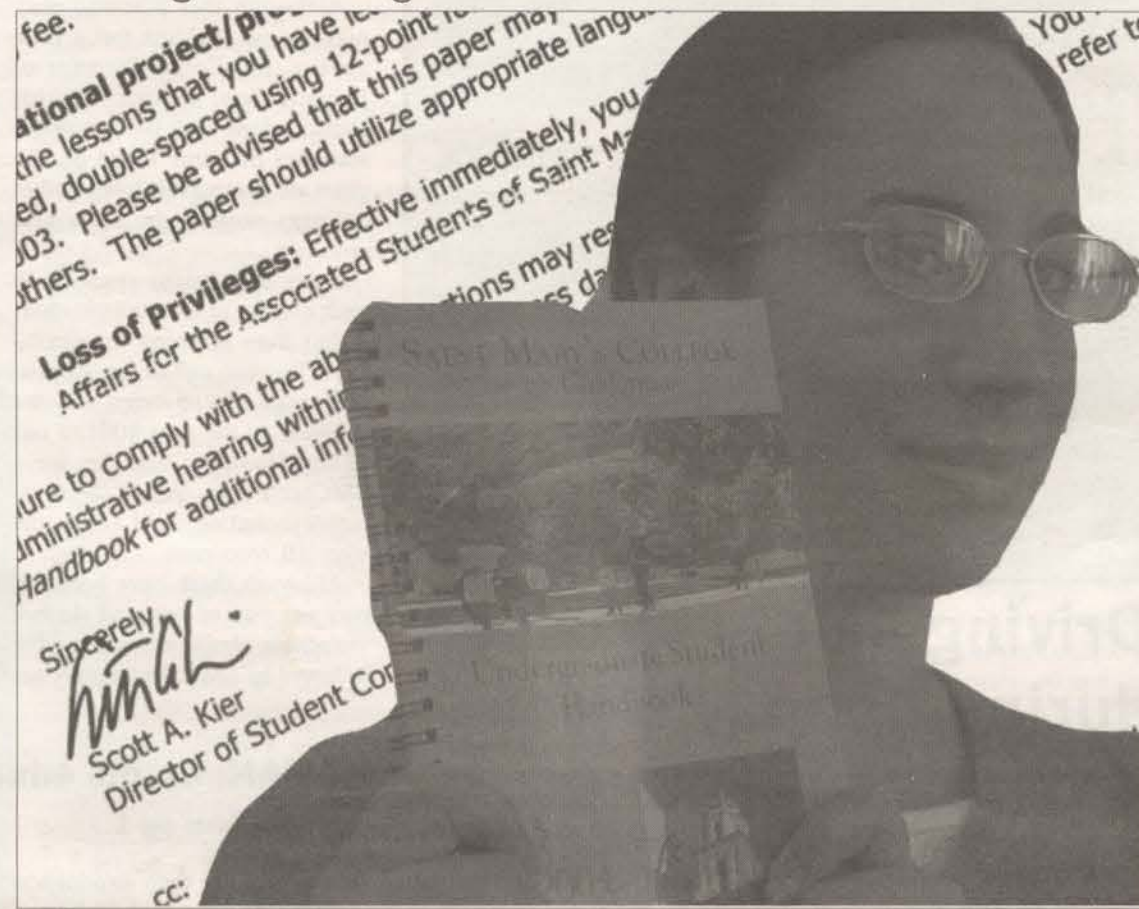
"Any number of things could affect what punishment may be appropriate for a violation," said Spellman, who could not comment on Damiano's specific case.

Damiano was originally removed on Oct. 31, after a hearing with Scott Kier, director of student conduct.

According to a letter from Kier to Damiano, Damiano violated the Alcohol section of the Student Code of Conduct and Alcohol and Other Drugs policy while at the off-campus senate retreat on Oct. 12.

She received the sanctions defined in the Alcohol Matrix for a Category II, First offense.

Her sanctions include those set out by the matrix (3-month probation, a \$50 fine, and a two-page educational project) along with an additional, unlisted



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Damiano removed based on sanctions listed in the Student Handbook.

penalty: "Loss of Privileges: effective immediately, you are removed from your position as Vice President for Student Affairs for the Associated Students of Saint Mary's College."

Damiano appealed the sanctions citing the Handbook on the grounds of "The sanctions were not appropriate for the specific violation of the Code or other

College Policy which the student was found to have violated;" and "A process or procedural error was made that was significantly prejudicial to the outcome of the hearing as it affects the student appealing."

Damiano's appeal argued that this was the first time in College history that the College had removed an elected official and

therefore, there was no precedent for it.

Damiano accused Kier of not taking the time to determine if the penalty of Loss of Privileges was appropriate in this case and challenged the administration to answer the question, "what will it accomplish?"

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New crime statistics out

2002 reports now out on SMC website

by **Whitney Leonard**
Staff Writer

With the crime statistics of the past years at Saint Mary's now posted on the SMC website students are now able to see in perspective the reality of our world. Even though this is a private, religious, institution, crime still occurs here like anywhere else.

On the Public Safety page on the SMC website provided are detailed charts from 2000 till 2002 giving "where" and "what" information for each reported committed crime of that specific year. In addition to the statistic charts are overviews, explaining each act of crime, what it entails and what the policy is regarding the commitment of that crime.

Reports of crime such as motor vehicle theft, burglary, sexual offense, possession of illegal weapons, illegal drugs, and violations of liquor laws among other crimes are compiled together after each calendar year. These statistics are given to the department of education for their records of comparing components for each school. The information is provided on the SMC website for students, relatives, and visitors to view as well.

SMC has not experienced the event of any hate crimes over the

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Dignity Week educates SMC

Events like shanty town raise awareness

by **Cori Simpson**
Staff Writer

Formerly known as Hunger Week or Hunger and Homeless Week, this year's social issues week has changed names to "Do you see me? The Dignity of the Human Person."

To explain the name change Chris Fuller of Campus Ministry said, "We thought, 'Maybe we need to look at this through new eyes.' The purpose is to raise awareness on social issues that, when not addressed, violate human dignity. Such as hunger, homelessness, ability to afford a home, children's education, and basic human rights."

This theme raises awareness on many social issues, instead of only homelessness or only hunger.

There are different events going on every day throughout the week to help get students involved and interested in ways to

improve human dignity. Each of these events, which are sponsored by various SMC clubs and organizations, deals with a different social issue.

A special collection was held at Sunday's mass to benefit the Hunger Action Network. Habitat for Humanity will be doing a real build this Saturday, Nov. 22 at the Pittsburgh site.

Today, a group of students will be tutoring children at the Lasallian Educational Opportunities Center in Oakland.

Wednesday night, Nov. 19 a cardboard shanty town will appear on the chapel plaza. "Shanty town is a symbolic representation on our campus of the problem of homelessness," said Daniela Simunovic '05, president of the Homeless Awareness Project, formerly SMC Outfitters. "The people who are sleeping out do

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Lacrosse gets new coach

Badgely brings championship experience

by **Adrienne Gallo**
Staff Writer

Spirits are rising as the women's lacrosse team adds a coach to the program. On Friday, Nov. 14 it was announced that Brandon Badgely will join Saint Mary's College as the new head coach, bringing experience, dedication, and hopefully a great season.

The past four years of Badgely's career have been spent in Cal Poly San Luis Obispo where he coached the Mustangs to championships for three consecutive years. Named the US Lacrosse Women's Division Intercollegiate Associates National Coach of the Year in 2003, Badgely's success and achievements are welcomed at his new home. His commitment and intense athletic attitude can only further support the women's lacrosse team. With hopes of ex-



Women's lacrosse is ready for their new coach. Lissette Garcia/COLLEGIAN

cellence and achievement, Badgely's visions are paralleled with that of the team.

Irene Guzman '04, remains pumped as her skills are matched with that of a qualified coach. "It's nice to have someone as dedicated and excited as we are," said Guzman. Guzman's visions and expectations for the team have only been elevated.

Other team members are also gaining excitement and motivation. Looking forward to a new

start this season with a new coach the team seems to have the attitude it takes to win. This dynamic can only encourage a great start.

Team captain, Colette Spencer, "hopes to come back from not having a coach and learn a lot before they kick off the season with a strong program."

Badgely will officially begin at SMC on Dec 10. This vibrant energy is supported with a fierce spirit and motto says Spencer, "play hard and win!"

What's Happening

"And the Lady Wore Silk"

The History Alive Lecture Series presents a talk on the history of silk and fashion from the Middle Ages on. This event will take place on Thursday, Nov. 20 at 7:00 p.m. in the Soda Activity Center. For questions, contact Professor Costanza Dopfel at cdopfel@stmarys-ca.edu.

Roundtable Discussion

Today from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., the Collegian will be hosting a roundtable discussion on sex in Hagerty Lounge. For more information, call x4279.

DJ's for Charity

International Club presents "DJ's for Charity" on Friday, Nov. 21 in the Delphine Multicultural Lounge from 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. Donation is \$3 and all revenues will go directly to Project Spera, a local education non-profit organization. For more information, call x5310.

Eliminate violence against women

Join the Women's Resource Center and the International Club for a night of poetry, music, food and a panel discussion about the impact against women in our global community. "The International Day to Eliminate Violence Against Women" will take place on Monday, Nov. 24 at 7:00 p.m. in the Delphine Multicultural Lounge. For more information, call x4193 or x4171.

International Education Week

Nov. 17 to 21 is International Education Week, the week to promote programs that prepare America for a global environment and attract future leaders from abroad to exchange experiences in the United States. In observance of this week, the International Club and the Center for International Programs is promoting several events such as a debate between SMC and Diablo Valley College on "Universities should increase their enrollment of international students" today at 6:30 p.m. in Galileo 202.

Jewelry sale

On Thursday, Nov. 20 the Cookie Lee Jewelry Sale will take place in front of Oliver Dining Hall from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.. 10 percent of sales will go to student activities. For questions, contact Suzanne at x8004.

The Weather Underground

The history department will offer a free screening of the documentary film "The Weather Underground," followed by an insider's perspective on the radical group by former member Rick Ayers on Wednesday, Nov. 19 from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

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

Crime Beat

11/9	12:50 a.m.	11/10	11:25 p.m.
Incident: Disturbance		Incident: Obscene phone calls	
Synopsis: Disturbance at Syufy Hall; referred to student conduct.		Synopsis: Obscene phone calls at Ageno West; referred to student conduct.	
11/9	12:06 p.m.	11/12	4:30 p.m.
Incident: Fire alarm		Incident: Grand theft	
Synopsis: Fire alarm activated at Ageno West; referred to student conduct.		Synopsis: Grand theft of personal belongings at Program Board office in Cassin Student Union; case suspended.	
11/9	8:53 p.m.	11/13	1:50 p.m.
Incident: Medical assistance		Incident: Vehicle collision	
Synopsis: Medical assistance at Madigan Gym; referred to health and wellness center.		Synopsis: Vehicle collision (non-injury hit and run); case closed.	
11/9	9:50 p.m.	11/13	11:30 p.m.
Incident: Fire alarm		Incident: Vandalism	
Synopsis: Fire alarm activated at Aquinas; case closed.		Synopsis: Vandalism at Syufy Performing Arts Center sidewalk; case closed.	
11/10	5:50 p.m.	Note from Public Safety:	
Incident: Traffic collision		During the week of Nov. 2, a sexual assault was reported that occurred during the week of Oct. 26 on campus. The incident is under review.	
Synopsis: Traffic collision, vehicle vs. pedestrian at De La Salle drive and Mission road circle; referred to health center and business office.			

Driving safety stressed during holiday season

Due to recent incidents, students caution others when driving home

by Jessica McLennan
Staff Writer

Going home for the weekend, or even the holidays, is something that many students look forward to. But in light of the recent events that occurred with one of our own Saint Mary's students, Amy Hammond '06, students should be aware and prepared for the journey home.

Many times students take advantage of their ability to drive, and often times, are not as careful or prepared as they need to be.

Regardless of where one lives, traveling home should be taken seriously, and other options, such as flying or taking the train, should be kept in mind.

When it comes to driving versus flying, students have their own opinions. Nina Ouni '05, lives in Huntington Beach, Ca., and for her, it is easier and cheaper to face the traffic and drive home. "There are pros and cons to flying; while quick it's a bit of a hassle at the airport and you can't take laundry home. Driving, while it takes longer, you can take more stuff home and such, and you have more freedom to leave when you want to. But there is traffic and it takes longer," said Ouni.

Joe Lanza '05, who lives in Bainbridge Island, Washington, has an opposing view. "I have to work around my class schedule for when I can fly home. I'm too far away to drive home for only three days, so I have to fly," said Lanza.

Lanza also mentioned that prices for flying and driving were comparable and that flying is a time saver, even with the crowds. "The airport gets crowded but it doesn't make it any more of a

hassle," said Lanza.

Ryan Giudi '05 from San Diego, Ca., says that if one does not plan in advance, one can get stuck at school.

"For thanksgiving I booked my flight in July and almost all flights were already booked," said Giudi. "When you fly you must plan a few months in advance."

Driving home can be one of the most dangerous modes of transportation, especially during the busy holiday season because students are excited, and often preoccupied with the stresses of preparing for the journey home.

According to an article published in drivehomesafe.com, the fact that many college students drive smaller vehicles, is a cause that leads to many accidents that usually result in fatalities. This is because "small vehicles [do] not protect passengers as well as mid-size or large vehicles in front end crashes."

Another statistic according to drivehomesafe.com, is "Most... deaths due to motor vehicle accidents occur on weekends 53 percent of the time" and according to www.amisafe.net, "82 percent of accidents are caused by 'driver error' according to police reports."

According to an article by Jane Engle in the Los Angeles Times, "You can't predict when troubles might cause delays or you'll need to go a different way. For any big trip, head out with a full tank of gas, blankets and water."

When heading home, always be prepared for whatever mode of transportation used.

Keep options open by having other alternatives to get home, and do not be afraid to use them, even if prices are a little steeper.

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past few years however, there has occurred other atrocious acts of crime that are not tolerated. There has been an increasing event of forcible sexual offenses over the past couple of years, counting only those that were reported. In 2002, 6 out of the 7 counts of forcible sexual offenses were rape and 5 out of the 6 reported rapes were located in the residence halls as compared to 3 reports of rape in the residence halls in the year 2000.

Although this statistic may make some students feel a little uneasy, Bill Foley, Director of Public Safety, assured that this statistic along with the rest of the statistics of crime listed on the chart are comparably low to other colleges around the state and country.

Foley also warns students to look closely at the statistic chart rather than jumping to conclusions because out of the surprisingly high rate of stolen vehicles reported in the year 2002, 9 out of the 10 stolen vehicles were SMC golf carts. All of these vehicles including the 1 stolen car were all recovered.

Although there have been decent amounts of drug and alcohol violations, almost all counts were followed by SMC disciplinary ac-

tion. Only 15 arrests have been made over the past 3 years due to alcohol and drugs.

For the past few years the statistical trends have been pretty much leveling off in all areas of crime. According to Bill Foley, even statistics of the year 2003, which will not be printed until next year, are at or below the crime level of this year.

Public Safety does not have the numbers and cannot tell yet whether the installation of all of the blue phones this past summer has brought down the crime rate.

As stated by Foley the blue phones are "valuable to the community," they make the community of SMC feel much more comfortable and safe knowing that the blue phones are there if ever needed, and they are convenient for students to get in contact with their friends. In addition to the blue phones, extra lighting has been added around campus this past year and public safety provides escorts 24/7 to all parts of the campus grounds, for whatever reason.

Foley and the members of public safety encourage all students to check out the 2003 crime statistics on the SMC website. The chart gives valuable information that concerns all students whether they live on or off campus.

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not believe that their experience is anywhere near that of homeless people, nor do they think that they will fully understand this issue by sleeping out on one night. Shanty town goes much deeper than this. Our goal is for the people that sleep out to reflect on the various factors of this issue while they are experiencing one-tenth of what it means to be homeless."

Students will meet in front of the chapel to build the box homes at 7:00 p.m. Students that sleep out will do so until Thursday, Nov. 20 at 7:00 a.m. They will be provided with a Dorothy Day House-style breakfast.

Also on Thursday, Campus Ministry will be holding a movie night.

The film, "Salvador," relates to events on Friday. On Friday, Nov. 21, a group of students will be traveling to Georgia to watch protests at the School of the

Americas. Come to movie night to find out more about the School of the Americas.

On Friday, there will be two opportunities to meet with the homeless.

Feed them with the Food Not Bombs organization or converse and interact with them while handing out candy through Andy's Candy.

Saturday is an all day service project through CILSA with the Homeless Action Center.

Campus Ministry is also working with faculty, staff, and residence hall students to make Thanksgiving food baskets for the Cambridge Community Center in Concord. The idea is to provide a food basket with a complete Thanksgiving meal for 6 people.

Contact Chris Fuller in Campus Ministry at x 4075 or CILSA at x 4975 to answer any questions, sign up for these events, or to get more information.

Musical auditions approaching

by J. Morales & L. Baumgardner

Auditions for next spring's musical, *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*, will be held next week. Both men and women are needed to fill the large, ensemble cast.

Joseph, a rock opera by Andrew Lloyd Weber and Tim Rice, retells the famous biblical story about the dreamer Joseph through a variety of song styles including country, vaudeville, and even calypso.

Joseph's eleven brothers, jealous of the special treatment Joseph receives and his elegant "coat of many colors," conspire to sell him into slavery. However, Joseph eventually meets the Pharaoh becomes the second-most powerful man in Egypt.

The cast of characters includes Joseph, the lead male role, the Narrator, the lead female, and the Pharaoh. In addition, both men and women will be cast in the "Brothers" and "Chorus" roles.

Auditions will be held next Sunday the 23rd from 7-10 p.m. and Monday the 24th from 2-5 p.m. and 7-10 p.m.

Audition information and signup sheet are posted on the doors of LeFevre Theatre.

Students auditioning should prepare one upbeat song or ballad and wear loose clothing. Improvisation will be used during the audition.

Callbacks will be posted by 9 a.m. Tuesday morning.

Joseph will be directed by SMC Professor Dan Cawthon.

Changes made to SMC Bylaws

'President not necessarily a brother' one of changes

by Chris Mateo
News Editor

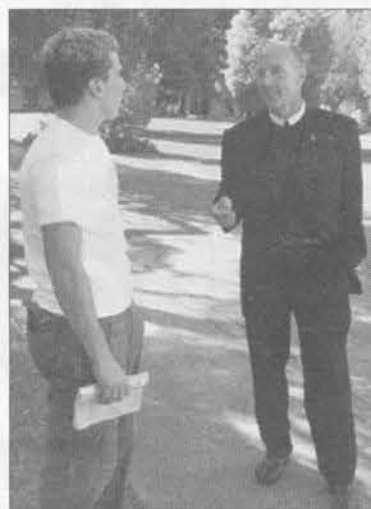
On Oct. 3, 2003, the bylaws of Saint Mary's College of California were revised. It was resolved that the Board of Trustees would amend St. Mary's articles. "To give you a sense of how long it's been since the complete revision of the Bylaws, in the old set, it used to state that if there had to be a meeting between the trustees, you would have to notify everyone...by telegraph," said Br. Craig Franz, president of the college.

"The bylaws that we have been operating under were slightly revised in 1998," said Franz. "So a committee was put together from the Board of Trustees to redo the bylaws. They've been working on these changes for the last two-and-a-half years." This committee was formed, and worked towards the changing of the bylaws.

There were three main reasons that the bylaws had to change.

"First, SMC was going out for some bonds, the borrowing of large amounts of money. In order to do this, we had to present the people who were going to loan the money with all of the documentation of the college to ensure their confidence in the institution's credibility as a borrower.

"Second, there was a need to expand the size of the Board and



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SMC's next president is not necessarily going to be a Christian Brother

become a better servicing organization for the college. It was important to get members who could look over the school from an objective point of view.

"Third, there were suggestions that all colleges in the United States should change their bylaws in accordance with the Sarbanes Oxley Act. This act came about as a result of Enron and Worldcom. In these situations, the board was not properly overseeing management. And so, the Sarbanes Oxley Act was applied because its set of rules that ensured integrity for a specific corporation. With these three forces and two-and-a-half years of hard work, the bylaws have been re-done."

A very significant change to the bylaws pertained to the administration of the college; more specifically, the president.

The old bylaws mandated that the president of SMC must be a brother. "Two years ago the district assembly visited SMC. This group is made up of both Brothers and lay people. One issue that they brought up was the governance of the college," said Franz.

"They reminded us that they are our colleagues and asked if we trusted them to run the college. People would like to have a Brother to run the college. When the committee was putting together the new version of the bylaws, they kept into consideration the next 50 years. The question was 'In the next 50 years, will there always be a qualified Brother to run the college?' The fact of the matter is that we are not getting a lot of people; there are some men coming in and not getting trained to get PhD's. Many of them prefer to work in the high schools, not college.

"So, there might come a time that there may not be a qualified Brother for the presidency. In case this does happen, the plan is to first look for qualified Brothers and then, if there are none available, to look for qualified lay people."

Many changes such as this issue were made in the bylaws.

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Spellman responded with a letter denying Damiano's appeal with several reasons opposing her argument.

"It is a privilege to participate in student government and other extra-curricular activities," Spellman wrote. "Hearing officers may impose a loss of privilege when appropriate to the violation and incident. Whether or not another student has been removed from office is not relevant to whether or not the sanctions are appropriate for your violation."

According to the handbook, there are no more steps for Damiano to take. But she hopes that the senate that she worked with at one time will express concern to the office of Student Affairs. "For the most part I feel defeated," said Damiano.

Senate and students had no knowledge of the process which removed Damiano, "By law, no one outside of the disciplinary hearing board was allowed to hear anything about what was happening."

At print date, no official notification was sent out to notify the student body of the Vice President's removal.

"I'm interested to see how students react. This [student government] is the one thing students have control over," said Damiano.

"Because Gina's position was voted on by the students, it only makes sense that we should be

included, moreover, informed of her dismissal," said Elaine Abelaye, president of APASA. "Because communication is so often stressed between student organizations, I was dismayed by the lack of communication with student organizations and administration during this process. We still have yet to be formally informed by either."

Several club leaders are concerned about their semi-annual reviews as Damiano was removed on the first day of club reviews.

"I think they should have informed us. I don't know if it's ASSMC or administration, but I think it's a lack of communication," said Rosa Garcia president of LASA. "I don't even know who's supposed to be in charge. I wouldn't have even known that she wasn't in position if I hadn't heard it through rumor."

It is now the responsibility of ASSMC President Tony Ancelj to appoint a replacement. Ancelj plans to announce the new VP for Student Affairs at Sunday's senate meeting.

"In 20 years of working with students and colleges this student government is the strongest and most effective group. They will have no problems finding a replacement for who you say is no longer in office," said Mike Zoll vice provost for student affairs.

"You tell me Gina is not going to be in her position anymore and that's going to be unfortunate and a loss," said Zoll who was also unable to comment on Damiano's disciplinary case.

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Brandi Chastain visits SMC



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This week, professional soccer player Brandi Chastain, who is known for her celebration of her clutch penalty kick in the 1999 Women's World Cup, came to speak to Randy Farris' class, Kinesiology 108.

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Empathy for the Imprisoned
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A few days ago I spent the afternoon at San Quentin middle-security prison. You may be asking, "Why the hell would someone spend the afternoon at a prison?" I wasn't arrested; it was an outing with a class. More importantly, it was the most interesting field trip I've ever taken.

Although I knew that the prison system was a separate society in itself, I had no idea just how different the rules and boundaries really are in the prison setting. Naively, I thought that after reading more about people's experiences in prisons that I would be more "educated" on the subject. I never anticipated how much more I could learn by simply visiting the place for myself.

My class proved to be quite the disturbance at the prison because the majority of our class is female. However, when we first arrived no one knew how close we would actually get to the inmates.

Nonetheless, most of what I saw and heard that day did not surprise me. The impact of the trip came when I had time to process the experience in my mind. Throughout the afternoon it became painfully clear that the experiences we had read about were all too real.

Our "tour guide" was a lieutenant that has worked at San Quentin for many years now. Most of the time he made comments that made it obvious that he had biased views about the inmates. He usually referred to them as "the criminals" and even made jokes about the difference in his choice of words versus the language that the warden chose to use. Apparently the use of politically correct terminology seemed all too sensitive to him.

During the first portion of the tour when we were alone with this man, I began to feel a lot of empathy for the inmates at San Quentin imagining that most of the guards and other administrators felt the same as this man did. However, I was faced with a huge challenge when we came to the yard where at one point we became surrounded by inmates who were constantly gawking at the women in my class. They made crude comments and made most of us feel very uncomfortable.

After the day was done I tried processing what I had seen. I found my thoughts falling into a strange paradox. Although I had been made to feel uncomfortable by the inmates in a more specific way, I could still empathize with them more than with the guards and other administrators. Both groups are affected by the prison system to the point where their behavior, thoughts and feelings have changed to fit that specific culture. And although I know this, I can't help but empathize with the inmates because they will do what they need to do to survive and in the system they're the ones without control. Meanwhile, those in power have changed to fit the culture, but they have the power to change it and choose not to. Overall, it is a dehumanizing system that pushes people to extreme roles in order to fit into the disturbing culture of the prison life. Seeing those effects up close is an experience that I will never forget.

OPINION

Collegian View

I'm sorry, did you say 'student-centered' educational community?

Administrators voice concern whenever the Collegian writes about the separation between students and themselves. They question why this gap exists and how to fix it.

This disconnect is/and has become a serious dilemma that the administration needs to address and solve.

Students who have chosen to come to Saint Mary's and invest, both financially and otherwise in this school do so because they believe—in some way, shape or form—in the mission of the college.

Point three of that mission reads, "to create a student-centered educational community whose members support one another with mutual understanding and respect."

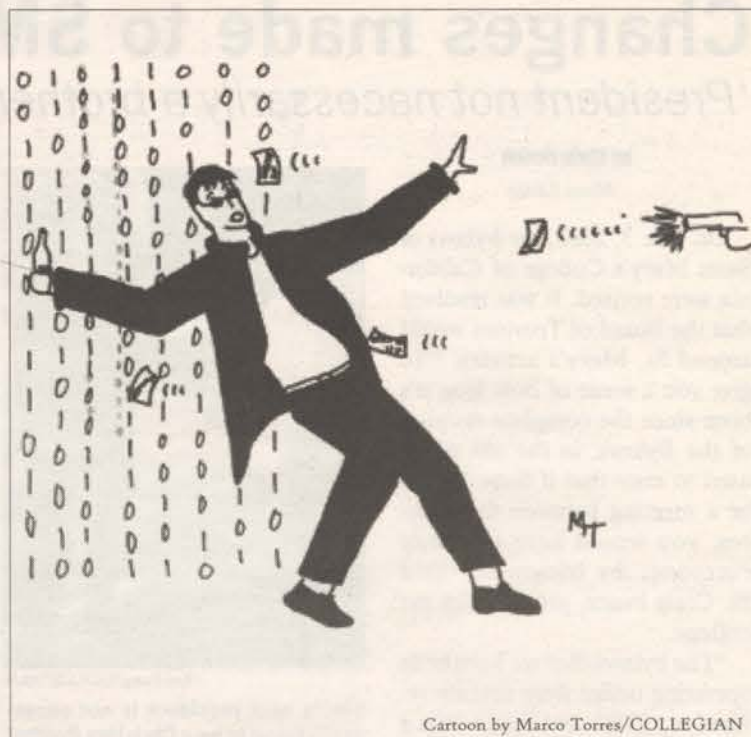
As students, we the Collegian

question how this can happen when students—the means and sole reason this institution exists—are continually thought of as dollar bills, statistics and smiling faces for the recruitment of more dollar bills and statistics.

Alarms should go off for administrators that students would even begin to [question administrative motive] think these things in a community that so highly values mutual understanding and respect, unless this respect and mutual understanding isn't as valued or central as it should be.

For the Collegian—call us crazy—a student-centered educational community reflects staff and faculty participating with students in the development and fostering of an environment that engages the whole human person.

Granted we think most admin-



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Have you been plugged into the matrix yet?

istrators would agree with the aforementioned mission, so why isn't this happening?

Honest and respectful dialogue about what SMC is and what it should and needs to become isn't happening at all levels—this includes engaging current students consistently in the conversation.

A recent example of this dialogue not happening include the disciplinary action taken against Gina Damiano, which removed her from the ASSMC office of VP of Student Affairs without any notification or communication between the powers that be and the students they serve.

Another example is a four-hour discussion "reimagining campus media" to which no student media heads or staffs were formally

invited.

Yet another example is the realization that parents receive more notification of changing student policies than the affected students as was evident in the premiere of the notorious 'matrix.'

College administrators hold their positions for deserved reasons—or so students would hope—and undoubtedly there might be times when most students do not understand their all-knowing-based-decisions.

But, perhaps it's the responsibility of those same administrators to take notice and reconsider their communication, when none of their decisions are understood by the students who know what they expect from their "student-centered educational community."

memo to students:

Matrix still looms over campus life

Alcohol and other drugs — however unfortunately—are a large part of campus life.

When the deer find more to do on a Friday night than a typical SMC student, some students for some reason, unbeknownst to the Collegian, turn to alcohol and other drugs to fill their void.

In doing this, students send multiple messages to the community.

First, there seems to be not enough weekend programming to keep students' interest and keep them sober.

Secondly, for students under 21 who partake in these activities, they send the message that they think themselves above any policies, rules or laws that would otherwise restrain them from their activities.

However, any student "who is found responsible for violating the Code or this Policy will be subject to the imposition of sanctions as defined below in the Standard Response to Drug Offenses matrix."

Explicit penalties within the matrix include warnings, fines,

suspension, parent notification or expulsion.

These penalties are present to deter and sanction acts that are out of line with students' activities.

Isn't part of college being out of line?

The rigid nature of the matrix doesn't allow for being out of line, sorry.

It is still to be seen how the new matrix will play out in the long run, but currently students have a love/hate relationship with it.

Some students think it is about

time SMC enforce the policies it has, since students who are under 21 shouldn't be doing that sort of thing anyway.

Others however (RAs included) feel the system is restricting to residents' ability to be social.

The Collegian would hope students and administrators look seriously at how and why the matrix was implemented to see beyond the immaturity of alcohol and other drugs to the fundamental flaw itself.

Punishment is not the answer to the problem, but what is?

got condoms?

(the bookstore doesn't)

Find out why not

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GAEL POLL

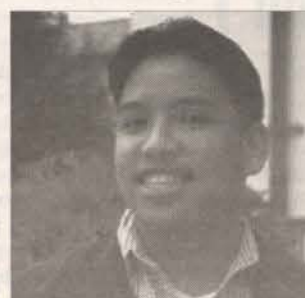
116 Saint Mary's students were polled on their opinion of the Christian Brothers at SMC.

Have the Brothers affected your education at SMC



"Not really, because they seem more focused on community service."

Alfredo Biralde '05



48%

of students have had a Brother as a professor.

Christian Brothers on Campus

O' Brother, Where Art Thou?

An Important Presence

by Irene Guzman Staff Writer

At the Dine with Alums dinner a few weeks ago, the keynote speaker, Jim Quandt, talked about his experience at SMC and how much he loved it. A big portion of his speech was about how much the Christian Brothers added to his college experience. Quandt spoke of dinners and his constant interaction with different Brothers and finished with thanking them for the tremendous impact they have had on his life.

While I agree that I definitely have had a unique and amazing time so far, I don't think I've had the same interaction and experience with the Brothers here at school.

I feel it in the classroom, I feel it when I'm walking around campus with a guy who gets a hearty greeting from a Brother whose class we were both in, yet he doesn't remember my name.

It's like this: we're at Saint Mary's and the female to male ratio is 60/40, right? There is a clear majority of females at this campus and it is reflected in the classroom setting. Wouldn't it make sense to have an equal or at least similar voice in class?

I've had a few classes with Brothers - classes ranging from seminar to religious studies to history - and they've been interesting.

I don't consider myself shy or reserved, in fact I know that I am pretty outspoken at times and opinionated. I'm not afraid

to talk in class and I often speak up during discussion. However, when I'm in a classroom full of girls and a few guys, and my hand is raised to answer a question, should I feel cheated when the guy next to me (who doesn't have his hand raised) is called upon to answer when it's clear that I want to speak?

Many other females in various

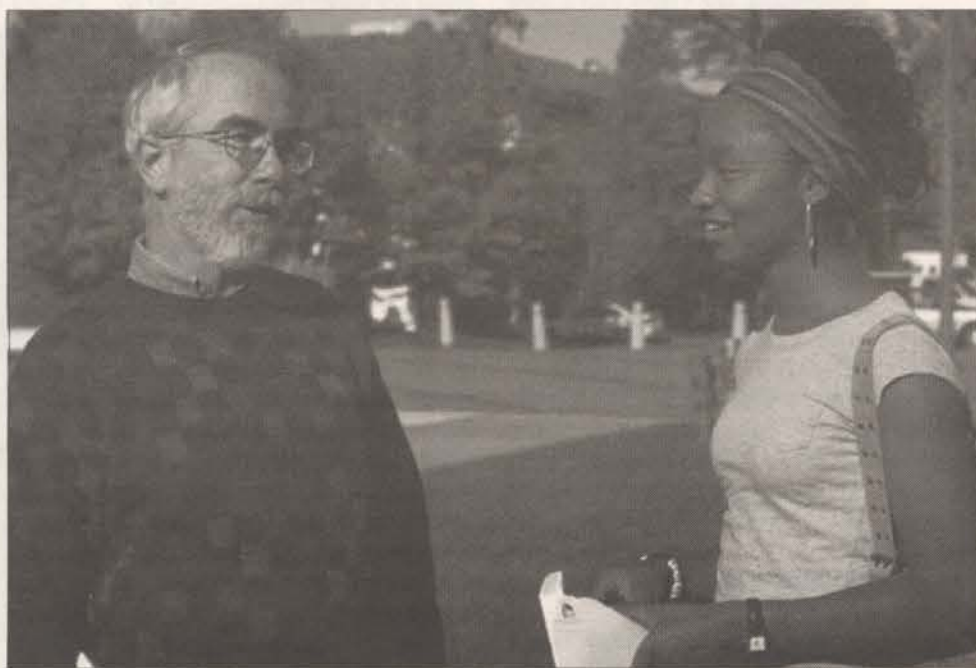
When I first came to Saint Mary's, I didn't think much about having the Christian Brothers around. I wasn't familiar with them or what they really did around campus. But having been here for almost two years now, I have found that they have a profound impact on my education, inside and outside of the classroom.

two professors who are Brothers, and I feel that they bring as much to the classroom as professors outside the order, but also add a unique perspective to class discussions. In studying medieval history with Brother Charles, we frequently discuss the role of Christianity in the Middle Ages. Having a professor who can truly understand what it means to dedicate one's life to God enriches the study of an era so steeped in religion.

Taking Biblical Literature from Br. Mark is in itself an experience. Although many can argue that anyone who has studied the topic as much as he has would be a good teacher, I feel that his personal experiences add greatly to the class. As a Brother, he has had the opportunity to do service work throughout the world and is able to relate these experiences to our discussions. In addition, he is always willing to discuss the material outside of class, and greet us in the halls.

I even enjoy interacting with the often-criticized Brother Craig. Despite the negative sentiments of some students, I found he was genuinely interested with what I had to say when he paused to talk with me.

I will admit that I have a lot of amazing professors who are not Christian Brothers, many of whom I talk to outside of the classroom. But I strongly feel that the service tradition of the LaSallian Brothers has positively influenced my education and my life in general.



Nick Sylva/COLLEGIAN

classes with Brothers agree with me, saying that there are certain Brothers who just seem to hate women completely.

I don't hate the Brothers. I'm not saying I feel this from every Brother either. I work with them, I learn from them, and I do interact with them, positively and negatively, sometimes. It's just that when I leave Saint Mary's, I know I can't look back on these years and think about how much influence the Brothers have had on my life, because they really didn't.

My first experience with a Christian Brother in the classroom was freshman seminar. I was vocal in that class, and this was encouraged by Brother Martin Fallin, who often debated the readings with me, both in class and when I ran into him in the registrar. I can always count on him to greet me in the halls and offer me advice on whatever problems I am having and talk with me about my classes.

This year has brought additional positive interactions with the Brothers. I currently have

Integral: Separating Fact from Fiction

An Integral student seeks to dispel myths about the program

by Pablo Armas

Staff Writer

In response to the many questions and sarcastic remarks that have been directed towards my major (from my roommate, suitemates, friends who are not in this major, the tutors at my worksite, a few Christian Brothers, members of the Collegian staff, and anyone who ever asked me 'what is your major?' and needed me to explain it to them), I feel obligated to remove the rumors one might hear about the Integral Program.

The one that I hear often is that the program is something of a

cult. This term is applied because of the way that Integral majors tend to stick together and hang out with one another, the rule that says you can't enter the program after freshman year, and the fact that our classes are isolated from other students.

The first reason isn't a real excuse to accuse the program of being a cult. Those of us who are in the program are not different then the rest of the students who hang out with their classmates after class. Students who have class together tend to hang out with their classmates. So what is the problem? Students of the pro-

gram interacts with the rest of the school. A cult has a "us vs them" mentality and shuns out the rest of the world.

Since the curriculum is based on the knowledge learned from the previous years, it is absolutely crucial that one begins the program as a freshman. You can't jump into Ptolemy sophomore year without first knowing Euclid, which you take freshman year. Also, the courses required to obtain this major are different from that of the "major-plus general education" and they are interwoven with the other courses so that the language class corre-

lates to seminar and lab to math. We have to take these courses. As a result of this, we will have the same students in our classes because all Integral students have to take those classes in order to fulfill the requirements necessary to obtain their major.

Integral has produced some of the finest student leaders who are active in organizations such as CILSA, Campus Ministry, and Student Senate. It should be obvious that the Integral Program and its students are just like any other here at SMC. Until next time, QED.

Ben Graber '07



Yes because Br. Craig has been an encouragement to me.

78%

of students talk to the Brothers outside of the classroom environment.

"I'm a freshman and I haven't had any interactions with the Brothers."

Danielle Belli '07



94%

of students think that the Brothers are an important part of the SMC community.

Leaving on a Jet Plane walker hines

As troops began to prepare for the first grant by the Defense Department allowing for those who have been in Iraq the longest to return home for 15 days for rest and recuperation (R&R), they were shocked to learn that after they arrived in Baltimore at the military's expense, they would be required to pay for their commercial flights home. Some soldiers must travel as far as Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands to return home.

Army Spc. Josh Fansler was prepared for the ultimate expense trip home after he was made aware of the ridiculously expensive airfare many soldiers were forced to pay to get home from Baltimore on such short notice. "When this whole leave program started out, people were paying upwards of \$1,200," said Fansler.

600 members of the Army's 368 Engineer Combat Battalion were reportedly misinformed that there was no room on military flights but that if they wanted they could pay for their own commercial flights home. According to the U.S. Central Command, the officer was mistaken and the trip was cancelled, wasting \$480,000 spent by soldiers on nonrefundable tickets.

To add salt to the wound, the military even books the flights for the soldiers to fly home, only to charge them the escalated fee for booking a flight within days of traveling home. The airlines must be out of bankruptcy by now—130,000 soldiers coming home at some point and booking last minute flights from Baltimore to numerous destinations across the country. However, this is not a laughing matter; in fact, it's a very, very sad one.

Representative Dutch Ruppersberger, D-Md., created "Operation Hero Miles" after the House rejected an amendment to the Iraqi supplemental spending bill which would have paid the troops' airfare home. Ruppersberger sent letters to 12 airlines requesting that they allow American's to donate their earned miles to the soldiers to ensure their trip home. As a result, Delta Air Lines created a "SkyWish SkyMiles for Heroes" program which allows for people to contribute up to ten million miles. Southwest Airlines has a similar program, and U.S. Airways has created discount tickets for soldiers to fly home. Despite these efforts, the troops are forced to use their precious and meager funds to fly home.

What's more appalling? The U.S. Government's unwillingness to pay for the soldier's flight home, soldiers who have been fighting and dying to ensure our safety and security? Is it the airlines run by capitalist pigs without any heart or compassion that forces Americans to donate their hard earned miles to the soldiers?

So how much was Spc. Fansler's ticket from Baltimore to his home in Colorado Springs? \$223. And how much is a new Apache helicopter? \$20 million—enough to pay for 89,686 flights from Baltimore to Colorado Springs.

"Support our troops" as we are always told, but in dollars and sense, we can't.

Players of the Week

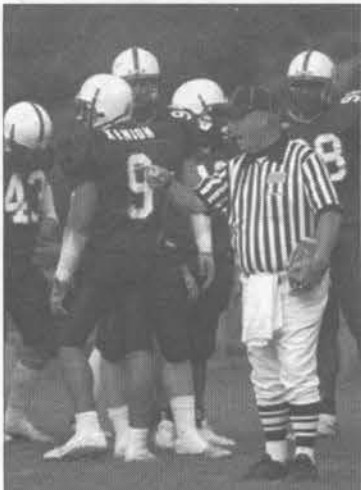
Kevin Swiryn

With the offense still trying to find an identity, Swiryn became a favorite target for quarterback Zac Connors. Swiryn had six of Connors' 18 completions and 117 yards of the team's 169 receiving yards. Swiryn became the first receiver to break the century mark in two years since Nate Brown had 110 yards against Dayton in 2001. His 48-yard touchdown catch gave the Gaels hope, cutting the deficit to 14-7, but then Southern Utah ripped off 26 unanswered points.

Chelsea Montero & Jessica Poole

After capping off their collegiate careers, Montero and Poole were rewarded by being named to WCC first team. The accolades are both firsts for the seniors who were key contributors to the team's success.

- Sam Adams



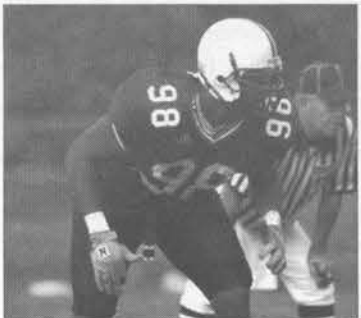
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Score Card

Football (1-10)

	1	2	3	4	Final
SMC	7	0	0	0	7
So. Utah	20	10	3	7	40

Z. Connors - 18-29, 169 yds, TD, 3 INT
 K. Swiryn - 6 catches, 117 yds, TD
 A. Woodards - 14 tackles
 W. Borba - 4 tackles, (left game in first quarter because of injury)



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R. Mike - 11 tackles

Volleyball (20-11)

(13) Santa Clara def. SMC 3-2
 SMC def. (22) USD 3-2

**-Correction-
Men's Soccer
(8-11-0)**

**Men's Basketball
(preseason)**

	1	2	Final
Saint Mary's	34	40	74
Sydney	31	29	60

D. Kickert - 17 points
 E.J. Rowland - 14 points, 3 assists

SPORTS

Is the split enough?

Gaels volleyball has one match left to prove they belong in the tournament

by **Michael Chin**
Staff Writer

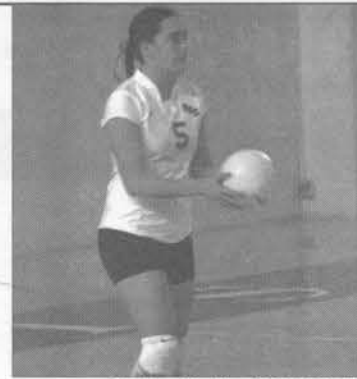
It's the time of the year when every dig, kill, and block counts. SMC's at the end of conference play in the WCC women's volleyball league. For the Gaels, this past week has been a roller coaster of emotions. They felt the heartbreaking loss to archrival Santa Clara in a five-set grudge match and then a thrilling victory over the Toreros of San Diego last Saturday. The question that still remains is a split enough to send them to the tournament. Even if they don't make it, this last week has been a true testament of the Gaels' character.

On Friday, the Gaels faced off against the No. 13 Broncos and fought them all the way to the end.

For the first four sets the teams exchanged victories, the Broncos picking up the second and fourth sets while the Gaels took the first and third. The fifth set was a game of nerves as both sides exchanged

points throughout the contest. Finally after nine ties of the scoreboard, the Gaels had a shot at match while ahead 14-13. This advantage, however, was short-lived as the Broncos stormed back and eventually stole a victory from the lady Gaels, by a score of 17-15 and a 3-2 advantage in sets. Once again SMC was lead by the lone senior and captain of the team, Jill Parmele. Like in so many other games this season, Parmele lead the team offensively with 21 kills in the match. Defensively the Gaels' Kauai Salzman '06, Stacy O'Conner '05 and Lindsay Hardy '05 anchored the back line. Leading the way with 14 blocks was O'Conner. Overall, the three combined to over 40 blocks in the match.

After a grueling grudge match with their archrival, you would think the Gaels did not have enough in them to take on yet another WCC powerhouse in the San Diego Toreros. But they did. In a must win situation the Gaels lived up to the test and spanked



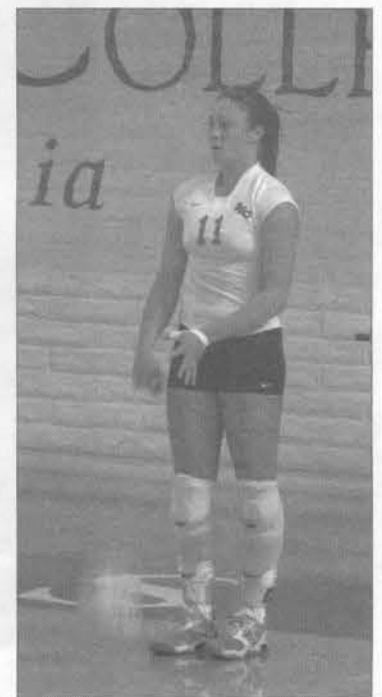
Christina McAfee/COLLEGIAN

Freshman Mandy Bible is part of a young team making a push towards the NCAA tournament.

the Toreros 3-1 to improve to 20 and 11 on the season. Like every other game this season when the going got tough the Gaels went to their leader Parmele to bail them out with a big kill or dig. She finished second on the team in kills with 14. Assisting her was Mandy '07 Bible. She ended the game with a team high 47 assists. The big factor to this game was the huge play of Salzman. Salzman, a sophomore from San Diego, led all Gaels offensively with 15 kills while also pacing the Gaels on defense. Adding to this was Hardy, who led the team with 18 digs. This win kept the Gaels' hopes alive in their bid to make the NCAA tournament.

So in the end what are SMC's chances to make the playoffs? Much will be riding on their next game where they will play yet another ranked WCC opponent in the University of San Francisco. Should they win this game they will almost be insured a bid to the NCAA tournament. If they do indeed make the playoffs, it will signal one of the greatest comeback stories in Gaels His-

tory. After a few disappointing years, SMC hired John Stevenson to lead the team and the results have been tremendous. After posting a 9-20 record last year the Gaels have inched their way towards a winning record and a possible bid to the Big Dance of volleyball. Even if they don't get a bid, the future bodes well for the Gaels as they return all but one player (Parmele). Although the All-WCC player and team captain will be hard to replace, both as leader and player, the Gaels feel as though they will have the talent next year to once again put together a stellar season. Only time will tell though on this Gaels team.



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Kauai Salzman, ready to serve to Santa Clara, will be a big part of the team's playoff push.

Gaels get final tune-up for regular season

Men's basketball closes out exhibition season with win

by **Irene Guzman**
Staff Writer

On Nov. 21, the Saint Mary's men's basketball team will be on top of the world.

In Fairbanks, Alaska that is. The Gaels will face Binghamton for their first official game this season in the basketball tournament aptly named the Top of the World Classic.

The team completed their exhibition season on Tuesday with a victory over the Sydney Comets by a score of 74-60 and now possess an exhibition record of 2-0.

Sophomore Daniel Kickert continues to pace the Gaels leading the team with 17 points while junior Paul Marigney contributed 12 points and a team-high eight rebounds.

The starting five for Saint Mary's was Scott O'Hara, E.J. Rowland, Jon Sanders, Kickert,

and Blake Sholberg, but don't count on that being the final starting lineup.

"We mixed it up a little because we wanted to take a look at some of the guys and see how they work," said Randy Bennett, head coach of the Gaels.

"We won't know the projected starters for another four to five days."

With a talented squad like this, Bennett has lots of options.

Looking to lead the team on the court are Kickert, the WCC Freshman of the Year last season, and transfer E.J. Rowland, along with senior Frederic Adjwanou.

Off the court, Bennett looks to the seniors to provide a mentoring role for the younger players, especially Chase Poole, Tyler Herr, and Jordan Boreman.

New faces on the team include seven-footer Rheda Rhalimi, who was noticeably absent from the court.



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Sophomore Scott O'Hara started Tuesday, but may not be in the starting line-up when the season steps into full-swing.

Rhalimi underwent orthoscopic surgery last week on his knee but is expected to make a full recovery after a month lay-off.

Saint Mary's is also looking to expand its reputation by having five games on TV this season.

The televised games are from Arizona, both Gonzaga games, away at USF, and home against Pepperdine.

"This will help our program, our recruiting, and the school. Plus it's exciting for the guys," said Bennett.

The Gaels have high expectations placed upon them this season, especially after being picked by the WCC Coaches Poll to finish second in conference after top ten contender Gonzaga.

Bennett, however, is hesitant to

make predictions.

"This is the best personnel I've had in my three years here," he said.

"We can come close to reaching our potential with this team but I don't know how the other teams in the conference are looking."

The Gaels look forward to a big game against USC on Dec. 6 at 7:05p.m.

The home contest is part of a doubleheader with the Lady Gaels basketball team, who will be facing UCLA earlier that day at 2:05 p.m.

Saint Mary's will also be honoring the 1958-1959 men's basketball team that made it to the Elite Eight of the NCAA Tournament.



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This year's squad could be the deepest since Bennet's start at SMC.

The end to a long soccer season

Men's team shows improvement; women's season comes to bitter end

by Skip Powers
Staff Writer

Women's Soccer

Despite finishing third in the West Coast Conference the Saint Mary's women's soccer team was snubbed of a playoff berth for the second consecutive season.

The Gaels, who finished with an 8-8-3 overall record and a 3-2-1 conference record was left with a bitter taste in their mouth, getting leap frogged by the NCAA, who gave tournament bids to the first, second, fourth and fifth teams in the WCC. The University of San Diego, who finished fifth in the WCC with a 9-7-4 overall record, earned a NCAA tournament bid by capitalizing on a weak non-conference schedule, while posting a mediocre a 2-4-1 record in the



Lisette Garcia/COLLEGIAN

The Gaels' offense just couldn't muster enough offense in their season ending loss.

West Coast Conference.

With one more goal for, or one less against, the Gaels season could still be alive. On Oct. 26 the Gaels showed that they belonged in the post-season as they held the nation's No. 8 team and the WCC's highest scoring team, Santa Clara, scoreless resulting in 0-0 tie.

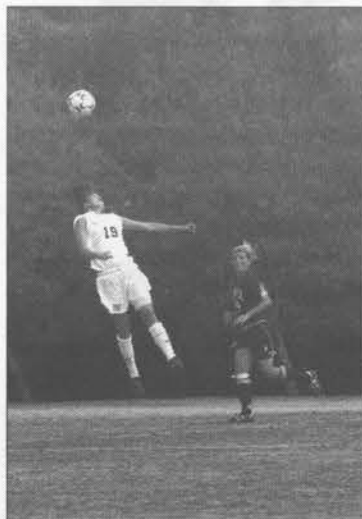
The Gaels' season could also have been different if the ball had bounced their way in two early games, each resulting in 1-1 ties, with the first coming against New Mexico, and then again on Nov. 2 facing the fourth place team in the WCC, the Pepperdine Waves.

But even though the Gaels barely missed the playoffs, great things were accomplished. The Gaels trounced No. 22 Dayton 3-1 on Sept. 21 and took No. 2 UCLA and No. 21 Stanford to the brink of exasperation before falling 0-1 in overtime.

Individual performances were recognized as well. Senior Jessica Poole, the anchor to the Gaels defense, earned First Team All-WCC honors. Poole was also selected to the Soccer America and Soccer Buzz team of the week during the Oct. 20-26 week.

Joining Poole on the First Team All-WCC team was senior midfielder Chelsea Montero. Montero lead the Gaels in points with 11, recording four goals and handing out three assists.

Earning a WCC Honorable Mention was senior defender Jill Anderson. Anderson played solid defense on the wing and recorded a goal, the first of her career, and an assist. Joining Anderson was junior midfielder Jenny



Lisette Garcia/COLLEGIAN

Junior midfielder Sarah Burgess will be a key component for next year.

Barbera, who missed significant playing time with a sprained MCL, finished with two goals and an assist in only 10 games.

Men's Soccer

The Saint Mary's men's soccer team capped off their 2003 season in impressive fashion as the Gaels exploded for nine goals in the last two games of the season, beating Hayward State 4-0 on Nov. 4, and trouncing West Coast Conference opponent Gonzaga 5-0 on Nov. 8. The five-goal debacle was the most goals the Bulldogs have allowed in a single game since 1999.

The win marks the end of a much improved season for the Gaels finishing with a 8-11-0 regular season record and a 2-4 record in the conference.

The eight wins overall doubled the victories the Gaels posted a year ago, and the two conference wins are two more than the Gaels have had in the past two seasons.

The major highlights for the Gaels 2003 season would have to be their two double-overtime upset victories. On Oct. 5, despite being over 3,000 miles away the Gaels beat head-coach Steve Rammel's alma mater, No. 11 Rutgers 2-1. Two weeks later the Gaels accomplished a similar feat as they traveled down to No. 14 LMU and again came away with a 2-1 victory.

The Gaels can attribute much of their success to the maturation of the underclassmen. The four leading point scorers for the Gaels were all freshmen and sophomores. Freshman forward Matthew Fitzgerald lead the team with five goals and four assists totalling 14 points. Fellow freshman forward Anthony Butler and sophomore defender Jon Bernal each earned nine points, scoring four goals and dishing out an assist.

The Gaels as a team recorded 30 goals, eight more than they scored a year ago and more impressively the Gaels clamped down on the defensive side of the ball, allowing 31 goals, an improvement compared to the 49 they allowed just a year ago.

Rammel lead the Gaels to their best single season record in his three year stint. Rammel, who has compiled a 17-34-4 record, will have a more experienced team under his tutelage next season, and aims to turn more heads in the one of the toughest conferences in the nation.

Hopefully we can look forward to even higher levels of play and playoff berths next year as the teams continue their rise to the top.

GAEL SMACK Skip Powers



With many fall sports concluding, we got a good look at what went on in the world of Gaels athletics this season.

Many teams made insurmountable improvements and a few coaches proved they were for real.

For starters, the women's volleyball team has gone from a 9-18 record from just a year ago, to a team that has won a school record 20 games and is getting the attention of the entire nation. In just his second season, Jon Stevenson has turned around a program that was 5-20 before he arrived into a team that should earn a berth to the NCAA tournament.

This season the Gaels have defeated three ranked opponents. Starting off the season by sweeping No. 23 Texas, then later beating ranked LMU and USD in five games.

Senior outside-hitter Jill Parmele has eclipsed the 500-kill mark which leads the West Coast Conference. Parmele has been selected WCC player of the week a number of times this season and aims to make the first team All-WCC.

Sophomore Kaui Salzman has made an immediate impact for the Gaels. Salzman leads the team in digs and is second in the WCC with 381. Salzman is also second among the Gaels in kills with 390.

The men's soccer coach Steve Rammel may not have the most impressive record to date, but his teams vast improvement and the recruiting classes that he has brought in, proves the program is taking large strides into the right direction. The Gaels top four point scorers were all freshman and sophomores. With a year under their belts, the duo of freshman forwards Fitzgerald and Anthony Butler could be a lethal combination for years to come.

Fourth year head golf coach Scott Hardy got the Gaels rolling through the fall season. The Gaels garnered national attention and seemed poised to make noise in the upcoming spring season. The Gaels turned some heads in the fall season by ranking number one in the nation in the short game. The Gaels rank second in greens hit in regulation, third in fairway hits, and fifth in par 4 and par 5 scoring.

Junior Joe Lanza, currently ranked No. 19 in the nation, is coming off one of the most successful seasons in Gael's history. Lanza earned first team All-WCC last year and currently ranks second in the country in fairway hits. Joining Lanza in the ranks is fellow junior Liam Kendregan, who is ranked 76th and closely trails Lanza in fairway hits with his no. 4 rank.

This year's success of the fall sports programs here at SMC show that the athletic department's moves in the past few years are finally beginning paying dividends. Coach Jon Stevenson may very well be on his way to being named coach of the year, and the future of Gael athletics looks to be turning a new leaf and headed in the right direction.



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watch:

Love Actually
starring Hugh Grant, Laura Linney

Get geared up for Christmas with the feel good holiday movie of the year! *Love Actually* follows the torn love lives of men and women all over Britain in their quest to find and keep true love. From politicians to 11-year-old kids, everyone's unlucky including the newly appointed Prime Minister, played by the ever-intriguing, and might I add handsome, Hugh Grant. Laura Linney, Colin Firth, Emma Thompson and Liam Neeson co-star. In order to find love, these people go to extremes just because it's Christmas. Believe me, you'll leave the theater feeling tingly even if you're not usually a hopeful romantic.

-Lara Endreszi

watch:

Legally Blonde 2
starring Reese Witherspoon

Legally Blonde 2, the sequel to *Legally Blonde*, starring Reese Witherspoon as lovable and eternally optimistic Elle Woods falls short of the original. The characters and dialogue are still wonderful and funny, but overall the plot just isn't as entertaining and in some ways is too similar to the first movie. Basically, Elle writes a bill making animal testing illegal. As in the first movie, she faces opposition from her peers, finds a guiding light, brings out the outgoing side of someone, and befriends her enemy. For a similar storyline but a better movie, just watch the first *Legally Blonde*.

-Cori Simpson

listen:

12 Memories
Travis

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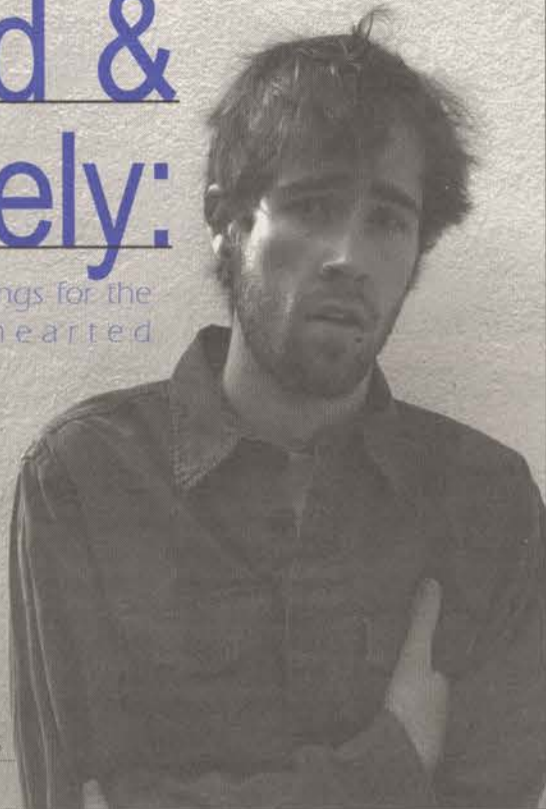
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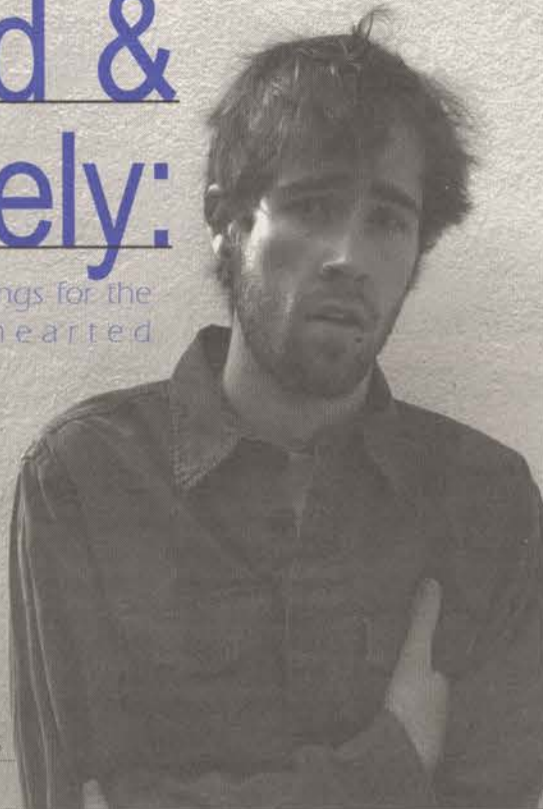
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