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Eight clubs chartered at ASSMC Senate meeting

SMC Progressives, Saint Mary's College Republicans among new student groups

by Jonathan Morales News Editor

Last Sunday the ASSMC Senate chartered an unprecedented number of new clubs. Eight new groups in all were approved by the Senate, including the SMC Progressives and the Saint Mary's College Republicans.

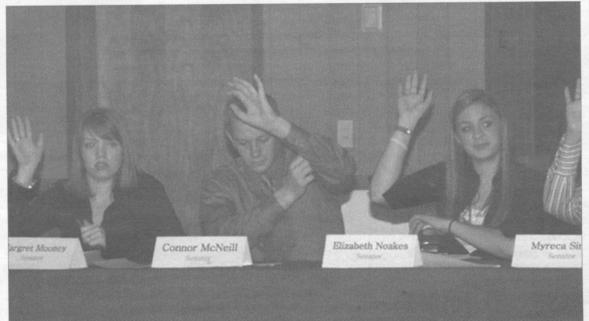
Heated debate surrounded the chartering of the College Republicans after allegations of club misconduct were brought to the attention of the Senate by the Collegian. Several senators welcomed the new voices and debate the clubs would bring to campus.

"I think it would be an awesome opportunity for this campus to have a diverse point of view," said Jeff Gaeto, junior class president. Others senators, however, pointing to the allegations, were skeptical.

"We are voting to make sure that there is a need fulfilled on campus," said junior class Vice President Jahmese Myres, "but it's also really important to remember that all clubs are...being respective of all persons."

Both the College Republicans and the Collegian addressed the Senate during the debate.

"If the Senate is afraid that the Republicans are going to be hos-



Last Sunday the Senate chartered eight clubs and confirmed the Judicial Tribunal justices

tile to other clubs...I think that has been curbed," said Mike Chin '06, treasurer of the College Republicans. "The situation has changed."

John Zabala '06, vice president for Administration, expressed his concern that these two clubs would primarily divide the campus after the meeting. He was, however, optimistic that both clubs would honor their charters.

During the Public Forum section of the meeting, representatives from both clubs expressed their desire to increase dialogue on campus. The clubs are planning to jointly sponsor a debate shortly before the presidential election.

The College Republicans were chartered with a vote of 16-9-1 (aye-nay-abstain). The SMC Progressives were chartered unanimously.

Also chartered unanimously were Amnesty International, Da Hawaii Club, the Physicists Club, the Chess Club, and The Future of our Nation. Passing with a vote of

21-0-5 was the South Asian Awareness Club.

The Senate also unanimously passed a resolution to support and actively participate in the voter registration drive sponsored by CILSA.

Kristin Mathe '06 was unanimously approved as the Chief Justice of the Judicial Tribunal. Adair Anderson '05, Mike Chin '06, Mike Cecotti '06 and Sander van der Heide '06 were also unanimously approved as justices.

Ceremony in quad kicks off Latino

by Jo-Ann Arquillano

On Tuesday, October 5, students gathered in Ferroggiaro quad to celebrate the first annual Opening Ceremony of Latino Heritage Month. The half-hour long program consisted of dance performances from a Latin jazz dancer, the dance group PULSES, and opening comments by Frances Palacios, president of the Chicana/Latina Foundation Board of Directors. The showcase was followed by lunch in Delphine Intercultural Center. The opening ceremony kicks off the nationwide observance of Latino Heritage Month. Lily Cevallos '06, vice president of LASA, the Latin American Student Association, said she appreciated the quality of the event, especially the cultural aspect. "I'm from Ecuador, and the last song she [the dancer] played took me back..." said Cevallos.

Mary Ho, director of the Delphine Intercultural Center while pleased with the student support of the Opening Ceremony, encourages more students of all backgrounds to attend the events throughout this and other upcoming diversity celebration months,

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Heritage Month

Assistant News Editor

saying that they are, "important

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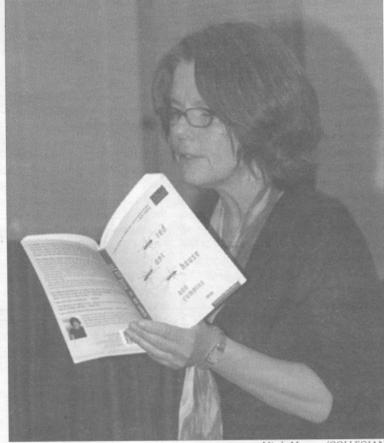
by Lindsey Rosellini Copy Editor

The Women's Resource Center, along with other groups and organizations on campus - CILSA, Delphine Intercultural Center, the Women's Studies, History, and Politics departments - have put together Women in the World on Wednesday (WWW). This semester-long event features a series of different topics and issues, each held on a Wednesday.

The WRC has always worked hard to expose the SMC community to worldwide issues. Thus far, the center has been successful in becoming one of the biggest resources at Saint Mary's. Sharon Sabotta, Director of the Women's Resource Center, says the events are to, "raise awareness about social justice and civic engagement as it-relates to women and engage the campus community and help show how these are relevant issues regardless of [your] race, sexual orientation, gender, etc.'

Students from the politics department will be among the audiences of each event, but Women in the World on Wednesday events are open to all students and staff on campus.

Along with educating us about different issues dealing with women around the world, these panels and discussions are to also



Mindy Marquez/COLLEGIAN

Ann Cummins speaks at last weeks Women in the World on Wednesdays

contribute a fresh eye towards another reoccurring topic: the 2004 elections. According www.onevotefilm.com, there are 22 million single women in the U.S. who do not vote in the 2000

"It's a timely topic because we're

approaching the elections and it's important to think of our roles in society and think about simple things we can do like voting," Sabotta said. The event dealing with this issue is called, "A

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Synopsis: Threatening phone call received in Augustine; referred to Student Conduct

10/7 12:35 a.m. Incident: Annoying odor Synopsis: Stink bomb in Mitty; referred to Student Conduct.

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Career Fair returns to Saint Mary's

Students attend annual event to begin planning for life after SMC

by Leslie Ajari Staff Writer

Last Wednesday, October 6, the Career Center sponsored a career and internship fair. This was an opportunity for the students of Saint Mary's College to cover all bases for educational and career development.

At the career fair, students were able to apply for internships, volunteer work, graduate school, and their first jobs. The fair was held to give the students of Saint Mary's College a first hand example of what opportunities are out there and available to them after college or during the summers in between their final years of college.

Among the 2004 career fair participants were commercial businesses, non-profit organizations, government agencies, law schools, and graduate schools.

Many of the students found that the career and internship fair helped to expand their horizons and open new doors to jobs they had never considered doing. The fair informed and created a positive exposure for students who were still considering what they wanted to do upon graduating.

"It's really helpful. It is wonderful to meet the firms and get exposure to different organizations and create new opportunities. In general, it's a great opportunity," said Jessica Lee '07.



A Saint Mary's student gets information from a booth at the Career Fair

was an informative event, but that most of the information was geared towards business majors.

"I don't really want to sell anything," says Ruth Padilla '05, a politics major.

However, even if you don't want to sell anything, there were still some benefits to attending the event. Padilla continued, saying, "There was lots of community service, which I like, and graduate information, which was informative."

The Career Center will have many more events for students who are interested in exploring their futures and broadening their knowledge on what types

Other students thought that it of jobs are available to them. The next event that they will be in charge of is a program called INROADS. This event will be held on October 19 in Delphine Intercultural Center from 5-6 p.m. It will provide information on internships for minorities. There will be two students speaking from Saint Mary's who are currently involved in the

> The Career Center will also be sponsoring Career Information Night - Dining with the Alumni, November 9 at 6 p.m. at the Soda Center. This will give students a chance to question Saint Mary's graduates on their experiences after graduation.

COLLEGIAN REPORT

What to do in an emergency situation

by Chris Mateo

Editor-in-Chief

Recently, students have approached the editorial staff of the Collegian with concerns regarding emergency medical situations. Peggy Burns, RN, the director of the Student Health and Wellness Center, addressed several ways that the students of Saint Mary's College could handle a medical emergency both during and after the center's hours.

Burns first referred to the most visible resources to students even before they enter the health center. "We have one of those blue emergency telephones near Augustine. An important aspect of this phone is the emergency button that auto-

matically connects to Public Safety," said Burns. She added that the emergency phone benefits those students who either don't know the number to Public Safety, or who are too distraught to dial it. "Once Public Safety is reached, they could be a cooler head and say, 'should you be driving this student, would you like our assistance?""

An important piece of paper that was made by the Office of Student Life is entitled, "Emergency Information if Health Center is Closed." This piece of paper includes 911 for the Moraga paramedics, Public Safety's extension (4282), and directions to local emergency

"The most commonly used [emergency rooms] are John Muir Medical Center and Kaiser Hospital, both in Walnut Creek," said Burns. She added that Alta Bates in Berkeley and Muir Primary and Immediate Care Clinic are alternatives.

"Always call 911 when in doubt," said Burns. "However, if you decide to call Public Safety, they can have 911 here in a flash.

Burns also recommended Safe Ride (935-1234) as another resource. "Students should always have their insurance cards ready, just in case. That helps a lot," said Burns. "Keep in mind that even if the student has had medical attention from an emergency room, we, at the Health and Wellness Center, will follow up. It's not like if you have another doctor we're going to stop making sure you're okay. That's what we're here for."

WHAT'S HAPPENING...

TODAY

Chat Room: Influencing the Future, 7:00 p.m. -9:00 p.m., Soda Center; space is limited, register online on SMCnet to participate

The Stepford Wives, 9:00 p.m., Dryden Hall

WEDNESDAY

Religion, Spirituality, and Your Career. A panel presentation on Graduate and Professional Studies in Theological Education by Harvard Divinity School, 6:30 p.m., Sichel 101

Women in the World on Wednesday, 11:30 - 12:30 p.m., Delphine Intercultural

THURSDAY

CILSA Faithful Citizen Roundtable, 12:00-1:00 p.m., Student Involvement Conference Room

WEEKEND

Mid-term holiday!

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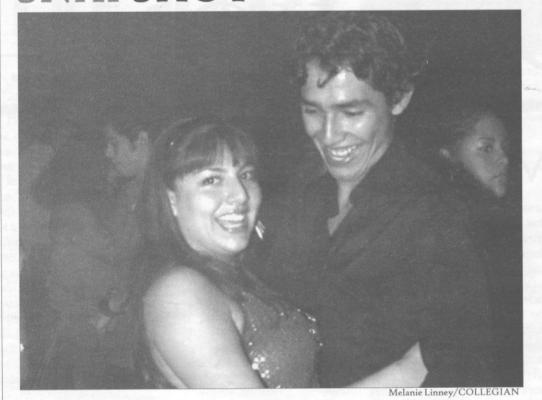
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club meetings)

SNAPSHOT



Paola Castellanos and Antonio Corona take a quick pose for the camera at the La Panchanga dance last Saturday, sponsored by the Latin American Student Association.

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multicultural, gender perspective of what's at stake in the 2004 election," and will be held October 13 in Delphine Intercultural Center.

Although the discussions deal

with women's issues, they are not at all aimed just for women. Men are encouraged to come to WWW. It is presented to show everyone issues through an unseen perspective. Grad student Elia Moreno is looking forward to bringing WWW to the campus community.

"It's exciting seeing people involved in it, and learning about these new issues," said Moreno.

Among the other events being held are human trafficking, social action contributed by Latinas, and World AIDS Day.

MONTH: SMC celebrates Latino culture

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educational experiences." Ho also acknowledges the involvement of students throughout the various programs of the month. "It is the student energy behind it that really makes or breaks the program," said Ho.

Various other events are scheduled throughout the month, sponsored by CILSA, the Women's Resource Center, LASA, Delphine Intercultural Center, Latino Student Programs, Campus Ministry, Program Board and Student Involvement and Leadership.

Ho, emphasizes the importance of the involvement of the various campus groups, saying that the collaboration among the resources were "integral" in the programming for the monthlong celebration.

Throughout October Saint Mary's will welcome various speakers for the Women Around the World on Wednesdays series, as well as keynote speaker Elizabeth "Betita" Martinez, a Chicana activist, author and educator, on Wednesday, October 20.

Latino Heritage month will also bring spoken word artists, "Chicano Messengers of Spoken Word" to the campus Monday, October 25. Additionally, Delphine Intercultural Center will host a "Dine and Discuss" of the feature film Frida and alters for the observance of Dia de los Muertos.

CILSA will be holding programs every Wednesday night of the month in Justin Hall discussing issues such as Latino voting, praying with Mary, Mother of the Americas, and recounting the influences of Cesar Chavez and the late Archbishop of El Salvador, Oscar Romero.

LASA also contributed to the month's events with La Pachanga, the dance held in the Soda Center last Saturday, October 9. "We were definitely looking forward to it and we had an excellent turnout," said

Paola Castellanos '05, acted as one of the mistresses of ceremony for the Opening Ceremony. "It's more important, more valuable, that students celebrate what's important to them," Castellanos said.

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NATIONAL AND WORLD NEWS BITES

BY TONY WALA-HAYNES

-ALBUQUERQUE, New Mexico--On the last day of the city's balloon festival, a hot air balloon wrapped itself around a radio tower. The pilot and his two young passengers were forced to slide down the nearly 700-foot tower.

-CHANHASSEN, Minnesota--President Bush's campaign aides are shrugging off rumors that the president was wired in his first debate with Senator Kerry. The rumors began on the internet after a photograph was discovered of Bush at the debate with a small, square shape between his shoulder blades.

-BAGHDAD, Iraq--Seven people, including a U.S. soldier died Sunday when two car bombings exploded in separate sections of the city. The intended target of the first car bombing was an Iraqi Police Academy.

-BOULDER, Colorado--After the death of Lynn Bailey Jr., the National Board of Chi Psi decided to close down the fraternity chapter indefinitely. The fraternity has stood for 84 years. However, the death of Bailey due to acute alcohol poisoning has forced a series of investigations.

-LOS ANGELES, California--Melissa Etheridge's publicist announced Thursday the rocker has been diagnosed with breast cancer and has canceled tour dates to undergo treatment.

-INDIANAPOLIS, Indiana--Latanya Edmonds, 24, was convicted Friday of beating her 4-year old daughter to death. Edmonds reportedly beat her daughter because she took a drink out of a sipping cup after she was told not to.

-WALNUT HILLS, Ohio--A Jewish cemetery was vandalized for the second time in 6 weeks, prompting police to search for the vandalizers. Over 100 headstones were knocked over causing over \$40,000 in damage.

BEDFORD, New York--Actor Christopher Reeve died of a heart failure Sunday. He was 52. He gained fame starring in the "Superman" movies, and was paralyzed in a near-fatal horse-riding accident nine years ago.

(Sources: Cnn.com, Msnbc.com, The New York Times)

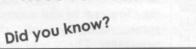
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The Guru **Speaks**

by Colin deLeon-Horton

Staff Writer

For as long as I can remember, and for no good reason, I have been an awful student. I think I hit rock bottom several years ago when I was in high school and almost was held back because of my miserable performance in science classes. I passed eventually, though, and for whatever reason the admissions office would care to offer, was accepted here. Since then, I have always said that I would do much, much better. Far back in the crooks and crannies of my mind, I swear I could hear someone just laughing and laughing at

In the old days, I would have brushed off my miserable performance and just attributed it to the fact that school was stupid. I wasn't stupid, all my teachers agreed, so that made the most sense to me. However, since then, I have found that I actually rather like school. And yet, my grades are still miserable. Why? Well, after much deliberation and denial, I finally had to admit that the fault lies with me and the fact is that I never do my work. Or at least, I don't do it on time. I procrastinate. Bad.

In case any of you don't believe me on this, I would like to point out that I am currently typing this an hour past midnight on Saturday. My deadline was Thursday. This isn't unusual, and in fact, I think that I've done uncommonly well this week, since I've actually thought about what I was going to write and even opened up the dear old writing program on my computer once to start it. Then old habits kicked in. I yawned, typed in the odd word or two, deleted it, hemmed and hawed, got distracted by a shiny butterfly. Damnnation.

I often wish that I didn't always wait until the last minute to finish my work. I sometimes wonder what it's like. Perhaps I would have finished my seminar reading on time or at least more than 20 minutes before class started. Maybe, God forbid, I would have had an essay done, proofread and edited for simple grammar errors. Maybe it would have been full of coherent thoughts instead of boring incomprehensible, late night adrenaline-induced thoughts. Perhaps my paper would even have been...good? Oh, wow.

I bring this up now because I know that many of you understand perfectly. Since school started a month and a bit ago, we've all probably had several tests and at least one essay. How many of you waited until the last minute to do your work? Hands up, now be honest. If I could actually see you right now, I'm sure that at least half of you would have your hands high, proudly raised up in the universal salute of the, let's face it, lazy. I know I'm correct. What can I say? There really is no excuse for what we do.

Meanwhile, I'm going to give it another shot. I'll try to leave the TV off and keep my away message up while I'm online. I WILL get my work done. After tonight; and after I look at this butterfly.

PINION

Collegian Quote of the Week: I refuse to answer that question on the grounds that I don't know the answer.- Douglas Adams

Collegian View

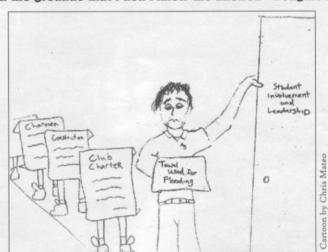
A spirited debate has sprung up on campus, and while The Collegian sits in the midst of it, torn between clubs and organizations, which are supposed to bring unity, Saint Mary's College has become again further divided.

Our campus has prided itself on its Lasallian virtues of service, and yet from listening to club/ organization involvement, most service clubs have far less participation than political and special interest groups.

New clubs on campus were chartered on Sunday. A mere 77 students are officially signed up for Amnesty International, a nonpartisan club devoted to human rights, and the College Republi- refuse to allow the assumption

cans boasted more than double that participation with numbers around 150 students. The irony that people are more likely to unite for a common dislike of a group rather than uniting for servicing another group is almost

On a campus as small as SMC, division between groups is near fatal. It is our uniquely small and diverse campus that allows us to work in collaboration with other clubs and organizations. The Collegian must again reiterate that we extend the invitation for all students to contribute to our weekly paper. We have yet to exclude any group on campus, and we



Senate approved unprecedented number of clubs on Sunday.

It seems that the purpose of college clubs is to uphold the Lasallian principles; it is strength in these principles that make SMC a thriving campus. Regard-

that we will do so to become less of the intentions of the political groups on campus, they will potentially segregate our student body. Clubs which seek to alienate in their very nature, whether it is the intention or not, are dividing our campus.

ommunity

Hello Collegian,

I am writing because I am a bit concerned with the article written by Shandon Griffen. I am a graduate of SMC 2004. I am in Montana right now as a Lasallian volunteer and Br. Michael sent me this issue because of Br. Craig's resignation. I have always thought this paper was at least a little fair and somewhat entertaining, but this article on Bush is a disgrace. I mean, how can you let someone put in an article that was taken from a website? And the article did not even say anything specific. All it said is that Bush cares about the economy and the welfare of the people. I ask, who doesn't? So next time this kid or anyone else wants to write a political piece, at least have it be researched. Georgewbush.com is not research. I am teaching 8th grade out here, and that would have received an F for it says nothing. So please try and maintain some integrity of the newspaper. The school is already losing day by day. You don't have to help it.

Concerned Alumnae, Ryan Keenan

In 1989, a fatwa was placed on the head of the brilliant writer, Salman Rushdie, for the publication of his novel "The Satanic Verses." To date, over 50 people have been murdered as a result of this fatwa. I, for one, remember the days in 1989-1990 when Yusuf Islam AKA Cat Stevens openly supported the murder of Rushdie. This man of "peace" was advocating the murder of a British citizen for the contents of his novel. I also remember the musicians from around the globe who destroyed all of Cat Stevens' records. Peace Train indeed. We suffer from shortterm memory when we advocate on behalf of a man who has called for the murder of a writer for his non-violent expressions.

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Yes, it's true: campus ministry cosponsored the lecture by Medea Benjamin. If you were present at the lecture, you would know that the focus was the war in Iraq. The fact that Ms. Benjamin is a member of the Green Party and a supporter of women's right to choose and gay marriage shows that Mr. Iden had another agenda in mind instead of the war in Iraq. What was he there for? Mr. Iden asked why is campus ministry a Catholic organization?

First of all, campus ministry is not an organization. We are a department of staff and volunteer students dedicated to the Catholic tradition of the college. Second, Catholic as we know it in the broadest sense means "universal." We are a universal church and a very diverse community here at SMC. We do not only represent the Catholic student body at SMC, but also everyone on campus. Our actions in cosponsoring events are not contrary to the teachings of the church because as a people of faith, we neither condemn nor condone the beliefs, lifestyles, or political affiliations of others. We are here to offer all the sides of the issues. We are following the Lasallian tradition of educating people in many relevant issues. Our hope is that by providing support and an opportunity for people to share ideas and openly engage in conversation, no matter how controversial the issues might be, they will be free to make their own decisions. If you attend Sunday mass you know that our theme for this year is "One Community, Many Gifts." Campus ministry ac-

knowledges the diversity of our

campus community and embraces it with open arms. It's true; we cosponsor events with GALA. Are you shocked? Well, here is more to knock you off your feet. We also cosponsor events with CILSA, BSU, LASA, APASA, Dante, Women's Resource Center and other clubs and organizations on campus. We acknowledge their gifts that they offer our community on the daily basis and we thank each and every one of them. The Christian Brothers support campus ministry. They attend our Sunday liturgy and students attend daily mass. Some of you might know that Br. Camillus is part of the campus ministry staff. Therefore, we can honestly say that we do collaborate with the Christian Brothers. We invite all the members of the SMC community to stop by campus ministry and check it out. We are "One Community, Many Gifts." Let's all embrace them. LIVE JESUS IN OUR HEARTS...FOREVER!

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Real or Imagined?

What's behind the draft scare?

by L. Longobardi & B. Adragna

Asst. Opinion Editor & Staff Writer

Do you want to be drafted? No one does, if the definition is correct. Dictionary.com defines the draft as, "compulsory enrollment in the armed forces; conscription." In other words, part of the draft is that it's compulsory. It's not a matter of free will or choice. In order to address this issue, there have been a series of posters asking students the question, "Think you can't get drafted? Think again." These call attention to the fact that a recent bill proposed that the draft be reinstated. This has affected Saint Mary's students so much that several speakers, representing four different parties, have come to speak on this and other topics affecting the election this November. These speakers undoubtedly have some insight into the issue, but based on the advertisements, they are actually concerned with much more than this one topic.

Many Democrats might be surprised to learn that the bill that proposed the draft was written

and presented to the House and the Senate by two Democrats: Charlie Rangel, a representative for the state of New York, and Senator Fritz Hollings of South Carolina. These two have reputations as being two of the most liberal members of Congress. According to his website, Rangel has proposed such projects as The Empowerment Zone Program, which provides money for urban and rural development and has supported programs to direct more

money to Medicare in New York (house.gov/rangel). Senator Hollings has supported the Oceans and Human Health Act, which will help with research regarding the ocean and its relationshipto health

(hollings.senate.gov).

It is curious that these two, who have traditionally opposed the war in Iraq, would support, much less initiate, a bill reinstating the draft. Rangel, however, has acknowledged that one of the goals of his and Hollings' bill is to cause further controversy regarding the war in Iraq. Kerry has also stated that Bush plans to put the draft back into effect, but the Bush administration has stated that this is not the case. Donald Rumsfeld has said that it is not



even being considered.

Rangel and Hollings believe that in addition to sparking further controversy regarding the war in Iraq (a huge issue in this upcoming election), this bill will address the idea of a draft being a shared sacrifice for the people of the United States. They have hoped that the threat of the draft will direct interest to the proportion of working class people in the military. The truth is that the military offers great benefits to people who serve. The military can help pay for college, which is an important consideration for people who may not be able to afford college on their own.

Many people believe that if there aren't enough people willing to fight a war, then the war should not be fought. This is an interesting statement, especially considering the number of people who seem to be joining the military. There are more than two million military employees in the United States, the largest number of any country in the world. There are many young people who are willing to fight America's wars; the draft is an unnecessary

In addition to being unnecessary, the draft is morally wrong. It's wrong to force people to endure the horrors of war without their consent. Military life is tough in itself, never mind the

emotional scarring and physical danger of fighting a war. If there is no direct danger to the coun-

try, then there shouldn't be any direct danger to our youth. It's one thing to voluntarily put yourself in the face of danger. It's another to have another person or group of people require you

to do so. It is unfair of Rangel and Hollings to be initiating this bill in the manner they are. It is primarily to scare young people and mobilize anti-Bush sentiments.

The threat of a draft has greatly inflamed the youth of America against the Bush Administration, but it is a proposal made by Democrats. It is unfair of Rangel and Hollings to play with facts and encourage un-

truths, especially in an election year. It is the responsithe canbility of didates and ticians to

uphold at least some semblance of honesty and to not resort to underhanded tactics to influence people.

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The reality of Bush's policies

by Blair Howard

The upcoming election has

Contributor

raised a heightened awareness that we have a role to play and that there is a broad spectrum of opinions on campus. But there have also been problems in this discourse. Facts and reasoning are often thrown out the door, allowing emotion to take over and cloud thinking. So let's get down to the issues because at the end of the day it is our country as a whole that will be affected and not just our feelings. First, there are rumors out there that there has been much progress economically since Bush was given office -- jobs created, fast growth rate across the board -- but the problem with this is that things got so bad in the beginning of his presidency that overall, there have been loses. When Bush took office in January 2001, the unemployment rate nationally was 4.2 percent, and now it is .6, a clear step backwards. (Sourced from the US Department

www.dol.gov.) But the real question here is: what kind of jobs are being created? I don't think future generations will be able to pay off the sky-rocketing national debt incurred during Bush's presidency working at Wal-Mart.

of Labor. They have a

website,

And compassion? Is it compassionate to blackmail impoverished African countries into not producing the prescription drugs they need to treat HIV/ AIDS in exchange for aid in order to line the pockets of the prescription drug companies? Or just as bad, setting the sexual education of the policies to focus on abstinence only, something

which imposes Bush's cultural values on a culture that does not share the same view on sex. But back to the prescription drugs. Bush is credited with lowering the cost of drugs by providing money to cover the costs of drugs that people need to survive. But what this does is act as welfare to drug companies who are still able to charge inflated prices, while taxpayers foot the bill. It is uncompassionate and unfair to mandate a federal program like No Child Left Behind, Bush's flagship of domestic policy, then defund it, setting up schools already failing to continue to fail, which then gives the federal government

power to hand over the school to be run by a private company, which, stud-(Melanie Linney)

ies have proven, do not increase student test scores. This affects me directly as a future teacher, who, while I agree that there must be accountability, also asks that the government provide the funding to all schools to obtain the resources and personnel that they need to help the children succeed.

Lastly, let's look at Bush's position on Social Security. He claims that partially privatizing Social Security will help people, but in fact, it will make it more risky because it will subject their money to the uncertainties of the market, including corporate scandal, which the Bush administration has done little to remedy. Also, the Social Security system would work fine, if the federal government, which includes Democrats and Republicans, did not rob the Social Security trust to pay for things that they know they can't pay for without raising taxes, something all of them are afraid to mention.

Now, I admit John Kerry is a typical politician who tries to play both sides by being unclear, but I also think stubbornly being wrong is worse than changing your opinion after receiving new facts. It has been pointed out that Kerry has 'flip-flopped' on the issue of same-sex marriages, citing that, "in 2002 he signed a letter urg-

ing Massachusetts legislature to reject a constitutional amendment banning gay marriage." This is not a change of position because he still opposes a constitutional ban on gay marriage. I can see how people could perceive it as change of position, but actually if they read what he said about the issue, they would see that though Kerry changed his position to support a ban on gay marriage, he would do so only if it provided equal rights for same-sex couples. See, it takes more than reading just the headlines and George W. Bush's website to know what is really going on. Now, I am no John Kerry supporter, for I see him as just another head of an ugly, destructive monster known as the two-party system, and so I do support people of all political persuasions -- Green, Libertarian, or whatever is out there for you -- to go out and find the candidate who really speaks to you, who really represents you. Do not compromise your beliefs just to have your vote 'count' because under this system, it is hard to see how it works unless you live in a 'battleground state.

Where have all the Republicans gone?

by Cori Simpson

In-Depth Editor

As we get closer and closer to the election, political opinions are taking center stage. But more and more, I wonder where are all the Republicans? I know they are out there, as evidenced by various Collegian articles and letters to the editor, but compared to the Democrats, they seem to be missing.

The Democrats are everywhere voicing their opinions, backing up John Kerry and proclaiming their hatred/dislike of President Bush. Their views can be seen in pins they wear, bumper stickers they put on their cars, and conversations they strike up with their

All the while, Republicans sit back and listen. Sure, they might be angered by what the Democrats say but they don't do a very good job of letting anyone know. Where are the voices backing up President Bush? Where are the voices denouncing John Kerry?

Of course the Republicans haven't been completely mute about their views. In class discussions, while Democrats speak loudly about their views, the Republicans sit back and mumble under their breath how wrong Democrats are and how Bush will do a better job when he's re-elected. Mostly, however, Republican views only come to light when the Democrats have been so outspoken that Republicans can't help but explode.

Are the Republicans ashamed of their beliefs? Do they think Democrats will terrorize and berate them for agreeing with and supporting Republican values? If not, then why don't they wear their party affiliation on their sleeve as the Democrats do? Surely it can't be bad to support the President. And if it is, then why be a Republican?

Saint Mary's is a liberal campus. It is rife with Democratic views and opinions. If the Republicans have problem with this they need to stop hiding in a corner and vocalize their opinions (in a respectful way, of course) and then maybe there won't be such a feud and silent hatred among the political parties here.

Did you watch the first three? The third presidential debate TOMORROW 6:00 p.m. Dryden Hall

there's still one more...

Reviews

[Atkins approved]

Wimbledon

The other day I saw a little movie by the makers of practically all of those cute British Romantic comedies us chicks love to watch. Wimbledon stars Paul Bettany, normally the funny sidekick, and America's own blonde sweetheart [Bleh] Kirsten Dunst. Even though this movie is like, totally, like, a "chick-flick," you could probably drag a guy along, he could maybe even enjoy the "action" of the tennis. But really, the movie is actually quite entertaining. There are plenty of cute one-liners, romantic moments, and even a quick peek at Bettany's ass. PS. Not that bad! Go see it now!

- Melanie Linney

American Idiot - Green Day

"Don't wanna be an American idiot!"Billie Joe Armstrong belts on, American Idiot. An intensified progress since their Smoothed Out Slappy Hours days. Yeah, so they've sold out. Who cares? We all know it sounds more creative and experimental than their younger, punk days. The redundancy got old. American Idiot reveals the bands musical growth, with all respect to their earlier music in the 90's. It's like a rock musical colored with catchy power chords and beats [A Green Day specialty], yet bitterly political. This album has been dubbed a "rock opera" smoothly transitioning from song to song. A highly creative piece on Green Day's part.

- Lindsey Rosellini

The Motorcycle Diaries

The trip taken by Ernesto Guevara and his friend through South America became Ernesto's political awakening. "The Motorcycle Diaries" is a beautiful and thought-provoking film focusing on this voyage. When we are not admiring the luscious landscapes of Chile or the amazing ruins of Machu Picchu, we get glimpses into the future Ernesto. The director, Walter Salles, gives subtle hints of what Ernesto will become in the next 8 years: Che Guevara, the always contemporary, often romanticized leader of the Cuban Revolution. This film incorporates playful humor to interesting drama without losing its epic feel. A truly great film.

- Jaime Zepeda

DETOUR

MARRIAGE:

Valuable Sacrament, or Entertaining Joke?

by Cori Simpson

Although reality shows are quite common and popular these days, another theme in television is beginning to infiltrate network programs. This theme is the de-sanctification of marriage.

Shows such as "Trading Spouses," "Desperate Housewives," and the myriad of reality marriage shows from "Who Wants to Marry My Dad" to "Who Wants to Marry a Millionaire" make marriage look like a joke and divorce look like the easy solve-all-solution to marital problems.

A few years ago when the reality marriage shows started to emerge in TV schedules, I was a little surprised and wondered who would want to participate in such a mockery of serious commitment. It seemed more suited for SNL than prime time.

But what really brought this to my attention was last Sunday's premiere of "Desperate Housewives." Of the four main characters, none of them has a happy or functional marriage.

The "picture perfect" Martha Stewart type mom is such a control freak that her family hates her and her husband asks for a divorce. The beautiful "trophy wife" argues with her husband all the time while carrying on a secret affair with the gardener. The "lawyer turned soccer mom" never sees her husband (because he's always away on business) unless he comes home to get her pregnant again. Finally, the "divorcee-on-the-hunt-for-a-newman" doesn't talk to her ex-husband (which is mentioned by her daughter) and aggressively tries to woo the new hot guy in town.

This show sends the message that if you're not happy with your marriage, a) get a divorce, or b) have an affair. It gives no regard to the fact that marriage is about compromise and that there are other ways to overcome unhappiness in a marriage. I understand that this is a fictional show and that the characters are there to entertain us, but I can't help but be annoyed at the way the producers are choosing to entertain us.

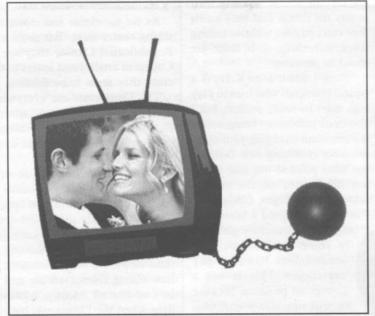


Illustration by Melanie Linney

October Concert Calendar

12 Her Space Holiday \$12 Bottom of the Hill

> Taking Back Sunday \$18.50 Warfield

14 Do Make Say Think & Drift Continental \$8 Bottom of the Hill

15 Fiery Furnaces & Black
Lipstick Bottom
\$12 Bottom of the Hill 21+

REM \$45-75 Greek Theatre-Berkeley **Bright Eyes** \$18-23 Zellerbach Hall-Berkeley

15/16 Old 97's \$20 Fillmore

Katyana Sacro

16/17 Yellow Card & The Starting Line \$22.50 Warfield

17 Bob Dylan \$37.50 Heas Pavilion-Berkeley

18 Azeem
Free! Café Du Nord

Martha Stewart lives on

A theoretical memorandum to her fellow inmates



by Melanie Linney and Chris Mateo

In March of 2004, Ms. Stewart was convicted of lying about why she sold stock in a biological technology company in 2001, right before the price dropped. Stewart requested to begin serving her sentence, even after

In March of 2004, Ms. Stewart the fact that she was allowed to re-

The following memo is a purely fictional and somewhat humorous account of Ms. Stewart's warden in West Virginia.

Memorandum

To: The inmates of Alderson Federal Prison

CC: The Collegian, Saint Mary's College

From: Mrs. Warden

Date: 10/12/2004

Re: Inmate 55170-054, Ms. Martha Stewart

It has been brought to my attention that many of the inmates are feeling somewhat hesitant to socialize with our newest inmate, Ms. Martha Stewart. Upon reviewing these complaints and speaking with the inmate in question, I have found that the only way to resolve this issue is by facing all of your fears. If she tries to decoupage you to the wall, be not afraid, for it is only part of the prison's new beautification process that Ms. Stewart will be heading up.

Please do not be threatened by her newly formed posse, The Everyday Collective (TEC), formerly known as The Bloody Switchblades (TBS). And also, please do not be jealous of their fully stocked new K-Mart collection of linen, rumor has it that it will soon be on sale along with a subscription to *Living*.

Regarding her so-called weapons, Ms. Stewart uses these as artistic expression, not as a way of "claiming new [female dogs]." These artistic tools are used to create, not destroy. While I'm not at all certain how a machete could create something useful, she ensures me that it is. Also, she promises me that neither she nor her posse will be using the hot glue gun for "earning street cred." And for those of you who have heard the phrase "bash some skulls," this is primarily a term used by those interested in creating simple mosaics from unused artifacts, not your head.

Lastly, Ms. Stewart will be holding a crafts show in the yard. She will be decorating the links of the fence with leftover license plate materials to form a giant eye, large heart, and the letters "M" and "S".

Be gracious to our guest, she may include you in her book.

19 The Used \$19.50 Grand Ballroom Regency Center

21 Elefant \$5-8 Popscene

21/22 PJ Harvey \$30 Warfield

22 Explosions in the Sky \$14 Café Du Nord

22-24 Los Lonely Boys \$25 Fillmore

25 Interpol Oct \$25 Warfield

26 Courtney Love \$32.50 Fillmore

27 Five for Fighting \$20 Fillmore

28 Megadeth \$25 Warfield

29 John Vanderslice/Alaska! \$10 Café Du Nord

> Britt Daniel of Spoon/ Two Gallants/Nedelle \$12 Cafe Du Nord

31 The Cramps \$20 Warfield

Still listening to crap? Then read on... IO bands that you don't know but should

Angel Vasquez Detour Editor



So lately I've been hearing a lot of people say that they listen to heavy metal. But the bands they listen to aren't. Some of you might be thinking, "who cares?" Well, if you like Dave Matthews Band and John Mayer and the like, then you listen to crap and this article isn't for you. If you listen to pop/depressing pop-punk princess leftovers...I don't even know why I'm addressing you, just keep listening to it because we're better off without you. If I didn't name your genre then you're OK. This is for the people who think Korn are the godfathers of modern metal. So put down your tired out Disturbed, Hoobastank, Puddle of Mudd, Incubus CD's, and all that other [expletive], and take some notes, because these are some of the best bands that you've probably never heard of.

10. Throwdown

These guys are pure and simple hardcore. My friend Chris Long got kicked in the face by the lead singer at one of their concerts. It was the best concert of his life.

9. Suicidal Tendencies

Probably the oldest band on this list, dating back to the early 80's. They are one of the innovators of thrash but get the least credit.

8. Black Label Society

Featuring the latest guitar hero Zakk Wylde, the only man that Ozzy Osbourne trusts to handle guitar duties for him.

7. Primus

Mainly remembered for their comedic stylings, notably on Wynona's Big Brown Beaver and other animated music videos that were banned by MTV.

6. Corrosion of Conformity

They are the modern day Lynyrd Skynyrd. Good of Rock from the South.

5. H.I.M.

The creators of Love Metal, Metal you can make love to. Why bust out Donna Lewis when you got H.I.M. (or H.E.R. as they are known under their American label)?

4. Lacuna Coil

People in America compare them to Evanescence because of the female singer. People in Europe will kill you if you say that. Of course, if we were in Europe, I wouldn't have to make this list because they know what metal is.

3. E. Town Concrete

They are the Led Zeppelin of the rapcore underground. 'Nuff said.

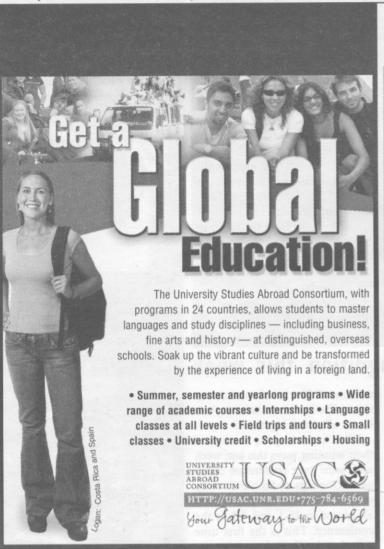
2. Lamb of God

I know I haven't shut up about these guys, but it's unadulterated bad-assness.

1. Faith No More

Another pretty old band from the early 80's that broke up '97. If you think bands like System of a Down and Korn are original, just listen to Faith No More, and you'll know where these new bands got their sound and style from.

And if you don't like this list, then just admit that you listen to crap.



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Haunting season Ghosts of Saint Mary's

Naveen Prasad Ghost Tracker N

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For God and Country

Story: In the Our Lady of the Oaks Grove, a memorial stands to the over 1,400 men of Saint Mary's College who, during World War 2, served their country. In particular, the men who made the ultimate sacrifice are honored here. Supposedly, a candle will be lit, when no one has lit it.

Conclusion: It's not always lit, and, although I stuck around for 30 minutes, this was one night when nothing happened. Perhaps it is only lit on the anniversary of one of the honoree's sacrifice.

Keep your hands to yourselves now, children

Story: The library closes at the odd hour of 11:45 p.m. because after midnight, the ghost of one the brothers who used to work here comes back. If he sees you touching the books, he gets mad, and starts throwing things at you, or knocking over bookshelves. Conclusion: I conclude that the library is very, very creepy at night. With the permission of the library staff, I stayed after midnight, and wandered the halls. The shelves looked uninviting and dark. When midnight rolled around, I picked the creepiest hall, and went down it, touching all the books along the way. Nothing happened, until I got to the end of the hall. Then, a feeling of weakness came over me. I felt a bit dizzy and faint. I immediately ate a small granola bar I had in my pocket, and the feeling passed. Note to self: eat dinner next time. Oh, and the ghost? He left me alone.

Got your back

Story: On the third floor of the library, in the corners, at any time of the day or night, one can feel somebody, or more correctly, something, standing right behind them. When they whirl around, there is nothing there. Conclusion: I stood in the corner for no more than 7 minutes, and I felt it. There was something behind me. Close behind me. I spun around, and found my fellow ghost hunter standing there, making a face at me. After socking him in the arm, I went back to my position of facing the corner, waiting. Eventually, I got bored and went looking for other ghosts.

The author would like to thank the library staff, in particular Mr. Norm Partridge and Ms. Sharon Walters, for making this story possible. It seems the flashlight has again burned out, my happy, yet hopefully scared, campers. Keep reading for more ghost stories.

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Chad Cocco

As last year's Saint Mary's freshman theyear, Cocco has been solid all year for the Gaels. This



last week, the sophomore posted a fifth place finish at the Lexus Golf Classic in Fresno, California. He shot a 68, four under par. Overall, the Gaels finished at 853 strokes, eleven under par.

Mandy Bible

Once again, Bible is leading the pack. Last week, the sophomore setter for Saint Mary's was named the AP Poll national



player of the week. Her play has been big in the last week as the Gaels continue their winning ways with victories over the Gonzaga Bulldogs and Portland Pilots.

> -Michael Chin, **Sports Editor**



Women's Soccer (9-5) Colorado College Defeats SMC 1-0

Men's Soccer (2-3-4)

SMC Ties Ties Univ. San Diego 0-0

Volleyball (15-1)

SMC Defeats Gonzaga 3-0 SMC Defeats Portland University 3-0

Men's Basketball **Opening Game Date:** November 11th

SMC Weekly Athletic Schedule

Friday

Volleyball vs. San Diego at McKeon Pavilion 7pm

Men's Soccer at Portland, 7pm

Women's Soccer vs. USF, Garaventa Field 3pm

Saturday

Volleyball vs. #13 Santa Clara at McKeon Pavilion 7pm

Sunday

Women's Soccer vs. Santa Clara, Garaventa Field 3pm

Men's Soccer at Gonzaga, 2pm

SPORTS

Athletic Director Carl Clapp reveals all

After five years at the helm of SMC athletics Carl Clapp has a lot to say

Assistant Sports Editor

If you consider yourself an SMC sports fan, you've probably heard of Carl Clapp, our athletic director here at Saint Mary's. What you may not know is the story behind the name. Well, lucky for you, The Collegian is up to the challenge. We found out the real story behind the king of SMC sports.

Clapp came to Saint Mary's five years ago from the University of Redlands, where he was Director of Athletics and Physical Education. He is a graduate of UC Santa Barbara and also the University of Arizona, where he earned his masters degree in Sports Administration.

As a child, he grew up playing baseball and basketball. In high school, he wrestled and also played wide receiver for the football team. Eventually, he would go on to play two years for Santa Barbara Community College as a wide receiver.

Today, Clapp lives with his family in Pleasant Hill, including his wife Joyce and four kids between the ages of 9 and 15, all of whom are active in sports.

During the week, the athletic director is constantly on the move. Typically, on Mondays,



Wednesdays, and Fridays he is on campus keeping up to date with coaches, athletes, and administrators. On Tuesdays and Thursdays, Clapp visits alumni and other donors to the sports program. On Saturdays and Sundays, he spends his time watching SMC games.

Clapp says his biggest goal as athletic director is, "to make sure that all of the student-athletes have a quality experience while at Saint Mary's." With an over 90% graduation rate to add to his resume, Clapp has also insured the academic success of several young men and women.

He says that includes providing quality coaches, good facilities (which he realizes need work), and competitive schedules. Over his five year tenure at SMC, Clapp has hired volleyball coach John Stevenson, as well as basketball coach Randy Bennent. Both these choices have been key in the recent resurgence of SMC sports these last few years. Currently, Clapp faces several big challenges including the reconstruction of the baseball infield and the reallocation of \$400,000 in athletic grants formerly assigned to the football team.

Clapp says his favorite part of the job is, "the opportunity to attend games and be around the coaches and student-athletes." So the next time you're out supporting Saint Mary's Gael athletics, look around for Mr. Clapp. He may be the fan sitting right next Copy Editor

Noah Friedman-Biglin,

Saint Marys Women's

Soccer

first half proved to be an insur-

mountable hurdle for the Gaels

this past Friday, as they fell 1-0 to

the Colorado College Tigers

Stephanie Kernan '06, forward for

CC, managed to slip a shot past

SMC goalkeeper Andrea Lee in

the 10th minute for the only goal of

the game. The Gaels never gave up and fired off 11 shots in the game, but could not manage to

find the back of the net. They fin-

ished their preseason with a record

of 8-5-0 and opened WCC play on

Sunday.

A defensive lapse early in the

Saint Marys Men's Soccer

The SMC men's soccer team was back in WCC action Friday gainst the San Diego Torcros Despite the 0-0 score line, the ame did not lack for offense. Both ams pushed hard and launched ilenty of shots, 21 for San Diego and 13 for SMC. The action confinued on to overtime with the Gaels nearly scaling a win only 1:43 into the extra period. This game marked the fourth shutout for SMC's freshman keeper Brian Mason, who has played every minute of every game for the Gaels this season. Do not miss their next home game, October 22 on Garaventa field at 1:00 p.m.

> Noah Freidman-Biglin, Copy Editor

Saint Marys Men's Golf

The Gaels posted strong re-

ults this weekend in Fresno, as

hey finished fifth out of fifteen

teams. Chad Cocco lead the way

for the Gaels, shooting a 68 and

placing 5th overall in the contest.

Freshman Mike Kelly also con-

tinued to improve posting a score

of 71 and finishing 13th in the

SMC fields: the other opponent The reflections of an athlete on the horrible fields here at SMC

by Allison Kop

Assistant Sports Editor

When I decided to come and play soccer at Saint Mary's, I expected to have to fight for a starting spot and against tough teams in our conference. What I didn't anticipate was a battle against nature.

In any sport, the surface you play on is just as important as the gear you wear. This is no different in soccer, where the field you play on is just as important as the cleats you lace up. Since the ball almost always on the ground. the surface it's on can make or break your play.

Now I understand that nature has to do its thing. I'm all for flowers blooming and cute animals scurrying around in the forest. But why does nature always have to screw up my soccer field?

Take freshman year for example. We started out playing on a lush, green field. But pretty soon, the weather got colder and our lovely field had turned brown You might as well have been playing in the mud. So what did we do? We watered it of course Unfortunately, instead of things. Mother Nature struck helping the grass to grow like we again. Her weapon of choice: wanted it to, it only soaked the fungus. Grass-eating fungus that green areas, creating mushy, wet islands of grass in a sea of dirt.Coach Rateliffe, before he left, used to call them "quagmires." No one really knew what in the most convenient places, that meant, except that if you usually right next to a goal post chance of twisting your ankle. Thanks, Mother Nature.

Sophomore year presented a different problem: Grubs. What are those you ask? Fat white worms about as big as your thumb that root in the grass. MMM... That sounds delicious.

Maybe not to you, but the raccoons had a grand old time digging up those tasty little morsels. This year, we have a new dilemma. We were lucky enough the stadium. But just when we

were getting into the swing of fungus. Grass-eating fungus that chews up our field one blade at a time. And that's not all, gophers have also moved in. These cute little critters like to dig their holes stepped in one you had a good or just in front of the 18-yard box.

Luckily, the front field is beautiful this year and we have it to play our games, now that we've been kicked out of the stadium by gophers. But that doesn' change the fact that Mother Nature is out to get me. And I don't like it one bit.

tourney. Collectively, the Gaels finished the tournament at 853, just 26 strokes behind the tournament winner BYU. SMC will next take the links this Tuesday in

> Michael Chin, Sports Editor

SMC's Bible Receives national recognition this week

By Michael Chin

Sports Editor

In the wake of SMC volleyball's highest national ranking ever, the Gaels recieved yet another boast as sophomore setter Mandy Bible was named to the the national player of the week.

Since her coming to Saint Mary's two years ago, Bible has been a constant force for the Gaels. In her freshman year she led the team in total assists with

1,520 as well as team average with 12.66 per game. Currently, she ranks fifth in the all time assists records as SMC.

Bible has brought a new dimension to her game. Once again, she leads the team in assists with 788 while also posting 34 kills this season. Her play has been a big reason why the Gaels have reached their #19 ranked stand-

Coach Stevenson also understands her importance "She is so underated. She is as smart as any setter. She has been making plays for us all year," he stated.

Bible and company continued their winning ways this last week with wins over conference opponents Gonzaga and the University of Portland, improving their overall record to 15-1 and 4-0 in the conference. This is the first time ever that the Gaels have been undefeated in conference play. The Gaels will next face the San Diego Toreros this Friday.

What can you say, the Gaels are on a roll, going undefeated in conerence play. They added to their vinning ways this weekend with sweep of the Pacific Northwest WCC teams Gonzaga and Portland. Leading the way for the Gaels was junior Kaui Salzman, vho posted double doubles in both of the Gael's contest. Senior Lidnsey Bogason as well as ophomores Mandy Bible and assanadra Colka also made a big

Michael Chin,