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Students mourn loss, celebrate life

SMC students deal with death of Katie Springer and share their memories

by L. Ajari and J. Morales
Staff Writer and News Editor

Throughout the week and at a vigil and funeral service in Napa, students remembered Katie Springer '06, who was killed instantly in a head-on collision on Highway 160 October 29.

Hundreds of family and friends packed into St. John's Catholic Church in Napa last Friday evening for the funeral service. Back at Saint Mary's, students coped with the loss and celebrated her life.

Springer, majoring in religious studies, was described to be an individual who was a great person, leader, and friend. A close friend describes her as having, "a smile that lit up the room," and, "someone who was always there if anyone needed a friend."

While at Saint Mary's, Springer was a member of the women's crew team and the Intervarsity Christian Fellowship.

"Katie Springer will be remembered for a number of things. For me, it was her contagious laughter and smile. She put so much energy into all she did and it would show each and every time I'd see her," said



Katie Springer (center, third from left) with friends

Photo courtesy of Maria Afan

Maria Afan '06, former teammate. She described the mass held in her memory on November 5 as, "a touching and heartfelt celebration of Katie's life." Afan said that after the mass the "old team" crew girls shared memories of Springer over an informal dinner.

Lindsey Owen '06, another former teammate who graduated with Springer from Justin-Siena High School in Napa described her emotional turmoil over Springer's death.

"It's sad, and it's scary. It also makes me mad sometimes. But Katie was such a wonderful, spiritual, and good person that I can now take comfort in knowing that she is at peace. Her wake and funeral were very moving and full of beautiful representations of who she was and how she lived her life," Owen said.

A student of many talents, Springer played guitar for Intervarsity and at a church in Moraga, and also volunteered in

San Francisco and Berkeley, "tutoring kids, feeding the homeless, and spending time at California Peace Action," according to Courtney Smith '06, who was in Intervarsity with Springer.

"As a friend she never took a day off. Katie had a rare balance of maturity and humor, a strong faith and an unending desire to know more about God," said Smith.

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New play combines Seminar figures

Seminar professor introduces Sor Juana to Virginia Woolf

by Chris Mateo
Editor-in-Chief

On November 10 and 11, Sandra Alassio, professor in the Collegiate Seminar Program, will be performing in her original play, "Face to Face: Sor Juana Meets Virginia Woolf." Alassio's work plays on the hypothetical situation of Virginia Woolf interviewing Sister Juana Ines de la Cruz (known as Sor Juana) - characters read by the 19th and 20th Century and Renaissance Seminar classes, respectively.

The play will be directed by professor Barry Horwitz. "The Seminar program commissioned [Sandra] to write a play on these two writers because they are read at about the same time in the Renaissance and Modern seminar classes," said Horwitz. "It's a dramatic reading because we didn't have enough time for them to learn the whole script, but they're both experienced actors."

The play will be held on Wednesday, November 10 and Thursday, November 11 - the day before Sor Juana's birthday (November 12). "It's serendipity," said Horwitz. "While Sandra was researching about Sor Juana, the play was scheduled to be played at the Soda Center on November 10



Melanie Linney/COLLEGIAN

Virginia Woolf interviews Sor Juana in "Face to Face" by Sandra Alassio

and 11. Sandra found out that Sor Juana's birthday is November 12, 1648. So we will be celebrating her 356th birthday a day early with cake. We tried to extend the performances to the next day, but I couldn't get the rooms to do it."

Horwitz hinted at a surprise for the audience. "As Sandra discovered [Sor Juana's birthday], she wrote into the play a secret that you'll have to come to the play to see. That's all I can say. But there will be cake," said Horwitz.

In regards to the other character in the play, Horwitz described Alassio's "Virginia Woolf" as someone different from the Woolf

that students are familiar with. "She's a witty, funny, nervous, hysterical, nasty piece of work," said Horwitz.

Alassio, who plays Virginia Woolf in "Face to Face," is a graduate from SMC (an alumna of 1996 Bachelor's degree and 1999 Master's of Fine Arts degree). She is also a professor in the Seminar program, where she has taught all four classes. As a professor in the program, Alassio thought it would be interesting to play with an intertwining of two familiar characters read in two different Seminars.

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SMC student's movie may be Sundance Bound

by Jo-Ann Arquillano
Assistant News Editor

Saint Mary's College student Jonathan Bertain can boast of something many filmmakers can't - a chance to have his film screened at the Sundance Film Festival.

Bertain, a communications major, has completed a film originally created for his high school film class. He, with friend Tim Filijan, took advantage of personal connections to fund their project as high school seniors. Calling in favors from friends and family, Bertain obtained quality camera equipment and a cast boasting screen credits from *The Fast and the Furious* to *The Usual Suspects*.

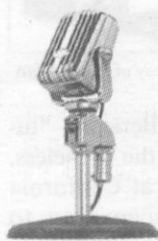
His high school teacher, seeing something in the project deserving of more than just a letter grade, provided Bertain with other supporters to contact to continue the creation. Last February, the Saint Mary's sophomore, after revisiting the film, completed and submitted *For the Cause* to the Sundance Film Festival.

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Crime Beat

10/29	2:00 p.m.	11/1	2:15 p.m.
Incident: Auto Burglary		Incident: Vandalism	
Synopsis: Theft of stereo from Aquinas parking lot; referred to Student Conduct.		Synopsis: Damage to vehicle in North Claeys parking lot; referred to Student Conduct.	
10/30	11:00 a.m.	11/2	1:05 p.m.
Incident: Hit and run		Incident: Burglary	
Synopsis: Student's vehicle hit in Aquinas parking lot; referred to Student Conduct.		Synopsis: Computer stolen from Galileo; referred to Sharon Neward, Business Office.	
10/31	2:22 a.m.	11/2	2:45 p.m.
Incident: Physical altercation		Incident: Petty theft	
Synopsis: Failure to comply and dishonesty in More Hall; referred to Student Conduct and Health and Wellness Center.		Synopsis: Stolen cell phone from More parking lot; referred to Student Conduct.	
10/31	2:53 a.m.	11/3	7:17 p.m.
Incident: Medical assist		Incident: Suspicious person	
Synopsis: Student transported to John Muir from Becket Hall; referred to Student Conduct and Health and Wellness Center.		Synopsis: Suspicious person - De La Salle upper parking lot.	

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CLUB PROFILE: POSM

POSM is awesome: physicists form new club

by Allison Kop
Assistant Sports Editor

What do you get when you combine rockets, linear accelerators, movies and physics majors all into one? Why, a Physics Club of course. All of these elements are present in one of the newest chartered clubs at SMC. Dubbed Physicists of Saint Mary's, the club is better known by its catchy acronym, POSM.

POSM was formed earlier this year by a group of physics majors. So far, the club has set up tutoring for physics students, created a Jan Term class that launches rockets, and organized field trips and other fun activities that all students can enjoy.

"The original idea was to further our education by taking field trips and bringing in speakers to talk about what you can do with your physics degree," said POSM member Karl Beutner '06, "It's also a way for the students to have a collective voice so that we can talk to the faculty about what we want to see at Saint Mary's."

Although the club might sound a little intimidating, President Annie Chase said that POSM is about fun and not schoolwork.



Melanie Linney/COLLEGIAN

Always have a calculator: members of the Physicists of Saint Mary's

"People think physicists are serious all the time," she said, "we want everyone to know that we laugh at ourselves and like to have a good time too."

Although most of the club's members are Physics majors, POSM is a club for many people, not just physicists.

"Anyone curious about how the world works will be a good member," said Chase, "you don't have to be a physics major; anyone is welcome."

POSM provides physics tutoring every Monday and Wednesday from 6-8 p.m. Their first

scheduled field trip is on Nov. 8, when the club will take a tour of the Stanford Linear Accelerator, a machine that slams particles together and measures how they react.

The club is also coordinating a movie night on Nov. 15 at 8 p.m., where a film will be projected onto the dome of the Saint Mary's Telescope.

"People think physics is too hard or that it is too nerdy, but really it's really a lot of fun," said Beutner, "physics is cool if you just give it a chance."

Face to Face: professor reflects on modern student, historical struggle

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"Instead of only doing plays like Shakespeare's *Antony and Cleopatra* or Ibsen's *Doll House*, one could take a text from one Seminar that wasn't already a playwright's words and another text and bring those two together in the context of writing a play," said Alassio. "So the most unique thing about this is that we're taking not just two figures, but we're taking two characters with 300 years in between their lives."

Alassio described the major similarity between the women as brilliant heroes for the advancement of women's education. "Given that both of them are champions for women's educational reform, opportunity, independence, and evolutionary selfhood, and given that they had quite different lives, the plays asks, 'what sort of things

would they have to say to one another?' I found that very intriguing," said Alassio. "There's also a historical reference for something that is fictionally realized. It was a great opportunity and exploration."

Alassio stressed the importance of the struggle to continue education. She mentioned a personal experience with a student that reminded her about the path that women like Woolf and Sor Juana set up for generations to come.

"I have a student at another college whose brother was murdered. This student was greatly encouraged by her brother to attend school," said Alassio. "When her brother was murdered, she had every reason in the world to just quit. And she has not chosen to do that. She has chosen to continue with school. The struggle for education, independence, and opportunity is still very relevant today. It's quite an affirmative state-

ment that someone like my student is able to find in herself the desire to continue her education."

Alassio went on to say that because of the two characters in her play as well as modern female authors she, as well as her students, do not need to give up on their education.

"It's very relevant on the topic of opportunities in education. The idea that people who have earlier accepted the idea that they had to quit in one way or another, there is a chief part of the legacy of lives before her that are passed on to her, books and authors who relate to her own struggles. We read Maya Angelou's *[I Know] Why the Caged Bird Sings*, and we see this is in the class as a part of a continuum and encouragement - that women such as Woolf, Angelou, and my student were able to overcome obstacles and obtain that education that they deserve."

WHAT'S HAPPENING...

TODAY

Free HIV Testing, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m., Health and Wellness Center

Dine with Alums, 5:00 p.m., Soda Center

Movie Night: *Without a Paddle*, 9:00 p.m., Dryden Hall

WEDNESDAY

Women in the World on Wednesdays, 12:00 p.m., Delphine Intercultural Center

Ping Pong Tournament, 9:00 p.m., Dryden Hall

THURSDAY

Student Involvement and Leadership workshop, 5:00 p.m., Delphine Intercultural Center

"The OC" night, 8:00 p.m., Dryden Hall

Ping Pong Tournament, 9:00 p.m., Dryden Hall

SATURDAY

BSU Gaelspot, 10:00 p.m., Soda Center

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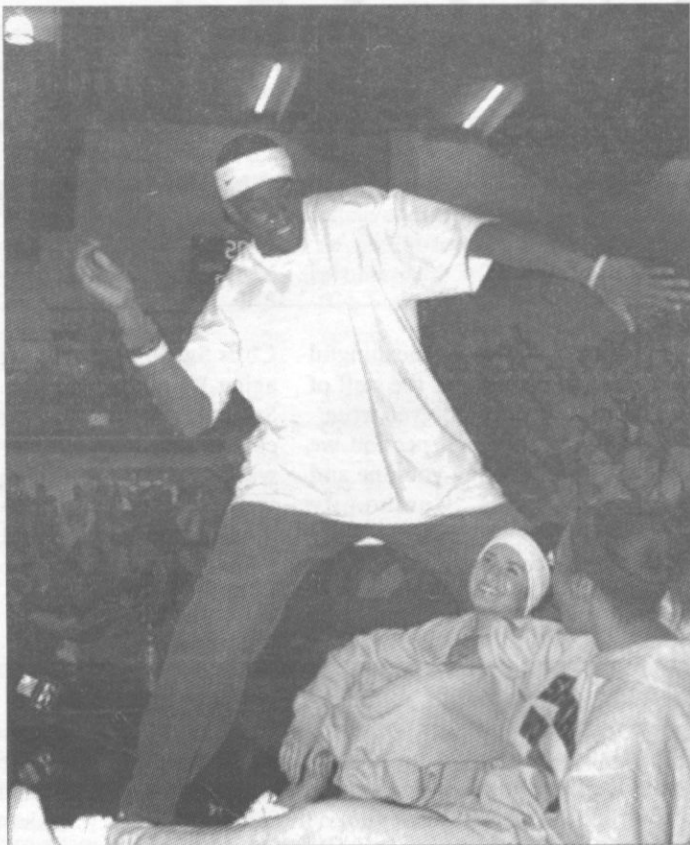
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Frederic Adjiwanou dances for Lauren Shaughnessy and Triola Jackson at Midnight Madness last Thursday night, which kicked off basketball season

Sundance: student began project while in high school

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For the Cause started out as the creator's attempt at a "mob" film. "We wanted to make some cool Godfather-type movie, new age stuff..." said Bertain. This evolved into a father/son story about a need to change revealed through dream sequences. The same contacts that sponsored the production of the project informed Bertain of the open invitation for student films from Sundance.

While he awaits word as to whether or not *For the Cause* will be screened at the prestigious

festival, Bertain has already begun work on his next creation. Currently, he is looking for sponsors to find what he describes as a "heist" movie, flexing his creative muscle "searching for ways to make it different."

He hopes to have a screening of *For the Cause* on campus, and is in talks with LeFevre Theatre Director Michael Cook about scheduling showing of the film. Prepping for the possibility of airing at Sundance, Bertain is concentrating on spreading the word about his project, sending copies of the DVD to various

media outlets throughout California and Park City, Utah.

"I definitely want to get it out there and have people know about it," said Bertain.

He approached the seemingly impossible task of producing a quality film on a zero budget with determined vigor. As Bertain comically boasts, "I'm gonna be famous someday - cut," he reveals a wiser philosophy about potential stardom.

"I figure if I keep saying that enough it might come true but if you actually believe it I don't think it will come true - you have to just let it happen."

Springer: friends were inspired by Saint Mary's junior

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Smith, along with Natalie Pratt '06 and Rachel Garcia '06, lived with Springer in More Hall last year. All have fond memories. Mostly, however, they said she was inspirational.

"Nothing affected Katie. She didn't stress out over anything and if she did she never once complained. Nothing was too hard for Katie. She would take any task on without even thinking twice," said Pratt.

"I always called her my spiritual advisor because anytime I

had a question about faith she was the one that I would go to. Katie was one of the most influential people in my life as an example of faith," Garcia said.

The night of the accident, Springer was driving north on Highway 160 to see her boyfriend, according to a November 2 Napa Valley Register article. She was hit head-on by Michael James Davey, 37, of Concord, who has been described by witnesses as driving recklessly. The CHP is currently investigating whether Davey was

under the influence of drugs or alcohol at the time.

Springer was born in Vallejo and raised in Napa, attending St. John's the Baptist, St. John's Lutheran elementary schools and Justin-Sienna High School. She is survived by her mother, Susanna, brothers Michael and Aaron and grandparents, Vincent Capitani of Vallejo and Mary Martinez of San Francisco.

Intervarsity will be having a memorial service on campus in the next couple of weeks.

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beyond the bubble

NATIONAL AND WORLD NEWS BITES

By TONY VALA-HAYNES

-LONDON, England—Six people died Saturday when a British passenger train slammed into a vehicle on the railroad tracks. 11 people were hospitalized when the train, traveling over 100 mph, collided with the car.

-GRANTSBURG, Wisconsin—School officials in the Grantsburg school district ignored the pleas of more than 300 teachers and chose to include Creationism in their new Science curriculum. Joni Burgen, superintendent of the district, explained the curriculum should not be inclusive of just one scientific theory.

-LIBERTY, Kentucky—Edgar Ellis, 57, was arrested on election day for offering voters \$25 and a bottle of Whiskey to support a local candidate.

-KANSAS CITY, Missouri—Kellen McKinney, 27, was charged with double murder for killing John and Mildred Caylor last Thursday. McKinney killed the senior couple in their bible bookstore in Raytown.

-DECATUR, Georgia—Robert Williams, initially charged with assaulting and kidnapping police officer, Ronald W. Jones, is now considered innocent. After a thorough investigation Officer Jones is now being charged with kidnapping Williams and lying to officials.

-LONDON, England—A British firm has begun outlining plans to create a new and improved breast implant that will apparently feel more natural. The new material entitled Elast-Eon was designed at Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization (CSIRO) in Australia.

-LONDON, England—*Tarnation* won best feature at the London Film Festival Saturday. The film, made by Johnathon Caouette for a mere \$217.32, documents his childhood with a mother who sexually abused him.

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

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Left is right Feeling the blues?

by Jonathan Morales

News Editor

Alright, let's just face the facts. It was not a good day to be a Democrat in America. Not only did we not win the White House, but we also failed to gain the House or the Senate, and will most likely be shut out of the Supreme Court for some time.

We're feeling blue (forgive the pun). Wednesday morning, my fellow liberals were very somber. Not the mere disappointment that followed the 2000 election but the type of melancholy that accompanies true loss and despair. This wasn't an ordinary loss. We're scared to death. What are we to do?

First, take a deep breath. Look around you. We're still in California, the bluest of the blue states. Second, drown out the jokes, snickers, and verbal abuse from Republicans that I'm sure you're getting. Third, ignore the spinsters on CNN and Fox News and take a good hard look at the numbers. Yes, it's true that Bush, with 59,459,765 votes, received the highest amount of popular votes ever. But guess who is in second place? John Kerry. Bush hardly has a mandate, no matter what he claims.

But what does our party need to do? It's clear to pretty much everybody that the only reason Bush won was that he was able to draw out evangelical Christians in droves to support his "values." Democrats need to take control of the values debate. "Democrats 2008: Real American Values," needs to be the slogan as the party champions equal pay for women, fights for a higher minimum wage to reward hard work, and respects the value of life by pressing for health care for all Americans.

The Democrats haven't exactly had the backbone we'd have liked them to have the past four years. We've all seen the footage in *Fahrenheit 9/11* where no senator, not even the Democrats, would support the African-American representatives contesting the 2000 election. We've watched them allow Congress to rubber-stamp the Patriot Act and the War in Iraq. But this is where you can and need to help.

We have two Democratic senators, Barbara Boxer and Diane Feinstein. Our representative in the East Bay, Ellen Tauscher, is also a Democrat. The House Minority Leader, Nancy Pelosi, is a Democrat from San Francisco. Write to them and tell them not to cave into the pressure of a "presidential mandate." Remind them that they still need to fight for us.

In the meantime, keep your heads up. Midterm elections are just two years away. There's a lot of work to be done.

OPINION

Collegian Quote of the Week: A stupid man's report of what a clever man says is never accurate because he unconsciously translates what he hears into something he can understand. -- Bertrand Russell

Collegian View

In response to those of you who questioned the printing of Mr. Johnson's letter in last week's "Community Views" the editors of the Collegian would like to reiterate that this section is meant to voice the opinions of those we represent - the community of

Saint Mary's College.

We, as the editorial board, did not agree with Mr. Johnson's letter. We, however, felt that it was necessary for the rest of the SMC community to read this outrageous letter and respond to it. We felt that the responses from the community would be more

passionate and more meaningful than any letters we as the staff of The Collegian could ever write. And as proof of that passion we commend, we bring you one and a half pages of "Community Views."

We introduce the series of letters with The Collegian's very own

Chris Swain '04, last year's Managing Editor.

Swain states that we, as the SMC community should "start living with a respect for all people and views, being the inclusive community it should be, and being/remembering the living presence of God in college life."

Community Views

Dear Editor,

After reading the article "WASC reviews SMC" I was pleased to read some of the recommendations made by WASC in the re-accreditation process of SMC. I think the educational themes of social justice and diversity are taking a forefront in the identity of what Saint Mary's is and has been becoming as a Lasallian college, ideologically at least. For me, questions arise at the points when what Saint Mary's says it is, and what Saint Mary's lives out to be don't match up. This disconnect isn't just the fault of the administration, which I might have blamed solely in my undergrad days, but is the fault of students, faculty and staff. In order for SMC to become the Lasallian college it says it is, more (dare I say all) students, staff, faculty need to start living with a respect for all people and views, being the inclusive community it should be, and being/remembering the living presence of God in college life, not just talking about it.

Chris Swain
Class of 2004

Having spent last weekend in war-torn Sarajevo, Bosnia, I was able to experience firsthand the effects of hatred and intolerance, and see the devastating results of attempts to oppress people because of the way they choose to live. Thus, I felt compelled to respond to John Johnson's recent letter. I find it pathetic that Mr. Johnson feels compelled to spread a message of ignorance, particularly under the guise of religion. He seems to overlook one major aspect of the Catholic faith - Christ's doctrine of love for fellow man, no matter how they choose to live their lives. Before deciding to make horrible comments about the gay "culture of death," perhaps Mr. Johnson should ask himself, "Who would Jesus publicly insult?" The answer is, of course,

no one. It would appear that what Mr. Johnson thinks is Catholicism is actually a very dangerous form of intolerance against anyone who may be different, very much in the vein of Nazism or Fascism. If "promoting sodomy" means accepting people regardless of their race, creed, or sexual orientation, count me in.

Katie Kimball
Class of 2006

In reading John Johnson's letter to the editor last week, I found myself stuck in a quandary: which part should I laugh at first? "Pronouncing their gayness," promoting "sodomy," or "the culture of death"? I was stumped. Each one was just as ludicrous as the next. But it did get me thinking. If gay people really do pronounce their "gayness," as Johnson suggests, then what's to stop the rest of us? So, tomorrow, I'm going to walk around and pronounce my tallness, the brown-ness of my hair, and the long-ness of my arms. Saint Mary's College's mission is built on respect for others, as shown by Josh Krehbiel's masterfully written "Words from the WASP" in last week's Collegian. Mr. Johnson's insulting tirade, however, is a stain on the Lasallian values that Saint Mary's strives to embody. As rational, intelligent human beings, we deserve better than this knuckle-dragging rhetoric.

Noel Cilker
Class of 2005

In his latest diatribe in the form of a letter to the editor, John Johnson writes: "we cannot be accepting of the gay culture, which is also a part of the culture of death." I was greatly saddened that a former student of mine could write with such hate and vitriol, and then hold himself up as a person of morality and val-

ues.

A remarkable thing happened in the literary community this past October: the centenary of Catholic novelist Graham Greene was celebrated. Several of his novels were rereleased with new introductions. The third volume of his sanctioned-biography by Norman Sherry was released. He was discussed on the front pages of the New York Times Book Review, the Los Angeles Times, Salon.com, The San Francisco Chronicle, Time magazine, etc. A panel of the most esteemed writers in the world met in New York City to discuss the legacy of a great writer and Catholic who saw the greatest attributes of Catholicism in a whisky priest during the religious purges of Mexico, an unfaithful husband in World War II England, a mortal sinner in Sierra Leone in the 1940s, in a murderer along the Brighton seashore. History will show that Greene may well outlast all the writers of the 20th century. And it will be because he truly understood (to a fault?) the gray matters of an imposed morality. He often saw the accuser as the most vile of all his characters.

Greene taught generations of writers and readers that "the Church knows all the rules. But it doesn't know what goes on in a single human heart." And I suspect that Mr. Johnson has no idea—nor will he ever—what goes on in the heart of that member of GSA on the cover of the Collegian last week, much less his own.

Thomas Cooney, M.A., M.F.A.
MFA Program Coordinator
Saint Mary's College

In response to John Johnson's letter in last week's issue, we are deeply concerned by the views expressed concerning homosexuality and valued members of our Saint Mary's community. Even more disturbing is the fact that John Johnson is misrepresenting

a core principle of our Lasallian mission: Respect for all persons. However, most inexcusable is the fact that, as the president of the C.O.V.E.N.A.N.T. club, he has lost sight of what it means to be a leader at Saint Mary's College. When a leader degrades members within his community, he makes a statement that cannot be erased. He evaded another core principle: Inclusive community. The core principles are Catholic. The Associated Students Exec Team is astounded that a club president has shown such blatant disrespect in the name of Catholicism. Clearly, his views do not reflect the values of the Associated Students. Although his name appeared without his title as a club president, the responsibility of student leaders transcend their particular area of involvement, further impacting and dividing the entire community.

Respectfully,
Jessica Porras, VP for Student Affairs, Jennifer Merlo, VP for Finance, John Zabala, VP for Administration, Jeff Haskins, President

In response to John Johnson's very un-Jesus-like explanation of why the Catholic Church cannot accept gay culture, I was appalled at the ignorance that still exists in an institution of higher education. If John Johnson, a senior, has refused to at least question convention and has thereby gained no greater understanding and acceptance of the world than his years here have been spent in vain. Using religion as some misguided support for views that have no basis in the tenets of the Catholic religion is not only ignorant but it is disrespectful. Did Jesus not associate with shunned members of society? Jesus taught acceptance and forgiveness. (Find some other misinterpretations of religion to quote, okay Johnson?) The issue with the painted over SMC

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Reactions to
Tuesday's
election

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George W. Bush

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votes for Senator
John Kerry

Tom Darcy '06



"I am indifferent. Democrats and Republicans are two sides of the same coin."

"The only thing that scares me is that people weren't informed about the candidates they were voting for."



Heather Heyward '07



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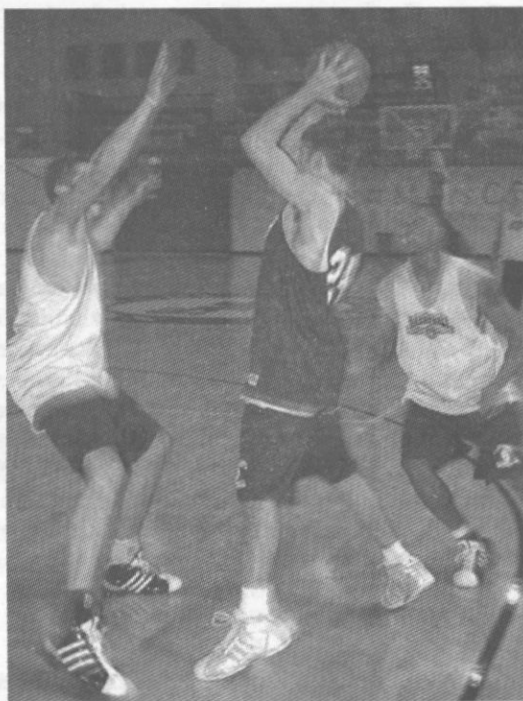
Men's Basketball looks to soar to the top of the WCC

After playing catchup for the past three seasons, the men's basketball is finally on the right track

by Michael Chin
Sports Editor

Garnering three first place votes, only second to Gonzaga, this year's Gaels are poised for a breakout year. Lead by WCC First Team selections Daniel Kickert and Paul Marigney, SMC will look to run the table throughout the year. Down low, Kickert has the potential to be a dominant force. With his ability not only in the paint, but also on the perimeter, he is a threat from anywhere on the court. Seven Footers Reda Rhalami and Blake Stolburg will also be looked to take up some minutes vacated the graduation of forwards by Tyler Herr and Chase Poole. Sophomore Brett Collins will look to get some more minutes, last year, he showed great potential. Also, look for 5th year forward Freddie Adjiwanou to have a big year.

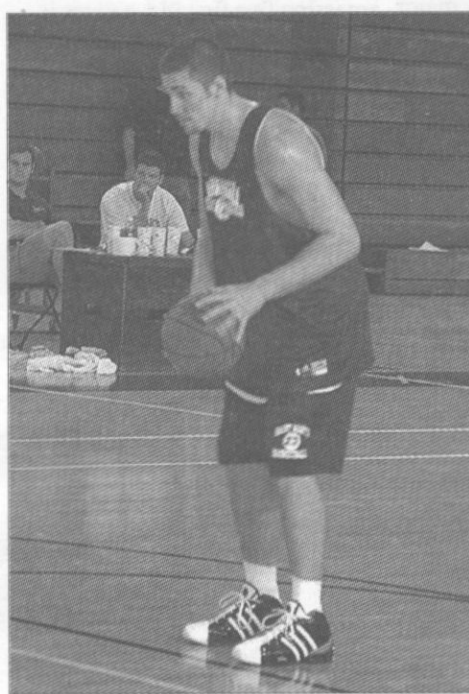
The brightest spot for the Gaels, however, will be their back court. The duo of EJ Rollins and Paul Marigney is



perhaps the most dominant and experienced in the WCC. Last season, Marigney down the stretch seemed to get better and better. His lights out three point shooting led to one of the biggest single game point totals for a Gael in team history. Rollins plays stifling defense and has a great command of the SMC offense. Senior Jonathon Sanders,

who started much of last season, will be counted on to help at the point and shooting guard position.

This year SMC added some big names including 6-6 Cal-Berkeley transfer Eric Bond and 6-3 guard Raphael De Silva. These two may be counted on should the Gaels have injuries in the season. Coach Bennett and crew will continue their stifling defense this season.



Since his arrival in 2001, the Gaels have been the fiercest defenders in the WCC. Look for this trend to continue.

The key to the Gael's success will be how they fare in the pre-season. Marigney will miss some time early in the year, as will Adjiwanou, who is out for the first two games including a possible match up with East Bay ri-

val Cal Berkeley. Additional trips to New Jersey to face Rutgers and Las Vegas to play UNLV will be tough challenges.

Women's basketball hopeful for big year in 04

Coach Michelle Jacoby looks to take Gaels to the forefront of the WCC

By Allison Kop
Assistant Sports Editor

The Gaels look strong this season and are poised to shake up the rankings in the WCC this year. Currently ranked 4th out of the eight teams in the WCC, the Gaels return all 5 starters from a team that went 7-7 in conference last year. With a more mature and experienced team, along with several promising recruits, the Gaels have the fire power to make an honest run at the WCC championship.

Head coach Michelle Jacoby, in her 4th season with Saint Mary's, will largely depend on strong efforts from many of the team leaders from a year ago, most notably senior forward Triola Jackson and junior guard Evynn Van Burger. Jackson was an offensive powerhouse for the Gaels, leading the team in scoring with 11.2 pts/game and rebounding with 6.9 reb/game. Van Burger also did her part by



adding 9.3 average points per contest. Both players were named to last year's WCC Honorable Mention list.

Also looking to contribute for the Gaels will be Serena Benevente and Monica Mertle, both selections on the All-WCC Freshman team. Benevente is ready to make her mark after

missing the final part of last year with a torn ACL. Mertle will look to step up after recovering from a preseason knee injury. Point Guard Lauren Shaughessey will also look to continue on her positive 2003-2004 season. The sophomore started every game last season and led the Gaels in steals and assists.



Jacoby and company will face a tough schedule that includes the likes of Arizona, and conference opponents Pepperdine and Gonzaga. Still, if the Gaels stay healthy and can come together look for them to make a big splash in the West Coast Conference and maybe even the national rankings.

Coach Randy Bennett on of brightest mind in the business

by Sam Adams
Co-Sports Editor

A lot of people like to listen to top "experts" when it comes to predictions of how their team will fare in the following season.

How about listening to the coach instead? With the 2004-05 Saint Mary's Men's Basketball season right around the corner, Randy Bennett has high hopes for the season, even though he knows it won't be easy.

"I think this team has a chance to be a good team, but it's going to take awhile," said Bennet. "We're not going to roll out; we won't be at our best early, but you don't want to be. But if we stay together, stay healthy, we can be a good team in this league."

Bennett has the advantage of retaining most of his core from last year's team; something that he thinks will benefit them this season.

"I like our group because of their experience," said Bennett. "We are a little deeper than last

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Winter Sports Headliners

By Michael Chin
Sports Editor

Daniel Kickert

If Junior Daniel Kickert was not already SMC's most important player, he is now. With the loss of shooting guard Paul Marginey for the first seven games of the season, the Australian native will be looked upon to carry the load in his absence. A major force down low Kickert finished last year 7th in scoring and 10th in rebounding in the WCC. He will be a big reason the Gaels will contend for the 2004-05 WCC Crown.

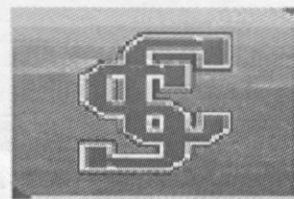
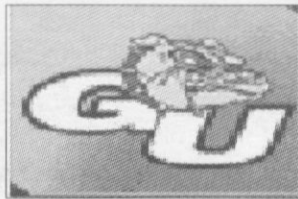


Triola Jackson

Where would this program be without Triola Jackson. The senior center has been a force for the Gaels over her career. During her three seasons with SMC, Jackson has garnered several awards including 1st Team all conference and Honorable Mention all-conference. She will look to guide the Gaels back to the NCAA tournament, a place they have not been since her freshman year.



WCC Men's Conference Preview



By Michael Chin and Allison Kop
Sports Editor and Assistant
Sports Editor

Here's a look at how the rest of the conference shapes up for the Gaels this coming 2004 season.

Gonzaga Bulldogs

Once again the Bulldogs will be the favorite in the WCC, amassing five first place votes in the Coach's Poll. Leading the way for them will be John Wooden nominee Ronny Turiaf. The 6-10 big man forwent the draft to return for his senior season. Dominant at times, he will be counted on to lead them to a WCC Title. Returning also is WCC freshman of the year Adam Morrison. A member of the junior Olympic team, Morrison is considered by many the most lethal offensive player in the WCC. Adding to them will be Texas Tech transfer Nathan Doudey, a sharp shooter with great range and 6-8 JC Transfer JP Baptista.

Pepperdine Waves

Like the Gaels, the Waves return all five starters from last year's third place team. Much of their season will depend upon the pay of Glen McGowen and Yakhouba Diawara. The two combined for nearly 40 points per and 12 rebounds per game in 2004. Junior Alex Acker as

well as Cal transfer Tashan Forehan-Kelly, will be counted on to lead the Waves in the backcourt. Last year the Gaels knocked Pepperdine out of the WCC Tournament.

Santa Clara Broncos

One can sum up the Santa Clara team in one word: Kyle Bailey. Last year, the senior point guard led the Broncos in points and assists. An All-WCC team member, Bailey will be the leader and spark for the Broncos. Joining him in the backcourt will be shooting guard Doran Perkins. Last year the all Alaskan backcourt averaged 25 points per game. In the front court, SCU will count on Travis Neilson and Jordon Legge for help.

USF Dons

Under the guidance of former Arizona assistant Jesse Evans, the Dons are looking to return to their golden age of basketball. Evans will look to the seniors Andre Hazel and Tyrone Riley to lead the way. Along with them will be the Don's top returnee from last year John Cox. Last season, Riley was a member of WCC Honorable Mention team, while Hazel ranked 3rd in assists

and 4th in steals. Evans also had a good recruiting season bringing in Colorado transfer Jason Carter to shore up the middle and sharpshooter Felix Czerny to help the three point oriented league. With most of these teams returning significant pieces to their team, it will be tough for them to move up this year.

Portland Pilots

Picked to finish at the bottom of the conference by the coach's poll, this year's Portland Pilots have nowhere to go but up. Although they are picked to finish so low, they have a great deal of bright spots including first team All-WCC pick Pooh Jeter and senior captain Karl Aacker. Forth year coach Michael Horton, like the Gael's Bennett, has done a great job molding the Pilots into a competitive team. Horton will also welcome three new freshmen, Jeremiah Dominguez, Sherrard Watson, and Marcus Watson.

San Diego Toreros

Like the Broncos, San Diego will be very dependant upon one player: first team WCC selection Brice Vounang. Last year, the Toreros star center posted career numbers in scoring (16.9ppg) and rebounds (6.8 rpg). The senior

will receive help from 6-8 forward Brandon Gay who led the team in rebounds last season (7.0 rpg). The Toreros backcourt will be in the hands of Brandon Milton. The senior, who transferred from Illinois three years ago, had a productive season last year averaging 11 ppg. Head Coach Brad Holland is in his 11th year as the USD's head coach.

Loyola Marymount Lions

Picked to finish in 7th place, just one point in front of bottom feeder Portland, the Lions will be looking for any type of catalyst to get them going this year. One possibility for them will be local De La Salle product Charles Brown. The lone senior on the lions squad, Brown will command the team from the point guard spot. Junior John Haywood and sophomore Daryl Pegram, after a having a great summers, will be counted on to help the Lions down low this season.

Key WCC dates at SMC
SMC vs. Gonzaga 1/8
SMC vs. Santa Clara 1/15
SMC vs. Pepperdine 2/19

COLLEGIAN ALL WCC TEAMS

Men's

1st Team
C Ronny Turiaf, Gonzaga
F Daniel Kickert, SMC
F Adam Morrison, Gonzaga
G Paul Marigney, SMC
G Kyle Bailey, SCU

2nd Team
C Brice Vounang, USD
F John Cox, USF
F Glen McGowen, Pepperdine
G Erroll Knight, Gonzaga
G EJ Rollins, SMC

Women's

1st Team
C Triola Jackson, SMC
F Ashley Burke, Gonzaga
F Ashley Orndorff, Portland
G Jennifer Lacy, Pepperdine
G Shannon Matthews, GU

2nd Team
F Monica Mertle, SMC
F Evynn Van Burger, SMC
F Shannel Law, Pepperdine
G Quinn Thomas, SMC
G Toni Russell, USF

Spotlight: SMC's most loyal fans, the Blue Crew

By Chris Claus
Staff Writer

If you have never been to a Saint Mary's basketball game not only are you missing quality collegiate activity, but also the true spirit of Gael pride. How do they attain this overwhelming sense of school pride? It is done through a group of men known as the Blue Crew.

Last year before the start of the basketball season, the athletic administration felt that a group of students passionate about sports could implant that same passion into the student body; the Blue Crew was formed.

The Blue Crew is a group of students who try to instill a rowdy atmosphere at Saint Mary's athletic events. I asked Skip Powers '05 what SMC could look forward/expect from the Crew in this upcoming season. "we will do everything we can to make SMC realize that our small school's athletic program is on a one way track to national prominence and by filling up our gym and stadiums to cheer on our teams, it will make an immediate impact." It is refreshing to see a group of students take so much pride in our

school when the majority of us just pass athletics off.

At a school this small we must all come together and appreciate the athletes that we do have and support them because they are a representation of our school.

When asking Skip what the Blue Crew enjoys most about being involved with athletics, "what we enjoy the most is when we click with our student body and make McKeon Pavilion a legitimate 6th man."

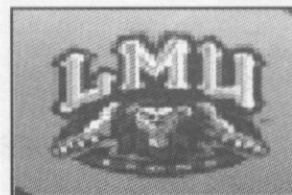
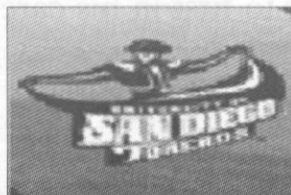
With that, they leave you with the promise that the Blue Crew will do whatever it takes to make attending games this year more exciting than ever. Go out and support our fellow Gaels!

Note: If you have any interest in joining Gael Force contact either the athletic office or come to the a home game where they will have sign up sheets.

Saint Mary's College 2004-05 Men's Basketball Schedule (Subject to change)

- November
 - 11, vs. Belmont
 - 12, vs. Cal/UC Riverside
 - 18-19, Coaches vs. Cancer (Manhattan, NY; ESPN 2)
 - 21, SFSU
 - 23, at UNLV
 - 27, at Rutgers
- December
 - 2, Delaware
 - 5, Notre Dame de Namur
 - 11, at Hawaii
 - 14, at San Diego State
 - 17, Sacramento State
 - 19, Hampton
- January
 - 4, BYU
 - 6, Portland
 - 8, Gonzaga
 - 11, Air Force
 - 15, Santa Clara
 - 20, at Pepperdine
 - 22, at Loyola Marymount
 - 27, San Diego
 - 30, San Francisco
- February
 - 3, at Gonzaga
 - 5, at Portland
 - 11, at Santa Clara
 - 17, Loyola Marymount
 - 19, Pepperdine
 - 24, at San Francisco
 - 26, at San Diego
- March
 - 4, 1st Round WCC Tournament
 - 5, 2nd Round WCC Tournament
 - 6, Semifinals
 - 7, Finals
 - 13, NCAA Selection

WCC Women's Conference Preview



Gonzaga Bulldogs

One of the toughest challenges for the Gaels this year will be the top ranked 'Zags. They, like SMC, also return five starters from a team that achieved 10-4 mark in the WCC last year. Coach Kelly Graves will look to the senior leadership of Ashley Burke and Shannon Matthews, both All-WCC first team members. Burke is the league's top returning scorer and will be a force inside for the Zags. Matthews was last year's WCC leader in assists, averaging 4.7 apg. The two could be a lethal combination against any team. The Zags are looking to build off last year, in which they made the post season for the first time in 10 years with an invitation to the NIT.

Pepperdine Waves

Another force to reckon with this season is the Pepperdine Waves. Ranked 2nd in this year's preseason poll, the Waves have gone to the post-season the last six years. First year coach Julie Rousseau, who takes over for the departed Mark Trakh, is hoping to start her ca-

reer off right with another WCC crown. Last year the Waves advanced to the NIT behind the star performances of Shanell Law, Jennifer Lacy and Kerra Wodarski, all returning. Lacy, a 6'3" forward, will most likely be the focal point of the Waves offense this season.

Loyola Marymount Lions

The last team ranked above SMC is Loyola Marymount. Though only ranked third in preseason, LMU is coming off an impressive 13-1 mark made in the WCC last season, a year in which they won 13 consecutive games on their way to the WCC championship. They were both tournament and regular season champs in 2004 and made their first ever appearance to the Big Dance. With the loss of three starters, including last year's WCC player of the year Kate Murray, Coach Julie Wilhoit will likely look to top returners Bianca Ziemann, the top returning scorer, and Mary Turner, another returning starter. Others will have to also step up.

Santa Clara Broncos

Saint Mary's archrival enters this year's preseason as the 5th ranked team. Although they achieved a less than impressive record last year with a 4-10 mark in the WCC, the Broncos boast seven returners from last year's team. Head coach Michelle Bento-Jackson, in her 3rd year with the school, is looking for strong performances from senior Quinn Thomas, an All-conference selection, and Ashley Graham and All-freshman team member. Although hopeful, the Broncos look overmatched in the WCC this year. Look for them to have a repeat of last year's record.

USF Dons

The 6th ranked team in the WCC this preseason is USF. Coming off a 3-10 conference performance last year, the Dons are hoping to improve under the direction of Mary Hile-Nepfel, in her 18th season at USF. The Dons will look to Toni Russell, last year's WCC defensive player of the year, to add spark to this year's team. Mary Jane Krueger, a sixth-year senior, will also contribute in her role as center.

San Diego Toreros

With 1-13 WCC record from a year ago, the Toreros enter this year the 7th ranked team. in the WCC. Kathy Marpe, in the 25th season, is hoping to inspire her team with her experience and leadership. The team has no seniors this year, but will hope for big performances by a duo of juniors, Lindsay Helvey and Polly Dong. USD is also hoping their 6'5" freshman recruit Amber Sprague has a break-out year.

Portland Pilots

Rounding out the conference is Portland. Though they finished fourth last year, the Pilots will struggle to fill the position left by the graduated Khalila O'Rielly-Williams, last year's WCC leading scorer. However, Coach Jim Sollars has high hopes for his team, who went 8-6 in conference a year ago. Portland will most likely be lead by senior Ashley Orndorff, last year's WCC newcomer of the year and three other returning seniors.

Key to Success Saint Mary's must make sure their successful coaches stay happy and stay here.

By Sam Adams

Co-Sports Editor

In this, my senior year, the athletic department has seen its teams go through a rocky three and a half years. The football team enjoyed back-to-back .500 seasons before going 1-11 and getting cancelled. The Volleyball team was nowhere on the radar, now is nationally ranked. Conversely, the women's soccer team was a force, now has a chance of not winning one conference match this season. What does it all boil down to? Coaching. Just look at the track record of the teams. The women's soccer team made the second round of the playoffs in 2001, then under head coach Paul Ratcliff, who ditched the school for Stanford after the 2002 season. The program has declined each year since, including this year's 0-for-WCC.

At the same time the school has been able to find a few gems along the way. Everyone knows the progress the basketball team has made under Randy Bennett, going from two wins to a NCAA Tournament hopeful. But under the guidance of Scott Hardy and John Stevenson, the golf and volleyball teams have made ascents as well. But how does the school spread this success throughout the department? Keep these coaches around. The most important of all is Bennett. A bright basketball mind has taken a team without the talent of a nationally ranked team, but been able to compete against the likes of Gonzaga, USC and Arizona. "I think those games were early with new guys playing key roles," said Bennett. "We weren't quite good enough in mental areas to win those games. I think we can win those games now." And with the mindset that those are now winnable games, one wonders just how high this program can get. "I think anything is attainable," said Sports information director Rich Davi. "The goal every year is to reach the NCAA tournament. We can win the conference and make the tournament. I think it is a reachable goal. The trick is whether or not they can sustain playing basketball at a high level." And Davi isn't the only one. When asked about how high the basketball program could actually get, Bennett said "I don't know - higher than we are at right now. I don't think we've peaked yet. Some depends on how committed we are as a school, a department - but I think our players are ready for it." But for that to happen, not just for the basketball team but for teams on the rise such as volleyball and golf, the school has to commit to these coaches and make sure no other school try and lure them away. "I am really happy here; happy with the school, the players, the staff and the administration. I love living in this area," said Bennett. And that is what the school needs to hear from its coaches, because without that, we run the risk of having each sport drop back down to earth as quickly as they rose to the top.

Could this finally be the year? Both men's and women's basketball look to play in the Big Dance

by Michael Chin
Sports Editor

It has been too long since the campus of Saint Mary's has tasted the thrill of March Madness, the Big Dance, otherwise known as the NCAA National Tournament. There is no student in the school that can remember when then SMC center Brad Milliard schooled now NBA all-star Tim

Duncan. On the women's side, our seniors were in seniors I high school when Triola Jackson dropped 20 plus points in 1st round action.

Now we are in 2004 and finally the Gaels have something to look forward to. Men's basketball, after wallowing in the dungeons of the WCC is now picked 2nd behind perennial power Gonzaga.

Adding to the hype will the return of All-WCC picks Paul Marigney, Daniel Kickert, and EJ Rollins. Coach Bennett also took the lead in recruiting picking up Cal transfer Eric Bond.

On the women's side 5th year senior Triola Jackson will lead a feisty young talented group of ball players. Head lining the list of underclassman will be All-WCC pick Evynn Van Burger. These two, along with a host of others, will set the stage for a run to the Big Dance in March.

With the dropping of football basketball has taken the lead as

the chief sport at SMC. Just a few years ago we were like the Zags, a small Catholic school and like them are primed to make hoops the number sport for both men and women. It can't be said how important both Coaches Randy Bennett and Michelle Jacoby will be to this process. If we lose either one of them, it could mean disaster for the future.

But until then, live for the present, don't think beyond this season, and cheer your hear out for basketball at SMC. GO GAELS.

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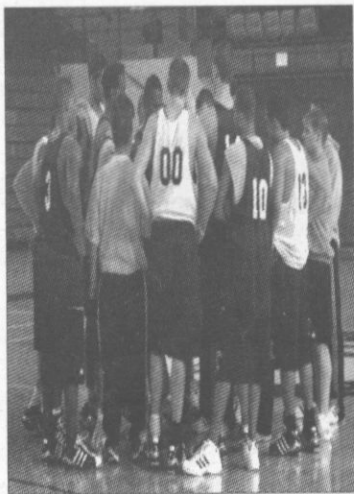
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year. We were seven deep last year, where this year it is 9 or 10."

In that rotation of nine or 10 comes some fresh faces that didn't see much time last year. Sophomore Brett Collins will fill the void left by Tyler Herr; while seven footers Reda Rhalimi and Blake Sholberg will be counted on to add size and strength to the team, especially with Frederic Adjiwanou having to sit out the first three games of the season and Paul Marigney sitting out seven due to low grades.

"We have guys out early, and this being a team sport, chemistry is important," said Bennett. "When you start changing roles in-season, you have to be good to pull it off. We have to know our roles. It is hard as heck to do, so you have to have good leadership from the players."

But the question remains, is this team actually better than a year ago?



"We have much better experience and depth," said Bennett. "Eventually, it is having five guys out there who started a year ago to go along with a lot of juniors and seniors. That helps."



The main obstacle for the team this year will be finally getting over the hump against Gonzaga, a team that swept the Gaels last year and has handled them in past seasons.

"On paper we have (closed the gap between Saint Mary's and Gonzaga), but we'll see; we haven't beaten them yet," said Bennett.

The key for the players is to stay even keel and not buy into the pressures of hype and expectations.

Of course it helps to bring back the WCC's leading scorer, Marigney, as well as E.J. Rowland (13.3 ppg), Daniel Kickert (14.9 ppg and a tryout with the Australian Olympic basketball team), and Adjiwanou (8.8 ppg with 6.7 rpg).

Bennett said this would be one of his more difficult seasons at SMC, having to deal with the balancing players who are hurt or suspended back into the team.

Marigney returns for one last ride

Senior gaurd Paul Marigney has taken the Gaels last to first in his career

by Nick Carr

Sports Writer

Last week the Collegian staff paid visit to McKeon Pavilion to look over our 2004-2005 roster and perhaps get an interview with star shooting guard Paul Marigney, last year's first team All-West Coast Conference selection. Although, he was not practicing that day, it was asked of head coach Randy Bennett, "What makes Paul so special?"

He calmly looked back and replied, "he's the most fearless player I have ever coached." This comment came after recalling a game in the 2002 season against Pepperdine. Paul had torn his right ACL and was sidelined for what would eventually be the remainder of the season. For any normal player, a knee injury of this magnitude can be career ending, but not for Marigney. Just days after sustaining the blow, Paul was back on the court, running the floor at practice with his teammates and challenging them to play one on one. "He's just one of those guys you have to drag off the court," said Bennett of the senior shooting guard.

The very next season, after recovering from a knee surgery that normally takes two years, Marigney dropped in forty points

and added ten rebounds to lead the Gaels to victory, against Pepperdine. This performance came against a squad whom the

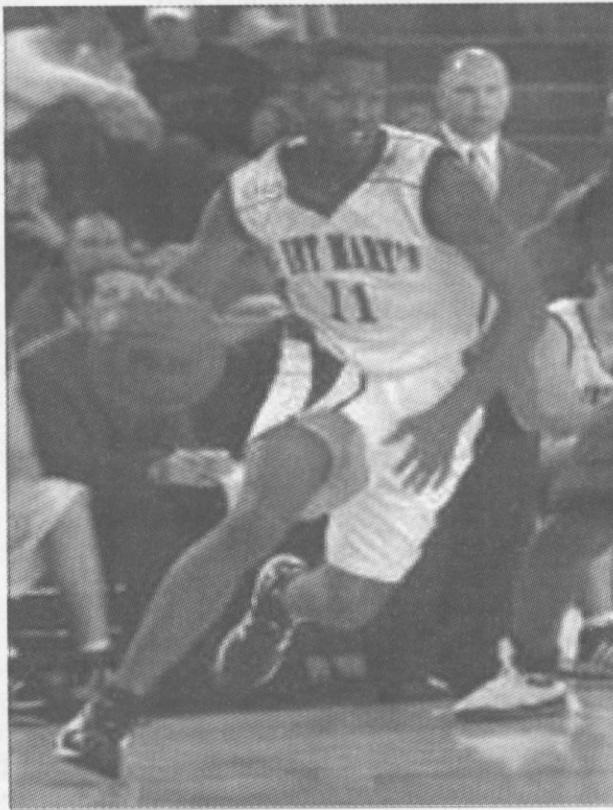
time, our basketball team has dramatically improved rising from obscurity and an 0-14 2001 conference season to 9-5 last year.

Call it coincidence if you like, but I have ran over all the statistics that prove otherwise.

Last season Marigney averaged 20.1 points per game in conference play while shooting 48% from the field and 87% from the three point line (an all time record at SMC). Since first suiting up for the Gaels three years ago the senior has improved his numbers consistently across the board in points, assists, rebounds, steals, shooting percentage, and minutes played.

Off the court, he manages his time well as a loving father, husband, and art major. Coach Bennett has committed his efforts to molding a program here at SMC worth be-

ing proud of. He stresses fundamentals and defense more than ever and tells his guys regularly that unselfishness is the key to winning games. With a proven leader and pure scorer in Marigney, Bennett and his revamped team will now have more confidence than ever to achieve their goal of the NCAA tournament.



season before had seen him falter.

Marigney and his coach seem to have a very special relationship. The two unique facts that bind the pair together are that they both arrived onto the Moraga campus together three years ago, Bennett as a rookie head coach and Marigney as a bright eyed freshman. Since that

SMC Basketball: A world wide attraction

Six basketball players headline the list of international athletes at Saint Mary's

By Michael Chin
Sports Editor

In the last five years basketball has become more than just an American sport. You need not look further than this summer's Olympics in Athens. The United States, with its all NBA team, was handily defeated by Italy, Argentina, and Lithuania. Even in the NBA players such as Dirk Nowenski (Germany), Yao Ming (China), and Manu Genobly (Argentina) have blossomed into stars. The symbolism was as bright as day: basketball was now a global sport.

Here at Saint Mary's the trend has followed. Out of the total number of basketball players at SMC (29) one fourth of them hail from countries outside of the good old US of A. These players, four of them of the men's team and two on the women's, have made a major impact our program both as a team and campus community.

In every aspect of their life they must assimilate themselves to the American way. For many students on campus, family is just a drive or hour flight away. However for these athletes, seeing loved one is a thousand dollar flight and crossing though customs. When talking to some them they mentioned the language barrier that comes with be-

ing in the United States. Although many of them may speak some English, it is not their first language in many cases. This leads to changes in study habits and social life. Despite these barriers however, many of them have had great of successes as Gaels.

Junior Daniel Kickert and senior Fred Adjiwanou head the list of prominent international Gaels on the men's team. Kickert, particularly has exemplified this role. Like many foreign born players, Kickert is the whole package. Although he is 6-10 and plays both power forward and center, he still has great range from outside. Inside the Aussie has great rebounding skills and post moves. In his three years at SMC, he has helped the Gaels backed to prominence, most recently their 19-12 2004 record. He is so highly regarded by his country that last year, despite missing the initial tryouts, was asked to play for his national team.

The senior Adjiwanou has been a rebounding force for the Gaels since coming from Foothill JC three years ago. He has also become a big threat in the post. Rounding out the group is center Rheda Rhallami and newcomer

from Brazil Raphael De-Silva. Rhallami will look

On the women's side, both Erika Urmonaite and Majja Lahde have really yet to make their mark on the women's basketball team. Lahde just arrived from Finland, while Urmonaite has played sparingly over her career, last year averaging 9 minutes per game. Still, these two have time to put their stamp on Gael history.

Time will only tell how much influence the foreign game will have on Gael basketball, however; thus far it has been major. Since these six have come to SMC each team has improved throughout the year. So in conclusion: keep going global SMC, it will seve the programs in the end.

Saint Mary's College 2004-2005 Women's Basketball Schedule (Schedule Subject to change)

November
19, vs. UC Riverside
21, vs. UC Santa Barbara
30, vs. Oakland

December
5, vs. Sacramento state
10, at California
14, at Princeton
17, at George Washington University
21, at UC Davis
28, at Southern Utah
30, vs. Marist

January
6, at Portland
8, at Gonzaga
15, at Santa Clara
20, vs. Pepperdine
22, vs. Loyola Marymount
27, at San Francisco
29, at San Diego

February
3, vs. Gonzaga
5, vs. Portland
12, vs. Santa Clara
17, at Loyola Marymount
19, at Pepperdine
24, vs. San Diego
26, vs. San Francisco

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Community Views (continued)

Planes, Trains, and Automobiles

by Laura Longobardi
Assistant Opinion Editor

was not the symbol of the flag that replaced it. The issue was the manner of disrespect in which the rainbow was blotted out. To say that such a club has no place at Saint Mary's or any other Catholic institution is only a means of further blinding and shielding oneself from the realities of society. Condemning a gay lifestyle will not eradicate its existence. Gay culture poses less of a threat to society than the hatred I witnessed in Johnson's article. Seriously Johnson, are you afraid that the "scary gays" are going to invade your safe haven of Moraga and convert you? Homosexuality is a way of life for people, just because it's not your way of life doesn't mean it's wrong. Where do you get off condemning other people? Hate and ignorance constitute your "culture of death," not homosexuality.

Marissa Nichols
Class of 2006

In response to John Johnson's letter about the re-painting of the SMC we would like to ask the question, "What would Jesus do?" Jesus tells us to love our neighbors, all of them. He doesn't say "love all your neighbors, except for homosexuals." Besides, although Saint Mary's is a Catho-

lic school, not everyone who goes here is Catholic, Christian, or even religious at all. We certainly can't be expected to all share the same beliefs.

Johnson asks, "if it was truly inclusiveness that the club sought to promote, what would their problem be with the American flag - the greatest symbol of diversity..." First of all, the American flag is not universally seen as a symbol of diversity. Secondly, even if it were, that's not the point. GSA doesn't have a problem with the flag. What we have a problem with is students painting over other students' work and therefore implying that their diversity rainbow is not fit to be seen. It also implies that the rainbow and the flag cannot go together, that they are enemies, which goes against Johnson's own statement about the flag being a symbol of diversity. America is supposed to be the land of freedom, a country that is composed of many different types of people.

Johnson's assertion that GSA promotes sodomy is just plain ignorance. It seems to imply that GSA goes around trying to convert people to the homosexual lifestyle, and caricatures members of the gay community based on a single sex act. Besides, not everyone in GSA is gay. It's a group for anyone who wants to help pro-

mote acceptance, that's why it's called the Gay-Straight Alliance. In conclusion, we would like to ask Johnson why he considers homosexuality as a "culture of death." We understand calling violence a culture of death, but seeing as homosexuality harms no one, we fail to see his point.

GSA members

In response to John Johnson's letter concerning the painting of the SMC sign in rainbow colors, we would like to say that we were completely appalled by his lack of humanity, and distasteful prejudice.

The American flag's red and white strips were painted over with the rainbow colors, to communicate an acceptance of gays in America, and show that America is made up of many different people. If America is supposed to be the greatest symbol of diversity, how can John Johnson, an American, be so completely unaccepting of diversity on campus? The repainting of the American flag was intentionally used against gays and lesbians in an oppressive manner intended to intimidate and silence the gay community for National Coming Out Day.

So far this year there have been

several incidents on campus geared against the gay community. We as members of GSA would like to make it clear, that the people or groups who have tried to cast fear and intimidation into the gay community did not, and will not succeed.

In his article, Johnson says that GSA "has no place at a Catholic school." In response, we would like to say that there is no place for his or other's hatred and discrimination of gays at Saint Mary's College, or any other place!

The problem with the views that Johnson and others like him hold, is that their views are rooted in hate. Michael Nagler, author of *Is There no Other Way? The Search for a Nonviolent Future*, says, "we have to back down in our thinking, from anti-gay hate crimes, to hate crimes, to hate. Hate is the real problem," that needs to be addressed at SMC. Today it might be gays, "tomorrow it could be Jews, it could be blacks, or homeless people" (Nagler). We need to all come together and realize the we are all human beings, interconnected to one another, and must learn to be accepting of people's differences in hopes of creating a better world for everyone.

GSA Officers

Airplanes are funny things. As soon as you step onto one, you become part of some strange, extended family. Once you take your seat, it's as if you have suddenly been reunited with some long lost family that you don't remember ever losing.

There are however, certain gradients of strangeness in this bizarre little microcosm of life. You see, there are the people who actually don't care all that much, who sit there with their newspapers and slowly drift to sleep on your shoulder, drooling on the white shirt you were supposed to be wearing for your father's birthday dinner that you are attending as soon as you manage to get off the plane. There are the inconvenient people in who sit in front of you and as soon as they can, they lean their seat back as far as it will go and inevitably end up in your lap.

The worst are the grandparents. I have nothing against grandparents persay, I have my own and I can tolerate other people's grandparents in small doses. A two-hour flight sitting next to them is not a small dose. This was recently demonstrated for me on my return flight from a lovely weekend at home. It was also long and exhausting. I wanted to relax. I did not want to engage in conversation. I wanted to become a vegetable for two solid hours before I got back to campus where an obscene amount of unfinished reading awaited my return. I had another thing coming. The couple sitting next to me were a nice enough older couple, but about a quarter of the way into my flight, I found myself saying the most amazing things.

"Well actually, I am a science major. I've just been accepted into medical school. I am so excited. My life's goal is to find the cure for cancer."

Now, this is not even remotely true. My interest in science is limited to practical applications and nothing more.

My Sunday evening plane ride quickly took a turn from chatting with the nice people next to me to seeing what kind of extravagant lies I could get them to believe. How easy it was to convince these people that I was a science major amazed me. But all this simply illustrates the point that I will never see them again; what does it matter if they think I am about to become the next medical genius or the next Mozart or even the next Jesus for that matter? They will probably look back on the plane ride and laugh about the psycho who sat next to them almost as much as I will look back and laugh at how gullible they were.

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Caitlin Aloia '08



"I was happy about the election results because I voted for Bush."

"I'm definitely unhappy with how the election went. I'm tempted of wearing a T-shirt saying 'don't blame me. I voted for Kerry.'"



Tessa Sincliar '08

Martha Harris '06



"I am not a fan of Bush. I hope that the next four years go well despite of the fact that I don't agree with Bush on a lot of issues."

"I'm disappointed that Bush won. But I'm happy about the voter turnout."

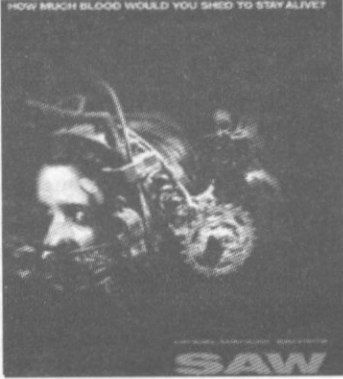


Derrick Crayton '08

REVIEW

Things look better vertical, anyway

(www.empiremovies.com)

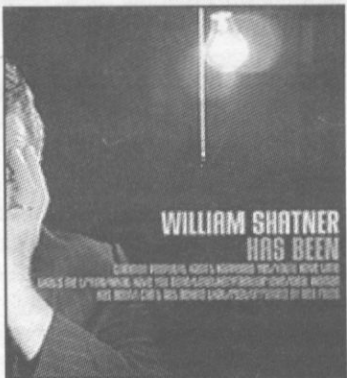


Saw

While immensely disturbing and diabolical, the acting in the horror flick *Saw* fell short of expectations. However, where the actors suck, the plot makes up for it. But then again, when was the last time you went to see a horror movie for the critically acclaimed acting? From the very beginning of the movie the plot is intriguing, even if it is more than a little disturbing. It had so many twists and turns that up until the very end you are guessing who the real killer is. If you're looking for a film to make you think...freak out a little bit...and leave you with that disturbing feeling in the pit of your stomach...I would suggest seeing this movie.

-Leslie Ajari

(www.amazon.com)



Has Been

When I inform most of my friends that William Shatner has an album out, they tend laugh out loud. I can't say that I'm surprised. After all, this is William Shatner, star of "Star Trek" and "TJ Hooker." This is a man whose fame is mocked by all. The good thing is that Mr. Shatner understands this, and thus the whimsically titled *Has Been* album is deceptively good. The lighthearted mood that is evoked by the title continues when you listen to the album. Because Mr. Shatner never, thank God, sings, but instead just talks in a voice that is so utterly WILLIAM SHATNER, the songs just command to be listened to. The only blemish on the albums fun mood is the song "What Have You Done." That is just too depressing in the company of the other fun songs. It feels weird saying it, but you should pick it up.

- Colin de Leon Horton

DÉTOUR

Because it is the tenth-week-aversary of DÉTOUR, this issue is full of the greatest lists ever compiled. Behold the glory.

Top Ten Reasons To Write A Top Ten list

Chris Mateo

Editor-in-Chief

10

Because a humor column is just too much work.

9

Because you have to budget your thoughts.

8

Because life is simpler in lists.

7

Because you think that your opinion is the only one that matters, and therefore you think of top ten ways to ensure your dominance over everyone else's opinions.

6

Because you like to use the word "because."

5

Because it works for Letterman, and besides that little hairpiece thingy, I'd say he's doing pretty well.

4

Because having a "Top Two List" isn't challenging enough.

3

Because you'd rather make things up in this form instead of survey people for their opinions, y'know that whole thing from number 7.

2

Because your Détour Editor told you to.

1

Because that's as high as you can count.



Top Ten Places To Worship

Satan

Angel Vasquez

Détour Editor

X. Parking lot of Assumption

IX. North Claeys laundry room

VIII. The Catacombs

VII. Augustine 101

VI. J.C. Gatehouse

V. McKeon Gym

IV. The Grove

III. The Collegian office

II. Post office

I. Syufy piano room E



Top Ten Reasons For Guys To Not Wear Pink Shirts

Angel Vasquez

The same guy that wears a cloak

10. It's the same color as little girls' dresses.

9. It's not enough of a disguise to get you into the girls' locker room.

8. You're not showing you're comfortable with your sexuality; you're giving into the propaganda that pink is for girls.

7. You're attracting attention, and it's not as funny as those other witty t-shirts, and it's not the kind you want.

6. Only Bret "The Hitman" Hart can wear pink.

5. Even Prince stops at purple.

4. This is not the 80's.

3. No one can see you in front a vat of fruit punch

2. 98% of the My Little Ponies were at least partially pink.

1. You're not unique. It's a fad.

"A coffee critique"
(or to follow the apparent recurring theme, "The Top One Reason to visit The Pacific Bay Coffee Company")
By Chris Mateo

I should be informed about the latest news, opinions, and trends. However, I have just been informed that coffee houses are the spot to be – for anything. With that being said, I'm glad I was able to stop by Walnut Creek's newest coffee oasis, The Pacific Bay Coffee Company.

Upon entering this little café, I found an atmosphere very distant from the popular domain of celebrity-sipping, college-student-awakening, and monopolizing venti-sized evil empires. This atmosphere was one of peace, quiet, and a micro-roastery. That's right, a micro-roastery. Described as one of the best bargains around, I soon found out why.

I ordered some specialty tea (or as I like to call them, "specialteas") to soothe my mind and ease my feet (by sitting, no soaking). I sat across from two men discussing the importance of family after a long day's work. After thinking, "Hey, if they were so darn important, wouldn't it make sense to be with your family after a long day's work rather than talk about them with some dude in a sport coat and loafers?"

I paused and reflected on the tea I was sipping ever so peacefully. The two men disappeared (not literally, I just stopped eavesdropping). Then I realized the added relaxation I got from the environment. The natural tones reunited me with Mother Earth. The traditional-looking ornaments and classy photographs caught my once-artsy eye. Overall, the tea helped me forget that I walked in soaked from the rain and hating life.

I watched on as people flooded the line, eager to sip their trend and escape the rain. I listened as music tried to distract my ears from the busy life of traffic lanes and the vehicles that ran their lives. I watched from this corner as if it was me, my tea, and biscotti made three. The smell of freshly roasted coffee and the aroma of coffee drinkers, not ultra-cool hipsters, took my mind from everything to nothing.

The Pacific Bay Coffee Company, located at 1495 Newell Avenue, at South Main was quite a peaceful experience (rain or not). And being an avid fan of chamomile and its calming side effects, I must say that Walnut Creek's newest micro-roastery is my cup of tea.



Top Five reasons that next week's Opinion section will be full of "Community Views" letters, again

Chris Mateo

Editor-in-Chief

Five: "Top Ten Reasons for Guys Not to Wear Pink Shirts"

- Four: "Top Ten Places to Worship Satan"

- Three: Letters that agree with THIS week's "Community Views"

Two: The letter that disagrees with THIS week's "Community Views"

One: A letter for "A job well done."



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Players of the Week

Genevieve Hollis

Hollis has been one of the brighter spots for the Gaels this year, leading the team with eight goals on the season. The Junior transfer, from Sierra CC, will look to lead a rebuilding Gaels team next season that loses six seniors including offensive threats Sarah Takakawa, Sarah Burgess, and Jennifer Barbara.



Volney Rouse

The junior, who has battled injury, showed promise last week, helping the Rugby team to a commanding victory over Pac-Ten opponent Oregon St. Rouse was responsible for four tries on the day. He will look to lead the nationally ranked Gaels later this month against Central Washington University.



Michael Chin, Sports Editor

GAEL SCORE CARD ZONE

Women's Soccer (8-12)
Portland Defeats SMC, 3-1

Men's Soccer (3-7-5)
SMC Defeats San Diego 2-1
Loyola Marymount Defeats SMC

Volleyball (19-2)
SMC Defeats Portland, 3-0
SMC Defeats Gonzaga, 3-0

SMC Weekly Athletic Schedule

Monday

Women's Basketball vs. Basketball Travelers, McKeon Pavilion, 7:05

Thursday

Men's Basketball vs. Belmont @ Cal Berkeley, 5:30

Friday

Women's Volleyball @ Santa Clara, 7:05 pm

Men's Soccer vs. Gonzaga, @ 3:00pm

Men's Basketball vs. Cal/UC Riverside, @Cal Berkeley, TBA

Women's Basketball vs. Arizona, @Tucson, 7:05

Saturday

Women's Volleyball vs. Gonzaga, 7:05 pm

Women's Volleyball @ San Diego, 7:05

Sunday

Men's Soccer vs. Portland, @ Noon. (Senior Day)

SPORTS

Where have all the Gaels gone

Former SMC football players show what could have been in 2004

By Michael Chin
Sports Editor

This fall Gaels sports has had its share of ups and downs throughout the season. Volleyball has been amazing posting an almost flawless record in 2004. On the other hand both men's and women's soccer has been borderline horrific with a combined one win in conference play. The other sports namely tennis, rugby, and crew have had solid outings but really have not gotten into the prime of their season. This then leads me to the question, "what could have been for football?"

Throughout the history of sports, football has always been a fall sport. It is quite possible that football may have rebounded from its atrocious 1-11 season last year. To seek these answers I looked to our former Gaels at other schools around the nation. Familiar names such as Lucas Lucero, who now plays for Boston College, who is 6-2, and Cordell Webb, quarterback at Cal Poly, who is 7-1, came popping up on to the computer screen.

It then dawned on me that we were actually pretty darn good as a team. All and all, I counted over forty players who took off for greener pastures.

Stats wise, we all fared pretty well with a combined 33-26 record thus far in the season. What might have been our top runner

Volleyball moves to 21-2 on the season

By James Lee
Sports Writer

It was an exciting weekend for the volleyball team in its final regular season home stand.

The Gaels defeated both the Pilots and Gonzaga in lopsided victories, with both matches ending 3-0.

Saturday night the Gaels finished their last regular season home game on a high note.

They defeated the Gonzaga Bulldogs to win a record 21 games this season with an overall record of 21-2, while the defeated Zags fell to 4-21 and 0-11 in conference matches.

Missie Stidham led the Gaels with 16 kills. Kauai Salzman had a match high 18 digs. Mandy Bible led the offense with 57 assists on the day.

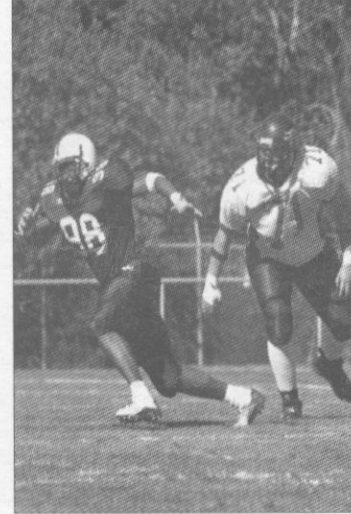
This was the last home game for the two seniors, Lindsey Bogason and Stacy O'Connor.

The Gaels will travel this weekend to play Santa Clara on Friday and will play San Diego on Saturday. For you avid fans out there Santa Clara is just a short drive away so go and show your support.

The Gaels will then look towards their next conquest the NCAA Tournament where they will undoubtedly be seeded high



Lissette Garcia, Collegian



Lissette Garcia, Collegian

Former SMC Football Player and their new homes

L. Lucero DE Boston College, H. Villareal LB Sacramento State
B. Smith CB Sacramento State, W. Brock DE Sacramento State
N. Miller WR Sacramento State, R. Coogler WR Sacramento State
D. Cordisco DT Georgetown, B. Scoffern K Georgetown
K. Davis RB Bucknell, J. Wolfe OL Northern Arizona
J. Williams OL Northern Arizona, C. Webb QB Cal Poly
J. Dunne OL San Diego, M. Vincent OL New Mexico St.
S. Harper RB New Mexico St., S. O'Hara CB W. Washington
M. Braund LB W. Washington, G. Kavulich S Northern Arizona

Kenny Davis has a 4.2 yard rushing average for Tim Landis' (former SMC Coach) Bucknell Bison. Our would-have-been top receiver, Ryan Coogler, is second in receptions for a Sacramento St. team that clobbered us last season.

On defense, lineman Lucas Lucero and Dan Cordisco would have done an admirable job, while Brandon Smith would have pre-

sented problems to opposing offenses. This year he is forth in tackles at Sac-State with forty-four.

Most of the teams that SMC players went to were teams we lost to. That says a lot about the talent we had. All and all it could have been a good season. The talent was here, the coaching was here, the will to continue by others wasn't.

Soccer goes winless in conference

Six seniors wrap up their SMC careers on Saturday

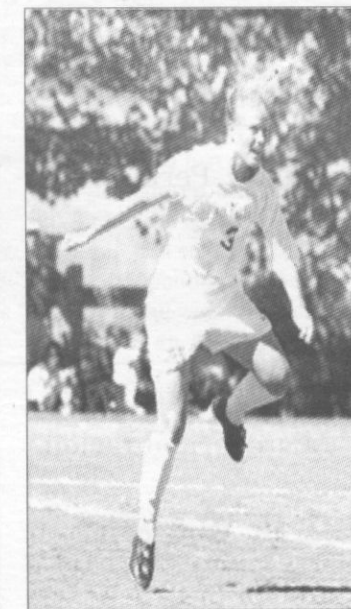
By J. Lee and N. Friedman
Sports Writer and Copy Editor

Women's soccer played their last game this season against the Portland this Saturday in a hard fought battle with the final score 3-1.

This Saturday marked the end of six seniors tenure on the women's soccer team. Jenny Barbera, Sarah Burgess, Angelina Elliot, Katie Frattone, Sara Takekawa and Amaya Zabala were honored at Senior Day. The sentimentality created by the ceremony was tarnished, however, by the Gaels' 3-1 loss to the #6 ranked Portland Pilots. The game was closer than the scoreline might suggest, as evidenced by the shot totals (14 for Portland and 12 for SMC). Down 2-0 in the 55th minute Genevieve Hollis made a shot after receiving a pass from Sarah Churchill.

The Gaels tried to make a final push to even the score, but could not capitalize in the second half. Lindsey Huie of Portland then scored in the 87th minute of the game to extend their lead to 3-1, which ended a bid for a second half comeback. The loss capped a disappointing season for the women, who finished 0-7-0 in the WCC and 8-

12-0 overall. The season started out promising. The women won their first two games, and 10 of their first 13. However, they simply could keep it together down the stretch and dropped their last



Melanie Linney, Collegian

nine in a row. Unfortunately, seven of those last nine were conference games and five of these games were lost by only one goal. A key injury that occurred early in the season was to senior forward Sarah Takekawa who tore her ACL against Cal, which switched some things up for the team.

WEEKLY ROUNDUP

Saint Mary's Men's Golf

It was an uncharacteristic week for the Gaels in the results department this week. SMC traveled to Hawaii for the UH/Turtle Bay golf tournament and were thoroughly dismantled, finishing in 7th place over all.

The few Gaels bright spots included a seventh place finish by junior Liam Kendregan, while Joe Lanza was the sole SMC golfer who shot par in the third round. The other six finished in back. Look for the Gaels to rebound next week at the Wood Ranch Country Club Tournament on November 8th and 9th.

Michael Chin, Sports Editor

Saint Mary's Volleyball

Last Friday, the women's volleyball team continued their winning ways crushing the Portland Pilots 3-0. The wins ties a school record for the most wins in a season with 20.

SMC got the ball rolling early as sophomore blocker Mariko Cloverdale made several big plays. She finished the night with a team high fourteen kills.

In the second game the Gaels continued to pour it on as Missie Stidham along with seniors Lindsey Bogason and Stacy O'Connor added a combined 37 kills on the night.

As usual sophomore Mandy Bible led the Gaels in assists with 32.

Next week the Gaels will finish up the regular season with visits to both Santa Clara and San Diego. Game time for both matches is 7:05 PM.

Michael Chin, Sports Editor

Saint Mary's Men's Soccer

This Sunday saw another defeat for the men's soccer at the hands of the Loyola Marymount Lyons. The game started out promising enough, with senior mid-fielder Diego Rovira putting a shot past Loyola's keeper, Shawn Kalnasy, at the 1 minute, 50 second mark. However, the Gaels could not hold on to the lead for long and surrendered the game-tying goal only eight minutes later. After the initial scoring rush, things settled a bit, though the Lions never gave up the offensive, out shooting the Gaels 19-8. The men will finish out their season this week with two games, both at home. On Friday they will host the Gonzaga Bulldogs and on Sunday, the Portland Pilots.

Noah Friedman-Biglin,
Copy Editor