Moraga, California

Thursday, August 25, 2005

Week of Welcome 2005

From the President of the Student Body

Greetings new students!

As President of the Associated Students let me give you a sincere welcome to St. Mary's College and your Week of Welcome. The following week is designed to provide you a chance to learn more about the college and begin to find out where you fit in. As a fellow student allow me to challenge you to get involved and be a proactive member of our community. You are part of a historic moment, as the largest group of incoming students ever, allowing for what is sure to be a memorable year. I encourage you to explore leadership opportunities, whether with Recreational Sports, one of the many clubs, or as a class senator. Many exciting experiences await you in the next few weeks.

The Associated Students of Saint Mary's College (ASSMC) is here to be your voice. Know that our office and the office of Student Involvement and Leadership will always be here to help you in your journey as a student. Please feel free to call me at (925) 631-8509 or e-mail jzabala@stmarys-ca.edu with any thoughts or concerns. Once again, congratulations and welcome fellow Gaels!

John Zabala



Freshman Olympians, Get Ready!



The Annual Freshman Olympics will take place on Monday, September 5 (Labor Day). This action-packed day will include opening ceremonies, community building stations, BBQ Lunch, residence hall sport competitions, and awards. Students can sign up in their residence hall to compete in this day of fun, food and games!

All Freshmen are encouraged to participate in this amazing day of events. The Olympic events are judged and scored in the areas of sportsmanship, team unity, enthusiasm, team effort and, of course, wins and losses.

Throughout the day, Olympians will take team photos, learn the SMC Fight Song, and build team unity. In the afternoon, Olympians will participate in hall competitions in volleyball, basketball, softball, dodgeball, flag football, and soccer. The Intramural Leadership Team will explain each game, so join us, even if you've never played before. To participate, sign up with your Residence Hall Advisor, and be sure to get your free Freshman Olympics T-Shirt.

Attention!

Need to change your course schedule? The Drop/Add period will be August 29th – September 6th

For up to the minute changes, updates and procedures visit our web site at:

www.stmarys-ca.edu/registrar

Check list:

- 1. Buy your books. Bookstore hours: Wed.- Fri., 8am-6:30pm.
- 2. Scout out the SMC campus. Find your classrooms, Oliver Hall (the dining hall), the post office, ATM,
- 3. Join a club at club fair, Wednesday, September 7th.
- 4. Get to know the people who live on your floor. Introduce yourself to your R.A., your R.D., and the rest of your floormates.

What do I need to do now that I'm here?

- Check out your new home away from home. Explore Moraga, Walnut Creek, Berkeley, and San Francisco.
- 6. Stop by Recreational Sports in Madigan Gym. Join an intramural sport, drop-in class or a club team. IT'S FREE.
- 7. If you have a car, go to Public Safety in Siena Hall for your FREE parking permit.
- Put money on your laundry card. You don't want to stink.
- Set up your e-mail and voicemail. You'll need to contact your friends, family and professors.
- 10. Get a bus schedule. Go to Walnut Creek, Moraga, or Berkeley (on BART).

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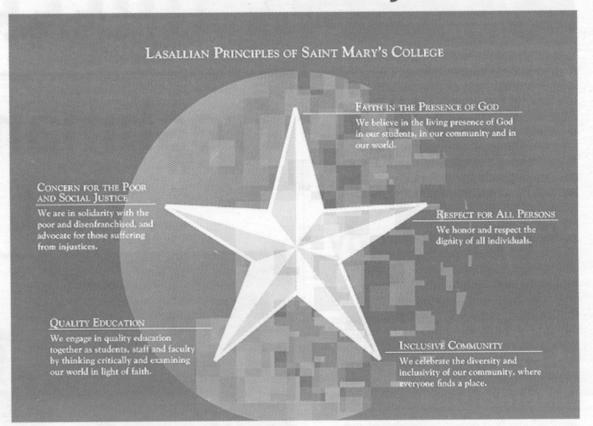
Welcome to our Lasallian Community

many times during Week of Welcome and well into your first few weeks at Saint Mary's College. First, each of you will be welcomed to the campus by many people, and second, you will hear the term "community" used frequently as part of that welcome. Faculty, staff, and especially students will talk about our Lasallian heritage and the spirit of community. Words such as faith, zeal, service, and education give expression to our Lasallian community - part of an international Lasallian family that spans over eighty countries. The

Two things will occur to you depth and breadth of our Lasallian Mission and Heritage, as expressed by our Founder, Saint John Baptist de La Salle, are evident in our five core principles. In time, you will begin to understand and appreciate both of these terms - "community" and "Lasallian" - and in so doing come to know what these two terms mean and that they build upon each other. We invite you to enjoy and relish your first few days as members of our Saint Mary's College community and know that you are an integral part of our Lasallian community!

Top Ten Expressions of the Lasallian Mission at Saint Mary's College

- 10. The view of the CHAPEL as you drive onto campus.
 - 9. The spirit of COMMUNITY.
 - 8. The spirit of FAITH and PRAYER.
 - 7. Learning about the LIFE OF SAINT JOHN BAPTIST DE LA SALLE
- 6. A focus on SOCIAL JUSTICE/ACTION.
- 5. A place where ALL ARE WELCOME.
- 4. FACULTY AND STAFF who are invested in your education.
 - 3. The presence of EACH STUDENT.
 - 2. The CHRISTIAN BROTHERS.
 - 1. YOUR OWN EDUCATION and CLASSES.



CILSA: Enter to learn. Leave to serve.

Community Service: Who Cares?

You do-over 85% of first year Lasallian motto: "Enter to learn, college students report having done community service during high school. Saint Mary's provides many opportunities for you to continue that service during college. And for those who may not have been involved in service before, there's never been a better time to start! This can be a time for you to explore new opportunities and get involved in surrounding communities. Service plays an important role in the mission of Saint Mary's College, as expressed in the

leave to serve."

If you want information about service and social action opportunities at Saint Mary's, CILSA - the Catholic Institute for Lasallian Social Action - is the place to go. Don't let the long name intimidate you-CILSA welcomes students of all backgrounds and faith traditions. What we share in common is a commitment to the dignity and worth of all people, and the desire to express this commitment through service on behalf of social justice. Opportunities include group service projects, service-learning courses, and leadership programs sponsored by CILSA.

The CILSA office is located on the first floor of Ferroggiaro Hall across from the ATM. The office is open daily from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., with members of the Social Action Leadership Team available to provide you with everything you'll need to find an organization or an activity that matches your interests and skills.

Lasallian Alumni Dinner

Are you a graduate of a Lasallian High School?

This is your opportunity to meet other students from Lasallian high schools current SMC student leaders, and get involved at Saint Mary's!

Wednesday, August 31, 2005 5:30pm Soda Center

Free Meal, Make Connections and Meet Other Students

RSVP NOW! Extension 8154 msanderl@stmarys-ca.edu





Campus Ministry Events

Get involved!!!

Welcome Mass: August 25th, 3:00 p.m. First student mass: Sunday, August 28th, 8:00 p.m. First Dorothy Day House Dinner: Thursday, September 8th

New Student Retreat: September 9th - 11th Mass of the Holy Spirit: September 20th, Chapel Lawn

Halloween Party for Kids: October 28th

Volunteer to work with Campus Pastoral Team: x4366





A Lasallian Experience (Reading, Conversation, Meal, and Enjoyment!)

Monthly, 11:30am - 12:30pm **Alemany Christian Brothers Community**

Contact Brother Michael Sanderl, FSC (ext. 8154) or Carole Swain (ext. 4695)

The Collegian

Thursday, August 25, 2005 - Opening Day

College Services and Vendor Fair 9:00 a.m. -

Ferroggario Quad 5:00 p.m.

WOW Group Meetings 1:00 p.m.

Chapel Lawn

Welcome Mass 3:30 p.m.

McKeon Pavilion

Welcome BBQ for Parents, 5:00 p.m.

Families, and Students Galileo Grove

Transfer Student Reception 6:30 p.m.

Dryden Hall

Commuter Student Reception 6:30 p.m.

Delphine Intercultural Center

Rock and Bowl/ 7:45 p.m.

Community-Building

Concord/ Residence Halls

Friday, August 26, 2005

WOW Group Meetings 9:00 a.m.

Chapel Lawn

First Collegiate Seminar 10:00 a.m.

Various classrooms

Academic Honor Pledge 12:00 p.m.

Chapel Lawn

Playfair 2:00 p.m.

Mckeon Pavilion

First Generation Celebration 3:30p.m.

Soda Center

5:30 -7:00 p.m.

Ice Cream Social with the

Christian Brothers

Dryden Hall

7:00 p.m.

Community-Building/ Chat Room

Residence Halls/Soda Center

11:00 p.m.

Comedy Sportz Soda Center

Saturday, August 27, 2005

9:00 a.m.

BaFa BaFa SODA Center

1:30 p.m.

Gael Force Rally/ Pool Party

Gym/Pool

7:00 p.m.

Veraunda Jackson

Soda Center

9:00 p.m.

Movie on the Lawn

Redwood Grove

Sunday, August 28, 2005

10:00 a.m.

Berkeley/ San Francisco Tour

Meet at the Bus Stop

11:00 a.m.

Paint the SMC

SIL Office in Ferroggiaro

CILSA Open House

2:00 p.m.

12:30 p.m. -

First Floor Ferroggario

Campus Ministry Open House

Arcade

8:00 p.m.

Mass

Saint Mary's Chapel

Let's Chat!!

Friday, August 26th Soda Center

"Conversation is a meeting of minds with different memories and habits. When minds meet, they don't just exchange facts: they transform them, reshape them, draw different implications from them, engage in new trains of thought. Conversation doesn't just reshuffle the cards: it creates new cards."

-Theodore Zeldin, Historian & Author

For more than a year, a unique in a large-scale series of small of the range of issues raised, and committee has met to imagine new methods of communication at SMC. Called "Dialogue: Community in Conversation," the committee consists of students, faculty, staff, and administrators who share an interest in increasing opportunities for dialogue and deliberation at the College. Areas represented on the committee include: students, faculty, staff, Academic Affairs, Student Involvement and Leadership, Athletics and Recreational Sports, ASSMC, the Counseling Center, Community Relations, Campus Diversity Associations, the Christian Brothers, the Women's Resource Center, CILSA, and Residence Life

The Dialogue Committee will sponsor one facet of our Friday night program, called "Chat Room." On that night in the Soda Center, you are welcome to join

group discussions on the following topic: "Transitions: Finding My Place at SMC." At this event, everyone will be an active participant in discussing a collective list of interests, concerns, and priorities that members of the Saint Mary's College community share.

In a fun and comfortable atmosphere, we will organize more than 300 people into simultaneous small group conversations (8 or so people at a table) on significant questions that all new students face. Everyone's voice will be heard, and all perspectives will be allowed equal time/weight/value.

All discussions will be "recorded" through note-taking, and all notes will be combined to produce a collective perspective. By the end of the evening, every participant will have a solid grasp

soon after the event, a more comprehensive compilation of the results will be made available to

This event will be your first in a long series of such conversations, covering different kinds of issues over the coming months and years. The organizing committee welcomes your participation: 1) in the "Chat Room" session on August 26th, 2) in facilitation training sessions that will be held throughout the year, 3) in planning and promoting future Chat Room events, and 4) in providing feedback to the committee about the events.

Chat Room is an integral part of our campus community. The possibilities for what might happen there are endless. Please join us on the 26th to get the first experience of what those possibilities might be.

Honor, integrity, and a challenge to excel

Academic Honor Code Pledge

Friday, August 26th Noon Chapel Lawn



inspiring presentation about what we can all do to help eliminate sexual assault on college campuses. In Veraunda's experience as : survivor and an attorney, she has learned that it is often the simplest choices that make the most difference in life.

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STUDENT CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

ACADEMIC CLUBS

Accounting Club- The club provides a social and informational environment for students interested in accounting Email: acctclub@stmarys-ca.edu

Business Club - The club stimulates and promotes interest in modern economic, social and political questions, as well as possible career opportunities related to the field of business. Email: busiclub@stmarys-ca.edu

Liberal and Civic Studies Club -

The club is open to any student interested in the Liberal and Civic Studies major.

Email: libciv@stmarys-ca.edu

Macken Speech and Debate Club-The club provides undergraduate students an opportunity to participate in local collegiate debate and speech activities Email: debate@stmarys-ca.edu.

Physicists of Saint Mary's (PoSM) – The club advances the knowledge of physics and encourages interest in physics throughout the SMC community. Email: posm@stmarys-ca.edu

Psychology Club - The club stimulates and promotes interest in the area of psychology. Email: psych@stmarys-ca.edu

Science Club - The club promotes the promise of science and technology; sponsors a variety of programs celebrating achievements in science, engineering, education and policy; and advances the public understanding of science. Email: sci-club@stmarys-ca.edu

SERVICE CLUBS

Amnesty International – The club raises awareness of global human rights violations and promotes action throughout the college campus to assist in the prevention of such injustices. Email: amnesty@stmarys-ca.edu

Best Buddies - The club encourages one on one friendships between SMC students and people who have developmental disabilities.

Email: bestbuds@stmarys-ca.edu

Circle K Club - The club involves students in on-campus and community service projects enhancing their cultural understanding and ability to respond to the changing needs of SMC and the Bay Area community.

Email: circlek@stmarys-ca.edu

Habitat for Humanity - This club, supported by International Habitat for Humanity, serves the greater community by assisting in the building of homes in the community.

Email: habitat@stmarys-ca.edu

Homeless Awareness Project - This club provides direct service to the homeless in Oakland and San Francisco by collecting clothes, food, etc., and directly distributing them. Email: smchap@stmarys-ca.edu



ASSMC Media

Collegian Newspaper -

Saint Mary's College is home to a weekly newspaper, The Collegian. This student run publication, first issued in 1903, is distributed weekly on the Saint Mary's College campus. To become involved, call 925-631-4279 or email collegia@stmarys-ca.edu.

Gael Yearbook -

This comprehensive publication is distributed in the fall of every academic year includes pictures and writings by SMC students. 925-631-4673 or email gaelyb@stmarys-ca.edu.

KSMC 89.5 Radio -

From late night talk shows to early morning rock shows; from world music to roundtable discussions about campus issues, exciting shows await you on KSMC at 89.5 FM. Become a DJ or have your own show. 925-631-4772 or email ksmc@stmarys-ca.edu.

Asian Pacific American Student Association (APASA) - The club fosters a strong sense of community among Asian-American students and their peers, and provides an opportunity to learn about various Asian cultures through weekly meetings, community service opportunities and special events. All are invited to participate. Email: apasa@stmarys-ca.edu.



Black Student Union (BSU) - The club enhances the experience of black students by holding frequent meetings, sponsoring social events, and hosting guest speakers to explore issues in education, politics, history, economics and culture affecting the African-American community. All are invited to participate. Email: bsu@stmarys-ca.edu.

DIVERSITY CLUBS

Da Hawaii Club – The club creates a welcoming environment for all Hawaiian students, while teaching and sharing the traditions of the indigenous people of Hawaii. Email: hawaii@stmarys-ca.edu.

Dante Club - The club brings the essence of Italian culture to Saint Mary's students through meetings, events, and excursions off campus.

Email: dante@stmarys-ca.edu.

Eire Og - The club educates students about the history and culture of Ireland through varied social activities and actively participates in local Irish festivities such as the annual Saint Patrick's Day Parade in San Francisco. Email: eireog@stmarys-ca.edu

Gay Straight Alliance (GSA) - The Gay Straight Alliance is a club chartered by the Associated Students of Saint Mary's College for gay, lesbian, bisexual and heterosexual students. They plan social, educational and cultural activities for the benefit of the college community.

Email: gsa@stmarys-ca.edu.

International Club - The club promotes understanding and communication among internat'l

students, American students and the community through social and educational activities. The club sponsors many activities, including an international fair where students join together to share food, music and dance from many cultures around the world. Email: intlclub@stmarys-ca.edu.

Latin American Student Association (LASA) – This club serves as a vehicle for the expression and teaching of Latin American culture and heritage, provides a tutorial program to assist Latin American students, and sponsors activities in academic, cultural, political and social areas of student life. All are invited to participate. Email: lasa@stmarys-ca.edu.

Pulses Step Team - This multicultural dance team combines traditional step routines with modern hip-hop themes. Email: pulses@stmarys-ca.edu.



Special Interest Clubs

Campaign to End the Death Penalty – The purpose of this club is for students to create awareness about the issues surrounding the use of capital punishment in the United States.

Email: cedp@stmarys-ca.edu.

Chess Club – The club's goals are to educate and promote chess through social interaction and to devlop logic and reasoning skills. Email: chess@stmarys-ca.edu

c.O.V.E.N.A.N.T. – This club is amongs the Catholic Organization of communication Varsity Ensuring the Nonpartisan ca.edu.

Advancement of Natural Truth. Email: covenant@stmarys-ca.edu

Intervarsity Christian Fellowship (IVCF) - The club is an interdenominational group dedicated to helping the Saint Mary's College community grow in its relationship with God. Email: ivcf@stmarys-ca.edu

sMC Democrats – The club seeks to bring the values and principles of the Democratic Party to light amongst members of the SMC community. Email: sil@stmarysca.edu.

SMC Progressives – The club wishes to create a unified voice among the politically liberal SMC community by educating students about progressive ideals. Email: smcp@stmarys-ca.edu.

SMC Republicans – The club aims to represent the principles of the Republican party among members of the SMC community. Email: smcrepub@stmarysca.edu

STUDENT SERVICES

Gael Force - The group is the official student spirit club of Gael Athletics. Members of Gael Force are committed to increasing student spirit and attendance at athletic events.

Email: gforce@stmarys-ca.edu.

Peer Educators' Network- The club is dedicated to promoting peer education and responsibility among students regarding healthy attitudes towards the consumption of alcohol and awareness of the risks associated with alcohol abuse. Email: peereduc@stmarys-ca.edu.

Program Board - This student organization brings comedians, hypnotists, themed dances, casino



nights, concerts, and more to Saint Mary's College. Email: smcpb@stmays-ca.edu.

SMC Sports Band- The Pep Band is a group of musicians who perform at sporting events. Email: smcband@stmarys-ca.edu

Spirit Team - The Spirit Team's primary responsibility is to promote and enhance school

spirit. Email: spirit@stmarys-ca.edu.

Student Alumni Association (SAA) - The club, in collaboration with the SMC Alumni Office and the Career Development Center, promotes communication and interaction between students and alumni of the College through a number of events. Email: saa@stmarys-ca.edu.



STUDENT INVOLVEMENT & LEADERSHIP (SIL)

For More Information

Visit the first floor of Ferroggiaro Hall or call at 925-631-4704

Our mission is to cultivate opportunities for student leadership, meaningful relationships and life-long learning by providing a dynamic environment while responding to diverse student interests.

We Value...

Relationships and Inclusive Community

- SIL Offers a safe, comfortable, and inviting space to engage students in their success and growth.
- SIL Affords students opportunities and experiences to foster communities of mutual respect and develop meaningful relationships with members of the College community.
- SIL Affirms students in the use of their talents and skills in the service of others.

Student Ownership and Empowerment

- SIL Responds actively to the interests of students.
- SIL Advances student issues and concerns.
- SIL Includes supportive structures for student owned initiatives.

Cooperation and Collaboration

- SIL Creates collaborative partnerships to strengthen the overall College community.
- SIL Provides professional staff who advise, advocate, and gives best practices to student and College programs.

Student Leadership Development

Many opportunities are available for students to develop as leaders. These include leadership workshops, retreats, collaboration with clubs and organizations, and experiences to build community and celebrate student involvement.

Dryden Hall

The primary student lounge where students are invited to gather, enjoy each other's company and play a variety of games including pool, ping-pong, foosball, air hockey and board games. Events such as movies, coffee houses, karaoke nights, and open-mic nights are regularly scheduled in Dryden Hall.

Delphine Intercultural Center

Delphine is a place where all students are invited to study, work on projects, or meet with any student group. Many of the diversity clubs hold meetings in Delphine and their offices are on the second floor. It is a welcoming place for all students to gather.

Orientation and Week of Welcome

The Student Involvement and Leadership Staff advises the Orientation Leaders (OL), who assist with new student orientation and Week of Welcome.

Associated Students of Saint Mary's College ASSMC

The ASSMC sustains an undergraduate community that represents all students, promotes student involvement, gives students an active role in governing the College, and manages all student organizations.

Associated Students President jzabala@stmarys-ca.edu

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Mary Barnes 925-631-8507



ASSMC Executive Team. From left: Dustin Cramer, Laci Jackson, Mary Barnes, and John Zabala

Revolution Week: (R)Evolution!

SHHH! Silent "R"
Celebrate revolutionaries in history who changed society by changing people's minds.
Advance a sense of community on a local and global level, beginning with the first day event: "GOT CHANGE?" The Asian Pacific American Student Association (APASA), the Black

Student Union (BSU), the Gay/ Straight Alliance (GSA), and Latino American Student Association (LASA) have a radical week of reflection planned, but we need YOU! If you would like to be involved or for more information, contact Prayda at ext. 8545.

PERFORMING ARTS DEPARMENT

AUDITIONS



Inherit the Wind

Directed by Dan Cawthon

LeFevre Theatre

Tuesday, September 6 Wednesday, September 7 Thursday, September 8

MORE THAN 20 ROLES TO BE CAST

Sign up sheet at front entrance to theatre

Prepare a 2-minute dramatic monologue

NEW STUDENTS WELCOME!!

Associated Students Freshman Senate Elections!!

Fall 2005 General Election

Thursday, September 1: Petitions available

ns available 10:00 am

Thursday, September 8 : Petitions due

6:00 pm

Pick up and turn in petitions at Student Involvement and Leadership

Tues. & Wed., Sept. 13 & 14 Voting

SMCnet

Email ASSMC VP for Administration Laci Jackson for more details. ljackson@stmarys-ca.edu

RESOURCES

Advice from a (Recent) Graduate

By Chris Mateo '05

Write often. It helps you sort things out that your loud mouth can't

Don't forget to take a break. And if it's longer than necessary, at least you'll have more seconds before kicking the bucket. Better to be over the hill than under it, right?

Call your parents. Regardless of what happens, they'll be there for you. If for some reason they're not, then call me. I'll rent mine out for a cheap price. Just kidding, they're priceless.

Read even after you finish your last Seminar (or, in some cases, even during Seminar). I hear that your brain will function better throughout your lifetime. Trust me, even after reading this column you'll feel some brain cells get bigger.

Play a game every now and then. We were happiest when we were kids with nothing to worry about. Why not reconnect with that little child inside of you?

Listen to all kinds of music. Sticking to one genre isn't healthy. You'll be able to connect to more people.

Drink a lot of water. There's a lot of dry humor out there.

Exercise for the right reasons. So what if that girl in your accounting class loves guys with a six-pack? That's not you. Sometime, somewhere, there's a girl looking for a vending-machine-belly kind-of-guy.

Stop judging. Those who find mistakes in others are usually flawed in similar ways.

Study the past to find the future. Try and apply this to more than trends in the stock market. Think about the kids!

Don't rush through life, even your college life. After this you've got the real world to look forward to; and I don't mean the new season on MTV.

Get a hobby. Idle hands are the work of the devil...and reality television.

Stop and smell the roses. Beware of frolicking dogs and no trespassing signs.

This publication is a product of the Collegian newspaper of Saint Mary's College in collaboration with the Orientation and Week of Welcome staff.

If you would like to learn more about the Collegian, please contact our office at:

(925) 631-4279 or collegia@stmarys-ca.edu

Look for our first issue on campus on Tuesday, August 30th.

ACADEMIC SUPPORT CENTER

The Academic Support Center offers a variety of support services to help students achieve academic success. These include: free tutorial services (see ad), study skills assistance, and services for students with disabilities.

Study Skills Assistance

Check out the Academic Support Center website under quicklinks for on-line study skills information and assistance! Download pertinent information that will give you strategies and techniques that enhance learning efficiency. You can also apply on-line for individual study plan assistance to develop an appropriate academic skills plan while learning techniques that complement your individual learning style. The ASC also holds study skills workshops weekly throughout the term - days and times are announced via student e-mail.

Services for Students with Disabilities

Services are available on a case-by-case basis to qualified students with temporary or permanent disabilities including, but not limited to, mobility limitations, endurance difficulties, visual impairments, hearing impairments, learning disabilities and any other physical, psychological, health or emotional impairment and condition that qualifies as a disability and which impedes the equal opportunity to participate with other students at Saint Mary's College of California. If a student has a disability, the documentation should be submitted to the Director ASC/Student Section 504/ADA Compliance Officer, Jeannine Chavez-Parfitt, as soon as possible so that appropriate reasonable accommodations can be made and that the appropriate staff and faculty are informed in a timely manner.



TUTORIAL SERVICES

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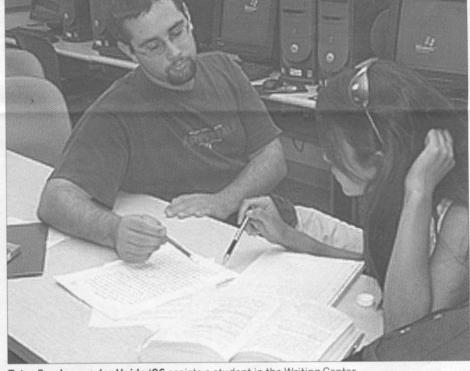
The Writing Center Workshop, Saint Mary's drop-in writing lab, opens on September 19. The Workshop will meet four afternoons a week in Garaventa 320, on the following schedule: Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays 4:30-6:00; Tuesdays, 5:30-7:00.

Peer tutors, who work under faculty supervision, have been trained to provide constructive feedback and encouragement at any stage of the writing process, from first drafts to final revisions. Their job is to listen carefully to the students they tutor, and to help the students write their own best essays, not to write the essays for them. Student writers remain responsible for their completed essays.

The Writing Center Workshop is open and free of charge to all Saint Mary's College undergraduates, whether they are having difficulty with their writing or working to polish already-excellent essays.

New students especially should take advantage of this source of help.





Tutor Sander van der Heide '06 assists a student in the Writing Center.

Women's Resource Center

The Women's Resource Center is here for you. It literally has something to offer everyone-women and men, young and old. With a full-time director, a coordinator of sexual assault awareness, outreach and education, a dynamic intern and an incredible group of student volunteers of all walks of life, we are fully equipped to provide outreach, educational programming, support and advocacy, empowerment, referrals and more. The Center strives to create and promote a campus environment that is empowering to women and that enables young men and women to envision a world of equality that is free of gender violence and sexual assault. The Women's Resource Center's staff is committed to addressing gender issues in a global, inclusive and accessible manner. In doing this we collaborate with departments such as: Women's Studies, Anthropology / Sociology, Religious Studies, Delphine Intercultural Center, Student Involvement & Leadership, Campus Ministry, the Counseling Center and the Health & Wellness Center. Regardless of your gender, age, ethnicity, race, nationality, sexual orientation, or abilities, we have something to offer you.

Sexual Assault Hotline 925.878.9207

24 hour confidential support & referrals

THE CENTER FOR INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS

Our goal is to increase awareness and appreciation of world cultures through excellent educational opportunities and cross-cultural exchange

Services for Study Abroad Students Study Abroad Advising/Counseling Cross-Cultural Counseling Visa Assistance And more.....

Services For International Students
International Student Orientation
Immigration Advising
Work Permission
Assistance with Housing
Personal and Cross-Cultural Counseling
Social Activities
And more.....

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ATHLETICS

Saint Mary's College offers students many opportunities to participate in sports

Varsity Sports: all College-sponsored teams, who are subject to NCAA rules. Varsity sports at SMC include: Men's and Women's Basketball, Baseball, Softball, Women's Lacrosse, Women's Crew, Women's Volleyball, Men's Golf, Men's and Women's Soccer, Men's and Women's Tennis, and Men's and Women's Cross Country.

Club Sports: a comprehensive sports program that offers students to opportunity to compete in intercollegiate competition. Available club sports include: Men's Crew, Men's Lacrosse, Men's Rugby, Women's Rugby, Men's Volleyball, Women's Volleyball, Men's Water Polo, Women's Water Polo, Women's Tennis, and Coed Cycling. Contact Katherine Gernhardt (kgernhar@stmarys-ca.edu), the Director of Club Sports at 925-631-4894, or stop by Madigan Gym for more information.

Intramural Sports: a comprehensive recreational program that offers students, faculty, and staff the opportunity to participate in a wide range of recreational endeavors. Intramural sports can be divided into five areas: leagues, drop-in recreation, fitness services, outdoor adventures and special events.

—Intramural Leagues are competitions held within the campus community. Each team has the opportunity to compete for a division championship title in the following sports: Flag Football, Soccer, Basketball, Dodgeball, and Softball.

—Drop-In Recreation allows students to participate in popular sports as their schedule allows. Stop by Madigan Gym for Indoor Soccer, Volleyball, Women's Hoops, Open Gym, badminton, and Gym Bowling.

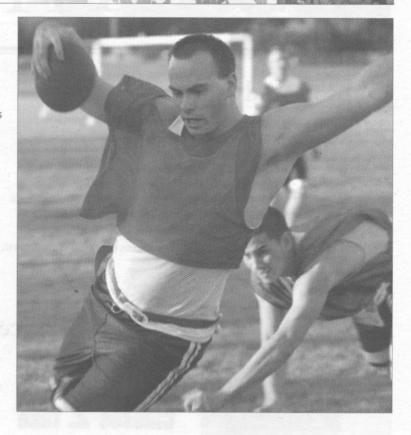
—Fitness Services will help students to stay in shape. These free classes are offered throughout the week. There is no membership fee or sign-up procedure. Just drop in as your schedule allows.

—Outdoor Adventures is an exciting way to explore off-campus opportunities. Weekend activities include day hikes, camping trips, kayaking, white water rafting, and skiing/snowboarding.

—Special Events are on, and off campus activities that allow students to engage in the Bay Area community. Events include the Freshmen Olympics, Oakland A's Games, the Walk for Breast Cancer, Bowling, Ice Skating and Golf.

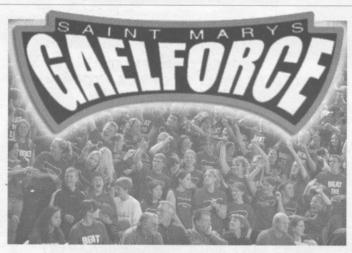
To learn more about Intramural sports, contact Director Kory Hayden (khayden@stmarys-ca.edu), at 925-631-4949, or stop by Madigan Gym for more information.

Activity Courses in Kinesiology: The Department of Kinesiology offers a broad range of exercise and sport classes. See course section on GaelXpress for offerings this semester, or contact program director Randy Farris (rfarris@stmarys-ca.edu) at 925-631-4992.





Team Azvedo (pictured above) took home the championship title for Coed Flag Football in 2004. This Freshman team set a standard of excellence for an entire year of Intramural Sports! Continue this freshman tradition and sign up your team today!

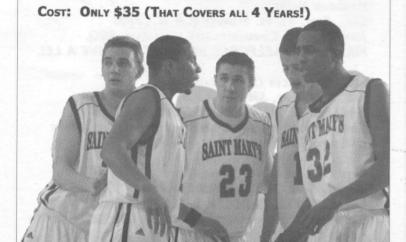


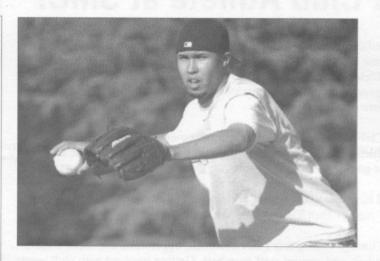
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WHY: HELP GIVE SMC THE BEST HOME COURT
ADVANTAGE IN THE COUNTRY

How: 1. ATTEND THE GAEL FORCE RALLY ON 8/27 OR

- 2. VISIT OUR TABLE DURING WEEK OF WELCOME OR
- 3. VISIT SMCGAELS.COM FOR A SIGN-UP FORM OR
- 4. CONTACT SPORTS MARKETING AT 631-4699







Sign Up for These Fall Intramural Leagues

Flag Football— Flag Football starts the second week of the school year. Games are Monday-Thursday, with start times at 4:30pm, 5:30pm, & 6:30pm. Your team will play 1-2 times per week and all experience levels are welcome. Sign-up as a member of a team, or as a free agent, using our Online Entry Form (On SMCnet), or stop by the office in Madigan Gym. Team entry forms are due Sept. 9th, 2005.

Outdoor Soccer—Outdoor Soccer starts October 3rd! Games are Monday-Thursday, with start times at 3:30pm, 4:30pm, & 5:30pm. Your team will play 1-2 times per week and all experience levels are welcome. Sign-up as a member of a team, or as a free agent, using our Online Entry Form (On SMCnet), or stop by the office in Madigan Gym. Team entry forms are due Sept. 30th, 2005.

Fall Hoops— Fall Hoops Starts October 11th! Games are Monday-Thursday, with start times at 9:00pm, 10:00pm, & 11:00pm. Your team will play 1-2 nights per week and all experience levels are welcome. Sign-up as a member of a team, or as a free agent, using our Online Entry Form (On SMCnet), or stop by the office in Madigan Gym. Team entry forms are due Oct. 7th, 2005.

CONTACT US

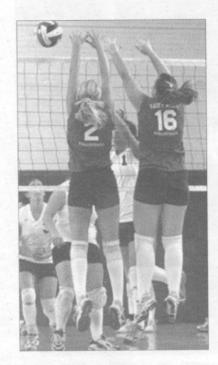
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Outdoor Adventures

Q's? Contact 631.4949

Places 2 See

In 2005, checkout Outdoor Adventures in the Bay Area. Sign-up for a Recreational Sports Outdoor Adventure at our offices in Madigan Gym. Fall highlights are Kayaking, Indoor Rock Climbing, and a Weekend Trip to Yosemite. Hurry, because spaces on these trips go fast.



Fitness Services

Q's? Contact 631.4949

Classes 2 Take

Students can stay in shape by participating in weekly Fitness classes. Fitness Classes are 1-2 nights per week, and they are FREE.

One example: during the fall, Cardio Kickboxing is on Monday and Wednesday from 7:30-8:30 p.m. in the McKeon Dance Studio

Take advantage of free fitness opportunities. There is no need to sign up ahead of time, just drop-in as your schedule allows Are you certified to teach a class in fitness or martial arts? Contact Rec. Sports for job opportunities today!





Drop-In Recreation

Q's? Contact 631.4949

Drop in 2 Play

Drop-in activities are designed to fit students' busy schedules. Just drop-in and play! There is no need to sign up ahead of time and each activity is 1-2 nights a week, in Madigan Gym.

Sunday

Open Gym 6pm-12 midnight

Monday

Women's Hoops 6-9:00pm Open Gym 9pm-12 midnight

Tuesday

Dodgeball 6-7:30pm Indoor Soccer 7:30-9pm

Wednesday

Wednesday Night Hoops 9pm-12 midnight

Thursday

Badminton 6-7:30pm Volleyball 7:30-9:00pm

Friday

Madigan Madness 6-9:00pm

Saturday

Open Gym 6-9:00pm

What Does it Take to be a Club Athlete at SMC?

Dedication, pride, enthusiasm and a willingness to learn: these are some of the traits that you will find in a Saint Mary's club sports athlete. We encourage hard-working athletes of all ability levels to represent the Gaels in intercollegiate competition. Here are some more reasons to join!

"Club sports are special because of the unique dedication these athletes have to their sport. It's clear that they play because they love the game." Katherine Gernhardt, Coordinator of Club Sports

"I have met many people and traveled to interesting places because of rugby." Dan Tabacco'06, Men's Rugby

"Through club sports I met freshmen, upperclassmen, other student leaders, and various staff members. Getting involved with club sports really helped me feel more comfortable at SMC." Marissa Barnes '08. Women's Water Polo



SAUDIT MAIRY'S AMBOLIBINGS

2004-05 HIGHLIGHTS

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

ADVANCED TO SWEET 16 OF NCAA TOURNAMENT
RANKED 12TH IN NATION

BEAT NATIONAL CHAMPION STANFORD TWICE
ALSO DEFEATED CAL, SANTA CLARA USF

MEN'S BASKETBALL
MADE NCAA TOURNAMENT
DEFEATED #11 GONZAGA
POSTED SCHOOL HIGH 25 WINS

MEN'S GOLF
MEN'S GOLF MADE NCAA TOURNAMENT
WON WCC INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONSHIP

COACHING WON 2 WEST COAST CONFERENCE "COACH OF THE YEAR" AWARDS

UPCOMING EVENTS

VOLLEYBALL (MCKEON PAVILION)
HAWAIIAN NIGHT
SAT., SEPT. 10 VS. FLORIDA A & M - 7PM
JOIN THE SMC COMMUNITY FOR A PRE-GAME BBQ.
FIRST 200 GAELFORCE MEMBERS RECEIVE A LEI.

WOMEN'S SOCCER (SMC STADIUM)

FRI., SEPT 9 VS. SMU AT 4 P.M.

GAELFORCE MEMBERS RECEIVE POSTERS.

COME SUPPORT THE GAELS AND CATCH SOME RAYS AS THE

GAELS TAKE ON THEIR BAY AREA RIVAL!

MEN'S SOCCER (SMC STADIUM)
THURS., SEPT. 1 VS. SACRAMENTO STATE
FIRST 100 FANS RECEIVE TEAM MAGNET.
TAKE A BREAK FROM CLASSES AND CATCH SOME GREAT ACTION
AS THE GAELS BATTLE THE HORNETS!