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Tuesday, January 10, 2006

Campus' beloved Manny Fernandes '64 passes away after struggle with diabetes after Christmas day



Moraga, California

~ Manuel A. Fernandes ~

NOVEMBER 16, 1942

DECEMBER 26, 2005

SAINT MARY'S COLLEGE CLASS OF 1964

MEMORIAL SERVICE TO BE HELD TOMORROW, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11TH, 2006 AT NOON IN THE CHAPEL

by Bettina Adragna Webmaster

On Monday, December 26, 63-year-old Manuel "Manny" A. Fernandes '64, who was known for working for Sodexho at the front of Oliver Hall, passed away after a bout with diabetes, according to his daughter, Jennifer Faria, and an e-mail sent out by Lloyd Schine, director of Alumni Relations. Besides working at Sodexho, he had also worked as a translator for the court system, a travel agent, and a Spanish teacher for the Contra Costa County school

The event was described as "a shock" by Matt Carroll, general manager for Sodexho, who said that Fernandes had been working for Sodexho for almost nine years.

"He's been in the same job these whole nine years," said Carroll. "He's been a dedicated employee and he loved his job and Saint Mary's.'

That sentiment was echoed by many, including Jennifer Faria, his youngest daughter, who said, "I just want everyone to know how special Saint Mary's was to

"That was his life, Saint Mary's and his family," she said.

Fernandes was involved with Saint Mary's in a variety of ways, including being involved with the Portuguese Club when he attended the school. Faria said that her father was "very proud of his nationality....The Portuguese heritage was a big, big thing for him."

Fernandes was also passionate about sports. "He loved pretty much every sport out there," said Faria, "but the Raiders was his favorite besides the Gaels. Gaels was

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Storms force Residence Life Office relocation

Floods, mudslides plague campus during holidays; some students have trouble getting back to campus due to state-wide storms

> by Linda Hua News Editor

"It never rains in California, but girl, don't they tell ya, it pours. Man it pours," goes the Albert Hammond song. That song was brought to life over the past few weeks.

Over the three-week break, most of California (and many other parts of the nation) experienced about two days without rain. Storms flooded many parts of California including Saint Mary's campus, the Central Valley, Russian River, Napa, and the Sacramento Valley. San Francisco also re-

ceived a tornado warning. Several campus locations were also affected by the tumultuous storms. Floods were reported at the Health and Wellness Center, some parts of McKeon Pavilion, the basement of Aquinas, and most of all, the Office of Residence Life

"We were the hardest hit because we are one of the only offices below ground level," said Scott Kier, associate dean of student life. Over the course of three weeks, Residence Life suffered three

The Health and Wellness Center is also below ground level and suffered from minor floods. "It smelled like a fish tank and we're going to get new carpeting," said Vanessa Valesquez '08, who works at the Health and Wellness Center. "But we're still there; we're just getting new carpeting.'

While the Health and Wellness Center did not have to relocate due to the floods. ORL has temporarily relocated



Collin Krauthamer/COLLEGIAN

Danny Mendoza, of Richmond tosses carpet heavy with flood waters and mold out of the recently flooded Residence Life Office into a pile to be hulled to the dump. Friday, January 6, 2006.

to the Student Involvement and Leadership (SIL) conference room. While "it's never easy to pick up and move," said Kier, "our hope is to provide as we did in Mitty the same. Our phone and email contacts remain the same during this period."

Kier anticipates the move will be for three to four weeks as "the walls need to be repainted in case of mold, the floors need to be bleached, and the underlying floor has to be dried out as

The floods took place on December 21, December 26, and December 30, during times when there were no people in the office.

Minor mudslides also took place on the hills of the Ageno canyon. "Some mud ran on to the [Ageno C] parking lot. This was a relatively small problem in comparison to other areas in the State. We were very fortunate and 'weathered' the storm very well," said Michael Viola, assistant director of the physical plant.

Aside from property damage, the storms had also caused many traffic delays. Some students like Gabriel Duthoy '06 found it difficult to get back to campus on time for classes.

"I missed my first Jan Term class, due to the storms," Duthoy said. "I was coming back from Los Angeles, and I had no power in my neighborhood for nearly two days. My car got broken into and the stereo was damaged and the handle to turn on the windshield wipers were broken, so the car could not be

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Jan Term travels leave freshman as **ASSMC President**

Speaker of the Senate Zach Miskel in top student position as John Zabala, Laci Jackson spend Jan Term abroad

by Julie McAvoy

Assistant News Editor

Associated Students of Saint Mary's College President John Zabala '06 and Vice President of Administration Laci Jackson '06 are both traveling out of the country for Jan Term this year, leaving Freshman Senator Zach Miskel and Senior Class President Jahmese Myres to fill in for them. Zabala is studying in Italy and Jackson in

"As far as I know, this is the first time that a freshman has served as president. This is a historical event," said Assistant Dean of Student Life Ete Anderson. "I think Zach will do a great job. He takes everything that he does seriously. I am sure he will put that same effort into being president for Jan Term."

Miskel, as Speaker of the Senate, is next in line to fill in for absent executive officers, even if he is only a freshman. "When I started hearing rumors that I would take John's position for Jan Term, I was kind of stressed out and I called John a lot over break to talk to him about what I would have to do....Now I am having a great time with it," said Miskel.

Miskel was elected to be Speaker of the Senate at a retreat near the beginning of the school year. This job includes being the first person to speak on each resolution at meetings. He is also the president of the Institution of Affairs, where he plans what will be on the agenda for each meeting.

Since two executive officers will be gone for

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SNAPSHOT



The gym was painted red for Saturday's basketball game against Gonzaga University as fans came out in full force.

Campus Quotes: Did you do anything interesting over break?



If you consider a sleep marathon interesting, yes I did. -Tommy Bell '09



I went to Tahoe to snowboard and spent New Year's in Embarcadero. Everyone should go there. -James Applegate '07



I went to parties in Mexico with my family. -Erik Villegas '09

Campus Quotes and photos compiled by Vince Ochoa



IO-ANN ARQUILLANO

Fear of flying due to discomfort

I hate flying. This was the epiphany I had only days before I was to board a plane for an 18some hour flight to the Philippines. I'm no stranger to airplanes; in fact, this was a trip I had taken many a time. I guess somewhere along the way the little discomforts manifested into a full-grown disgust.

Oddly enough, it isn't the fear of tumbling out of the sky and crashing into mountains below or smashing into oceans after nosediving from thousands of miles above. No, it is not the potential violent doom of flying that gets to me; it's the uncomfortable encapsulation in the plane.

The second I step on the plane, or should I say, as I approach the plane with the other passengers being herded through the pseudotunnel like farm animals, the nauseating feeling comes over me, like a knowing cow on its way to the slaughterhouse. I can already smell the all-too-familiar stench of stale, recycled air, a strange concoction of bad breath, body odor, airline food, and coffee.

Yet, I continue to walk toward it all, and return the fake smile of the flight attendant at the entrance of the airplane. Then I do my signature little dance to maneuver my usual too-big bag (I like to be prepared) in front of me to facilitate finding my seat from the nar-

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Beyond the Bubble

NATIONAL AND WORLD NEWS BITES



TONY VALA-HAYNES

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah -Larry Miller, the owner of a theater in Sandy, a suburb of Salt Lake City, removed Brokeback Mountain from the schedule of movies to open at the Megaplex at Jordon Commons Friday. A sign was posted that read, "There has been a change in booking and

we will not be showing Brokeback Mountain. We apologize for any inconvenience." Gal Gunderson, manager of the Megaplex, declined to comment on the removal of the film which stars Heath Ledger and Jake Gyllenhaal who play gay cowboys who fall in love with each

GAINESVILLE, Floriday - A recent study conducted by researchers at the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine claims that female black babies have the greatest chance to survive when born significantly under weight. One researcher was quoted as saying the "black race conferred a significant survival advantage at one year of age across all gestational ages among extremely low birth weight infants."

HOUSTON, Texas - Edward Allen, 4, was detained when his name appeared on the "no fly" list issued by the United States Government. The boy's response to appearing on the list was simple, "I don't want to be on the list. I want to fly and see my grandma." Allen and his mother have experienced difficulty when flying in the past months because the four-year-old has the same name as a man on the government terrorist watch list.

OCONEE, South Carolina - Charles Eugene Tipit is being charged with the negligent use of a firearm after he fatally shot Willey Ray Lee in the chest thinking Lee was a deer in the bushes. Officers issued a statement explaining that Tipit has been charged because he apparently fired before he knew what he was actually shooting at. Tipit faces fines and a potential prison sentence.

Crime Beat

4:00 p.m. Incident: Petty Theft Synopsis: Stereo system determined to be removed by roommate in Freitas Hall; referred to Student Conduct.

1:20 a.m. Incident: Handbook Violation Synopsis: Possession of alcohol and intoxication by minor in Justin Hall; referred to Student Conduct.

9:30 a.m. 1/3 Incident: Medical Assist Synopsis: Student from Ageno A transported to Kaiser Walnut Creek; referred to Student Conduct and Health & Wellness Center.

1/3 7:30 p.m. Incident: Civil Matter Synopsis: Disagreement in Thille Hall; referred to Student Conduct.

1/3 8:17 p.m. Incident: Civil Matter Synopsis: Annoying telephone and unwanted visitor in Ageno B; referred to Student Conduct.

2:00 p.m. 1/4 Incident: Water Damage Synopsis: Residence Life offices flooded on 12/19, 12/ 26 and 12/31/05; referred to Sharon Neward, Business Office.

1/4 5:58 p.m. Incident: Annoying Phone

Synopsis: Annoying phone calls in Aquinas Hall; referred to Student Conduct.

1/5 1:20 p.m. Incident: Handbook violations Synopsis: Possession of a weapon, alcohol, marijuana, and drug paraphernalia in Mitty Hall; referred to Student Conduct.

1/5 11:47 p.m. Incident: Handbook Violation Synopsis: Minor in possession of alcohol in Justin Hall; referred to Student Conduct.

12:25 a.m. Incident: Handbook Violation Synopsis: Minor in possession of alcohol in Justin Hall; referred to Student Conduct.

Weekly Featured Profile

Jan Term Class of the Week

Bob Dylan & the 1960s

by Whitney Medved

Staff Writer

A popular and highly soughtafter class this Jan Term has been "Bob Dylan & the 1960s" taught by Chris Stroffolino. This is the third course the musician/ songwriter/Dylan aficionado has taught on the musical myth, which once again is filled to capacity with many a jaded student crossing his or her fingers on the waitlist. Stroffolino marvels at the consistent popularity of the class, saying, "What I'm most curious about is why students are so attracted to this class and to Dylan.'

It could be that it is part of the unwritten rules of coolness to know something about Dylan, or that to most a semester spent analyzing and interpreting song lyrics sounds pretty doable. While most college students pride themselves on knowing the chorus to "blowing in the wind" though, the fact is that few are remotely aware of the profound influence Bob Dylan had on the world with his musical lyrics and rebel attitude. Stroffolino says, "Whether Bob Dylan's music 'changed the world' for better or worse is a hotly debated question, and I certainly as a teacher, cannot offer an easy answer to it, but what I can do is to help give students the tools to think about the 1960s in different ways than your standard history classes do."

Some of these tools include reading various lyrics of songs written 1962-2001, reading Younger Than Yesterday: Collected Interviews of Bob Dylan, and watching the film Don't Look Back. To compliment these materials, a lot of time is spent in discussion, where the effectiveness of the class weighs heavily on participation, as Stroffolino said, "What I 'expect' from students is not so much the completion of an assignment, but a passionate engagement, even if they end up not liking Dylan's music." In order to cultivate and nurture this "passionate engagement," he tries to create a lively but also confrontational atmosphere, where students are challenged both emotionally and intellectually, and forced to do a double take on how they think and feel about certain issues, "in the spirit of Dylan himself."

While students explore Dylan from all angles, not just musically, they will gain perspective of the political and cultural state of the country at the time, the metamorphism it went through in response to this music, which eventually transcends Bob Dylan all together and "raises all kinds of questions about the relationship of music to 'cultural politics,' which may ultimately be more important than electoral politics in effecting any change in the world," according to Stroffolino.

Students have mixed feelings about new basketball ticket policy

Online, automated request system instated to handle increase in demand for student game tickets

by Jonathan Morales

Editor-in-Chief

As West Coast Conference play gets started and big games get closer, student reaction to the new basketball ticket policy has been mixed.

While many students agree that the new policy is a good idea, many are still confused and upset by the format of the new system.

"People just say that they don't like it, that it's a hassle and that it's unnecessary," said Whitney Lopez '08, co-president of GaelForce.

Under the new policy, students have 48 hours to request a ticket to an upcoming game. A second 48-hour period allows students who have requested tickets to claim them and print them out at home.

"With crowds growing larger and larger, we needed to be able to accommodate students in a more efficient manner, and also give them a more consistent process so they knew what was going on," said Mike Samuels, director

of Ticket Operations and Sales in the Athletic Department.

If the number of tickets available is greater than the number of requested tickets, all students can claim a ticket and the remainder become available on a first-come, first-serve basis.

If the number of tickets available is less than the number of requested tickets, tickets are awarded to students in a lottery based on points. Points are awarded to students based on loyalty. Loyalty points are awarded to students who attend games and have their ticket scanned at the door, and deducted from students who miss a game without canceling their ticket.

Prior to this season, students could attend most games simply by showing up. Tickets for high demand games, such as Gonzaga and Santa Clara, had to be requested beforehand and claimed at the ticketing office.

The policy applies to all men's and women's home basketball games.

"I really feel that consistency is the key to getting the word out about this process," said Samuels.
"If we only did it for the high profile games, no one would understand the process and we would end up with a lot of unhappy students." Samuels added that the number of student complaints has gone down this year from last year

Still, some students are skeptical of the new system. At a GaelForce leadership meeting last Thursday, Lopez said, many students expressed their frustration.

"Most students general thoughts are they hate it," Lopez said. "A lot of people think that this should be set for the big games, like Gonzaga and Santa Clara." She added that much of the opposition stems from the fact that you must first request a ticket, then go back to claim it two days later.

Personally, however, Lopez agreed the system is a good change, and said that most of the complaints have come from upperclassmen who are used to the old system.

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Campus Calendar

Genral Study Abroad Meetings

Today
Tuesday, January 10
4:30 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.
De La Salle Hagerty Lounge
Contact: Dino Pruccoli

Leadership Workshop: "Conflict Management"

Today Tuesday, January 10 4:00 p.m. Delphine Lounge

Program Board Pajama Party: Remember When Today Tuesday, January 10 9:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m.

Soda Center

x4235.

2006 De La Salle Week Meeting Wednesday, January 11 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Delphine Lounge Contact: Br. Michael Sanderl

Politics Department Movie: The Revolution Will Not Be Televised Wednesday, January 11 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Sichel 106 Contact: Ron Ahnen x4246

Midweek Movie & Dinner: Polar Express Wednesday, January 11 8:00 p.m. Dryden Hall

Commuter Wake-Up Thursday, January 12 9:00 p.m. Dryden Hall

IVCF Movie:
Shawshank Redemption
Thursday, January 12
7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Dryden Hall
Contact: Savannah Pronovost

Filthy Gorgeous Dance Friday, January 13 9:00 p.m. Soda Center Contact: Legacy Lee

MLK Holiday No classes Monday, January 16

Planning an event?

Want it in the Collegian?

E-mail us with the details of your event at: collegia@stmarys-ca.edu or call for more information: (925) 631-4279

Sorry, but due to space limitations we cannot list individual club meetings.

News Briefs

Pajama Party: Remember When?

Program Board is hosting a Pajama Party, themed "Remember When?" which will allow students to relive the 90s with classic TV shows, childhood snacks, and other themed activities. Free food and plenty of board games will be provided to entertain participants late into the night. The event will be held in Dryden from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. tonight, January 10.

Dead Man Walking author to visit

On January 17, Sister Helen Prejean, a Catholic nun, will visit the Saint Mary's Campus. This will be her second time visiting Saint Mary's College. She will speak in the Soda Center beginning at 8 p.m. and sign copies of her book, Dead Man Walking afterward. Sister Helen Prejean is an active anti-death penalty advocate. She is also a two-time Nobel Peace Prize nominee. Her first book, published in 1993, Dead Man Walking, went on to become a best seller. It has spawned an Oscar-winning movie, a play, and

an opera. In 2005 her second book, The Death of Innocents: An Eyewitness Account of Wrongful Executions was released. Tickets for this event are free to Saint Mary's College students, faculty, and staff; others will be charged twenty five dollars. All wanting to attend must pick up tickets at the CLAM office located in the LeFevre Theatre. As a precursor to Sister Helen's visit, the movie Dead Man Walking will be shown on January 9, at 9:30 p.m. in Dryden Hall. Questions can be directed to Sharon Cahill, x4670.

Opportunity knocks for students heading to N.O.

New Orleans Relief Work class left in high spirits last week

by Darwyyn Deyo

Staff Writer

Wednesday evening, just before eight, twenty-five students
pulled away from campus, heading for the airport. They were
members in Shawny Anderson's
New Orleans Relief Work class,
and though their departure was
marked by little other than close
friends and family seeing them off
at the campus bus stop, neither the
lack of fanfare nor the wind and
cold bothered them. The group
was already a close team, working together and in good spirits.

Earlier that day the students gathered at the Catholic Institute for Lasallian Social Action (CILSA) center to answer questions and learn the final details of their trip from Anderson.



Their motives for going and what they anticipated finding were common questions. "After the hurricane hit I was always wondering how I could help and there was never an immediate way of directly contributing.

When my friend told me about the class I saw the opportunity and felt it was a great way for me to give back," said Fernando Campos '08.

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MANNY: Passionate and dedicated Gael passes on; service to be held tomorrow at noon in Saint Mary's College chapel

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[sic] number one." Other teams he liked were the Oakland A's and the Boston Red Sox, which correlated with Fernandes' East Coast heritage.

Fernandes was born in Bristol, Rhode Island, on November 16, 1942. His father died in World War II, according to Faria, which was how Fernandes came to California at a fairly young age. He later married and had three children: Manuel J. Fernandes, 38; Diana Smith, 34, and Faria, who is 30

Among the childhood memories Faria has is going to A's games.

"My dad would get the box, the VIP box from the Christian Brothers, and we would all go, all of our families would go, and we would always look forward to that time to go to the game," said Faria. "My dad loved the A's."

Carroll also remembers Fernandes' passion for the A's: "He used to go to the A's games," he said, "and he let me know about a month ahead of time."

Damian Franco, dining hall manager for Sodexho, remembered that Fernandes was "a responsible man."

"He never called in sick," said Franco, who was Fernandes' supervisor for Late Nite. Among Franco's memories of Fernandes was Franco giving him rides when Fernandes had problems with his car. Fernandes would change the radio station in Franco's car.

However, Fernandes hated it when students changed the radio station in Oliver Hall.

"Some students would [change the station] to piss off Manny," said Franco, who said he had to tell Fernandes, "Take it easy."

Delia Andujar, who currently works at Café Louis, also remembered what happened when students changed the radio station.

"If somebody changed the station...the expression [was] like, 'I want to hear my game! Don't change it!"

Andujar met Fernandes at an employee's meeting back when she first started working for Sodexho.

She remembered that "He always talked with all the students, saying 'How are you, how was your day?'

"He wanted to be polite to everybody." Students recall Fernandes'

Students recall Fernandes' friendliness as standing out to them. Chris Vogt '06, who heard what happened to Fernandes in

the e-mail sent out by Schine, remembered "just always how friendly he was when you came in."

Sara-Jo Kendrick '08 described Fernandes as "personable"

"Whenever I'd walk in the door, especially in the fall...he always had a connection or comparison with each student... whether it be like, the same sports team, or whether he lives near them," said Kendrick.

"His family lives near me, and that's what we would talk about."

Lindsay Short '08 knew Fernandes as a freshman, but said that "freshman year, some of our friends, we used to call him 'Smiley,' because we didn't know his name. Whenever we walked in the door, he was always smiling at us."

A memorial service will be held for Fernandes tomorrow, Wednesday, January 11, at noon in the chapel. There will be a special reception in Oliver Hall following the service. Both will be open to everyone.

Flowers and Notes can be sent to his daughter Jennifer Faria at 1127 Coronado Ct. Livermore, CA 94550.

ASSMC: Senior Class President Myres steps in as VP for Administration



Zach Farmer/COLLEGIAN

Zach Miskel '09, Speaker of the Senate is covering for John Zabala '06 as ASSMC president while Zabala is studying abroad for Jan Term. Jahmese Myres '09 covers for Laci Jackson '06 as ASSMC vice president of administration while Jackson is studying in Mexico during Jan Term.

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January, John Zabala assigned the only current, four-year member of the senate, Jahmese Myres, to fill in for Laci Jackson. Myres has served as the Vice President of her class for two years and is currently the President of the Senior Class.

Anderson said, "Zach and Jahmese are the voice of the Associated Students right now and act as the liaison to administration." They have to be ready to handle anything that may come up involving the school, students, and administration during the month of January.

Miskel and Myres will have to fulfill more office hours and lead a January 11 Committee of the Whole Senate Meeting to meet

the demands of their temporary positions. "We will work with the rest of the Executive Team to make sure that everything is running smoothly at Saint Mary's," said Myres. They will also have to be available to class senators in case they have any questions or need assistance.

Jahmese Myres also works for Rec Sports as the Basketball Coordinator, is an RA on second floor Augustine, and is part of the Pulses Dance group. Zach Miskel is a club representative for Gael Vision, KSMC radio, and the Campaign to End the Death Penalty. He also serves as a member of the Lasallian Collegian and the Code of Conduct Board.

PLANES: Our little managing editor finds 18-hour plane trips uncomfortable

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row aisle. I, unfortunately, am not one of the lucky ones who can relish in the luxury of first class flying, leaving me to the impossibly uncomfortable, packed-likesardines economy class section.

I am constantly amazed at how people manage to force themselves into these seats. My unimpressive five-foot stature fails to find any comfort in those cramped seats, so I can only imagine how painful it must be for everyone else. I squirm in the hopes of finding the perfect position to fall asleep. In my novice years I repeatedly made the mistake of simply dozing off wherever my limbs happened to be only to wake hours later with a leg fast asleep or my neck constricted to leaning

toward one shoulder. As if the seats aren't tiny enough, odds are I get stuck behind someone who reclines his or her chair so far back that when I try to pull down my tray it pins me back into my own seat or someone who snores and sleeps with his or her mouth open.

Needless to say, I was less than eager to board the plane on January 4 as I left for my second year of traveling during Jan Term. Yet here I sit in breathlessly beautiful Rome writing this column. And while I'm sure I'll have no trouble convincing anyone that it was all worth it, it's true that another excruciatingly long flight is waiting for me at the end of this month, and believe me, nothing will feel better than the moment I step off that plane knowing I'll be staying grounded for a good long while.

The Collegian goes online!

The *Collegian* takes a big step today, launching its online edition at www.smccollegian.com.

The online edition will allow us to deliver content beyond the print edition, provide features (such as local weather and movies) for student's to use, and get campus news to alumni quicker and easier.

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SEND-OFF: Jan Term New Orleans relief class was sent off by a small crowd of supporters Wednesday night

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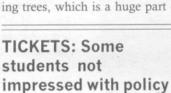
Another student, freshman Vanessa Snyder also commented that the class seemed to be full of prospect. "I thought it was a fantastic opportunity...it's my first Jan Term so I'm really excited to be actually doing something. You can donate money but the opportunity to actually go and see change being made because of you is great."

Neither of them is ignorant of the dangers though. Several of the students have been psychologically preparing themselves for the trauma they are about to witness and take part in, but they also recognize that there are some things they cannot prepare themselves for. "I'm more scared about...the stories that I've heard and also the conditions we'll be living in. We're living on a [Greyhound busl for twenty-three days that was modified and basically the seats roll over and become a bed."

The itinerary itself is detailed for the first two weeks of the class, beginning with relief work right

"On Saturday we'll be going into the ninth ward...helping an elderly woman Rosie salvage stuff from her house...[which] is going to be bulldozed," said Snyder.

The students will also be working with Parkway Partners, the group that will dominate most of their weekdays in rebuilding parks. "We're going to be replanting trees, which is a huge part of



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"I don't know what the old policy was," said Erin Bradley '09. "Once I figured out what the site was it was very easy to follow.

One freshman, however, complained that the Saint Mary's Internet system added other prob-

"It's really annoying. Half the time you can't even get tickets online," said Daniel Giddings '09. He said the ticket page wouldn't load, and that other people he knew were having the same issues.

Other students, however, said they had no problems and that they preferred the new system.

"It's easy," said Erin Fairey '06. "As long as you're prepared it's a good policy."

What do you think of the new basketball ticket policy?

Vote online now at www.smccollegian.com

Check back later for results.



Ken Fung/COLLEGIAN

The twenty-odd classmates take a group picture before loading the bus.

hurricane protection for the city. Most of them were blown down by the hurricane. We'll also be talking to one of the cops that fled and was rehired."

Anderson said that the students will be helping to reopen a Catholic school next to the 17th Street levee break and will also be assisting a group of six senior citizens sharing an apartment that flooded during Hurricane Katrina.

"We're going to go in and pull up the carpet, which is still there...and try to get that floor and the bottom of the dry wall all ready to go so that someone can come in and patch it. They're not covered by FEMA or insurance and they need help.'

At seven on Wednesday night, the students finally gathered together, carrying supplies and

making last phone calls. While no news cameras ever showed up, the relief workers were more focused on the work they were about to do than the recognition for it, and finally circled together before leaving to pray for guidance and success on their journey. "I'm not going there to rescue anyone, but basically the fact that we will be able to give back," Campos said. Updates on the trip will be available on the class website.

The class' progress, course description, and photo journal can be found on the class website:

www.stmarys-ca.edu/nola There is also a link to leave support messages.

STORMS: Residence Life relocated to SIL, Ferroggiaro conference rooms

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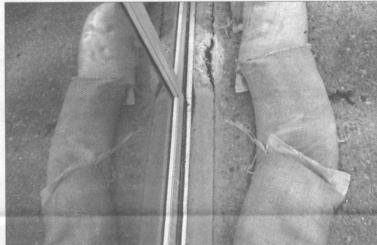
used in the rain." Duthoy had to wait for a ride to campus and experienced many traffic problems due to the storms on the way.

One of the worst hit California locations was Napa Valley. "There are mudslides and there are trees in the road. I've never seen anything like that before," said Brandy Jinks '08 who lives about half an hour outside of Napa in Lake Berryessa. "The main road to get from our town to Napa, there was a huge mudslide. Instead of taking an half an hour to get into town, it took an hour and a half, so it took me longer to get to school, because I had to come around that way. The other option to get to is through Wooden Valley, and there were two muslides that took out two spots of the two-lane roads."

Jinks, unlike Duthoy, however, did not arrive late. "I came back earlier, because I didn't know how long it would take me. So I came back early on Mon-

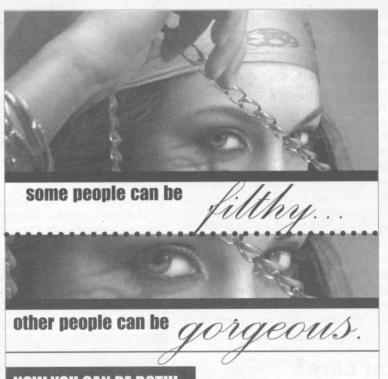
While some students did not suffer traffic delays, the downpour prevented them from many activities during break.

"I didn't really face any problems coming back to school," said Tera Gallegos '08, who is from Napa. "On New Year's Eve, all of the roads were closed so that kind of ruined everyone's plans of going out of town. I had a friend, Hillary, who lives on a hill and she couldn't even get down the hill because of the flooding. Also, all of downtown was flooded...so no movie theater for awhile."



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Sandbags still lay in front of the windows of the Residents Life Building on



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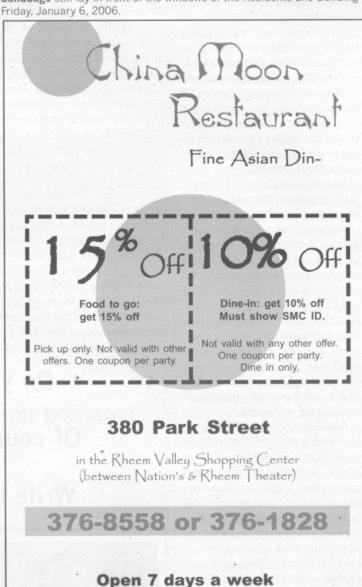
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Politics in the Classroom: Can teachers be objective?

Recently, an incident in the State of Virginia drew my attention to a subject that I think applies to many college campuses, including ours. At the Warren County Community College English professor John Daly resigned, under pressure, for e-mailing a conservative student that "real freedom will come when soldiers in Iraq turn their guns on their superiors." A similar event happened in Colorado when Professor Ward Churchill called victims of the September 11th attacks "little Eichmanns" and implied that they deserved to be murdered. These are among the most obvious examples of political bias that are interjected into college campuses by overly opinionated teachers.

Radical teachers, like these examples, are easy to spot. A much greater threat to intellectual freedom on a campus is posed by the more insidious, less obvious messages introduced by professors who mix their own views into their curriculum. In college, teachers have a chance to profoundly influence the ideas and the formation of these ideas of the students they teach. They have a responsibility to be aware of this authority, presenting ideas with clarity, and helping students to discern various positions. By creating a forum for open-minded and informed debate, teachers model the skills of critical thinking that can be applied to many intellectual pursuits.

Politics and the numerous ways it impacts our world have a place in many classes. A college classroom is an appropriate place to openly discuss facts, opinions, theories, and judgments. It is a worthy endeavor to understand our world more fully. Teachers need to be forthright with their students about any biases that they may hold. Students may assume the teacher is an unbiased source of information. All parties need to be aware of the line that exists between propaganda and critical argument.

Students, on the other hand, also have a responsibility of their own: that is to question, not to blindly accept what their teacher says at face value; to raise their hand and say I disagree and this is why. Some students may fear for their grade but this should not stop them from speaking out.

A threatening or oppressive environment diminishes education. An open environment, where diverse opinions are respected and opinion is not confused with fact, enriches the whole college. Hopefully, everyone on campus can work to reach this goal for the betterment of all.

Collegian View

GaelForce has done a wonderful job these past couple of years. It is by far the largest club on campus, with well over 700 members. Last year multiple busses of students traveled to Santa Clara to create a strong Saint Mary's student section at the WCC finals. School spirit has never been

There's just one thing missing at the games in our student section: organization.

We do want to commend the leadership of GaelForce for working so hard to increase student attendance at home basketball games (resulting in only one home loss last year). They have done an amazing job in building up GaelForce and creating an electric environment at home games.

Because of that, we think it's time to take the next step. Someone needs to be appointed or otherwise designated the "leader" of the student section? Whether this is someone formally appointed by GaelForce or informally chosen by popular demand (i.e. the "Blue

Crew"), doesn't really matter. But someone needs to do it. Upperclassmen know the success of the Blue Crew (before they graduated) had in energizing students at the game. They've left now, and the gap is obvious. We need some leadership in the stands.

Why? Because Saint Mary's fans, while loud and boisterous, lack the unity that truly defines a strong student fan base.

First, there seem to be only two chants at Saint Mary's home games: offensive ("S-M-C!") and defensive ("Defense! Defense!"). Can't we be a little more creative?

Second, these chants show up sporadically in the stands, and often sections of fans are competing against each other in their chanting. Other times the gym will fall silent during key moments of the game, when the team needs our support, because there is no one to lead a cheer.

Third, Saint Mary's students need to be told that it sounds stupid to chant "overrated" over and over to a Gonzaga team that has THE COLLEGIAN

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only lost to us once in the past six years, and has been ranked for practically that whole time. Or to taunt the Division-III Santa Cruz team with chants of "up by fifty." Come on, guys, they're practically a high school team. There's a fine line between spirit and bullying.

Visit most other schools known for their strong student sections and they have what we lack: students leading students in support of their team. We have the same amount of students as those schools, but often all that is heard at games is a cacophany of screams, chants, and sadly, even vulgarities.

At last Saturday's Gonzaga game, it was an alum, sitting in the courtside seats, who eventually stood up and began to lead the pumped up crowd.

Now it's great that this alum has so much school spirit, but shouldn't a student be doing this? The cheerleading team tries their hardest, but fans never really seem to pick up on that.

What we need is a student or two to step up, either through GaelForce or otherwise, grab a megaphone and take the reins. We have the numbers. What we need is a spirited someone to help turn McKeon pavilion from having 700 students to having one strong student section cheering on our Gaels with a loud, united

Death penalty continues to impede social progress

In one of the most paradoxical acts in American history, California executed multiple Nobel Peace Prize nominee Stan 'Tookie" Williams on December 13th, 2005

The media uprising that surrounds the Williams case sheds light on the sensitive and long debated subject of the death penalty. Media coverage of Williams' death has seamlessly shifted to the next execution in California. The state is slated to execute Clarence Ray Allen on January 17th, 2006. These executions are proof that capital punishment is absurd and unjust.

Williams was wrongfully executed. His guilt is irrelevant in the issue. Proponents of the death penalty make the argument that the execution brings closure to families involved. Albert Owens, the man allegedly murdered by Williams, was survived by his wife Linda Owens. Mrs. Owens made it clear that she hoped Williams' positive message would continue. She did not want him to vance case of diabetes, confined penalty is the same employed in volumes about capital punishdie. Furthermore, the ideal functo a wheel-chair, and recently had



DANNY ACOSTA

tion of a prison system is to rehabilitate. If Williams, who wrote an autobiography and many other books denouncing gang life, was not reformed, then which prisoner is? He had been well behaved for over a decade and spent his time attempting to deter youth from living the same life he did. Williams' social activism even garnered him recognition from President Bush through a "Call to Service Award." Not all prisoners are as dedicated to reform as Williams, some are not even

Clarence Ray Allen, 75, is the next death row inmate to be put to death. He is legally blind; partially deaf, suffers from an ad-

a heart attack. This reveals a powerful sense of sadism involved in hypocritical. The world is not the death penalty. He has served decades in prison and will likely His death merely deprives the die soon from natural causes. Executing him costs more money

than it does to keep him alive. They will literally have to carry him into the gas chamber. Capital punishment only offers more to our sadist culture through discrimina-

tion and injustice.

The death penalty is ineffective and hypocritical. There has been no significant change in crime rates since California reinstated the death penalty. The eye for an eye mentality of the death gangs. To celebrate a gang ideal ment.

in the state is at the very least safer because Williams is dead. world of a unique voice that lived through hell and lived to tell

> about it. The Crips gang does not live on because of Williams, it lives on because of the same reason Williams joined it socioeconomics.

California should follow New Jersey's admirable lead and suspend the death pen-

alty to evaluate its place in the justice system.

Williams had no last words and no last meal. His voice was exhausted. He was starved for justice. In his last time on earth, he once again let his actions speak

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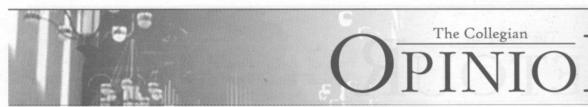
22% yes

Has Bush gone too far? 42% yes 15% no

43% don't have enough information

Gael

compiled by Pablo Armas



President Bush and domestic spying

Spying has nothing to do with the Republican, Democrat split

In recent weeks the United States has once again split itself on party lines due to President Bush's domestic spying program. The reactionists are declaring that Bush acted subversively by cutting corners of the institution he is supposed to uphold.

While righteous outrage is more understandable than the passive acceptance of those defending his domestic spying, it would be no better if it had been a Democrat who had engaged in domestic spying. History gives us such examples with Presidents Clinton and Carter, who also set the standard for federal liberties.

It should be clear that the issue is not a party one, however much polarizing fanatics may characterize it as such. Bush may simply have lacked foresight in making such a risky move while



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he presided over a split populace and while Republican success in upcoming elections is uncertain. While his motives may have been honorable in trying to protect America, it is an oxymoron to justify abuse of principles in a democracy in order to protect it. If a president deems it necessary to conduct domestic spying without a warrant he should utilize the democracy he intends to protect. Legislation through Congress or temporary emergency powers granted to the government are measures that would be acceptable. In a manner of speaking, this is what the president did with the Patriot Act. Though controversial and unpopular, it was legitimized and therefore acceptable.

What makes a request regarding domestic spying so difficult is hard to imagine, especially when examining finer points of the Patriot Act. Even if the legislative bodies do not approve such powers for the president, there are always other avenues of special intelligence. Now, however, Bush is again under the critical eye, waiting for forgiveness, in the short and long term. The leader of a country -- if he wants to sustain his and his Party's appeal -- does not gamble on forgiveness. He especially does not do so in such an unstable period

Furthermore, President Bush made a calculated error in furthering the standard that a president can lawfully abuse the institution which he stands for. This is not justified by an argument for protecting the population, for even now our country is divided on whether domestic spying for our own protection is worth the future danger of a supposedly omniscient Big Brother. President Bush may have been spying to filter out quietly those his administration viewed as a threat, but another administration with the same justification but with a far more dangerous agenda would be harder to stop. The guiding hope of elections in America is far too flaky a dream to ride on; the losing side in the past two elections certainly understands this con-

The fact that Bush himself does not need to win another election should not blind him to his party's momentum and the future safety of his country.



JAIME ZEPEDA

Republicans dig their graves

I once believed that the purpose of a political party was to solve problems, or at least appear to in order that a leader of that party might be elected.

The GOP is once again creating its own downfall, espousing immigration policies that will hurt the country and leave problems unsolved.

"The wall of shame," as it is being referred to by the international press and diplomats, along with the other immigration 'reforms' proposed by Republican Rep. Sensenbrenner, will not solve the problem, only exacerbate it. The proposal to build a wall between the U.S. and Mexico creates further animosity between the two (and the rest of Latin America), reaffirming the fact that the United States cannot solve this problem by any other means than isolating itself from the rest of the world. If the immigration flow comes from Canada or from the Atlantic will we then fence ourselves off completely?

While Chavez and Castro are quick to jump on the opposition, the international community as a whole sees this wall as diplomatically detrimental policy. This reform package, endorsed enthusiastically by President Bush, ignores the over 11 million immigrants already here, living and working outside of the formal society and economy. Our foreign policy loses respect and authority by the second—all thanks to the GOP's xenophobia.

All these reforms miss a key point: economic effects. This economy, while many adamantly deny it, heavily relies on immigrant labor. Take away the millions of people working below minimum wage, with no benefits or overtime, and you have a vacuum large enough to shake the economy violently. The U.S. government needs to acknowledge their presence in the workforce and take them out of the underground economy. The only party benefiting monetarily from these isolationist policies are the "polleros," the immigrant smugglers that will double the price for their service as soon as the first brick is laid between the two neighbor countries.

In order to solve this problem we need to look at the underlying motives of it. Immigrants do not leave their native country, their families and their lifestyle in order to come to the U.S. and be chased at home and at work, looking over their shoulder for the rest of their lives. It is not a game for them; it is an issue of survival. Until these motives are understood and incorporated into policy will we begin to solve the influx of immigrants striving for a better life.

Think with your noggin': Tis the nog season!

Drink the drink of champions, of past presidents, of vegans, and of me

Thanksgiving might mean a lot of things to different people. For some it's all about the turkey, for others the stuffing or the cranberry sludge. Personally, Thanksgiving has a special place in my heart for reasons far more delectable: It signifies the beginning of nog season. The nog season is a cruel, fleeting mistress; leaving almost as soon as she arrives. But to greater appreciate this short, yet delicious season—a brief primer is in order:

From our friends at Wikipedia, "Eggnog is a type of milk-based punch. European in origin, its name may have stemmed from *grog* or from a small drinking cup known as a *noggin*. Eggnog typically consists of milk, eggs, and sugar mixed together and may be served with or without added spirits. Other ingredients include spices such as nutmeg, cinnamon, or all-spice."

You should all be halfway to the grocery store by now, but assuming you're not and have managed to stick with me so far, I'll wax a bit more poetic about the greatness of this medley of creamy goodness and enticing spices.

The versatility of nog is one of its more delicious selling points. It can be thick as molasses or water-thin depending on personal taste. The addition of



BRENT MILLS

alcohol only makes nog more delicious and socially beneficial. For the vegan or lactose intolerant crowd there are soy nog alternatives as well. No one has an excuse. Silk makes a passable soy facsimile when combined with a liberal infusion of holiday 'spirits.'

A socially conscious drinker chooses nog as well. 'Tis the season to be American, I say.

Angry because you weren't one of the lucky few shipped off to fight in a moral and entirely justifiable war? Well, you can celebrate your patriotic proclivities with a glass of the nog. That's right, the one and only George Washington himself was rather fond of the nog. He brought it to a new level with his own rye whiskey, rum and sherry laden version that was rumored to be a rather stiff drink (imagine!). So don't let the terrorists succeed! Washington fought for our right to drink fat and alcohol saturated beverages. You can't let ol' George down. The Washington one anyway.

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Emotional ape?

King Kong lumbers

into the sunset- slowly

by Bettina Adragna

Webmaster

The 30s-style setting looked

promising. How could you go

wrong with a Chicago-esque

story of a young, attractive, up-

and-coming actress and her

ambition to make ends meet?

Trust me, by the end of the

movie I was just wishing it was

over. The middle was

somewhat exciting, with giant

bugs, lots of shooting, a vicious

island tribe, and the sacrifice

of a young woman (they

always seem to be blonde).

However, you can only have

so many shots in the ending

sequence of a tear-streaked,

blue-eyed face with heart-

wrenching music swelling in the background before you

start fidgeting.

The Collegian **JETOUR**

Munich - a struggle over revenge and allegiance

Moral ambiguity is strong throughout Steven Spielberg's new political drama

by Kaiu Kauahi Staff Writer

Breaking away from the slew of special effects-infused historical movies such as Troy, Braveheart, and Titanic, Munich uses flawless acting, a provocative story, and utterly perfect camera work rather than outrageous spectacle to create a movie more real than today's dime-a-dozen digital images.

Instead of injecting Munich with steroid-like computer graphics, Spielberg chooses to sculpt Munich into a simple piece of art, relying on the excellent casting and chemistry to make it just as successful as any blockbuster to date.

Based on George Jonas' book Vengeance: The True Story of an Israeli Counter-Terrorist Team, Munich begins at the 1972 Olympics where 11 Israelis were held hostage and murdered.

A quick introduction shows the terrorists' infiltration of the Jerusalem Olympians' quarters and how these actions affected Jerusalem. With this Prime Minister Meir reacts by assembling a team of five Israeli men to exact revenge by striking back at those who assisted the Palestinian terrorist group (Black September).

Following Avner, the team's leader and former Mossad agent, paranoid men biting their nails

Munich unfolds as the five men jet off ruthlessly paying back the wrongs done to their people.

day-to-day struggle of human character. Munich touches a nerve in terrorism-thick paranoia America holds. The character

development is so well constructed it barely seems it's a movie, apropos for a film with real roots. Brutally exhibiting the toll these righteous killings take on Avner, Steve, Carl, Hans, and Robert, who start as a group of laid back friends sitting around the dinner table, sharing a homecooked meal; they are soon transformed into bickering,

(Bana) takes time to visit his newly born daughter and begins to question the actions he is taking against his assumed

Avner

Spielberg. Far past any action or sci-fi movie (such as Jurassic Park or E.T.) Munich is on par, if not soaring above, Spielberg's

tactics, questions of faith, and true definition

Monster, the only movies entirely

commensurable to Munich were

also directed by Steven

of justice. Munich sticks to the gut and prevents any sort of happy ending or closure, suggesting it is more than just a reproduction of history, but maybe a message to a society stigma terrorism chokes everyday life. A reminder that every action has a

and sitting on the edge of the consequence and so long as we try to get our revenge and the opposing side tries to get theirs the proverbial "cycle" will never

> The truth is, deeper meaning or not, Munich is more than well worth watching. Though a bit long and a bit taxing on the soul it has much to offer. Munich is definitely that one movie you can't go without seeing.



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Mathieu Kassovitz (left) and Eric Bana (right) stake out one target out of the many believed to be involved in the deaths of 11 Israeli athletes during the 1972 Olympics.

chairs, not trusting their allies or

each other, the movie's

progression of each man's true

character comes forth, portrayed

Spielberg is known for

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producing spectacular movies

and Munich is no let-down.

comparable to Closer and a

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in the script as well as acting.

A broken love makes for an epic picture

Ang Lee's Brokeback Mountain overshadows the snores of the elderly

by Melanie Linnev

Detour Editor

As I stood in line at my local Cineplex an internal battle waged inside of me: heart-wrenching love story (do I really need to say the name) or gigantic ape (again, how many flicks center around a giant ape)? It was a struggle but I ended up seeing the heartwrenching love story, I know, surprise, surprise. And just as I hadn't expected, it ripped me to shreds.

Let me tell you, it was no easy feat for this movie to crack me.

Not only was I was skeptical of the film's quality, but I had to sit next to an 80-year-old grandma who fell asleep before the opening credits even began. I mean, this is a serious movie about a hidden love between two men in a time and place where there was no tolerance for their unique pairing.

There was no way I could get away with stifled giggles in this movie. My fellow movie-goers probably thought I was immature and couldn't handle boys kissing, but who wouldn't laugh if the granny sitting next to them snored through one of the most controversial love scenes of the 21st century.

Beyond the grandma-factor, I was still worried about whether the movie would live up to the hype. Everything I had heard

about Brokeback was that it was the world they live in would going to change the way people think, and it was nominated for seven Golden Globes, and blahblah-blah. As far as I'm concerned, a Golden Globe or Oscar nomination is the kiss of death for movies. With a nomination I expect it to be better than good. I mean, it has to be

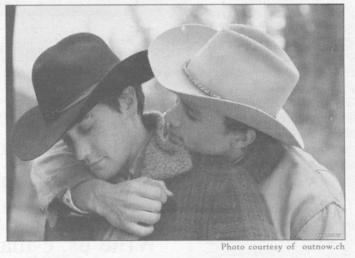
never accept what they share.

While Heath Ledger is getting rave reviews for his subtle performance as the tight-lipped Ennis Del Mar, and yes he does deserve them, poor Jake Gyllenhaal has often been left out of the spotlight that his performance deserves as the of the men are constantly talked about, one cannot forget the women of this picture. Michelle Williams, formerly of Dawson's Creek, plays the role of Ennis' wife Alma as realistically as possible. I sat in anguish as I watched her, years later, confront her husband as she fought through the pain of knowing he chose a man over her all the while washing the dinner dishes.

If the performances don't knock you over, the haunting cinematography of rolling hills, cloudy skies, and long stretches of barren highways might. It's partnered with the wistful sound of a lonely guitar being plucked that casts darkness over the once hopeful blue skies.

Ang Lee's Brokeback Moutain is a beautiful film. Its only flaw is that it meanders towards the end giving Ennis a possible love interest that is neither necessary to his character development or the plotline. Like any real love story it was not perfect, and ends in a way that we will never reconcile with. The beauty of this film is that in the end you are

Its exceptional performances and breathtaking scenery bring you into Ennis and Jack's world and you feel just as they would. At the end of the film I was grateful for my snoring granny, if not for her I would have been a total goner.



brilliant if a bunch of film people believe it deserves some shiny gold statue. And usually, all the expectations that come with that kind of hype are never reached.

But as the snores settled down and I was able to see these two men fall in love I realized that all of the talk was true.

Set against a backdrop of mountains and cloud-filled skies two cowboys, yes, cowboys, cling to each other knowing that mischievous, but committed Jack Twist.

While both actors are straight and are currently in high-profile relationships with Hollywood starlets, both have the look of an unbreakable love for each other. The chemistry they share is unbelievable in an age where few actors and actresses can possess the must-needed connection to make us believe.

And while the performances

"Let's rub Crotches!" --40 Year Old Virgin is even better on DVD



by Megan Manley Sfaff Writer

If the movie wasn't funny enough in the theaters, now you can own it on DVD with some bonus scenes, hilarious outtakes, and deleted scenes, some of which are funnier than the actual movie. Any film that confains the line "Let's rub crotches" or "You had me at bazookie" has to be a winner. The bonus features also include commentary on the now infamous line, "Do you know how I know you're gay," as well as awesome additions to already side splitting scenes. This hilarious movie is definitely worth your money, and well, if you like transvestites, body waxing and speed dating for losers then you won't be disappointed.



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Stealth? Really? Linda says 'heck yeah!'

Special effects and eye candy makes viewers forget about the stealth-like plot

by Linda Hua News Editor

Stealth is quite an under-rated movie. Starring Josh Lucas, Jessica Biel, and Jamie Foxx, this movie is about a stealth fighter jet with artificial intelligence. I know what you are thinking: "How can she possibly even watch such a movie?"

Now before you laugh at me, like the rest of the Collegian staff that was about ready to rip me to shreds for merely suggesting this idea, I must defend myself. Remember: I didn't say it was the best movie in the world—I said it was an under-rated movie. I definitely think it was worth watching.

Being the awkward loser that I am, I stayed inside and watched a ridiculous amount of movies this break. Among the wide selection of DVDs was Stealth.

Now I had watched the previews for this earlier and thought it was a joke, but my dad really wanted to watch it, so we rented it. It was the first time I With its extensive and fast- a break-neck chase to bring the

had ever rented a movie...but that's another story.

So it was about eleven at night when we popped in the movie. My dad, being the gadget-loving Asian that he is, was ooh-ing and ahh-ing at the magnificent special effects.

"Oh dear, a movie about a talking jet, how exciting," thought as my eyes glazed over. The plane's name Extreme Deep Invader (EDI) for crying out loud—is this a porno or is it an action flick? The Detour editor definitely wasn't sure about this. However, I soon found myself

Mach 5.

The nation's three best jet fighters (Lucas, Biel, and Foxx) are the unbreakable trio until EDI joins them as a wingman.

Josh Lucas' (above) cute face is one of the many saving graces in action flick

Photo courtesy of cinecom.com

intrigued as the movie sped into learning artificial intelligence, EDI soon becomes determined to destroy targets. Then picking up the defiant attitude of his fellow officers, EDI turns renegade. The plot then turns to

Stealth.

some-billion-dollar jet back to

The excellent special effects and graphics definitely piqued my video-game-obsessed self.

However, still quite attached to my estrogen, I did feel that there could have been more to the emotional side that it attempted.

There were a few down-toearth (literally and figuratively) moments in the movie, but they did not really speak to my hormones. Conversely, the storyline, while it was not unexpected and extraordinary, was complete and decent.

So perhaps I like this movie as much as I do because I am that typical nerdy Asian majoring in computer science that enjoys role-playing video games. Or maybe it's because I am starting to think that Josh Lucas is kind of cute. All that aside, it's still a complete movie more worthy than its critical ratings.

So if not for the rainy-daymovie sake, at least watch it for its amazing effects, or yummy eye candy, i.e. Jamie Foxx shirtless (Jessica Biel is pretty hot as well).

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Bright Eyes - 2 albums of 2005 worth a second look

Is this musical man the modern day Bob Dylan?

> by Jen Utley Contributing Writer

He's not the angst ridden Emokid we all thought he was- in fact, Conor Oberst, the apparent mastermind behind the cult band Bright Eyes, shuns the title 'Emo.' Oberst said the term possesses negative connotations (though I would have pegged him as the genre's quintessential prince). Yet, he might enjoy the next label. The 24-year-old Oberst has recently been hailed the "new Bob Dylan," and I can see a few parallels between one of the greatest musicians ever and this unkempt, wide-eyed, pale

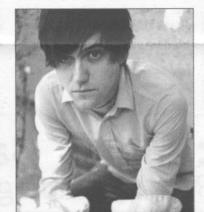


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nerdy kid from Omaha, Nebraska.

Beginning to play music around age ten, Oberst quickly began recording and made his first tape the summer before he started 8th grade.

Admitting that he isn't very good at guitar, Oberst, like Dylan, tends to focus on the lyrical aspects of his music rather than the melodic.

He paints a gloomy picture of the ostracized, the alienated, the confused and the dispirited, taking a seemingly autobiographical form which he claims is not at all.

"A lot of the stuff I write is sort of other people's stories or things that might not necessarily happen to me but float around in the back of my head," said Oberst.

Regardless of his inspiration, his fans still call him one of the greatest songwriters of the generation. And having recently released another two albums

(simultaneously, out January 25 of last year), his music continues to mature.

The first of the two CDs, I'm Wide Awake, It's Morning, possesses a slight Country feel alongside his typical acoustic emotional outpouring. The second, Digital Ash in a Digital Urn, centers a bit more around the band he plays with sounding a little less harsh than Wide Awake. Yet both maintain the powerful, thought-provoking lyrics Oberst is known for.

So he's a little Bob Dylan, a little Elliott Smith, in my opinion, kind of Emo and Chris Carrabba-esque. But for those of us who feared that the music greats stopped with Kurt, perhaps we have new hope.



The Definitive Collection **Etta James**

The Truth Bleeding Through

Morningwood Morningwood

12. To stop being a MySpace stalker...good, MySpace is sooo last year (to be read in Valley-girl tone of voice)

11. To stop going to jail...good plan.

10. To stop sending myself flowers...wow that's sad

9. Give your real name at jamba juice/starbucks instead of "Mr. Roo"...why? Jamba Juice guy doesn' need to know your name!

8. Talk slower; think faster; chew slower; run faster...should you swallow in there somewhere??

7. To stop biting people... What? Just don't leave marks

Compiled by Collegian Staff & commentary by Melanie Linney

6. To attempt to bring back the high five...wait, isn't it already back??

5. To dump my obnoxious and stinky boyfriend...you just noticed he smelled?

4. Limit watching Bob Saget to less than 10 hours a veek ... impossible!

To not drunk dial/text/ acebook/myspace...yeah, like that's going to last long...

buttock... I have to ask you, Tony Vala-Haynes, what about the left?

1. To shave Adam Morrison's moustache and right buttock (see Sports section)

Vendin



Aspirin, soda, condoms, potato chips...iPods? When we first heard about it, we didn't actually believe that the iPod was part of that elite group of items that can be purchased via a vending machine. A quick Google image search proved us wrong. Turns out there's one at Macy's in Union Square in San Francisco.

-Jonathan Morales

CONCERTS



1/12 Disturbed Warfield, SF

1/13 Sound Tribe Sector 9 Fillmore, SF

1/14 Reel Big Fish & Goldfinger Warfield, SF

1/23 Willie Nelson Fillmore, SF



The Collegian

Week

Daniel Kickert

This season the All League



power forhas ward e e n consistantly double and triple teamed. In spite of this, Kickert has been able to to lead the the team in scoring . Unlike Adam Morrison

Gonzaga, who is the other front runner for WCC Player of the Year Honors, no player has yet to step for the Gaels as a legitimate number two scoring option.

Serena Benavente

The sophomore helped greatly in their two games in the North-

west. She collected four points and seven assists in the win against Portland in the conference opener on Friday. She came



another solid performance against Gonzaga with three points, four assists, and a career-high nine rebounds

-Michael Chin, Sports Editor



Men's Baskethall

After getting off to a slow start, the Gaels are playing their best



Although the Gaels fell in their conference opener to Gonzaga, had they two very good wins during the winter break, most notably against the 20th ranked Nevada

basketball

of the year.

Wolfpack. They also went neck and neck with Atlantic 10 powerhouse Saint Joseph's and got their first win away from McKeon Pavilion against the TCU Horn Frogs. In all Saint Mary's has won six of their last eight games (as of January 8th).

-Michael Chin, Sports Editor

Men's Basketball: Kickert goes for 18 in the losing effort

TUESDAY'S GAME

Saint Mary's		65 (7-5)			
TCU			57 (4-10)			
		FG	FT	REB		
	Players	M-A	M-A	O-T	A	Pt
	Rhalimi*	1-3	0-0	3-8	1	2
	Kickert*	6-9	6-6	2-5	1	20
	Collins*	3-13	7.9	3-8	0	13
	Golden*	1-6	0-0	0-3	3	3
	Winston*	0-3	3-8	2-4	7	3
	DaSilva	0-2	0-0	0-1	0	0
	White	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0
	Hunter	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0
	O'Leary	6-10	1-1	1-4	2	14
	Simpson	3-5	1-3	2-5	0	7
	Sholberg	1-1	1-2	1-2	0	3
	Totals	21-52	19-29	12-36	14	65

	Gonzaga #8			68 (11-3, 1-0)		
Saint Mary's		y's				
		FG	FT	REB		
	Players	M-A	M-A	O-T	À	Pts
	Rhalimi*	0-1	2-2	0-0	0	2
	Kickert*	5-11	6-6	3-6	0	18
	Collins*	2-10	1-1	1-2	1	5
	Golden*	2-7	0-0	0-3	0	6
	Winston*	5-11	0-2	3-7	4	. 11
	Bond	0-1	0-0	1-1	0	0
	White	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0
	Hunter	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0
	O'Leary	2-11	0-0	1-5	0	5
	Simpson	3-7	1-2	2-6	0	7
	Sholberg	2-3	2-2	2-3	2	6
	Totals	21-62	12-15	17-37	6	- 60

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Kickert, the Gaels could not find a consistent second option. Aside from Kickert and Winston, the Gaels shot 27.5 percent (11-40).

Senior forward Eric Bond made his first apperance of the season. He recorded one rebound in four minutes.

With the loss the Gaels fall to 7-6 and open up conference play 0-1. The Gaels will play at San Francisco, Loyola Marymount, and Pepperdine in the next two weeks. The Gaels played Portland last night.



Collin Krunthamer/COLLEGIAN

Center Blake Sholberg (right) goes head-to- head with Gonzaga junior Sean Mallon in the paint. Sholberg finished with six points and three rebounds on the night.

Unfortunately, we were not able to report on it for this issue due to publishing constrictions.



CHIN from p. 12

did. That's because they are the best of the best. Despite their great talent they respect their opponent and the effort they give against them. Unlike Morrison they have a thing called CLASS. I guess the Jesuits in Spokane forgot to teach him that.

On behalf of the student body, Adam Morrison, I thank you for your comments. You have fueled the fire for our next meeting. Moreover, you have shown Saint Mary's and the rest of the West Coast Conference what type of people come out of the Gonzaga basketball program.

Midseason Report: Men's Basketball Gaels still top team in the Bay Area college basketball

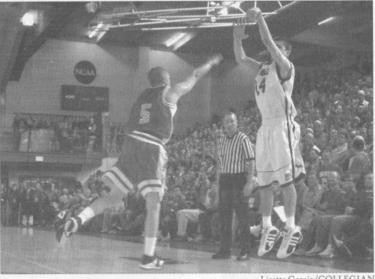
by Michael Chin

Sports Editor

After a full preseason and two games into WCC action, sports writers and television analysts finally have enough information to judge the 2005-06 Saint Mary's Gaels. The verdict is in and still SMC sits at the top of Bay Area basketball.

Santa Clara and USF both have nad mediocre seasons and Stanford is perhaps the biggest disappointment in the nation. Davis and Pacific are both having down years. The only viable threat is Cal. But if you recall from last year, Saint Mary's showed fans what type of program the Gaels have, going in to Haas Arena and knocking off the Golden Bears. This year they have some new faces but until they face SMC again, the bragging rights are ours.

Randy Bennett has done an amazing job with this squad. At the beginning of the season, the Gaels showed some growing pains, being blown out by Colorado and losing games to Arizona, Air Force, and Rutgers. Other than Colorado each of those games were very close and could have gone either way. People expected a lot worse from the Gaels, who lost four starters from



Todd Golden (24) attempts a three pointer from outside the arc against All-WCC point guard Derek Raivio (5).

last season, including guards Paul Marginey and EJ Rowland, who averaged over 25 points per game last season.

found their Bennett replacements in guards Todd Golden and John Winston. Winston might be more athletic than either Marigney or Rowland and provides a true lock down defender for the Gaels. Golden has been steady all season, becoming the Gaels primary outside scoring threat.

In that time Bennett was also able to develop some solid role forwards Diamon Simpson and Ian O'Leary. Both have come off the bench this season to provide some spark to the SMC offense.

The two seven footers are also really starting to come along, especially Blake Sholberg. Against Gonzaga last Saturday, he provided somewhat of a post presence and was able to help shutdown J.P. Baptista, Gonzaga's power forward. Defensively, the Gaels have also shown marked improvement.

And then there's Daniel Kickert. Depending on his play players including freshman this year, he may be considered

the best player to ever play at SMC. He has literally taken this team to another level. Since his arrival in 2002 the Gaels have had above .500 records. This December he had a few bad days, but it doesn't help that teams are doubling and triple teaming the 6-10 forward.

There are some things that the Gaels still have to do however to get over the hump. For starters they need to find a legitimate second scorer. The best way to help Kickert is to take some pressure off of him. Brett Collins and John Winston are the best possibilities to fill the void, but Collins, though he has sparkled at times (31 versus Nevada), has been somewhat inconsistent. Winston has been solid, but 10 points per contest is not enough to be called the second option. Moreover, he has only played a handful of games for SMC and does not fully understand the system yet.

With most of the conference season ahead of them, the Gaels have a chance to run the table and face Gonzaga in the WCC Championship. There is no other team in the conference that should be able to touch SMC. Should they reach this feat, it will be a testament to Randy Bennett and his staff.

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Women's Basketball starts to gel in WCC

Gaels win big in opener versus Pilots but fall short in against Zags

by Sarah Jo Rodriguez Contributing Writer

The Saint Mary's women's basketball team exploded into 2005-06 season against Portland Oregon on Friday January 6th. The Gaels walked into the Pilots gymnasium ready to take on their first West Coast Conference opponent and walked out with a 61-45 victory. Saint Mary's came out with fire shooting 41.2 percent from the field and hitting five three pointers to seal the win. Leading the Gaels was Monica Mertle, '08, scoring 16 points and five rebounds. Freshman Jontelle Smith came out in the second half with 13 points and added three steals on the defensive end.

Meagan Bermingham led Portland offensively with 14 points, while Rachel Warren and Whitney Grant added a combined 20 points. Although the Gaels shot 17.2 percent in the first half scoring only 20 points,

Gonzaga 56 (7-10, 2-0) Saint Mary's 42 (6-9, 1-1) FG M-A O-T M-A Van Burger* Mertle* Benavente Obaiza Ramirez Cowles 4-19 8-39 7 42

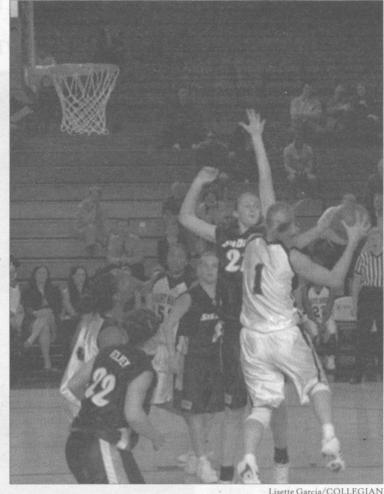
they picked up their offense in the second half with 44 points.

St. Mary's strong defense held Portland to shooting only 35.3 percent from the field. They caused the Pilots to turnover the ball 31 times and a season-high of 16 steals was recorded.

Sophomore Serena Benavente showed her off the ball skills with five steals and seven assists. Evynn Van Burger, '06, contributed with 10 points, four steals, and four rebounds. Portland's record dropped to 0-1 in conference and 3-11 overall.

After Friday's game, Senior Katie Ludwick said that she and her teammates were nervous before the game, "It was our first game and you could tell that we all had some butterflies. It's amazing how after four years of playing you can still get nervous on the court, but we knew what we had to do and we came prepared to take on Portland. It was a good first win for us"

Saint Mary's continued playing away at Gonzaga University on Sunday afternoon. The Gaels suffered a 56-42 loss to the Bulldogs evening out their conference record to 1-1 and their overall record to 6-9. Maijha Lahde, '08, led the way with 10 points and five rebounds. Junior Victoria Ramirez and Van Burger both had seven points and Van Burger grabbed 6 rebounds. Benevante contributed with a whopping nine rebounds, three points, and four assists. The



Miaja Lahde (right) has been a major contributor to the Gael's offense as as late. She led the Gaels in scoring in the 56-42 loss at Gonzaga.

Bulldogs were led by Ashley Anderson, who scored 21 points Saint Mary's shot 36.2 percent from the field and committed 26 turnovers. Gonzaga shot 32.8 percent with 18 turnovers.

Although the Gaels only shot 4-19 at the free throw line, they shut down the Zags offense,

keeping them at only 23.1 percent total and 0-3 three pointers. The Bulldogs' win pushed them up to 2-0 in conference and 7-10 overall. St. Mary's will be hosting San Francisco on January 14th at 2:05 p.m. at McKeon Pavilion.



MEGAN MANLEY

Not an all-star... That would be a Rip

For the past three seasons guard Richard Hamilton has been a vital part of the Detroit Pistons line-up.

He brings heart and fire onto the court every night and nothing has changed so far this season. Although Hamilton does seem to blend in with the other four Allstar caliber members of the Piston's starting line, like Chauncy Billups, who seems to Hamilton's biggest competition for the coveted All-Star spot, his numbers speak for themselves.

This season he is in the top 20 in the NBA in both scoring and free-throw percentage, all the while averaging over 21 points a game, shooting more than 50 percent from the field and shooting a little more than 47 percent from three-point land. It is crazy to me how underappreciated Rip, as he has come to be known by fans and teammates, is by many NBA fans.

In 2005 Hamilton became the fifth of six players in franchise history to score over 1,000 postseason points.

In the last three seasons he has helped to lead his team in scoring, all the while making the NBA playoffs and earning an NBA Championship title in

The only other players to hold the same impressive resume are Paul Pierce of the Boston Celtics, Tim Duncan of the San Antonio Spurs, Jermaine O'Neal of the Indiana Pacers, and Dirk Nowitzki of the Dallas Mavericks.

To be in such good company and to have never made an NBA appearance unbelievable. Although not being named an All-star does not seem to bother the calm and collected two guard, his not being named to the team is simply proof that the people are overlooking raw talent and skill for big name players who talk more of a big game than they play.

Rip is consistent and driven. Rip is an All-star. If the people don't open up their eyes and see this amazing talent for what he is and finally give him the All-Star spot he deserves then it will certainly be a rip-off.

So vote early and vote often as the NBA would say and hopefully Rip will finally earn the spot he deserves.

Have any replies to our columns? We would love to hear from you. Contact the Collegian. ext 4279.

Standings and Box Scores

Schedule

Saturday Jan. 14 Women's Basketball vs. San Francisco () 2:05 p.m.

Monday Jan. 16 Men's Basketball @ San Francisco (5-9, 1-0) 7 p.m.

Thursday Jan. 19 Women's Basketball vs. Loyola Marymount () 7:05 p.m.

Saturday Jan. 21 Men's Rugby @ Loyola Marymount 1 p.m.

Women's Basketball vs. Pepperdine () 2:05 p.m.

Men's Basketball @ Pepperdine (4-9, 0-1) 7:05 p.m.

Monday Jan. 23 Men's Basketball @ Loyola Marymount (4-11, 1-0) 7:05 p.m.

Men's Basketball Standings

	WCC	Overall
#7 GON	1-0	11-3
LMU	1-0	4-11
USF	1-0	5-9
SCU	1-0	8-5
PEPP	0-1	4-9
POR	0-1	6-9
SMC	0-1	7-6
USD	0-1	10-4

Women's Basketball Results

FRIDAY'S GAME 61 (6-8, 1-0) Saint Mary's Portland 45 (3-11, 0-1)

Team Leaders: Points: Mertle 16; Rebounds: Arredondo 6; Assists: Benavente 7

	WCC	Overall
LMU	2-0	8-7
GON	2-0	7-10
SMC	1-1	6-9
PEPP	1-1	4-11
SCU	1-1	7-8
USF	1-1	5-10
POR	0-2	3-12
USD	0-2	5-10

Men's Rugby Results

UC Santa Barbara (10) Saint Mary's (8)	25 20
Saint Mary's(8)	35
Oregon State	21



MICHAEL CHIN

Gonzaga: Classless or in a class of their own?

Last Saturday, after the Gonzaga game, I went into the press room looking for some great one liners about the game. I was able to get a few from Coach Bennett and Daniel Kickert. It was a great game, even though the Gaels came out with the short end of the stick. We played some inspired basketball that gave the faithful hope for the rest of the conference season.

In spite of this performance, I met one of the rudest and pompous athletes in college basketball. His name is Adam Morrison. People who know me understand that I am a big Gonzaga fan. Aside from the Gaels, they are the team that I cheer for. Every time the Zags

win, it brings pride to our conference. However, after hearing Morrison speak I can no longer root for them again. When asked if the Gael faithful had any effect on his game he

responded, "They came to watch us, not their own team. They probably couldn't tell you their own starting lineup, but they could tell you ours. You only see "Beat the Zags" shirts once a year and that's the only time (when) this place is full. We were just looking for a win and then to get the hell out of there." I wonder if he even saw my red Gael Force shirt right in front of his face.

If he did speak along with his coach, they could have shown some class. He should not speak about things he does not know about. In the three games that the Gaels have played at home this season we have had excellent crowds. Students continue to come out and support their team. To say that we are fair weather fans is a slap in the face. I think he was just upset that John Winston, a little known transfer who just recently joined the team, did something no one else this season has been able to do: shut shut down. In the second half, he went cold and could do little to help his team.

Morrison may be an All-American in talent, however, he has a lot to learn about being a true professional. In my lifetime, I never have seen Michael Jordon or Joe Montana disparage an opponent like he

Zags narrowly edge out Gaels

Raivio's late scoring drive too much for Saint Mary's at home

by Zach Farme Assistant Sports Editor

The Gaels had two hard fought games this week against Texas Christian University and Gonzaga. The Gaels split the two games, winning on the road against TCU 65-57 and losing against the Bulldogs 68-60.

The win against TCU marked the first road win of the season for the Gaels. Senior Daniel Kickert paced the Gaels with 20 points and freshman Ian O'Leary scored a career-high 14 points on six for ten shooting. Diamon Simpson, '09, added seven points and five rebounds off the bench. "[O'Leary and Simpson] are starting to get it," said Gaels coach Randy Bennett. "We need those guys to be good if we're going to be good.

Going into the game against Gonzaga, the Gaels had won six out of their last seven games and had to deal with the leading

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- Adam Morrison, Gonzaga

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scorer in the nation, Adam Morrison. Bennett, acknowledging his skill, said they were going "bring help" against Morrison.

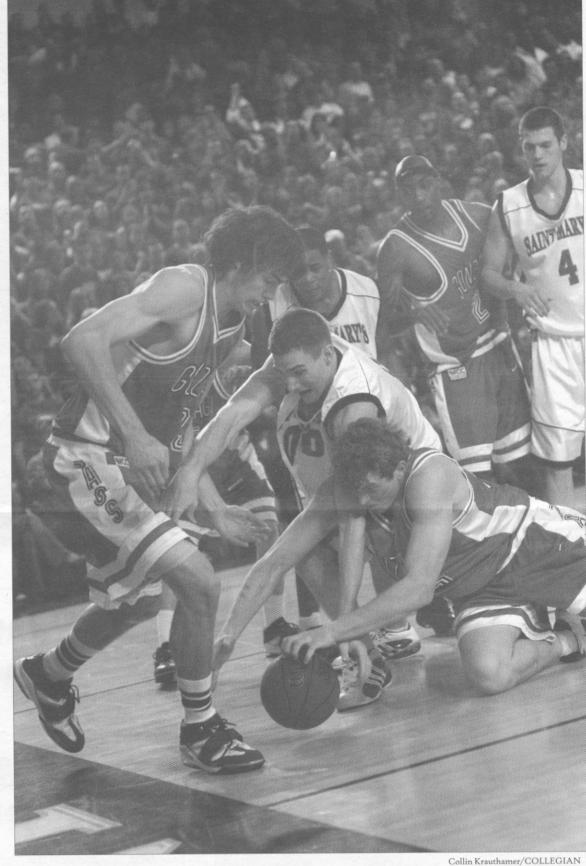
The Gaels' first home

game of Jan Term started of with the Gaels and Bulldogs fighting back and forth and was knotted at 18 with 11:02 remaining in the half. The Gaels trailed by 11 at half and Kickert led the Gaels in scoring with 11 and Morrison led the Bulldogs with 17.

Changes needed to be made and after the half, junior John Winston, whose defense Coach Bennett praised, would guard Morrison and would not score until 8:20 remaining in the game. The Gaels would go on a 15-6 run to start the half, ending with the Morrison jumper. Saint Mary's came within two points of the Bulldogs but would not get any closer as time and free throws caught up with the Gaels as Gonzaga guard Derek Raivio scored eight of his 16 points in the final 1:19 of the game. Bennett said, "They are hard to play from behind late in the game."

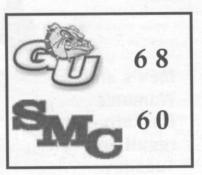
The Gaels shot a mere 33.9 percent from the field and only 22.2 percent from three-point range. Kickert noted the Gonzaga defense for some of the problems on offense. "They are quick to the ball," Kickert said. "We weren't able to get that much penetration."

Despite the dismal offensive performance, Gonzaga did not do much better. Gonzaga shot 38.5 percent form the field; only the



Gonzaga Forwards Adam Morrision (left) and David Pendergraft (Right) and Gael Eric Bond (Center) fight for the ball in the Gael's battle at McKeon.

#3 Connecticut Huskies and the #4 Memphis Tigers held the Bulldogs to lower. After shooting



48.1 percent in the first half, the Gaels held Gonzaga to 28 percent from the field on 7-25 shooting. "We played pretty good defense," said Bennett. Bennett, prior to the Gonzaga game, said, "[Winston]

is still learning when and where to score." Aside from helping to limit Morrison to eight points in the second half, Winston responded with a season-high 11 points, seven rebounds, and four assists.

credited Winston teammates with helping out with Morrison. "With Morrison, I tried to stay physical with him," Winston said. "My teammates really helped me out."

Coach Bennett praised Kickert, Simpson, junior Blake Sholberg, and senior Reda Rhalimi for their job on Gonzaga center J.P. Batista. Batista, who was averaging 19 points per game, only scored 12 against the Gaels. Although he praised some players, he knows that the Gaels

cannot play this way against Gonzaga again. "We have to make baskets," said Bennett.

Kickert led the Gaels with 18 points and six rebounds. Collins, after scoring 31 points against Nevada on December 31, scored five points against Gonzaga on 2-10 shooting.O'Leary scored only five points going two for 11 shooting and one for seven from three-point range.

Sholberg had one of his best games of the year. In 17 minutes Sholberg scored six points, three rebounds, and a block off the

The Gaels offense did not flow the entire game. With the Zags frantically double teaming

see BASKETBALL, pio