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Mark Orr looks to the future of athletics

Orr steps up into athletic director role, Carl Clapp leaves for University of Hawaii

by **Zach Farmer**
 Assistant Sports Editor

Last Tuesday, Senior Associate Director of Athletics Mark Orr was promoted and named the new Athletic Director of Saint Mary's College. He was officially announced during the same press conference that announced Athletic Director Carl Clapp's resignation. "I'm excited," said Orr. "[I'm] ready to get started."

Orr was hired by Carl Clapp in Clapp's inaugural year (2000) and since then has moved up through the athletic department to his current position. As Senior Associate Director of Athletics, Orr was in charge of the athletic department's entire \$9.1 million budget. He was also a part of every search committee to hire head coaches since his arrival, which includes Randy Bennett (men's basketball), Rob Browning (volleyball), and Jedd Soto (baseball).

Clapp's tenure lasted six years and included the cutting of the football program, increasing the athletic department's budget by \$4 million, bringing six NCAA Tournament berths, and hiring nine of the 13 NCAA coaches on campus. "I never really knew him [Clapp], but I

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Ken Fung/COLLEGIAN
 New Athletic Director Mark Orr (left), President Brother Ron Gallagher (center), and Carl Clapp (right) at the official announcement of the Athletic Department changes.

GSA throws first Bash

Club celebrates sexuality; skits, singers, dance performances, slideshow, and after party

by **Julie McAvoy**
 Assistant News Editor

The first annual Gay Straight Alliance (GSA) Bash, a gay cultural night, will be held April 19 in the Soda Center at 6:00 p.m. The night will include monologues, skits, dance performances, a documentary, spoken word, and an after party.

"All the other clubs have a culture night, so we thought we should have a gay culture night," said GSA Public Relations Officer Kim Dao '06. The GSA officers have been planning the Bash since last spring and are collaborating with Pulses, Delphine Intercultural Center, Women's Resource Center, the Women's Studies Department, Theater Department, English Department, KSMC, and the Photography Club.

GSA Co-President Liz Garcia '06 said, "The hardest part was getting enough people involved to make it a successful event." Now that there is a sufficient amount of people collaborating, there are questions concerning the amount of controversy the event will bring.

"I'm sure there will be a lot of controversy, but I think there will also be a lot of positive feedback," said Garcia. "Whether it's negative or positive, it will be good because it will start a dialogue." Garcia sees this dialogue as the first step to changing how people look at sexuality and homosexuals.

The other GSA Co-President, Lindsey Rosellini '07 said, "Some people are going to have problems with it, but I hope the message they get out of it is to keep an open mind."

All students, faculty, and staff are encouraged to attend the event to listen to some of their peers' real-life experiences. "A lot of the monologues and skits share people's personal stories," said Rosellini. "These are raw and real stories of people that are trying to be heard."

Rosellini thought that personal stories would connect more directly with the audience and "make people empathize and understand more about gay culture." Personal stories also elicit more emotion from the audience and make the issues more realistic and pertinent.

Garcia said that this is a night of unity, rather than an exclusive celebration of a specific culture. She said, "Sexuality transcends all races and classes. It is not specific to one racial background or culture."

This event is designed to bring aware-

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Student leadership preserves Chavez legacy

Speaker, rally, and service project in celebration of Farmer Workers Association

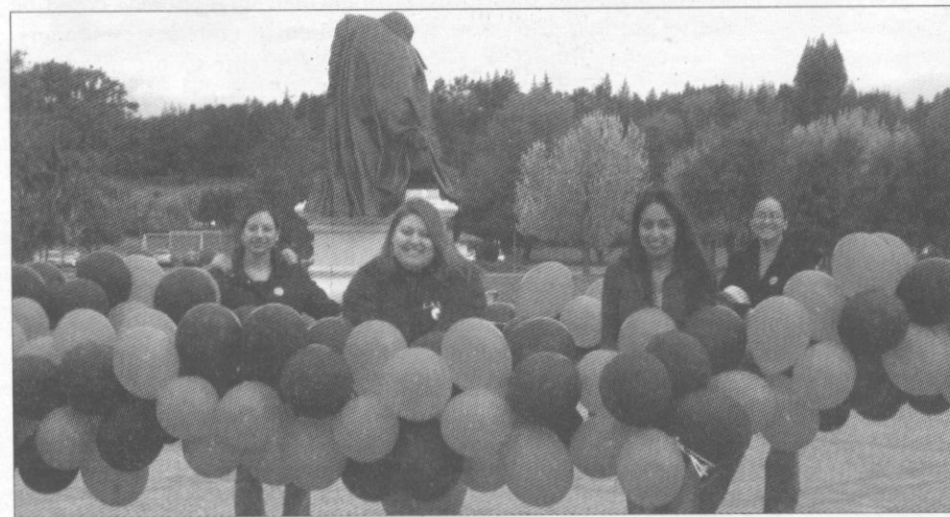


Photo courtesy of Vanessa Fortney

The red and black balloons representing the colors of the United Farm Workers Association flew on campus Friday to celebrate Cesar Chavez Day.

by **Darwyn Deyo**
 Staff Writer

Last week, students in conjunction with CILSA gathered to celebrate the life of Cesar Chavez and discuss continuing his work of social justice through current events. Led by Vanessa Fortney '08 with Maria Hernandez '08 and coordinated by the Student Action Leadership Team, students met on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday at speeches, fairs, and community building projects to hear about social justice issues and to build participation and community. Chavez himself has become a symbol of social justice issues and many

of the students present believed him to be an appropriate rallying point for a Lasallian college moving towards diversification.

Thursday afternoon a speech was given by Casimiro Alvarez, an organizer and spokesman for the United Farm Workers Association, which was founded so that farm workers could fight for a living wage, housing, better working conditions, and protection from pesticides. Today, Hernandez said, those same battles are being re-fought as reform is rolled back. "Pretty much the same things Cesar Chavez fought for they're fighting for now." Since Thursday's weather was inhospitable to

outdoor events, about 30 people gathered under the breezeway to hear Alvarez speak and share food. Afterwards, students could attend the Hermanas Unidas meeting which was putting special emphasis on women in fields and factories.

Friday's events were three-part in nature, beginning with an end to the fast that had begun the night before. At 12:05 p.m. a Prayer for Peace was held, and from noon to 3 p.m. the Social Justice Fair was held, although it, too, was forced to seek shelter under the causeway. Regardless, students viewed the fair as worthwhile. "It was good because it had never really been done before, and the clubs all got together on their separate issues," said Hernandez reflecting the student-leadership desire to see more social justice action as a campus community. Clubs from all walks of campus joined together to draw attention to issues on particular interests. "Res Life had a thing where you wrote letters to senators about the new immigration law and APASA was doing a thing on human trafficking."

The proposed immigration law was a key focus in the group discussion that followed the Social Justice Fair Friday afternoon as students gathered in Campus Ministry. Fortney began by saying of the constant rain, "Well, the farm workers didn't stop working the fields so we shouldn't stop our celebration." Key speakers were Brother

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SNAPSHOT



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After the rain forced them to leave the Moraga Skate Park, Mike Abarta, 18, of Pleasanton and friends came to SMC to film home skating videos.



JONATHAN MORALES

Are college newspapers under attack?

Toward the end of last semester I wrote about the changing role of media in today's society. Specifically, the role of college newspapers are now in danger of changing for the worse, after the Supreme Court refused to hear arguments in the appeal of *Hosty v. Carter*, a landmark college censorship case.

A brief history: in 1988 the Supreme Court decided in *Hazelwood School District v. Kuhlmeier* that officials at public elementary, middle and high schools could indeed censor newspapers for bad grammar, poor writing, bias, or inconsistency with "the shared values of a civilized social order." Papers could be exempt if they were determined to be "public forums." College newspapers were, for the time being, spared censorship.

Then came *Hosty*. Newspaper editors at Governor's State University in Illinois sued after their administrators refused to publish without prior review. In the *Hosty* decision, the U.S. Seventh Court of Appeals ruled in favor of the administrators, saying that "*Hazelwood* provides our starting point" and that the standard established in *Hazelwood* could be applied to college newspapers. The Supreme Court refused to

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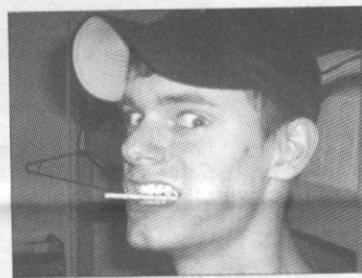
Do you think Barry Bonds took steroids?



I feel the pressure!
 Yes he did.
 -Felipe Pehanich '08



I don't like baseball, but
 it'd be cool if he did.
 -Joseph Casanova '09



I don't give a [explicit],
 but he probably did, wait,
 is this going in the paper?
 -Casey Ryle '09

Campus Quotes and photos compiled by Vince Ochoa

Beyond the Bubble

NATIONAL AND WORLD NEWS BITES



DANNY ACOSTA

BAGHDAD, Iraq - U.S. Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice made a surprise visit to Iraq. She intends to speed up Iraqi political talks in addition to conveying a message of patience in the Iraq war. It was her third trip since 2005.

TEHRAN, Iran - Iran conducted its second major missile demonstration. The missiles, named "hoot," can avoid radar detection and strike several destinations at the same time.

VATICAN CITY - Pope John Paul II is mourned by thousands on the anniversary of his death.

EL SACRIFICIO, Guatemala - Federal troops went on a search and destroy mission for air strips, which are believed to be related to the importing and exporting of cocaine. The cocaine is said to be linked to Columbia. The area is depressed by the work of drug traffickers. The U.S. has commended the Guatemalan government's work.

SAO PAULO, Brazil - One hundred eighteen foreigners were arrested in law enforcement's crack down on sex clubs. Offenders were fined \$76 and eventually released. The crackdown is aimed at curbing Brazil's tourist-oriented sex industry.

CANCUN, Mexico - President Vicente Fox reinforces his commitment to securing the borders in a speech targeting border smuggling and drug trafficking.

HAVANA, Cuba - A small group of students get to travel through Cuba, despite the strengthening of the U.S.-Cuba embargo. American travel to Cuba is heavily restricted and steadily declining yearly.

Crime Beat

3/25 5:00 p.m.
Incident: Handbook Violation
Synopsis: Hookah confiscated from Ageno C; referred to Student Conduct

3/25 6:55 p.m.
Incident: Fire Alarm
Synopsis: Fire Alarm activated by burnt food in Ageno B; referred to Student Conduct

3/26 2:35 p.m.
Incident: Disrespect to college official
Synopsis: Running a stop sign, speeding, and attempting to elude in Ageno B and Syufy traffic circle; referred to Student Conduct

3/26 6:26 p.m.
Incident: Grand Theft
Synopsis: Stolen Laptop and iPod from Aquinas Hall; referred to Student Conduct

3/27 10:35 p.m.
Incident: Handbook Violation
Synopsis: Failure to comply, disrespect toward a college official, and a minor under the influence of alcohol in Aquinas and Justin Quad; referred to Student Conduct

3/27 11:40 p.m.
Incident: Disrespect towards a college official
Synopsis: Disrespect towards a college official at the Physical Plant; referred to Student Conduct

3/28 7:00 p.m.
Incident: Property confiscation
Synopsis: Rabbit confiscated from More Hall; referred to Student Conduct

3/28 10:25 p.m.
Incident: Handbook Violation
Synopsis: Possession of marijuana and alcohol in Mitty Hall; referred to Student Conduct

3/29 12:20 a.m.
Incident: Activated alarm
Synopsis: False alarm in Hearst Art Gallery

3/31 12:18 a.m.
Incident: Vandalism
Synopsis: Broken window in the stairwell of De La Salle Hall; referred to Student Conduct

The Collegian NEWS

SAINT MARY'S COLLEGE
of California

Fifteen to return to New Orleans over spring break

Most students did not participate in the Jan Term service class

by **Jonathn Morales**
Editor-in-Chief

For some students, Bridges to the Bayou in Jan Term was only the beginning. For other students, the opportunity to serve was just too good to pass up, even over Spring Break, a time when many other students are relaxing, at home or in the sun.

Five students who traveled to New Orleans and performed service work during January will join nine newcomers and Associate Dean of the School of Liberal Arts Shawny Anderson to New Orleans to continue the job during spring break.

Most of their trip will be spend gutting houses, which comprised part of the work done in January.

"It will be all filter masks, rubber gloves, you know, getting people's stuff out," said Anderson. They will also pull down the walls of houses they gutted during the first trip out. The walls were not pulled down in January due to asbestos fears.

"It's going to be hard. The January group never did that many days of that job in a row," said Anderson.

Because plane tickets to New Orleans are so expensive right now, 12 members of the group will fly into Houston this Saturday and then drive a 15-passenger van the rest of the way. Chris and Justin Verrips, along with a third student, will drive from Moraga to New Orleans.

They will stay in a building owned by Catholic Charities and sleep on cots. A small kitchenette is also included in the room.

"It's really small. It will be hard to fit 15 people in there, they said, but we're game," said Anderson.

Aaron Arnold '08 is one of the students who didn't participate in the Jan Term class but will be heading out for spring break.

Arnold had wanted to go on the January trip, but ended up doing a Christian Service Internship instead. He was able to add onto the spring break trip at the last minute. New Orleans, he said, is special to him.

"I was there about four years ago for a medical exposure program, so it's probably going to be a little hard to see that place," said Arnold. "I really liked it the first time I went, so it's kind of a shock. I'm ready to do all I can for the area."

He said he was grateful for the opportunity that this trip allows him and other students.

"I just think it's a great program that Shawny's doing, to take this on herself and put it together. I'm really happy she's doing this for the school," he said.

Speaking out for fun and profit across USA

Speech and debate team involved in two national tournaments

by **Bettina Adragna**
Webmaster

The Saint Mary's College Macken Speech and Debate Team has sent four of its members to compete in two national tournaments. The tournaments were the National Individual Events Tournament (NIET) by the American Forensics Association, which took place in Gainesville, Florida, and the British Style Parliamentary Tournament, which took place in and was sponsored by Claremont McKenna College in Claremont, California.

The NIET tournament is "kind of like the Olympic trials" for speech and debate teams, according to John Hanecak, communications professor and coach for the Saint Mary's team. The team also recently returned from the National Parliamentary Debate Association tournament in Corvallis, Oregon, where a junior-level team, made up of Francesca Parodi '08 and Nathan Garcia '08 "beat teams that were much more advanced than they were." The other team from Saint Mary's, made up of Brice Rey-Herme '06, Kristin Mathe '06, and Miles Burgim '09, was disqualified because of a technicality. Because of this, Mathe and Burgim were invited to the Claremont tournament.

Mathe, who has been involved with the debate team since her

freshman year, was disappointed that the team she was in was disqualified but excited about the Claremont tournament. The trip to Claremont was the duos first without a coach, said Mathe.

"It's an opportunity for me to represent Saint Mary's and show other schools the value of our education," she said. "My partner is also an Integral major, so it's neat to share our skill set with other students with different academic backgrounds."

Brice Rey-Herme '06, president of the team, said he was looking forward to "spending time with [team member] Craig [Pasillas] and John [Hanecak]" at the Florida tournament.

His speech was on avian bird flu. For each tournament that he's in, he has to constantly update the statistics that he uses. His speech was originally a persuasive speech, but because the measures he called for regarding avian flu were taken, it has been converted into an informative speech.

Rey-Herme cited a sense of competition as one of his reasons for being attracted to speech and debate. He was also involved in speech and debate in high school.

Rapport with his team members and the sheer fun of it is another reason he's glad to be on the team.

"It's a fun activity to do," he said. There are "lots of good people on the speech and debate

team. We all tend to get along quite well."

Rey-Herme's team member had slightly different reasons for being attracted to speech and debate. "The people are just like so welcoming and friendly and diverse," said Pasillas.

His focus is also different—he focuses on interpreting literature, which is similar to acting out a monologue, only without props and costumes.

There are other perks that come from being a member of the team, said Rey-Herme, such as "great food" at "good restaurants." He also noted that being part of the team has its benefits when students become seniors. "People who are looking for career prospects or a good skill to pick up" may benefit when it comes time to be interviewed, he said. The Macken Speech and Debate Team is sponsored by John Macken, an alumnus who was president of the debate society in 1962. Upcoming events include a presentation of the club's award-winning speeches at Speech Night on Wednesday, April 26 at 6:00 p.m.

Sunday's results:

National British Style Parliamentary Debate Thournament:

Kristin Mathe and Miles Burgim received 13th in the nation.

NIET:

They did not make top 24, but results will be out today.

News Briefs

Class elections results

Last week, Saint Mary's College students voted for next year's Associated Students of Saint Mary's (ASSMC) officers. The results have been posted on the Student Involvement and Leadership office.

Results for the class of 2007 are as follows: President Mark Gilson, Vice President Justin Bethune, and Senators Jeff Karlton and Mark Gilson. President for the class of 2008 is Elizabeth Noakes and vice president is Serena Lee, who beat Melissa Spahr by 1.8 percent in a run off vote. Senators are Hector Zaragoza, Vincent Sison, Melissa Spahr, Elizabeth Noakes, and Serena Lee.

President of the class of 2009

is Zack Miskel and Jessica Gonzalez has been elected as vice president. Senators are Zack Miskel, Alana Weinroth, Katrina Mae de Jesus, Soraya Parker, and Sal Ortiz.

There were a total of 2,058 votes including run-off votes for four different positions including 2008 Vice President and all three positions for the class of 2009. The largest number of students voted from the class of 2009, with a total of 1,473 votes, which is over half of the total number of votes. The class of 2008 had the second largest amount of votes with 926 votes and the class of 2007 had the least with 406 online votes.

Corrections:

In the article about Residence Life changes last week, one position was left out. The Housing Director will report to Scott Kier and responsibilities will include managing the housing lottery. In addition, Marc Dominguez's name was misspelled.

In an article about Fr. John Morris, an editorial error ended up misquoting him. He did not use the term "periscope," but the

term "pericope," which is defined as a passage from the Bible.

In an article from March 21, 2006 about the Senior Gift campaign, there were several errors. The name of the campaign is the Senior Gift Campaign, not the Senior Campaign. Students should look for a table in the Dante Quad, not Ferroggiaro Quad. The campaign is sponsored by the Annual Fund Office, not Alumni Relations.

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Delphine Intercultural Center

Inequality Forum

Tuesday, April 4

5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Galileo 201

Contact: SIL x4704

SMC Regents Panel Discussion

Tuesday, April 4

6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Delphine Intercultural Center

International film:

Tango Illusions

Tuesday, April 4

7:00 p.m.

Art AV Room/
Brother Kyran Room

King Lear Seminar event

Tuesday, April 4

7:30 p.m.

Soda Center

Contact: x8317

High Like Five concert

Tuesday, April 4

9:00 p.m.

Ferroggiaro Quad

Health Fair

Wednesday, April 5

9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Library Quad

Spring Involvement Fair

Wednesday, April 5

11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Ferroggiaro Quad

Afternoon conversation with author Marilyn Abildskov

Wednesday, April 5

3:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Hagerty Lounge

Contact: Chris Sindt x4088

Mid-week movie:

Brokeback Mountain

Wednesday, April 5

9:00 p.m.

Dryden Hall

Book reading:

Linda Spalding

Wednesday, April 5

7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Soda Center

Spring break

Saturday, April 8 –

Monday, April 17

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CHAVEZ: Three-day celebration of civil rights
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Camillus Chavez, Maria Hernandez, and Professor Maria Luis Ruiz, a Spanish professor of the Modern Languages Department. Ruiz began by speaking on Cesar Chavez's slogan, "Si Se Puede." "I would urge you to remember these are not historical or mythic phrases, but a message and a challenge," Ruiz said and reminded students that "we move forward with our studies and our lives but not forgetting where [our community] came from." Partly due to the attendance of only 13 students, the discussion became more student than speech organized.

Finally, on Saturday a group of 85 people went to Alameda Point

Collaborative, a location which used to be an army base but has been converted to house the formerly homeless. Volunteers helped with children, worked in the garden where residents work as a community and grow food to sell, or helped organize a tool shed.

Roughly half the APC population is under 22, and seeing volunteers really gives the residents a reason to come out and help as well.

Of the events as a whole, Hernandez said "[they] went well and I think just having a celebration that commemorated Chavez, having been student led, run, and planned, was really good."

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hear the case, letting the rule stand, for now.

Luckily, Saint Mary's resides in California, which is not only outside the jurisdiction of the seventh circuit, but also has laws protecting the First Amendment, rights of newspapers at private institutions. Still, the implications for college newspapers are scary.

First, students in Illinois, Indiana and Wisconsin must now worry that their papers could be construed in court as not being "public forums" and thus subject to censorship in the future.

Second, it shows the low regard in which the courts—and college administrators at some schools—hold college students. They seem to think that college students are not free-thinking adults who can make their own choices but children who need to be monitored to make sure they don't go too far or, God forbid, think outside the box.

Third, it threatens to undermine the very concept of freedom

of the press in the United States. If students grow up in schools, from elementary schools onto colleges and universities, at which the right to a free press is not respected, they will not understand and appreciate the importance of that right in our society, which can have frightening ramifications as they grow into adulthood. They will miss out on an extremely important civics lesson.

How important? Thomas Jefferson once said that if given the choice between newspapers without government or government without newspapers, he would take the newspapers. That important.

Without that lesson, will students grow into adults who do not understand that questioning the government is critical, that things are not always that they seem, and the afflicted need to be comforted and the comforted need to be afflicted? Now that's a scary path to start down.

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ness about the gay culture and break stereotypes. In order for this to be successful, there needs to be a substantial degree of student involvement. Rosellini said, "The Lesbian, Gay, Bi-Sexual, Transgender, Queer (LGBTQ) community isn't alone, it needs community and support. In order to open minds and progress we need the support of the heterosexual community."

Dao added, "It's not just about being gay, but celebrating sexuality."

Rosellini thinks Saint Mary's campus could use more awareness of sexuality. "I feel like a lot of people on campus don't think about sexuality, it is not talked about or understood," said Rosellini. "A lot of people who don't know about it are afraid to ask."

The Bash intends to answer

some of these questions. "People can expect something different, a different arena of diversity...and something that is taboo, maybe something you don't know much about," said Rosellini.

Another issue concerning sexuality is the labels that are used to identify people of the LGBTQ community. "There are so many labels on sexuality that limit people's freedom," said Rosellini. "I hope this will help people be more fluid and free with the topic of sexuality. Not every gay or transgender person fits into the stereotype."

Even the name of the event has a special significance. Dao said, "When you hear the words gay bash, you think of something negative, but it has a double meaning of also being a party. We wanted to reclaim bash as a positive thing."

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hope the next guy will give more support to the rugby program," said rugby player Matt Leatherby '07. "We are ranked eighth in the nation and it would be nice if we were treated more like a varsity sport."

Earlier in the year, Orr had accepted a position at San Jose State but with the report of Clapp's acceptance of a senior position at the University of Hawaii, Orr saw his chance to stay at Saint Mary's. "I'd love to stay at Saint Mary's," said Orr.



Ken Fung/COLLEGIAN
Carl Clapp (left) and Brother Ron Orr (right) after the press conference and official resignation last week.

When Orr was offered the job, he did not hesitate to take it. "I want to provide a positive experience for student-athletes, competitively, [and] academically," Orr said. "[Saint Mary's has] got to have quality coaches, got to provide the best resources possible."

A SMCgaels.com interview quoted President Brother Ron Gallagher as saying, "Mark is a mature, meticulous, organized manager with a vision for the fu-

ture of Gael Athletics. He is a thoughtful person, an able listener, and is highly respected by peers, students and student-athletes, and the Saint Mary's community."

The Sacramento native is a graduate of UC Berkeley with an undergraduate degree in social warfare and graduate degree in education. While at Berkeley, he played defensive back as a member of their football team. He was a Pac-10 All-Academic Honorable Mention in 1997 and 1998.

Orr has big plans for the future of the athletics department. "[Saint Mary's] wants to continue to move onto strategic land," said Orr. Among his goals are increasing funding for athletic scholarships, increase staffing, and improving the recreational and intercollegiate athletic facilities. "I want to make sure that I spread [the athletic program]," said Orr. "[I want everyone] getting on board with the programs we have; donors, alums, students, community."

Contributions were made to this article by Allison Kop, Sports Editor.



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The Collegian NEWS

Internet Addiction Disorder among Gaels

What is it and how does it affect students? MySpace, Facebook contributing factors

by Linda Hua
News Editor

The Internet is addicting. With creations of websites such as MySpace, Facebook, and LiveJournal, some may find it hard to avoid the Internet for extended periods of time. However, some people find it hard to avoid their computers in general. Internet Addiction Disorder (IAD) is becoming more and more of an issue in this fast-growing web culture.

However, there are no concrete specifications as to how IAD can be diagnosed. What is considered to be Internet addiction? Many users just feel and claim to be addicted.

Vanessa Lopez '06 defined IAD as "Abusing the Internet in any way—going to any lengths to get to it."

Some think that IAD can be diagnosed in hours of exposure. However, it must then be taken into consideration what demographics from which each individual comes. College students such as Saint Mary's students spend much more time on their computers than the rest of the population, but one must wonder if computer and Internet addiction is a problem on campus.

What might be IAD tailored to a typical student at Saint Mary's? Vanessa Barbosa '08 said she would define it as "being on



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College students like Sylvia Jacobo '06 use computers and the Internet more than the general population. Does this make them more prone to developing Internet Addiction Disorder?

MySpace, being on AIM, being addicted to checking your e-mail, checking all your Internet correspondents, and searching the web instead of doing other productive things—searching the web for information for a long period of time during the day for anything that doesn't have to do with homework or work."

Some students like Lopez do not even have their own computers in fear that they will become too distracted.

"I don't want it to interfere with my school work," said Lopez. She once had a computer, but due to hard drive malfunction,

she no longer uses it and has not gotten another one.

However, when Lopez did have a computer, she said she was pretty hooked. "I don't use computers very much, but I used to a lot when I had one: downloading music, instant messaging was big," she said.

But what makes the Internet so addictive? Writer of PsychCentral.com, Doctor John Grohol postulates that "since the aspects of the Internet where people are spending the greatest amount of time online have to do with social interactions, it would appear that socialization is what

makes the Internet so 'addicting.'"

Barbosa agreed, she said she is "extremely [addicted] to MySpace. Because it's something I must do—I spend a lot of time looking at it, fixing it."

"I'm not really into that MySpace thing yet," said Lopez, "because I know it can be addicting. I don't think I want to get one until I graduate—if I get one at all. I'm afraid it would get in the way of my school work."

"I'm not on Facebook for the same reason. It's just so addicting," said Barbosa.

The growing addiction prob-

lem can also be due to the growth of computer and Internet use and accessibility in general.

According to the 2003 Census report, "Computer and Internet Use in the United States," "The majority of households have personal computers and Internet access. In 2003, 70 million American households, or 62 percent, had one or more computers, up from 56 percent in 2001. In 1984, the proportion of households with a computer was eight percent. Sixty-two million households, or 55 percent, had Internet access, up from 50 percent in 2001, and more than triple the proportion of households with Internet access in 1997 (18 percent)."

It seems that such accessibility is what helps the disorder along. Barbosa said that other students are probably addicted to the Internet "for the same reasons I am. They're just bored and don't want to do homework. It's just a form of distraction. Or they're just waiting to go to someplace or do something. It's accessible."

Lopez thinks that IAD is not so bad as long as students can still manage to get necessary tasks done. "I think it's all right if you don't have anything to do with your time. Like if you're a freshman and don't have a lot to do, I think it's all right to be addicted," she said. "It's just finding ways of balancing your time as you get older."

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U.S. Citizens flee to Canada to avoid war

Why are citizens signing up for war one minute and then fleeing the country the next?

When you sign your name on the dotted line, you are signing your life away to the U.S. Military. You must now serve your country in times of war until they tell you to go free. However, you can always change your mind and flee to Canada, right?

As times have worsened and conditions have grown considerably more absurd overseas, soldiers who are signed up for the war are moving to Canada, where they can hide out and hope to live in peace. There have been an estimated four hundred soldiers who have taken this path. Four hundred individuals is a peaking number for the amount of soldiers dodging the Iraq war.

Why are these individuals even signing up in the first place if they have the intention of fleeing? Could it be the immense pressure by society and the government to be brave, useful, and patriotic? When I see advertisements and commercials for the U.S. Army, every commercial features a big, strong man or a solid woman who is honored and praised for doing something good for his or her country.

I believe that young kids out of high school who feel like they have no direction are being persuaded by recruiters who convince them that the army is the best path to take. The army offers a large sum of money, a career, and an admirable role in defending our country. There is not enough talk in public high school about pursuing an education after the age of 18. Yes, this requires more patience; but it also has the promise of *life*. In a study done by the *New England Journal*, US soldiers in Iraq are showing levels of "major depression, generalized anxiety, and post traumatic stress disorder." These symptoms parallel those experienced by the soldiers who survived Vietnam.

Now, this is not meant to be an anti-war plea; but there must be something terribly disturbing about what is going on in Iraq when people are picking up and moving to avoid it. Not only that, there must be some serious miscommunication taking place when an individual signs away years of his life without knowing his destination will be Iraq in just a few months.

The army should desire men who are confident in the direction they want to go. The army should not chase the confused men who flee to Canada to stay alive.

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With a wink and a nod, we greet the much anticipated Easter Break. Whether making final preparations for graduation and life beyond, going down to some tropical location for a week of unadulterated partying, traveling to New Orleans to do service work, or just relaxing at home, this break is probably appreciated by everyone. We at the Collegian appreciate it greatly. Why? Two reasons. First, the stress of producing a paper every week (especially after this special 16-page paper) is given a temporary reprieve. Second, there is always an energy on campus after Easter Break. Everyone, realizing the imminent closing of the school year, is a lot more appreciative of the time left. Everyone is more involved, more active, more interested. With the deadline of mid-May staring them down, people just seem to care a lot more. And this always makes for good reporting.

So, go home, or to Miami, or New Orleans, or wherever, and enjoy your break. Bask in a week of lack of responsibility (or a lack of school-based responsibility, anyway), and get ready for one more short month of the academic year. Remember that when you get back, you've got so much left to do and so little time. Just make sure to tell us about it. We'd like to let everyone know.

New French job policy brings about more right-wing protestors

France fighting a white-collar war

The French are rioting again. Apparently, they are unable to restrain themselves from protesting policies for at least six months. In all levity, it is no longer the marginalized lower-classes which are rioting, but rather the conservative side. The conservatives are essentially protesting the removal of job-growth barriers, a move that the November rioters supported and in turn clashed with the conservatives.

Remarkably, this time-honored political maneuver of rioting has had little effect in stopping the First Job Contract (CPE) proposal developed by Prime Minister de Villepin, which actively eases restrictions on firing workers under age 26.

Before the bill, once workers were hired they were nearly impossible to fire, resulting in an increasing scarcity of new jobs and low productivity in those that were already established.

The long term result has been an unemployment rate that currently hovers at 9.6 percent, while youth unemployment is believed to be over twice as steep at a staggering 22.2 per-



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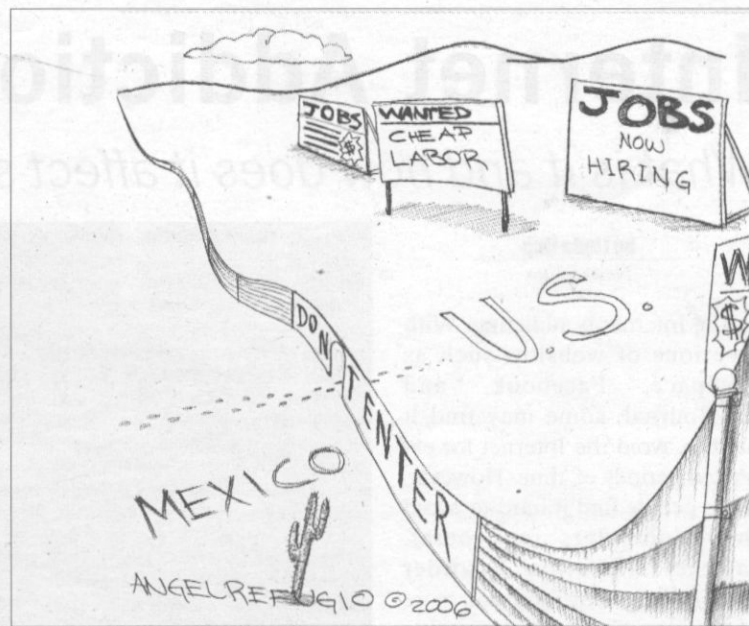
cent. Hence, it is the youth with expertise, the university students, who are most opposed to opening up a competitive job market.

Those who have the most to lose are always willing to uphold a dying system, even at the country's expense. If France intends to revitalize the economy, de Villepin cannot and must not back down.

Part of President Chirac's trouble in pushing through his prime minister's bill is that the French have been taught that competition ruins a country, and thus have become economically complacent, hampering their own national policy. Despite France's recent lack of direction, the Europe Union is supporting conservative protestors. In addition, France has become so reliant on reaction over response that they have circled back to asking themselves about everything: "Well, it works in theory, but does it work in practice?"

Chirac's decision to sign the law with guaranteed amendments is a sign of how necessary change is for France, but also how one can lead a Frenchman to work but one can't force him to be productive. Instead of enforcing the harsher conditions of the CPE bill, which included permission to fire workers under 26 within their first two years of employment without reason, Chirac conceded that the bill limit one year instead of two, and also requires employers to give a reason for dismissal.

If nothing else, this one step forward by Chirac and de Villepin at least acknowledges France's employment deficit, which should be reason enough for French assent.



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Is this Roe v. Wade in reverse?

Men looking for a way to opt out in a women's right to choose

Claiming that women have more options than men do in the event of an unintended pregnancy, men's rights activists are mounting a long shot legal campaign aimed at giving them the chance to opt out of financial responsibility for raising a child.

The National Center for Men has prepared a lawsuit—nicknamed *Roe v. Wade for Men*—to be filed in the U.S. District Court in Michigan on behalf of a 25-year-old computer programmer. The plaintiff was ordered to pay child support for his ex-girlfriend's daughter. The suit addresses the issue of male reproductive rights, contending the lack of these rights violates the U.S. Constitution's equal protection clause which says, "No state shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States; nor shall any State deprive any person of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws."

Men should not have to pay child support if they do not want to. A man should have equal rights just as the expected mother does when it comes to unwanted pregnancy. When an unwanted pregnancy occurs the man is usually slapped with the child support payments to help raise that child until the age of 18. A man has every right to relinquish his rights as a father, especially if he was tricked into the pregnancy, as claimed by the man in question. In the particular case under scru-



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tiny, the ex-girlfriend told her boyfriend that she could not in fact get pregnant due to a physical ailment that prevents her from conceiving a child. The father accepted her word and nine months later she gave birth, much to this dismay of the unaware, unwanted father.

The *Roe vs. Wade* law obviously caters to expected mothers and under this law they have every right to do what they please with their child. A mother has the right to terminate the pregnancy, put the baby up for adoption, or keep the child and raise it with her boyfriend/husband as a family.

The law does not take into account the father's rights or objections to the pregnancy.

A man is entitled to voice his opinion if he wants the mother to terminate the pregnancy, put the baby up for adoption, or keep the child and raise it as a family.

If the male's voice - the father's voice - is not heard, he should not have to pay child support. Should we not as a society update the law of having a man's point of view be considered?

Last time I checked there were two sides to every issue. Let the men have choice as well.

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Immigration policies & protests; the debate over illegals ensues

With schools across the country protesting immigration policies, two writers weigh in on the debate

H.R. 4437: Unjust and un-American

Danny Acosta

Scott Cullinane

Illegal immigration must be stopped

America is the land of the free and home of the brave...to some extent. If there are any two groups of people with no rights in America, they are felons and illegal immigrants. Why not make immigrants felons? This is the current "solution" to America's immigration problem.

H.R. 4437 states that aiding illegal immigrants — and being one — would be considered a felony. Community members who aid immigrants — teachers or church leaders among others — will be subject to imprisonment. Criminalizing immigrants and people who associate with them would be as costly as it would be impractical. H.R. 4437 is bolstered by longer mandatory minimum sentences. The distressed American prison system would crumble if criminalizing millions of hardworking people went into effect. California, which has more prisoners and immigrants than any other state, would suffer immensely on the socioeconomic level. H.R. 4437 calls for Homeland Security, along with the prison system, to create space for new inmates rather than focusing resources on long-term crime prevention. More prisoners mean less resources and less rehabilitation, which equates to increasing problems.

Targeting immigrants, using them as scapegoats, is fueled by racist ideologies. Don Goldwater, (R-AZ), declared his intent to place illegal immigrants in a makeshift city on the border and exploit their labor to build a 700 mile wall that would keep them out. This blatant insensitivity reveals a new attitude that undermines the American ideal of land of opportunity, while stigmatizing millions of people. This breeds the sentiment that cheap labor is valuable, but those who providing it are not. Dehumanization is not a part of American values. H.R. 4377 and its supporters intend on changing that.

Influxes of Mexican immigration can be linked to damaging U.S. Foreign Policy. The domination of American agribusiness in rural Mexico displaces the labor force. The U.S.'s neo-liberalist treaty, NAFTA, diminishes equal opportunities in the market place. True, free trade allows capital and labor to flow freely, but NAFTA's corporate favoritism prevents labor from keeping up with capital through emphasis on corporate protection of profits. This contradicts free trade. Thus, the depressed economy leaves people in search of a better life. They suffer and endure rides through a desert with little water or air. They leave their families. Women are subjected to rape. It is not a trip they want to make, it is a trip they must make.

H.R. 4437 affects everyone. People from Italy, Ireland, China, and any other country living in America would become felons. These xenophobic policies are contrary to America's rich immigrant history and freedom itself. Most of all, they do not realistically address immigration issues. Deporting 11 million people would divide families and the nation. There are ways to fight terrorism and uphold the law without such reckless action. Recent protests reflect bravery in people fighting for their freedoms. Those protesting the immigration bill are standing against policies that perpetuate hate for a people that are just that — people.

I think the best answer on the subject of illegal immigration was given by Sonny Bono. When asked to speak about illegal immigration, he responded, "What's to talk about? It's illegal."



12 million illegal immigrants in this country. Many of these new immigrants, as opposed to the earlier generations of immigrants, have not assimilated into this country, and in fact, show little desire to do so. In the recent demonstrations in Los Angeles, illegals proudly waved the Mexican flag and organizers brazenly advocated for the "rights" of illegals.

Illegal immigrants are extremely costly. In addition to the cost of health care, education for their children, and jails for the numerous criminal elements, illegals also drive down wages and the standard of living for Americans. Many say we need illegal immigrants because they do jobs no one else will do. The second half of that statement is: at a remarkably low wage. If illegals were not here, those jobs would still be done, only a higher wage would be required for the workers. Many American workers are driven out of jobs in construction and a variety of other trades because of cheap, illegal labor. Legal immigrants, who may wait years to get here the lawful way, will also step up to take those jobs.

The borders also need to be secure to make sure no terrorists get in. The FBI has reported that Hezbollah and Al-Qaida have both been active along our southern border. Even after the border is secure, there will still be millions of illegals already here.

Let's start by deporting criminals and vagrants. This will not dispose of all illegals, but the numbers will be going in the right direction: down. The precedent will deter others from coming. More big government amnesty programs will only encourage more illegals to cross the border. Starting with safe borders and getting rid of illegals that commit more crimes when they are here, we will be in a better position to find a long term solution.

Hopefully protests will not blind those in Congress to what must be done. There is a silent majority of law-abiding citizens who want the law enforced and they vote too.



TONY VALA-HAYNES

Fightin' yuppies; good practice for battling the man

I received a letter Thursday from a ludicrous organization responsible for the aesthetic appearance of the apartment complex where I live. The letter requested that I move my barbecue from my front doorway and store it out of sight. Then it read, "Thank you in advance for your cooperation." I didn't move my barbecue.

Instead, I quickly drafted a letter explaining my refusal to comply with such a request. I explained that the current location of my barbecue is the only place where it is both accessible and protected from the rain. This seemed like ample logic in response to the letter I received—a letter that consisted of only two sentences and managed to have two significant errors. First, it asked for my cooperation. Second, it failed to include a verb in the first sentence. I mailed my letter. Then I barbecued some chicken.

There is a moral here, I think. One day my apartment complex is asking me to move my barbecue. The next they're asking me to climb a 30-foot tree with limbs as thin as straw to free the Strawberry Shortcake-themed kite my roommates and I got stuck a couple weeks back. Then they'll ask me to stop screaming expletives when I go for a mid-day swim in the pool and discover the water temp is numbing. Soon they'll ask me to not get undressed at my front door when I'm all muddy after a bike ride in the rain. They'll ask me to take my garbage out in something more than just my green, polka dot boxers. And they'll demand that I refrain from making a scene every time our power goes out and the woman with the tropical fish a few doors down is forced to blow bubbles in her fish tank with a straw until the power returns. If I give an inch, they'll take a mile.

I have always battled the man. And when he's not available, I fight the yuppies. The yuppies are good practice. It's like scrimmaging with grade-schoolers when you're a middle-schooler. It builds confidence and satisfies that appetite for war.

The same night I received the yuppie-letter, the 10 o'clock news showed footage of Mexican students advocating for the rights of illegal immigrants and rotund, white men protesting the presence of illegal immigrants. Yes, they were white men.

What a simple life to have enough time to write a letter of complaint about the location of a neighbor's barbecue. Can we exchange yuppies for illegal immigrants, please?

Diversity clubs contribute to social segregation

Racism will be eliminated when labels are eliminated

All my years in school, my mom has always asked me, "Why don't you join an Asian club at school?" My response was always, "why?" Yes, I am Asian. I know that. So does everyone who looks at me. Therefore, what's the point in joining a club that says: I am Asian?

Okay, technically, that's not the point of these diversity clubs. However, that's what most people assume is the role of a diversity club: Asians join the Asian club; Latinos join the Latino club; Blacks join the Black club.

I feel uncomfortable at these club meetings—yes, even the Asian ones. I don't feel uncomfortable at the dances or the outings, which are meant to be inclusive, but at the meetings—everyone talks like everyone around them can relate or knows what they are talking about or saying



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in a different language.

So the point of these diversity clubs is to bring enlightenment to the rest of the community and encourage diversity. I'm not so sure they succeed.

Encouraging diversity is a bit hindered by the titles of Asian/Pacific Islander, Latino/Hispanic, Black, or German. This label makes the groups exclusive; it says to others, "This is our ethnicity and it is our deal." It is like a microcosm of self-segregation. Those labels make the groups seem somewhat, if not

very, exclusive.

How can there be diversity if labels still exist? As the great actor Morgan Freeman said, the only way to eliminate racism is to "stop talking about it." He says there shouldn't be a Black History Month. I say, there shouldn't be any ethnicity month—they just slow down the process and force people to celebrate one ethnicity for one month.

Why not celebrate all ethnicities in all the months? Highlighting one ethnicity does not necessarily educate society on that culture, but says, this ethnicity has been wronged and discriminated against, let's give them some special attention. And the fact that it is those ethnicities are putting on these events, it seems that they are taking pity on themselves and defining themselves separately from the rest of the community.

These clubs are not educating others on their culture, but it seems more like they are forcing their culture upon others.

Instead of encouraging a melting pot of diversity, which is the American ideal, they are further defining what makes them different. These diversity clubs are relying on the society's guilt factor to push their agenda onto society and segregating themselves moreso in the process.

This is not the way to go dismantling racism and implementing diversity.

So, as Freeman said, "I am going to stop calling you a white man and I'm going to ask you to stop calling me a black man."

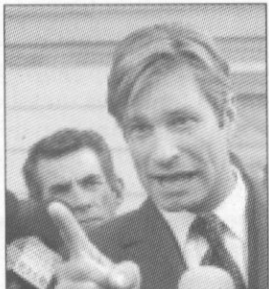
I am Asian, I know that and I know my culture, and that is good enough for me; labels just get in the way. Forget about out races as a part of identity and it's all good.

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**Thank You...
for making this movie**



by Danny Acosta
Opinion Editor

Thank You for Smoking (directed by Jason Reitman and starring Aaron Eckhart) is a biting satire on American industry. It brings the audience into the perverse world of Nick Naylor, a lobbyist for big tobacco. He works with alcohol and firearms lobbyists to form a death coalition. Through smart, deliberate writing and directing, Reitman transforms the amoral anti-hero into the film's protagonist. This element drags the comedy, but still keeps its entertainment value. The film tells a father-son story, while drawing laughs and making serious comments about our grey society.

**Matthew Bourne's
Swan Lake**



by Jo-Ann Arquillano
Managing Editor

If your idea of ballet is some excruciatingly long, boring display of tutus, Matthew Bourne is out to prove you wrong. Bourne's *Swan Lake* is an intensely entertaining adaptation of the classic ballet. His inventive take on the well-known tale infuses the performance with more modern costumes, themes, and settings. Perhaps the most obvious difference is the fact that all the swans are male. For those of you who aren't familiar with the ballet, it's the story of a prince who falls in love with a swan who turns out to be a princess. If you've already put two and two together, yes, Bourne's *Swan Lake* has a definite homoerotic tone. Bourne throws together classical music, colorful and contemporary costumes, a seedy bar, and homosexual, topless male swans. Matthew Bourne's *Swan Lake* will keep you wide awake.

'O' yeah... 'Lion' roars on soph album

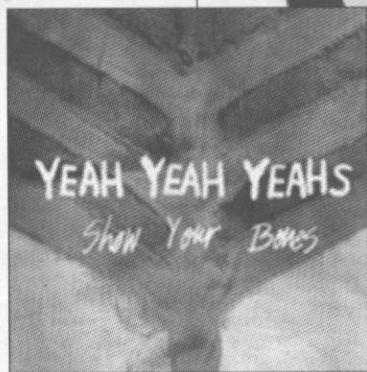
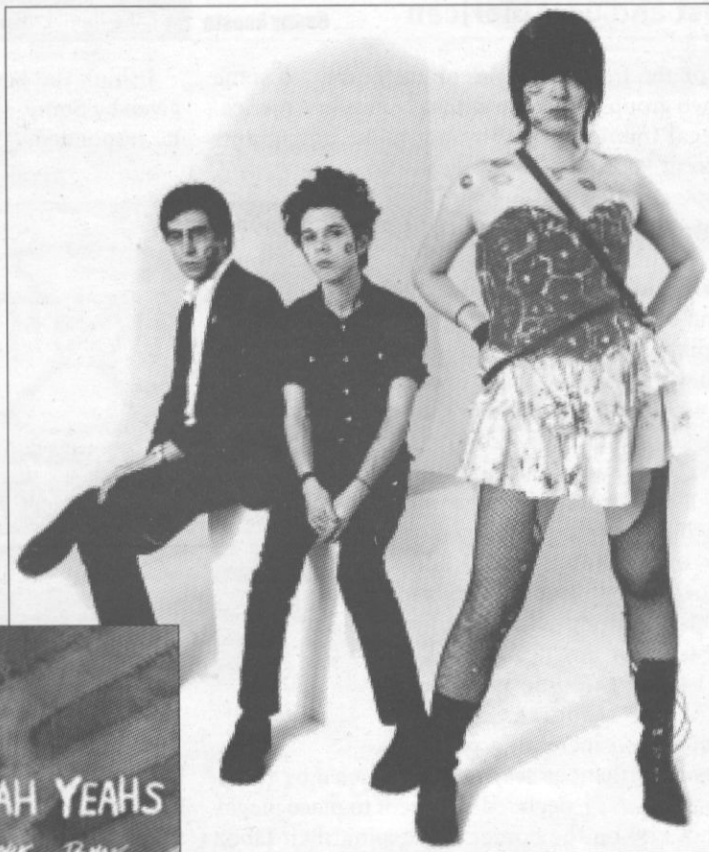
The Yeah Yeah Yeahs show their bones in newly released album

by Jenn Utley
Staff Writer

Karen O's androgynous look may affect pubescent boys and girls around the globe in some curious ways, but the Yeah Yeah Yeah's front woman has recently taken herself, as well as the other band members Nick Zinner, guitar, and Brian Chase, drums, to a whole new artsy-punk-indie level with the release of their newest album, *Show Your Bones*. Naturally, one might assume this title would stand for a revealing of the band's inner self, a sort of coming of age compilation after the seemingly drug affected initial disk, *Fever to Tell*. Perhaps this is a valid assumption, and to some extent the band has evolved. Yet you can never be too sure when dealing with the chick who told *Jane* magazine that she would want to use her name as a new brand of cereal so, "Tony the Tiger and the Trix Rabbit would fall in love with me, and we would have a threesome. Then I'd eat them after doing it, like most female insects, and that'd be the end of the competition!" So what, exactly, should one expect from a woman who considers herself dangerously similar to a praying mantis?

While O admits that her work will always be affected by her raging sexuality, the newer album definitely incorporates a

Left to Right: Brian Chase (drums), Nick Zinner (guitar), and Karen O (lead vocals) The Yeah Yeah Yeahs get emotional on their new sophomore album *Show Your Bones* which hit your local Best Buy or Tower Records...or Target (you know you love Target) last Tuesday.



more mature tone that seems to be in control while still managing to sound like the members might be on some drug-induced upper high. The lyrics tend to be more personal, and at times, darker than those of the first album. The members agreed that their first effort came from a place of denying themselves the depression they might feel, producing instead a more uplifting sound that would not remind them of their true

emotions. But, as Zinner told Spin magazine, "trying to keep true to that vision means shutting off a large part of yourself. And you can only hold down depression and frustration so long before they pop back up."

Apparently the angst-ridden side did rear its ugly little head, manifesting itself into a still gritty yet richer adaptation of *Fever to Tell*. The result is very L.A., yet very New York, a fine mix between the speedy dance-punk of the west and the slutty romanticism of the East Coast scenesters.

Their first single, "Gold Lion," sounds a bit more mainstream,

yet grabs the listeners attention at track one. "Phenomena," on the other hand, is a little more off beat, with a catchy chorus that made me put it on repeat for the past three days (so when you see me walking through campus mumbling, "It's something like a phenomena, baby," you might understand it's simply not my fault).

The overall tone of the album is certainly one of emotion; ironically fitting better with their first single, "Maps" than their first album did. O demonstrates the

grungy power of her vocals with more than just her typical frantic cries, but with some challenging ballad-type songs, such as "The Sweets" and "Dudley."

So in an era when dance-rock bands such as Franz Ferdinand die hard, the Yeah Yeah Yeah's new inventive sound might just be their saving grace. So you are either going to listen to them for fear that Karen O might go on a rampage, have sex with you, and then eat you afterward, or more likely because they add a bit of psychotic flavor to the typical MTV black haired make-up wearing teeny-boppers in disguise— I recommend the latter.

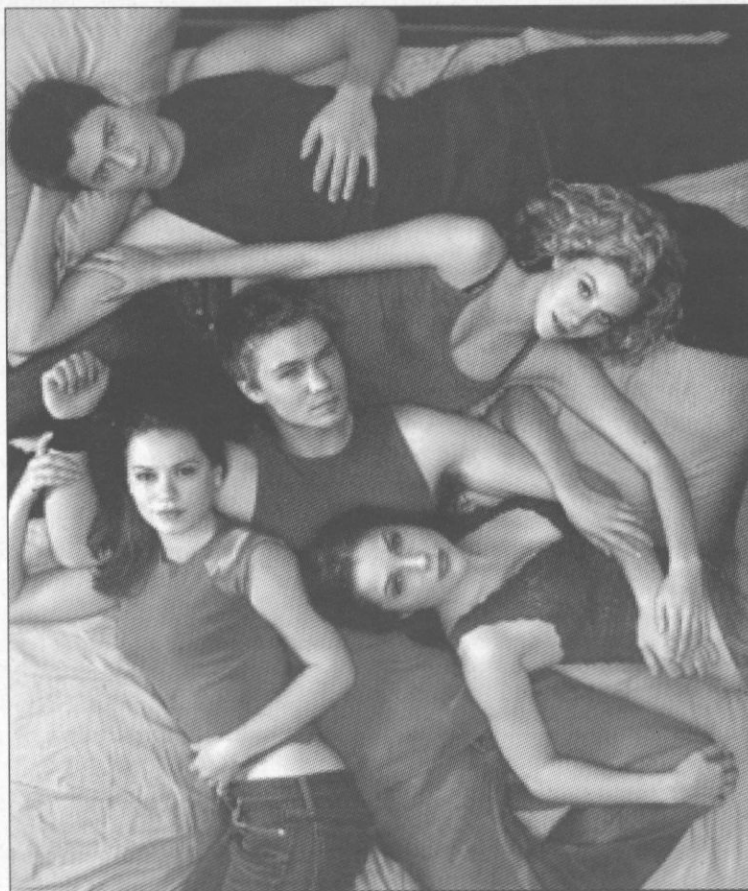
One Tree Hill, taking teen drama to a new level

WB series adds a dose of reality forcing teens to deal with the real world

by Megan Manley
Staff Writer

Political corruption, breast cancer, children out of wedlock, homosexuality, and most recently a school shooting. These are all sensitive but necessary topics that have been covered on *One Tree Hill* since it hit air just three seasons ago. The show highlights the lives of high school students and the normal drama they go through, but also ventures into topics that many other shows don't dare to truly confront.

One Tree Hill has taken many risks in a short time, and this season they have confronted the always relevant issue of school shootings. Although the situation was slightly cliché, with the ignored kid getting angry and bringing a gun to school, the show also gave its audience another element. If you are an avid viewer of the show, the reemergence of Jimmy was not too surprising; after all he was part of the original River Court group of guys. But no one could not have suspected that Jimmy



coming back into the everyday happenings at Tree Hill High would have led to such destruction.

The show's writers dared to take the audience into the mind of a disturbed young kid. We already knew Jimmy, but now we

get to see more of who he really is, and ultimately why he did what he did.

This season also added more shocks when a beloved character was killed in a moment of heroics trying to save the nephew that he loved, and ultimately being murdered by the brother that he tried so hard not to hate. This show is never dull.

One Tree Hill takes the time to incorporate real life issues into an average (average for TV standards) setting with everyday people, and issues we feel could happen to any of us. Amidst all of the drama, *One Tree Hill* has also become known for its incorporation of up-and-coming musicians, recently creating a club called "Trick" that highlights fairly unknown artists as well as some big names.

Whether it is music, sex, drama, or drugs, *One Tree Hill* doesn't seem to hesitate to show its audience not only what is entertaining but what is real. Beginning or ending almost every episode with an inspirational quote, *One Tree Hill* is not just any other teeny-bopper drama, it is powerful and influential, it is definitely worth watching.

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Hollywood hotties having too many babies

Seriously ladies, what are you thinking? Babies? At this point in your career?

by **Tony Verutti**
Staff Writer

Rumors are buzzing from Hollywood to London that bombshell Scarlett Johansson is pregnant. If this is true, the twenty-year-old actress with undeniable talent and magnetism will be changing her, and our, lives forever. I'm not saying that she shouldn't have a baby right now. I am just saying that her career is just taking off. She is in her prime time. She's got offers knocking down her door. Boys from 13 to 80 all want to see more of her beautiful face, but if she is pregnant, her concentration will no longer be on entertaining all of us, instead it would (hopefully) be on raising her child. If she's spending all of her time with her child, she won't be entertaining, and any time without Scarlett is sad time.

Unfortunately, Ms. Johansson is not the only one that seems to be pregnant right now. Angelina Jolie, Katie Holmes, Gwen

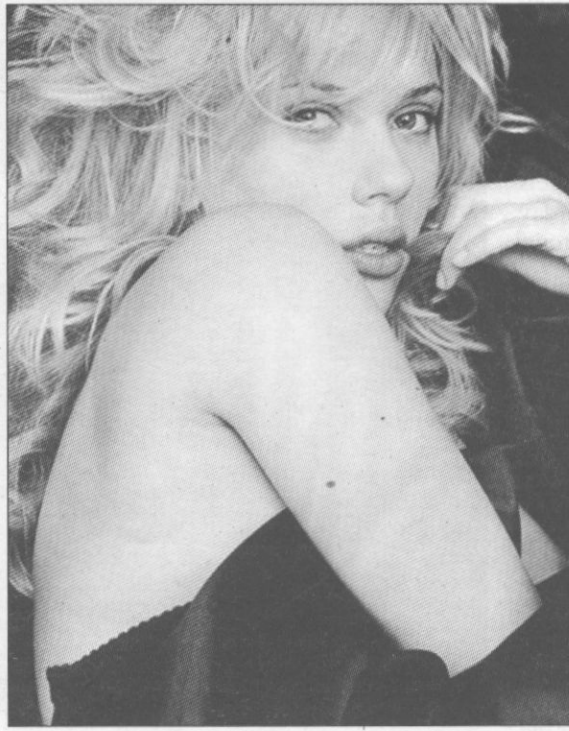
Stefani, Brooke Shields, and word on the street is Britney Spears is having another one. This is just a small sample of women who have given up the spotlight for a baby. I know it's only nine months, but there is another 18 years of responsibility which sometimes gets forgotten.

Whether you care or not, more and more Hollywood actresses are having babies. When an actress has a baby there are significant sacrifices that she has to make. These twenty-somethings in the entertainment industry need to think about how many disappointed fans there are going to be. They should stop and think about how their personal lives affect our culture. All of those lonely dudes that sit around fantasizing about marrying Angelina Jolie have just realized that since Brad Pitt

knocked her up, they no longer have a chance of taking her virginity. That's not really a bad thing. The bad thing is that this new fashion is jeopardizing a

Whether Scarlett Johansson is pregnant or not is irrelevant. The problem is that all of these entertainers have become mesmerized by little babies, like Paris Hilton had everybody mesmerized by little dogs that could fit in her purse.

I just heard that Jessica Simpson is thinking about adoption. Oh my God, please save that child from unnecessary stupidity. Either way, I just hope that women in entertainment are having babies because they want to take care of, and love a child, not because everybody else is doing it. I don't want you to have the wrong impression. I am sure all of the actresses are having babies because they want to. What worries me is that people outside of Hollywood could be influenced by this new pop trend, and a

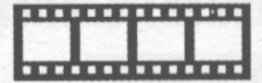


child's upbringing. It has become the most popular trend in Hollywood since botox.

child, no matter how cute it is, should never be used as a fashion statement.

THIS WEEK

FILMS



4/7/06

The Benchwarmers
Starring: David Spade, Jon Heder

PG-13

Take The Lead
Starring: Antonio Banderas, Alfre Woodard

PG-13

Friends with Money
Starring: Jennifer Aniston, Joan Cusack

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Lucky Number Slevin
Starring: Josh Hartnett, Morgan Freeman

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Phat Girlz
Starring: Mo'Nique, Godfrey

PG-13

ALBUMS



Me and My Gang
Rascal Flatts

Karmacode
Lacuna Coil

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Morrissey

Foiled
Blue Monday

CONCERTS



4/4
Sia
Bimbo's 365 Club, SF

4/5
Taking Back Sunday
Fillmore, SF

4/5 & 4/6
James Blunt
Warfield, SF

4/6
Protection
Cafe Du Nord, SF

Two Gallants
Bimbo's 365 Club, SF

Floetry
Fillmore, SF

4/7
High Like Five
Blakes on Telegraph, Berkeley

4/8
Fab Mab Reunion Tour
F/The Dead Kennedys, Flipper & more
Fillmore, SF

Thanks for saying please!

Don't forget your manners they make you human

by **Whitney Medved**
Staff Writer

Since preschool, most youth are conditioned to learn how to be good citizens through songs about teamwork ("clean up, clean up, everybody do their share..."), writing the dreaded thank-you notes, and memorizing the mantra to preface all requests - please and thank you (what do you say...?). It seems like please and thank you gets drilled into us so hard that they eventually become autopilot responses, especially when one finds him or herself in a more formal setting/ situation which demands a classy display of manners.

I am going to go ahead and say that these manners effectively create the type of person one is overall, and play a large part in creating the vibe he or she is sending out to the rest of the population.

My car was recently noted. I wasn't aware of it at the time, but apparently my parking job was not the best display of "staying inside the lines" (another pivotal lesson learned early on in youth). That really sucked of me. Especially since I had managed to find some primo parking, and was tentatively ruining an otherwise equally good space for a car of equal or lesser size. You know the car, the one that parked a little skewed, just enough to absolutely deny you the option of parking there - it's like in Scrabble when someone blocks

off a triple letter square that you were going to use a Q on by putting a lame three pointer word like "run" right next to it. You shake your fist with animosity at this anonymous culprit, you don't know the person but he or she must be an idiot! Clearly the shoddy parking job was intentional.

The note, which was clearly in a girl's script, said, "Please try to park inside the lines next time. Thanks." It was followed by a jovial smiley face. Instead of saying "Hey a**hole, nice parking job." This person had kindly requested that I make an extra effort (conveyed by the word "try") next time. She wasn't even demanding it! Instead of propelling me into a state of defensiveness that could have been induced by a not-so-nice note, I genuinely felt bad for what I had done, and resolved to do a better job next time.

It wasn't just the smiley face, or the word "try" that made me feel this way. I seriously believe it was the please and thank you. To have gone through the effort of getting out pen and paper, and have taken the time to write the message, this girl meant business about her request, my parking job had to have gotten her goat. She managed to get her point across though, and to do it with poise. Her results were all the more effective because of it.

Manners are not just around to talk to older people or get jobs. They seriously make better people out of us. Manners teach us how to be with people, and to show others we respect them. When someone says "hey, thanks for unplugging my electric fondue

set," the person being thanked feels like their little effort to help out was recognized and appreciated, and isn't that what

we all want? Humans are social beings, so why not insure the best for our interactions, with a big, fatty please-and-thank you!



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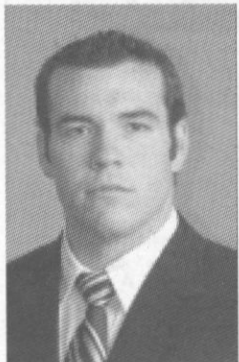
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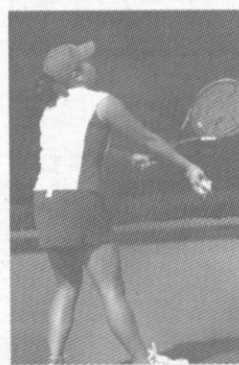
Players of the Week

Orben Frederick



In the Gael's lone win against San Diego, Frederick's bat proved to be the difference, as he recorded three RBI on the day. The senior third baseman has been solid all season long and is one of two Gaels to start every game this season.

Stef Ordoveza



Ordoveza was one of only two Gael players to come home with a win this weekend, defeating her opponent from LMU 7-5, 6-3 at the #6 singles spot. Ordoveza, a walk-on from Daly City, has had a breakout season this year for Saint Mary's.

-Michael Chin, Sports Editor

Schedule

Tuesday

Baseball at Nevada Reno
5:00 p.m.

Men's Golf

Bite Pacific Coast Intercollegiate open
(San Marcos, CA), All Day

Thursday, Apr 6

Women's Tennis @ San Jose State
3:00 p.m.

Women's LAX vs. Cal
@4:00 p.m.

Friday, Apr 7

Baseball at LMU
@ 2:00 p.m.

Saturday, Apr 8

Baseball at LMU
1:00 p.m.

Softball @ Portland State
12 & 2 p.m.

Women's Tennis vs. Santa Clara
11:00 a.m.

Men's Tennis

University of Nevada Reno
12:00 p.m.

Women's Rowing

Santa Clara/Cal Lightweights
@ Lexington Reservoir
All Day

Sunday, Apr 9

Baseball @ LMU
1:00 p.m.

Softball @ Portland State
12 & 2 p.m.

Women's Tennis @ San Francisco
11:00 a.m.

Men's Tennis @ USF
2:00 p.m.

Softball swept away by the competition
Gaels drop four in a row at tournament in Reno

by Megan Manley
Staff Writer

The Saint Mary's women's softball team had another rough week. At the beginning of the week rain delayed yet another pair of games for the Gaels, this time against UC Riverside on Tuesday.

The Gaels were in action again on Saturday on opening day of the UNR tournament in Reno Nevada.

The Gaels were dealt a pair of losses on the first day, both coming at the hands of the North Texas Mean Green.

The first game against North Texas started strong with Junior Lauren Mello nabbing a single and sophomore Bronwyn Russel finding her way on base with a double.

The lead wouldn't last the Gaels long, North Texas came back fighting, scoring three runs in the second and two runs in the third. The Mean Green won the contest by the score of 10-5, with the loss the Gaels fell to 4-21 on the season.

Offensively, SMC racked up a season-high 13 hits but were held to just five runs. Sophomore Megan Galloway was tagged with the loss.

Later that day the Gaels were in action again, this time facing the North Dakota State Bisons. The Gaels had a strong offensive showing, scoring two runs off eight hits, but in the end they were



Ken Fung/COLLEGIAN

Pitcher Marlena Green '09 was tagged for three runs against Utah Valley over the weekend.

edged by the Bisons 5-2.

The two runs by the Gaels both came off of homeruns, one by Sophomore Chelsea Loftis and the other at the hands of Senior Marcia-Marie Euker.

The loss was tagged to Chelsea Loftis and was the Gaels 22nd of the season. On Saturday April 1st the Gaels took the field again, facing both the Utah Valley State Wolverines and The University of Nevada Wolf Pack. The Gaels

did not fair much better on day of the tournament, losing in both of their contests.

In game one against Utah Valley, The Gaels suffered a heart-breaking loss to the Wolverines when they were edged 11-10 in eight innings.

The Gaels were fighting the Wolverines all the way but Utah scored two runs in the bottom of the 8th to take the win, leaving the Gaels with a tournament

record of 0-4.

In the second contest of the day the Gaels tried to rally back from the loss, but the Wolf Pack was relentless, taking an early lead and holding it for the rest of the game. Offensively, the Gaels were led by senior Eleni Papailias, who went 2-for-3 and hit her first home run of the season.

The Gaels lost the contest by a score of 6-3, marking their fourth loss of the tournament.

Baseball goes 1-for-3 in WCC opener versus San Diego

by Zach Farmer
Assistant Sports Editor

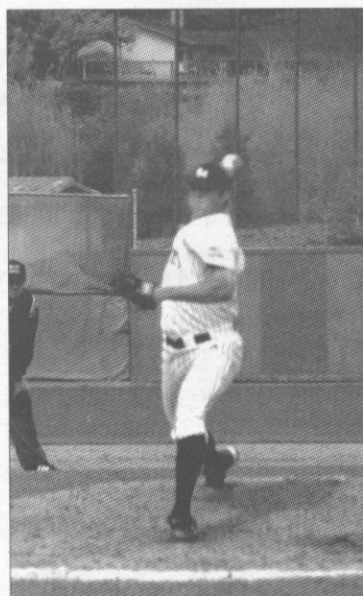
In the opening weekend of conference play, the Gaels fell to San Diego two games to one.

In game one of the series, the Toreros came out firing and scored all 13 of their runs in the first four innings as the Gaels fell 13-4. Senior starting pitcher Joel Fountain only lasted four innings, allowing 13 earned runs on 15 hits. Gael centerfielder Sam Carter led the Gaels going 1-2 with two RBI's.

The Gaels would bounce back on Saturday and beat the 25th ranked Toreros 5-3. Senior Orben Frederick went 2-5 with three RBI, which included the go-ahead run when he singled in senior shortstop Adam Hicks in the top of the seventh. Senior Delaney Gallagher would drive in an insurance run in the ninth when he was hit by a pitch with the bases loaded by San Diego pitcher Josh Romanski.

Starting pitcher Corey Madden lasted 5.2 innings allowing three earned runs on five hits. Senior Dan Lewis finished the game, allowing only one hit in the last 3.1 innings. Lewis would pick up the win.

In the finale, the Gaels took an early 4-0 lead into the fifth inning, but allowed nine runs.



Lissette Garcia/COLLEGIAN

Joel Fountain '06 throws versus USD. Despite getting shelled this weekend, Fountain has been stellar as the Gael's ace this season posting an overall record of 4-3.

The Toreros went on to win the game 9-4. Gallagher started off the Gaels' four run fourth inning with a single to score freshman Cory Miller. Senior Preston Young doubled to rightfield and drove in two runs. Senior Ian Farmer threw six innings allowing five runs, two earned, on nine hits.

The Gaels finished the weekend 13-13 and start 1-2 in West Coast Conference play.

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Wednesday, April 5th, 11-2

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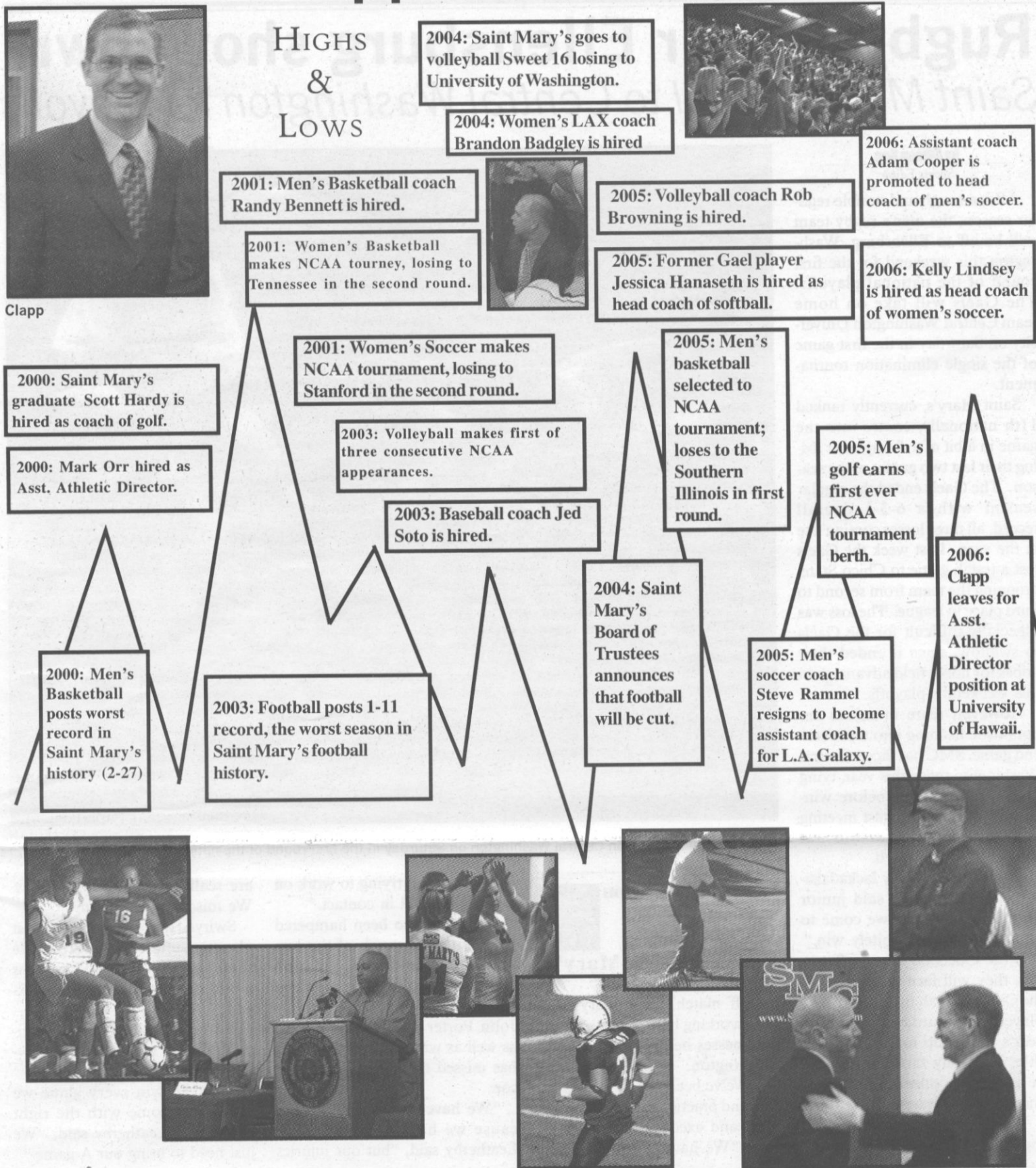
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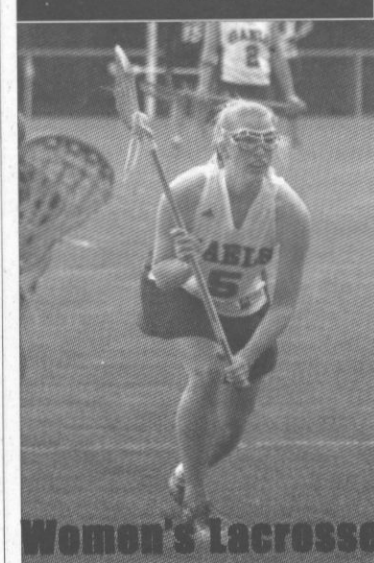


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Around the Horn with SMC Athletics

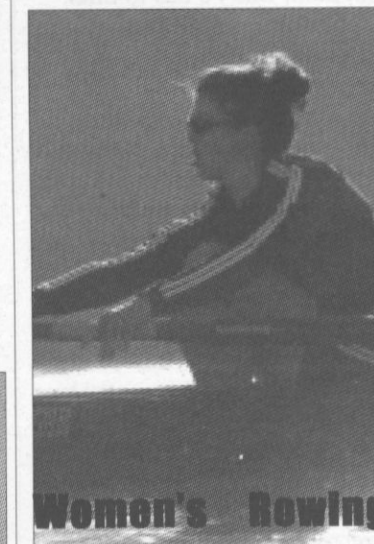


Women's Lacrosse

Saint Mary's lacrosse had a tough game on Friday, losing 18-4 to the University of Denver. Despite taking an early 2-1 lead, the Gaels were quickly outmatched as Denver scored the next 11 goals. SMC was out shot by an over two-to-one ratio, taking 23 shots to Denver's 50. Sonja Kapusta, Molly Wagner, Kim Reny, and Jen Utley each had goals for the Gaels, while goalie Sara Jo Rodriguez recorded nine saves.

With the loss the Lady Gaels fall to 3-6 on the season and 1-3 in Mountain Pacific Sports Federation play. SMC will next be in action when they take on East Bay rival Cal at 4 p.m. this Thursday in the Saint Mary's Stadium.

-Allison Kop, Sports Editor



Women's Rowing

The Saint Mary's women's crew squad took a small step towards victory finishing in the top half of the San Diego Crew Classic.

The Gaels placed third overall and first among West Coast Conference opponents beating both San Diego and Santa Clara in the women's varsity race finishing with a final time of six minutes and 47 seconds.

The win will help the Gaels gain momentum for the upcoming WCC Championships, held in less than one month. Currently Saint Mary's is tied for last place with arch-rival Santa Clara.

In junior varsity action, the Gaels placed fifth in the race with a time of seven minutes and 30 seconds.

-Michael Chin, Sports Editor

Standings and Box Scores

Baseball Results

Game 1
Saint Mary's (13-13) 3
San Diego (19-10) 14
loss: Joel Fountain (4-3)

Game 2
Saint Mary's (14-13) 5
San Diego (19-11) 3
win: Dan Lewis (4-1)

Game 3
Saint Mary's (14-14) 4
San Diego (20-11)
loss: Ian Farmer (1-6)

Women's Crew

2005 WCC Championship Results

Team	Place	Total Points
GON	1st	30
USD	2nd	22
LMU	3rd	20
SMC	4th	8
SCU	4th	8

Softball Results (2-24)

L North Texas Reno, NV, 10-5
L North Dakota State Reno, NV, 5-2
L Utah Valley State Reno, NV, 11-10 (8)
L (2-24) Nevada Reno, NV, 6-3

Women's Tennis Results

Loyola 5, SMC 2

Doubles
1. Mesterova/Baker (LMU) def. Lambert/Hoath (SMC) 8-6
2. Hubl/Ivey (LMU) def. Ordoveza/Young (SMC) 9-8
3. Kos/Sundac (LMU) def. Harden/Charlot (SMC) 9-7

Singles
1. Mesterova (LMU) def. Lambert (SMC) 6-2, 6-1
2. Hoath (SMC) def. Baker (LMU) 6-1, 6-1
3. Kos (LMU) def. Harden (SMC) 4-6, 6-2, 6-0
4. Hubl (LMU) def. Young (SMC) 1-6, 6-4, 6-1
5. Maja Sundac (LMU) def. Feline Charlot (SMC) 6-1, 6-3
6. Ordoveza (SMC) def. Ivey (LMU) 7-6, 6-3

Pepperdine 7, SMC 0

Team	Overall	PCT	WCC
PEP	14-3	.824	2-0
USD	9-4	.692	2-1
USF	10-5	.667	3-2
SMC	7-5	.583	4-0
SCU	6-8	.429	2-2
LMU	7-11	.389	0-2
POR	3-14-1	.194	1-3
GON	2-13	.133	0-4

Men's Tennis

All Matches
Rained out



MICHAEL CHIN

Yes on Orr!

For a number of years Saint Mary's has counted on hiring outside of the current administration to fill voids in the athletic department, believing that coaches or administrators from larger schools would be better equipped to take the Gaels to the next level.

The examples are endless (See football coach Vincent White from Stanford or women's soccer coach Paul Sapsford another Stanford man). On paper at least these men seemed more than qualified to run their program. After hearing about the resignation of Clapp, I immediately believed that SMC would go on another one of their "nationwide searches." So it came at a startling surprise to me when the Gaels announced the hiring of Mark Orr.

While other candidates may have offered more experience or a better resume, Orr brings intangibles that are far more important than an outstanding resume. Mark Orr understands the fabric of Saint Mary's. Having attended Christian Brother's High School in Sacramento, Orr recognizes the special tradition that Saint Mary's has to offer.

The former Cal football star also offers continuity to the program. Currently Saint Mary's is at a crossroads in athletics. The Gaels have had a reasonable amount of success under the Clapp administration (see page 11) but aside from basketball and volleyball, it has not been continuous. While some teams might have one great season, golf for example, they return to earth and become their former mediocre selves the next year. By hiring Orr, SMC will continue to build upon their success.

As one of the youngest athletic directors in the nation Orr also has the energy and charisma that Saint Mary's needs at this time. When nurturing a program such as SMC, you have to be willing to work hard in areas such as scholarship endowment, funding of facilities, and alumni involvement. Having known Orr personally, it is clear that he will be able to make connections with alumni in order to build the tradition at Saint Mary's and continue the growth of our financial endowment.

Orr also brings athletic understanding to the position. As much as Clapp did for the program, it seemed difficult for him to relate to the athletes. Orr, on the other hand, is a former student athlete who understands the difficulties in juggling school and sports.

Former Gael coach Slip Madigan said "Who will fight for Old Saint Mary's?" I think it's safe to say that Mark Orr will.

Rugby set for Ellensburg showdown
Saint Mary's travel to Central Washington for playoffs

by Allison Kop
 Sports Editor

After a rough and tumble regular season, the men's rugby team will be off to Ellensburg, Washington this weekend for the first round of the national playoffs. The Gaels will take on home team Central Washington University on Saturday in the first game of the single elimination tournament.

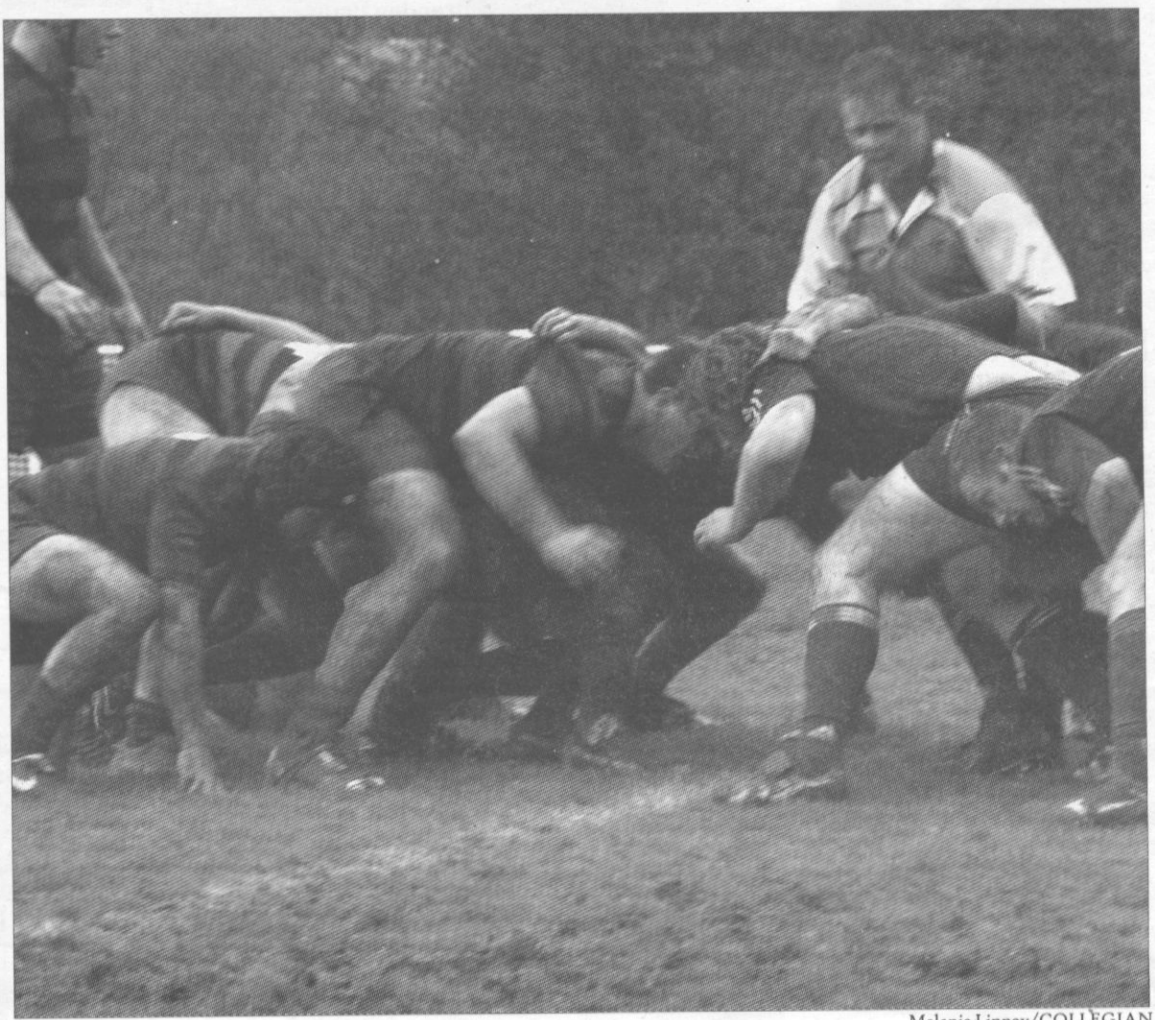
Saint Mary's, currently ranked 11th nationally, comes into the game in a bit of a slump after losing their last two games of the season. The Gaels ended the regular season with a 6-3-1 overall record, all three losses coming late in the year. Last week the Gaels lost a tough game to Chico State, dropping the team from second to third place in league. The loss was especially difficult for the Gaels to swallow, since it ended their hopes for home field advantage in this weekend's playoffs.

However, team members are optimistic heading into the weekend game. SMC has faced Central Washington twice this year, tying 21-21 in November, before winning 34-17 in their latest meeting in the first round of the Pat Vincent Cup in March.

"We came in pretty lackadaisical in both games," said junior Matt Leatherby, "If we come to play, we should definitely win."

If the Gaels do win on Saturday, they will face the winner of the Oregon/Utah match also to be played on Saturday. Utah, last year's runner-up for the national title, is heavily favored and will be a tough opponent for the Gaels should they advance.

With a two week span between their last game and their looming



Melanie Linney/COLLEGIAN

Men's Rugby will take on Central Washington on Saturday in the first round of the national rugby playoffs.

Central Washington
 Vs.
 SMC Saint Mary's

playoff match, Saint Mary's has been working hard to correct their weaknesses before they arrive in Washington.

"We've been watching a lot of film and practicing our ball movement and execution," Leatherby said, "We have too many turn-

overs, so we're trying to work on holding the ball in contact."

SMC has also been hampered by injuries for much of the late season, but several key players will be returning the squad in time for playoffs including seniors John Porter and Charlie Smith, as well as winger Pat Follet, who has missed the entire spring season.

"We have a great chance because we have a great team," Leatherby said, "but our injuries

are really hurting us right now. We miss Kevin Swiryn."

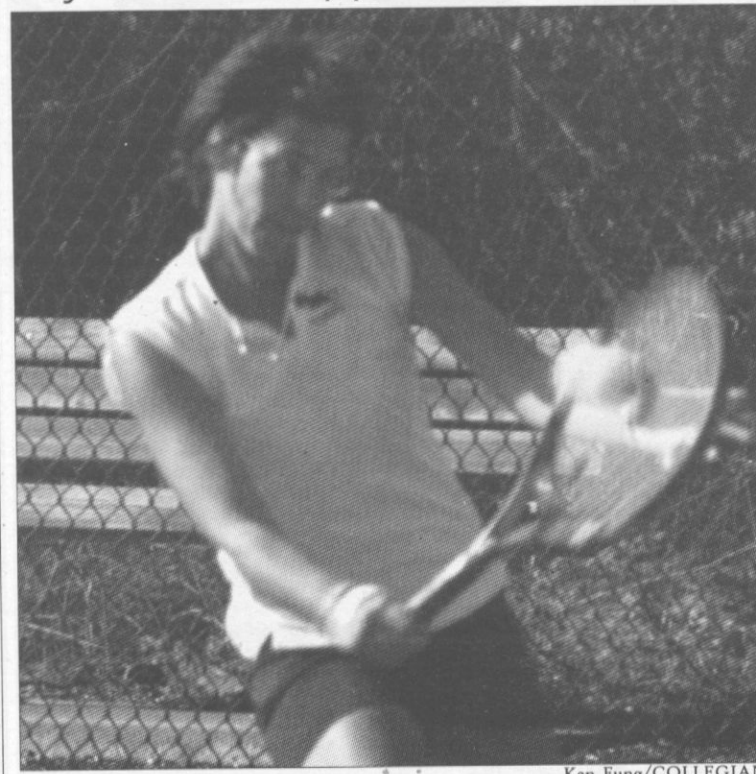
Swiryn, one of the Gaels' best players, suffered a severe ankle sprain in February, and his status is still questionable for the weekend.

Nevertheless, SMC has a legitimate shot to make a good showing over the weekend.

"We can win every game we play if we come with the right mentality," Leatherby said, "We just need to bring our A-game."

Women's tennis takes a dive in Southern Cal
Loyola and Pepperdine hand Gaels back-to-back losses in the WCC

by Frankie Mangini
 Assistant Sports Editor



Ken Fung/COLLEGIAN

Aude Lambert '07 drives a backhand volley down the line. She received her first ever national ranking last week when the ITA rated her No. 124.

The women's tennis team traveled down to Southern California this past weekend to take on Loyola Marymount and #8 Pepperdine. The Gaels started their weekend against Loyola Marymount on Saturday.

Saint Mary's jumped out to early leads in all three of the doubles matches, but lost all three. The Lions won the #1 doubles match 8-6, defeating junior Aude Lambert and sophomore Jessica Hoath. At the #2 spot, sophomore Stefanie Ordoveza and freshman Erin Young lost a close one. After being up early, the Lions came back to tie the match at 8-8. LMU then took the tie-breaker and the match 7-4. In the #3 doubles spot, senior Kate Harden and sophomore Feline Charlot lost 9-7.

In singles action, Lambert lost at the #1 spot 3-6, 1-6. The Gaels got the next point at the #2 spot, with Hoath winning easily 6-1, 6-1. At the #5 spot, Charlot lost 1-6, 3-6. Ordoveza won the #6 spot, defeating her opponent 7-5, 6-3.

Down 3-2 with two matches left, the Gaels needed two big wins to seal the deal. Both Harden and Young split sets. But unfortunately for SMC, they lost both. Harden lost at the #3 position 6-4, 2-6, 0-6, while Young was defeated 6-1, 4-6, 1-6.

After losing to the Lions 5-2, the Gaels took on national contender Pepperdine. Pepperdine swept the Gaels 7-0, with the closest matches coming from Young, 2-6, 4-6 and Ordoveza 1-6, 3-6. The Gaels are now 7-7 on the season and 4-2 in conference.