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Summer to bring changes as new construction begins

Filippi Academic Hall to take over Augustine's lot

by **Ka'ulani Kauahi**
Staff Writer

A few weeks ago, students received an e-mail addressed from Barbara Smith in the President's Office saying "[Saint Mary's] will hold a groundbreaking ceremony on May 19, at 11:30 a.m. for the Frank and Olivia Filippi Academic Hall." The e-mail references the new two-story, 37,000 square foot, U-shaped building and courtyard that will be located in the Augustine parking lot. The hype about this new project is that it will increase office as well as classroom space.

The notion of the new building originally came into play back in 2000, "when it was obvious that there weren't enough classrooms or offices," said Joe Kehoe, executive director of the Physical Plant. In response to said shortage, the school came up with a strategic facilities group, internal to the administration, who hired an outside consultant to see what options the college would have.

Six years later, construction on the new Filippi is set to begin on May 22. This 14-month project should be finished and furnished by the end of August or early Sep-



An artist's rendition of the Frank and Olivia Filippi Academic Hall depicts the new courtyard across from Augustine that will be part of the building to be completed in 2007. The groundbreaking will be held May 19.

tember of 2007, "but these things can run longer than expected," said Kehoe, "that's why we have no move-in date set."

"Most immediately the freshmen in Augustine" will be affected by the new structure, said Joe Kehoe, "We're taking over their parking lot."

However, a temporary lot will be built near the library, so no one is losing parking space. The location is key, because it "maximizes square footage and allows us to build something big enough to handle what we want to get done," said Kehoe.

One of the original locations

was along the entry drive where the lacrosse field currently stands. This was a controversial choice for two reasons. Firstly, it did not offer as much space as the Augustine parking lot. Secondly, it would detract from the aesthetic

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SIL office, other renovations take place this summer

by **Julie McAvoy**
Assistant New Editor

Renovations in the Student Involvement and Leadership (SIL) Office commenced last weekend and will be completed over the summer. Assistant Dean of Student Life Ete Martinez Anderson said, "These renovations will make [SIL] a student-friendly place where they can sit, hang out, and just relax."

Other changes will also include upgrades in technology and more sitting area in the main gathering space. Vice President for Finance Dustin Cramer '06 said, "The renovations that have been talked about are upgrades in technology including new computers, a new TV for Powerpoint and GaelVision to be shown, and presentation technology."

SIL hopes to make the office more accessible and welcoming to all students. "Hopefully, these changes will encourage students to come into SIL, share ideas, and make it the main hub for information on campus. It will help reach out to more students and people will actually want to

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Pepper appreciates Gaels' 'good spirit' during Gaelstock on Saturday

Athletic Practice Field full of students cheering on bands, playing on inflatables, engaging in festivities

by **J. Zack & L. Hua**
Staff Writer & EIC

Many students gathered on Saturday May 6, 2006, for the annual Gaelstock put on by Program Board. It was a sunny day as people were wearing shorts and flip flops while walking throughout the Athletic Practice Field. However, Ian Cook '08 was spotted throughout the scene in *The Elf* costume.

Adding to the festivities were jump houses, a dunk tank, a volleyball court, mazes, slides, and other entertaining activities surrounding the grass area. There was also a beer and hot dog garden for students over 21. Food like hot dogs, popcorn, snow cones, brownies, and pizza were also being sold. In addition, there was free water and PowerAde so that students would not get dehydrated. Students enjoyed jumping onto and sticking to a Velcro wall as the bands Blackalicious, Pepper, High Like Five, and singer Tyrone Wells

performed.

All of these Gaelstock recreations took many months to plan. Lauren Vandam '08, a member of Program Board said, "The verbal planning started in January and we set up for the event at 11:00 a.m. on Friday. The best thing is getting everyone together and there are activities for everyone." The students working at Gaelstock, marked by their black t-shirts that read, "Event Staff," did a good job planning and organizing this jamboree for fellow Gaels.

A part of this plan was that the opening band at Gaelstock would be the winner of last weekend's Battle of the Bands. The winning band, High Like Five, which included students Nick Carr '06, Darius Moghadam '06, Hector Zaragoza '08, and Danny Wecks '08 opened the show with two songs. Students screamed for more of their music as more students entered the field.

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Melanie Linney/COLLEGIAN

Pepper rocked out for an extra hour during Gaelstock to cheers of encore. They truly enjoyed playing for Saint Mary's students, claiming that Gaels were the first crowd to be more intoxicated than they, and asked students for requests to return next year.

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SNAPSHOT



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Soyna Lee '08 figuring out the lighting for tonight's 'Flavor of Pulses' performance.



JO-ANN ARQUILLANO

My last column ever

For the past academic year I've alternated filling this column space with Editor-in-Chief Jonathan Morales. This year, with our expansion to 12 pages, Jonathan and I were given the opportunity to use this space as a sounding board for our thoughts, our rants, our general commentary on life.

I don't know if anyone really ever reads this. Well, there are the select few of my friends out there who have let me know their opinions on my articles, (and thanks to you all), but otherwise I really have no comprehension of how many of our *Collegian* readers actually even know that I write at all. And I'm totally okay with that.

I'm not here to make some incredibly dramatic, influential statement. I read the opinion articles of our section every week and admire the ideas of the *Collegian* writers as they share their personal beliefs with the rest of us, unafraid of any opposing views.

I wish I could do the same. I wish I could argue my ideals and emotions unflinchingly, that I could remorselessly maintain my viewpoints with no care as to how they may be received. And yet, here I stand on my little soapbox with absolutely nothing to say. I write about random thoughts I

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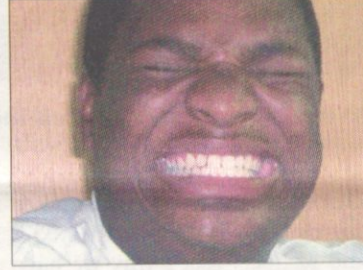
If a turtle has no shell, is it naked or is it homeless?



It's naked because they wear their shells. A hermit crab can change its shell, making shells be their house. For a turtle, this is not the case.
 -Jeff Chavez '08



Naked, because it has its own habitat to live in, not its shell.
 -Ryan Murray '09



How does something lose its shell? The turtle is neither naked or homeless. It's dead.
 -Brandon Vedder '09

Campus Quotes and photos compiled by Vince Ochoa

Beyond the Bubble

NATIONAL AND WORLD NEWS BITES



TONY VALA-HAYNES

STURGEON BAY, Wisconsin – Randall Fisher, 45, was found guilty Friday of capturing his neighbor, a 22-year-old woman, and keeping her in his home as a sex slave for two weeks. Fisher and his wife, Sharon, were convicted of holding the woman for nearly 16 days before she finally escaped. Sharon was sentenced to eight years in prison last year and Randall faces a sentence of up to 112 years with a \$130,000 fine.

WASHINGTON – In a new poll, drivers are angry with the current price of gasoline in the United States. The poll says that seven in 10 Americans are suffering economically from the rise in gas prices at the pumps.

BAL HARBOUR, Florida – When a support frame collapsed on Saturday in the midst of a high-rise construction project, three workers were killed. The workers were trapped in quickly-drying concrete, while co-workers tried to free them.

BOSTON, Massachusetts – Lillian Gertrud Asplund, the last remaining survivor of the fated Titanic voyage, died Saturday at the age of 99. Asplund was only five years old when the Titanic sank and she lost her father and three brothers—one of the brothers was her fraternal twin. Asplund's mother and her other three-year-old brother survived the sinking ship.

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah – Warren Jeffs, the leader of a sect of the fundamentalist Mormon Church and an advocate for polygamy, has turned up on the FBI's top 10 Most Wanted list. Jeffs, 50, has been accused of forcing marriages between underage girls and older men.

Crime Beat

4/28 8:30 p.m.
Incident: Vandalism
Synopsis: Broken window in More Hall; referred to Student Conduct.

4/28 11:51 p.m.
Incident: Handbook Violations
Synopsis: Battery, failure to comply, disrespect to college officials, guest violation, and disturbing the peace in the Soda Center; Referred to Student Conduct and Moraga Police Department.

4/29 4:33 p.m.
Incident: Fire Alarm Activation
Synopsis: False alarm in Justin Hall; referred to Student Conduct and Physical Plant.

4/29 7:26 p.m.
Incident: Informational
Synopsis: Suspicious circumstances in the Justin Hall Parking Lot; referred to Student Conduct.

4/30 2:00 a.m.
Incident: Handbook Violations
Synopsis: Disrespect to a college official, failure to

comply, and failure to stop at a stop sign at the front gate; referred to Student Conduct.

5/2 9:58 p.m.
Incident: Handbook Violations
Synopsis: Failure to comply with college official and possession of alcohol by a minor in Aquinas Hall; referred to Student Conduct.

5/3 9:55 a.m.
Incident: Medical Assist
Synopsis: Ill student transported to John Muir Hospital in Walnut Creek from the Health and Wellness Center; referred to Student Conduct and Health and Wellness Center.

5/4 1:30 p.m.
Incident: Suspicious Circumstances
Synopsis: Moved vehicle in De La Salle middle parking Lot; referred to Student Conduct.

5/5 7:45 a.m.
Incident: Medical Assist
Synopsis: Intoxicated student escorted back to dorm in Aquinas Hall; referred to Student Conduct and Health and Wellness Center.

**Weekly
Featured
Profile**

Student Organization

**Japanese Pop
Culture Club**

by **Ka'iulani Kauahi**
Staff Writer

Newly re-founded this year by three freshmen girls, the Japanese Pop Culture (JPop) Club is led by President Erin Bradley, Vice President Mehgan Cochran, and Secretary Stephanie Nguyen-Thi. An effort to found the club and have it sanctioned was attempted by a third party last year, but it was not quite successful.

"There are so many anime nerds that we just wanted to make something for them...we figured we could take music, video, and games too—just encompass everything," said Bradley.

The club focuses mostly on JPop, rather than Korean Pop Culture (KPop) or Chinese Pop Culture. "It's just because the anime isn't as good as JPop anime," said Bradley.

The club revolves around Japan's pop culture, but sometimes dabbles in traditional Japanese culture as well. "In order to understand some of the new things [like anime] you need to understand the old," said Bradley.

The club members look to spread their love of anime, while the goal of the club itself is to increase knowledge of JPop. Meetings consist of club games, activities, event announcements, and then usually watching anime.

Though the club is small (consisting of seven active members and a handful of those who trickle in and out) they have already gotten involved in charitable events such as Carnival 4 Kids.

Next year the club plans to work with the Asian Pacific American Student Association (APASA) on some events, and hopefully get more involved with campus activities.

Being a newer and smaller club, the JPop Club did not have many opportunities for larger events this year. For the future, the club hopes to host a night filled with Japanese scary movies (known to some as Obake), as well as a bake sale and other fundraisers to increase the club budget.

"When we started we had no budget at all, and we had to work really hard out of our own pockets to raise what we have now," said Bradley.

A theme seeming to run strong in the club is community and friendship. "We're accepting of everyone," said Bradley, "I think we may even scare people off with our enthusiasm."

Less than a year old, the Japanese Pop Culture Club has pushed hard to gain the recognition it has. Although not all students have heard of it, the JPop Club is working its way up to the top.

**News Feature
Latino Culture Night**



Zack Farmer/COLLEGIAN

Carlos Moreno's Ballet Folklorico class performed a special set, highlighting Mexican culture last week for LCN.

Latino Cultural Night: 'Pride and Passions' showcased El Salvador, Argentina, Nicaragua, Chile

by **Zack Farmer**
Managing Editor

The sixth annual Latino Cultural Night (LCN) took place last Tuesday night in the Soda Activity Center. "It gives Latinos a time to show their voice," said LCN Executive Team member Betty Marquez '07.

Stephanie Sanchez '07, another LCN Executive Team member, said, "I don't feel diversity clubs have a voice on campus." LCN helps to provide such a voice.

"We are proud of the legacy of our ancestors and we are pas-

sionate about the living and propagating the rich culture that we inherited," said the executive team in the night's program handout.

Thus, the theme of the event was "Pride and Passions." Every year, LCN selects four countries to highlight in the performance. The countries selected this year were El Salvador, Argentina, Nicaragua, and Chile. LCN also had a special Ballet Folklorico set instructed by Carlos Moreno. "All the sets tried to work in the theme," said Sanchez.

Among the other activities of the night was a raffle, sponsored by Best Buy. The prize was a por-

table DVD player accompanied by a carrying bag.

The LCN crew members, set chairs, and performers practiced for months in preparation for the event. "We were practicing into the late night," said Brandon Birr '07, LCN Executive Team member. "Because we're all busy college students, getting people together to put this together can be difficult."

Sanchez said, "Because it was on Tuesday, it made it very difficult. Everyone's extremely busy with essays and tests."

Jose Cano '08, one of the see LCN, p4

Essay database move to attack plagiarism

Use of Turnitin.com proposed as a continuing effort to stop plagiarism

by **Darwyn Deyo**
Staff Writer

In an attempt to create a Saint Mary's culture that promotes non-plagiarism and straightforwardness with students, Professor Barbara McGraw, vice chair of the Educational Policies Board (EPB), submitted to the EPB on April 24, 2006 a proposal for the use of Turnitin.com. This proposal would support the use of Turnitin.com to monitor written work, particularly within the Collegiate Seminar and English Composition programs. While the proposal has received the EPB's approval, it still needs to dispel the concerns raised by the larger community of faculty and staff regarding so-called "Big Brother" activity and the need for such a program.

Turnitin.com would function as a database which all professors would be encouraged to use, but which would only be mandatory for students in Seminar and English composition. While the essays would not be reviewed if the professor chose not to use Turnitin.com, the availability of the work would help other professors detect plagiarism in courses which are fixed and static.

If approved, Turnitin.com could cost between \$5,000 -

\$8,000 a year, depending on the amount of activity and how many features are included. That money, however, would come from the school's academic fund and would already work in tandem with Saint Mary's Blackboard.

Professor McGraw wants the proposal to work with the Academic Honor Council's (AHC) efforts, not against it. McGraw said, "I'd like to be really upfront in addressing this issue. The reason [for Turnitin.com] is we want to promote a culture that supports students who don't cheat [and] have a system that shows that we think as a college that this is an important issue. It's also more fair [sic] to the students who are doing their own work...because if you have a lot of people not doing their own work, it could have a corrupting influence."

Nor is the professor the only one who sees a need for reform in the way Saint Mary's detects plagiarism. Chris Sindt, professor of English and chair of the EPB, said, "I think it's a good resource for us to implement the Academic Honor Code. We hear reports from studies how plagiarism in particular is evolving through changes in technology and other resources, so this is sort of an adjustment of the way we pay attention to plagiarism more than a

change in attitude."

The need to include the AHC and the need to address the technologically advanced plagiarism on campus is part of the reason a team including Dean of Academic Development Frank Murray, Chief Technology Officer Ed Biglin, Director of Collegiate Seminar Brother Kenneth Cardwell, Director of English and Composition Lisa Manter, and student representatives from the AHC and the Associated Students of Saint Mary's College (ASSMC) would help to implement the Turnitin.com program in its early phases.

Having just been reviewed by the Faculty Senate, the proposal is set for the May 18 agenda, and after that it still needs to be authorized by Brother Ronald Gallagher and the Provost of the school before it can become part of Saint Mary's academic policy. Some students are skeptical of the necessity of Turnitin.com, but most do not suspect a "Big Brother" move underway.

"I think that if we have the Honor Code that that should be what we go off of, and we should give the respect to students," said Kristi Otto '08, "I'm not sure how much of a problem teachers are concerned about with... plagiarism, [but Turnitin.com] would definitely work."

**Campus
Calendar**

Study Skills Bonanza
Tuesday, May 9
9:30 - 11:00 p.m.
Hagerty Lounge

Mid-Week Movie:
Underworld: Evolution
Wednesday, May 10
9:00 p.m.
Dryden Hall

Last Day of Classes
24-hour quiet hours begin
Friday, May 12

End-of-Year Festival
Friday, May 12
2:00 - 5:00 p.m.
Delphine Lounge and LeFevre Quad

Mother's Day
Sunday, May 14

Finals Begin
Monday, May 15 -
Thursday, May 18
24-hour quiet hours

**Asian Pacific American
Graduation Ceremony**
Wednesday, May 17
6:00 p.m.
Soda Center

**African American
Graduation Ceremony**
Wednesday, May 17
5:30 p.m.
Soda Center

Move Out Day
Friday, May 19

**Latino Graduation
Ceremony**
Friday, May 19
2:00 p.m.
Chapel

Baccalaureate Mass
Friday, May 19
6:30 p.m.
McKeon Gym

Commencement
Saturday, May 20
9:30 a.m.
Stadium

Planning an event?

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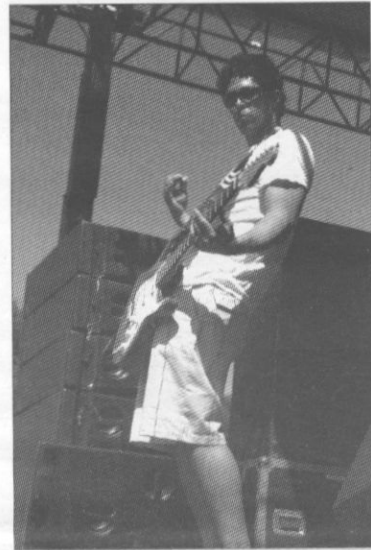
E-mail us with the details of your event at:
collegia@stmarys-ca.edu
or call for more information:
(925) 631-4279

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

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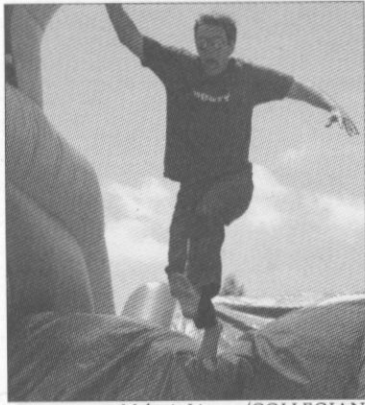
Mercedes Matthews '09 said she came to Gaelstock "because my roommate made me" and that "it's better now that more people are coming." More students came to the fest as the hours wore on. Liz Johnson '07 said, "I decided to come to spend time with my senior friends who are graduating and it's like the biggest event of the year." This is one of the seniors' last events with the Saint Mary's student population.

Blackalicious performed second and rapped for the audience. Students waved their hands in the air as the lead rapper yelled, "Put 'em up, put 'em up, touch the sky. Blackalicious in the house." Students rocked to the beat of his lyrics. He free-styled about the town of Moraga while the students



Melanie Linney/COLLEGIAN

On Saturday, Pepper claimed, "You guys are probably the first crowd we've ever played for that are more ****ed up than we are."



Melanie Linney/COLLEGIAN
Students like Craig Thompson '08 played in the bounce houses as music blasted across the field.

cheered to his words.

Folk singer Tyrone Wells sang next as the crowd cheered him on.

Alum and Single Subject Credential grad student, Stephanie Roybal '05 said, "Gaelstock is a tradition. I've worked on it as a member of Program Board for a few years. I wanted to go as a spectator this year. Program Board works hard on it every year." She was going to "show some support for the members." Students of all sorts attended the event and for different reasons. Mark Gilson '07 said, "I came to help my class with beer and hot dogs in the beer garden." Gilson who volunteered his time liked seeing "all the people having a good time, smiles, and the happy atmosphere."

The final band to perform was Pepper. As they stepped on stage, students began to relax and lounge on the grass. Pepper played an extra hour encore. Gaelstock was a success as the event came to an end.

FILIPPI: \$24,200,000 building project not projected to increase students' tuition; will be funded by donations and endowments

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environment of the campus.

Other than Augustine residents, those relocating to the Filippi Academic Hall will be affected. This includes the Montessorri Academic Program, which will be moved from Dante Hall, the Academic Support Center, which will be moved from Sichel Hall, as well as the School of Education.

However, not only does the academic hall open up spaces within itself, it also clears out current spaces for others to use. Currently, it is unknown who will get the empty spaces, but according to faculty and staff the spaces were much needed.

In the U-shaped area of Filippi Academic, there will be a courtyard with benches and tables while the entire second floor of the building will be dedicated to the School of Education and approximately 45 offices. There will be smaller offices with desks and computers that can be utilized by professors without offices of their own, as well as meeting rooms, study rooms for students, and computer rooms. The inside of the building is being reviewed again, because as the plan was originally proposed six years ago, Brother Craig Franz was still president and there were also a few different vice provosts. With a different administration comes different ideas, so some things within the building are still being

modified. However the building will be fully furnished, air conditioned, and be up-to-date in all technology. Overall, the building will have multiple uses and is a much needed relief for the College's tight room count.

Fortunately, students' tuition will not be incurred to cover costs for this \$24,200,000 project. "The building is paid for using several donations. The most notable of the donors being The Frank and Olivia Filippi Estate as well as the Kalmanovitz Charitable Foundation," said Kehoe. Aside from those donations, an endowment of approximately 10 percent of the donations has been put in the bank for the building. According to Kehoe, the interest accumulated from this endowment should be enough to pay for the building's maintenance, making it self-sustaining. This coverage includes maintenance, technology updates, repairs, utilities, etc. The building will support itself in so many ways that this is now a goal with all future buildings.

"No one has been opposed to it as far as I know," said Kehoe, "some may ask, 'Well why didn't you use the money to fix the Rec Center, or the Library...' the truth is it is the donors who decide. If they want to focus on an educational aspect—that is their choice."

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have, what happens to me on the weekends, and what frightens me about the future. I have made no attempt to approach controversial issues or write about topics that deeply concern me. I have played it safe and kept my mouth shut.

I guess I just don't see any necessity to share my opinions with an anonymous readership. So maybe I write columns about nothing. Maybe I just fill this space with mindless fluff. But I'm not here with an agenda to change the world. For the past nine months I've written whatever came to me at the moment. I only hope that someone out there read it and enjoyed it. In the end, that's all I really hoped to do, maybe entertain one or two of you (though more would be awesome too). So anyway, this is it. This is my last hurrah, my final farewell, and all those other cliché goodbyes.

I have no inspirational finishing words to mark the end of my four-year stay at good old Saint Mary's College. I cannot settle on one particular phrase to sum up my college experience for fear of cheapening all my memories, both good and bad, by using one vague, prosaic generality. So let me simply say, it's been quite a trip. I've lost and gained, learned, loved, laughed and cried, and for all intents and purposes, I will look back fondly on my time here. Thank you for sharing it with me.



Zack Farmer/COLLEGIAN

LCN: Being Latino is not being Mexican

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masters of ceremony, said, "School's almost out, essays due, time commitment was a big issue but we just had to get it right. It was something we cared about."

Marquez estimated that the performers were working about 40 hours per week during the final month.

Birr said that the goal of LCN is "to educate is the primary importance [of LCN], Latinos and the SMC community."

Cano said, "[We want] to show what our cultures are all about, how Latino cultures vary and are not all Mexican."

"As students of Saint Mary's College, we have come together to celebrate these passions and take pride in our culture by educating ourselves, our peers, and the community at large," said the executive team, "With these goals in mind we have invested a lot of time and effort in putting together tonight's production."

The audience appreciated the

hard work. "It was really good," said Naveen Prasad '08. "I got a small taste of another culture."

"It was cool. I really liked the Pala Maya [Nicaraguan dance]," said Julius Mendoza '08. "I didn't know that the Tango comes from Argentina. I thought it was Spanish."

Others that were given credit for LCN's success included Director of Delphine Intercultural Center Lisa McRipley, Coordinator of Latino Student Academic Advising & Achievement Programs Ivan Pagan, Brother Michael Avila, and Brother Camillus Chavez.

"Everyone had been working so hard, it really pulled together," said Paula Martinucci, Visit and Ambassador Program coordinator. "This year seemed extra vibrant. The performances were very heartfelt."

"Don't be sad that it's over. Be glad that it happened," said Sanchez.

SIL: Renovations to take place all over campus this summer

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come in and hang out while building leadership skills," said Cramer.

Last year's executive officers began discussions for the office makeover during fall 2004 and this year's Associated Students of Saint Mary's College (ASSMC) executive officers and Senate followed through with the plans. "It has taken a really long time and a lot of discussion just to get to this stage," said Anderson.

These changes were deemed necessary because of the increase in student clubs, growth of Student Involvement, and the problem of there not being enough room in the office. It was made possible by a \$50,000 surplus in the ASSMC budget.

"It will be a much more communal and open environment. It will be much more conducive to taking care of the student's needs," said Anderson. The previous ASSMC executive team noticed that more students were meeting in the SIL office and were forced to sit on the ground and countertops because of the lack of space. More chairs and tables should solve this problem.

"We had a very cautious Vice Presidents of Finance last year so the projections for the budget have been underestimated the past few years. This created the surplus in the budget," explained Anderson. The VP of Finance tries to esti-

mate the number of students that will be attending Saint Mary's the next academic year and calculates the amount of money that will be collected in student fees. This is the basis for how much money they plan to spend throughout the year.

The growing student body and the underestimation by past ASSMC members has amounted in an extra \$50,000 that can be dedicated to remodeling SIL.

This past weekend work began on electrical wiring and small jobs will continue to be worked on throughout May. Cramer said, "This week and next week cabinets are coming in and being installed. The furniture should arrive in about six weeks and the whole job will be done at least by

next term."

No work will be done in June, since that month is mainly dedicated to orientation and the office will be needed. Work will resume again in July and is hoped to be completed by the end of August when school starts.

Other people involved in the plans are architect Greg Collins, Director for Buildings and Grounds Joe Kehoe, and Assistant Director for Buildings and Grounds Michael Viola. Viola has served as the liaison between SIL and the construction aspect of the project. Currently, the team is picking out furniture, counters, and paint colors for the remodeled office space.

Other renovations that will be taking place this summer include the addition of air-conditioning in Dante and Galileo Halls, improvements to Oliver Hall, Saint Albert Hall Library, Syufy Hall, Sabatte Hall, Claeys North, and Augustine Hall. Also, the ground floor of Augustine Hall and parts of Siena Hall will be converted to undergraduate housing.

May 19 will be the groundbreaking ceremony for the Frank and Olivia Filippi Academic Hall at 11:30 a.m. This building will hold the Paul and Lydia Kalmanovitz School of Education, Academic Achievement and Support services, and Academic Advising.

“ Projections for the budget have been underestimated the past few years. This created the surplus in the budget.

Ete Anderson
Assistant Dean
of Student Life

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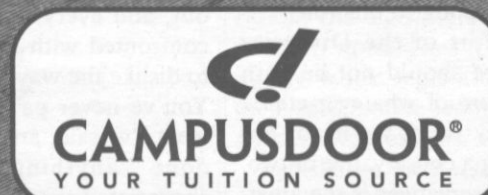


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OPINION



SCOTT CULLINANE

Multiplicity of thought is needed

In March, Saint Mary's held a student and faculty joint meeting for the purpose of building an inclusive community. Ideas like affirmative action in hiring staff and mandatory sensitivity training were brought up as possible steps that the school might take. A Celebrating Diversity Committee is continuing to find ways to expand "diversity" on campus.

While this initiative may result in more attention being paid to race and gender, I have a radical idea: let's look at what people think and get more diversity of thought.

You can't really tell much from a person's color, but their views will tell you a great deal. I think that a person's character, behavior, experience, thoughts, and values -- not race or gender should guide the hiring process. We should stop judging people on arbitrary factors like race and go beyond that to what is more important.

While the inclusive community meeting talked a lot about race, it left the topic of political diversity untouched. I think that if a meeting focused on political diversity were held many students would come forward with stories of discrimination because of their political beliefs.

A political scientist at Smith College, a polling expert, and a professor from George Mason University did a study about college teacher political biases. They found that 72 percent of teachers called themselves liberal or leftist. Only 15 percent described themselves of right or conservative. Half said they were Democrats, 11 percent said Republican. A 2001 UCLA Higher Research institute survey found that liberals outnumber conservatives by almost 30 percentage points. These numbers are far more to the left than the population at large. A Gallup poll recently found that the Republican/Democrat split in the population at large is only 33 to 32 percent.

While these numbers are for a large group of college teachers, and not about Saint Mary's in particular, I'm doubtful that upon investigation, Saint Mary's would be the exception to this rule.

The effort of the Diversity Committee should not be with getting more of whatever ethnic group they think we need, but with hiring a conservative or two. Hiring conservatives is the greatest act of multiplicity a college could do.

If this college is serious about a commitment to being diverse and open, they will open their doors to conservatives and like it.

Collegian View

The time we thought would never come is finally here. This is our final *Collegian* issue of the 2005-2006 academic year. This issue marks the passing of the torch from Editor-in-Chief Jonathan Morales and Managing Editor Jo-Ann Arquillano to next year's executive team Linda Hua and Zack Farmer. This year has been a big one, with its ups and downs and changes of all sorts. Of course, the most obvious of our changes started with the extension of our weekly newspaper to 12 information-filled pages. Though it was scary at first, our amazingly dedicated and talented staff proved more than capable of loading each and every page with interesting material.

The news section has covered a lot this year, from the incredible joint effort of the Wake-a-Thon fundraiser to the JanTerm trip to New Orleans to Brother Ron's inauguration to the loss of Oliver Hall icon and student favorite Manny Fernandes. But of course, the news section wasn't the only one bringing in readers. Like many years before, this year's Opinion section has had more than its share of issues to write about. From the Pope to racism to abortion, our writers haven't shied away from a controversial topic yet. This year's Sports section covered every sport as objectively as they could every week, even if it meant waiting down to the wire so that certain sports could meet our Sunday deadlines. And of course, the Detour section has pulled through in full force to give students a quirky and fun look at film, music, tv, and pop culture in general.

So this is our good-bye, our thank you to our readers, and our congrats and good luck wishes for next year's staff. May next year be even better than this one!

Community Views

Dear Editor,

I was so impressed by Harvest Daurelle's column about her battle with depression printed in the April 25th issue of the *Collegian*. It was incredibly brave for her to write on such a vulnerable topic. I'm sure it took an enormous amount of humility and courage and for that I commend her.

I hope Harvest knows she is not alone and hopefully her article helps others with depression to know that. Those of us who have battled depression understand her words so well. Depression is such a taboo topic in society that admitting to it, seeking help, and talking about it can be demeaning due to its social stigma. Harvest wrote of her struggle in recognizing and coming to terms with her depression. Countless others, including myself, have similar stories.

I also agree with her statements

about "pill popping" and spending time in conversation together. Anti-depressants can be beneficial for many; they were for me at one point. However, they are often handed out like candy and expected to work as a cure-all. To help people with depression people need to be able to seek counseling and other treatment and be encouraged to do so. Also, to echo Harvest, we need to be able to talk about it with the people in our lives. Just as Harvest's friends were instrumental in helping her out of depression, I had people who were imperative in my recovery. This is true for so many people who have recovered from depression.

I commend Harvest for her bravery in bringing this subject to light. I hope that it comforted others. We should all work together to break the stigma around depression.

Beth Fineran '06

A final farewell to my classmates and the institution

A couple parting shots to the college that was just as good or bad as anything else

As a graduating senior columnist, it is my duty, as my last column, to thank everyone for a fabulous time at college, state my various anxieties and anticipations of the future, and inform my fellow graduates that it's going to be alright.

Nah.

Way I see it, I've been telling you for years to pull your heads out, and every few weeks I get confronted with another reason to dislike the way you do things. You've never paid attention to what I've said, and you've never done anything that I've appreciated very much. Mainly, you've just pissed me off and made me pay for the privilege. So, thank you.

"This is the real world, now," you've said. "Nobody is going to hand anything to you. Now,

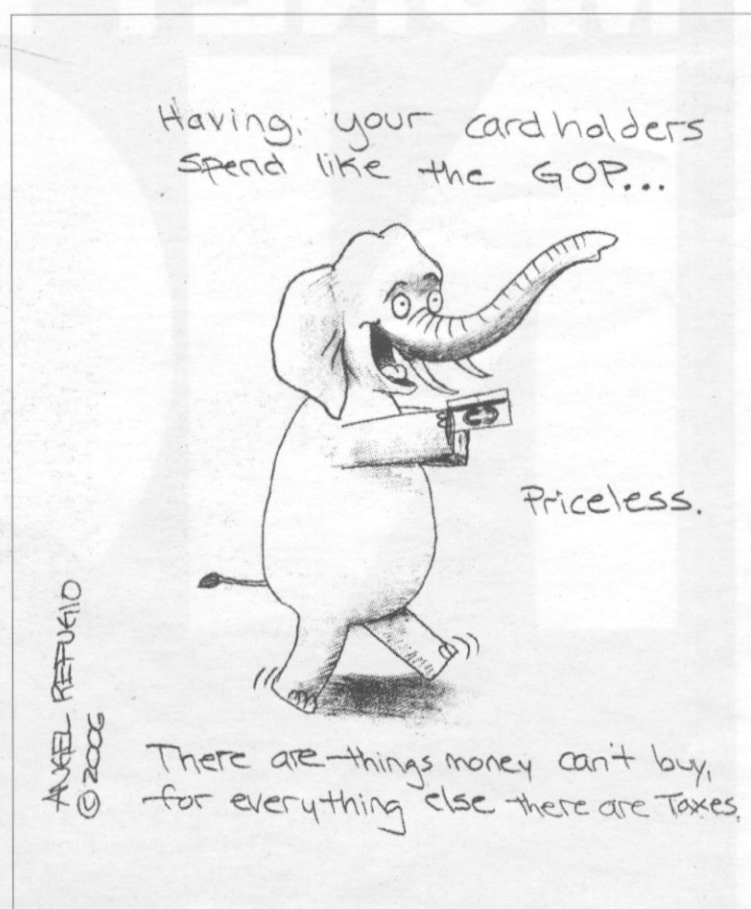


JOSH KREHBIEL

here's a packet full of goodies, room and board, and a couple of inflated grades. It's a rough life."

That wasn't good enough for me though. I wanted, you know, an education. So, I asked for more, and it was handed to me; the same way the Mongolian army handed their weapons to China.

Everything I wanted was a tooth and nail brawl, and there were a lot of times that I just had to give up against your forces of ignorance and tradition. There



Cartoon by Angel Refugio/COLLEGIAN

Thanks to everyone who wrote a letter to *The Collegian* this year. You helped maintain the Opinion page as one of the top campus forums for student opinions and expression.

We'll be back in the fall, and we look forward to reading your letters again!

was little support, and there wasn't any coming (Pity Party is Friday at 7, BYOB).

Yet, I learned something. No, people aren't really going to want to do what I want. They aren't going to try to support me. They aren't going to change their mind easily. Mainly, people are going to be stubborn, obnoxious, and just kinda dicks. Now, this won't be news when I get to the "real world."

Call it a trial by fire (if you HAVE to). But Saint Mary's has engendered in me a healthy form of cynicism, to not trust things at first glance and to realize that nobody really has my best intentions in mind. Depressing? A bit. Useful? Sadly, yes.

And, truthfully, it hasn't been that bad. I've met many interesting people, done a lot of

interesting things, and gotten a fair amount of confidence and self-respect. Could I haven't gotten that anywhere? Probably. But, I got it here, so it's gotta be good enough.

To the class, good luck. I'd make empty promises, but it wouldn't help anyone. You'll get by, I can bet that much. Just, be smart and do whatever you think best. Hell, I don't know. It's your life, live it. Just don't get in my way.

So, that's it. No more. No more wisdom to impart, no more gripes to wax about. You've gotten rid of me, and all it took was a promise that I could stop paying you and a piece of paper. The rest would be so lucky.

Oh, one more thing. You Saint Mary's girls are all kinds of stuck up. Just saying.

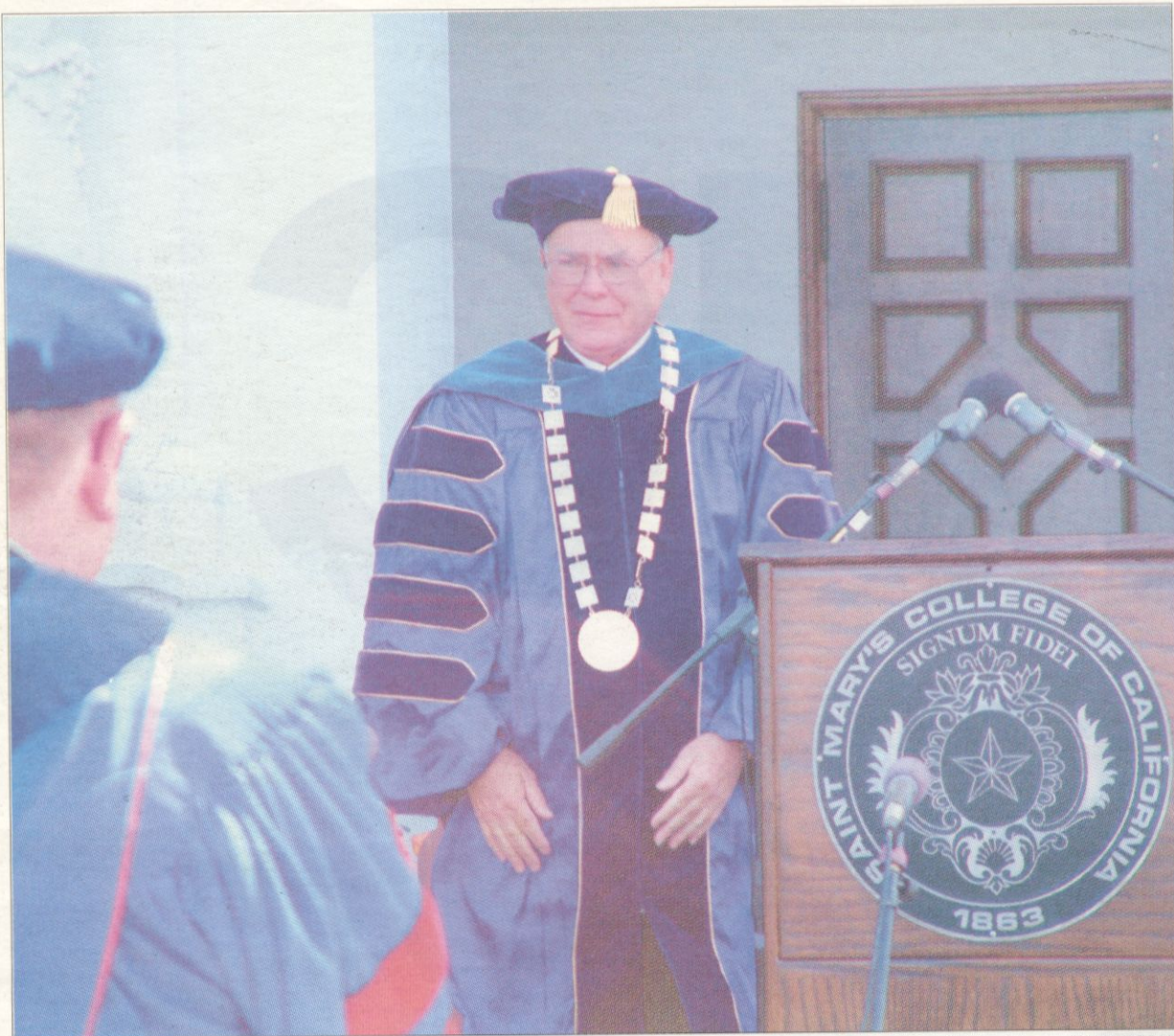
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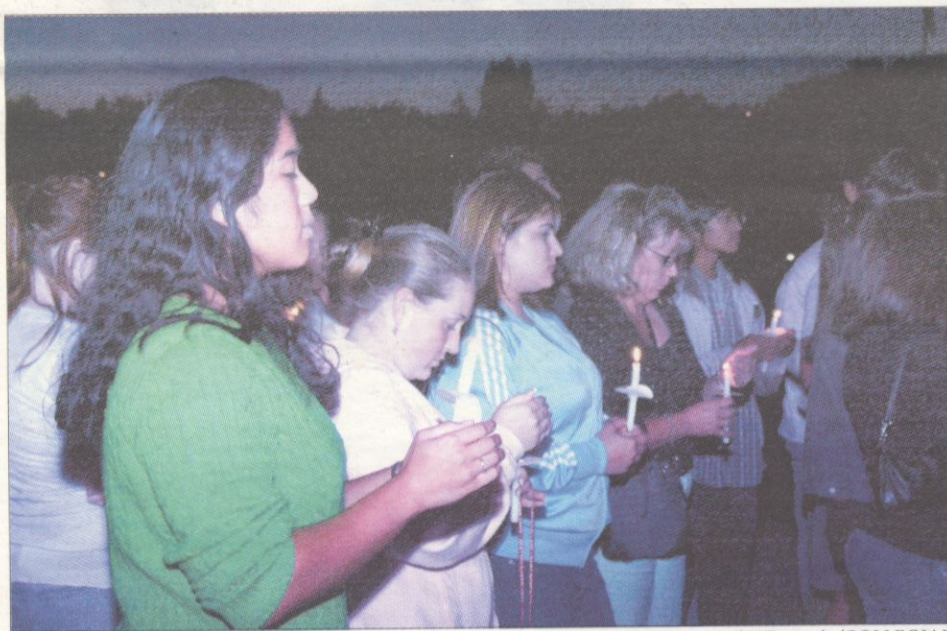
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Above: Brother Ronald Gallagher receives a standing ovation after officially being instated as the new College President. Brother Ron took over in January 2005 after Brother Craig Franz stepped down. Inauguration Week was held in late September and featured the formal inauguration ceremony as well as the annual Mass of the Holy Spirit as a way to reconnect with the college's formal traditions. **Above right: Students from Natural Science 60** conduct field experiments to quantify levels of NO₂, a toxin emitted from car exhaust.

It's been an eventful year. We were shocked early in the year to see the devastation in the Gulf Coast. But we soon found that, as stunned as we were by the events, we were exponentially stronger and more resilient in how we responded to help those affected. "Enter to learn and leave to serve" gained new meanings as 25 students chose to spend their Jan Term in New Orleans helping communities rebuild. The year continued on with an (officially) new College president; a basketball team that, while not nearly successful as last year's, showed promise for the future; and hundreds of smiles added to those of the children who had already experienced the Carnival 4 Kids. This special section is dedicated to a handful of pictures from the year at Saint Mary's. Some appeared on our front page. Others offer just a snapshot into daily life at Saint Mary's. This was our year. These are images of your campus.



Jackie Bernardo/COLLEGIAN



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The new year brought new challenges to the nation as Hurricane Katrina struck the Gulf Coast in last August, just as students were returning to Saint Mary's. The campus community worked together with other West Coast Lasallian schools to help raise over \$75,000 for Lasallian high schools damaged by the storm. **Above left: Students hold a candlelight vigil after Sunday Mass** outside the chapel after the Hurricane hit. **Above right: Trash and household items are scattered in front of the statue** under the sign "What if Hurricane Katrina hit your home," as an advertisement for the Wake-a-Thon, an all-club relief fundraiser held in November that was a success despite the fact that only about 100 students attended.

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Again, thanks!

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Out of seven Saint Mary's science students who had their research projects judged at the Sigma Xi Research Conference this year, all seven took home awards, including math major Karl Beutner '06, whose research was deemed to be of publishable value. Students above, left to right: Steve Schluchter '06, Annie Regan '06, Scott Rodriguez '07, Ashley Martin '07, and Tom Scarry '07.



Ken Fung/COLLEGIAN

An enthusiastic attendee of the fourth annual Carnival 4 Kids takes time out of visiting the carnival booths for a dance break to the retro tunes provided by KSMC. Roughly 200 inner-city students attended the event and were hosted by "Big Buddy" Saint Mary's students, who guided them to and from booths sponsored by SMC clubs, organizations, athletic teams, and residence halls.

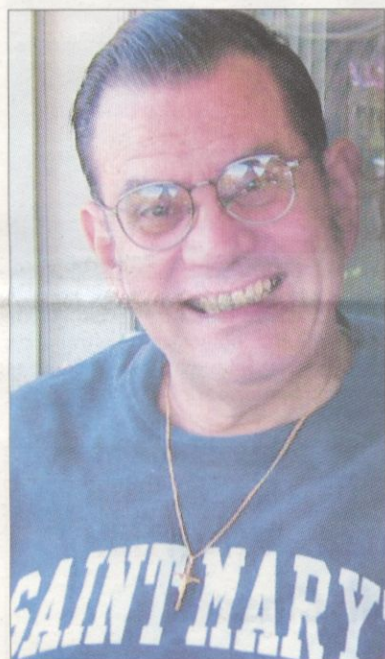


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Above left: Manuel "Manny" Fernandes, Sodexo worker and meal card swiper extraordinaire, passed away over Christmas break this year. A memorial mass was held in January, packing the chapel with students but relatively few staff members and administrators. Above center: Jean Tolentino '06 paints the face of Soraya Parker '09 at the Carnival 4 Kids, April 28, 2006. Above right: Students attending an APASA ice skating social pause for a quick photo op.



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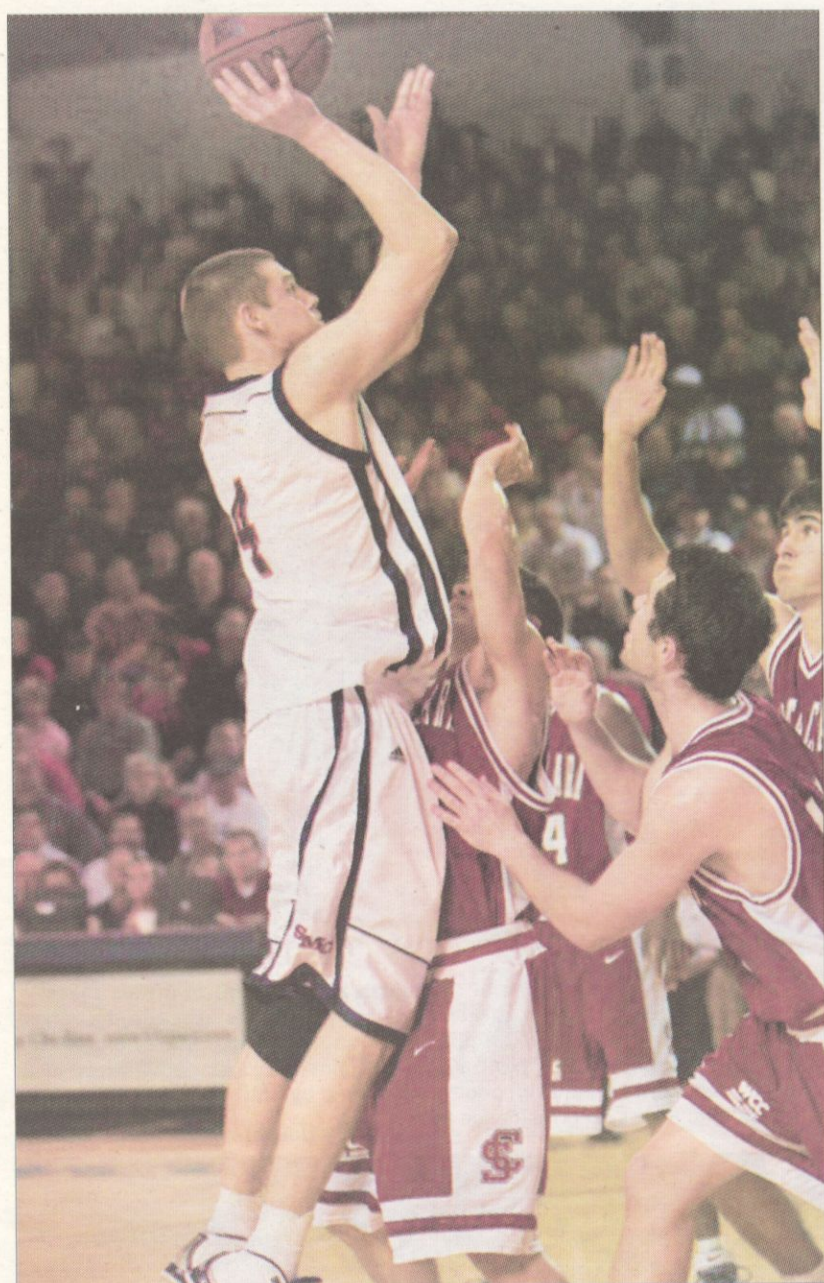
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Top left: Christo Rains and his "ladies from out of town" polish off a pie from Nations Hamburgers. Bottom left: Jennifer Strass declares her love for Angelina Jolie at the first annual Bash, a gay cultural night put on by the Gay Straight Alliance. The event drew a large crowd and featured sketches written by Saint Mary's students as well as poetry and dance performances. Above: New Athletic Director Mark Orr (left) stands with President Brother Ronald Gallagher (center) and outgoing AD Carl Clapp at a press conference announcing the athletic staff changes. Clapp resigned to become an Assistant AD at the University of Hawaii. Mark Orr has been at Saint Mary's College since 2000. At the time of the announcement, rumors swirled that Basketball Coach Randy Bennett might leave Saint Mary's for Arizona State, rumors that were soon proven to be false.

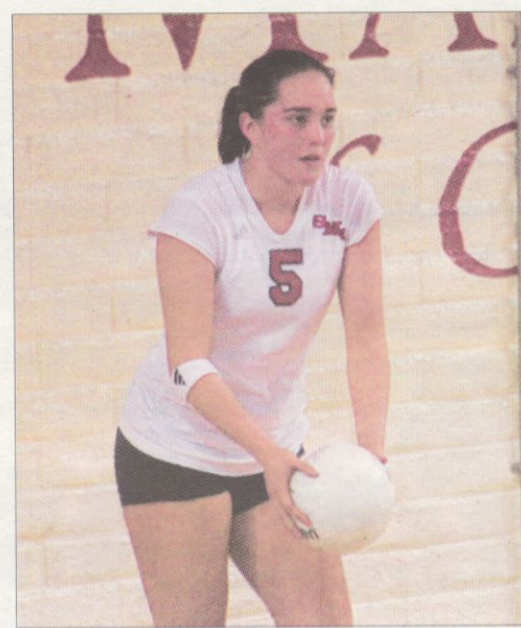
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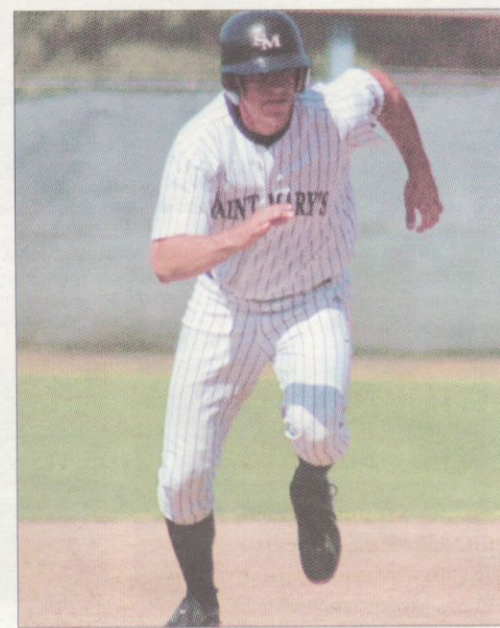
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Left: Although not nearly as successful as last year's NCAA tournament team, men's basketball still ended the season second in the WCC. Ian O'Leary (4), along with fellow freshman Wayne Hunter and Diamon Simpson and sophomore Todd Golden showed there's reason for hope in the future. Daniel Kickert played his last game as a Gael and became the top-scoring Australian in NCAA Division-I history. Top right: The men's rugby team continued to be one of SMC's strongest sports, finishing the season ranked ninth in the nation. Bottom left: Mandy Bible was one of many key elements of a women's volleyball team that went to the NCAA tournament for the third straight year, under new head coach Rob Browning. Bottom right: Senior Sam Carter shined for the baseball team, which started the season strong but faded down the stretch. Carter was second all-time at Saint Mary's for RBIs and had a .369 batting average as of Sunday.

2006-2007
Associated Students Budget

	25% of Student Body Fee
Rec Sports	\$385.00
Accounting Association	\$250.00
Amnesty International	\$3,404.50
APASA	\$4,000.00
Asian Cultural Night	\$350.00
BALA	\$700.00
Best Buddies	\$1,100.00
Black Student Union	\$650.00
Business Club	\$250.00
Campaign to End the Death Penalty	\$3,850.00
Cheer Team	\$250.00
Chess Club	\$26,900.00
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Da Hawaii Club	\$350.00
Dante Club	\$3000.00
Expressions of Blackness	\$4,900.00
Gael Force	\$8,300.00
Gael Yearbook	\$9,800.00
Gael Vision	\$350.00
German Club	\$250.00
Gay Straight Alliance	\$600.50
God vs. Science Forum	\$610.00
Habitat for Humanity	\$250.00
Homeless Awareness Project	\$2,250.00
International Club	\$1,000.00
Intersivity Christian Fellowship	\$250.00
Japanese Popular Culture	\$4,500.00
KSMC	\$2,100.00
LASA	\$3,000.00
Latino Cultural Night	\$350.00
L&CS	\$700.00
Macken Speech and Debate	\$250.00
Photography	\$250.00
Physicists of SMC	\$73,300.00
Program Board	\$250.00
Psychology	\$750.00
Pulses	\$350.00
St. Luke's Pre-Medical Society	\$600.00
Science Club	\$250.00
SMC Progressives	\$350.00
SMC Republicans	\$3,850.00
SMC Sports Band	\$3,000.00
The Bash	\$32,200.00
Associated Students	\$36,375.00
ASSMC Enlivenment Programming	\$1,000.00
Class of 2010 Start-Up	\$10,000.00
Senior Ball	\$3,000.00
Diversity Dance	\$7,000.00
Community Service Partnership	\$4,500.00
Senate Fund	\$22,000.00
General Fund	\$25,000.00
Media Production Fund	\$25,000.00
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Protests are not always about immigrants

Los Angeles farmers fight for their urban utopia

The most basic elements of American life are liberty and the pursuit of happiness. In the urban sprawl of Los Angeles, a struggle for these elements is taking place.

Three-hundred and sixty families farm 14 acres of land. The majority of these families live below the poverty line and use fruit and vegetable gardens to supplement their meager diets. There is also a garden and lots of open space to provide a safe space for children to play.

In addition to sustaining crops and encouraging a sense of community, the farmers sell to local markets, which bolster the local economy. Unfortunately, the South Central Community Garden must be turned over to land owner Ralph Horowitz. He plans to build a warehouse.

Private ownership entitles Horowitz to the land. However, the city needs to consider whether it needs another 14 acre ware-



DANNY ACOSTA

house instead of a paramount piece of community property. The city seized the same land in the early 90's for purposes that would have harmed the community with a trash incinerator.

Why not exercise eminent domain for the good of 360 families? Why not preserve the community? After all, the South Central Community Garden was created by the city after the L.A. riots to emphasize community.

The farmers have taken full advantage of the land for the past 13 years by advocating sustainable agriculture and including surrounding communities. They

have also celebrated Earth Day and held art exhibits showcasing various community artists.

Los Angeles' dedication to the community ended when the city sold Horowitz the property for five million dollars in a private meeting. This reckless regard for the people was L.A.'s biggest mistake.

Initial demolitions of the garden have been avoided. Community leaders then held a legal victory, but it was overturned. The Supreme Court refuses to hear the case.

The city has scrambled to mitigate the situation by offering the farmers less than one acre of land or three acres of land under power lines. Once again, the city falls short of caring for its families.

Now, as the farmers protest in order to preserve their livelihood, the bulldozers are less than a month away. Community leaders have rallied to engage the public

in this issue; however, it has not reached the national eye. The nation continues to toil in its overly aggressive partisan politics while tragedies like this go undetected.

Tax deductible donations to the campaign are not enough. People must stand behind these farmers.

After 20 years on the land, the families must resist being forced out.

They are like thousands of farmers of the past and present who are sacrificed in the name of overdevelopment. The families have been camping out on the farm in order to prevent intentional crop destruction or lock changes.

The South Central Community Garden is democratic; it is community and family oriented. It is a microcosm of what makes America great. And now it will disappear.

The garden will disappear as long as no one stands behind these voiceless farmers.



VICENTE OCHOA

Segregation again!?

Segregation has returned to the American school system. In Omaha, Nebraska, the governor has approved setting up school districts by ethnicity. There is one school district for whites, one school district for Blacks, and one school district for Latinos.

Students are no longer assigned to their local schools. Instead, they are forced to go to a district that best suits their "ethnic needs." Supporters of this plan to segregate the school districts believe that segregating the school districts gives control of the school over to the parents, which gives them a greater opportunity to elect their own school board members. Unfortunately, they overlooked the fact that this already exists in the school system.

Not only are the school districts segregated by ethnicity, but also by social class. The school districts are separated between poor and the rich, in other words, Blacks and Latinos, the poor, are separated by the rich white. Perhaps the poor Blacks and Latinos thwart the education of the rich white.

In Omaha School District, 46 percent are white, 31 percent Black, 20 percent Latino, and, coming in at last place, the Asian and Native Americans, whom Nebraska grouped together, are at three percent. The districts are assorted into whites, blacks, and Latinos, but what about the Asians and Native Americans? I guess they can be tossed into some reservation in Montana. They really do not matter.

The problem with redirecting the students is that the schools in the white school district, which happens to be the rich area, will receive more funding than the poorer districts of the Blacks and Latinos. More funding for the white district means better education, education that the other two districts will not have, making upward mobility even more difficult for minorities. Of course, highly qualified teachers would rather work for the white district since it is not as dangerous.

When it would be common sense that American legislators would help to improve education by actually getting involved and trying to solve social and economic problems that hinder education, the legislators make the situation worse. Now it's as if the pudgy white legislators, from their comfortable leather chairs, are teaching students.

Legislators have returned the public education system back to its Jim Crow days. This moronic approach to "improving" education regresses any progress made in the past 50 years.

I guess Strom Thurmond would be proud.

Still looking for that first kiss, but sure enjoying the adventure

Perhaps the adventure worth having does not have a clear beginning or end

I spoke with my friend Ian last night. He lives in Seattle, WA, where he attends a school not too different from Saint Mary's. He's my age but he will not graduate for another year because he's on a five-year plan to become a nurse. Recently, he met a girl who gives him goosebumps. I can count on one hand the number of girls who have given him a shiver.

I could hear the smile in his voice when he spoke about this new girl. He is ashamed that she is only a freshman. When I reminded him his age said nothing of his romantic exploits - mainly that he has never been on a date, much less kissed a girl - he laughed and threw out the excuse that he is a slow-mover



TONY VALA-HAYNES

when it comes to love. While Ian never really cared about having someone to hold his hand, he still lives a life full of romance.

This summer he will fly to Europe where he plans to purchase a motorcycle and tour through back country roads for nearly three months. To fund this trip he sold the motorcycle he owns in the States. While Ian is no stranger to travel - he's been

to nearly every continent in the world and recognizes what a phenomenal privilege this is - this is the first trip that will really set him free. He knows where he plans to visit. But how he gets there, who he visits on his way, where he sleeps, what he eats, and what he sees is undecided and will remain so. There is romance here, perhaps rivaling that first kiss that still eludes him. I will certainly ask Ian which is better when he finally lands his first lip-lock.

I tell the story of Ian because his spirit is what I know and love. And I have met people here who have some of that adventure and romance inside them. Some of them have tapped into it and some

of them still have no idea what that feeling is that dances in their stomach. But it's still there.

Ian lives by the minute and loves every moment he is unsure. He thrives on not knowing what will happen next. Many of you are headed to graduate school or careers that cast you into the unforgiving corporate world. And many of you have no idea where you'll step after next Saturday. I'm one of the latter.

And for me, not knowing has always been better than knowing. While my first kiss no longer eludes me, I still seek the thrill that it gave me. I hope Ian lands that first kiss soon. I hope it makes him feel lightheaded. Until then, I wish him luck on his adventure.

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by Whitney Medved
Staff Writer

Everyone knows that urban legend about the babysitter who gets mysterious phone calls from some creeper - wait for it.... inside the house!!! Of course it's in the middle of rural nowhere, and the police just can't get there in time. Apparently some producer felt like the world would not be complete without a film rendition of this tale. With some extra plot details thrown in (her cell phone was taken away because she went 400 minutes over - is that possible?) the film follows suit. I didn't even see the whole thing and I called all the shots. Basically, if you are jonzin' to burrow, shout commands and obvious bad decisions at the television, and scream here and there, you'd be stoked on it.

Whitewater Rafting



by Darwyn Deyo
Staff Writer

Churning water, flipped rafts, and swimming through rapids was just part of an ordinary day while whitewater rafting with RecSports. Offered this past weekend for only \$50 (an unheard of inexpensive cost for a day trip), a lucky number of brave Gaels threaded their way through about 21 miles of uncontrollable water chaos. The scenery on the (mostly) pristine and isolated South Fork of the American River added a romanticized touch that mostly went ignored by us adventure-seekers. While some rafters seemed intent on flipping their boat or falling out multiple times, overall the experience was a soaking, adrenalizing enterprise.

Who wants a girl who is tough, but sweet?

Hard Candy explores two disturbed people

by Danny Acosta
Opinion Editor

Hard Candy is 103 unforgettable minutes. The film's title is Internet slang for under-aged girl. *Hard Candy* was an official Sundance Film Festival selection in 2005. It took half a decade for production to start due to its controversial subject matter. First time director David Slade brings playwright Brian Nelson's script to life.

The film begins with the pings of Internet chat dialogue. Lensman319 and Thongrrrr14 have a witty and flirty conversation. With each key strike, the sexual tension builds. The precocious comments of Thongrrrr14 and the confident, somewhat submissive responses of Lensman319 carry on to an arranged coffee shop meeting. She is Hayley (Ellen Page) and he is Jeff (Patrick Wilson). These two characters are fervently explored through the rest of this dramatic, psychological, horrific thriller.

The opening coffee shop scene demonstrates all of the film's strengths: vivid cinematography, character close-ups, excellent chemistry, fast cuts, and sparring dialogue. Hayley enjoys a slice of chocolate cake while she waits for her Internet interest. Jeff enters. They skip formal introductions since they already



Patrick Wilson (Left) and Ellen Page star in the new controversial thriller, *Hard Candy*, centered around a teen girl's attempt to expose an Internet pedophile.

"know" each other. Hayley inquires if Jeff would like anything. He wipes the chocolate off of her lip with his finger. He licks his finger.

Hayley has an indistinct eye color and her eyebrows are awkwardly tweezed as only a young teen can do. Her short hair suggests a girl oppressed by her age; a girl attempting to be a woman. She wears an apple red sweater with matching tights and a thrift store skirt. Jeff is the typical young professional. He wears a pressed dress shirt with the top buttons undone. He has a nice coat. This is off-set by stubble creeping across his face and a half-trendy hair cut. Jeff's dark, square glasses distinguish him as

the hip photographer he claims to be.

Their conversation is pushed into a dark direction. They delve into sexual implications - brought on by Hayley. Jeff obliges eagerly to her request to see his house. They leave the coffee shop. The few people in the coffee shop will not notice they are gone. On a roof top parking lot, Slade's direction twists the audience into a grim state of hope. Hayley stands inches away from Jeff's car. They trade reasons to leave and reasons to stay. She can turn back now. Hayley gets into the car...after Jeff gets on his knees and begs.

The next 90 minutes drift in an ambience of expressive

ambiguity. The characters are excavated through escalating scenes of psychological brutality. The film ends the same way it began - with teeth-pulling tension. The layers conveyed through the writing, directing, and acting make *Hard Candy* a winner in everyone of its categories: exploitation, thriller, and drama. While Robert Redford wallows in pain because his Sundance Film Festival is turning into a party scene, films like *Hard Candy* can act as his pain killer. Just as Nabokov had his exploration of pedophilia through a flowery narrative in *Lolita*, Slade has his through deliberate filmmaking in *Hard Candy*.

The Stalker Chronicles

by Anonymous & Some Girl
Managing Editor & Detour Editor

As all good things must come to an end, our impending graduation is cutting off stalking season. This week's chronicle is not, in fact, an account of one of our many adventures but a well-deserved farewell to our beloved. An ode, if you will. We will truly miss the hobby that has become one of our loves, the pastime that we have so faithfully followed during the past two years (we had a late start).

It seems as though no words could accurately represent the time and effort we have put into our stalking. From our slow drive-bys to our designated hide-outs to tracking down those certain locations where we knew we could find them, like those closer to home or those that meant a quick trip to a hot, steamy place (and no, not to get dirty but to get bendy). We have done our homework and honed our stalking skills. We were there, cheering in the crowd under some legit pretense and watching them graze during the sunny spring BBQs and occasionally hit on some skeezy underclassmen females (it's just a shame they don't notice us

stalker types - or do they?). After our pilot year, we settled into our routine, and for the most part became a well-oiled stalking machine.

While we may be bidding adieu to our dear SMC, we will look back on our time with fond memories of monster burritos and stalking, cake and stalking, taking legit newspaper photos and stalking, and most importantly, bonding and stalking. Our friendship sparked from our shared enthusiasm of what we will call "shugby safari."

So to the boys who gave us something to bond over, thanks. Thanks to our old faves Sweaty, Moldy, Herky, and Hair (who holds a very special place in our hearts). And shout out to the newbies of this year, '80s Sweatshirt (we forgive you for wearing a cut-off sweatshirt, but keep it on the field), Herky number 2 (a poorman's Herky - nothing like the real thing), and Cherub (who, unfortunately, was not exactly on our "like to look at" list but definitely gained the nickname). Thanks for giving us something to do in our spare time and something to write about.

And to our avid readers (all two of you, anyway) do not get disheartened by the idea that this

is the end of our adventures. Maybe we'll start a blog to record all our stalking (though we may just be too busy with the actual stalking to have time to write about it). Just because we're leaving our small confines of Saint Mary's does not mean our stalking will stop. We are simply moving on to bigger and better things - like grad school, under the guise of "investigative

SOME CALL IT STALKING
I CALL IT LOVE

journalism" of course. So, let's leave our final words to Sting and the Police: "Every game you play, every night you stay, I'll be watching you."



Don't worry! We are so not as creepy as this dude! Trust us! Really! We don't even have binoculars!

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A Jagged Little tribute from a supposed future SMC graduate

(This tribute is borrowed from Alanis Morissette's "Thank U." I feel honored to be able to say "Thank U" to my future alma mater.)

How 'bout not having to visit the Health Center
How 'bout avoiding that freshman 15
How 'bout them transparent red-eyed raccoons
How 'bout that ever elusive parking spot

Thank you SMC
Thank you Brothers
Thank you drunken underclassmen
Thank you Seminar
Thank you faculty
Thank you, thank you fellow students

How 'bout us not blaming SAGA for everything
How 'bout us actually going to events
How 'bout how good it feels to actually do your work
How 'bout grieving the end of it all, when it's over

Thank you SMC
Thank you Brothers
Thank you drunken underclassmen
Thank you Seminar
Thank you faculty
Thank you, thank you fellow students

The moment I let go of this school will be the moment
I'll get more than I can handle
The moment I'll walk down that stage
Will be the moment that I touch down

How 'bout no longer being so stressed out
How 'bout remembering the presence of God
How 'bout unabashedly bawling your eyes out
How 'bout not equating graduation with stopping

Thank you SMC
Thank you providence
Thank you John Baptist de La Salle
Thank you uncertainty
Thank you planning
Thank you, thank you fellow students

-Bettina Adragna, Webmaster

Why tanning is dumb

by Kaiu Kauahi
Staff Writer

I hate tanning and I think it is dumb. There. I've said it. Perhaps it is because I live in Hawaii and my whole life I've had to deal with tanners of both sorts: tourist and non-tourist.

Now that I live in an apartment I have to put up with people laying out on the pool deck so desperate to increase their chances of getting skin cancer and rushing to a finish line where the prize for first place is getting wrinkles at age 22. For someone vain enough to risk skin cancer in order to look "better," wouldn't wrinkles be a deterrent? I don't get it. I realize that more than half of you won't agree seeing as it's your pasty bodies that I see lying out on the Chapel and dorm lawns, but from the rest of you, can I get an Amen?

Besides, many of us sun-folk (people who know the sun and its effects too well to want to tan) could tell you that tanning isn't healthy. Any sort of tan is

actually dangerous. Did you know if you've had only two severe sun burns (severe meaning you've burnt so badly you turn brown then peel) that you're a candidate for skin cancer?

Besides the whole life-altering experience of Melanoma (if that isn't enough for you) there's also the more superficial things to deal with. Pre-cancerous growths, areas of the body (most commonly chests) covered in pre-mature age spots, and wrinkles at an earlier age than most. So let's weigh these pros and cons, on one hand you're a few shades darker than usual and people can tell you're not really supposed to be that color. I guess that's a pro? But on the other hand you're covered in growths, cancer, age spots, and wrinkles; definite cons. Hmm...unnatural skin tone and cancer, or a few shades lighter and healthy?

Don't get me wrong, I love the sun. I love lying in the sun and enjoying its warmth, but seriously-just like everything else: use protection. Sunscreen can save your life.

"Of the Week" Of the Week



I don't know about you, but my favorite "Of the Week" was the "Johnny Depp of the Week." Here at *The Collegian* we opted for the "Brooding Johnny." And yep, that was pretty much it.

-Melanie Linney,
Detour Editor

OUT THIS WEEK

FILMS



5/12/06

Just My Luck
Starring: Lindsay Lohan, Samaire Armstrong
PG-13

Poseidon
Starring: Josh Lucas, Kurt Russell
PG-13

Goal! The Dream Begins
Starring: Kuno Becker, Stephen Dillane
PG
Limited Release

Keeping Up With the Steins
Starring: Jeremy Piven, Garry Marshall
NR

ALBUMS



Desde un Principio
Marc Anthony

Baby Makin' Music
The Isley Brothers

Jagged Edge
Jagged Edge

Welcome to the Sweat Hotel
Keith Sweat

Eyes Open
Snow Patrol

Stadium Arcadium
Red Hot Chilli Peppers

Surprise
Paul Simon

What's Left of Me
Nick Lachey

CONCERTS



5/9
Juvenile & Bubba Sparxxx
Fillmore, SF

5/11
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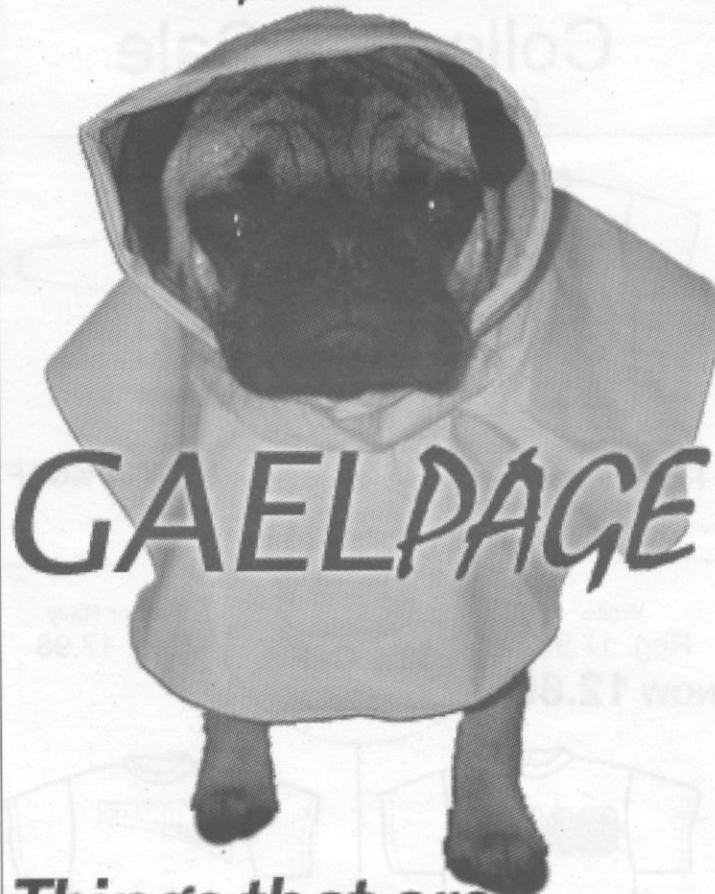
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BELEN GARCIA

**Long Live
"The Sparklers"**

Okay you guys, I'm sorry to report, but this is the final installment of Belen's Sports Column. Come on now, no tears, okay, no tears. Instead let's have a little smile and a lot of laughter. So, here it is, my grand finale.

Tank tops, grass, chalk, sunflower seeds, booty shorts and non-stop fun. Yes, that is right, I am talking about Rec Sports softball. When the weather gets nice and the mini-skirts come out you know it's time for this great Saint Mary's pastime.

Every year I put a little team together, you might have heard about us...The Sparklers is our name and domination is our game. Anyone who has played intramural softball knows that it's not about fun; it's about getting that shirt. The coveted IM Champ shirt is the spark that keeps the competitive flame of every intramural competitor going, my flame being no exception.

I start the season out with a round of rigorous try-outs which involve all sorts of conditioning tests and skill assessments. Some of my typical drills include: how far you can spit sunflower seeds, the "ouch factor" of your smack-talking one liners, and whether or not you can successfully execute the patented grass kick that is needed when an umpire gets out of line. Once I have assembled an all-star team of the best that Saint Mary's has to offer, the fun truly begins.

Our team meets about two minutes before each game because we have to get in a stretch and warm up the cannons. Once we are appropriately warmed up, I set up the batting order with a very scientific "Eenie, Meeny, Miney, Mo" process.

Most games are a blur of blooper singles, crazy defensive plays, scorching wit and me yelling at my team like I know what I'm talking about. It's great because as a team manager I don't even have to play. After all when you are 5'2" and do not have hand-eye coordination, sometimes it's better that way. I mean that's why I have try-outs, so that I can prance around with my little woman's complex, screaming obscenities while my team does all the work.

After a few weeks of games, we entered the playoffs as the #1 seed. We won every game and then moved on to the championship. This game usually draws a crowd because anybody who is anybody knows that The Sparklers are the team to watch. The championship game ended with us beating the other team like 100-2 and those IM Champ shirts were ours. WHAM-BAM, thank you Rec Sports, thank you Saint Mary's, and The Sparklers go out on top, just like me!

And the award goes to...

Coach of the Year: Randy Bennett (Basketball)

Runners up: Jed Soto (Baseball), Steve Rammel (M. Soccer), Pasha Spencer (Crew)

When it came to it, no one could top what Bennett did this year. The Gaels lost four starters and were still able to come in second in the conference. They beat a top 25 team in Nevada and went to the wire against Gonzaga in the Kennel. If not for a few early conference miscues, we would have been in postseason action.

Senior of the Year: Tie-Daniel Kickert (M. Basketball) and Kauai Salzman (Volleyball)

Runners up: Sam Carter (Baseball), Gen Hollis (W. Soccer)

There were other seniors who statistically had better years than these two, but both Kickert and Salzman may both go down as the best players ever to play their respective sports at Saint Mary's and that was enough to garner this title. Kickert will leave the school as the all-time leading scorer in Gael history. Salzman, a four year starter and a first team all conference selection, has helped turn Saint Mary's into a powerhouse program, guiding the Gaels to three consecutive NCAA Tournament appearances.

Freshman of the Year: Diamon Simpson (M. Basketball)

Runner up: Carlos Diaz (M. Soccer)

This was the tightest race, as both Diaz and Simpson garnered not only conference, but national recognition this season. In the end, Simpson deserved the award for the late season spark that he gave the Gaels during the WCC tournament. In the final two games of the season against Santa Clara and Loyola Marymount,

Simpson surpassed Daniel Kickert as the primary post option. His free throws also improved greatly during that stretch.

Team of the Year: Men's Rugby
Runners up: Baseball, Men's Basketball, Women's Crew

This would have been closer, but baseball's late season fizzle really locked up this spot up for the rugby team. Aside from being the school's perennially most successful team, SMC finished ninth in the nation (CSTV.com) and advanced to the round of 32 in the rugby collegiate championships, eventually falling to the Utah Utes.

Female Athlete of the Year: Missie Stidham (Volleyball)

Runners up: Gen Hollis (W. Soccer), Mandy Bible (Volleyball), Aude Lambert (W. Tennis)

The volleyball team had had three players who could have recieved this award, but it was Stidham who led the team in almost every statistical category over the course of the season and that made her our athlete of the year.

Male Athlete of the Year: Sam Carter (Baseball)

Runners up: Carlos Diaz (M. Soccer), Daniel Kickert (M. Basketball)

Carter is having one of the best seasons for a Saint Mary's hitter. This season, he has led the baseball team in nearly every offensive category including RBI (48), batting average (.369), and runs (45). Carter carries a career .335 batting average, eighth in SMC history, 24 home runs, which is third all-time, and 130 RBI, good enough for second all-time. The baseball team currently holds a winning record for the first time since 1994, due largely in part to Carter's bat.

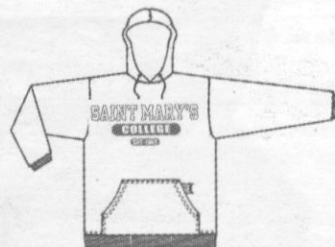


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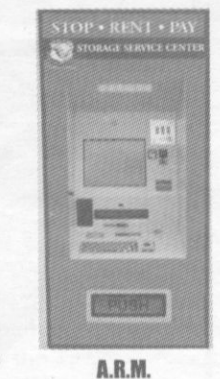
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SPORTS

Hearing it for the final time

by Michael Chin
Sports Editor

For all of you seniors out there, if you didn't know already, our last four years have had some momentous occasions in Gael athletics.

Let's recap: The volleyball team rose to new heights and advanced to the Sweet 16. Basketball under Randy Bennett turned the corner to become the second best team in the WCC and earned its first bid to the NCAA Tournament in the 21st century. Golf made its first NCAA appearance and both tennis teams have seen their rankings skyrocket. On top of all these achievements, baseball, despite their recent losing streak, has made a major turnaround from its 18-37 season in 2002.

In spite of all these accomplishments Saint Mary's was also became the bearer of bad news. In 2004 former athletic director Carl Clapp announced that football would be cut from the department.

Yeah, you've heard it from me a billion times, but since it's my last column as a Gael, just grin and bear it. For starters, I hate when people say the decision was bad timing. Is there ever a good time to tell a student athlete, "Oh, by the way, we cancelled your sport?" I don't think so. That argument is simply ridiculous.

I also don't buy the argument that some people are making about Title IX being a reason for



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dropping the program. While football was here, we were under Title IX compliance. Since then, we haven't added any other sports. The facts don't add up to say cutting football was a question of equal rights.

What it all boils down to is that the Board of Directors made a business decision for what they viewed as the betterment of the athletic department. On that level the decision really made sense. Football is expensive and something that many departments can't have. Just don't smile and say, "It was a really tough decision."

If that had been the case the school could have given us one more year to find a solution. The decision came down in the middle of winter practices and everyone was caught by surprise. The fact was, after going 1-11, the trustees saw their chance to get rid of football. I guarantee that if SMC had gone 9-3 I would not be writing this column.

I liken the situation to the 49ers trading Joe Montana at the end of his career to the Kansas City Chiefs or releasing Jerry Rice because of "financial reasons." Like Gael football, they each had made a name for their respective

teams, but once they were viewed as a financial liability, it was out with the old.

As a Gael for life, I hope the best for each and every athletic program at Saint Mary's College. This school has given me four great years that I will always remember. I write not because I hope Saint Mary's will not succeed, but because I pray they will do the right thing. My hope, I should say my wish, is that one day we will once again hear the echoes of Slip Madigan roaming the halls of his own building and the Gaels will return to their rightful place on the gridiron.

Gaels drop six in row, fourth at home Baseball falls to fourth in the West Coast Conference

by Zack Farmer
Managing Editor

The Gaels went into the weekend in a tie with San Francisco for second in the WCC but did not pick up a win and fell three back of San Francisco to third in the conference with losses of 6-4, 5-3, and 7-6.

On Friday, the Gaels took an early 3-0 lead but watched it disappear in the seventh inning and the Dons controlled the rest of the game. The Dons added two more runs in the eighth inning. Senior pitcher Dan Lewis, a week after being named WCC Pitcher of the Month, picked up his first loss since March 26 against Utah after going two innings and allowing two earned runs.

Senior Sam Carter went three-for-five with an RBI in the game. Senior pitcher Joel Fountain went seven innings allowing four runs on five hits.

In the second game, the Dons jumped early against senior Corey Madden (6-2) to take a four run lead in the second inning. Madden went eight innings allowing five runs, two earned, for the loss. Madden recorded five strikeouts on the day, placing him fourth in the conference in strikeouts. Senior Preston Young homered twice in the loss.



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Freshman Ryan Young slides into second base in the game versus Cal. The Gaels currently rank fourth in WCC play.

The finale proved to be another heartbreaker, as the Gaels took a 4-1 lead into the top of the sixth inning before the Dons put together a four run inning to take the lead. Senior Ian Farmer inherited those four runs and allowed six, four earned, to pick up his 10th loss (1-10).

The Gaels committed four errors on the day and seven over the weekend, for five unearned runs.

The one bright spot for the Gaels over the weekend were Young's three home runs and five RBI performance over the three games. With the three home runs, Young has twelve on the season.

Saint Mary's also played Cal last Tuesday and lost 7-6. The Gaels fell behind 6-0 by the third inning, but were able to tie the game in the fifth behind a three-RBI game from senior Mike Har-

ris. Cal battled back and scored in the top of the sixth. The Bears held the Gaels scoreless the rest of the way. Junior Mike Nisco went four innings, allowing only one run, but picked up the loss.

The Gaels have lost six games in a row and have fallen to 24-22 on the season and 9-9 in conference. The Gaels will play their final home series this weekend against #21 Pepperdine.



ALLISON KOP

Welcome to the Alumni

As the year winds down and all we seniors inch closer and closer to graduation, I'm sure that many of you have experienced one of those oh-my-God-I'm-really-graduating-and-I-don't-know-what-to-do moments in the last few weeks.

For me, my wake-up call came last weekend in a little event called the Saint Mary's women's soccer alumni game. Every year the many old and retired ex-Saint Mary's soccer players gather together for a friendly game versus the current team. It's an event I look forward to every year, but this time was different, since I'd be suiting up for the alumni side for the first time.

To show you just how different my experience was from years past, let me give you a breakdown of the two teams' preparation for the match.

The current Saint Mary's players have been running every day since January. I even heard a rumor that they ran two Cooper tests in one day, a feat so tiring it gives me the chills just thinking about it. I, on the other hand, have worked out approximately five times since the new year, and yes, I count 15 minutes on the elliptical machine as a workout.

The current team probably went to bed early and arrived at the field an hour before game time. I trudged up to the field 15 minutes before kick off, groggy from a night of drinking, dancing, and general carousing at Senior Ball.

The current team performed their usual 45 minute synchronized warm-up including running, stretching, and shooting. The alumni side warm-up consisted of one jog to the far side of the field and back.

It was nice to take it easy for a change, to be lackadaisical and laugh before the game, but it was also weird. Really weird. Have I left my glory days behind me and now only play with a glimmer of the former intensity I once knew?

In the end it was a hard-fought match, but the alumni, surprisingly enough, came out on top. What we lack in fitness we make up for in tenacity, as we struggle to hang on to a shred of the former soccer playing prowess we once knew.

For me the game was an eye-opening moment of transition, an initiation into the world of the alum. My ball touch might not be great, my fitness might be a little bit lacking, and my jeans might even fit a bit tighter than four months ago, but you know what? I've still got it. I still have that over-competitive, die-hard spirit that I think may never go away. My college soccer playing days are over, but my will to win and work hard when it counts will hopefully never die.



Thank You Seniors!



If you could do one thing different in your college career what would it be?
Julien Tizot (M. Tennis) - Nothing.

Best advice you ever received:
Adam Zielske (M. Soccer) - Take every moment as it comes, because it goes pretty quick.

What will you miss the most after leaving Saint Mary's?
Marty Yongue (M. Lacrosse) - Your average school day where you bump into people, say hi, shoot the sh**, and just hang out. You don't have to worry about anything yet.

What advice would you give to a freshman?
Gen Hollis (W. Soccer) - Don't sleep around.

What was your best game for Saint Mary's?
Kauai Salzman (Volleyball) - My junior year when we beat Stanford (the eventual national champion) for the second time. We broke records in that game and it basically legitimized how good we were.

How do you feel to be graduating?
Damien Fatongia (M. Rugby) - It's sad, but exciting. I have new possibilities and opportunities to look forward to.