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Tuition goes down 8 percent

\$35,000

President Brother Ronald Gallagher announced beginning of a new trend in tuition

by Al Nomore

Liberal Oppressor

It was announced today in a brief public statement by the President of Saint Mary's College, Brother Ron Gallagher, that Saint Mary's has decided to reduce tuition for the 2007-2008 academic school year. In his statement, Gallagher said that the cost of attending Saint Mary's had become prohibitively high for too many students and that it was "time to bring things under control." Before Gallagher's announcement the estimated cost for a full time enrolled, living on campus, student for next year was \$43,281. This will now be reduced by about eight percent to under \$35,000. Peter Willits '09 welcomed the decrease in tuition and said, "I am glad that the school is doing this, the high cost was very oppressive and I can use that extra money to buy a new Audi."

According to Gallagher, the lowering of next year's tuition is due to several factors. He credits the good investments the school has made and the ability to save money with giving the College the ability to do this. One of those investments that have paid off for the school is Halliburton. According to Gallagher, the school is heavily invested in the oil division of Halliburton and plans to continue what has turned into a "very beneficial relationship." However, there have been missteps; the school did lose an undisclosed amount of money in a company that was trying to produce and market a hybrid hummer

automobile.

The other way Saint Mary's was able to lower tuition was through cost saving measures. Late last year, Gallagher asked the different departments at Saint Mary's to look at where they were wasting money and where they could be more efficient. "The faculty and staff responded beautifully," said Gallagher. "They, too, shared my belief that the cost of attending this school was too high and worked to reduce their costs." Some of the things the school did to make this change possible were that all teachers agreed to switch from costly staples to reusable paper clips. The school was also able to sell all the staplers on eBay for more income. The math department also generously gave up protractors. "Everything that you can do with them has already been done; it's all in the textbook," said Dr. Christopher Jones, a professor of math. "That right there saved the school thousands in replacement protractor costs," said Gallagher.

Other cost-cutting steps included a program by Sodexo to reuse plastic utensils. "Reusing a plastic fork or spoon four or five times," Gallagher said, "has proven to be very economical."

Saint Mary's is hoping to reduce tuition even more next year and new revenue enhancing measures are being looked at by a combined student and faculty group. Some of their ideas include selling Jack Daniels in the campus bookstore or installing slot machines in Dryden. "We are happy to be lowering tuition this year," said Gallagher, "and I hope that it becomes a trend."

Core Curriculum Task Force scratches Seminar from general education requirements

Great Books not so great to read and get in the way of students' 'hobbies'

by Max Power

Man Whose Name You Wanna Touch

The Collegiate Seminar program is no more. The administration has decided to toss the long-standing program that until now has been a requirement for all Saint Mary's students.

"We decided to listen to the students," commented Dean Vernon Wormer. "So many students complained about it that we figured the program wasn't worth it."

"It's pretty boring to read about all those old dead guys anyway," stated Brother Vantasian Sharkey.

"If you want exposure to these works, just watch the movies; it's basically the same thing," Professor Muriel Finster remarked.

To replace these classes, the college is instituting Nap Time.

"Students here really don't get enough sleep," said Brother Sharkey. "We think that it will benefit them mentally to take a few semesters of Nap Time over the course of their academic careers."

Depending on which section a student takes, a Nap Time course may involve teddy bears, soothing music, or chamomile tea. Students may also register for independent study Nap Time, in which case they can nap on their own time, using their own techniques.

"We believe that this is an innovation which other colleges across the nation will be quick to adopt," said Dean Wormer optimistically. Many students have applauded this decision.

"Those seminar classes were such a waste of time. I'm pretty sure that critical thinking skills are not going to benefit me after college," said Artie Ziff '08.

In addition to these changes, the college is instituting an M.R.S. degree program.

"We felt that we should make this degree, so often talked about, into a formal program," commented Brother Sharkey.

To earn this degree, a female student must take classes in cooking, cleaning and dating. It will also involve many social events, at which students can attempt to meet potential spouses.

"The hope is that, at graduation time, each student in the program will receive a husband along with her diploma," said Professor Finster.

The college does not currently have plans to offer an equivalent program for males. As a result, some members of this gender have voiced complaints.

"That's unfair. I demand equal rights!" said Neville Flynn '09.

However, numerous other students, particularly females, have expressed positive feedback.

"I'm so excited about the new program. I'm going to change my major right away!" said Samantha Micelli '09.

Gretchen Wieners '10 expressed similar feelings. "I never wanted one of those other majors anyway. I'm glad that now I can spend my years at college focusing on what's important," she remarked.

Rage Against the Machine to play Gaelstock

Move over, Rooney: a real band is coming around this time



Rage Against the Machine Making a comeback and coming to Gaelstock

Opening band: High Like Five

\$15 Pre-Sale or \$20 at the Door

Presented by Program Board/IDs required. No backpacks, purses, umbrellas or water bottles. No refunds. Guests must be registered. No in/out.

Courtesy of Programish Boardish

by Chest Rockwell

Scene Reporter

Brace yourselves, Gaels. What started as just a one-off special show at the Coachella Music Festival is making a special appearance at Saint Mary's College. Rage Against the Machine is playing Gaelstock. No, seriously. The concert/party/social event/drinking bash that has hosted in recent years the likes of Cake, Pepper, and other semi-obscure alternative acts has finally snagged the big prize, a band of legendary status such as Rage.

Emily Robbins '08, Program Board President, explained how this dream match-up of political-themed hard rock with a private Catholic institution became a reality. She said, "I baby-sit Tom Morello's kids sometimes, and I talked to him about our spring concert, and he was really excited." So excited, in fact, that instead of being paid for their services, Morello (guitar), Brad Wilk (drums), Tim Commerford (bass) and feisty bandleader Zack de la Rocha opted to play the show out of the goodness of their hearts...and their career-spanning desire to play at an abandoned football practice field. De la Rocha particularly enjoys the opportunity to express his anti-government rants in the environ-

ment of the politically-charged East Bay, close to Berkeley and its anti-everything attitudes. "I really wanted the chance to inform the privileged rich kids in the area that they need to open their eyes and say to their bosses and teachers, 'f*** you I won't do what you tell me,'" quoting one of his own songs in the process.

Not that Rage was Saint Mary's first choice. Fall Out Boy will be in Concord on the day before Gaelstock, but Robbins nixed that idea because "Pete Wentz is annoying, and they would have demanded truckloads of eyeliner and liquor, which we don't do at SMC." That, and their probable \$500K price tag made thoughts of funny hats and sloppy guitar work that only FOB can provide an unrealistic idea.

Program Board also considered a dual bill with Hanson and Smash Mouth, but figured that such a nostalgic middle-school flashback would be too much to handle. That, and the ability of Rage to play for free would allow more money allocated to the bounce house and other activities this time around.

Saint Mary's favorites High Like Five will be opening Gaelstock once again, with rumors of an all-star jam session with Hector and Danny from HLF mashing up with Rage at the set's end quite the hot topic in the halls.

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Jesus Sighting



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**Where's Jesus? (Hint: He's sporting a Rolex).
Jesus: a little disappointed by the ref's calls.
God is a Gael, so Jesus must be too.**



WORLD DOMINATOR

Ha ha! The Collegian is mine; now I may corrupt your souls

Yes, I, the famous Albino Raccoon residing on Saint Mary's College property have finally set the ball rolling on my campaign to take over the world (this is why I haven't been sighted as of late). [insert evil laugh here: BUAH HAAAAH!]

I am about to divulge to you my sinister plan to rule the world. WAIT! No, that would be stupid. But it's so cool. Look, first I take over *The Collegian* to corrupt your poor souls and take you over to the dark side (we have cookies here, by the way).

Then I will claim presidency of Saint Mary's College and turn the school into a place to cultivate a massive army. You, by the way, will become many among my minions to reclaim this earth for my family of 300,200,000,001.7 members. You, of course, will be working for no pay or food—slave labor is the most cost-effective way to go, so I was told.

Afterward, I will move on to become the mayor of Moraga (my son, Ishkuboob, will throw the ballot in my favor, of course. Good ole Ishkuboob).

Then after turning the citizens into my servants, I will continue to terminate the governor...

Oh holy tomatoes! I have said too much! Continue reading so that I may erase your memory of see MEMORY ERASE, p67

Crime Beat

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| 2/30 | 1:04 a.m. | LeFevre to haunt Sienna Hall; referred to Campus Ministry. | Incident: Fashion Faux Pas | |
| | Incident: Handbook Violation | | Synopsis: Mob of girls wearing tights from the '80s with long shirts and no pants; referred to Fashion Police. | |
| | Synopsis: Lindsay Lohan arrested for stealing cocaine from students; referred to Student Conduct & Moraga PD. | 3/22 | 12:50 a.m. | |
| | | Incident: Vandalism | | |
| | | Synopsis: Albino raccoons painted for Easter; referred to Physical Plant & Cat Lady. | 2/31 | 2:39 a.m. |
| 3/5 | 6:72 a.m. | | Incident: Property Damage | |
| Incident: Fire Alarm | | | Synopsis: Cross moved to Rugby Field; referred to Physical Plant. | |
| Synopsis: Set off by girl blow drying hair; referred to Physical Plant. | 2/29 | 3:33 p.m. | | |
| | Incident: Handbook Violation | | | |
| | Synopsis: Jesus found ghost riding golf carts; referred to Student Conduct & Physical Plant. | 11/19 | 8:40 a.m. | |
| 4/31 | 3:36 a.m. | | Incident: Burglary | |
| Incident: Ghost Sighting | | | Synopsis: Ugly Ugg boots stolen; referred to Who cares? | |
| Synopsis: Ghost of Lily leaves | 4/2 | 8:20 a.m. | | |

Beyond the Bubble

NATIONAL AND WORLD NEWS BITES

SACRAMENTO, CA – Governor Ahnold (Arnold Schwarzenegger-er-er-rah) has recently announced plans to improve the health of California citizens and to fight obesity by enforcing a new state-wide physical education program for public elementary schools. The plan requires students third grade and up to have at least 20 hours of body-building exercises every week. The plan also has students in high school competing in body building contests. The governor argues that only with that kind of exercise could California come to fight the fat epidemic.

McMINNVILLE, OR – A rabid squirrel and pitbull are put down after an altercation with local school teacher Richard Jennit, 37. Jennit, on the way to his car, was attacked by the stray pitbull. The squirrel then intervened and futlity battled the pitbull. Both tasted Jennit's blood, who came away with a few minor cuts.

JERUSALEM, Isreal – Mel Gibson was seen. His motives are unknown at this time.

HAVANA, Cuba – An international summit has convened to draft a plan to ban the sales of all Che Guevara-related merchandise.

URUGUAY – For the first time in its history, no cock fights were reported over the course of March—their holy month.

TOKYO, Japan – Pride Fighting Championships has been indicted for its ties to the Yakuza, a Japanese mafia.

JAMAICA – President Bush was seen leaving a smoky meeting with other world leaders.

CAPE TOWN, South Africa – A group of rebels were videotaped ghost riding the whip on their Jeeps while on duty. They have been dismissed via a bullet in the head. The video and the execution can be seen on YouTube.com



Mark Gilson

- Senior Class President
- SMC Student Ambassador
- German Club President
- Orientation Leader
- Turkish Speaker
- International Business Major
- Life-long learner
- World Traveller
- Outdoorsman
- 401K Investor
- Star of "Stump the Gilson"

Currently seeking intern for hire.
To become Mark Gilson's intern,
please contact his secretary
Paula Martinucci at 555-6143.

No insults, thank you.



Project Lake LaSalle postponed due to swamp monster

Recent observations reveal mysterious creature; workers become unnerved

by Aine Stein
Science Reporter

The empty lake behind Assumption Hall is to be empty no more. In late February, President Brother Ronald Gallagher approved the Athletic Department's plan to repair the lake. However, due to recent discoveries, Lake LaSalle may remain an empty pit.

The wildlife that currently inhabits the empty lake has been monitored since late spring of last year. The school has to be sure that the reconstruction of the lake won't upset the ecosystem too much before drawing up plans for the lake. Scientists are eager to see how the revitalization of the lake will affect the wildlife. So far, the observations have yielded positive results for the Athletic Department. Currently, Lake LaSalle is home to reptiles, insects, and birds.

Or so the researchers thought. Since the onslaught of spring and inevitable awakening of dormant creatures, the biologists and environmentalists have found disturbing traces of an unidentified animal.

The first sign was the fecal matter littered around the lake. There is also evidence that this unknown creature is a mammal.

"There are always clumps of stringy reddish brown hair next to the feces," said Joe Gargery, an environmental biologist from the Contra Costa Department of Environmental Affairs. "Judging from the tracks we've seen, this creature is probably bipedal. However, it's like nothing we've seen in this area before. Currently, we're running DNA tests on the hair to try and determine which species this creature belongs to."

Fellow scientist Guildenstern B. Daid, a Danish biologist from Elsinore University, believes the creature is a member of the ape family.

"Just look at the track marks," said Daid, "Honestly, there are no claw marks. Sure, we've only recovered partial prints so far, but the [toe] prints are distinct in the better half of the prints. There are no claw marks and the shape of the foot is closely related to a person's."

However, Tom Buchanan, a contractor from Bolle-Shat Con-



Lindsay Lohan (*Freaky Friday*) was discovered, just in time for news print, to be the bi-pedal mammal inhabiting Lake LaSalle. This is where she's been hiding so that she was able to steal crack-cocaine from students on campus.

struction, said, "I have never encountered anything like this during my career, but I don't think that this will affect the procedures much. It's probably a small bear that wandered into the area."

Buchanan has not been working closely with the scientists on the project. His job is to more or less gather enough geological information from Leah Price, a geological engineer from Bolle-Shat

Construction, and to plan the reconstruction of the lake.

Price disagrees with her colleague. She believes that the creature out there is something to be concerned with.

"I've been [at the lake] for several hours on end and I've heard strange noises. At first I thought a raccoon or bird was making the noises. Several weeks after I heard it the first time, I heard the

Breaking News: Swamp Monster turns out to be Lindsay Lohan in hiding.

noise again and this time it seemed to be much more guttural," said Price. "[The call] was like a cross between a crow and wailing baby."

So far, five of the 12 workers on Project Lake LaSalle have heard strange sounds while working at the site, each agreeing that it sounded like a "crow and wailing baby." One has even caught a glimpse of the creature in the foliage. The creature is believed to be mainly carnivorous for biologists have found a greater number of rodent carcasses in the area since.

"If there is something out there, it will be [close] to the site," said Daid.

Project Lake LaSalle has been postponed until further notice. The research will continue with a smaller team as more effort will be geared toward finding the unknown swamp inhabitant.

Oasis finally rescheduled, Gaelstock card adjusted: so this contradicts our front page story, just deal with it

Students yield mixed reaction to decision, hidden bracket message



Jaimee Zipper/COOLIGAN

by Joseph Farar
Music Hunter

Every Saint Mary's student will attest to the reality of the fiasco that occurred last September on the night of the annual Oasis dance. Anticipating seniors especially were shocked and let down upon receiving word that the event was cancelled, due to a local blackout scarcely an hour prior to commencement.

As one of the three premier Saint Mary's events—along with MidKnight Madness and GaelStock—Oasis is not an occasion that many students are willing to let slip away without a fight. Clarence Funtanilla '07 said, "MidKnight Madness sucked and I know they can't top Blackalicious for this year's Gaelstock. [It would] be nice if

they at least gave us the dance."

This is why the Associated Students of Saint Mary's College (ASSMC), in accordance with Program Board Productions (PBP) and Student Involvement and Leadership (SIL), decided to come together to discuss potential solutions with the frustrated senior class officers.

After months of futile conferencing, the senior class representatives have cooperated and come up with a workable resolution. Fortunately for the disappointed seniors out there, a new time and date has been agreed upon for this year's Oasis.

As always, however, there is a catch. Due to the high financial setbacks that will be caused by the schedule, PBP has been forced to tap into its funds for Gaelstock, the annual concert put on for the

Saint Mary's community in late spring.

"As class officers, we felt it was our duty to do all we could to [benefit] our class, and I know my fellow seniors will agree that a slight change in plan for Gaelstock is a small price to pay for experiencing Oasis one last time," said Mark Gilson '07, senior class president.

Not everyone agrees with this rationalization. Frank Bratcher '08 said, "Why should the rest of us have to suffer just because [the seniors] missed out on one dance?"

It was recently announced by PBP that it was able to secure its biggest Gaelstock act ever, a reuniting Rage Against the Machine (RATM). Unfortunately for some students, this year's Oasis will make it impossible to host the band, due to the lack of sufficient funds.

"I don't know what everyone's so worked up about," said Saint Mary's alumnus Stephanie Roybal '05. "Oasis is easily the best thing to look forward to if you want [to be] an SMC student. Who's Rage Against the Machine anyway?"

Funtanilla was in agreement, even after hearing about the plans to cut funds from Gaelstock. "I care [less] about Gaelstock than I do about Oasis. Oasis is hands down the best event all year."

Still, class officers from the other three classes were less than

happy about the change. Plans are already in the works to boycott the schedule change and move forward as planned.

While this may come as a shock to some, said Gilson, "people should be aware that Gaelstock is still going to rock."

Or at least folk. According to PBP, while the expense of RATM can no longer be met, plans have been made for guitarist Tom Morello to remain headliner as The Nightwatchman, a moniker he uses for his solo acoustic act.

Said RATM's assistant touring manager Scodd Jenkins, "I don't know why some of these kids are so [gullible]. Did they really think they were about to get a band like Rage in a little town like Moraga?"

Bratcher was appalled to hear Jenkins' comments, which he considered disrespectful to the Saint Mary's student body. "If Morello doesn't play 'Know Your Enemy,' we riot," he said.

"Come [April], Saint Mary's will be lucky to have Morello. These [fools] should be grateful for what they're getting," said Jenkins.

Gaelstock will be taking place in mid-April this year on the rugby field, to account for the change in schedule. The new date for Oasis has been set to Friday, September 14. The time will be announced closer to the date of the event.

Campus Recaps

What happened last week?



Albino Raccoon comes out of hiding and declared himself the President of Saint Mary's College. A search committee is currently looking for Brother Ronald Gallagher, who may have been taken captive by the savage animal.

Wednesday, Community Time
Ferrogiario Quad
Contact x0000



Saga Foods tried to re-enter Saint Mary's campus. The truck was instantly flocked with angry students who truly enjoy Sodexho Foods much more.

Friday, March 30 @ 2 p.m.
Contact: Saga



The Cooligan SPORTZ

What goes here again?

Sunday, April 1, 2007

Go Whales!

Weekly Featured Profile

Faculty/Staff Sport Spotlight

Clinton Bond

by Rex Manning
Sex Machine

Saint Mary's College of California's Clinton Bond is driving headlong toward the biggest fight of his life. The English professor drives an 18-wheeler truck in his spare time. His life on the road, however, keeps him away from his only son Hubert. This has put insurmountable strain on their relationship, but Bond has devised a plan to win his son's love and a huge cash prize by participating in the National Arm Wrestling Competition on April 17 in Las Vegas.

Bond arm wrestles under the pseudonym Lincoln Hawk to protect his standing at Saint Mary's College. His passions are divided between literature and the underground and professional arm wrestling circuits.

Traveling all over the country in between his Monday, Wednesday, Friday schedule, Bond fights the lonely road by reciting *Beowulf* lines in Germanic tongue. "It makes time go by as fast as a spinning owl on a dirt gravel road," said Bond.

Bond wears his traditional arm wrestling attire. Red Chuck Taylor Converse, high-yellow tube socks, and a white t-shirt that reads: "colorless green ideas sleep furiously." Bond feels his attire is essential in his winning ways. "I gotta do what I gotta do," said Bond.

But Bond's 24-inch bicep is the real secret. He was born with a gland that produces extra testosterone. The gland, however, restricts itself to the right side of his body. The result is one 24-inch python he calls a right arm on his otherwise unimpressive frame. His left arm is just over 10-inches. Bond hides his arm during class under his suede sports coat with corduroy patches on the elbows.

April 17 presents Bond's biggest obstacles both professionally and personally. His arch nemesis Bob "Bull" Hurley challenges him in the finals. Bond believes "he is the disease, and I'm the cure." He hopes winning the tournament and the \$100,000 prize will bring his son back into his life.

"Going in one more round when you don't think you can—that's what makes all the difference in your life," said Bond.

Bond reflects joining the tournament was a difficult choice, but a necessary one. "The world meets nobody halfway. When you want something, you gotta take it," said Bond.

Some fight for money...some fight for glory...but he's fighting for his son's love. Clinton Bond will fight for his son the only way he knows how...with his arm. "I got a family. And when this is over, I'm coming to get him," said Bond.

Public Safety unveils Hummer H3 as new patrol vehicle *Hummer combines speed and style for Public Safety officers*

by Jonathan Stride
Commuter Man

Saint Mary's College Department of Public Safety unveiled its new Hummer H3 SUV, a move designed to improve the department's presence on campus.

"With all the large vehicles on campus, we thought a Hummer would be the best way to make us stand out," said Chief of Public Safety Bill Foley. He points out that many students drive trucks and SUVs similar to what the department currently employs in its service. "We wanted to be sure that no one could mistake a student vehicle with one of our own," Foley said.

As far as Public Safety vehicles go, the H3 certainly stands out. Towering above most cars, the six-foot tall Hummer is the first of several H3's that Public Safety intends to roll out for campus security. "By the end of 2009, the Department hopes to convert its entire fleet to Hummers," Foley said.

Unlike previous enforcement vehicles, the H3 will allow officers to cruise in style. A smooth leather interior pads the inside of the vehicle and officers can choose to listen to satellite radio. "I admit, it's a bit more comfortable than bouncing around in a pickup truck," Foley said.



A. Doug Sneekes/COOLIGAN

But the department's Hummer H3 is primarily designed for rapid transportation across campus, so that Public Safety can respond to problems within a fraction of the time. Capable of going from zero to 60 miles per hour in 9.3 seconds, the Hummer can pass through flooded streets and scale steps as high as 16 inches. Foley said that the department will be "much more efficient when dealing with crises," because the Hummer can protect officers from the elements and help reduce the number of crimes on campus.

"No one's going to damage campus property when they've

got a Hummer breathing down their neck," Foley explained. This included the Hummers themselves as earlier this year, a DUI incident involved an intoxicated student driving into one of the standard Public Safety trucks.

Students had mixed reactions when the Hummer was unveiled. "So Public Safety can upgrade its fleet, yet the school can't afford to give De La Salle Hall an elevator?" said Mike Schmitt '10. "I'm not sure how a bigger vehicle is going to help them reduce incidents around campus," he said. Project Green member Kyle Bonderud '09 wasn't too im-

pressed either. "It's hypocritical for the school to claim it supports environmental issues and then turn around and buy Public Safety a gas guzzling Hummer," he said.

But Megan Naton '08 was more optimistic. "I'm glad that Public Safety is getting a Hummer—it'll be a constant reminder that we're living in a secure community," she said.

As for the officers, they believe that the Hummer will help improve their reputation among students. "After all, people will always be looking up at you when you're in a Hummer," said Joe Arone, a Public Safety officer.

Oakland Athletics to move to Los Angeles *Loyal fans are ghost riding their vehicles in protest*

by Phillip J. Fry
Delivery Boy

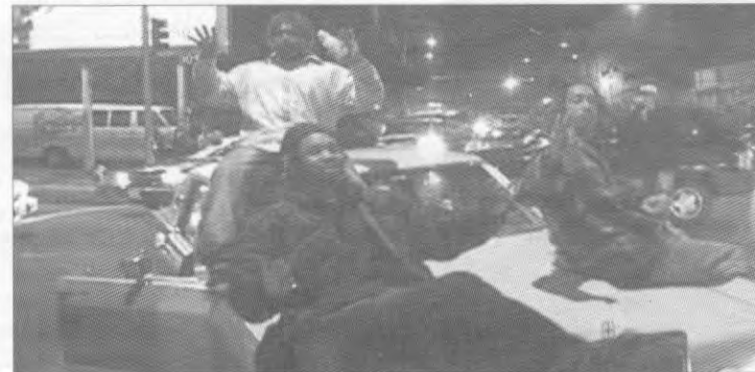
After deciding that Fremont was nothing more than a parking lot with a mayor, the Oakland Athletics have reconsidered and are moving to Los Angeles.

Oakland Raiders owner Al Davis made the suggestion to Athletics owner Lew Wolff and Wolff responded by making an offer to Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa to relocate the team and use the Los Angeles name, following in the footsteps of the Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim.

Villaraigosa was thrilled by the idea and immediately accepted. "When the Athletics came to me, I thought it would be a great idea for the city of Los Angeles," said Villaraigosa. "We have such a huge baseball environment and the community would greatly enjoy another hard-nosed, classy team like the Athletics in the Los Angeles area."

Athletics first baseman Dan Johnson was also thrilled with the move. "I have always wanted to live in the Los Angeles area," said Johnson. "I won't have to be a victim of the hyphy movement."

The projected site for the new Athletics stadium will be in Compton. Athletics outfielder Milton Bradley said, "Fremont seemed too safe. I would also be



Courtesy of creativeloafing.com

closer to home down in Compton." Bradley, a native of Harbor City, was born less than 10 miles from the new home of the Athletics.

The move will not take place until the 2011 season to allow time to clear the land and build the projected \$1.2 billion project. The plans include a three-story, 120 store mall, and four car dealerships. As a service to the community, the upper deck of the new stadium will be used to house the homeless of the city. This project was a combined sponsorship from the local churches and Goodwill Stores. "If we couldn't fill a stadium in Oakland, do you think we will fill it in Compton?" said Bradley.

Furthermore, the Athletics will share the stadium with the local high schools. The deal includes a clause that the Athletics will play at the high school fields until May every season while the high

schools use the stadium. This is due to the attendance numbers of the high schools in the area as compared to the Athletics in recent years.

The citizens of Oakland responded by organizing a huge ghost riding movement on East 14th Street. The movement saw 54 car crashes, 10 injuries, and a Mac Dre sighting. The Athletics' move has many people concerned with the reaction of the people including the City Council of Oakland, who blames rapper E-40 for the movement. "He is the center of this entire incident," said Councilman Kenneth Salda. "E-40 must be brought forward to justice for inciting this riot."

Hector Gonzalez, 56, an Oakland native, said, "The A's have been my team since I was born. The people need to support this team before we lose them for good." Gonzalez has not been to an Athletics game since he was 12.

This week in
sports

SMC

Today, April 1
4:37 p.m.

Football Stadium

New logo to be unveiled. It is pictured here still wrapped in black plastic.

Potato Sack Race

Tuesday, April 3
12:52 p.m.

Ferroggiaro Quad

Prizes include 3 free meals at Oliver Hall.

Hockey Team Meeting

Tuesday, April 3
5:39 p.m.

On top of swimming pool by Madigan Gym
All those interested in joining are encouraged to attend.

SMC Track Invitational

Wednesday, April 4
10:24 a.m.

Campolindo High School... because we don't have a track.

Curling Race

Thursday, April 5
8:57 p.m.

5th Floor Augustine Hall
Free hot cocoa!