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Group mentors struggling freshmen

by Alex Branch
 Staff Writer

What is the best way to get freshmen off the academic probation list? Never let them get on it in the first place, which is what the School of Science is aiming for this year. This is the pilot year for Project Head Start, a proactive peer mentoring program instituted by the School of Science.

Under the cooperative direction of math Professor Adam Lucas and Asian Pacific American Program Coordinator Joan Cube, this fledgling project will match five peer mentors with 25 to 35 freshmen who show signs of struggling in their math or science classes within the first three weeks.

"We want to reach out to students who we anticipate may have difficulty, before the difficulty arises," said Lucas.

The project may seem redundant, Saint Mary's already offers free tutoring and academic advising for students, but there is a difference: "Mentors aren't tutors. They are there to help students develop good study skills and learn to use the resources available on campus," said Lucas. "We're working on asset perspective, helping students take advantage of their strengths and be successful."

Cube, a recent addition to the Saint Mary's community, was formerly the director of the Center for Academic Success at Whittier College in southern California and one of the creators of the Academic

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Spirited Freshmen Olympics unite class of 2011

Mitty Hall victorious for second time in three years at annual event

by J. Harry Painter
 Detour Editor

"De La Salle is so loud and annoying. I want to beat them," is the sentiment overheard at Mitty Hall's section of the sideline.

It is close, but not meant to be; at least not on the soccer field.

With time running out, a Gael garbed in yellow manages to thrust his way past two navy blue defenders, clearing the path for what becomes a tiebreaking—and heartbreaking—final goal.

Sweating and screaming, an army of navy blue soon descends on the referees as Mitty's attempt to rush retaliation is called off due to time. This call allows De La Salle Hall resident advisor (RA) Sam Westermann '09 to continue leading his team's already uproarious celebration.

This emotion is felt not over a decisive NCAA tournament game or even a friendly intramural match, but the Freshman Olympics.

The annual event, which was inaugurated in 1999 and reinvented in 2004, gives new students the opportunity to mingle over several sports and games, including flag football, basketball, dodgeball, and several fun team-oriented challenges.

However, the Olympics are mainly intended to encourage socialization and bonding among Saint Mary's College's newest class.



Freshmen from Mitty Hall compete in the annual Freshmen Olympics last Monday on the front lawn. Mitty won the event after playing soccer, softball, flag football, volleyball, dodgeball, basketball, and other competitive sports.

Annie Douglass/COLLEGIAN

According to several students, this objective was met this past Labor Day by the class of 2011. Junior Tina Vincent, a student leader with RecSports, said, "[The Freshman Olympics are] a great way for each dorm to really get to know each other." Sharing this sentiment was Meagan Krave '08, an RA in Mitty.

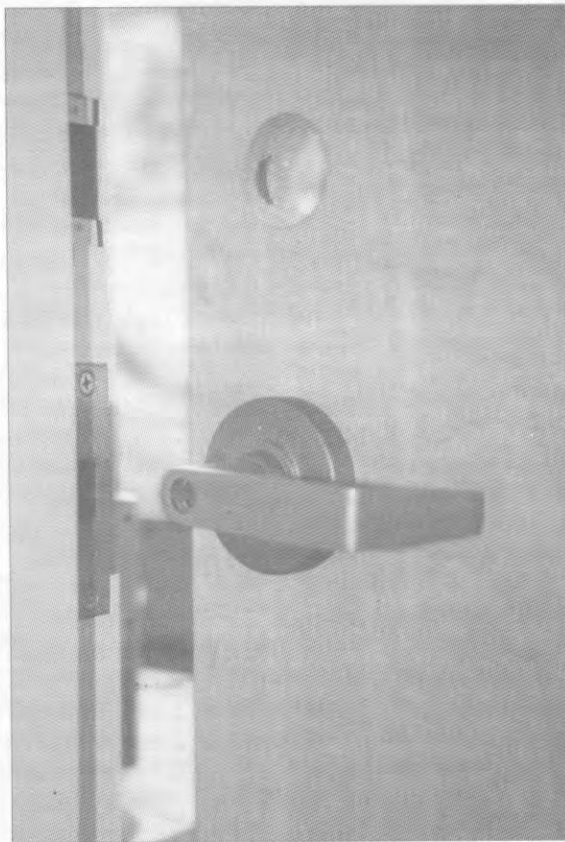
She said, "It's really fun to get your hall together; get your hall united."

Krave's hall was decidedly united enough to emerge victorious for the second time in three years, leaving Justin and De La Salle Halls as the runner-ups. In fact, excluding the inaugural 1999 year of the event when it was known as the Central Campus Olympics, the only other team that has prevailed in the end is Augustine 1 and 2 (half of Augustine Hall), who won in

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Summer resident halls renovation leave students grateful yet frustrated

Students enjoy air conditioning during heat wave yet deal with missing door locks, other problems



Zack Farmer/COLLEGIAN

This lockless door leads to two students' personal dorm.

by Linda Hua
 Editor-in-Chief

When coming onto campus for the first time this school year, eager juniors and seniors looked forward to a great start in the newly remodeled lower townhouses (Thille, Freitas, Guerrieri East, and Guerrieri West). After pondering about the one painted accent wall in each of the rooms, they were taken aback by the incomplete suites.

"The kitchens in Guerrieri East and Guerrieri West were not completed as of Sunday, August 26 when the residence halls opened," said Associate Dean of Student Life Scott Kier.

"The residents of Guerrieri East and Guerrieri West have been provided a carte blanche meal plan until September 7 when final installation of the new kitchen appliances will be complete," he said.

Of these Guerrieri residents, some found their stove unit in the middle of their living rooms and their drawers and cabinets nonexistent.

These residents received a letter which read, "Dear Resident of

Guerrieri East/West, [w]elcome to your newly renovated town house. As you may have noticed, the kitchen in your suite is not completed. We will have installed all new stoves and cabinets by Friday, September 7. We apologize for this inconvenience, and have made the following arrangements. You have been credited with a carte blanche meal plan from today through September 7. You will have full access to Oliver Hall's dining options during this period."

"The first phase of residence hall renovations is due for completion September 7, 2007," said Kier. "Other significant upgrades to residence halls are planned over the next few years. They include newly painted rooms, kitchen remodels, state-of-the-art laundry services and new telephone lines."

Aside from the Guerrieri townhouses, Thille and Freitas were also left—albeit to a lesser degree—unfinished, but without similar accommodations for the residents.

When making his way up to Saint Mary's, Freitas resident Jose Luis Cordoba '08 expected his townhouse "to be finished before we got here—to

have our ovens plugged in and be functional." At the time of publication, Freitas remained incomplete. "We're missing deadbolts. We need those for security—I've been robbed once, I don't want it to happen again," said Cordoba.

"We have holes in the doors [where the deadbolts should be]. There's no safety or privacy. One of us doesn't even have a regular lock—what the hell is the point? It's a safety issue. I've sent in three work orders for the deadbolts and they haven't done anything," said Cordoba.

"I didn't expect that they'd remodel everything," said Cordoba's suitemate, Diego Alfaro '08. As a Guerrieri East resident at the end of last year, "they charged us for kitchen counters that were broken and furniture that was scratched, then they just turned around and put everything that was broken in the trash—into the wood shredder."

Alfaro appreciates the new furnishings, however, felt slighted that he had to pay damage fees for materials that

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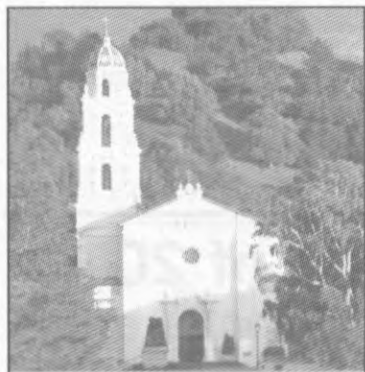
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Student Involvement Fair
 Wednesday, August 29, 2007



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A representative from Delphine Intercultural Center talks to new students about programs and events offered throughout the year.



Melissa Brand/COLLEGIAN

Kaitlin Caruso '10, president of Project Green, discusses with interested students about the organization's activities.



ZACK FARMER

I guess I'll move on

This past week was rough. Then again, the first week of school is always rough. It's a time to ease your way back into the flow of things. It is made easier for some than others, but we know that the work right now is nothing compared to what it will be in, oh say, five weeks.

What classes am I taking? How many books do I have to buy? Will I graduate on time? For many of you, the latter is not that big of a worry. But for my fellow seniors, we do not want to be here another year.

It's more like we don't want to pay \$46,000 to come here again. It has also been the past week that I finally felt like a senior. Just looking around the campus and seeing all the young faces (yeah, young...this coming from a 21 year old), makes me feel old.

It also has something to do with what one of my professors said this past week. "Technology doubles every 18 months." He also said that many students in high school see e-mail as "old" technology. Old? I have grown up in the generation that relies on e-mail and the cell phone to talk.

My niece is the perfect example. She just entered a junior college and she lives on her cell phone—text messaging all of her friends.

I, for one, despise text messaging. If I didn't have to, I would never use that function of my phone. The new generation is forcing me to adapt to the times because the new generation of college students, i.e. freshmen, primarily use text and instant message for communication.

I am still one of those guys who would rather have a conversation over the phone or face-to-face. I have not used my AOL Instant Messenger account in almost two years or use text messages when not necessary. Text messaging was invented to use as an alternative to voice mail, not the next step.

I know, I know, I am still living in the past and I have to adjust. That does not mean I still can't protest it. Then again, I still remember when I had a rotary phone in my house. I would rather be outside than playing a video game or be on the computer. It's why I am a couple steps behind in computer literacy.

Then again, I am also the type of person who likes to sit down, pick up a gold ol' newspaper in the morning and read it...and if you read to this point, I'm sure you do, too.

Crime Beat

8/24/07 1:10 pm

Incident: Medical assist.
 Synopsis: Aquinas Hall, referred to Residence Life and Health and Wellness Center, sick student transported to John Muir Hospital.

8/24/07 3:00 p.m.

Incident: Informational only
 Synopsis: Front gate, referred to Student Conduct, harassment: non-college period.

8/24/07 11:37 p.m.

Incident: Medical assist - alcohol related.
 Synopsis: De La Salle Hall, referred to Student Conduct, non-student transported to John Muir Medical Center.

8/25/07 12:52 a.m.

Incident: Handbook Violation.

Synopsis: Justin Hall, referred to Student Conduct, possession of drug paraphernalia and marijuana.

8/25/07 9:04 a.m.

Incident: Fire alarm.
 Synopsis: Dante Hall, referred to Physical Plant, false alarm.

8/26/07 2:17 p.m.

Incident: Informational report.
 Synopsis: Augustine Hall, referred to Physical Plant, construction hazard.

8/26/07 3:52 p.m.

Incident: Informational report.
 Synopsis: North Claeys, referred to Student Conduct, possible hate crime.

8/27/07 11:20 p.m.

Incident: Medical assist.

Synopsis: Lower De La Salle parking lot; referred to Business Office, Health and Wellness Center, and Residence Life; twisted ankles - student transported to John Muir Hospital by friend.

8/28/07 6:50 p.m.

Incident: Medical assist.
 Synopsis: Aquinas Hall, referred to Residence Life and Health and Wellness Center, injury - transported to John Muir Hospital.

8/28/07 10:40 p.m.

Incident: Student Handbook violation.
 Synopsis: Saint Mary's Parkway and front Gate, referred to Student Conduct, possession of marijuana.

The Collegian NEWS

Weekly Featured Profile

Staff/Faculty

Tony Watkins

by Joseph Moranville
Staff Writer

Tony Watkins never thought he would become a teacher, let alone a college professor. He admits that he "was not exactly dragged into [teaching] kicking and screaming," but "while [he was] trying to run from it, [he] ran right into it."

As a Stanford graduate he started his first teaching job at a private junior high in Oakland where he taught seventh and eighth grade as well as high school level geometry. After 10 years of teaching he decided it was time for a change and went to work for Charles Schwab.

Ironically enough, he still managed to become involved in education, teaching investors the best way to invest. After 14 years in corporate America he left Schwab and took a year off where he "relaxed and had a chance to enjoy being a stay-at-home parent."

It was not long before Watkins was once again called by academia. In 2004 he came to Saint Mary's to pursue a Masters of Fine Arts. Not surprisingly, Watkins fell right back into his love of teaching while completing a teaching internship at Saint Mary's.

Today, Watkins teaches English 3 and 4 and looks forward to teaching English 5 at some point in the future. His favorite part of teaching and being in the classroom is "getting to know his students personalities." Watkins said he also enjoys "the influx of students from a variety of cultures."

Watkins expressed his love for teaching when he said, "The classroom becomes a safe place, a community of scholars, a place to try ideas out on each other." Saint Mary's seems to be a perfect fit for him as it's not uncommon that a single question might spark an entire hour long classroom discussion with ideas and thoughts flying about at warp speed.

In addition to his involvement with the Saint Mary's community, Watkins also sings with four church-based groups and loves to take motorcycle tours with his friends when he can. He also teaches the Introduction to Writing class at Laney College in Oakland.

With an undergraduate degree in English and an MFA under his belt, Watkins hopes to write a book someday. He wishes to expand upon characters in some of the short stories he wrote while working on his MFA. Watkins light heartedly laughed when he said, "The writing process was a painful birthing process, the true enjoyment for me is in seeing others reactions to my writing, in seeing their faces smile in all the right places."

Fair urges students to get involved

Student clubs share information, recruit new members

by Casey O'Brien
Assistant News Editor

Students came out in force last Wednesday to experience the protean spectrum of student organizations at the annual Student Involvement Fair. Among the different student organizations are diversity, academic, service, special interest, student services, media, and affiliates.

Many student clubs work in collaboration with departments on campus, such as Delphine Intercultural Center, Student Involvement and Leadership (SIL), Center for International Programs, and Catholic Institute for Lasallian Social Action (CILSA).

Delphine Intercultural holds a proactive position to bring forth inclusiveness in the Saint Mary's College community. This organization is a collection of different types of diversity clubs around campus. Underneath Delphine Intercultural Center umbrella resides Asian Pacific American Student Association (APASA), Black Student Union (BSU), Gay Straight Alliance (GSA), Humans Actively Practicing Aloha (HAPA), Latin American Student Association (LASA), Business and Accounting Latino Association (BALA), Dante Club, German Club, International Club, Pulses, and Hermanas Unidas. Most of these clubs hold meetings every week, usually inside

Delphine Intercultural Center, and are open to any students who are interested.

"Come to get involved with our community. Delphine is a place where you can come and hang out, do your homework, get involved with different clubs and organizations. Delphine is a great way to become familiar with the Saint Mary's College community," said Elia Moreno, the coordinator of Delphine Intercultural Center.

"We have different events each cultural month. By doing so, we try to bring support and resources to issues regarding diversity. Our purpose is to educate and follow our Lasallian principles and to build our community with all students, not just students of diversity," said Moreno.

"APASA is a diversity group that invites people to come celebrate the Asian/Pacific Islander culture," said club-president Rommel Devera '08. APASA is one of the diversity clubs under Delphine Intercultural Center that will hold many events this year, such as the Diversity Dance and various barbeques.

The Student Involvement Fair provided students with plenty of opportunities to get involved with not only the Saint Mary's Community, but the local community as well. "Best Buddies is a way that Saint Mary's College students can get hooked up with other people in the community

with intellectual disabilities. It gathers people who like to serve people, hang out, and have a good time, and a friend that you can do it all with," said Co-President of Best Buddies Claudia Hawkins '08.

As members of Best Buddies, students will have the opportunity, one-on-one, to become a comrade with an intellectually challenged person. Along with these sentimental benefits, Best Buddies is a great way to make connections. "There are over 350 colleges in the states that have best buddies. We are an organization that has groups in high schools and adult programs as well. It's an all-age group, not just for college students," said Best Buddies Co-President Alex King '08.

The Student Involvement Fair was an opportunity for newer clubs to promote themselves and share their purpose with the community. Recently new clubs, such as SMC Tango, SMC Law, Hermanas Unidas, Project Green, and Students Reaching Consciousness (SRC), were all present and accounted for at the Student Involvement Fair.

With over 35 student clubs and organizations, there is plenty of opportunity to meet new people and delve into the Saint Mary's College community. For more information concerning student organizations and clubs, contact SIL or ASSMC in the first floor of Ferroggiaro Hall.

Campus Calendar

Mass of the Holy Spirit
Wednesday, September 5
12:40 p.m. - 2:10 p.m.
Chapel
Contact:
Frank Murray
x4615

Russ Rymer
Wednesday, September 5
2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
De La Salle Hall, Hagerty
Contact:
Chris Sindt
x4088

Travel Course Info. Meetings
Wednesday, September 5
4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Garaventa 130
Contact:
Chris O'Steen
x4771

Senior Orientation
Thursday, September 6
4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Contact:
Patty Bishop
x4600

Fall Welcome Dinner
Thursday, September 6
5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Contact:
Maureen Little
x4352

Integrity Seminar
Thursday, September 6
4:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Contact:
Monica Mendenhall
x4080

Faculty Welcome Back Dinner
Thursday, September 7
5:15 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
Soda Center
Contact:
Sally Jamison
x4406

Aboriginal Dream Painting
Dreaming in Color
2:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Sunday, Sept. 9
Hearst Art Gallery
Contact:
Heidi Donner
x4069

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7:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Monday, September 10
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RESLIFE: Students in townhouses deal with broken toilets, ovens, doors

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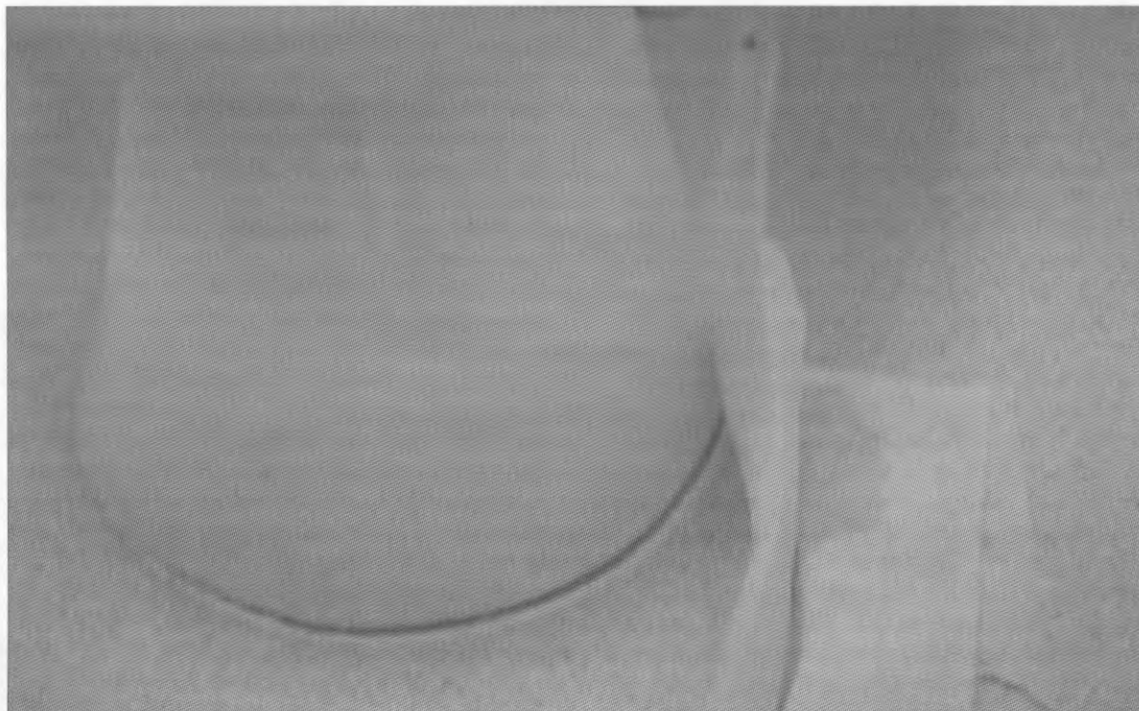
went straight into the trash, rather than being refurbished or repaired using the fees that he and his suitemates had paid.

Cordoba reflected many residents' irritation with the incomplete work. He said, "I figure they had all summer to do it. I know it's a lot of construction...but I figure it should be done by this point." The Internet does not work in his room and there is only one Ethernet jack for his double room, "I've got to share a jack with my roommate," Cordoba said.

Several rooms remain without functional stoves and their residents express frustration as "we have to depend on [Sodexho]," said Cordoba. Cordoba and Alfaro were informed that their stove is now plugged in, however, "We don't know if it's done or not; we're afraid to test it out."

"Our kitchen doesn't work still. They just put in the drawers, but not the cabinets," said Francesca Golia '08, a Guerrieri East resident. "My room is the only one where the Internet works. None of our rooms had phones. Two of my roommates put in work orders because we didn't have towel racks. Our toilet moves when you sit on it because it's not glued down. Our fridge didn't work at first—it wasn't even cold, but it works now. All they did was come in and put in drawers, but not even all of them."

As a Guerrieri East resident,



Francesca Golia '08 says her Guerrieri East toilet (pictured above) has not been completely installed and makes sitting down a doozy.

Golia currently has unlimited access into Oliver Hall for meals, "but [Sodexho]'s so gross, so I don't even eat there," she said. "Last time I went, I only had yogurt and granola."

"Last year, I lived in Ageno East. It was so much nicer—even after these renovations here," said Golia who lived in a triple last year. "In the Agenos, there are two bathrooms—the shower and the toilet are sepa-

rated—it really made a difference and it was bigger with less people

“Our toilet moves when you sit on it because it's not glued down.”

Francesca Golia '08
Guerrieri East resident

living there.”

“The fact that we don't get a microwave and all the Agenos do

isn't fair and we pay more for these townhouses.” However, she said,

“It's nice that we have carpet and that not everything's messed up and stinking. I just wish it had been done over the summer.”

Golia said that the touching up is not currently interfering with her school work and study habits, she just finds it irksome.

Cordoba also finds the silver

lining, “I like the AC. Everything's new, everything's clean, the sliding doors work, because a lot of the sliding doors didn't work last year,” he said. “The only thing is we can't mess anything up, otherwise we've got to pay for it.”

Another Freitas resident, Dorian Hernandez '09, said, “I like the fact that it was new but after move-in week, everything started falling apart—the curtains almost fell on my head when I tried to open the window.”

Hernandez also said, “They're pretty nice overall. I like the air conditioning.”

“It was clean, very clean. Of course it's nice to have everything new and clean,” said Alfaro. However, he suspects that these renovations are a way for the College to track down and target party hotspots.

“Every building is painted a different color so Public Safety can track down where all the partying is happening. It limits the whole social construct of Saint Mary's College now.”

Alfaro theorizes that should students take party photos alongside one of these accented walls and post them on Facebook, Public Safety can easily identify the corresponding townhouse and narrow their hotspot search.

On the bright side, Alfaro said, “I liked the new counters and the bathroom and the new furniture. Everything's new. What's better than new?”

OLYMPICS: Mitty wins annual event

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2004 and 2006.

Mitty's triumph may be in thanks to a large turnout by its residents, who topped by no small amount Augustine 1 and 2's (A1) numbers. Krave estimated that “about 75 percent” of Mitty attended the Olympics this year.

Overall, RecSports student leader Ivan Pantaleon '08 said, “We had a good turnout this year.”

Pantaleon also said that it appeared that “Labor Day did not affect [the turnout] at all.”

But the key, it seemed, to the success of the 2007 edition of the event, was that the first-year students experienced a taste of what Saint Mary's special events are like.

Freshman Asaiah Passwater said of the Olympics, “Overall, it was pretty fun.” He also said, “One of the benefits of going to a small school is you get to do activities like this.”

Ernie Mejia '10, another student leader with RecSports, said, “It was good....The kids were

getting into it.”

Vincent said, “Everyone's having fun and that's the most important thing.”

Still, the event is fairly young, and some feel it can be improved. Pantaleon said, “Since it's grown so much, [they should have] maybe a trophy. Something that could go from hall to hall, year to year.”

A trophy to fight over may be just enough to drive emotions even further over the edge next year.

HEAD START: Mentors help ensure success for freshmen science, math students

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Coaching Program at that institution. Her previous experience with mentoring programs helps shape the direction of Project Head Start. She will be training the peer mentors in methods she has used before with great success.

“Peer mentoring is close to my heart,” she said. “I'm excited about the program.” Mentors will spend at least an hour per week with each of their students, and another hour each week in training with Cube. In addition, the students will meet with Cube and Lucas bi-weekly to discuss their

progress.

Mentor Jessica Hitchens '10, an economics major and math minor, is ready to get started. “I'm very excited. I think there was a definite need for it. I really hope I can help these students,” she said. “With Joan's experience and Professor Lucas's passion, I think we'll have a lot of success.”

The biggest challenge facing Project Head Start is the students themselves.

“The success of this program is really dependent on how many students get into it,” Cube said. “If they don't click, it's not going

to work.”

The program is not solely about the students being helped. The goal, according to Cube, “is two-fold.” In addition to helping struggling first-year students, “peer mentors will get a lot from it by developing their leadership skills as well.”

When asked what she hoped to get from Project Head Start, Hitchens expressed the selflessness of the program and Saint Mary's spirit of service. “It's not about taking, it's all about giving. What I'll take from the program is what I give,” she said.

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FEATURE

College students question faith

Religious involvement does not reflect percentage of Catholics

by J. McAvoy & M. Vlach
News Editor & Chief Copy Editor

Catholic, Lasallian, and liberal arts are the three pillars of Saint Mary's College. According to the Saint Mary's website, 54 percent of the student population identified themselves as Catholic. But this would not be apparent based on Mass attendance.

Father Salvatore Ragusa said that Mass on Sunday night generally has about 125 people in attendance. This includes non-students, making the number of students at Mass approximately 100.

"Obviously there are a lot of students who are Catholic and Christian who we need to...hear from," he said.

However, he mentioned that some students prefer to go to Mass elsewhere. Some like to be around families, others like to go to their home parishes, and some just find different times to be more convenient.

Yet many students who call themselves Catholic simply do not go.

"I would say there are hundreds, hundreds of students that we need to get the message out [to], reach out to, and to say, 'This is your community,'" said Ragusa.

Conversely, non-Catholics often attend Mass as well.

"I do find it very affirming that we have non-Catholics who come to Mass regularly," he said. He mentioned InterVarsity Christian Fellowship (IVCF) students coming, which is the only faith-based Associated Students group. It is a nationwide evangelical organization that helps the Saint Mary's community grow in its relationship with God. IVCF has about 15 regular members and other students who are involved in the weekly Bible studies.

IVCF President Jeffrey Morgan '10 said, "We do have a calling to bring Christ's love to others on campus; reaching out in small groups, reaching out to freshmen, reaching out to people on the edge of campus."

However, he also said that the group has "no exclusivity" and "welcomes people of all faiths or



Zack Farmer/COLLEGIAN

“ Just because someone says they are Catholic doesn't mean that they go to church or practice it. I think a lot of people were raised Catholic, but don't identify with it as much anymore.

Mallory Campeau '08

who have no declared faith.”

Furthermore, Ragusa said that in the past, there have been Buddhist and Hindu students who attended Mass.

Non-Catholic students also observe their faiths on their own. Ragusa mentioned a Mormon group, an Episcopalian group, and a Jewish group of which he had knowledge.

Religious Education Professor Father John Morris O.P. said, "I think there are some [students] who really participate a lot, but I don't think they are in the majority."

Morris estimated that about 10 percent of students go to Mass regularly or are involved in some sort of religious activity.

However, he did point out that there are other activities that are not necessarily religious, but serve the community in ways consistent with Lasallian values. "There are a lot of other activi-

ties students are involved in that deal with social work and Catholic values like CILSA (Catholic Institute for Lasallian Social Action)," said Morris.

CILSA organizes local and international service projects for students interested in making a difference. Projects include the Alameda Point Collaborative, Leo Center tutoring in Oakland, Jumpstart, relief work in New Orleans, and other volunteer opportunities for current students and graduates.

Students also find other ways to express their faith through Lasallian Community and Santiago Community.

"Both communities have as the foundational themes faith, service and community," said Brother Michael Sanderl, dean of Mission and Ministry.

This faith can be expressed in a number of ways.

"Every time we meet as the

Lasallian Community we pray together not only for our community to grow but for the people we are serving and the campus as a whole, and we also go to Mass together every Sunday night," said Lily Manderville '10, one of the Lasallian Community leaders.

The group also discusses religious issues during their quarter credit class, called "Living Lasallian." In their first session of the year, the group answered the question, "What does faith mean to you?"

"It's in those discussions that issues of religion, issues of faith, religious traditions, religious practices emerge as topics for discussion in a way that really honors the voices and the experiences and the questions and the searching of each one of those who are a part of the community," said Sanderl.

Manderville spoke of different beliefs among the students partici-

pating. She said, "There are a number of people in both Santiago and Lasallian Community who do question their faith or question what they believe in. And so I'm guessing they probably joined Lasallian Community to really reach a conclusion or to really explore what they believe in."

A recent UCLA study found that more than half of the college juniors surveyed attended religious services regularly when they started college. However, by their junior year, only 29 percent reported doing so. This decrease in attendance could be due to students questioning and exploring their faith.

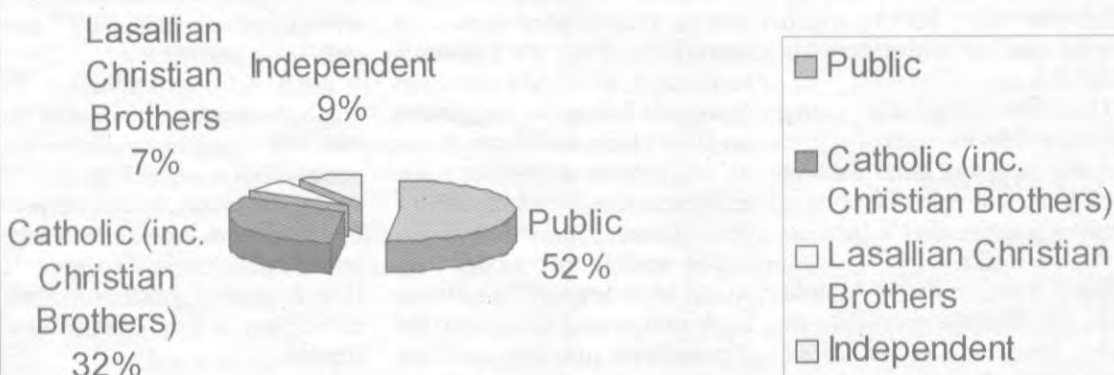
Mallory Campeau '08 said, "Just because someone says they are Catholic doesn't mean that they go to church or practice it. I think a lot of people were raised Catholic, but don't identify with it as much anymore."

Being away from home gives many students the freedom they need to experiment with their faith and find their own relationship with God. "I grew up going to Catholic school and having everything forced onto me, but now I can figure out what I believe on my own," said Campeau. Thirty-two percent of Saint Mary's students went to a Catholic high school, including Christian Brother's schools. Seven percent went to Lasallian Christian Brother's high schools.

Morris agrees that it is not the school's responsibility to force religion on its students. "I think that its [the school's] first function is education. It's not a catechism class," he said. "The College has a responsibility to make an environment for Catholicism to thrive, but it is ultimately up to the student."

Ragusa mentioned a search for answers as well. "I think there is a revitalization of faith among young people and on the college campus, and it's just really exciting to be part of that and to be able to journey with people who are asking hard questions," he said.

The High School Origins of Saint Mary's Students



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Chavez paves way for dictatorship

by Sean Kent
Staff Writer

While most of the Western world has its eyes turned toward the Middle East, most notably on intervention in Iran and Iraq, Venezuela has taken another step in its gradual descent into fascism.

Earlier this month, President Hugo Chavez proposed numerous changes to the country's constitution, including one to lengthen presidential terms by a year and lift the limit on the number of consecutive terms an elected leader can serve.

For any person who's even somewhat cognizant of recent history, the fact that a leader of a mostly socialist state wants to do away with term limits should send up an immediate red flag.

While Chavez claims that he won't use the new laws to his advantage, who's going to stop him? While he vows to step aside after this, his last term, which he also hopes to extend, there is nothing to stop his re-nomination by popular referendum. While elections will continue to be held, they will be nothing more than elaborate shows to re-elect the man for life by popular vote.

Chavez has been shrewd in his rise to the top, following the strategy of other socialist rulers: give the people what they want and they'll support you to any end. In Venezuela's case, this involved developing a multi-billion dollar social services program that gave the majority of impoverished citizens better access to healthcare and education. Working with a legislature exclusively comprised of his fellow Fifth Republic Movement party members, Chavez easily defeated a 2004 recall attempt from his disorganized opposition. The same grateful, poor majority that benefited from his social development program and kept him in office three years is expected to overwhelmingly approve the presidential term changes.

From America's perspective, calling this a setback would be an understatement. While Castro's death is eagerly awaited, it seems that Chavez will eagerly fill the role of American agitator in the West. Although Venezuela doesn't have dangerous nuclear capabilities nor is as close to U.S. borders as Cuba, Chavez does pose a threat with the power and wealth he gains from his country's most significant natural resource, oil. If we continue to burn bridges in the Middle East and refuse to drill in Alaska, our energy-dependent nation will be forced to deal with other, potentially hostile countries with Texas tea.

In a sense, our strategy to starve militaristic Japan of oil before the outbreak of the Second World War could be turned against us as one of our biggest and closest foes now has a greater share of the proverbial cards.

In a few years, we're going to have to deal with a resource-rich country governed by an embedded president with every reason to deny us.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Interesting piece you had about those unsung school songs, but what is ordinarily forgotten is that "On to Victory" is just the chorus. Largely forgotten except by aging and downright aged men is the verse, somewhat more bellicose and belligerent in nature. It goes

Sons of the Red and Blue tear down the thunder
from the western sky,
Curdle the blood of every foe within the land;
You are the roughest, toughest sons of Cain
to ever hit the turf,
Onward, though it means that you must die;
Fighting with you the ghosts of yesteryear
who blazed the paths of yore,
Let them not have fought in vain;
Carry on, you must fight, men, fight men,
fight and win, then
On to victory! (followed by the chorus)

This verse never found much support from the faculty. Schooled in theology and familiar with the Book of Genesis, they felt the reference to Cain more or left the first murderer within the alumni. While seldom sung, it was always a part of the band rendition. It's been more than 60 years since I edited *The Collegian*. It was a rewarding but wearying experience. I wish you well.

—Stanley Gilliam, '45

Dear Editor,

As you know, I made a futile attempt a few years ago to raise awareness about our fight song. I even had a little bit of history about it. Despite the fact it was not successful, I don't think the problem is the fight song itself, but the lack of the student's body respect for the long-standing traditions of the College. I don't think fans at Michigan would say "Hail to the Victors is out of date" or Notre Dame's fight song is out-moded. USC continually plays their fight song. Fight songs are a way of showing pride in one's school. The problem lies in the fact that students don't love their Gaels enough. It is supposed to band ALL ALUMNI together. "On to Victory" is similar, made during the glory days of Slip Madigan and Gael Football. It is tradition. We shouldn't strip those minute, yet vital, vestiges of pride from our college. I mean there are the die-hards such as myself who bleed blue and red, but by and large students just don't take pride in being a Gael.

—Mike Chin, '06 Alum

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Kenyan village plundered by protected, resourceful monkeys Laws prevent humans from defending themselves, famine results

There is a village in Kenya being terrorized, but it's nothing the Bush Administration is going to worry about.

This time, the terrorists have taken the form of bands of organized monkeys who have stolen so much food from the village that it is now suffering from famine. When the women try to chase them off the monkeys point at their breasts and make lewd gestures; some of the women are afraid they will actually be attacked. Though the men can chase them off, the monkeys have organized scout patrols to run ahead and tell the thieving parties that it's time to cut and run, so the men rarely catch them and the crops. The villagers are now worried that the monkeys might come inside the village and attack children and infants.

But what's the big deal? Set traps, shoot them, poison some food, and the problem will be



DARWYNN DEYO

solved, albeit violently. However, that's not an option, as the Kenya Wildlife Service has warned the villagers not to kill them. The monkeys are a protected species and so killing them is a criminal offense; as it is an African country, the punishment is unlikely to be dealt with by a stiff upper lip. So the villagers are caught between a rock and a hard place. Some have started to move away, abandoning the village as lost, while those who remain are now on famine relief.

Valuing the lives of humans and monkeys in this way is clearly awkward. The monkeys are a danger to the humans' survival and

their sense of security. Maybe they really should become extinct if they are prone to such behavior. People should not be more interested in protecting animals that outright attack them than in protecting their own lives, especially when the government is making the decision about the livelihood of those who depend on them; this is often the case in knee-jerk reactions to crises. There is a reason why the saber-toothed tiger is extinct; it was us or them. If someone has trouble deciding between the life of a human, one assumed to be stable and peaceful, and some other violent species, that person has seriously unbalanced evolutionary priorities.

This perspective is not uncommon, however, as people prioritize things over other humans' lives all the time. It is justified by claiming that humans spread like a virus, that humans will survive anyway, and that a few less hu-

mans is just what this planet needs. If this was put in the context of eliminating certain ethnic or religious groups, most people would be horrified, but if you generalize individual humans into a collective being, it becomes palatable, at least to some.

These Kenyan villagers are not murderers or toxic waste; they are people trying to live their lives, subsistence survival as it is, while the people they depend on to protect them, the government, alternates between thinking their claims are absurd, wanting to study the monkeys to find out why they might act this way, and still protecting these terror-mongering monkeys. Nobody is considering letting the Kenyans protect their own lives and their own crops by letting them protect themselves.

What a failure of decision making.

iPhone hacking a waste of minutes, hardly any benefits

Unlocked phone useless as warranty will be voided, as new phone adapts

George Hotz, a 17-year-old hacker, recently enshrined his name in the halls of geekdom by unlocking the iPhone from its carrier AT&T.

A pity his feat is mostly worthless. The iPhone, for those who've been living under a rock, is Apple's first step into the cellular world. It features a fancy touch screen and an even fancier price of \$599 for an eight-gigabyte phone. While the phone may be brilliant, its carrier is not, as AT&T has received complaints about shoddy reception and 300-page bills.

Enter Hotz, who decided to spend his summer before college on normal teenage ambitions like hacking expensive pieces of hardware. While Hotz's "accomplishment" certainly required skill, as it took him over 500 hours to free the phone from AT&T's clutches,



MARK FREEMAN

the newly unlocked iPhone faces a host of problems.

The hacked iPhone is only compatible with T-Mobile, which has the smallest native network in the U.S.

That means people using Verizon and Sprint, most of whom probably wouldn't mind owning an iPhone, still won't be able to get one because they'd have to switch networks.

Did I mention that T-Mobile users get terrible reception at Saint Mary's? The liberated iPhone will allow people traveling overseas to use different net-

works, but I wonder why anyone would bother taking the trouble unlocking the phone when they can just use a phone with an international calling plan. Do you really need to show off your iPhone during that week-long trip to Europe? Better hope your hacked phone doesn't get confiscated by airport security.

Then there's the problem of getting your iPhone hacked to begin with. While the process is technically legal, it's not easy. You could follow the instructions on Hotz's blog, but unless you're an engineering or computer science major you'll be lost within a few minutes.

The second and easier way would be to download a software hack that would take over the iPhone like a virus and do all the tough unlocking for you.

But AT&T has already begun

mobilizing its army of lawyers against people selling the software hack. Legal representatives of the company have already contacted websites like uniquephones.com, which claims to possess such unlocking software, and offering "friendly advice," lawyer lingo for "we're about to sue you out of your house if you sell this hack." So don't expect millions of iPhone users to escape from AT&T just yet.

Even if hacked iPhones do reach the public, Apple wins either way. Most likely, if you get your iPhone unlocked, you'll void the warranty, so don't expect any help from Apple's tech support if something goes wrong. If that happens, you'll have no choice but to buy a brand new iPhone.

I think I can hear Steve Jobs chuckling now.

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Flyers held hostage in designated areas: is it right?

Posted areas will be dumps

Joe Moranville

Stefanie Wang

Policy great for environmentally savvy

Flyers, there will be less and less on the walls this year. The Campus Deans and Directors committee has established new guidelines for the posting of flyers around campus, limiting material approved by Student Involvement and Leadership to designated "high traffic areas" which are to be clearly marked by a tan-colored paint. Restricting the placement of flyers is an attempt to limit the amount of "visual clutter," reduce paper waste, and create a less hazardous campus environment. Apparently, the committee knows about hazards such as posted materials presented (hazards which most students have been oblivious to) and this will apparently fix everything.

Now when running down the hall to class or out of the building when Saint Mary's is rocked by an earthquake, students will no longer be distracted by flyers that may have otherwise clouded their vision and prevented them from making their way to safety in another state.

There is also no more need to worry about the amount of flyers around campus as they will now be heaped on top of one another in the marked posting areas. The only trouble is that now club flyers will be competing for limited space with other club flyers, as there is limited space provided for advertising upcoming events. So much for saving paper, since clubs

will have to print flyers for all the designated areas to keep up with the barrage of other postings in the concentrated space.

While it may be an honest attempt at beautifying our campus, it's still pointless. All that is happening is what some might consider "wall garbage" is being moved from one location to another, a "high traffic area," which ends up cluttering areas anyway.

The committee may have aimed for *N e i m a n Marcus*, but somewhere along the way came up with Ross instead. Don't be fooled into thinking it's a move that will class things up around here because in fact we're still on par with the TJ Maxx up the street.

There may also be fines assessed for not removing flyers by the expiration date; fines for not digging through massive heaps of flyers to get our own down before they expire.

Just wait 'til the year is in full swing and these so called posting areas are going to look like mini-garbage dumps nailed to our \$46,000-a-year walls.

So much for campus beautification.

The new arrangement for flyer advertisement relocation seems a good idea to me. The walkway from Ferroggiaro Quad to Oliver Hall once sported the highest concentration of flyers, but all the different flyers eventually overlapped. It was an explosion of color that became easy to ignore. Once you've seen one rainbow mess, you've seen them all. Neon pink on top of neon orange, one after another.

That method was just not effective. Event coordinators and clubs relied on one poster out of the dozens posted to reach the unsuspecting passerby. This has about the same success rate as a swarm of sperm swimming toward an unfertilized egg.

Previously, students had the privilege to place approved posters anywhere around campus, but were there random papers stuck all over the school? No, there weren't. Publicity officers are smart enough to know which areas on campus yield better poster to turnout rates. Now that Student Involvement and Leadership (SIL) is designating flyer areas, some are uncomfortable with the new limitations. However, if you

stop to think about it, what difference does it really make? It's just that now someone is telling us where to put our flyers.

Though people might start to put extremely large flyers in an extremely small space, a moderate mess in a small space is still less ugly than a flurry of papers spanning 50 feet. In spite of the posters and flyers dangling out of the designated tan spaces, I have enough faith in my fellow students to expect that they will be considerate to their fellow advertisers and adjust their flyer strategies. If I am wrong, I am sure that the situation will be resolved in due time. I have great faith that SIL, like any other governmental system, will implement an addendum rule that prohibits monopolization of space in a designated posting area.

Henry David Thoreau once said, "As you simplify your life, the laws of the universe will be simpler." Now that posting areas are limited, there isn't a whole lot of thinking left in posting flyers. Pick a flyer color, compose your message, semi-mass produce it, and stick it on a tan rectangle. It really isn't that different from before. Not only does the new policy improve the aesthetic appeal of the campus, it also reduces paper waste and the unnecessary expenditure of a club's budget.

The only loss is the surprise signs in the public restrooms but I'll live.

Golden Gate threatened by ads

by Jennifer Kennedy
Staff Writer

Our glamorous Golden Gate Bridge needs money, now.

The money is for repairs, maintenance and restoration, and so a sponsorship plan has been developed for consideration. Corporations as well as private and public businesses can purchase a sponsorship and in return they would receive ad space on the Golden Gate Bridge visitors center, on the nearby plaza, and on public transportation operated by the Golden Gate Bridge.

Driving south toward San Francisco on Highway 101 one's eye is caught by the boldness of the bay, the sailboats, the fog, and most importantly the bridge.

There are currently no ads and no billboards surrounding the bridge or its approach. It is a work of man-made art in nature, and a masterpiece. Our bridge is an icon of San Francisco and California as a tourist attraction.

Selling these ads for the bridge tarnishes the bridge's natural splendor and changes its image. By placing advertisements, especially before the bridge, the view is tampered.

The bridge is no longer a work of art but instead one giant commercial and becomes like any other place. While trying to admire the bridge and take it all in, one would become distracted by advertisements for soda companies, cell phones, fast food, gasoline, and so on.

A commercialized feeling is not what people are looking for when they enter San Francisco and cross the bridge. It takes away from the experience of the Golden Gate, especially for those seeing it for the first time in person.

If San Francisco commits to this sponsorship program, what is stopping people in the future from increasing the number of ads?

If the advertisements are profitable for the businesses advertising, they are going to want more ad space. It might also appear to be beneficial for the bridge because it creates more revenue for repairs. Who is to stop them from actually hanging banners or signs on the bridge itself? It has been said that the ads will never go this far but one thing tends to lead to another.

The ads will completely cover San Francisco's most famous piece of art.

Instead of offering ad space, why not just raise the toll by one more dollar? I would not mind paying an extra dollar if it kept the bridge from looking like someone's garbage. Also, we could apply more of our tax dollars toward the restoration. It is worth it to keep us safe while crossing the bridge as well as for us to have the same experience we have always had: commercial free.

Which is more reasonable: raising money through ads or maintaining a commercial free display of the city's most well known landmark?

Public transportation is a good thing Students should appreciate it more

A fair few of the students at Saint Mary's College, at least those without cars, complain about public transportation.

Their woes span the dramatic spectrum from "the bus is never on time" and "it shuts down too soon" to "it smells, the drivers are blind, and every time I ride the bus I'm afraid I'll be leaving in a body bag."

The way I see it, it all depends on where you come from.

In my home town, hitch-hiking is the only public transportation and there is no knowing how long it is until the next ride, so the bus is a huge step up.

Do I wish it ran after 6:00 p.m. on weekends? Sure, but I don't think it's

worthless. A person used to the San Francisco bus system might find the County Connection buses less than fantastic, but the County Connection is intended to be used primarily by commuters, and it achieves that purpose quite well.

In regards to students, it is in many ways unreasonable to expect anything more than what we already get.

The bus is free, it runs to campus despite campus being the only thing on the hill, it goes down into



ALEX BRANCH

Moraga, Lafayette, and BART, providing convenient transportation to those places, and through connections it goes all the way to San Ramon and Martinez.

Besides the County Connection, BART is also a huge asset to Saint Mary's students.

To be able to conveniently and cheaply travel through the whole Bay Area is phenomenal. Traveling on

BART from Orinda to Powell and back costs only \$7.30 and transit to BART is free, courtesy of the bus system. To drive would be far more expensive, and public transportation reduces the amount of fossil fuels burned.

Public transportation at Saint Mary's and in the Bay Area is useful, economic, and environmentally friendly.

So why is everyone so upset about the bus not running late into the night on weekends?

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Harry Potter's impact on reading only fantasy? Despite popular series, youth reading trends worrisome

by Mark Freeman
Staff Writer

Harry Potter has battled dark wizards and teenage angst, but is his magic powerful enough to encourage reading?

The answer is no, according to a recent child literacy study by the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA). In 1999, when the first *Potter* novel was released, the number of children who said they read for fun everyday declined from 43 percent in fourth grade to 19 percent in eighth grade. In 2005, after the sixth novel came out, these figures remained flat.

"What we need is a *Harry Potter* every week," NEA Chairman Dana Gioia said in an interview with the *San Francisco Chronicle*. He respects "the *Harry Potter* craze because it got millions of kids to read a complicated series of books," but "the trouble is, reading one big book a year is no substitute for the habit of daily reading."

Book reading itself seems to be slowly dying from a killing curse. In 2002, the NEA released a report stating that only 57 percent of Americans had read a book in the past year. If *Harry Potter* was that one book, it's possible that

As kids enter adolescence, they engage in more social activities or entertain themselves by watching TV or playing video games.

However, sitting back and waiting for a magic spell won't reverse the dismal reading trends. Paren-

parent and you're not engaged in helping your kid find that 'right' next book, it's going to be difficult."

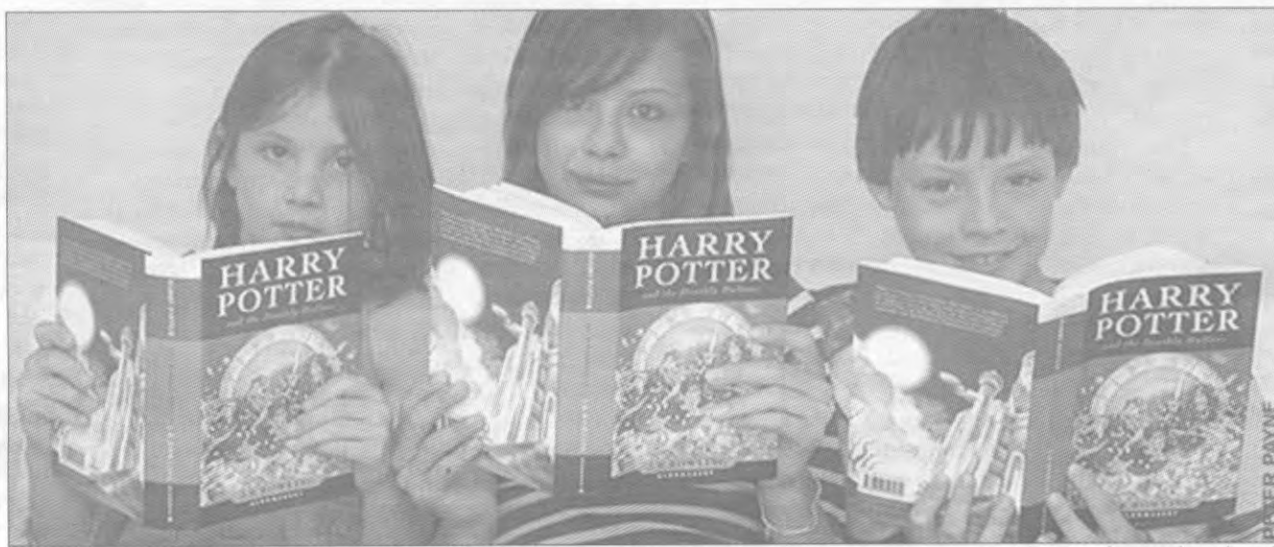
Holton argues that the blame for declining reading levels shouldn't be placed on the shoul-

and Scholastic reportedly printed 12 million copies for its first run. In total, there are roughly 140 million copies of the *Potter* novels in circulation.

Regardless of the trends, *Harry Potter* might be reading's savior yet. According to a study commissioned by Scholastic, 51 percent of 500 children aged five to 17 said they didn't read books for fun before they started *Harry Potter*. But after seven years of Quidditch and polyjuice potions, three-quarters of the kids said that reading the series had made them interested in other books.

The Scholastic study appears accurate, as Amazon reports that customers who bought *Harry Potter* were also likely to buy fantasy novels like *The Lord of the Rings* and *Eragon*.

Some people have even called the series a classic that will be read by generations to come. In an interview on Duke University's website, Ph.D. student Heather Mitchell said she anticipates kids will be "reading *Harry Potter* 100 years from now whether people think they're literature or not."



Courtesy of www.telegraph.co.uk

disenchanted fans won't read anything else. Numerous Facebook groups already claim to suffer from "Post-*Potter* depression," and some would give anything for J.K. Rowling to extend the series.

Adding more *Harry Potters* won't solve the problem though. The NEA study shows that reading tends to fall off as children age.

tal involvement is the key to getting kids more interested in books.

"When there's a drop-off in reading, the number one problem kids cite is not being able to find that 'right' next book," said Lisa Holton, president of trade publishing at Scholastic, the publisher of the *Potter* series. "If you are a

parent of one wizard though. "It's unfair when people say that if *Harry Potter* hasn't gotten every single kid to read, it must have failed," she said.

Despite declining levels, the "*Harry Potter* Effect" is still profound. Pre-orders at Amazon.com and Barnes and Noble for the seventh book broke all-time records,

Attention Disorder Corner **Sudoku**

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Harry Potter Wordsearch

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Remus Bathilda Severus
Basilisk Godric Hippogriff
Aberforth Bellatrix Diadem

St. Jean of the Lawn | J. Harry Painter



Artist Awareness

Manu Chao

myspace.com/manuchao

Courtesy of www.bonnaroo.com

Where He's Been

- Born June 21, 1961 in Paris, France to parents of Spanish origin.
- Founder and former lead vocalist of Mano Negra
- Debut solo album *Clandestino* one of best-selling albums in French music history, 2.5 million copies sold worldwide

Where He Is

- Co-headlined final day of 2007 Coachella Valley Music and Arts Festival, performing with backing band Radio Bemba Sound System
- Latest album, *La Radiolina*, released yesterday in United States.

Download These

- "Rainin In Paradize"
- "Bongo Bong"
- "Me Gustas Tú"



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This Week in History

Same-sex marriages introduced, televisions finalized

by Irene Nino
Staff Writer

September 6, 2005:

Two years ago this week, the California legislature voted to legalize same-sex marriages. This was the first legislative body in the United States to do this without a judicial order. Governor Schwarzenegger, however, vetoed the bill later that month. Twenty-six states currently have constitutional amendments explicitly barring the recognition of same-sex marriages, confining civil marriages to a legal union between a man and a woman.



Courtesy of www.msnbc.msn.com
A newly wed lowan couple celebrates, the Reverend shows support

this unjust. She said, "All human beings should have the same rights and gay people are fellow human beings."
Samantha Yeates '10 agrees.

She said that gay marriage is "a freedom people should have and we shouldn't have the right to control [that freedom]."

The Bush Administration tried to amend the United States Constitution to clarify the definition of marriage, in effect outlawing same-sex marriage.

Opponents believe marriage is a personal decision that each individual should have the option of making.

Morgan supports legislation regarding same-sex marriage. He said, "The Government was

founded on religion, so separation of church and state is impossible." He stressed again that "God set out marriage as a union between a man and a woman."

People of Iowa and California are still fighting for and against legislation concerning gay marriage and Saint Mary's students are willing and able to participate in this issue.

September 7, 1927:

Four score ago this week, inventor Philo Taylor Farnsworth succeeded in making the first electronic television sys-



Courtesy of www.eoearth.org
Philo Taylor Farnsworth poses with his invention.

tem. The television systems that were being experimented with at that time consisted of spinning disks that had a myriad of holes and mirrors, designed to convert

light to electricity.

These disks and mirrors gave a poor resolution. Farnsworth realized as he was mowing hay in rows that an electron beam could scan a picture in horizontal lines, reproducing the image instantaneously.

Farnsworth called his device an image dissector because it converted individual elements of the image into electricity one at a time. He replaced the spinning disks with an element that emits electrons when exposed to light. At the age of 21, Farnsworth applied for a patent on the television he developed. His electronic invention is the basic television model we still use today.

Without Farnsworth's invention, college students like Yeates would be living very different lives. "[Television is] a way I can keep connected to society," Yeates said.

Farnsworth's improvement of the television 80

years ago contributed to what now helps students stay in touch with the outside world and encourages them in times of stress.

The three types of American

by J. Harry Painter
Detour Editor

There are, with few significant exceptions, three types of American.

The first and most common brand of American is the *Family Guy* fan. He is the America perceived by those fortunate enough not to be burdened with residence in the greatest country in the world. This variety is responsible, though not consciously, for establishing and maintaining American stereotypes. The "Griffinite," as I will crudely classify members of this crowd, is content, if not downright thrilled, to indulge in the latest new craze. The Griffinite simply sees, is delighted, and consumes, regardless of the consequences.

The second type prefers, over all other programming, *The Simpsons*. The "Simpsonite" plays it safe, not risking his dignity just to take interest in something new. This group is responsible for U2's continuing fame (as well as their undeserved Grammy awards), and owns every Metallica album, even *St. Anger*. The Simpsonite habitually ignores the flaws of a broken system, refusing to let go of what once was a good idea.

And finally, the third class of American is the *South Park* fan. The "Cartmanite" has discovered the novel idea of using his brain, rather than being spoon-fed his entire personality by rampant political correctness and mindless cultural trends. The Cartmanite rejects the notion that the mainstream is the only stream. A member of this class also takes the stance that no matter how good it may be, one simply cannot listen to the same Led Zeppelin album over and over again until the bustle in one's hedgerow completely ceases to exist.

While the Cartmanite is likely to get along with the Simpsonite, it simply irks him that the Simpsonite is so reluctant to accept the greatness of that which came after it. The Simpsonite tends to repeat the old tired line, "You wouldn't even be here if it weren't for us." The Cartmanite laughs this off, respectfully omitting that the the quality of his favorite show has been declining for years.

Both the Cartmanites and the Simpsonites, however, agree that the Griffinites are senseless, sacrificing quality in favor of "normalcy." Meanwhile, the Griffinites are such shameless conformists that they have lost respect for sacred tradition and are bewildered by those who sway from the norm.

What is tragic is that every American is so loyal to his favorite show that he refuses to see any good in the other shows.

We must, however, understand that there will always be a *Family Guy*, just as there will always be a *South Park* and *The Simpsons*; only the name changes. A balance must always be found between the three groups—even *South Park* has a bad episode every now and then.

Telegraph's Asmara Restaurant well worth trip Eritrean, Ethiopian cuisine makes for terrific night out

by Darwynn Deyo
Opinion Editor

If you're like most Saint Mary's undergrads, chances are you haven't had the pleasure of dining at a place like Asmara Restaurant.

Located at 5020 Telegraph Avenue in Oakland, this place serves Eritrean and Ethiopian cuisine in a relaxed atmosphere with quick service and a friendly staff. Besides the excellent food offered, in portions big enough to skip the next day's breakfast, there is also plenty of décor to provide entertainment during the short wait. Traditional woven rugs and runners hang from the ceiling while a series of paintings tell a story about the history of the people. Decorative fences offer seclusion from the entrance area and separate some tables from others, making it ideal for dates, but plenty of casual groups dine there as well.



Courtesy of www.asmararestaurant.com

For a night out, two people can share a meal for about \$20. It's better to order a single dish; it comes on a large plate to be eaten with injera. It's not a good idea to eat this light bread too quickly or on its own, because it swells up in one's stomach. The best way to go is to order from the main entrees since they come with a fresh salad, seasonal vegetables, and of course injera bread.

The zigni dish, which is strips of marinated beef cooked in berbere sauce and spices, is good and spicy but better when cooled off so as not to shock the mouth

before tasting it. Also good is the tebsy, which when not spicy is better eaten with the salad, but spice is a great way to go when eating this food.

The drinks are as notable as the food. Ethiopian beer is supposed to be good, but Asmara offers a selection of non-alcoholic drinks besides the usual Coke and juice. Their specialties are the Asmara Comfort and the Asmara Delight; the Comfort is a good drink but is similar to a smoothie, so the Delight, a juice with banana and honey, is better as it is less-filling.

Asmara also offers various teas for after the meal. There is a normal selection, and then there is the cinnamon and clove tea, which is strong on the clove and allows one time to relax from the meal before leaving.

As for parking, it's not difficult to find some nearby. Though not in a dangerous area, it's always better to park someplace that will be well-lit after dinner, especially for those who choose to hang out at some bars afterward, which is not a bad idea for those over 21.

Some might need another incentive to take the trip to Oakland besides a great restaurant and visiting local bars. This can be found at nearby 5239 Telegraph Avenue, where one can buy ingredients to recreate a meal. However, it is important to keep in mind that not all shops are open 24 hours like Safeway.

Asmara Restaurant is the perfect way to get out of the Lamorinda comfort zone and enjoy a quality Bay Area experience.

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PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

Freshmen take lead for volleyball

New class going along for ride of first college season

Allie Weiner



Sophomore Allie Weiner put on a clinic at the California Tournament at Berkeley last

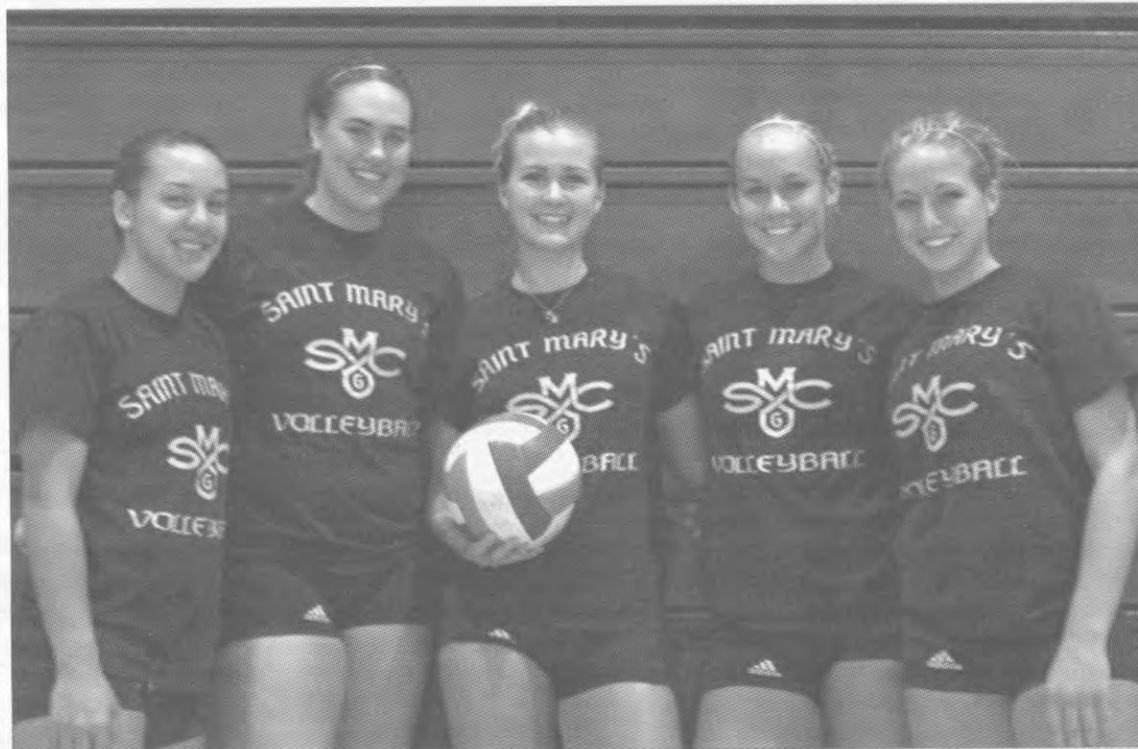
weekend. She recorded her first goal of the season on top of three assists to help the women's soccer team to a 1-0-1 record.

Megan Burton

Sophomore Megan Burton was the epitome of efficiency this past weekend with a kill percentage of .500. She totalled 26 kills in the two matches over the weekend. She helped keep the volleyball team undefeated at 5-0.



Courtesy of smcgaels.com



Victor Labrousse/COLLEGIAN

Left to Right: Freshmen Kapua Kamana'o, Shannon Lowell, Kelly Huston, Megan York, and Christy Payne have led the Gaels to a 5-0 record in the first two weeks on the road.

by Zack Farmer
Managing Editor

Typically you would not think five freshmen leading a team into a match against the #3 team in the nation had a chance. A perfect 5-0 record does not seem much like the early production of a freshmen led team either.

Megan York, Kelly Huston, Christy Payne, Shannon Lowell,

and Kapua Kamana'o were brought in by Head Coach Rob Browning in the hopes to recharge the team and they have done so very quickly.

After the volleyball team failed to reach the NCAA Tournament for the first time in five years and losing key seniors and transfers, a rebuilding process seemed to be beginning for the program. After the first two weekends of play, it

seems that this team is not rebuilding but ready for their comeback.

Coming off their first road weekend in which they defeated the Arizona Wildcats, they summed up their experience. "We were nervous weeks before we left [for Arizona]," said York.

What made the transition easy for them was the immediate team chemistry. "We all get along so well," Houston said. York reiterated

Houston's point. "It's one of the reasons [we are winning]," York said.

San Antonio, TX native York was the #63 ranked volleyball player in the nation by Prepvolleyball.com and named Division 4 Player of the Year her senior year.

This is not to say they have not noticed the level of competition. "[It's] definitely a lot more intense," Lowell said. York agreed with Lowell. "The level of competition is definitely better," York said.

Another issue for this young team should have been its lack of a senior to lead. That has not been a problem either. "It's one of the least of our worries," said Payne. "I think the juniors have done a good job."

Some of the players believe these so-called deficiencies are helpful to the team. "It's kind of an advantage," said Lowell. "We'll probably be underestimated."

Winning is not new to any of them. Huston won three straight CIF Championships from 2004 to 2006. Payne recorded back-to-back league titles while she led her team to a NCS and NorCal Championship. Kamana'o won the Hawaiian State Championship in 2005. Lowell won the California State Championships in 2005.

Among the schools attempting to recruit them were Duke University, University of Texas, University of Tennessee, University of Nevada Reno, and the University of Miami.



GO GAELS!

ATHLETIC SCHEDULE

Thursday, Sept. 6
Volleyball @ Stanford
7 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 7
Women's Soccer vs. Vermont
4:30 p.m.

Volleyball vs. BYU
@ Stanford
4:30 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 8
Cross Country @ Chico State Invitational

Men's Soccer vs. CS Bakersfield
2 p.m.

Volleyball vs. Cal Poly
@ Stanford
4:30 p.m.

Sunday, Sept. 9
Women's Soccer vs. CS Bakersfield
2:30 p.m.

Monday, Sept. 10
Men's Golf @
SMC Intercollegiate Day I
Pebble Beach, CA

TRANSACTIONS AND STANDINGS

Athletics				Men's Soccer			
Team	WCC	PCT	Overall	Team	WCC	PCT	Overall
Eric Cattoni '08, Achim				SCU(5)	0-0	1.000	2-0-0
Christner '09, Stef Orodoveza				SMC	0-0	.500	1-1-0
'08, Megan Burton '10,				USF	0-0	.500	1-1-0
Caitlin Aloia '08, Johanna				GON	0-0	.500	1-1-0
Timmer '09, Victoria				POR	0-0	.500	1-1-0
Ramirez '07, Lauren				USD	0-0	.000	0-1-0
Shaughnessy '08, and Jenna				LMU	0-0	.000	0-1-0
Zack '09 received Gold							
Honors in the WCC				Saint Mary's			2
Commissioner's Honor Roll				Davidson			0
				Saint Mary's			1
				Charlotte			2
				Volleyball			
				Team	WCC	PCT	Overall
				SMC	0-0	1.000	5-0
				SCU(19)	0-0	.833	5-1
				USF	0-0	.833	5-1
				POR	0-0	.667	4-2
				USD(12)	0-0	.600	3-2
				PEP	0-0	.600	3-2
				GON	0-0	.572	4-3
				LMU	0-0	.500	3-3
				Women's Soccer			
				Team	WCC	PCT	Overall
				POR(4)	0-0	1.000	2-0-0
				SMC	0-0	1.000	1-0-1
				SCU	0-0	1.000	1-0-0
				USF	0-0	.000	0-0-1
				GON	0-0	.500	1-1-0
				USD	0-0	.500	1-1-0
				PEP	0-0	.000	0-1-1
				LMU	0-0	.000	0-2-0
				Saint Mary's			2
				Colorado College			2
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				Columbia			1

SMC Sports Fact of the Week
The record for most points in a single men's soccer game is seven. Juan Guarda vs. CS Los Angeles on October 17, 1990

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SPORTS

New runners give Gaels fresh start

Eight newcomers hope to improve on strengthening program

GIONFRIDDO: Football is here

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Karrie Hagedorn '08 looks to improve on her NCAA Regional appearance. Courtesy of www.smcgaels.com

by Stef Orloveza
Staff Writer

The men's and women's cross-country teams have begun their 2007 season and both teams are already well on their way, practicing two times a day despite the

three-digit weather and humidity. Both teams are looking forward to better finishes this season. Looking back on the men's West Coast Conference (WCC) results last year, Daniel Reyes '08 said, "We worked hard but were not as successful as we wanted to be. We

finished the season last in conference, so we're looking to move up in the ranking this year."

Teammate David Stiles '09 said, "I was disappointed last year. We had a good summer, worked really hard, kept putting in a lot of miles in and didn't get the results we wanted."

However, according to the team, their goal is to not only move up from the bottom, but to break the bottom half.

"Our goal is top four in conference. We've all put a lot of miles in already and we're still looking to work harder, so our expectations are much higher. The teams we want to attack are Gonzaga, Pepperdine, Loyola Marymount, and USD," said Stiles.

However, "putting in the miles" is only one of the factors cross-country is expecting to uplift them this season. "We have two new transfers this year—juniors. They are by far the best on the team. One is from Davis and the other from Carmel. We also have two freshmen that have really high potential to help the team," said Reyes.

The two transfers are juniors Mario Mendoza and Nick Shea. Shea, who holds the all-school record for cross country at his last college, Hartnell, said, "I really want to be able to lift this team up from the bottom. With the four new guys and the returning veterans, we have the right elements to become a surprising force."

Bringing their experience in past successful programs, however, is not the only element Mendoza and Shea are hoping to contribute to the cross-country

program. "All the members on the team already have the right attitude and the right mentality. Now, it's all about leadership, and that leadership is what Nick and I want to bring," said Mendoza.

As mentioned earlier, the men's cross-country team will be returning some runners, one of which is Stiles, who finished first for the Gaels in last year's WCC Championships.

"We returning runners had a good training program over the summer given to us by Coach Rau. It has us all in good shape, so now it's just a matter of staying healthy and running stronger in the races," said Reyes. "The unity is better on the team this year. I think what will help us is how well we stick together and push each other as a team, not just as individuals."

The men are not the only ones looking forward to their increasing potential. With four new freshmen on the women's cross country team and six returning runners, one of whom is Karrie Hagedorn '08, last year's leading runner for the Gaels, the women have a good chance at improving last year's sixth place finish.

Overall, Coach Rau thinks that as a whole, "We will be a better team. Much younger on both sides, but the improvements we made over the summer training and with all the new people, we hope to sneak up on a lot of teams."

The men and women's first cross-country invitational will take place at the Chico State Invitational on Saturday, September 8.

Women's soccer leaves Berkeley undefeated

Gaels tie Colorado College, beat Columbia

by Z. Farmer & N. Gionfriddo
Managing Editor & Staff Writer

The women's soccer team traveled for their first games of the season in the California Invitational in Berkeley, where they tied Colorado College 2-2 and defeated Columbia 2-1.

The Gaels, looking to start to the season on a high note, faced off with Colorado College on Friday afternoon. With scores from sophomore Allie Wiener and freshman Alex Ciliento, the Gaels were able to match their opponent to a 2-2 tie. Playing a highly efficient game, the Gaels held the Tigers until the 80th minute when the first goal came off the foot of Molly Uyenishi and then later added a strike from Emily Beans. Most notable, was the appearance of new freshman goaltender Cari Makino, who made six saves while allowing two goals to the Tigers.

Both of the Gaels' goals came

in the first half, first from Wiener followed by Ciliento.

Ciliento's goal was the first of her collegiate career. Wiener was credited with the assist.

Colorado College stormed back to tie the game late in the second half and send it to overtime. In the extra period, neither team was able to punch through.

The Gaels held strong in overtime as they held an NCAA Tournament team scoreless. The Gaels put eight shots on goal in the game but were out shot by the Tigers 17-13.

Saint Mary's moved on in the tournament to play Columbia. This time it was Jessica Menzhuber '10 who stole the show as she scored the game-winning goal a minute into overtime.

Weiner recorded two more assists against Columbia, one to Menshuber and the other to Ciliento who scored her second goal in as many days.



Midfielder Mallory Lee '08 chases down the loose ball against Columbia. Annie Douglass/COLLEGIAN

After their first weekend of play, the Gaels are 1-0-1 coming home to host the Saint Mary's Tournament this weekend. Their first game will be on Friday against Vermont.

Vernon Davis, and new additions Ashley Lelie (WR, via Broncos) and Darrell Jackson (WR, via Seahawks) stretch the field to give Smith the potential for huge games. Year three is the year that makes or breaks a quarterback; look out for this guy.

Marshawn Lynch (RB, Bills): Not that I'm trying to rep the Bay Area and Lynch's old team Cal, but his raw skills are crazy. He gains the tough yardage inside the tackles, but is also prepped and ready for a big gain at any moment with his explosive speed. With McGahee gone to the Ravens, the position is his for the taking.

Joseph Addai (RB, Colts) and Laurence Maroney (RB, Pats): Both are in their sophomore seasons, and both have seen positive production in their rookie campaigns. Now each faces the arduous process of carrying a majority of their running game since Rhodes (RB, Raiders) and Dillon (RB, retired) are gone. With the countless weapons on both teams, look for their names to be mentioned quite often.

Santonio Holmes (WR, Steelers): ESPN reported that the Steelers camp was looking to allow Big Ben to let it loose more this season. That being said, the talk that Holmes continued his workouts through the summer without breaking has a lot of people talking. Building on the strong finish to last season, Holmes will likely show his supreme talent off this year.

Top 3 busts: Vince Young (QB, Titans): Yes, I said it. Vince Young is on the cover of *Madden '08*. Given the history of the Madden curse, we can't expect much from Young this season. With suspension, a measly game, and scruffs with teammates all in the pre-season, is the curse really coming to strike this superstar as well? Think yes.

Shaun Alexander (RB, Seahawks): I really dislike his running style, and being a San Francisco product I have to say this season in the NFC West is going to be tough. Still rebounding from the injury in 2006 (See: Madden curse), Alexander is ready to slow those wheels down one more year before rebounding next year.

Terrell Owens (WR, Cowboys): Sometimes all the trash talking can wear on a person. We are actually beginning to see the human meltdown show starring T.O. himself. T.O. has a new head coach, but is Romo really the leader for that team? And can T.O. keep his mouth shut when his numbers are down for the sake of the team? Love to hate him and don't pick him.

With that being said the upcoming 2007-2008 season is set for much anticipation and high-octane action as teams look to bring down the defending champion Indianapolis Colts. Everyone starts out the season 0-0, will this be your team's year?

Volleyball keeps rolling on road

Gaels blow through weekend matches in Central Valley



Courtesy of www.smcgaels.com

Christy Payne '11 (left), Megan York '11, and Alita Fisher '10 contributed heavily to the Central Valley sweep.

by Sean Kent
Staff Writer

Neither Roadrunners nor Bulldogs could disrupt the volleyball team's 5-0 start this past weekend as both became the latest victims of the Gael's rampage. What makes their run even more impressive is the fact that all their victories have come on the road.

Although the Roadrunners were the first to fall, they proved to be quite the challenge, pushing

the Gaels to five games 30-24, 30-22, 23-30, 22-30, 15-13. Saint Mary's made a few early mistakes in the first game, but soon righted themselves, spurred on by a six point serving streak courtesy of Alita Fisher '10 and never looked back. Sophomore Megan Burton, who would tally a .458 hitting percentage for the match, ended the opening game with three kills and chalked up four block assists.

Cal State Bakersfield jumped out to the early lead in the second

game, only to relinquish it at the 21-20 mark. Freshmen Kapua Kamana'o and Megan York came up big as they contributed 13 assists and eight kills, respectively. The Roadrunners led throughout the next game as an opening ace from Bakersfield set the tone.

Despite freshman Shannon Lowell's five key kills in the fourth game, the Roadrunner defense built on its momentum and again kept the Gaels in check. Game five turned into a point-for-

point battle. Saint Mary's was able to pull way on consecutive kills by Taylor Groess '09 and Burton. While Bakersfield, continued to play hard for the remainder of the game, the minor lapse would end up costing them the match.

Playing their second game in as many days, the Gaels found the Bulldogs to be a much tamer opponent, beating Fresno State in three straight games 30-23, 30-21, 30-22. Offensively, Burton compiled another 13 kills and a .500 hitting percentage, while York boasted 20 kills and nine digs, one short of her fourth double-double of the year. Game one was controlled by Saint Mary's from the start with a Kelly Huston '11 six-point serve streak. York and Burton each had five kills, Burton hitting .883 in the process.

The second game included three separate five-point runs for the Gaels. York dominated with nine kills and four digs. The final game was marked by defense as Fisher collected 13 digs. Her 39 digs for the match were a team-high, setting her average-per-game at an incredible 13. The Saint Mary's defense held Fresno State to a meager .131 hitting percentage in the final game.

The Gaels will finally bring their long road trip to an end next weekend as they compete in the Stanford Invitational. Saint Mary's will play host #2 Stanford in the opener followed by BYU and Cal Poly SLO on consecutive days.

Are you ready for some football?

by Nick Gionfriddo
Staff Writer

Let's cut to the chase, you have waited 214 from the end of Super Bowl XLI until the start of week one, but who's counting? For a man this is our Sunday. No brunches can hold you back from your television. The long awaited time has finally come; ladies, the babysitter's back! For with each new year brings a new beautiful relationship between man and...football. This love affair began with heroes Bart Starr and Joe Namath back in the late '60s. Year after year brings new expectations, expert analysis, and loads of worthless stats, all graciously dumped into your lap for just a small fee. However, I'm here to throw in my two cents for the upcoming season. Whether you are a weekend-warrior or just a regular run of the mill, occasional fan, this is just a little push to get you interested in the upcoming season.

With the season set to kick off on September 6, there are many intriguing players to follow this year.

Top five sleepers: Alex Smith (QB, 49ers): There is no denying that the stars are aligned for a breakout season. Frank Gore sets the running tone, while weapons

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Gaels split road weekend against NC teams

Men's soccer wins against Davidson, fall against Charlotte

by Zack Farmer
Managing Editor

The Gaels split their road trip to the Tar Heel State by defeating Davidson 2-0 and falling to Charlotte 2-1 in the Adidas Classic.

Saint Mary's played a scoreless first half against Davidson, being out shot 6-3. Senior Brian Mason recorded two saves in the half.

Davidson had the opportunity to break the tie 15 minutes into the second half on a free kick. Mason punched the attempt over the cross bar for the save.

The Gaels struck late in the second half to break a scoreless game by putting their first goal of the season into the back of the net. Junior Justin Kim passed to sophomore Bryan VanDoornick in a clearing, giving VanDoornick a one-on-one with Davidson goalie Ben Ashton. He chipped it

over Ashton's head for the go ahead goal at the 68:03 mark.

The goal matched VanDoornick's total from last season in which he played in 15 games and took 12 shots, four on goal.

With the Gaels now leading 1-0, Kim assisted with his second goal of the game as freshman Erik Rivas punched the ball past Ashton in the 82nd minute to seal the victory.

The Laguna Niguel product, Mason improved his Saint Mary's shutout record to 14.5 games on Friday.

The Gaels put seven shots on goal in the game, 13 shots total. Davidson recorded only 11 shots, two on goal.

Rivas' goal was his first career collegiate goal.

The Gaels played a heart-breaker on Sunday as Charlotte won on a goal by Chris Salvaggione with 25 seconds remaining in regulation.

Freshman Nick Cashmere re-

ceived two yellow cards within the first 21 minutes of the game and was ejected. The men's soccer team played one player down the rest of the game.

After finishing the first half tied at zero, Charlotte's Graham Tatters scored a goal from 30 yards out at the 57:27 mark.

Senior David Blanchard responded with a goal for the Gaels past Charlotte goalie David Martin eight minutes later.

Then with 25 seconds remaining in regulation, Salvaggione launched the game-winning goal into the net. Saint Mary's was out shot 18-8 in the game. Only one of the Gaels' shots was on goal.

Mason recorded another two saves in the loss Sunday. The four saves moves him past Rob McDonald '96 for sole possession of fourth place on the all-time Saint Mary's saves list.

The Gaels finished 1-1-0 after the first weekend of the season. This weekend Saint Mary's will return home for their first official home game against Cal State Bakersfield on Saturday, September 8 at 2 p.m.

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Brian Mason '08 recorded four saves over the weekend in North Carolina.