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March 12, 2018

History Day: Pipeline into the Liberal Arts



Saint Mary's College [hosted its first-ever History Day](#) on March 10 in conjunction with the Contra Costa School District. A prelude to a state and national competition, the event drew 165 students in grades 4-12 who presented projects on everything from women's suffrage to the Cuban missile crisis. "There's pretty good national research about creating a pipeline into history and the liberal arts at a younger age," said SMC Associate Professor of History Aeelah Soine, "and this is seen as a very effective way of introducing students to historical research when they're 10 or 12...rather than trying to introduce it at college level."

SEBA, SOLA Present Lecture on Workplace Diversity

What steps have organizations made to increase awareness of diversity and inclusion in the workplace? Are they making progress? Join Deans Zhan Li of the School of Economics and Business Administration (SEBA) and Sheila Hassell Hughes of the School of Liberal Arts (SOLA) for a fireside chat



called "[Appreciating Diversity: Creating an Engaging and Inclusive Environment in the Workplace](#)" on Wednesday, March 14 at 6 p.m. in Dryden. Catrice Monson (pictured left), senior vice president of diversity and inclusion at CBS, will deliver the keynote address.

Members of the BAR Task Force Announced

[Individual members have been named](#) to the Business and Academic Resource (BAR) Task Force, co-chaired by President Donahue and Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Margaret Kasimatis. The co-chairs express their thanks and appreciation to the members for offering to serve on this important initiative.

Grad Fairs This Week

Commencement is less than 100 days away! Get ready by attending the [Undergraduate Grad Fair](#) on Wednesday, March 14, 10 a.m.–3 p.m. in the Soda Center, and learn about Grad Grounds, connect with the alumni office, and more.

[Graduate and Professional Studies students](#) can stop by the Saint Mary's Bookstore on Thursday, March 15, 3:30–7:30 p.m. for class rings, announcements, academic regalia, appetizers, and more.



Women's History Month

Celebrate Women's History Month with a series of events hosted by the [Women's Resource Center](#). Attend "Celebrating Our Herstories," on post-grad transitions and careers, on Wednesday, March 21 at 1 p.m. in the Intercultural Center. Later that evening, stop by the Women's Resource Center from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. for the March Coffee, Creativity, and Community session. Pop-up classroom programs are also available; reach out to the WRC and/or the Gender Justice Leadership Team for a presentation.

Chronicle Editor in Chief Speaks at SMC



Audrey Cooper, the editor in chief of the *San Francisco Chronicle* and the first woman to hold that position, [spoke about the current state of the news industry](#) to an audience of more than 140 students, alumni, and community members at Saint Mary's on Feb. 26. Titled "Fake News and the Future of Media," the talk focused on the downfalls and failures of the industry as well as describing Cooper's own nonpartisan philosophy. There are a lot of "news deserts," in this country, said Cooper. Areas like this do not get the critical perspective of even a small local newspaper "You do not have the right to an unformed opinion," she said.

View



Daniel Araula '21 and Tahlia Padilla '22 traveled to Sacramento on Feb. 27 to speak with local representatives like Senator Steve Glazer (D-Orinda) about Cal Grant funding. Araula and Padilla, along with other SMC students, rely on government funding to attend Saint Mary's. "My parents are gardeners and the recent drought has impacted our family's finances such that without Cal Grant I could not attend Saint Mary's," said Araula. Currently, the 2018-19 state budget fully funds Cal Grant. The governor will release his revised budget in May with final approval expected by June 30.

SMC in the News

- [LA Times reviews Brenda Hillman's new book *Extra Hidden Life, Among the Days*](#)

This Week on Campus

Events

- 3/12 - [Olowin Physics and Astronomy Lecture: Jessie Christiansen](#)
- 3/13 - [The Bible, Theology & Religion Lecture: Professor Michael Barram](#)
- 3/14 - [2018 Undergraduate Grad Fair](#)
- 3/14 - [Student Recital Series](#)
- 3/14 - [You Are a Rock: Stories of Addiction, Recovery, and Healing](#)
- 3/14 - [Executive Speaker Series: "Appreciating Diversity"](#)
- 3/14 - [Eucharistic Adoration](#)
- 3/15 - [2018 GPS Grad Fair](#)
- 3/15 - [Deadline to Apply for 2018-19 Lasallian Community](#)
- 3/15 - [Deadline to Apply for 2018-19 Santiago Community](#)
- 3/16 - [Fair Trade Friday](#)
- 3/17 - [LaGAELrinda Day Community Fest](#)

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Religious Services

- Sunday Mass in the Chapel. [View the schedule.](#)

De La Salle Reflection

- [For the week of March 12.](#)

Go Gaels



Saint Mary's to Host Southeastern Louisiana in NIT

Saint Mary's (28-5) [will continue the 2017-18 season](#) in the National Invitation Tournament Tuesday, March 13 at 7 p.m. versus Southeastern Louisiana (22-11, 15-3 Southland Conference) at McKeon Pavilion. [Purchase your tickets](#)

[today](#). (Students who are members of Gael Force will receive free admission to NIT games.)

Did You Know?

[Nominations for Staff Distinction Awards](#) are now open! This annual program, co-sponsored by SMC's Staff Council and Human Resources Department, recognizes five staff members who represent high standards of professionalism, commitment, and achievement on behalf of our College and campus community. Nominate someone today.

Do you have a little-known tidbit or story about Saint Mary's? Send it to [Campus News](#).

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