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AROUND CAMPUS

Huge Turnout for SMC Service Day for Schools

Nearly 800 volunteers fanned out to 21 schools on Saturday for Saint Mary's first Great Bay Area Service Day for Schools, which was co-sponsored by KTVU-TV. An army of volunteers, including about 200 students, plus staff, faculty, alumni, friends and hundreds of other volunteers pitched in to paint, do landscaping and spiff up the schools. [Learn more and view photos online.](#)



Gaels Are Off to the NCAA Tourney

The men's basketball team punched its ticket to the first round of the NCAA Tournament, making its way to the Big Dance for the third time in four years. It will face Middle Tennessee State in Dayton, Ohio, with tipoff at 6:10 p.m. Tuesday in a game televised live on truTV and at a campus watch party scheduled for 6 p.m. in Dryden Hall. [Learn more](#) and view [media coverage](#) and photos of Selection Sunday.



Saint Mary's Rings in the New Pope

The Saint Mary's community watched in anticipation as the news of the new pope was announced to the world. After Cardinal Jorge Bergoglio of Argentina was named, the crowd turned to the Bell of Saint Mary's in Korth Tower to ring in the good news. See [photos](#) and a [video](#) of the occasion. Media outlets also tapped SMC experts on the papal announcement. [Learn](#) what they had to say.

Vatican II - 50 Years Later

A distinguished panel will discuss the [legacy of the Vatican II Council](#) in the Soda Center on Tuesday at 7 p.m. Massimo Faggioli, an author and council historian, will engage two eyewitnesses, Bishop Remi de Roo of Victoria, British Columbia, and Bishop John Cummins of Oakland. Faggioli and campus representatives will also engage the campus community in dialogue from 3 to 4:30 Tuesday in the Soda Center. Questions? Contact [Sally Jamison](#), ext. 4406.



SMC Students Lobby Legislators for Cal Grant Funding

Saint Mary's students Jessi Bailey '15, Riley Hopkins '13 and Mostafa Wassel '13 traveled to Sacramento with Tim Farley, SMC's director of community and government relations, to lobby state legislators to support a bill to guarantee adequate funding for Cal Grants, and Bailey spoke at a press conference on the Capitol steps. [Read more and view photos.](#)

New Director of Institutional Research Announced

Provost Beth Dobkin has announced the appointment of the College's new director of institutional research, Gregg Thomson. He comes to Saint Mary's from UC Berkeley, where he was the executive director of the Office of Student Research and Campus Surveys for more than 20 years.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Apply for Summer Housing Today

The Summer Housing application is now available. Visit the Summer Housing [web page](#) for application materials and all other information, including dates and costs of living at SMC during the summer. The deadline to request housing is May 1. Questions? Contact [Campus Housing](#), ext. 4241.

Peer Council Application Now Open

The Office of Community Life is now accepting applications for Peer Council. If you would like to be a member for the 2013-14 academic year, you may apply [online](#) until April 10. For more information, contact [Community Life](#), ext. 4238.



Sign Up for the Relay for Life to Fight Cancer

Saint Mary's is hosting a Relay for Life to help in the fight against cancer. This year's event will be held from April 20 to 21, 10 a.m. to 10 a.m. on the Chapel Lawn. To create or join a team, visit the Relay for Life [web page](#). Questions? Send an [e-mail](#) to the on-campus committee.

A Pat on the Back for Student Employees

[Student Employee Appreciation Week](#) is April 22-26. Here are some [ways to celebrate](#). To nominate someone for Student Employee of the Year, download or print the [nomination form](#) and forward the completed form by April 5 to Financial Aid, Brother Jerome West, Room 108. Questions? Contact [Julie Centurioni](#), ext. 4370.

Staff Council Seeking Nominations

The [Staff Council](#) is now accepting nominations for 2013-14. The council contributes to the growth and welfare of its staff employees and the promotion of a positive and supportive work environment at Saint Mary's. For more information, contact [Alle Porter](#), ext. 4840.

EVENTS



Guest Speaker To Discuss Japanese Internment Camps

John Tateishi, author of "And Justice for All," an oral history of the World War II-era internment of Japanese Americans, will lead two discussions on Japanese internment camps tonight at 5 and 7:30 p.m. in the Soda Center. He will be introduced by Professor Ted Tsukahara, who also was interned at these camps as a child. Questions? Contact [Barry Horwitz](#).



Men's Rowing Seeking New Members

Are you interested in learning more about joining men's rowing? Get all the information about the team at an informational meeting Tuesday at 7 p.m. in Dante 117. Refreshments will be provided. All are welcome.



Get Informed During Safe Spring Break Week

Learn how you can prevent risky choices at the Spring Break Bash on Wednesday in Hagerty Lounge from 12:40 to 2:10 p.m. And don't miss any of the other chances to get informed during the week, including a MADD speaker and "mocktails" in the Quad. View the entire [schedule](#). Questions? Contact the [Health and Wellness Center](#), ext. 4776.

Spring Music Recital This Week

Enjoy a noontime musical sampler of arias, sonatas, duos, trios and other small ensemble works performed by SMC student musicians at the [Spring Music Recital](#) on Wednesday from 1 to 2:10 p.m. in the Soda Center.

Explore Sound and Meaning in Poetry

Kazim Ali, author of nine books of poetry, fiction, essay and translation, including his recent book *Bright Felon: Autobiography and Cities*, will [discuss the craft of poetry](#) and lead an exercise in chanting and listening on Wednesday at 2:15 p.m. in Hagerty Lounge. Questions? Contact [Sara Mumolo](#), ext. 8556.



"Duo Camaraderie" Performs in the Chapel

Saint Mary's faculty member and pianist Sharon Lee Kim and flutist Laura Scarlata will perform as the chamber ensemble "[Duo Camaraderie](#)" in a [faculty music recital](#) on Thursday at 8 p.m. in the Chapel. The program will include works by SMC composer Martin Rokeach and a collaboration with cellist Dawn Foster-Dodson.

Author Lou Berney Visits Campus

As part of the Creative Writing Reading Series, [Lou Berney](#), author of novels *Gutshot Straight* and *Whiplash River*, will give a reading on Wednesday at 7 p.m. in Claey's Lounge. Contact [Sara Mumolo](#), ext. 8556, with questions. Also, check out the MFA program's [Writer's & Words site](#) for video of past programs.

Learn About M.S. in Accounting Program Over Lunch

Want to learn more about the College's new M.S. in Accounting program? Join representatives from the program for lunch on campus Wednesday at 12:30 p.m. in the Career Center to get all the details. It's never too early to start planning your next steps. All majors are welcome. RSVP [online](#). Questions? Contact [Rachel Wood](#), ext. 4477.

GO GAELS

Dellavedova is Cousy Award Finalist and Earns All-District Honors

Basketball player Matthew Dellavedova is [once again a final five candidate](#) for the 2013 Bob Cousy Award, given to the top point guard in college basketball. He also earned [all-District IX honors](#) from the U.S. Basketball Writers Association. Dellavedova is the West Coast Conference assist leader and this season became the school's all-time leader in scoring.

Baseball Team Shuts Out Utah Valley

The Saint Mary's baseball team got back on track with a [3-0 victory over Utah Valley](#) on Saturday afternoon at Louis Guisto Field. Catch up with the latest news on Gael athletic teams at [SMCGaels.com](#).

LASALLIAN REFLECTION

Religious Services

Mon., Wed., Thur., 5:15 p.m. Mass
 Tues., 4:30 Confession, 5 p.m. Mass with Bishops and Cummins Institute
 Wed., 12:10 p.m. Mass, 7:30 p.m. Communal Penance Service
 Fri., 7 a.m. Mass
 Sun, 9 a.m., St. Giles Episcopal Eucharist

Words to Live By

For the week of [March 18, 2013](#).

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