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From Moragawood to Hollywood

Move over Hollywood: The Bay Area Student Shorts (BASS) film festival has launched in Moraga. On Friday, March 1, a capacity crowd filled the Moraga Room at the Soda Activity Center to watch 13 selected short films directed and produced by students from several Bay Area colleges. The films were selected from a pool of 35 submissions to be viewed at the inaugural film festival. Attendees nibbled on popcorn, M&M's, and gummy bears in true theater style while enjoying the films, which were exceptionally diverse in content, genre, and production style. Awards were given for best story, best cinematography, and best editing. Above: BASS founder Kasey James ’19, Best
Campus Earthquake Evacuation Drill Planned

If you’re on the Saint Mary’s campus during an emergency, knowing what to do and where to go if you’re required to evacuate is critical. The SMC Incident Management Team (IMT) will conduct an evacuation drill on Wednesday, March 27, at 1 p.m. during community time so members of the community will know where to evacuate in the event of an emergency, such as an earthquake or fire. Emergency Assembly Areas (EAAs) are designated for all buildings on campus, and evacuation maps can be found near building exits, elevators, or stairwells. The maps, listed in alphabetical order, can also be viewed and downloaded from the Public Safety and Transportation website by clicking here. Community members should also sign up for Nixle and download the LiveSafe App. Both are emergency notification providers that deliver instant, real-time communications and incident updates. Click here to access the links to sign up.

Feb. 22–23 Board of Trustees Retreat Recap

Saint Mary’s Board of Trustees and the President’s Cabinet met on Friday and Saturday, Feb 22–23, for their 2018–19 Board retreat at Mont La Salle in Napa. Topics addressed during the retreat included board governance, the College’s strategic direction, SMC in comparison to other U.S. Lasallian and WCC institutions, shared governance in higher education, and understanding higher education sexual harassment issues and the importance of prevention training. Read More

Dr. Lauren Esposito Talks About STEM and Inclusion

On Wednesday, March 6, Lauren Esposito, PhD, the assistant curator and Schlinger Chair of Arachnology at the Academy of Sciences in San
Francisco, visited the Pathways to Science Speaker Series at Saint Mary’s LeFevre Theatre to discuss her work in STEM. She is also the co-founder of the 500 Queer Scientists campaign. Esposito is a scorpologist, one of only 20 worldwide. Read More

Annual Scholars Reception

Please join us in celebrating the accomplishments of Saint Mary’s faculty in research, scholarship, and creative activity, at the Annual Scholars Reception, Friday, March 15, from 5 to 7 p.m. in Claey’s Lounge. We will honor the recipients of the Annual Faculty Awards and hear from faculty just back from sabbatical. Join Molly Metherd, Maria Ruiz, Michael Viola, Gloria Sosa, and Elena Songster as they receive their awards. Read More

#300LaSalle Kicks Off!

Saint Mary’s kicked off its official participation in the global celebration of #300LaSalle on Tuesday, March 5, in the College’s Chapel. The afternoon gathering, sponsored by the Office of Mission, included a religious service that featured remarks by President James Donahue, Vice President for Mission Frances Sweeney, and Mission and Ministry Center Director Karin McClelland (above, left), as well as an opening prayer from Brother Patrick Moore, FSC (above, right), and musical selections by the SMC Chamber Singers. Following the prayer service, in recognition of Mardi Gras, the event featured a celebratory Fat Tuesday gathering outside of the Chapel. Attendees enjoyed sumptuous sweets and refreshments, and of course, many sported festive necklaces of colorful Mardi Gras beads. Read More
VIEW: Asian Cultural Night Kicks Up Some Fun

The 22nd annual Asian Cultural Night on Wednesday, March 6, got things going with delicious foods and energetic cultural dancing. Cultural Nights highlight the historical milestones, customs, and contemporary issues of six historically underrepresented and traditionally marginalized groups. Through spoken word, theatrical pieces, music, food, dance, and other creative media, students express their individual and collective identities.

This Week on Campus

Events

- 03/11 - Dockworker Power: Race and Activism, with Peter Cole
- 03/12 - Staff Council Meeting
- 03/12 - Solidarity Supper
- 03/13 - Annual English Dept. Career Night 2019
- 03/14 - Naila & The Uprising
- 03/17 - Study Salons - Midterms 2019
- 03/18 - Study Salons - Midterms 2019
- 03/19 - Study Salons - Midterms 2019
- 03/19 - What Keeps Teachers Going?
- 03/20 - Senior Survey at the Grad Fair!
- 03/21 - Third Thurs. | Late Night: Disco Ball Making
- 03/22 - Gadung Kasturi Balinese Dance & Music Performance

More Events | Student Organizations Activities
Religious Services

- Sunday Mass in the Chapel. View the schedule.

De La Salle Reflection

- For the week of March 11

Go Gaels

MBB | Gaels Ready for WCC Championship

The West Coast Conference Championship kicks off this week at the Orleans Arena in Las Vegas as Saint Mary’s looks for its first tournament title since 2012. The Gaels earned the No. 2 seed in the tournament after finishing conference play 11–5 and earning the tiebreaker over BYU. Saint Mary’s will immediately advance to the semifinals and play the winner of BYU versus San Diego/Santa Clara. Read More

BVB | Gaels Win Sixth-Straight, Beat No. 13 Stanford and Sweep SJSU

The Gaels maintained their hot streak on Sunday afternoon as they completed a sweep of San Jose State and beat out No. 13 Stanford 3–2. In the Gaels’ first match of the day, they swept San Jose State and only allowed the Spartans to win two sets total. In the second match of the day, No. 20 Saint Mary’s battled it out and took down No. 13 Stanford three sets to two. “On a rainy day today in Palo Alto, the beach Gaels once again showed their character,” said assistant coach Gary Hodge. “The team got a hard-fought win against two tough opponents including the 13th ranked Stanford Cardinal. In a display of grit, every team that lost the first set came back to win in three. The Gaels gave their fans lots to be proud of today.” Read More
Did You Know?

Students! Interested in taking a Summer Session course? Registration began March 4. The last day to register for four-, six-, and eight-week courses is Monday, June 3. The last day to register for Second Term Summer Session is Monday, July 29. Read More Here

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