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1Day1SMC Raises a Bundle

On Wednesday, April 10, SMC held its fifth annual 1Day1SMC fundraiser, encouraging the Saint Mary’s community to help future generations of Gaels gain access to educational opportunities. More than 2,000 Gaels—a 1Day1SMC record—donated $665,137 for 1Day1SMC, unlocking all of our challenge gifts. Thank you, Gaels! Check out the details and thank-you video here. [Watch Video](https://mail.google.com/mail/u/0?ik=038ea28ed9&view=pt&search=all&permthid=thread-f%3A1630923430187657838%7Cmsg-f%3A1630923538577…)

**Community Spotlight: Q&A With Elena Songster**

History Professor E. Elena Songster, chair of the History Department, is the
winner of the Outstanding Scholar Award for 2019. With the department’s successful National History Day competition and recent $50,000 Humanities Access Grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities, the study of history has taken its place front and center. We asked Songster to tell us about the National History Day event held on campus on March 2, the recent grant, her award, and the future of the History Department. Read More

Executive Speaker Series: The Clif Bar Model

Students: Find out how Clif Bar stays at the forefront of industry trends and ensures the greatest opportunities and efficiencies, on Thursday, April 18, at the Soda Center. You’ll hear about the business model they have built and the unique metrics they use to measure success from the company CFO Richard Boragno and VP of Accounting and Corporate Controller Cristen Lunt. Read More

Wear Jeans in Support of Denim Day

Join in this year’s international Denim Day to show support for survivors of sexual violence, on Wednesday, April 24. April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month, so make a statement by wearing your denim on this day of action to protest the misconceptions and victim blaming surrounding sexual assault. #DenimDaySMC. Read More

View - SMC Broke the Record
Last month marked the 60th anniversary of the March 26, 1959, phone booth stuffing photographed by Joe Munro for the cover of *LIFE* magazine. SMC beat the record by crowding in 22 students this way and that. A reenactment in 2009 tied the '59ers' record but couldn't top it. The image also appeared in the opening credits of the long-running TV show *Happy Days*. [Watch the Video Here](#)

**This Week on Campus**

**Events**

- **04/18** - Executive Speaker Series: How Leading CFOs Are Driving Change: The Clif Bar Model
- **04/23** - Senior Chat Drop In Hours!
- **04/23** - "Sunday to Sunday": The Making of a Web Series
- **04/23** - School of Science Career Night
- **04/24** - Denim Day
- **04/24** - Mindfulness Workshop
- **04/24** - Financial Aid Webinar, How to Pay for Grad School
- **04/24** - Question, Persuade, and Refer (QPR)
- **04/24** - Saint Mary's Earth Day Festival
- **04/24** - Music Student Recital Series
- **04/24** - Afternoon Craft Conversation With Christine Hyung-Oak Lee
- **04/24** - MBA Alumni Book Club
- **04/24** - Creative Writing Reading Series With Jane Gregory
- **04/24** - Prof. Donna Orsuto: Were Not Our Hearts Burning Within Us?

[More Events](#) | [Student Organizations Activities](#)

**Religious Services**

- Sunday Mass in the Chapel. [View the schedule.](#)
De La Salle Reflection

- For the week of April 15

Go Gaels

Men's Rugby Advances to Quarterfinals of D1A Playoffs

After nearly a month on the road, Gael Rugby (3) returned to Saint Mary’s Stadium on Saturday to kick off postseason match play against Grand Canyon University (14). SMC did not hesitate to put points on the board early. The Gaels played a well-rounded match, beating GCU 76–12. Saint Mary’s will return to Witter Rugby Field in Berkeley next Saturday, April 20, to take on the BYU Cougars (8) for the third time this season in the quarterfinals of the D1A playoffs. *Come cheer them on!*

ROW | Varsity Eight Finishes First at Portland Invite

Squaring off against Portland and Seattle at the Portland Invite, the Saint Mary’s Varsity Eight
Boat placed first for the second time in the last three races. SMC's Second Varsity Eight finished 23 seconds behind Portland, and Varsity Four was just 12.73 seconds behind the Pilots. "The team has been working hard, and it was really good to get out and race again after last weekend," said head coach Anna Pytlak. "Thanks to Portland and Seattle. It was a great competition in tough conditions!"

**Did You Know?**

April 25th is ride your bike to school day! Be sure to take photos of your ride and tag @smcsustainability.

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

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