



New Chair and Members for Board of Trustees

Announcements

- Congratulations to Professor Álvaro Ramírez of World Languages and Cultures

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7/14 - Executive MBA Alumni Speaker Event

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SMC's Board of Trustees [welcomed two new senior officers and four new members](#). Esteemed business leader Kevin Nagle (left) begins a two-year term as board chairperson, as does finance executive Kevin "Casey" Eichler (right), who will serve as board secretary. New members include Lasallian educator Brother Gustavo Ramirez Barba FSC, EdD, MA '94, business executives Kevin Flynn '86 and Mark Madgett '83, and attorney Joseph Motta '84.

Gaels Coming Home for Reunion



Alumni are heading back to campus to see old friends and relive college days at the [Alumni Reunion this weekend](#), July 14-16. They will check out what's new—and reassuringly the same—around campus as they reconnect with classmates at the townhouse party, family BBQ, and class dinners on the Chapel Lawn. Special honored classes end in "2" or "7" plus the class of 2016.

Did You Know?

The Cal Grant is safe! Jerry Brown signed a \$182 billion state budget for 2017-18, which fully funded the Cal Grant for the private, nonprofit sector. Once again the Cal Grant was threatened with an 11 percent cut, but successful advocacy—including by members of the Saint Mary's community—provided another one-year reprieve. The Cal Grant maximum will remain at \$9,084 (there has been no increase since 2000).

Do you have a little-known

New Director of Athletics and Recreation Named

tidbit or story about Saint Mary's? Send it to [Campus News](#).

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Lasallian Reflections



For the week of **July 10**.

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Mike Matoso has been named the [new Director of Athletics and Recreation](#). For the past five years, Matoso served as the director of athletics at Stanislaus State, where he led the Warriors to unprecedented success as a Division II institution. Matoso begins at SMC July 19.



Communicating the Power of Dance



[Antoine Hunter LEAP '09](#), award-winning dancer, director, choreographer, and graduate of the LEAP (Liberal Education for Arts Professionals) program, who is deaf, says, "The joy of being a deaf dancer is that it allows me to listen to my spirit more, without any other distraction." Founder of the Bay Area Deaf International Dance Festival, Hunter has performed around the world.

Rheem Boulevard Sinkhole Repair Update

Construction to [repair the Moraga sinkhole on Rheem Boulevard](#) begins today. The Rheem Boulevard and Center Street intersection will be closed to traffic during the project—which is expected to conclude mid-October—and detour routes will redirect traffic on Rheem Boulevard back to Glorietta Boulevard, and traffic on Moraga Road toward either Moraga Way or Lafayette. "Saint Mary's community members making the trip between the Rheem and main campus should plan extra time to navigate the construction zone," said Adan Tejada, director of public safety.

Campus Facilities Update

From repairs to the natural gas system campus-wide to upgrades in Claeys North, facility projects are in full swing and on schedule. Read the latest [in this update](#) from Director of Project Management Diane Hardy.

Join the #GreenGaels

Help advance and pioneer [sustainability initiatives here on campus](#) by volunteering to be a Sustainability Ambassador. More than 20 staff members were ambassadors last year and the program needs new volunteers this fall to work on sustainability best practices at work and at home. [Interested? Fill out this form](#). There are also spots to sign up for Green Space, a student-led program that offers ways to make offices and other spaces green.



College Phone Numbers Move to the Cloud

The days of being tied to a desk phone are fading fast as Saint Mary's moves its telephone service to the cloud in August. [Read more about the new technology and the changes in store.](#)

SMC in the News

- [New York Times Book Review features insight on why poetry matters by English Professor Matthew Zapruder.](#)

Go Gaels

Rahon to Make Debut on Warriors Summer League Roster

Former guard and team captain Joe Rahon will remain in the Bay Area, this time to compete for the National Basketball Association (NBA) champions [Golden State Warriors summer league team](#), the organization announced. The Warriors will send the summer league squad to Las Vegas and take part in the 10-day competition from July 7-17.



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Religious Services

- Sunday Mass in the Chapel. [View the schedule.](#)
- St. Giles Episcopal Eucharist is each Sunday at 9 a.m.

Let us remember that we are in the holy presence of God.