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## Bulletin: President's Address, College Nationally Recognized, New Bulletin Design

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### The President's Annual College Address



President James Donahue [addressed the community last week](#) in the Soda Center about the College's institutional priorities and goals for the coming year, and highlighted significant accomplishments and anniversaries. "We celebrate our academic rigor, and the robust vitality of Saint Mary's College," he said. There will be a follow-up Q&A on Wednesday, Nov. 8, 1-2 p.m. in the Soda Center, moderated by Professor Zach Flanagin, chair of the Academic Senate. If possible, please submit questions in advance to [dflanagi@stmarys-ca.edu](mailto:dflanagi@stmarys-ca.edu) no later than tomorrow.

### SMC Recognized Nationally for Upward Mobility Rate



Saint Mary's was highlighted in the **Chronicle of Higher Education** as among 40 four-year nonprofit private universities and colleges in the nation [with distinctive upward mobility rates for low-income students](#). The College was acknowledged for fostering success by propelling students whose families came from the bottom 20 percent income bracket, into the top 20 percent income bracket. SMC is the only Catholic university from California and one of three institutions of higher education from the Golden State in the list.

## **#MakeoverMonday: Bulletin Edition**

Notice anything new about today's Bulletin? We've given it a new look, more visually appealing with larger, high-quality graphics. The streamlined version will give mobile users (who account for over half the readership) better experience on their devices. College Communications can also track who's reading what more accurately, which helps us include even better content.

## **October Board of Trustees Meeting Recap**

SMC's Board of Trustees [met last month on Oct. 12](#) for its first regular meeting of the new academic year. A focus of the gathering was a review of the progress of Goal 6 (Ensuring Saint Mary's Financial Stability) in the College's strategic plan. The Bulletin will carry updates about Board of Trustees meetings periodically to keep the campus community informed.

## **Men's Basketball (Ranked 22!) Tip-Off Tailgate**

Flex your Gael spirit and cheer on the #22 ranked men's basketball team during the Gaels' season opener against Saint Francis on Saturday. Tip-Off Tailgate No. 2 begins at 2:30 p.m.—which features a barbecue, beer garden, DJ, and games—with the game starting at 5 p.m. [Buy your tickets now.](#)



## SEBA Hosts Forum for Chinese American Administrators



SEBA welcomed nearly 30 Chinese American deans, provosts, and presidents of U.S. colleges and universities on campus Oct. 20-22. Speakers discussed higher education trends and challenges facing academic administrators, particularly minorities such as Asian Americans. The keynote speaker was Les Wong, president of San Francisco State University.

## Lecture on Ishi and Federal Law

In recognition of National Native American Heritage Month, Karen Biestman, special assistant to the provost on diversity, equity and inclusion and Title IX Coordinator, will speak on "Balancing Science and Sanctity: How Federal Law and Tribal Resilience Enabled Ishi's Long Journey Home," Wednesday, at 1 p.m. in Delphine Lounge in the Intercultural Center. Biestman (of Cherokee ancestry), who has a one-year appointment at SMC, worked most recently as director of the Native American Cultural Center at Stanford University, where she was also a lecturer in Law and Native American Studies.



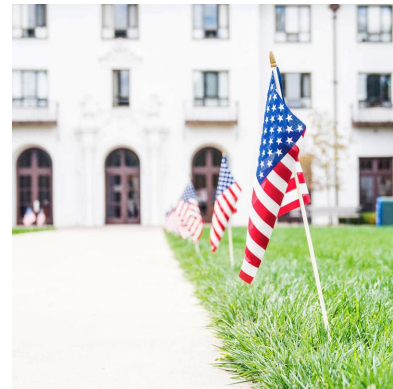
## National Vocation Awareness Week



The De La Salle Christian Brothers invite you to celebrate National Vocation Awareness Week, a time to reflect on your personal vocation journey. As President James Donahue reminded the campus community in his State of the College address, vocation provides us with a sense of purpose, direction, and meaning. Resources provided by the Brothers can be found [on their website](#).

## Honoring Veterans on Campus

Army veteran Suzanne Pederson '06, legal affairs coordinator in the Office of the General Counsel, [writes about her seven years in the military](#) and the long road for women's access to combat. "In today's increasingly gender-neutral society, it is myopic to use gender as a disqualifier for combat missions," she writes. Also, to honor our veterans this week, President James Donahue is hosting a lunch honoring our veteran students, faculty, and staff, Wednesday, 1-2:30 p.m. in the Soda Center.



## View



Ballet Folklorico Instructor Leslie Monatano '16 smiles before the group's performance during the College's Dia de los Muertos celebration. The event—which also featured skull coloring and altar decorating—was sponsored by the

Mission and Ministry Center, Hermanas, Ballet Folklorico, the Languages Department, and the Museum of Art.

## SMC in the News

- [Governing Magazine](#) includes insights from Politics' Steve Woolpert on divisions in California's Republican Party.
- [Economics Blog](#) features opinion by SEBA's Marco Aponte on threat to opposition groups by Venezuela's ruling party.
- [Chico Enterprise](#), [Martinez News Gazette](#) report on Tim Farley's national award.

## This Week on Campus

### Events

- 11/6 - [Rosary Group](#)
- 11/6 -11/8 - [Drive for NorCal Fire Victims](#)
- 11/7 & 11/8 - [Close Looking: An Approach to Reading the Visual Arts](#)
- 11/7 - [Indigenous Filipino Psychology in a Globalized Context](#)
- 11/7 - [Leadership and Community After a Natural Disaster](#)
- 11/8 - [Honoring Our Vets on Veteran's Day](#)
- 11/8 - [Karen Biestman on Ishi's Long Journey Home](#)
- 11/8 - [For Love and Money: The Afternoon Series With Manjula Martin](#)
- 11/8 - [Glow Fitness](#)
- 11/8 - [Eucharistic Adoration](#)
- 11/10 - [28th Annual Diversity Dance: Oscars After Party](#)
- 11/11 - [To The Heights: Finding God in Nature](#)

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

### Religious Services

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

### De La Salle Reflection

- [For the week of Nov 6.](#)

## Go Gaels



### Women's Soccer Capitalize with Win Over Pacific

In a chilly final match, Saint Mary's women's soccer played sound defense and capitalized on its chances to defeat Pacific, 1-0, in the season finale Saturday afternoon at Saint Mary's Stadium.

### Did You Know?

International Educational Week—which celebrates the benefits of international education and exchange worldwide—is Nov. 13-17. In addition to an array of events hosted by the Center of International Programs (CIP), participate in the week's festivities by submitting an international travel photo to the CIP by Tuesday, Nov. 7 at 1 p.m. After a community vote, the photo with the most votes wins a \$50 Amazon gift card! [Get more information here.](#)

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

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