

Track Meet: Campolindo, Acalanes, and College Park

By Malia McClurg

Campolindo, Acalanes and College Park met March 28 at Campolindo to compete in a DFAL track meet. Acalanes swept the men's side, but fell to Campolindo on the women's.

For the Acalanes men, Anderson helped his team as he easily glided past his competition and onto victory in both the 110 and 300 hurdles. Anderson's teammate, Beach, also put some points on the board by winning the endurance testing two mile race in a time of 9:41.

On the women's side, Campolindo found success. Jung's first place jump reached the 15 foot, 11 inches mark, but she didn't stop there. She went on to also win the triple jump with a 35-5.5 mark as well as the pole vault by soaring over 11 feet.

In the frosh/soph bracket, over on Campolindo's side, the Cougar boys dominated the distance races by winning the 1600m, 800m, and 3200m. The boys weren't the only standouts. For the Frosh Soph girls, Hubert put up a 19.5 in the 100 Hurdles, and a 54.9 in the 300 Hurdles.

The athletes performed again at the Stanford Invitational on Saturday. Campolindo junior, Jackie Attiyeh sailed over the pole vault and improved her previous best by six inches. Fellow classmate, Stacey Jung, also had an outstanding performance as she reached success in the triple jump by reading the 35 foot mark for the first time this season.



It comes down to inches to clear the bar Photo by Gavin Schissel



Pole Vaulter sails over the bar Photo by Gavin Schissel



Acalanes jumps to a win for the men Photo by Gavin Schissel

Moraga Baseball Association

Pony Division

April 1

Moraga Cougars 13, Pleasant Hill Hawks 7

Cougars highlights:

Chris Roming 3-for-3, 2 RBI, run; Erik Baker 2-for-2, 2B, RBI, 3 runs; Matt Bruzzone 2-for-2, 2B, 2 RBI, 3 runs; Vince Graziano 2-for-3, 2B, RBI, run; Dan Brinckerhoff 2-for-4, 2B, RBI, 2 runs.

March 31; Game 1

Moraga Cougars 9, Pleasant Hill Hawks 2

Cougars highlights:

Pete Matthias CG, 6 K's, 1ER, W; Chris Roming 1-for-3, 2 RBI, 3 runs; Jaime Vega 2-for-4, 3 RBI.

Game 2

Moraga Cougars 10, Pleasant Hill Hawks 2

Cougars highlights: Chris Roming 6 IP, 11 K's, W; Jaime Vega 2-for-4, 4 RBI, run; Sean Wraith 1-for-2, 2 RBI, 2 runs.

March 29

Danville Grey 4, Moraga Mariners 3

Mariners highlights: Alex Carrier 1-for-2, 3B, 2 RBI; Scott Lyness 1-for-3, 2B, RBI; KK Lowe 1-for-2, BB, run; Kevin Malley 1-for-3, run; Tim Coleman 1-for-3, run.

Other scores:

March 25 - Danville Red 9, Moraga Marlins 2
March 24 - Walnut Creek Red Dawgs 9, Moraga Marlins 5

Bronco Division

March 29

Moraga Nationals 8, Tara Hills 11 7 Nationals highlights:

JD Ratchford 3 IP, 4 K's; Joe Giachetti 2 IP, 3 K's, 0 ER, save; Mason Windatt 2-for-3, 1B, 2B, 3 RBI, 2 runs, 4 SB; Matt Yoklavich 1B, BB, 4 SB, 2 runs; Griffin McCaffery 1B, BB, run, 2 SB.

March 25

Moraga Nationals 13, Piedmont 2 Nationals highlights:

Mason Windatt 4 IP, 4 K's; Matt Yoklavich 3-for-3, 2 RBI, 3 runs; Brandon Dolan 2-for-3, 3 RBI; Billy Evenhuis 2B, RBI; James Coleman 2-for-3, 2 runs.

Moraga Mariners 13, Orinda Giants 5 Mariners highlights:

Troy Westernoff 2-for-4, 3 RBI, 2 runs; Matthew Gong 2-for-3, RBI, run; Taylor Abbott 1-for-2, RBI, 2 runs.

Moraga Dodgers 9, Piedmont Rangers 6 Dodgers highlights:

Hunter Rosenbaum 3-for-3, 3 RBI, 2 runs; Alex Mirante 2-for-3, 2B, 2 RBI, 2 runs; Matt Huckins 1-for-2, BB, RBI, 2 runs.

Baseball Opens West Coast Conference Play at Pepperdine

By Jennifer Wake

Going in with a record of 16-9-1, the Saint Mary's baseball team headed to Malibu on Friday to face the tenth-ranked Pepperdine Waves, opening a three-game weekend of West Coast Conference play at Eddy D. Field Stadium.

Since 1971, the two programs have met 109 times with Pepperdine holding a commanding 88-21 advantage. The last time the Gaels won at Eddy D. Field Stadium was in 2003. The Gaels dropped all three games to the Waves last season.

"With the conference slate about to begin, this is where we get a real gauge on where we stand," head coach Jedd Soto said. "We have re-

14-13 record.

Sophomore infielder Joel Staples continues to lead the way for the Gaels. In the last five games played, Staples has smacked four home runs and driven in 10 runs. Staples sports a team-leading six homers on the season which ranks second in the WCC. Saint Mary's senior Eric Cattoni jumped into sixth place all-time in stolen bases with 39, in just one and a half seasons. With six more runs scored this season, Cattoni will crack the top-10 for runs in a single season.

"Eric (Cattoni) has made us go and has been a great leader on and off the field. His speed can change a game," said



SMC senior Eric Cattoni at the plate.

cruited well and played some decent baseball but this is where it counts. The team is ready to take the next step and bring home a WCC championship."

Prior to a loss against Nevada on March 20, Saint Mary's put together its finest unbeaten streak in the modern era, stringing together 14-straight without a loss. Saint Mary's currently sits at third place in the WCC standings with 16 wins just ahead of Gonzaga with a 16-14 mark. Defending co-champions USF closely follows with a

Soto, adding, "Sean (Gleason) has been the mainstay in our staff and has really proved to be one of the Conference's finest, [while] Randy (Wells) has had no problem with the transition from high school and is proving to be one of the top freshmen in the nation."

Saint Mary's will return home and face No. 20-ranked San Diego for a WCC series three-game set, starting Thursday, April 5. The first pitch is slated for 3 p.m. at Louis Guisto Field.

Professor of the Year Lawrence Cory SMC Biology Professor Finds Joy of Life in Science

By Jennifer Wake

It's a simple fact. Some people have more energy than others. If you stand next to someone like biology professor Lawrence Cory, who was honored last Friday by his Saint Mary's colleagues at a special presentation in Brousseau Hall, you can almost feel the energy emanating from him.

During the 1960s, Cory, now 89, and fellow professor Brother Dominic Ruegg would backpack into areas with neoprene diving suits, snorkels and weights, disrupting tranquil fishermen to dive in search of frog specimens. "Although Larry's pack was far heavier than mine, he plodded along like a deer and would arrive two hours ahead of me," Ruegg wrote in a statement read at the ceremony. Even today, after finishing a full day of teaching, Cory goes home, changes his clothes and is off hiking for miles in the surrounding hills, searching for salamanders and toads.

"When he's hiking, he's like a kid in a candy store," said his wife, Suzanne. "When we hiked together, he would name all the birds we could hear,

telling me their habitat, what they ate, everything about them. It was like being married to John Muir."

In addition to his love of birds and frogs, Cory is a violinist who makes fiddles as a hobby. "Once he injured his left index finger (the most important finger needed to play), but instead of giving up, he decided to learn to play the fiddle backwards, and built a fiddle in reverse," said Suzanne, who has been married to Cory for 35 years. "He's fascinated by challenges. He decided it would be an interesting neurological experiment."

Through his research in the 1970s, Cory opened the public's eyes to the dangers of DDT, publishing papers on the subject. His testimony before federal lawmakers contributed to a ban on the pesticide. Cory was recently named professor of the year at the college, after 55 years of teaching, researching, and lecturing at Saint Mary's. And he has no plans to stop anytime soon.

"People ask me when I'm going to retire," he said. "I don't know. You go as long as you go."



Cory and wife, Suzanne, visit with former SMC president Brother Mel Anderson at ceremony.

Author Speaks About Courage, Change

By Jennifer Wake

When Abigail Thomas's husband, Rich, was hit by a car, his brain shattered, forcing him to live the rest of his life in an institution.

Through the tragedy, Thomas came to realize that although "you might not find meaning in disaster, you might - with effort - make something useful of it."

As part of the Saint Mary's College Creative Writing Reading Series, Thomas will discuss her poignant memoir, "A Three Dog Life," which tells the story of great courage and change, on Wednesday, April 11 at 7:30 p.m. in the Soda Activity Center.

The book recounts how Thomas built a new life by moving to a small country town, creating a new family composed of three dogs, knitting, and friendship, and how she faced down guilt and discovered gratitude. The memoir also explores her relationship with Rich, a man who "lives in the eternal present, and the eerie poetry of his often uncanny perceptions."

In addition to "A Three Dog Life," Thomas is the author of two collections of short stories, "Herb's Pajamas" and "Getting over Tom," the novel "An Actual Life" and another memoir, "Safekeeping." She teaches fiction writing in the graduate program at The New School and lives in Woodstock, New York.



Abigail Thomas

Summer 2007 Youth Art Classes Hearst Art Gallery, Saint Mary's College

June 25 - 29, 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.

PRINTMAKING:

Gel, Foamboard, Monoprinting & Silkscreen

Workshop fee: \$110; Materials fee: \$ 95

July 9 - 13, 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.

DRAWING & PAINTING:

Still Life, Landscape & Portraiture

Workshop fee: \$110; Materials Fee: \$80

Both courses are team-taught by returning Hearst summer arts program instructors and OUSD art teachers, Hillery Patterson and Susan Zib.

Each workshop is limited to 15 students; recommended ages are 9 - 14.

FAMILY DAY: PAPER ARTS WORKSHOP

Sunday, April 15, Noon - 3 p.m.

Soda Activity Center

On view in the Gallery through April 29 - "Paper Cuts: The Art of Contemporary Paper" "William Keith: The 1870s Paintings"

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