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NEWS FOR THE SAINT MICHAEL'S COLLEGE COMMUNITY



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THURSDAY, MARCH 20

All Day ■ Farrell Room

The College is hosting the spring **Vermont Council of Teachers of Mathematics conference, "Speaking, Reading and Writing Mathematics."** More information at www.vtmath.org.

7:00 p.m. ■ McCarthy Arts Center

Concert by award-winning **Quebec musicians Tricot Machine**, a duo, Catherine Leduc and Matthieu Beaumont, from Trois-Rivieres. With the release of their first record a year ago, they have become a sensation, winning Best New Artists and Best Folk Album at the Gala of Independent Alternative Music of Quebec.

SUNDAY, MARCH 23

9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. ■ Chapel

Easter Sunday Mass.

THURSDAY, MARCH 27

Noon ■ Farrell Room

Spirituality & the Intellectual Life program: "The President Reflects on the Mission of the College" with Saint Michael's President Jack Neuhauser.

7:00 p.m. ■ McCarthy Arts Center

Invisible Children National Tour: film and discussion promoting awareness of former child soldiers in Northern Uganda, and an opportunity to learn how to help rebuild schools in that war-torn region.

7:00 p.m. ■ Hoehl Welcome Center

"Keeping the Heart in Teaching," a panel discussion by **Vermont educators.** Participants include Diane Bahrenburg, Vermont's Teacher of the Year 2007-2008, an English teacher at Colchester High School; Betty Carvellas, nationally-acclaimed science teacher (retired), recipient of the 1984 Presidential Award for Excellence in Science Teaching; Bill Rich, nationally acclaimed English teacher, Sallie-Mae First-year Teacher of the Year (1992), runner-up Vermont Teacher of the Year (1998); Tara Whitney, second-year high school math teacher, presenter at VT Council for Teachers of Mathematics (2007); and Erin Mallory, 2006 graduate of St. Lawrence University, currently a para-educator/interventionist at South Burlington Middle School.

Spread the Word on College Exploration Week (June 23-27)

This summer, Saint Michael's will host its Sixth Annual College Exploration Week, June 23-27, 2008.

College Exploration Week provides high school students an opportunity to live for the week in a residence hall, eat in the Alliot cafeteria, immerse themselves in college academics, explore Vermont, and more. Academic program offerings this year are biology, business, creative writing, and journalism.

If you know a high school student who might benefit from College Exploration Week, please pass this information along. Children of faculty and staff as well as siblings of current students who enroll in the program will receive a 15 percent tuition discount.

The deadline to register is May 5, and all the details can be found at: www.smcvt.edu/exploration

SATURDAY, MARCH 29

2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Ross Sports Center

Parent to Parent Walk-a-thon sponsored by the College. A fundraiser with free food, entertainment and fun. *Call MOVE at ext. 2674 to sign up.*

7:30 p.m. ■ McCarthy Arts Center

"Musical Evening with Karen McFeeters and Friends." The program features Vermont singer/songwriters Carol Abair, Craig Anderson, John Gibbons and Paul Webb performing contemporary folk tunes and ballads. The concert will benefit Kids on the Block-Vermont. Tickets online at www.kidsontheblockvermont.org \$12.50 each or two for \$21. Tickets by phone 860.3349, \$12 for one or \$20 for two. Tickets at the door, \$12 each.

MONDAY, MARCH 31

7:30 p.m. ■ McCarthy Arts Center

Miroslav Volf, Henry B. Wright Professor of Systematic Theology and Director of the Center for Faith and Culture at Yale University, speaking on **"Identity and Otherness in a Fractured World."** Among his many books are *The End of Memory: Remembering Rightly in a Violent World*; *Free of Charge: Giving and Forgiving in a Culture Stripped of Grace*; and *Exclusion and Embrace: A Theological Exploration of Identity, Otherness, and Reconciliation*, which was named one of the 100 best religious books of the 20th Century by Christianity Today.



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Judge Unity Dow of Botswana to be Commencement Speaker

UNITY DOW, Botswana's first female high court judge, will be the principal speaker at the College's 2008 Commencement ceremonies on Thursday, May 15.



Unity Dow

Justice Dow was elected to the International Commission of Jurists in 2004 and to its executive committee in 2006. As founder in 1990 and director from 1994 to 1998 of the Metlhaetsile Women's Information Centre, she worked tirelessly to promote the human rights of women and children. She was also plaintiff in a ground-breaking case that overturned Botswana's nationality law, thereby propelling passage of legislation enabling women to pass their nationality on to their children. She studied law at the University of Botswana and Swaziland, with two years at Edinburgh University, Scotland. She is also a well-known fiction writer.

The College also will award honorary doctoral degrees to three local luminaries: Bernd Heinrich, Lois McClure and the **REV. RICHARD M. MYHALYK**, SSE. Heinrich, naturalist and professor emeritus of biology at the University of Vermont, is the author of award-winning books including the bestselling *Winter World*, *The Geese of Beaver Bog*, *Why We Run*, and, most recent, his memoir, *The Snoring Bird*. Lois McClure and her late husband, J. Warren McClure, were instrumental in establishing the Department of Journalism and Mass Communication at Saint Michael's in 1973. In 2005 Mrs. McClure established the J. Warren and Lois McClure Journalism Scholarship at Saint Michael's. The Rev. Richard M. Myhalyk, SSE, is the recently retired Superior General and Vocation Director of the Society of Saint Edmund. He has served in numerous positions for the Society of Saint Edmund and Saint Michael's.

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ALAIN BRIZARD, associate professor of physics, gave a series of lectures on the Foundations of Nonlinear Gyrokinetic Theory at the Pohang University of Science and Technology (POSTECH) in Pohang, South Korea, on February 14-15, 2008. The lectures were given as part of a workshop on Laboratory, Space, and Astrophysical Plasmas.

PATRICIA DELANEY, assistant professor of anthropology & gender studies, will be attending the Annual Meeting of the Society for Applied Anthropology in Memphis, Tennessee, from March 26-30. This national academic meeting brings together scholars, academics, and practitioners from the various realms of applied anthropology. In 2005, Delaney was named by the Board of Trustees of the Society as a "fellow." Delaney will be chairing a session entitled "Social Costs and Insecurity of Displacement." Her individual paper is entitled "Bridging the Gap: Anthropology and ELL in the Service of Refugee Resettlement in Vermont."

Cheryl Stanley is New Institutional Advancement VP

CHERYL STANLEY, a fundraiser with over 30 years of experience in philanthropy and marketing/communications, became the college's new vice president of institutional advancement on February 1. Most recently, Cheryl was senior consultant to colleges and non-profits with Semple Bixel Associates of Nutley, New Jersey, and from 2001 to 2003 she was vice president for development for the U.S. Committee for the United Nations Population Fund. Previously Cheryl was senior VP and chief development officer for Junior Achievement in New York City, and for eight years she served as VP for institutional advancement for the College of Saint Elizabeth in Morristown, New Jersey. She was deputy director of public affairs for The College Board in New York City from 1971 to 1982 and ran her own company in relationship marketing, Stanley Enterprises, from 1981 to 1990.



Cheryl Stanley

JOANNA ELLIS-MONAGHAN, assistant professor of mathematics, has been invited to serve on the Maple Academic Advisory Board. This board, consisting of active and innovative users of Maple CAS technology, advises Maplesoft, Inc., on ways to improve the academic-user experience for both teaching and research.

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CALENDAR

MONDAY, MARCH 3

7:00 p.m. ■ McCarthy Arts Center

Performance artist Lida Winfield presents "Pantyhose, Combat Boots and the Search for the Right Tool." This one-woman show mixes theater, movement and storytelling in a coming-of-age story, moving from a five-year-old to an adult. Winfield was a member of an improv dance theater company, Working Ground, for eight years. She also studied at Bates Dance Festival with Mark Morris, and at the School for New Dance Development in Amsterdam.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5

11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Alliot Student Center

Career & Internship Fair. More than 30 employers from around New England will be present to speak with students and others about career and internship opportunities. Human services, law enforcement, financial services, sales, non-profits, technology companies, and others will be represented.

All Day ■ McCarthy Arts Center

Our War, Our Responsibility – Iraq at Five, a day-long program to examine and protest the war in Iraq and explore the cost of the war for the U.S. and Iraq. *See details in Page 2 item.*

7:30 p.m. ■ Chapel

"Can We Love? A Lenten program of story, song and prayer," featuring **Tom Booth.** Focusing on youth ministry, Tom Booth has spent years "helping young people and families discover God's love through music and worship." His songs are known throughout the world and have earned Dove, Unity and Grammy awards and nominations. He has composed and performed for Mother Teresa and Pope John Paul II.

THURSDAY, MARCH 6

4:00 p.m. ■ McCarthy Arts Center

Phi Beta Kappa Visiting Scholar Professor Sandra Harding of UCLA speaking on "From Below: An Introduction to Postcolonial Science and Technology Studies." Professor Harding is the author or editor of nine books, most recently *Is Science Multicultural? Postcolonialism, Feminism & Epistemologies* (Indiana UP, 1998). Her groundbreaking

work in *The Science Question in Feminism* (1986) and *Whose Science? Whose Knowledge?* (1991) has made these books classics in the philosophy of science.

7:00 p.m. ■ Hoehl Welcome Center

The first John Engels Memorial Reading with former Vermont Poet Laureate **Ellen Bryant Voigt** reading her poetry. Voigt is the author of seven books of poetry, including *Kyrie* (1995), a finalist for the National Book Critics' Circle Award, and *Shadow of Heaven* (2002) and *Messenger: New and Selected Poems* (2007), both finalists for the National Book Award.

Noon ■ Farrell Room

Seminar: Mark Nigrini, assistant professor of business administration and accounting, will present "Benford's Law: The Facts, The Fun, and The Future" as part of the Social Science Research Center's 2007-2008 Seminar Series. Light refreshments will be served.

FRIDAY, MARCH 7

1:00 p.m. ■ Cheray Hall, Room 101

Third annual Leavy Family Lecture in Chemistry with Dr. Daniel Nocera, Keck Professor of Energy at MIT, speaking on "The Global Energy Crisis—Chemistry to the Rescue." The talk, accessible to non-specialists, explores 'green' approaches to the

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use of solar energy and water to produce fuels such as hydrogen in place of fossil fuels and nuclear power.

7:30 p.m. ■ McCarthy Arts Center

Humanities Program Concert Series, Musicians from the **Green Mountain Chamber Music Festival in a program of Chamber Music Masterpieces.** Musicians Kevin Lawrence, violin; Brooks Whitehouse, cello; Susan Dubois, viola; Paul Orgel, piano, and Karen Kevra, flute, playing Schubert's Rondo in B Minor, D.895 for Violin and Piano; Beethoven's Serenade in D, Opus 25, for Flute, Violin and Viola, and Dvorak's Piano Quartet in E-flat, Opus 87.

Series Offers Basic "Financial Know-How"

"Dollars & Sense: Financial Know-How for Life," a series of presentations sponsored by the Department of Business Administration & Accounting, Center for Women & Gender, Founder's Society, Office of Alumni & Parent Relations, and Student Resource Center, will continue through March into April.

The series began February 26 with visiting Professor John Ambrose speaking on "Financial Health." This month's programs are:

Monday, March 10 at 6:00 p.m. in Eddies Lounge: "Maxed Out" a film expose about the credit card industry.

Monday, March 31 at 4:00 p.m. in the Center for Women and Gender: "Just Ask: Negotiating Salaries" with Wendy Love, executive director of the Vermont Commission on Women, and **KRISTIN NOVOTNY,** associate professor of political science.

The last presentation of the series will be "Speed Dating with the Financial Pros: Meet Five People Who Can Help You Achieve Financial Stability," on **Tuesday, April 8 at 4:00 p.m. in the Alliot Student Center.**

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Grant Team Hosts Conference for ESL Teachers

The CREATE grant team (**JAMES NAGLE** of the education department and **ELIZABETH O'DOWD, SUSAN JENKINS,** and **RITA MACDONALD** from the Applied Linguistics Department) hosted an opening conference for the grant in the International Commons on January 24.

The conference brought together some 30 participants from the faculty and from local school districts to explore how better to collaborate in the teaching of English to speakers of other languages in K-12 schools. Public schools call such programs ESL, or English as a Second Language.

The grant team plans a follow-up conference in March. Project CREATE was awarded to the Applied Linguistics and Education Departments in 2007 and is funded by the U.S. Department of Education, Office of English Language Acquisition, for up to \$905,000 over five years.

Susan and Elizabeth have published a chapter in a 2007 book from TESOL publications: *Helping English Language Learners Succeed in Middle and High Schools.* The chapter, entitled "Language: Collaborating for content-based academic language instruction," was co-authored with three ESL specialists from Burlington School District: Mary Kay O'Brien, Linda Walsleben, and Saint Michael's alumnus (MATESOL) Mark Nigolian.

SATURDAY, MARCH 8, TO WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12, & FRIDAY, MARCH 14

7:00 p.m. ■ McCarthy Arts Center

The Irish Play or The Orphan's Birthday by alumnus **Tim McGillicuddy** as part of the Irish Heritage Festival. This romantic comedy set in Dublin explores conflicts of blood ties, heritage and love. The show had a run of performances at theaters in New York City and reviews have called it "a charming cultural identity caper."

SUNDAY, MARCH 9

10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

International Commons

Fourth annual Central Vermont Trout Unlimited "Tie-a-thon." This benefit supports Casting for Recovery (CFR), a national breast cancer survivors group that sets up fly-fishing adventures for women as a way to recover from breast cancer surgery. Saint Michael's Fly Fishing Club members will be tying flies along with members of Trout Unlimited. Flies will be given to CFR women to use as they learn how to fish. Information: www.vermonttu.org/cvtu.

Brunch Showcases Internship Program

A Sunday brunch in Alliot Dining Hall sponsored by the Academic Internship Office January 20 introduced sophomores and juniors of all majors to the academic internship program. **MALLORY WOOD '08** coordinated the event.

Sites supervisors from ECHO, Make-A-Wish Foundation of Vermont, Nowak and Nowak, and the Vermont Expos spoke of unique opportunities at their sites. **PATRICK GALLIVAN,** director for parent and alumni relations, discussed the value of networking through internships. Recent interns also spoke about the impact that their experiences will have on their careers. A raffle featured prizes such as a Saint Michael's portfolio, a leather briefcase, and networking opportunities with key people on campus. Wood said based on the event's success, she expects it to have been the first of many.

MONDAY, MARCH 10

7:30 p.m. ■ Chapel

Mass in Spanish.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12

4:00 p.m. ■ Hoehl Welcome Center

Annual Rabbi Max B. Wall Lecture with Jules Chametzky, emeritus professor from the University of Massachusetts, speaking on "It All Adds Up: The Influence of Jewish American Writers on American Literature. Chametzky is co-editor of the Norton anthology of Jewish American Literature and author of *From the Ghetto: The Fiction of Abraham Caban and Our Decentralized Literature: Cultural Mediations in Selected Jewish and Southern Writers,* and many articles. He founded the *Massachusetts Review* and edited the journal for 27 years.

Noon ■ Farrell Room

Spirituality & the Intellectual Life program: "Anthropology and Spirituality: A Reading of Poems" by Poet/Professor Adrie Kusserow. Professor Kusserow's poem, "Skull Trees, South Sudan," was chosen to be included in the Best American Poetry 2008 anthology series. She has just published her second book of poetry, *The Hunger Sutras.*

THURSDAY, MARCH 13

11:45 a.m. ■ Klein Lounge

Discussion, "Enlarging our Diversity Network through Community Partnerships." Representatives of Winooski's Community Center, which opens this spring, will present this three-stage project to provide services for community members of all ages.

7:30 p.m. ■ McCarthy Arts Center

Annual Concert for Saint Patrick featuring the Saint Michael's Celtic Knights Irish Dancers, the Highland Weavers, Robert Resnik and others. \$5 admission to benefit Parent to Parent of Vermont.

SUNDAY, MARCH 16

11:00 a.m. ■ Chapel

Palm Sunday Mass.

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