

# SMCM Staff News

## Thank-you Notes

The SMCM staff would like to extend a heartfelt thanks to Lisa Crowe for her 37 years of service and to Rich Edgar for his 25 years of service to our campus community.

From Lisa:

Thank you for your generosity shown to Rich and I August 1<sup>st</sup> with your time as well as your thoughtfulness with a gift. It was amazing to see the turnout and the sentiments expressed in the books as well as in your chats. And I missed chatting with everyone—you who got away without any 'thank yous' directly from me, but I'll remember the faces around the room. I especially appreciate the staff that came out, as they were people I saw the most often and I understand the many hours of work they give to the college as well. Us ordinary people who work behind the scenes who do so much to make this place work—we're everywhere, and we know to be kind to each other. Sometimes the biggest words you can say consists of two small ones ... 'thank you.'



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### Greetings and welcome from the St. Mary's College of Maryland Staff Senate!

It's hard to believe that the summer has long since passed and we are already into the seventh week of classes. I would like to take the opportunity to recognize how vital each of the staff is in the preparation of the college for the return of our students. I hope that you have settled into the new academic year and that you are excited as I am about the further development of the Staff Senate. In the Senate's inaugural year we accomplished a great deal including creating our bylaws, providing basic computer skills training for staff, creating the Joe Carol Award, baking and distributing cookies across campus, singing carols and much more.

This year we plan to continue many initiatives started last year and to expand. Some of our broad senate goals include increased training for career advancement, improved communication with the administration and to increase awareness of staff responsibilities on campus. We have 19 excited and passionate senators to help support and advocate for you. Please get involved and let us know what you need from the Senate.

Thank you for all you do to make St. Mary's the safe and special place we all know!

Derek Young  
Staff Senate President

### Staff Senate AY12-13

(pictured from L to R):

**Derek Young**  
(At-large; President)  
**Kristen Bergery**  
(Office Associates)  
**Linda Wallace**  
(Student Affairs)  
**Elizabeth Clune-Kneuer**  
(At-large; Secretary)  
**Katie Lange**  
(Athletics)  
**Adam Werblow**  
(Facilities/Waterfront)  
**Faye Graves**  
(Human Resources—alternate)  
**Cindy Dale**  
(At-large)  
**Cheryl Colson**  
(Library)  
**Beth Byrd**  
(Advancement; V. President)  
**Marsha Wilcox**  
(Admissions & Financial Aid)  
**Clinton Gilbert**  
(Student Affairs)  
**Irene Olnick**  
(Business Office; Treasurer)  
**Angie Draheim**  
(Academic Support)

### Not pictured:

**Bob Brown**  
(OIT)  
**Chris Coons**  
(At-large)  
**Juliet Hewlett**  
(Physical Plant)  
**Francis Raley**  
(Physical Plant)  
**Mandy Reinig**  
(Academic Affairs)

***Let us begin our work, and let us reach where we didn't think we could.***

- J. Frank Raley, quoted by Joe Urgo at the First Annual Opening Exercises



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## Hats Off to Our Incredible Staff!

### Did You Know That . . .

**Mark Heidrich** and **Elizabeth Clune-Kneuer** had proposals accepted for the MdAIR (Maryland Association of Institutional Research) and NEAIR (North East Association of Institutional Research) Fall Conferences.

**Tricia Realbuto** ran the Pittsburgh Half Marathon in May on the behalf of the American Cancer Society. She and her best friend raised over \$1,000 for ACS. She'll be running again next May if anyone wants to join her.

Over the summer, **Cindy Dale** volunteered at Walter Reed in Bethesda, MD serving food to wounded warriors.

### Out and About



**Jodene Hernandez**, Accounts Receivable Specialist in the Business Office, with NFL Jaguars #51 Paul Posluskny. He autographed her jersey (#89, Mercedes Lewis) which was a gift from her family. "This was an awesome birthday surprise my family treated me to. Although [the Jaguars] lost to the Ravens, [we] had a great time."

## Welcome to St. Mary's!

Admissions	Cassie Hall, Associate Director of Admissions & Financial Aid
Bon Appétit	Helmut Eckart, Executive Chef
Office of Advancement	Michelle Bourdelais, Director of Web Services/Creative Media Stephanie Enoch, Web Services Specialist Chris Robinson, Annual Giving Officer Arminta Stanfield, Media & Marketing Specialist Ashley Taylor, Graphic Designer
Athletics and Recreation	Rich Möller, Head Women's Soccer Coach
Office of Information Technology	Jean Miller, Desktop Support Technician
Physical Plant	Andre Curry, Caretaker I Wade Norris, General Trades Mechanic Nancy Pratt, Caretaker I Dan Woodburn, General Trades Mechanic
Planning and Facilities	Charlie Bowman, Environmental Health and Safety Coordinator
Public Safety	Ron Hafner, Public Safety Officer/Non-Commissioned Tina Garner, Public Safety Officer/Non-Commissioned
Residence Life	Steve Hanlon, Area Coordinator Josh Willett, Resident Director

### Office NEWS



This fall the **Office of Public Safety** will be receiving its "LIVE SCAN" Fingerprinting machine. The live scan machine will allow background checks of new applicants to be completed faster than with the old inked card system. It will also eliminate the need for applicants to have their fingers rolled in the ink required with the old system.

If your office needs to have someone fingerprinted for on-campus business you can call the Office of Public Safety at x4911 to schedule an appointment.

The staff of the **Career Development Center** have set up "**HawkTalk**," an opportunity for students and alumni to connect in virtual networking events throughout the academic year.

The first session is Tuesday, Oct. 16 at 7:30pm. (It's online so it doesn't matter if you are already in your pajamas!). Alumni staff are especially encouraged to participate.

Visit [http://www.brazenconnect.com/event/smcm\\_networking](http://www.brazenconnect.com/event/smcm_networking) for more details and to sign up.



Share Your News! Go to [www.smcm.edu/facultystaff](http://www.smcm.edu/facultystaff) and scroll to the bottom of the news to "Submit Your Own News" or provide your area senator with an update. That's all there is to it!

# Staff Spotlights



Meet Ray Raley, Operations Manager of the Campus Bookstore

## How long have you been at SMCM?

I have been employed at St. Mary's for 5 years.

## What path led you to St. Mary's?

I was in the grocery business for 35 years and then managed a Peebles Department Store for 1 year and then I was fortunate to be hired at the campus store.

## What do you do by day?

I oversee all the stocking and ordering, handle customer related issues, process daily receipts, and supervise a number of student workers.

## What do you do with your evenings/weekends?

During the evenings I enjoy the outdoors until dark; this includes landscaping, gardening, caring for the shoreline on my waterfront property, and maintaining rental properties. Also, I train dogs to jump in the water in the sport of Dock Jumping. Dock Jumping is a nationwide, televised, fast-growing dog sport that exists in every state and in 5 countries. We have competed against anywhere from 150 dogs up to 350 dogs in events with the number of spectators ranging from 500 to 5,000. My 3.5 year-old black Labrador retriever, Ripkin, is ranked 47 out of 50,000 registered Dock Dogs [of various breeds and age/weight classes] in the entire country. Check out <http://www.dockdogs.com/>

## What is your favorite off-campus lunch spot?

Spinnakers Restaurant located at Point Lookout Marina

## What would colleagues be surprised to find out about you?

In 2002, I appeared on a 30-minute Food Network program, "The Best of [Southern Maryland Stuffed Ham]". I have it on video if anyone wants to learn about good stuffed ham.



Meet Ashley Taylor, Graphic Designer in the Office of External Relations

## How long have you been at SMCM?

I joined the External Relations team in early July. Although I've only been here a couple short months, everyone has already made me feel a part of the SMCM community.

## What path led you to St. Mary's?

I'm originally from St. Mary's County so the College has always been a somewhat familiar place to me. I've always loved the St. Mary's City area so when I saw the job posting I jumped at the opportunity! I was seeking a design career with more creative opportunities. I was after more varied design projects, more faces to work with and to be part of a fun and

fast-paced environment.

## What do you do by day?

I'm SMCM's very first graphic designer. I provide design support for all areas of the College. In the short amount of time I've been here I have already designed logos, event invitations, posters, banners, admissions brochures, advertisements in various print magazines, website headers, t-shirts, postcards, tickets and so much more. The College has really kept me busy!

## What do you do with your evenings/weekends?

In my free time I enjoy wakeboarding, snowboarding, swimming, sewing and practically any art related hobby. I'm always planning my next DIY project before I finish the one I'm working on.

## What is your favorite off-campus lunch spot?

On my first day of work at SMCM, I was introduced to Charlie's. I had never even heard of the place before but I've really taken a liking to their crabcake sandwich. I love finding local places like this.

## What would colleagues be surprised to find out about you?

Since buying my first home in December, I have become quite the DIYer. I race my fiancé to the power tools because I love building, fixing and remodeling various things throughout our home. I'm not one to buy something brand new off the shelf. I enjoy searching vintage, second-hand shops for furniture so that I can refinish and make it our own. I really take pride in saying "I did that!"

## Congratulations!

**Susan Steadman**, Office Associate for Schafer Hall, was married on May 26 at her home in Valley Lee, MD. She has changed her name to Mazuc.

**Ryan Alexander**, Assistant Men's Lacrosse Coach, was married on July 28 in Ocean Pines, MD.

**Rebecca Kruse**, Assistant Director of Financial Aid, was married on August 3 and will be changing her name to Meyers.

**Chris Hasbrouck**, Head Men's Lacrosse Coach, was married on August 10 in Lexington Park, MD.

Head Men's Soccer Coach **Alun Oliver '04** and his wife Cathy welcomed their first child into the world, Rebecca Nerys Oliver, on August 4

**Rich Möller**, Head Women's Soccer Coach, had his first win as a St. Mary's Coach against Randolph-Macon College on September 5.

**Tommy Cable**, Accountant in the Business Office, and his wife Karina welcomed a son, Daniel Jackson, on Sept 10. He was 9lbs, 6.9 oz and 22 inches.



## Need a Babysitter?

The "SMCM Sitter" Wiki was designed for SMCM students with childcare experience to connect with SMCM families (faculty, staff, students, other local parents) who are looking for regular babysitters to care for their children.

If you are in need of a sitter, visit and join <http://smcmsitters.pbworks.com/> to view sitter profiles and/or post a "want ad" describing your needs for a sitter.



## Let Us Hear From You!

Email your suggestion, question, concern to [dmyoung@smcm.edu](mailto:dmyoung@smcm.edu)

## St. Mary's by the Numbers:

84

The number of SMCM staff who unanimously ratified a new AFSCME Contract on Sept. 7. Highlights of the contract include a \$1,000 pay increase, an additional 2% pay raise at the start of 2013 and expanded employee participation in Labor Management Committees.

Thanks to the bargaining team – Bobby Clements, Cheryl Colson, Mike Colvin, Jen St. Germain, Juliet Hewlett, Kathy Lewin, Brad Newkirk, Ty Reynolds and Rob Webb; and alternates Jack Short and Leslie Tucker – for leading the local through smooth negotiations!



795

The number of dollars collected by the Staff Senate from the sale of a cookbook of recipes contributed by College staff, faculty, and students.

The funds were donated to the Southern Maryland Food Bank and will help them "purchase over 5,800 pounds of food and provide supplies and services to families in need in the Southern MD area."



## Staff Senate Committees

### Professional Development

Cindy Dale (co-chair), Clinton Gilbert (co-chair), Bob Brown, Elizabeth Clune-Kneuer, Mary Grube, Janet Lawrence, Francis Raley, Linda Wallace

### Elections

Beth Byrd (chair), Clinton Gilbert

### Communications

Angie Draheim (chair), Lee Capristo, Katie Lange

### Awards & Recognition

Beth Byrd (co-chair), Clinton Gilbert (co-chair), Chris Coons, Kelly Smolinsky

### Bylaws

Derek Young (chair), Dana Van Abbema

### Social Connections

Katie Lange (chair), Kristen Bergery, Rachel Brooks, Dana Cullison, Cindy Dale, Mandy Reinig, Marsha Wilcox

### Finance

Irene Olnick (chair), Mandy Reinig, Adam Werblow

## Staff Senate Mission Statement

St. Mary's College of Maryland is committed to developing and recognizing the contributions of the full range of its professionals as they work toward achieving the college's mission. The St. Mary's College of Maryland staff senate shall be the official representative body of the college staff. The senate offers a voice for all staff, endeavors to enhance the day-to-day work environment, and promotes a sense of community and respect across campus by fostering open communication with the college president, senior administration, faculty, students and the board of trustees.

## Upcoming Events

**Every Tuesday at 12pm. The Wellness Committee Fall Exercise Program** welcomes your company on the Michael P. O'Brien outdoor track.

**Oct 18:** River Rendezvous; 5-6:30pm @ The River Center (Social Connections)

**Oct 24 [Tentative]:** Quiz night (quizmaster: Derek Young) @ The Pub (Social Connections)

**Oct 25:** Discussion of *Await Your Reply* by Dan Chaon; 12pm @ Library Board Room (Staff Book Club)

**Nov 6:** Staff Badminton Tournament, Details TBA (Social Connections)

**Nov 15:** River Rendezvous; 5-6:30pm @ The River Center (Social Connections)

**Nov TBA:** Quiz night @ The Pub (Social Connections)

**Nov TBA:** Discussion of *Sharp Objects* by Gillian Flynn; 12pm @ Library Board Room (Staff Book Club)

**Wed, Dec 5:** Toys for Tots Walk @ Michael P. O'Brien outdoor track; 12pm (Wellness Committee)

**Mar 3, 2013:** 4th Annual American Cancer Society SMCM Relay for Life; 6pm @ Michael P. O'Brien Athletics & Recreation Center. Contact **Sola Ogundele** at [osogundele@smcm.edu](mailto:osogundele@smcm.edu), Coordinator of Orientation and Service, for more information.

**Sign up online at** <http://relay.acsevents.org/site/R?i=jByO6TftZyH7O63KaWecJg>

