



KEEP UP THE MOMENTUM

A Sampling of Points of Pride from 2021-22

The great momentum we had at St. Mary's College last fall allowed us to rebound from the pandemic and emerge stronger than before. As you review a sampling of our many accomplishments below, imagine what we can continue to achieve together. Our outstanding students succeeded because of the outstanding faculty and staff who enlighten them. I believe we are well on track to keep up that momentum for the coming year!

— **DR. TUJUANDA C. JORDAN,**
PRESIDENT, ST. MARY'S COLLEGE OF MARYLAND

STUDENTS:

Dozens of SMCM students presented research at national or regional academic conferences. St. Mary's College students garnered awards at the MD-DC-VA sectional conference of the Mathematical Association of America (MAA) held in Germantown, Maryland in April. **Gillian Carr '22** won the award for the best student presentation. The "Radical Dash" team of Carr, **Alyson Conover '22**, **Joseph Daly '24** and **Lucius Latham '22** took first place. The "Math Jeopardy" team of Carr, Conover and **Sawyer West '22** took second place.

Leo Boucher '23 was recognized as the 2021-2022 National and Conference Champion in sailing – for the 2nd year in a row.

Mary Purtilo '23 penned the College's first fight song, "Fly High Mighty Seahawks."

Over 40% of SMCM's **student athletes** earned conference academic honors and 91% of varsity teams participated in conference championships.

Additional student, faculty, and staff accomplishments were honored at the **2022 Awards Convocation**.

FACULTY AND STAFF:

Assistant Professor of Psychology **Gili Freedman** and colleagues recently published an article entitled, "Emotional experiences of ghosting" in The Journal of Social Psychology. She was interviewed recently about the research she and her collaborators have done on ghosting in The New York Times Magazine.

Christine Adams, professor of history, was interviewed by Richard Levick for the podcast, "In House Warrior" to answer the question, "Is the U.S. Supreme Court the New Bastille?"

Kent Randell, college archivist, received commendation from the Commissioners of St. Mary's County on May 24, 2022 with an Historic Preservation Service Award for his research work on a manuscript about the Susquehanna estate and the families connected with it.

Public Safety Officer **David Turner '12** was selected by his peers in St. Mary's County as the Public Safety Officer of the Year.

AWARDS CONVOCATION 2022:
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THE COLLEGE:

Provided **staff** a new framework for **flexible work options**, additional time off during Spring Break, and increased ability to carry over accumulated leave from 160 to 200 hours.

From a **record number (2,934) of first-year applicants**, we enrolled the most diverse class ever (31% historically underrepresented and/or marginalized, 25% first generation, 59% female). The Class is also the largest cohort (416) of first-year students since 2012, with an additional 74 transfer students.

Implemented a long-range tuition strategy designed to **hold tuition flat** for the foreseeable future (AY2022-2023 is the 3rd consecutive year of no tuition increase).

Provided **COLA increases** to all College employees, as well as additional **permanent pay adjustments** to 56% of faculty, 35% of exempt staff, and 84% of non-exempt staff with at least two years of service.

Raised a **record-breaking \$4.3M** in private support of the College's initiatives.

Opened the **new academic building complex**, comprised of the Learning Commons and Performing Arts Center, as the final phase of the \$70M capital project that included the Jamie L. Roberts Stadium.

Completed the NCAA Division III certified **track and field facilities**.

Reimagined the **Center for Career and Professional Development (CCPD)**, a cornerstone of the LEAD program, now fully staffed with eight professionals.

Developed **new majors in Performing Arts and Business Administration and Management** for implementation in fall 2022.

Awarded a coveted gold award from the Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) for the activities associated with the one-year anniversary of the **Commemorative to Enslaved Peoples of Southern Maryland**.

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