

A new year with new challenges and new optimism for Saint Mary's basketball

... continued from Page C1

"Our new players are going to have to be a part of our top 10 this year so how fast we can get them up to the level they have to be against good teams is the question," said Bennett. "They're learning and catching on quick and will help us. We should get better as the

season goes on because they are some of our top talent." Under these trying conditions, team unity is that much more difficult to maintain, but Fotu hasn't seen that as a problem: "The new players have adapted to our system and culture. They're seeing that it's a family mentality here and we push each other to be our best."

It's not by accident that these are the types of players that are on the Gaels' roster, Bennett said: "That's how we run our program. We recruit guys who value and want that culture. We look out for one another and care for one another and spend a lot of time together. These guys have gone through something that's been tough for all of us

and they have had to fight through it all summer and fall, so when you go through tough times together, you become pretty tight. This will be a tough and gritty team. There are several guys on this team that see themselves as hard-nosed, tough and competitive and hang their hat on that and I feel it in practice every day."

Saint Mary's will open their season at the Bad Boys Crossover Classic in Sioux Falls, South Dakota against the University of Memphis. The team's first home game will be on Dec. 1 against Nicholls State and its first league game will also be at home against Pepperdine on Jan. 2

SHOP MORAGA

MORAGA ARTGALLERY
Unique Gifts!

Jewelry • Sculpture
Photography
Paintings • Textiles
Ceramics • Tableware
Handmade Cards
and more!

Plenty of free parking

The Gallery is located at 432 Center Street, in the Rheem Shopping Center. next door to Nations

Hours are Thursday through Sunday, 12 noon to 3 pm
• 925-376-5407 • www.MoragaArtGallery.com

A good neighbor has your back.

Mark Hoogs, Agent
Insurance Lic#: 0M08809
629 Moraga Road
Moraga, CA 94556
Bus: 925-254-3344

Life's a combination of good days and bad. I have your back for both. And who has my back? The company more people have trusted for 90 years. **CALL ME TODAY.**

State Farm

State Farm
Bloomington, IL
1606040

Member of Moraga Chamber of Commerce

shop Moraga first.com

MAKE LIFE EASY
SHOP LOCAL
SHOPMORAGAFIRST.COM

McCaulou's
Save Gas
Save Money
Save Time
Shop your local McCaulou's

RHEEM VALLEY AUTOMOTIVE
(Rheem center across from the Post Office)

Complete Auto Repair
State of California
Brake, Lamp & Smog Station

OFFICIAL BRAKE ADJUSTING STATION
OFFICIAL LAMP ADJUSTING STATION

STAR Certified

377-6020
WWW.RHEEMAUTO.COM

SCARLETT LUEDER
CPA EA QBs Pro

Tax planning is the analysis of finances from a tax perspective, with the purpose of ensuring maximum tax efficiency.

Schedule your consultation today!

cpascarlett.com | 925-388-0456 | ask@cpascarlett.com

Bay Area home companions
in-home care services

Affordable, Competent, Warm & Compassionate Adult Care

- Personal Care
- Light Housekeeping
- Meal Preparation
- Non-medical Outpatient Assistance

(925) 330-3999
www.bayareahomecompanions.com

The UPS Store

New hours:
Mon-Fri 8:00-6:00
Sat 9-5, Sun closed

Our location:
1480 Moraga Rd, Ste C
Moraga, CA 94556-2005

- ✓ Shipping
- ✓ Copying, Finishing
- ✓ Printing Services
- ✓ Notary Services
- ✓ Postal Services
- ✓ Business Services
- ✓ Live Scan
- Fingerprinting

www.theupsstorelocal.com/2291

HAPPY Holidays!

The Moraga Chamber of Commerce wishes everyone a safe and prosperous Holiday Season.
www.moragachamber.org

Rheem Valley
Pet Shoppe
Pet Food & Supplies

Rheem Valley Center 388 Park Street Moraga (925) 376-8399
Monday - Saturday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

MORAGA RETREAT CARE HOMES
residential assisted living for seniors

professional staff, resident-centered care
private rooms, home-made meals, medication management
unparalleled attention to detail

MORAGARETREAT.COM (925) 376-2273

PROFESSIONAL EYECARE
OPTOMETRY

Dr. Wm. Schwertsch, O.D.

- Comprehensive Vision Testing
- Eye Disease Diagnosis
- Specialty Contact Lens Care
- Finest Quality Eyewear and Sunglasses

1030 Country Club Drive, Ste. A
Moraga • (925) 376-2020

Happy Thanksgiving!

LAMORINDA

MORAGA GARDEN CENTER

Trees & Shrubs
Flowers & Vegetables
Soil Products & Fertilizers
Organic Products & Seeds

located at the Moraga Shopping Center
925-376-1810

50% OR 10% OFF

WELL BELL, BOXES, WARDROBE BOXES, LOCKER/FURNITURE COVERS & OTHER PACKING SUPPLIES

RENTSPACE
455 MORAGA RD., SUITE F
(925) 643-2026
www.5Aspace.com

Hours of operation
Mon-Sat 9am - 6pm
Office and Yard.
Or call for an appointment.

MORAGA MOTORS
since 1981 in Moraga. Located on Moraga Road, Rheem Valley Shopping Center

Professional Automotive Service and Repair
Foreign and Domestic

2016 Moraga Small Business of the Year

530 Moraga Rd. • 925-376-0692
www.moragamotors.com

\$50 off for new clients

Hall of Taxes
Peggy Hall, Enrolled Agent
Over 30 years experience
Stephen Hall, MBA, CTEC
Specializing in complex tax situations for individuals and small businesses.

Moraga
(925) 388-1040
www.HallofTaxes.com • peggy@halloftaxes.com

Reflexion
SKIN CARE & HAIR SALON
Moraga's Premier Salon

OPEN -Call today!
all safety protocols in place

925.376.7222
508 Center Street, Moraga
(in Rheem Valley Shopping Center)

Watch for Love Lafayette
December 9
Call for Advertising
925.377.0977

Si Si Caffé

Best Latte in Town

910 Country Club Dr.
Moraga
925-377-1908