

Senior Reflections



I've spent the past four years of my life here at Saint Francis College, and all I can say is wow. My, how things do happen that we never think would. All of the sudden I'm not that kid anymore, 1M no longer exists, I'm about to graduate, and I'm scared out of my mind to find out where I will be 6 months down the road. If you told me this would happen when I was a freshman, I would have just walked away laughing. But, hey, things change.

My first week of school is one I will never forget. I was in English class when I was told that the World Trade Center was hit by a plane. We were all in shock and from that day I learned how a college acts like a family. No matter where you turned you asked if everyone was ok, if you could lend or borrow a cell phone to make a call. As time passed these family bonds grew. There were always the same group in 1M, oops sorry; I mean floor 2 playing cards and board games. Then there was good old Rob getting people to go do SGA events and, of course, the fraternity parties. When classes were done there was always Annie's to come and welcome you.

My time here at SFC was well spent. You can never change the past, because the past can't change you, it can only shape you. For myself, as well as many other students, our time has shown us that all our hard work is greatly appreciated and no one can take that away.

Best wishes to the graduating class of 2005 and for future graduates. I say this to you: never give up, and never surrender your day will come and you will enjoy it.

- Micheal Conenna '05

Looking back at my experience at Saint Francis College I find myself recalling many memorable moments. I began attending SFC in the fall of 2000. My sister Noha was about to begin her sophomore year there and convinced me to apply. Choosing a major was not an easy task for me; all I was sure of is that I had an interest in law. Political Science became my declared Major with a minor in history and I am proud to say I survived my senior thesis!!!

The Student Government Association was the first student organized club that I took part in during my sophomore year. By the end of my sophomore year at SFC I had become a member of the St. Thomas Moore Pre-Law Society, the newly founded Arab-American Society, the SFC Voice, and the History & Political Science Society. I participated in many of the activities that those clubs had to offer. Being the hyper person that I am, I enjoyed running around school getting signatures from 100 students in order to retain my title as sophomore, Junior and then Senior Representative of the SGA. I participated in every aspect of those clubs from organizing events, posting up fliers, setting up Art exhibits with the Arab-American Society, fundraisers such as bake sales, registering voters in the voters drive, participating in Community Day, recruiting freshman to student organizations on Terrier Tuesday, working the ID Card Room, to winning 2nd place in the 1st ever Domino Tournament and it was my first time ever playing! My accomplishments and devotion was recognized during the SGA Awards Ceremony, I have received many awards including the SFC Franciscan Spirit Award and the Outstanding Senior Service Award. Today I see myself as a different person; I have matured in many ways. During my time at SFC I lost many friends but have regained friendships that are much more meaningful. I

have completed my degree in January of 2005 but chose to walk in the May graduation Ceremony. SFC offered me great opportunities. I am now working in the Student Activities Office, while I study for my LSAT.

-Nermeen Abdel-Hamid '05

