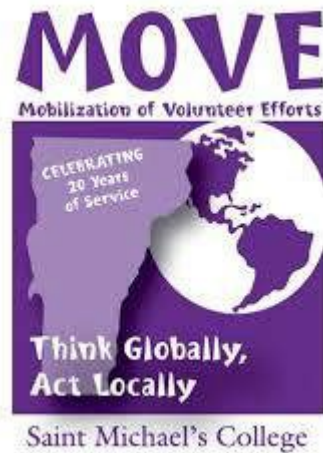




Dear Alumni, Family, and Friends,

I'm grateful for the opportunity to pause, connect, and share with you as we edge toward another beautiful fall here at SMC. It's been invigorating to, again, witness the presence and initiative of passionate, engaged, and driven students; their positive energy is contagious. The MOVE Core Team returned excited to offer meaningful service opportunities and reconnect with volunteers and community partners alike. We once again volunteered at Rock Point School and The Farm at SMC, two of our incredible community partners, to support their summer transitions. A few weeks later, we went to Chapin Orchard for our annual First Year Apple Picking with over 60 first-year students and about a dozen dedicated upper-class student leaders. It was a beautiful fall day complete with 1,200 lbs of apples picked and later distributed to a variety of local food shelves. What an impactful community contribution this year.



Campus is active, and student clubs and organizations are already buzzing with great events and programs. In MOVE, sign-up sheets are full and we are already hearing meaningful stories about many programs including Correctional Volleyball, Dismas House, Senior Citizen Games and, of course, the joyful and energetic Mentor Program youth enjoying Alliot and the rest of campus. We are so excited for this year's Service Trips, too – Immokalee, Buffalo, Selma, and NYC, to name a few. Applications are open, and we hope you'll encourage anyone in your life who is a current SMC student to apply!

I'm so glad to welcome fall, where the energy is high and passionate students fill the hallways. MOVE is again filled with dedicated volunteers, incredible Core Team leaders, compassionate presence, challenging dialogue, and thoughtful reflection, and I am

grateful.

Wishing you all a warm and wonderful fall,

Lara Scott
Director of Mobilization of Volunteer Efforts (MOVE)



Have you made your gift to the Inauguration Challenge yet?

Make a gift today to officially welcome Dr. Richard Plumb as the 18th President of Saint Michael's College. As part of the "Inauguration Challenge," we have some incredible matches and challenges running through his inauguration on

October 26th. Visit smcvt.edu/inaugchallenge to learn more.

Please join us on October 25 and 26 to officially welcome Dr. Richard Plumb to our Saint Michael's College community. For more information and to RSVP, please visit smcvt.edu/inauguration.

Attention SMC Legacy Families!

Multiple generations of your family have attended St. Mike's and we want to ensure every branch of your St. Mike's family tree is recognized.

Please take a moment to fill out our [legacy family member survey](#) so we can acknowledge all the Purple Knights in your family! Questions? Email events@smcvt.edu.

Alumni & Family Weekend Recap

Alumni & Family Weekend 2024 was a great success! The campus was buzzing with energy as alumni and families reconnected and took part in a variety of events both on and off campus. It was a wonderful opportunity to catch up, share memories, and enjoy time together. One highlight of the weekend was the [Grand](#)



[Opening of the Kelley Ski Center](#), a wonderful new home for our Alpine and Nordic Ski teams. A big thank you to everyone who came to visit—we appreciate your ongoing support and look forward to seeing you again soon!

President Plumb in Boston

On September 25th, President Plumb was warmly welcomed by nearly [100 Purple Knights at the New England Aquarium](#). The event provided an opportunity to connect with attendees and celebrate their shared passion for, and commitment to, St. Mike's. President Plumb also had the pleasure of meeting with alumni in smaller group settings and visiting some at their workplaces, witnessing firsthand how our graduates are using their liberal arts education to excel and make a positive impact in their communities.



Fire and Rescue

Every August, the student training officers of [Saint Michael's College Fire and Rescue](#) organize a 5-day training conference that includes an array of presentations and skills review sessions led by Fire & Rescue alumni. Addy Dolley '25, Rescue 1st Lieutenant, and Bobby Farney '26, Fire 1st Lieutenant, carefully planned daily sessions for the student members. The week launched with a lesson on where we started from retired Chief Peter Soons '82 P'21 and culminated with a mass casualty drill on campus. Fire & Rescue is grateful for all of the alumni who continue to support their efforts.



PK Challenge Success!

Sunday, September 22nd marked the end of the eighth annual [Purple Knight Challenge](#), a fundraiser aimed at supporting Saint Michael's Athletics. We want to give a huge thank you to our alumni, friends, families and fans who all showed their support of their favorite St. Mike's team. All in all, there was a total of **1,872 donors** that contributed an incredible **\$295,008**. Go Purple Knights!



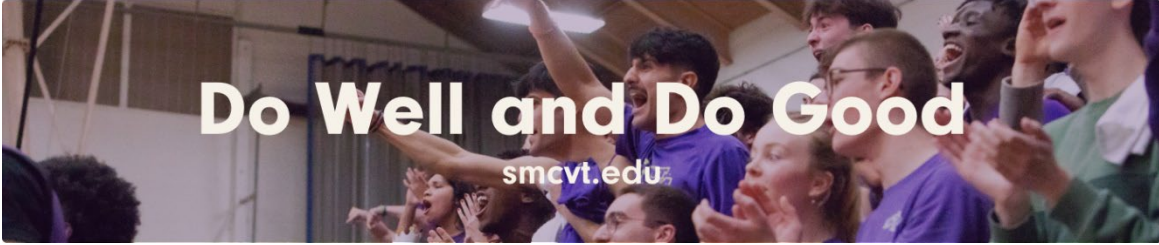
Schedule of Events

In addition to the events highlighted below, we have plans in the works in a city near you! Keep an eye on our [events calendar](#) as details are confirmed. Interested in planning an event in your area? Email events@smcvt.edu.

October 26th: Save the date for the Inauguration of Saint Michael's College's 18th President. Details can be found [here](#).

November 13th: Join President Plumb for our inaugural Alumni Town Hall Zoom event on Wednesday, November 13, at 7:00 p.m. ET. During this session, President Plumb will discuss the evolving student experience at St. Mike's, reflect on his first year, and share his vision for the future. Please note that this event is **exclusive to alumni**, and pre-registration is required. You can sign up and submit your questions for President Plumb [here](#).

November 16th: Join us as we honor the 1998-99 men's ice hockey team with induction into the [Saint Michael's Athletic Hall of Fame](#), commemorating the 25th anniversary of the first national champion team in the history of Saint Michael's. [Register here for the ceremony and reception](#).



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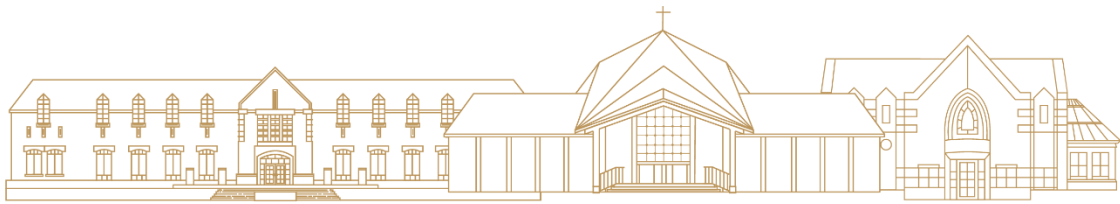
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