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It was "hats off" under sunny, breezy skies, to the Saint Mary's College Class of 2013 on May 25 and 26, unless you were a graduate. Then you wore a mortarboard, perhaps decorated, in order to help your bleacher-bound family and friends locate you more easily among the sea of black caps and gowns. Timothy O'Ceallaigh even wore a mortarboard with a helmet cam to capture a grad's-eye view of the

Laurels worn in lieu of mortarboards bedecked the heads of half a dozen honors graduates, who had little time

writing, and business administration. Saint Mary's College

enrolls more than 3,800 students in undergraduate and

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Graduates from Saint Mary's 150th Year

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Saint Mary's graduates wait for names to be called. Photos Cathy Dausman

to rest on stage. New alumni Javier Ochoa sported a black cowboy hat, complete with tassel. The college conferred diplomas and awards to 675 undergraduates on Saturday and 467 graduate students Sunday, said Coordinator of Commencement Casey McAlduff. The De La Salle award for highest academic honor went to Vincent O'Brien. Undergrads and their families celebrated Saturday afternoon on campus with plot parties. Post-grad students earned degrees in education, kinesiology, leadership, creative

proceedings.

graduate liberal arts and business programs. This commencement was the last presided over by outgoing college president Brother Ronald Gallagher. New president James A. Donahue, Ph.D., begins his term July 1.



Three Saint Mary's students show off diplomas at the recent commencement ceremonies.

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