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STUDY ABROAD RETURN PARTY

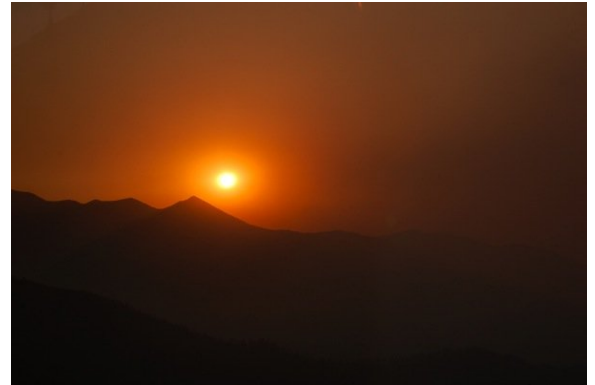
On Wednesday, February 3, CWIL held its annual **Study Abroad Return Party**. Girls representing Rome, Ireland, Australia, Korea, and China were in attendance. They discussed such topics as the re-immersion into the US, differences between the US and their host country, and, of course, what they missed most about their host countries! Tricia Dunton from the CCO (Center for Career Opportunities) also came and discussed how to practically apply study abroad experience. Everyone had fun reminiscing about their time abroad!

Thinking about studying abroad, but not sure where to go? Consider **Seoul, South Korea**, where traditional culture meets contemporary for a new global experience! Seoul is the second largest metropolitan city in the world, and was ranked number 3 in the Top 30 Places to Go in 2010. Because it is a small country, roughly about the size of Indiana, there are many opportunities available for travel. Students have the opportunity to study at either Ewha Women's University, or the Catholic University of Korea, both of which are highly internationalized and prestigious universities. Many opportunities are available to you; it's up to you to make the experience whatever you want it to be! Find out more by contacting **Rachael Chesley** at rchesl01@saintmarys.edu!

LETTERS FROM FRANCE

BY: JINGQIU GUAN

France is just an amazing place to visit because of its artistic beauty. But what attracted me the most when I was in France? **Chocolat Chaud**: hot chocolate in France is made from real chocolate. Sitting in a cafe outdoor and enjoying a small cup of hot chocolate was the most wonderful and relaxing moment of my day. **L'Escargo**: Dijon is famous for its l'Escargo. I tried it at a restaurant next to *la Place de Darcy*, called *Le Grand Duke*. Be brave and try those delicious foods! **L'Opera de Paris**: If you get a chance to visit Paris, do see a show at *l'Opera de Paris*. It is a phenomenon inside. The story *Phantom of the Opera* takes place in this theatre. **Nice**: Among all the cities that I traveled when I was in France, Nice is my favorite. I felt like I was in a fairytale - it was so beautiful and colorful. The water in the sea is diamond-like blue, the roofs of the houses are rose red, and the sky is always clear with clouds. Such a wonder land!



CHINA NIGHT

China Night was held on Sunday, February 14, in the Little Theater, in celebration of the **Chinese New Year**. This is the year of the Tiger! The night included displays of Chinese folk dance, traditional instruments played by SMC international students from China, and even a fashion show. Children especially enjoyed the presentation of the Red Envelopes. Many people from Saint Mary's and the local community were in attendance for China Night, a great opportunity for the celebration of Chinese culture right on Saint Mary's campus!



NICHOLAS KRISTOF LECTURE

Nicholas Kristof, the co-author of *Half the Sky: Turning Oppression into Opportunity for Women Worldwide*, came to campus on Monday, February 8. To illustrate inequality among women in developing countries worldwide, he discussed many of his travels and the effect they had on him. At the end of his lecture, he encouraged students to study abroad in any country, explaining that anyone can truly make a difference in the world.