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"ANTICIPATION" . . . This new girl gleams with excitement as she looks forward to her life at St. Mary's.



It must be good! . . . This SMC girl seems to be enjoying her hotdog at the Little Sister-Big Sister Picnic.

Old and New Get Acquainted

by Mazie Swindell

During Orientation Week, on Thursday, August 22, the "old girls" and "new girls" dined outside on the St. Mary's grounds at the traditional "Little Sister-Big Sister" picnic held

each year. This came as a relaxing break from the excitement and confusion of getting settled in, and getting schedules straight, etc. The picnic menu consisted of hotdogs, hamburgers, beans, slaw, pink lemonade, and ice cream for dessert.

To me, as a new girl, it meant a lot to know that I've got a friend whose "been there," and who'll understand when I'm lost or heartbroken or just need someone to talk to. The picnic served its purpose as it not only "united two sisters," but brought all the "St. Mary's girls," old and new, together.

Her future plans are to work on her stamp and coin collection and to spend more time with her elderly mother who presently lives in Oxford.

Mrs. Beam is a native of N. C. and was raised in Cabarrus County. She has one married daughter who lives in Greenville and has a family of her own. Mrs. Beam proudly proceeded to say that she planned to spend more time with her three grandchildren.

When asked what she considered the highlight of her 12 years here, she had no trouble recalling the most memorable times. "I guess they would have to be when we had the post office in the basement of lower Smedes. The first year that the bookstore was opened only text-

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Orientation Cites A New Year

by Anne Turnage

Orientation! A fun-filled two weeks of getting to know your roommate, teachers, and 500 other girls; of getting soaking wet at the Sigma-Mu pep-rally; of trying out for half the clubs at SMC; of taking, and hopefully passing, the handbook test!

Our first contact with SMC came in the mail, with the delivery of a nine page booklet and a letter that began with the

rather disturbing sentence "The first day is set aside as Orientation Week." Later you were besieged with letters telling you everything from your roommate's address to advice from the SGA.

Finally the big day arrived. Moving in is always an exciting experience, with old girls greeting each other and new girls meeting each other. All kinds of questions are cleared up as you actually see the campus and find out that, yes, the rooms in

Smedes really are that bad.

When classes started, things were really wild. Freshmen were in a daze for a few days, but soon got used to the work. After all, what's so bad about studying for four hours a day, right girls?

Most of us have managed to live through it, although we may never be the same. Still, it's a lot of fun, and just think, we've got a whole year to rest up for the next Orientation Week!

SMC Adopts Two

by Janet Smalley

St. Mary's is very honored this year to have several foreign students in attendance. One of these students is Amphone Norasingh who is from Vientiane, Laos. (Vientiane is the capital of Laos.)

Amphone has been in the United States for two years now, except for summer vacation this past summer. She attended Broughton High School last year and Carnegie the year before. Surprisingly she speaks Laos, Chinese, English, Vietnamese and Thai; and is in her third year of French this year! Her many interests include music, dance, and handicrafts. While in Laos, Amphone studied the classical dances of her country, and she is taking modern dance this year for the first time. She is also taking piano and voice for the first time. Meanwhile Amphone will portray a Royal Siamese Dancer in the "King and I".

Our other addition to the St. Mary's community is Mojdeh Bahar from Iran. Mojdeh is 17 years old and is a freshman at SMC. She is very friendly and personable and she gets along well with the girls.

Mojdeh came to the United States three months ago primarily to study art. Although she is not taking art this year, Mojdeh hopes to take an art history course next year. Mojdeh

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Scholastic Clubs Honor Achievements

Phi Theta Kappa

by Kay Castleberry

Phi Theta Kappa Inductions were held Tuesday, September 3 in the Board Room of the Library. New members are Leigh Ann Raynor, Sallie Shuping, Vicki Clarke, Peg Corbitt, Dot Fitchett, Jessica Fleming, Gaither Kelly, and Nancy Kerr.

Phi Theta Kappa is the college honorary society. To be eligible for membership in Phi Theta Kappa, "a student shall be of good moral character, shall possess recognized qualities of citizenship, and shall have established academic excellence as judged by the faculty." To qualify, a girl must have an average of 3.5 or higher after first

semester her junior year, or a 3.25 or higher at the end of her junior year, or after first semester her senior year.

Members of Phi Theta Kappa inducted last year are Harriet Swaim, president, Lou Ann Coleman, Sallie Lewis, Pat Holt, Beverly Wheeler, Lynn Harand, and Susanne Owens.

High School Honor Society

The Honor Society inducted sixteen new members Monday, September 9. A former member, Leslie Stokes, introduced the program stating from the constitution that the purpose is "to recognize and encourage scholarship and to promote those qualities of character reflective of the best in St. Mary's his-

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Two new faces at St. Mary's . . . Amphone and Mojdeh look forward to an exciting year.

Talent Show Proves A Smash

by Anne Turnage

SMC's annual talent show, held on the 29th of August, can only be described as a smash. Several old girls, including the SGA officers, came from Chapel Hill to see the talent show. SMC had an adept MC in Beth Johnson, a day student. The Acts ranged from a piano solo by Julie Kim Rivers to a humorous skit by the counselors on what they'd be if they weren't a St. Mary's girl. And there were visits from those two famous musical groups, Sha Na Na and Diana Ross and the Supremes. Also Allison Kerr, Julie Walker and Sally Lewis sang and played a song written a few years ago by Ellen Hinson for her counselors. Later, Second Holt gave us some new words to "Oh Lord,

Won't You Buy Me a Mercedes Benz?" During the program the Sophomores gave some facts of life at SMC to the new girls, and the Cruikshank girls "com-

bo" stood divided. One decided "It's Crying Time Again!" while another confused group asked the immortal question, "Is It Time Yet?"



"KISSY, KISSY!" . . . Two "fairies" show their talents at the SMC Talent Show.



"Have you got your receipt?" . . . Mrs. Beam shows concern for the girls at St. Mary's in the bookstore.