

# EDITORIAL

After accepting the position of editor in January, 1982, I remember feeling elated--excited and proud. One of my roommates, Patti Drake, a previous editor of *The Belles* cynically commented "Just you wait!" Well, here it is, May, and I still feel elated, excited and proud.

That is not saying there haven't been problems. Being editor of *The Belles* is not my first position as editor. I was editor for two years of my high school newspaper. Interestingly enough, the problems I ran into then in a small private high school are similar to the problems I run into here. Lack of writers, printing problems, ideas, lack of response.... the list goes on.

My love for journalism keeps me going. It would be hard to find something as exciting as say, seeing my name heading an article I have long labored over. Or the satisfaction I feel when a reporter turns in a job well done. Receiving compliments is exhilarating too. And even more exciting... controversy. I'll never forget the day when I was sitting in the student union listening to two girls angrily discussing an editorial I had written concerning apathetic college students. There they were, condemning me (and, I might add, without thoroughly reading the

article) and I was sitting right next to them. Controversy, anger, smiles. Reaction is essential.

I feel *The Belles* staff with the help of Dean Jones and Dr. Murray have improved the paper by at least 40 percent. Fortunately, that is just a start. Next year will be bigger and better. *The Belles* will live on.

I'd like to extend a big thank you to Foo Vaeth, who has worked so hard. Foo just received the Jane Augustine Rabon Belles Award. Engraving her name on a silver platter is the least St. Mary's can do in gratitude for her years of hard work. I'd also like to thank Cree, Lynn, Becky, Kathleen, Anne, Karen, Leslie and all other hardworking Belles reporters. Members of the faculty who contributed to *The Belles* this semester, thank you.

Well, this semester has been entertaining, fun, hard, exasperating: interesting. I know I have next semester to look forward to. I hope more St. Mary's girls will become involved in our newspaper. In my opinion, it is a vital part of our small community. It says to anyone reading it, who we are and what we are. And as far as I'm concerned, we can never tell enough. Have a happy summer.

MGB

# Letter to the Editor

To the Editor:

In the issue before last, an inquiry was made about the use of school vacuum cleaners in Holt (or anywhere else on campus). Perhaps Mr. Crawley and I can explain.

In the past Mercury Management allowed students to use the equipment, with two results. First of all the equipment was not returned. Other students looking for cleaners, sweepers, or brooms could not find them. Students left them in their rooms, gave them to other students, or left them in the hall and they disappeared. The second result was more serious: students did not take care of the equipment and the maintenance and replacement costs became prohibitively expensive.

Let me document how expensive: a commercial vacuum cleaner costs Mercury Management \$480 to \$595. When students were allowed to use the vacuums there were 54 service calls to Holt alone (in six months). Repairs ran up to \$300. Carpet sweepers were also issued to each dorm last year. They lasted 30 days (total cost \$200). They last the janitorial staff one to two years.

It would be pleasant to think that all students would consider maintenance and replacement costs, but unfortunately they don't. We all know of private cars around here that burned out because of lack of oil, so it isn't just vacuums that suffer from neglect. Neglect costs money.

In the past Mercury Management tried to accomodate students by providing cleaning equipment, but the cost of replacement and repairs makes that no longer possible. Students will have to devise their own solution.

I, too, do not advocate living in a black hole. Perhaps student ingenuity can devise a solution. Unfortunately Mercury Management cannot be the answer to this problem.

Sincerely,  
Marcia B. Jones  
Dean of Students

Can you suggest any solutions? Drop them in campus mail, Box 17, addressed to the Editor.

# CAREER CORNER

OPTIONS FOR WOMEN IN THE 80'S

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of below-average, average, or above-average is given based on the actual projected number of openings in that category.

I. Professional - accountant, kindergarten or elementary school teacher, registered nurse - average.

II. Technical - engineering and science technician, medical laboratory worker, dental assistant - below average.

III. Managerial and Administrative - bank officials and managers, health service administrators, personnel and labor relations worker - below-average.

IV. Clerical - secretaries and stenographers, cashiers, bookkeepers - above-average.

V. Sales - retail trade sales workers, real estate agents and brokers, wholesale trade sales workers - above-

average.

VI. Craft - carpenters, industrial machinery repairers, automobile mechanics - average.

VII. Operatives - assemblers, local truck drivers, welders - average.

VIII. Laborers - stock handlers, garbage collectors, animal caretakers - below-average.

IX. Service - building custodians, nursing aids or orderlies, cooks and chefs - above-average.

Of course there are thousands of different jobs from which a woman in the eighties will be able to choose. The list above just gives a basic picture of what the best places to look are. But whatever the field you may choose, be it garbage collector or business executive, rest assured that you are getting the best possible preparation here at St. Mary's.

## COCA-COLA BOTTLERS SALUTE TAR HEELS WITH LIMITED EDITION BOTTLE

ATLANTA -- Coca-Cola Bottling Companies and local food stores throughout North Carolina are saluting the national basketball champion University of North Carolina Tar Heels with a limited edition, commemorative bottle that every UNC fan will want to own.

"North Carolina's 1982 NCAA championship is one to savor," said Don Seifert, President of the North Carolina Coca-Cola Bottlers Association, "and we can't think of a better way to honor Coach Dean Smith, the

players and the fans than by the issuing of this commemorative bottle."

The 10-ounce bottle features highlights of the championship season. A portion of the sale of the bottles will go to the University of North Carolina.

"These bottles are available only in North Carolina," Seifert said, "and supplies are limited, so we expect them to sell out quickly."

"They will definitely become a collector's item."



May Court 1982



May Court performs traditional dance.



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"The crowd waits with anticipation."