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Day Students Get More Space in Their Place

By Carlyle Herbert



Now the day students can study as much as the boarders do. Penny Thompson and Holli Donnell are excited by this opportunity.

Last summer the Day Student House got an "addition." The students had been occupying only the first floor which consists of five rooms. The rooms are very open and thus made studying virtually impossible. Boarders have the option of creating a study environment in their rooms by simply arranging it with a roommate or two, whereas there are 50 day students in five rooms. Thus, the idea of creating a study room was born. Though there was a good

deal of doubt about how this could be accomplished, we proved that a little determination could go a long way.

There were several problems which stood in the way of beginning this project. The first was that there was no air conditioning in the attic. As we had planned to spend the summer renovating, this was a major obstacle. This was soon solved with a visit by an electrician who installed new wiring. The other problem was that

there were approximately 75 lockers in the attic which had to be taken apart and moved. Though this was hard and tiring, four of us managed to take them all apart and move them in about five hours.

Once these tasks were accomplished, the real renovation began. We scrubbed floors and walls until all dirt and cobwebs had been removed. Then the painting began, and the rooms began

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to take shape. Though it seemed impossible, after four Saturdays and five Sundays of work, it was finally finished.

It seemed as though the better part of the summer had been spent hunting for bargains at Hechinger's, K-Mart, and other stores but it was all worth the effort. I think those who helped out get a great feeling of accomplishment when they see students sitting at the desks studying in peace and quiet.

I would like to add a heartfelt thanks to all of those people who helped with the work: Holli Donnell, Ashley Edmonds, Robyn Goss, Amy Henrick, Suzanne Quebedaux, Ashley Ray, Kim Russ and Colie Wedick.

Bust-A-Move

By Polly Yeargan

That's exactly what you'll see when the St. Mary's basketball team hits the court. In the fast-paced world of basketball, the only way to win is to play at a high skill level. This includes quick, accurate passes, good ball-handling skills, and a precise shot. "The best way to improve is to practice as hard as you can," said junior Allison Poe, as she subconsciously wiped beads of perspiration from her brow — indicating that she had been doing just that!

Things have really come together for the Saints this season. And the secret of the success? The right combination of determined players, knowledgeable coach, and enthusiastic fans. "The games are really a lot of fun," said senior Alicia Greene, "I just didn't know that girls got so rough!" Alicia is a member of S.H.A.R.E., a group made up of high school girls that attend the games and provide support through the use of various cheers and chants.

The basketball season will come to an end as the team travels to Winston-Salem on Valentine's Day.

GOOD LUCK, SAINTS!!

Smedes Parlor Series

By Sandy Fincher

I did not take Ms. Thompson seriously when she said, "Come early to get a good seat." When I got there I found Smedes Parlor filled with people.

The reason all the people were there was to hear the Smedes Parlor concert. Smedes Parlor was built with the performance of chamber music in mind; I and many others have heard some

fabulous performances there. One of these performances was given on January 22, when John Ruggero, Leopold Zilper, David Marschall, Udo Hildebrandt, and Hsiao-Mei Ku teamed up to present a great evening of music.

The Smedes Parlor Concerts are a wonderful bit of culture to take advantage of.

