

Student Financial Aid

Available At The Abbey

The current economic situation is causing most parents to reconsider sending their children to college. The financial prospect of a four year program at a state school is frightening enough, but for many, the idea of financing a child through a full-term private institution is almost horrifying. The irony of the matter is that most people do not realize how much financial assistance is available to students attending an institution such as Belmont Abbey.

Four alternative student aid plans are offered by the Federal Government. Basic Grants are popular and fairly easy to apply for. The student need only file an application available at Belmont Abbey's Financial Aid office. A federal agency will process the information and advise the student of his or her eligibility. The student must then present this to the financial aid officer to learn the approximate value of the grant. Also available to students are Supplemental Grants and National Grant Loans. To apply for these, the student must follow basically the same procedure as for Basic Grants. The federal government pays for these entirely.

Work study is the fourth federal aid

Father Alcuin

Dies At Age 74

Reverend Alcuin Bauderman, a priest and monk of Belmont Abbey died early Friday morning, October 24, at the age of 74, after a long illness. The Mass of the Resurrection was celebrated for him in the Abbey Cathedral on October 27, and he was buried in the monastic community's cemetery.

Father Alcuin was born in 1901 and entered the Abbey as a novice in July, 1922. He was first professed in July, 1923 and finally professed of the vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience in the monastic state in 1926. In May, 1927, he was ordained a priest. Last year, a special ceremony held in the Abbey Cathedral honored Father Alcuin's presence in the community for 52 years.

program. This is eighty per cent federally funded, with the remaining twenty per cent of the program being paid for by the school. All told, Belmont Abbey receives \$215,000. in federal appropriations, while paying approximately \$15,000. for its portion of the work study program. This year out of a payroll of 160 students, nearly 100 are on work study.

The state of North Carolina has supplied some much-needed assistance for private institutions. Just this year, the North Carolina Legislative Grant was appropriated, making \$100 per semester available to all full time students who are also legal residents of N.C. Also, there is the State Needs Grant for private institutions, and the North Carolina Incentive Grant. These are

distributed on the basis of student need as determined by family income, assets and unusual expenses, (i.e. family size, number of children in college, or, an illness in the family). The total amount of state aid given to the Abbey for the 75-76 school year was \$90,000.

Belmont Abbey itself awards over \$125,000 in scholarships, including automatic \$100.00 per semester to Gaston County residents. Seventy-nine thousand dollars was appropriated for full and partial academic scholarships this year, while the remaining \$46,000. was allotted to the athletic scholarship program.

According to Kathy Drumm, Belmont Abbey's financial aid officer, there is no way of determining the amount of funds which students have received from various organizations and clubs. Therefore, keeping in mind that this figure cannot be tabulated into the final estimations, the financial aid office has determined that nearly 79 per cent of the students at this College are receiving some sort of assistance. This is a large number. (The point to keep in mind is that many people may be eligible for assistance, and not even be aware of it.) With the amount of aid available, the prospect of higher education in a private institution isn't as frightening.



Confirmed nominees of the Belmont Abbey College 1975-'76 "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges" are as follows: (front row, left to right) Donald L. Hatchett, Gregory J. Hollingshead, and John J. Diehl. (Second row, left to right) Aaron W. Perkins, Jr., James Edward Ferguson, Robin Ray Roberts, and Bernard S. Donner. (Third row, left to right) Gerard John Sheeran, Daniel J. Motuz, and Jean Marie Kilpatrick. (Fourth row, left to right) Phillip A. Nofal, Jr., and Rion J. Forconi. Not shown are: John Paul Marchwinski, Jr., Michael G. Uhrin, John Raymond Murphy, Richard John Donzell, and Robert F. Temple.

Seventeen Abbey Students Elected To Who's Who In American Colleges

Seventeen Belmont Abbey College students have been elected to this year's edition of "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges." The announcement was made by Warren L. Clark, Dean of Students, upon confirmation by officers of the National Who's Who Committee.

Selection for this honor by the College and election by the National Committee is one of the Highest honors awarded in American colleges and universities. Criteria for nomination include excellence and sincerity in scholarship, leadership, participation and support in campus extracurricular and other activities, service to the college and community, and future promise as a leader in American society and business.

The seventeen students elected, who are candidates for the Bachelors degree at Belmont Abbey College, are John Paul Marchwinski, Jr., a Biology major from Pittsburgh, Pa.; Michael G. Uhrin, also a Biology major from Pittsburgh, Pa.; John Raymond Murphy, a Psychology major from Greensboro, N.C.; James Edward Ferguson, a Distribution Management major from Dallas, N.C.; Richard

John Donzell, a Biology major from Virginia Beach, Va.; Gerard John Sheeran, an Accounting major from Stone Harbor, N.J.; Daniel J. Motuz, a Biology major from North Plainfield, N.J.; Phillip A. Nofal, Jr., an English major from Florence, S.C.; Robin Ray Roberts, a Political Science major from Jacksonville, Fla.; Gregory J. Hollingshead, a Political Science major from Belmont, N.C.; Aaron W. Perkins, Jr., a Political Science major

from Kannapolis, N.C.; Donald L. Hatchett, a Business and Economics major from Newport News, Va.; Jean Marie Kilpatrick, an History major from Coral Gables, Fla.; John J. Diehl, an Economics major from Springfield, Va.; Rion J. Forconi, a Biology major from Brown Mills, N.J.; Bernard S. Donner, a Sociology major from Richmond, Va.; and Robert F. Temple, a Biology major from Richmond, Va.

Death Claims Father Gregory

Father Gregory Eichenlaub, O.S.B., a monk of Belmont Abbey and pastor emeritus of St. Michael's Church in Gastonia, died after a lengthy illness on Thursday evening, September 25, at the parish rectory.

Father Gregory was born in Erie, Pa. in 1895. He came to Belmont Abbey Prep School in 1910 to begin his life time affiliation with the Abbey. He made his solemn profession of vows to the monastic life in 1919. He finished his college and seminary work in 1921 and was ordained a priest on June 5, 1921. He earned his master's degree in U.S. history in 1929. By 1941 he had

taught at the Abbey's high schools in Savannah, Ga. and Richmond, Va. and also at the college.

Father Gregory was appointed pastor of St. Michael's Church in 1944 and the small parish and school grew quickly under his direction. The present school facility was completed in 1952. The present church building was dedicated in 1958.

A memorial mass was held at St. Michael's Church on Saturday, September 27. The funeral mass was celebrated at Belmont Abbey Cathedral on Monday, September 29, followed by burial in the abbey cemetery.