

Abbey Visits Seton Hall

The Abbey basketball team will be playing Seton Hall at the South Orange campus on Feb. 16.

A reception is being planned for after the game. A room has been reserved in the Seton Hall College Center, but people are needed to contact alumni. If you are able to help, please contact the Alumni Office, Belmont Abbey College, Belmont, N. C. 28012. If you hope to attend the game and/or reunion, please check the appropriate box or boxes below and mail it today so we will know approximately how many to plan for.

BELMONT ABBEY - SETON HALL BASKETBALL GAME

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Kodak Contributes \$3,000 to College

Belmont Abbey College has received \$3000 in direct grants through Eastman Kodak Company's 1977 Educational Aid Program.

Responding to the contributions made by college and

Lounge Additions

Students at Belmont Abbey College were recently pleasantly surprised by new furnishings in the O'Connell Hall Lounge.

Their gratitude was best expressed in a letter to the student body from the Student Association president, Jeff Sailstad. The letter stated: "By now, it is no news that O'Connell Lounge has at last been furnished. This wonderful thing has come about due to the hard work of a lot of fine people. What I am asking of the student body is to please respect and protect our 'home away from home.'"

Several kind and generous friends of the College are the recipients of such gratitude from the students, as well as the faculty and staff. Mr. Harry Adams of Myrtle Desk Co. in High Point, N.C. donated two white vinyl wing-back chairs to the lounge. The North Carolina National Bank of Charlotte contributed the remaining furniture, including tables, chairs, couches, end tables, and lamps.

The College is further grateful to such good friends as Mrs. Sue Ades, member of the Board of Advisors, and Mr. Grey Brendle, assistant vice president of NCB in Charlotte, for their assistance in acquiring the furniture for the College, and to Mrs. Ades' husband, Nathan, for storing the furniture in his plant, Stately Lady Nitewear, Inc. of Charlotte, prior to its delivery. Both Mrs. Ades and Mr. Brendle even came out to O'Connell to help with arranging the furniture when it was delivered.

university graduates to the company's business success, Kodak direct grants -- \$750 to privately supported schools and \$250 to publicly supported institutions -- are awarded for each undergraduate or graduate year completed by those who graduate and join Kodak within five years of their graduation. The grants, awarded during the graduate's fifth year of employment, are made on behalf of those employees who are utilizing their academic training in the performance of their job duties.

Kodak's direct grant to Belmont Abbey College is on behalf of Kenneth K. Kruger Jr.

Kruger, a 1972 graduate of B.A.C., received the B.A. degree in sociology. He has been with the Eastman Kodak Co. since his graduation from the Abbey. He is currently a technician working in computer systems in the Photo Chemicals Division of Kodak Park in Rochester, N.Y. Kodak Park is the major manufacturing facility for the company.

This year, Kodak direct grants totaling \$890,250 have been awarded to 219 four-year privately and publicly supported colleges and universities and to 47 privately and publicly supported schools offering an AAS degree.

Soccer Group Visits Abbey

Youth soccer is a growing thing in the United States today.

To keep up with the times, Belmont Abbey College Coach George Kennedy has brought several groups to the College this past season for soccer events.

The Salvation Army Boys Club of Gastonia, in its first year of soccer, held its final day games at the Crusader field on Homecoming Saturday, Oct. 29. In all, there were over 100 participants in games that ran from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The fourth, fifth, and sixth grades of the Ida Rankin Elementary School in Mt. Holly also visited the College for an afternoon of soccer. Coach Kennedy and several of the Crusaders helped in demonstrations of various soccer skills. Everyone seemed to enjoy the afternoon's activities, especially the Crusaders.

Coach Kennedy has also made several appearances in the community, giving demonstrations of soccer technique and explaining the points of the game. He has spoken at schools and clubs and



THIS ALUMNI TEAM defeated the varsity 4-0 varsity soccer coach). Tom Amann ('74), Mike Shenigo ('74), Dennis Inguagiato ('74), Frank College. Left to right: Jack Murphy ('69), Rich Lawson ('79), Jack Murphy ('76), Paul Zambito Hoefling ('71), George Kennedy ('77 B.A.C. ('74) and Alex Kozak ('74).

Women's Sports Seen Progressing

The outlook is getting better for intercollegiate sports for women on the campus of Belmont Abbey College. These observations were made at the close of the second volleyball season.

"The girls played well and did a good job in representing the school," commented Coach Pam Allison. "We had some good leadership from our captains, Terri Hamm and Celi Koncul. The team also had a little more depth."

Besides volleyball, the

women are also able to participate in intercollegiate tennis, coached by Dr. Mike Reidy.

"Fan interest in women's sports has grown," Ms. Allison continued. "We (Reidy and Allison) feel this has also contributed to the growth."

"We are not able to recruit as of now. We have to look for the walk-on athlete; this indicates the great interest in the sports that we offer. The girls are really a delight to work with. They are very dedicated," concluded Ms. Allison.

Meck. Triumphant

Prior to the Belmont Abbey College basketball game against Johnson C. Smith on Nov. 26, local Abbey alumni decided to try their luck with the game just one more time.

A scrappy Mecklenburg County alumni team went into a four corners' offense with two minutes left and managed to hold off the Gaston alumni 64-63.

Tony Byers led all scorers with 25 points for the Gaston County team.

Mike Shenigo paced the winners with 22 points, and John Monaco chipped in 15. Steady play by Tom Amann, Al

Prud'Homme, Paul Darcy, Jay Briody and Steve Delaney enabled the Mecklenburg team to pull out the victory in a very exciting game.

Gaston's Kevin Soden, Ronnie Robinson, Jeff Huckaby, Kurt Schulte, Charlie Martin, Levin McGowan and Bob Schmitt were calling for a rematch, but all agreed a time for recuperation is needed.

The mixed doubles tennis tournament, originally scheduled for that afternoon, was called due to bad weather. It will be played in the spring.

Tidewater Alumni See Crusaders Play

November 30, 1977 is a night many Tidewater, Va. area alumni will remember. It was that Wednesday evening that the Abbey defeated the highly regarded Old Dominion basketball team in front of a shocked crowd of 10,000 at the Norfolk Scope.

The evening started pleasantly with a pre-game reception at the Holiday Inn across from Scope. Many alumni, family and friends got together to meet other alumni or renew old acquaintances. At half time a happy group met in a hospitality room and discussed the Abbey's play.

Most were worried about the second half. However, it was the second half when the Abbey group of about 100 had something to cheer about, and cheer they did. Bill Drinkwater ('67) led the Abbey group in chanting A-B-B-E-Y! Bob Curran ('57) couldn't believe what he was witnessing. Jim Bowen ('73) jumped up after every Abbey basket as the Crusaders began to dominate their powerful opponent.

The reception following the game quickly turned into a gala victory celebration. Coach Hussey led his players into the reception for a warm welcome

by the alumni. After introducing his players, Coach Hussey led his tired club to a very well deserved meal. The alumni continued to celebrate well into the evening. However, Bill Drinkwater couldn't let the party end without one more "Give me an A ..."

The Abbey and all the alumni extend a greeting of thanks to Bill Drinkwater, Jim Daffron, Donnie Hatchett, Tony Sievers, Bob Curran and all the others responsible for organizing such a fine evening. A cheer also for the alumni who attended the reception and supported the team.