Alumni Are Recruiters

At a time when recruitment of students is so important to a college, the alumni of BAC are doing something about it. Many Abbey alumni are sending names to the College of potential students. Over forty alumni are members of the "Alumni Recruiting Council" and represent the Abbey at high school programs.

One alumnus has gone a step further. Jim Murphy ('67) held an "open house" for prospective students, their parents, and current 'bbey students. J.P. Collins, assistant director of admissions, who coordinated the program, attended. Jay Briody, alumni director, also attended the program held in



Mr. Jim Murphy ('67)

Stony Point, N.Y. The purpose of the program was to give prospective students the opportunity to meet with current students and alumni of B.A.C. J.P. Collins gave a presentation

concerning the programs available at BAC and also gave a slide presentation.

Programs like this provide an ideal situation for recruiting prospective students. The college would like to thank Jim Murphy.

It is understandable that all alumni are not able to provide their home for such a program. However, if any alumnus knows of a church, school or organization that has a hall which could be used, please contact the Alumni Office, Belmont Abbey College, Belmont, N.C. 28012.

"Peanuts" On Campus

In January, Charlie Brown and the rest of the "Peanuts" gang stopped in for a visit at the Abbey. The gang brought smiles, laughter, music and song with them to the stage of the Little Theater in St. Leo's Hall. The Abbey Players performed You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown, nightly, from January 26-29.

A lively cast of students, directed by Simon Donoghue, gave the audience some insight into "A Day in the Life of Charlie Brown." Senior Betty Anne Kaiser choreographed, and Susan Lisle of Gastonia directed the music. As well may be expected, Charlie Brown (played by sophomore Tom Kaiser) had a rough day.

The play opened on a dark stage as voices criticized

Charlie Brown's personality. As the lights came up, the familiar props every "Peanuts" fan knows and loves became visible: Lucy's psychiatric booth, Schroeder's piano, the lunch bench, and, of course, Snoopy's dog house. The play then moved on to show some of the more typical moments in Charlie's life, the kite-eating tree, the forever losing baseball team, and lunch without the little red-headed girl.

Among the repertoire of delightful musical numbers were "You're a Good Man Charlie Brown" (gang), "My Blanket and Me" (Linus), "The Kite" (Charlie Brown), "Suppertime" (Snoopy) and "Happiness" (cast).

In the course of the play, the audience was informed that

Schroeder (played by freshman Ray Giovine) not only disliked Lucy (played by freshman Mary Lally), but cats as well. Lucy felt unloved and was comforted by her intellectually gifted little brother, Linus (played by sophomore Richard Dougherty). Charlie was his usual luckless self. Patty (played by freshman Patty Graham) and Violet (played by junior Kathleen O'Donohue) also joined in the fun. Snoopy (played by senior Paul Veltri) stole the hearts of the audience, and he too was delightful.

The performers enjoyed themselves and were able to transcend that mood to their audience. All in all, it was quite a pleasant visit the Abbey had with the "Peanuts" gang.

Admissions Host Scholarship Day

The Admissions Office of Belmont Abbey College held a Scholarship Day on Feb. 2 for the benefit of those who are being considered for academic scholarships for the upcoming school year.

The Scholarship Day was the second of its kind to be offered by the Admissions Office, the first being held Nov. 10, 1978.

Twenty-five prospective students from New York, New Jersey, the District of Columbia, Virginia, North arolina, Georgia and Florida visite 1 the campus and participated in the day's activities. Many of them were also accompanied by their parents.

Among the students who attended, the academic average was an "A," the average SAT combined score was 1050, and the average rank in class was the upper fifth.

Each year the College awards scholarships totaling more than \$119,000 to academically promising students. Academic scholarships up to \$2,000 per year are awarded. Many other academic and non-academic

scholarships and grants are available to deserving students who qualify.

To be considered for an academic scholarship at Belmont Abbey College, prospective students must be interviewed on campus by a representative of the Admissions Office after submitting their applications for admission and transcripts.

Students attending the Scholarship Day had an opportunity to visit classes that were in session, talk with faculty members in their fields of interest, tour the campus, and lunch in the student dining hall.

The visitors were welcomed by Father Neil Tobin, president of the College, and Dr. Patrick Lee, academic dean. Other College administrators also spoke to the group concerning various aspects of the College, including "Liberal Arts Education," and "The Honor Program Explained," Dr. George Herndl, chairman of the Department of English; "Student Life," Fr. Richard

Burton, dean of students; "Extra-Curricular Activities," Ms. Debbie Prince, president of the Student Association; "Financial Aid," Mrs. Suzanne Griffin, director of financial aid; and "Academic Scholarships," Mr. Harry Creemers, director of admissions.

Academic scholarships are awarded on a competitive basis, beginning in late February.

Spring Weekend April 6-8

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Day Three - Harrogate-Carlisle-Keswick. Today we travel through the North Riding of Yorkshire to Newcastle where we cross over the Carlisle, the historic county town situated on the River Eden where Mary, Queen of Scots was imprisoned in Market Cross in 1568, and then south to the Lake District and the charming town of Keswick delightfully situated on Lake Derwent.

Day Four-Keswick-Chester. After breakfast you drive through the Lake District, visiting Ambleside, Windermere and Kendal before lunching in Lancaster. This afternoon you arrive in the old Roman city of Chester whose arcaded shopping center and timbered houses rarely fail to enchant the visitor.

Day Five - Chester-Stratford. The route today lies southwards through beautiful Wales visiting such towns as Llangollen and Llandrindod. From here we turn eastwards to Gloucestershire and the market town of Mickleton. Our overnight stop will be Stratford, the birthplace of William Shakespeare.

Day Six - Stratford-Oxford-London. This morning we will visit the various sights of Stratford-upon-Avon, including the picturesque Anne Hathaway's Cottage and the Memorial Theatre before continuing to the university town of Oxford and once more to London.

Day Seven - London. Half day sightseeing tour of the city this morning and the remainder of day free to see London at your own pace. Perhaps take in a theatre performance, visit Piccadilly Circus, London Tower, London Bridge, or shop on Oxford or Regent Streets.

Day Eight - London-USA. Final farewells to London as we depart for the airport and our return flight, filled with many memories of our stay in the United Kingdom.

(Write for more information)