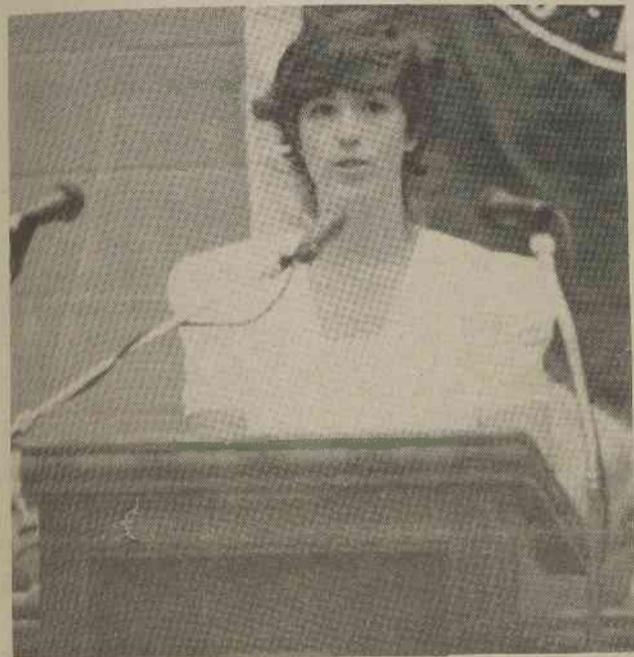




New Students Talented

Michael Roberts



SGA President Susie Bennett addresses the New Student Convocation

Approximately two-hundred and eighty freshmen and seventy-four transfers have enrolled at St. Andrews for the 1989 Fall term, according to the Office of Admissions.

Overall, the freshman class is one that is statistically academically talented. The average SAT score is a combined 1005, which is well above the national and state averages for college-bound students. More than half of the new arrivals were members of the National Honor Society in high school, and the overall grade average was academics, athletics, and extracurricular activities.

Five percent of the new students have expressed an interest in majoring in the fields of computer science or math. Sixteen percent expressed an interest in business or accounting; nineteen percent in medical fields; thirteen percent in Communications, including art, English, and religion; eight percent in politics or history; six percent in education; and eleven percent in psychology. The other sixteen percent was undecided. About half said that they intend to pursue graduate work.

Thirty-two percent of the new arrivals hail from the state of North Carolina. Florida and Virginia natives

comprise another twenty-nine percent. Twenty-two other states are also represented. International students have arrived from countries such as Greece, Spain, Trinidad, France, Zaire, El Salvador, and Zimbabwe.

Approximately one-fourth of the new students are Presbyterian. Fifteen percent have a Baptist affiliation, and thirteen percent are Methodist. Other religious preferences include Episcopalian, Roman Catholic, Unitarian, Lutheran, Quaker, Disciples of Christ, Mormon, Moravian, Hebrew, and Hindu.

New Faces in Faculty

Kathy Sellers

With the beginning of the new Fall term, St. Andrews welcomes many new faces of faculty as well as students.

Dr. Beverly Bloch is an Assistant Professor of Theater and Mass Communications. She comes to St. Andrews after what she describes as a career teaching "somewhat odd or experimental" courses at Bowling Green State University, the University of Denver, and community colleges. She is originally from Chicago.

Dr. Bloch holds a Ph.D. in Theater from the University of Denver, where she also received her MA in Mass Communications. She also holds a BS in Speech from Northwestern University.

Dr. Bloch says she was drawn to St. Andrews because someone was wanted

to work in both the Communications and Theater departments. She also likes the campus and the students.

Dr. Maura Ann DeOliviera is an Assistant Professor of Education. She comes to St. Andrews after having taught at North Michigan and Eastern New Mexico, as well as high school.

Dr. DeOliviera received her Ph.D. in Education from San Francisco. She holds a MA in English from Eastern New Mexico, a MS in Education from Central Missouri State, and a BA in English from Wayland in Texas.

The SAGE program is one of the factors that drew Dr. DeOliviera to St. Andrews, as well as the fact that she wanted to find the environment of a liberal arts college.

Dr. Thomas Munson is a

Visiting Professor of Chemistry. He has previously taught at St. Cloud State in Minnesota. He has had a diverse career working for the FBI in the Forensic Science Research Training Center in Quantico, Virginia, as well as the US Environmental Protection Agency, and Westinghouse Ocean Research Laboratory in Annapolis, Maryland.

He holds a Ph.D. in Bio-Chemistry from the University of Wisconsin, where he also received a MS in the same area. He also holds a BA in Zoology from the University of California at Berkeley. He is originally from Los Angeles, but grew up in Yuba City, California. He says that he is pleased with the environment at St. Andrews and believes that

he will be learning a great deal from the students, as well as teaching this year.

Ms. Corrine Nicholson is an Assistant Professor of Business. Ms. Nicholson is originally from Wadesboro, NC, and comes to St. Andrews after teaching Business at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte. She holds a MBA from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, and a BA from Salem College.

According to Nicholson, a very supportive and easy to get along with faculty is one of the reasons for coming to St. Andrews. She feels it is an environment which fosters intellectual curiosity and closer relationships with the students.

Ms. Laurel Smith is an Assistant Professor of Physi-

cal Education. She holds a MS from Emporia State University in Kansas, and a BSE in Physical Science from Courtland State in New York.

She has taught Physical Education for nine years at Salem College in West Virginia, but comes to St. Andrews because she likes the strength of the academic programs among other reasons.

Ms. Smith will be coaching the volleyball team and softball team, as well as teaching Physical Education. She says her goals are to continue the strong traditions that these teams have and perhaps bring home a conference or district championship.