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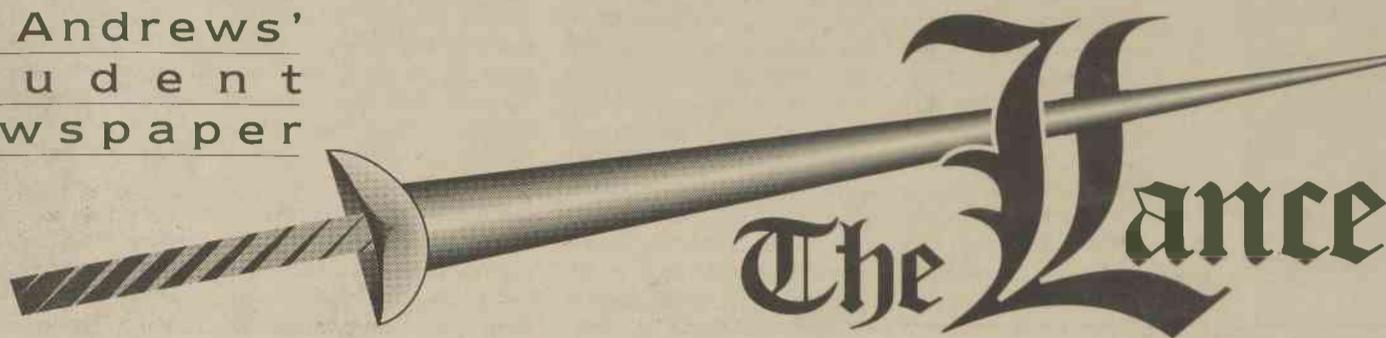
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Greer Announces Resignation

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On Sept. 25, Cynthia B. Greer, currently St. Andrews dean of students, announced her intention to resign to St. Andrews president Thomas L. Reuschling. Reuschling said that Greer would continue to serve the college until Nov. 30.

Greer, who was hired in 1988 by St. Andrews, was previously a dean of student life and an assistant professor at Austin College in Sherman, Texas.

Greer holds a doctorate in higher education administration from Florida State University, a master's degree in counseling and guidance from the University of Arkansas and a bachelor's degree in psychology from the University of Arkansas.

Prior to working as dean of students at Austin College, Greer was the associate dean of students and director of career

counseling and placement at Hendrix College in Conway, Ark. She was also the assistant dean of students at the University of Central Arkansas.

"I appreciate her willingness to remain an additional two months while we plan and manage the transition in the Student Life Office. Dean Greer has built a strong staff in the Student Life Office, and I have confidence that they will continue to carry out their very important duties in an effective and professional way. In the meantime, I will be consulting with faculty, staff and students about a strategy for finding a successor to Dean Greer. I thank her for her contributions to St. Andrews and wish her every professional success," said Reuschling in a Sept. 26 memo announcing Greer's resignation.

Greer was unavailable for comment in the late afternoon on Sept. 27.

Thornton Named New College Chaplain

The Rev. David B. Thornton was named the new college chaplain at St. Andrews Presbyterian College in Laurinburg.

Thornton, 32, began his duties at St. Andrews July 1. The eldest son of a military serviceman, Thornton was born at Fort Bragg in Fayetteville, but spent most of his childhood in Columbus, Ga.

be the shepherd, the leader."

Thornton went on to Morehouse College in Atlanta and graduated cum laude with a bachelor of arts degree in English.

He also attended Temple University school of Law in Philadelphia from 1980-82, but decided not to complete the degree.

From 1982-84, Thornton taught school in Georgia and sold insurance. In 1984, he enlisted in the U.S. Army, where he served as a training clerk and infantryman for four years. He was stationed in Fort Lewis, Wash., and Camp Hovey, Korea.

While he was stationed in Fort Lewis, Thornton decided to announce his "acceptance of God's call" in 1985. He became a licensed and ordained minister of the gospel with the National Convention of America.

In 1988, Thornton entered Divinity School at Duke University as a Dean's Scholar and graduated this past May with a

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Professor Gorky Abad and the six Ecuadorean students who will be staying on the St. Andrews Campus as part of the St. Andrews/Ecuador Exchange program with the University of Cuenca in Ecuador.

Ecuadorean Students at St. Andrews: A Growth Experience for Both Americans and Ecuadoreans

The world is beginning to expand for a lot of people at St. Andrews this fall. The seven Ecuadoreans who have been living at St. Andrews for about a month now have already discovered how different their American counterparts are as a new exchange program gets underway.

Six students and Professor Gorky Abad are now on the St. Andrews campus as a part of the St. Andrews/Ecuador exchange program with the University of Cuenca in Ecuador. The students are spending the entire fall term at St. Andrews.

Abad, who is teaching a full course load at St. Andrews, is head of the English Specialization Program in the School of Language at the University of Cuenca. He also serves as the director of Social Security for the southern part of Ecuador.

The Ecuadorean students are sharing rooms with the American students who will travel to Ecuador to study for the spring term. This spring, the American students will live with their same roommates in Ecuador. Lee Dubs, associate professor of Spanish who is heading up the program, said this year long experience will give the students a knowledge of what their respective cultures are really like.

"Through this program, you'll get to know the country — how the people think, what they do, how they feel."

Both the American and Ecuadorean students agree that for the first few days they experienced a culture shock — a lot of it.

Abad said some of the Ecuadorean students were "very homesick at first. It was

the first time some of them had been outside of the country. Suddenly their whole world got bigger. Everything is new and different."

Juana Cuesta said the initial adjustment was difficult. "When I first came here, I didn't know my roommate, I didn't know anyone. It was very hard at first."

The students say they notice differences in things like parties and dating.

Maria Malo said socializing in Ecuador is much more formalized—there is little in the way of loud music and boys without adult supervision. She said male students walking around in dormitories takes some getting used to.

"At my home, my boyfriend is not even allowed through the front door unless my parents are home," she said.

Privacy seems to be more important to the American students, says Joey Schnople of Durham.

Joey said he is taking part in the program because, "I'm used to middle class suburbia — I want to see how other people live."

Juana says she is interested in "new customs, new people. I want to be here in this country to learn about the people."

Lorena Arevalo said, "This place is wonderful. The people are very friendly. This is a great opportunity for me to learn to speak English better."

For the most part, the Ecuadorean students say they have traveled to the United States to improve their English speaking skills so they can become English teachers in Ecuador.

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Enrollment May be Lower, But Retention Is High For The 1991-92 Academic School Year

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With the economy being what it is today, and total high school enrollment at lower levels than ever, it's no surprise that colleges and universities across the nation are seeing rather large drops in their overall enrollments. Smaller, private institutions are not immune to these problems, and in some cases, may actually be hit harder by economy troubles. St. Andrews is no

exception to the rule, but the good news here is that although enrollment is indeed down, the student retention rate is high.

"The good news is that St. Andrews continues to have a high retention rate. This means that once students enroll here they feel good about the institution. The concern is being able to recruit first-year students and transfers during a recession. We must remember that many private and some public institutions are having the same problems," said

Dr. Cynthia Greer, dean of students at St. Andrews, when questioned about enrollment woes.

According to enrollment figures supplied to The Lance by Dr. Jim Stephens, registrar of the college, the total head count for the 1991-92 academic year is 631 students. Last year total head count figures totalled 716. These figures do not, however, include the St. Andrews students who

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Rev. David B. Thornton

When he graduated from high school in 1976, Thornton felt a calling for the ministry. "Initially, I ran from the ministry. It was one thing to be a Christian, but quite another to