

Opinion

From the Editor's Desk

warning: this is sappy stuff, those with weak stomach shouldn't continue without medical supervision.

Several friends who are not graduating have complained in my presence, "All of my friends are leaving. What am I going to do next year?" Oh I can hear the cynics now, "Just waste away and die, that's what everyone does when someone leaves - Get a life!"

It is easy to take an above-it-all position and pretend not to be affected. That's all right it is allowed, in fact encouraged by cynics world 'round. This year during Ganza I was reminded of all of the people that I had somehow lived without this past year. It was great to see them but it made me miss them more. I realized that certain people just leave holes behind when they go. No one can fill their place or their shoes. One gets used to that hole until

suddenly its full again and bigger than life. I got to thinking about it (dangerous thing to do on little sleep).

There is this game that very small people can play (children). You climb out to the middle of a blanket and all your friends grab the edges and lift up and down. If you are light enough you can bounce up very high. I would compare this to the first year of college. It's new and exciting and different and so many new people. As you go on in your college life rips and tears and holes appear in that 'security' blanket, friends disappear, problems show that you never expected. Suddenly you realize that security blanket barely qualifies for a net it has so many gaping holes. But think back, wasn't there a time in

Letter from the President

To the Seniors:

I have recently asked several seniors how they are feeling about reaching the end of their college careers. Nearly everyone expressed mixed emotions. There is the satisfaction of finishing the undergraduate experience tinged with sadness about leaving St. Andrews. There is excitement about entering the "real world," muted by the ordeal of job hunting or the anxious anticipation of graduate school.

Having talked with numerous alums this

weekend, I can assure you that you are well prepared for life beyond college. Alums consistently express their feeling that St. Andrews taught them to think, to reason and to love learning. These graduates of 10-20-30 years ago give frequent testimonials that St. Andrews prepared them to deal with the constant uncertainty and change faced in their personal and professional lives.

So leave St. Andrews with confidence--confidence you can compete favorably in graduate



President Reuschling

school or in the work place. And leave knowing the St. Andrews community wishes you Godspeed and looks forward to your occasional return to campus to renew friendships and tell us how your story is unfolding.

your life when you would have given anything for a net below you?

That's what college

is, the relationships, the bonds you form will pull you through the life ahead. So hold on be-

cause you need these people and it's okay, 'cause they'll need you too.

A Final Farewell

To the Saint Andrews Community,

It has been my pleasure to serve as SGA president during the 1991-92 year. I would like to thank the members of my cabinet for all their hard work and support: Kerry Nuti - Vice-president, Missy McGill - Treasurer, Laura Malinowski - Attorney-General, Kim Jenkinson - Student Defense, Anna Crossman - Secretary and Christy Baumgard - President's Aide. Each of these women have proven themselves to be extremely affective leaders and I know they will go far in their future endeavors. I wish them all my best.

Student Government has had a very productive year. The creation of the External Affairs

Committee on Senate is helping to develop a stronger tie with the Laurinburg Community, along with efforts from Campus Compact, an organization started to consolidate community service efforts. The Alumni Association was developed to bridge the gap between students and alumni. Members are available during alumni gatherings to help keep alumni up on SA news and to show them new changes occurring on campus. Extended hours in both the Library and the P. E. Center have proven to be very beneficial to SA students. An increased interest in the environment and in saving money for St. Andrews was the driving force behind an energy conservation proposal that

was approved by the President. The precedent was also set that the Student Government President and Vice President were able to attend the Board of Trustees meetings.

Student Government is an important aspect of Student Life at Saint Andrews. If you have a concern, I urge you to voice it! Saint Andrews is a small caring community in which everyone has a voice and can make a difference.

I wish next year's Cabinet, Senate and Activities Union all the best. Be creative and have a good time! Student Government will fill many hours in your days, but it's worth it. Best of luck to each of you.

Farewell Saint Andrews. I will miss you.

Sincerely,

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