

Editorials

Spanky Says: Academy Rules Are Unfair

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Prejudice at St. Andrews! That's right students, the institution of prejudice is right here on the campus, in the form of the St. Andrews Academy. This program was founded in the summer of 1993 to incorporate high school students into the St. Andrews community. As we know, our college expresses the ideas of free thinking and individualism, but that stops at the Academy door. Their rules are ultra conservative and remind you of such colleges as Oral Roberts or Regent University.

For years now one of our main goals at this college is to develop the student into the St. Andrews community. However, at the Academy their rules prevent them from obtaining that vital part of life here at the college. For example these students are issued a curfew on the weekdays as well as the weekends and their dorm is restricted to all non-academy personnel after these hours. And what is probably the most degrading rule is the sign in rule. This rule requires the Academy students to sign a piece of paper stating they will not leave the dorm after curfew. Many Academy students are angered by this and I am too. Imagine what it must be like not to be trusted by your own RA or even the school administration.

The Academy is meant to provide a real world situation for these gifted students not a sugar coating of real college life. So my St. Andrews colleagues, let us fight this corruption and bring back this college to the goals and ethics that it was established with more than thirty years ago.

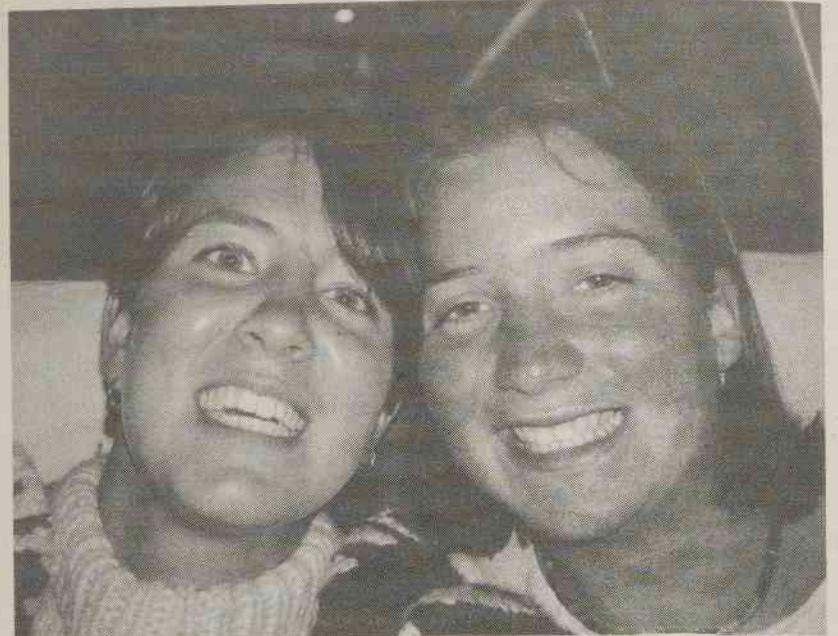
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Mattie Turner Remembered



Mattie Turner and Michelle Loiselle

Many tears, much laughter and music helped St. Andrews students, faculty and staff come together to mourn and express mutual love for Mattie Turner.

Fond remembrances of Mattie were shared by all during the September 25 memorial service led by Dr. Carl Walters.

Memories of her singing, her giving and the effortless way in which she excited everyone around her echoed through Belk Main Lounge proving the Mattie left an unmistakable mark at St. Andrews that will not be easily forgotten.

Homage was paid to Mattie by friends who sang two of her favorite songs and the subsequent playing of a recording of Mattie, Michelle Loiselle and Jo Heibert singing "Amazing Grace."

"One of the things I want to do today is find some peace with the grief that we have," said Mattie's mom, Pat Turner. She, with Mattie's father, John, and her

grandmother were at the memorial.

Many sought peace while recalling specific incidents and occurrences that illustrated just how truly special Mattie was to everyone. This exchange of pain from loss tinged with the joy of knowing Mattie hopefully began the healing process for many.

Cathy Astudillo, the visiting professor from Ecuador, and eight of her students presented a letter from the University of Cuenca to Mattie's mother. Mattie spent the spring term of last year in Ecuador.

After the service, participants were led by bagpipe music to the lake by master piper Bill Caudill. Flower petals were then thrown into the water as a tribute to the memory of Mattie.

Perhaps more appropriately, many of her friends went for a bit of a swim in the lake.

As Jenny Bledsoe so aptly said, "Mattie would have liked that." She's probably right.