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## Salem Initiates Independent Study Program Next Year

### Thomas Leads Spiritual Discussions

John Newton Thomas, professor of Systematic Theology at Union Theological Seminary in Richmond, Virginia, will be guest speaker during Spiritual Guidance Week, February 13-20. The theme of Dr. Thomas' lectures is "The Christian Faith in Today's World". On Monday night at 6:45 in the Day Student Center he will speak on the problem "How to Deal With Doubt," and Tuesday in chapel he will discuss "Man in the Space Age". For his final session on Tuesday evening at 6:45 in the Day Student Center Dr. Thomas' topic will be "How to Get Right With God".

A native Virginian, Dr. Thomas spent his early life in Bedford, Virginia. He graduated from Washington and Lee in 1924 and then traveled to Scotland to complete work for his master's degree at the University of Edinburgh in 1927. He returned to Union Theological Seminary where he received his B. D. in 1930. He did not remain in Virginia long, however, for in 1932 he studied at the University of Berlin in Germany. From Germany he went back to the University of Edinburgh where he received his Ph. D. To add to this impressive list of degrees is the honorary doctor of divinity given him by Hampden-Sydney College in 1943.

Dr. Thomas' first pastorate was in Rapidan, Virginia from 1932-1933. He then became professor of Religion at Hollins College until 1935 when he went to the Second Presbyterian Church in Charleston, S. C. From 1938 until 1940 he was pastor of Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church in Richmond, and then he returned to Union Seminary as professor of Systematic

### Home Ec. Club Plans Projects

"Does anyone want doughnuts and juice this morning?" was a familiar sound on Sunday mornings last semester for late sleepers. And though they enjoyed "breakfast in bed", most of the girls did not realize that this was another project of the Home Economics Club. They also took up the droopy hems of fashion-conscious Salem girls as a project.

Sometime during the second semester of their senior year, Home Ec. majors have the opportunity to live in the Home Management House. Now Sara Lou Richardson, Marie Harris, Sally Philpott, Lou Liles, and Martha Parrott are in the Home Management House and Miss Barbara Battle is living with them.

The Home Ec. Club meets once a month at 6:30 p.m. in the Science Building. For February 15, the program is to be on jewelry selections; March 15, fabrics; April 19, flower arrangements by Salem students; and May 17, decoration of cakes by Miss Covington. All Salem students are encouraged to attend these programs, for they are planned to be of interest to everyone, whether they are in the Home Ec. Club or not.

Sara Lou Richardson is president of the club; Edith Storey, Vice-President; Molly Scarborough, secretary; Barbara Harrington, treasurer; and Mrs. Faye Honeycott acts as advisor to the club.

Theology. He was also dean of the graduate school at Union from 1950 until 1957.

Dr. Thomas is an excellent speaker and the Y certainly hopes that everyone will take an active

interest in and will benefit by spiritual guidance week this year. Dr. Thomas is here, partly as a guest speaker, but more importantly as a person interested in our campus life and individual religious

### Nancy Peter Fills Treasurer's Office In Student Government



NANCY PETER

### Artists Display Work At Salem

Students who are accustomed to seeing art exhibits winding around the steps in Main Hall will be interested to know that we now have a better place for the exhibitions. It is in the basement of Main Hall in a brightly lighted corridor which makes looking at the displays much more pleasant.

On exhibit now in Main Hall are paintings by Elliott R. Twery. He is Associate Professor of Art at Randolph-Macon Woman's College. In 1946 he was awarded the Edgar Kaufman Fellowship to the Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture. He was selected to represent the Virginia artists in the 1957 Springfield, Massachusetts Show with his painting "5 o'clock Crowd", an oil.

Among the various awards Mr. Twery has received from his paintings is the Certificate of Distinction for Painting which was awarded to him in 1959 for his "Twilight in the Garden of Eden" at the Virginia Biennial in Richmond. In 1952, Mr. Twery's "Electric Jungle" received first prize as the best work in the New Orleans Art Association's Fall Show.

Also on exhibit are paintings by the art classes at Salem. Several students' work from first semester is on display in the Day Student Center. Barbara Edwards, Elizabeth Irwin, Catherine Eller, May Wheat Brawley, Virginia Padgett, Sally Tyson, Brandy Hughes, Katherine Parrish, and Clarissa Joyce from the Studio Art Class have many oil and charcoal paintings and a few charcoal drawings in the center. From a more advanced art class are paintings by Edith Lowery, Betty Black, Agnes Smith, and Ann Jewel. Students are asked to go by and look at both of these art exhibits on campus.

Nancy Peter was elected treasurer of Stee Gee Thursday to replace Alice Huss who transferred to Carolina at the beginning of this semester. This junior is a math major and is minoring in chemistry and history. Nancy is presently a member of the Salem staff, on which she is assistant business manager and a feature writer. She is also the junior class representative to the Legislative Board. Last week she was elected to the Honor Society.

On being informed of the election results, Nancy expressed surprise and pleasure at her selection. Laughingly, she commented that the student body should be informed that she "really can add" and that she promises not to embezzle the school funds to pay her charge accounts! Seriously she continued to say that she realizes the importance of the post during the next three months and "I hope I'll be able to do the job well, even though I will be taking over the position in the middle of the term."

After graduation Nancy plans on either going to graduate school or working in industry with programming computers. She hopes to work in this field this summer with J. P. Stevens Co. in Greensboro.

### Ricki And Meggi Speak To SNEA

Comparison of the educational system of the United States and those of Germany and the Netherlands will be the program for the S. N. E. A. meeting Tuesday. Ricki Eikendal and Meggi Schuetz will conduct the program and answer questions at its conclusion. The meeting will be held at 6:30 on February 14, in the Science Lecture Room.

## Hixson Announces Honor Students In Assembly

Five juniors and one senior were admitted to the Honor Society in Assembly, Thursday, February 2. The juniors were Libbie Hatley, Sue Parham, Sallie Paxton, Nancy Peter, and Elizabeth Smith. Sally Wood was the senior.

Libbie Hatley is an English-history major. She is president of the Humanities Club and Vice-president of the I. R. C. Sue Parham, a chemistry-math major, is treasurer of Lablings. A religion major, Sallie Paxton is president of the junior class. Nancy Peter, a math major, has been Assistant Business Manager of the Salem and a member of Legislative Board. Assistant editor of the "Archway" and proofreader for the Salemite, Elizabeth Smith is a math major.

Sally Wood, a history major, is chairman of the Judicial Board.

The Dean's List was also announced in Honors Day Assembly February 2. Seniors were Carol Bernasek, Felicity Craig, Barbara

Next year Salem will initiate an Independent Study program for a select group of seniors, Dr. Hixson announced today.

This program will allow seniors 3.0 quality point average in their particular field and an overall 2.8 average to pursue independent study on a particular topic under the guidance of their department. For their work during both semes-

### Faculty Issues Calendar For Next Year

The Calendar Committee, under the chairmanship of Mr. Curlee, has released the calendar for the school year 1961-62. The major changes in this calendar from the preceding ones are the scheduling of the formal opening of the college in the afternoon of the same day as registration of all upperclassmen, and the establishment of a Spring Recess March 16-26, which will not coincide with Easter as in previous years.

- Sept. 8—Fri. Registration of special students
- 9—Sat. Registration of local non-college students of music
- 11—Mon. Freshmen begin Orientation at 9:00 a.m.
- 14—Thurs. 9:00-1:00—Registration of Srs., Jrs., and Sophs. 3:30 p.m.—Formal Opening
- 15—Fri. 8:30 a.m. — Classes begin
- Oct. 5—Thurs. Founder's Day
- Nov. 22—Wed. 1:00 p.m. Thanksgiving recess begins
- 27—Mon. 8:30 p.m. Classes resume
- Dec. 16—Sat. 12:05 Christmas vacation begins
- Jan. 3—Wed. 8:30 Classes resume
- 18—Thurs. Reading Day
- 19-26 Exams
- 30—Tues. 2:00-5:30 Registration
- 31—Wed. Classes begin
- March 16—Fri. 5:30 p.m. Spring Recess begins
- 26—Mon. 8:30 a.m. Classes resume
- May 23—Wed. Reading Day
- 24-31—Exams
- June 2—Sat. Alumnae Day
- 3—Sun. Baccalaureate Sermon and Commencement

ters of their senior year they will receive six hours credit toward graduation.

Decision concerning this type of study must be made within three weeks of the beginning of their senior year and they must register with Miss Simpson, giving the subject of their project, at this time.

With the co-operation of the department under which the student wants to study, she will plan her project or paper and with the guidance of one of the faculty of that department. Any papers and projects must be filed in the library. The papers and projects will also be reviewed by two faculty members of the department.

For any seniors who will otherwise graduate **cum laude** will be eligible for a degree **magna cum laude** pending recommendation of the department. This is the first year that Salem will award degrees **magna cum laude**.

Dr. Hixson said that the administration hopes this Honors program will lead to the development of a Junior honors program. She further explained that in a sense there is already an honors program for underclassmen with an advanced freshman English class, advanced science courses, and the placement of freshmen in upper class modern language classes.

This program at Salem is part of an emphasis throughout the country on the development of superior students and a desire to give students a chance to do independent study, as they will be required to do for graduate school work.

### Students Vote To Remain NSA Members

In the Student Government meeting on Tues., February 7, a vote was taken on the question of whether or not Salem should remain a member of the National Student Association. As a result of Salem's Student Government's re-evaluation of NSA, the Legislative Board recommended that Salem continue her membership in the National Student Association for the following reasons:

1. NSA, as the only national student organization, is the voice of American students both nationally and internationally.
2. NSA can serve as our best medium for increasing our knowledge of national and international affairs.
3. NSA provides opportunities for personal association with other students on regional, national, and international levels.
4. NSA provides its members with many practical benefits, such as materials for programs, suggestions for speakers, opportunity for work and travel abroad, ideas for worthwhile projects, and aids for the administration of student government.
5. Only by remaining in NSA do we have an opportunity to voice our opinions.
6. The Legislative Board feels that the inadequate functioning of NSA on Salem's campus in the past has been due to the lack of proper organization on campus. With this in mind, the Board has suggested that an NSA committee be set up if the students vote to remain in NSA.

After a talk by Dean Major, in which she emphasized the fact that NSA provides a way to take our ideas out from Salem as well as bring ideas and news into Salem, the students voted on the question. The vote was 318 to 31 in favor of Salem remaining in the National

Edwards, Cathy Gilchrist, Cynthia Hyatt, Katie Kochitzky, Elizabeth Lynch, Irene McKain, Monica Mengoli, Lucy Phillips Parker, Jane Pendleton, Sara Lou Richardson, Rebecca Shell, Emily Stone, Abbie Suddath, Alta Lu Townes, Sandra Tyson, Sally Wood, and Janet Yarborough.

Juniors were Margaret K. Brown, Elizabeth Hatley, Linda Leaird, Stephan Leshner, Ann Moore, Judith Moore, Sue Parham, Sallie Paxton, Nancy Peter, Ellen Rankin, Lynn Robertson, Patricia Robinson, Sue Sample, Molly Scarborough, Judith Shannon, Elizabeth Holt Smith, Jane Thompson.

Sophomores were Gay Austin, Sally Glenn, Dean Major, Carroll Roberts, Martha Still, Linda Wall.

Freshmen were Winifred Davidson, Margaret Fonda, Marguerite Harris, Nancy Lytle, Marilyn McGrath, Alice Cain Reid, and Ann Scott Thompson.