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## Steineke, Nelda Join In Salem Community

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It is hoped that the majority of Salemites have had the opportunity to meet Steineke and Nelda, this year's foreign students. If not, here is some information concerning them, in hopes that one will become curious, seek them out, and learn something from them.

Steineke Poot is from Amersfoort in the Netherlands. Before coming to Salem, Steineke attended a classical grammar school, similar to an American high school. She studied English, French, German, Latin, Dutch, Greek, History, Geography, Physics, Chemistry, Gymnastics, Algebra, and Music. Now that Steineke is at Salem, she has decided to concentrate her studies on music.

When Steineke returns to the Netherlands, she will enroll in a conservatory. She will have to find a place to live and she will have to be very independent. She appreciates very much the care she says she is receiving at Salem. She thinks we are very lucky to be receiving our education in such a "homey" atmosphere.

Nelda Bentos is from Montevideo, Uruguay. Before coming to Salem, Nelda worked for about six months, having completed her studies at the University. Nelda's studies at the University were concentrated on a relatively new field called public translation. As a public translator, Nelda must translate legal documents and certificates. It is interesting to note that Nelda has studied English for eleven years. For



advantage they would not be able to enjoy in their own countries. Attendance at a university requires that one either live at home (as in Nelda's case) or board with another family (as in Steineke's case).

Both girls expressed the wish to be able to describe in detail their countries and answer questions a Salemite might have. They said they would like to write more lengthy newspaper articles about their countries, but there is much to be learned just in listening to and talking with them.

seven years she studied under private teachers, for two years she studied at the Anglo-Uruguayan Cultural Institute, and the remaining two years she studied at the University.

Both girls were impressed with the peacefulness and beauty of Salem. Although they find there is much to do, they say that there seems to be no rush involved in getting things done. They enjoy what they call our "internalness," our warm atmosphere as exemplified in dormitory living. This is an

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