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Irene Weldon Gives Concert

Miss Irene Weldon, a St. Mary's Senior, has this year made a fine record as a very talented soprano. Irene, whose home is in Raleigh, gave her certificate recital on April 6, and was acclaimed by many to have presented the most artistic program in many years at St. Mary's. In addition to her participation in the choir and Glee Club and Ensemble, Irene has sung twice in Columbia, the first time at the request of the National Association of Teachers of Singing, the South Carolina Chapter, and the second as representative of the Southeastern District of North Carolina at the five-state NAATS.

As guest soloist at the Raleigh Oratorical Concert in conjunction with the Durham Society, Irene appeared on the program Sunday, April 26, at 4 o'clock, in Daniels Auditorium. Also on the program was Richard Rivers, baritone soloist. The Concert was given by these two soloists accompanied by a one hundred-voice chorus and a forty-five piece orchestra. They presented the Handel Anthem and Brahms Requiem. The program will be given again in Durham on Tuesday, April 28.

Concerning her plans for next year, Irene says that she will attend the New England Conservatory of Music at Boston.

Music Student Receives Award

Julia Ann Hunt, an outstanding piano student of St. Mary's music department, was awarded a hundred dollar certificate by the North Carolina Federation Woman's Club.

The award, which was given after an audition at the Woman's Club in Raleigh, will go toward Julia Ann's study in music. Julia Ann has already played in two concerts with the North Carolina Symphony Orchestra, and she will continue to be with the orchestra for one year.

New Assembly Chairman Elected

The newly elected Assembly Chairman is Barbara Fletcher from Durham, N. C. Barbara will preside over the assembly programs next year.

At Durham High School, Barbara was an editor of the newspaper. She was also in the National Honor Society and a class officer.

Barbara is very active in the St. Mary's Glee Club, and she is a member of the Y. W. C. A. and the Granddaughters' Club.

Florence Nash Heads '60 Belles

The new editor of the *Belles* has been chosen for next year. She is Florence Nash, a junior from Tarboro. Florence has been here for two years and has participated in several extra curricular activities. She is a past member of the Beacon, president of the junior class, and a member of the Swimming Club, Letter Club, and the Granddaughters' Club. Florence has taken a great interest in the *Belles* because of her interest in English and her plans to major in that subject.

She will be aided by Peggy Pegues, who has been appointed assistant editor. Peggy is a junior from Monroe who has worked on the *Belles* staff since she came here three years ago.

Freshman - Sophomore Dance Held

Saturday, April eighteenth, St. Mary's gym was transformed by balloons, confetti, and silhouettes into a gay Mardi Gras. The freshmen used this theme for the dance they gave for the sophomores.

Under the direction of the Dance Marshals, Freddy Jones and Erwin Parrott, the dance was well organized. Betsy Nichols headed the refreshment committee which served from long tables at one end of the gym; and Frances Holton handled the lovely decorations.

To the music of the "Catalinas," whom Peggy Patton was able to get, the girls and their dates danced until midnight.

Officers Chosen For Canterbury Club

The new officers of the Canterbury Club for next year are: president, Em Nelson; vice-president, Janet Perry; and secretary-treasurer, Flo Andrews. They are the successors to the offices held by Betty Latta, Jane Bracewell and Luanne Hobbs—president, vice-president, and secretary-treasurer respectively.

The primary projects of the club are to collect clothes for Raleigh orphanages and sell St. Mary's Blazers. Meetings are held every Sunday night with the State College Canterbury Club, and they offer excellent opportunities for fellowship and religious discussion.

CIRCLE WALKS AGAIN

The Circle has walked again! At midnight, on April 2, the college honorary society tapped six new members — four seniors and two juniors. Those taken into the organization were Octavia Phillips, Nancy Compton, Patricia Litchfield, Betty Ann Whitehurst, Betty Latta, and Polly Fulkerson.

Octavia is a senior now in her fourth year here. This outstanding girl from Rockingham is very active in the school. Among her many activities are being a hall counselor, cartoonist for the *Belles* staff, Chief Marshal, and Maid of Honor for the 1959 May Court.

Nancy is a senior day student who has contributed a great deal to the Dramatics Club and the whole school by her outstanding personality and intellectual interests. Nancy is an acolyte and takes part in many activities.

Patricia is now in her second year at St. Mary's, having come last year as a junior. She is a hall counselor, a crucifer, and the president of the Y.W.C.A. She has proved herself a very valuable and popular member of the student body.

Betty Ann, a senior from Rocky Mount, is a hall counselor, vice-president of the senior class, chairman of this year's nominating committee, and a cheerleader.

Betty Latta, a junior from Louisburg, has been in the Legislative Body for several years and is now secretary of the organization. She is in the Granddaughters' Club, the Canterbury Club, the choir, and serves as feature editor of the *Belles*.

Polly Fulkerson, another junior, from Pensacola, Fla., has in her first year here been elected Student Government president for next year. She is now secretary of the junior class and a member of the Young Democrats' Club.

Josephine Hunt Is New President Of Day Students

On March 16, 1959, the St. Mary's day students elected their president for next year; she is Josephine Huntts, a popular junior who is now in her third year here. Phiney is very active in the school and belongs to several organizations. She is a member of the Granddaughters' Club and the Canterbury Club, and has been a busy member of the *Stage Coach* business staff for several years. Phiney is a Mu.

Bonner And Gregory Chosen For Honor Council

Blanche Bonner and Madge Gregory were elected senior Honor Council members by their class.

Blanche, who is from Greensboro, was chosen Secretary of Honor Council and Secretary of the Student Government. This year she is a member of the Granddaughters' Club and the Doctor's Daughters' Club. She has served on the business staff of the annual.

Madge, who is at St. Mary's all the way from Little Rock, Arkansas, served on the Honor Council this year. She is in the Granddaughters' Club, the Dramatics Club, and Orchesis.

Publications Editors Elected

Nan Dameron, of Marion, N. C., and Elizabeth Nelson, of Columbia, S. C., have been recently elected to the editorships of the *Stagecoach* and the *Muse*, respectively, by the student body of St. Mary's by unanimous vote. Both girls are new girls this year and have contributed much in time and talent to St. Mary's.

Nan, in addition to being on the *Stagecoach* editorial staff this year, is also a member of both the news and feature staffs of the *Belles*, a member of the Granddaughters' Club, a member of the Dramatics Club, and is a Mu.

Elizabeth has been an active contributor to the *Muse*, is a member of the *Stagecoach* editorial staff, and is a Sigma.

The new editor of the Handbook is Tucker Walker, a junior from Norfolk, Virginia. This is her first year at St. Mary's, and she is a Sigma. Tuck's activities at school include the office of Secretary-Treasurer of the Granddaughters' Club and membership in the YWCA, Doctors' Daughters and *Muse* staff. She is also on the *Belles* feature staff, the public relations committee, and is a new member of the Altar Guild.

Bunn Elected Hall Council Secretary

Beverly Bunn of Winston-Salem was recently elected Secretary of Hall Council. This year she was also elected by her class to be one of the Legislative Body members. She is a Sigma. When she finishes her two years here, "Bunn" plans to attend Salem College at home.