

Student Participation In Chapel

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Not only in the time we are students at St. Mary's, but in all the days of our lives, we are working toward the greatest blessing of all—to be Christians. Does each student treat God with reverence? By banishing Him from our thoughts, we treat God with irreverence. Going to chapel does not make one a Christian, but by treating God with irreverence during chapel we shall never become good Christians.

Unfortunately, it can be observed that student participation in chapel has not been reverent. In fact, during morning chapel it has been a question not of the manner in which we participate, but rather of nonparticipation. Those students who do not take part in hymns or in the responsive readings of the Psalms are not exhibiting the proper attitude of respectfulness.

Only the vulgar mind views reverence to be degrading. Yet it is becoming more and more apparent that students are taking this view. This harsh observation will become applicable to St. Mary's students if the present conduct during chapel continues. Excessive talking, eating, chewing gum, improper attire, and general misbehavior during all services have been observed.

To any visitor our irreverent attitudes are surely apparent. The softness in which hymns are being sung is equally noticeable. Furthermore, it is almost impossible for the congregation to receive support from the small choir.

No person will rise high who has disrespect for sacred things. Irreverence is an indication of weakness, yet the students of St. Mary's should not be weak.

Nonparticipation combined with an overall attitude of nonchalance during chapel will contribute nothing toward the individual. We are required to attend chapel. Why not make the most of it? Stand up to sing the hymns and repeat the responsive readings. We are mature young adults; therefore, the proper attitude and participation during chapel should be spontaneous. Warnings and threats should not be necessary. Think about God and participate. The time in chapel is for this purpose, and this purpose only.

EDITOR'S NOTE: The Edgar Caycee lecture was the second in the sophomore series. However, due to the lack of interest, sophomore lecture programs will be discontinued!

Granddaughters' Entertain Mothers And Grandmothers

Wednesday February 26th was the big day for the Granddaughters' Club. From 3:00-5:00, they held their annual alumnae tea for mothers and grandmothers who had attended St. Mary's. Among the crowd that arrived, there were many mother and daughter look-alikes. Mrs. Rankin, Peaches' mother, could easily be spotted.

Undefeated Tennis Team Begins '69 Practice

Athletic equation to balance: 6 old girls + 4 new girls energy

→ St. Mary's Tennis Team, 1969. It balances!

The newness or oldness of each member of the Tennis Team is not as significant as the practice each individual must undergo to achieve endurance, strength, flexibility, co-ordination, and agility. However, Miss Jones, the sponsor, is always interested in inducting new girls to perpetuate the team for the following year. Every tennis season is partly a "building phase."

The team was organized four years ago when the new tennis courts were constructed. Since then St. Mary's has not lost a match to another school. For the past two years SMJC doubles have participated in the state intercollegiate finals; last year, Martha Eskridge and Connie Johnson represented St. Mary's.

Miss Jones emphasizes that the tennis team today has the potential to be as excellent as within the past two years, but "it's been so cold, they haven't worked out a lot yet."

Specific dates have already been set up for matches with UNC-G and Meredith; other probabilities are Duke and Carolina, and possibly Wake Forest, Salem, and High Point. The team hopes to be present at the MALTA competitions at Mary Baldwin this spring.

With Ann Parrish a vigorous president, the Tennis Team continues to boast other outstanding members of the student body: Sue Willingham, Connie Johnson, Martha Eskridge, Jo Ann Peacock, Walker Holmes, Brett Elebash, Mary Morrison Pennington, Nancy Biggs, and Kack Harrison. The top stars are Sue Willingham and Jo Ann Peacock. In fact Jo Ann is rated the sixth girl tennis player in the state. With past supremacy and present determination, the 1969 Tennis Team has realistic hopes of not merely survival but continued triumph. The members echo the enthusiasm of Miss Jones: "I really think it's great—and I hope we do real well," said Walker Holmes, and Cu Johnson resounds, "The tennis team is."

Frances Gilliam and Josie Peoples certainly had their family represented with all four Vann sisters present and even Frances' older sister. Among the other mother's present were Julie Badger's from the class of '35, Sarah Chamblee's from the class of '29, and Helen Whitener's from the class of '23.

The Granddaughters' Club officers served the punch and coffee for the first hour and then after the welcome by the club's president Katherine Hunter and the introduction by Miss Jane Augustine, the Alumnae Secretary, a musical program was presented with Miss Cate directing and Mrs. Bulley accompanying. The enter-



SIGMA MU CONTINUES BASKETBALL SEASON

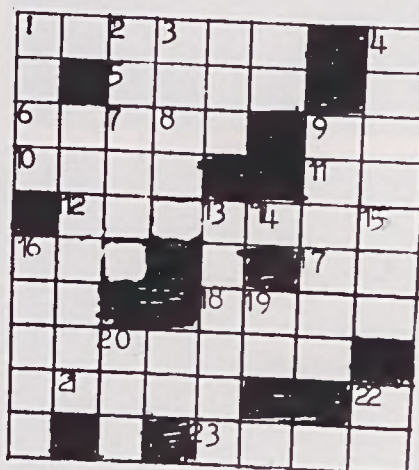
The main purpose of Sigma-Mu and the athletic program is to have each girl become aware of sportsmanship as she participates in classes or in inter-scholastic activities. The Letter Club is organized to inspire girls to achieve in all athletic areas. Two girls—Ann Sebrell and Jo Ann Peacock—have recently become members of the Letter Club.

Also, as an inspirational factor, all-stars are given in individual sports. For their efforts in the Ping-Pong tournament Sigma Nancy Biggs and Mu Jo Ann Peacock were both awarded all-stars. Jo Ann won the tournament for the Mus. Jo Ann also received an all-star when she won the badminton game against Doris Stiegman, a Sigma who also received an all-star.

Sigma-Mu meets twice weekly on Monday and Wednesday at 4:00. The girls on the Sigma's first team are: Nancy Biggs, Connie Darby, Susan Foltz, Walker

Holmes, Liza Penny, and Ann Sebrell. Debbie Boyd, Corinne Davidson, Mary Douglass, Connie Johnson, Dell Parker, Clyde Williams, and Laura Graham make the first team for the Mus. The two teams combine, with the addition of Sealy Cross and Kack Harrison, to form the St. Mary's basketball team which plays at schools. On Wednesday, February 26, St. Mary's lost to Peace College in an away game. But we hope to retaliate when we meet them here on March 11. The Mus won the basketball season 3-0.

Some of the most enjoyable aspects of St. Mary's seem to be overlooked. St. Mary's offers an outstanding athletic program that includes everyone, but unfortunately too few become actively involved. Well-qualified instructors have given many hours trying to make athletic participation an inspired part of the school. All are urged to attend the games and cheer for their respective teams.



DOWN

1. The school we attend
2. Initials of the president of SGA
3. One of the athletic teams
4. What we kick when we leave the gate
7. What we do when we should be studying
8. You can't win 'em
9. After dating a frat boy steadily you get
12. Our minister is Mr.
13. We should all be St. Mary's
15. The three times we get to skip each class
16. What we don't do after eating
19. We're in the crowd
20. In ballet we hold on to a
22. If we agree to something we say

ACROSS

1. Our big three-month vacation
5. Our creative magazine
6. The country we know the most about, besides our own (hint: what did we study?)
9. What we left out of a letter, we add in the
10. What we'd like to get on the phone
11. The sister to our dean
12. We need to get on the
14. The no. 2 basketball team
16. Everyone has to have her own
17. One frat is named Sigma-
18. What we try to do when we're
20. The kind of dates we hate
21. What all of us are flooded with on weekends
23. When we're tired, we like to hit the

tainment consisted of a wide selection of music. Josie Peoples opened with a Handel song with the flute accompanying. The entire Glee Club did the appropriate The Prayer for St. Mary's and the School Hymn by Russell Broughton. They finished the program with the contemporary Scarborough Fair and the lively Zip-a-dee-doo-dah, both arranged by Mr. Bulley. After the entertainment punch and coffee were served again.