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MOON SHINES ON COURT BYARS RECEIVES CROWN

By JANET DAVIS



FUTURE MISS AMERICA'S? . . . Spring Court members Nature Armstrong and Stacey Curran take five before the big night.

Hopes for clear skies with no showers were fulfilled, and only a chilling drop in temperatures brought a shiver from the audience as this year's Spring Festival began on the evening of April 13.

Climaxing the introduction of May Court members was the presentation of the Festival queen Kathy Byars and her maid of honor Nancy Gregory.

The members of the May Court were introduced in pairs with their pages. They were as follows: Nature Armstrong, Sandy Clarke, Trudy Curran, Anna DuBose, Dixie Fields, Nicholson, Cathy Shaw, Babs Sudduth, and Cam Young.

Following the processional, the court performed the graceful maypole dance and then was seated to view the remainder of the program.

The three dance groups from SMC, Orchestris, Scottish Dancers and Caperettes, provided lively and touching entertainment. Orchestris performed two numbers, "Autumn Leaves" and "El-Negro." The Scottish Dancers brought a classical folk touch to the evening with their four numbers. The Caperettes presented two

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SIX NEW MARSHALS TO DON HATS

To serve for the 1973-74 school term, six new marshals were recently elected by the student body. Mimi Martin will be chief marshal with the happy duty of dropping the handkerchief at the end of commencement exercises to signify the official ending of the college year.

Other marshals are Greyson Gates, Julie Parker, Anna DuBose, Lorna Walthall, and Susan Byars.

SENIORS, SOPHS TO BID FAREWELL TO SMC

By PAM STROUPE

Saturday, May 12 will indeed be a day to remember for many of the girls here at St. Mary's when two years of hard work will be completed and graduation will finally be an actuality.

Graduation activities will begin on Thursday night, May 10. Mr. D. F. Nixon and Mr. Henry Witten are having a picnic at Mr. Witten's home. This party is for the new marshals and ushers to discuss the upcoming Baccalaureate and Commencement exercises.

Then on Friday morning, May 11 at 8:00 A.M. the Sophomores are to assemble in Smedes Parlor to rehearse Commencement. At 9:30 the Seniors are to join them and together they will practice for Baccalaureate. After the Sophomores leave, the Seniors will practice at 10:30 for their Graduation.

The Sophomores and Seniors will assemble at 3:30 and the Baccalaureate service will begin at 4:00.

Climaxing the activities, Commencement ex-

ercises will begin at 10:30 A.M., May 12. Sophomores should assemble at 9:45 to prepare for this event. At this time both the Highsmith and Cooper Medal will be awarded.

Final Commencement exercises for the Senior class of St. Mary's College will be at 2:00 P.M. on the same day. Girls should assemble at 1:25. The Niles Medal, the Graham Award, and the King Medal will be awarded during these exercises.

This year's speaker for Baccalaureate will be Dr. Frank W. Pisani, the ninth President of St. Mary's College. Dr. Pisani received his A.B. degree at the University of California, Berkeley, in 1942 and his Master of Divinity in 1955. In 1970, he was awarded the Doctor in Divinity degree at Virginia Seminary. In addition to his position here at St. Mary's which he has held since 1969, Dr. Pisani has served as Vice-President of Pisani Printing Company, taught at the University of Tallahassee, and served as rector of the Church of the Holy Comforter in Tallahassee. He also acted as Associate Dean at Virginia Theological Seminary from 1963 until the summer of 1969.

The speaker for both Commencement ceremonies will be Dr. Robert J. Miller, Academic Dean-elect of St. Mary's. Dr. Miller received his B.S. degree from North Carolina State University in 1956. He also has his Master of Forestry, Master of Science, and Doctor of Philosophy degrees from Yale University.

Master minding the graduation plans has been Mr. Nixon. He reminds all the Sophomores and Seniors to wear a *dress and shoes*, be *prompt*, to remember the reception at the President's home at 8:00 P.M. on Friday, May 11, and that in case of rain, the activities will be held in Pittman Auditorium.

ELEVEN OBTAIN HONOR

Donning white dresses and bearing candles, eleven St. Mary's juniors were initiated into the Chi Beta Chapter of the Phi Theta Kappa National Honor Fraternity of American Junior Colleges, April 10.

In addition to maintaining a QPR of 3.25 for three quarters, a student must "be of good moral character, possess recognized qualities of citizenship, and have established academic excellence as judged by the faculty," to be eligible for membership in Phi Theta Kappa.

Assisted by senior member Susan Dill, this year's president Amanda Brantley swore in the new members.

Achieving membership were Margaret Ann Denning, Laura Ferrell, Buffy Hazlehurst, Katie Hill, Rachael Holmes, Leslie London, Mimi Martin, Emory Rogers, Laurie Sherrill, Margaret Stevens, and Barbara Urquhart.

After sponsoring the organization during its three year existence at St. Mary's, Demetrios F. Nixon turned over his position to Miss Beth Mackie who will serve as sponsor for the next two years. The other two faculty advisors for the group are Mrs. Georgette Campbell and Mrs. Hannah Scoggin.



GETTING IT ALL TOGETHER . . . are new SGA Officers (l. to r.) Melrose Whitfield, Lane Turner, Kay Reynolds, Bolling Quick, Boo Devane. (Not pictured — Margaret Ann Denning).