



The Belles of St. Mary's



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HERE WE GO AGAIN

St. Mary's starts the year off getting the clubs organized for the oncoming year. The dance groups have inducted new members to start off their new season. These new members, along with the old members, will perform on campus and will also represent St. Mary's in various performances around Raleigh.

Caperette's new members are: Trisha Dunn, Stephanie Trogdon, and Trisha Timberlake. Orchesis elected Carol Mobley, Polly Morrison, Mary Michaux, and Katherine Fabrizo as their new members. And Gilly Callum inducted Sally Pellitier, Pooh Herring, Morgie Toller,

Nancy Barwick and Marcie Connors into their club. We are looking forward to seeing them all perform!

On Tuesday, August 26, the St. Mary's Drama Club held its first meeting of the year. It was conducted by this year's president, Page Morrow. She gave a brief summary of the club's activities, introduced the sponsors, Mrs. Stamey and Mr. Callahan, and talked about this year's fall play - "Anything Goes". Tryouts were held last week for the play but there is still plenty of room for stage hands which includes opportunities such as sets, make-up and costumes.

The French Club held its

first meeting Tuesday, September ninth. Quiche Lorraine was served for 10 cents a slice. Afterwards, the officers were introduced and this year's plans were discussed. They are planning a cheese party, Tour de France, and a French Dance. Hopefully, if enough money is raised, the members would like to go to Seth Jones or Chez Michelle. The French Club is still open for membership. Anyone who is interested, feel free to come to the next meeting.

Newcomers Begin New Year at SMC

This year St. Mary's not only has lots of new students but also other newcomers. Among these are two new language teachers, Ms. Oralia Preble and Ms. Jill MacDougal. Ms. Preble, born in Mexico, teaches both high school and college levels of Spanish and plans to stay until she finishes writing her dissertation to get her Ph.D. Ms. Preble has traveled a great deal, especially in the South and in Mexico. Her interests include Latin literature and poetry.

Ms. Jill MacDougal, from New York, teaches both high school and college level of French. Ms. MacDougal is a graduate of Elmir College and obtained her master's at the University of Massachusetts. Her favorite interest is music.

Ms. Anne Smith, originally from Raleigh, is the new psychology teacher. She first attended St. Mary's in high school. Goucher College in Baltimore was next before she moved on to do her graduate work of environmental psychology at the University of Michigan. When asked if she had any hobbies or if there was anything that she would like to do here, she replied that she is planning to help with the volunteer program and hopes that many students will participate.

We next extend our heartiest welcome to Mrs. Gladys Brown, our housemother. Mrs. Brown is originally from Roanoke Rapids, N.C., but has been at work as housemother for several years. This work includes positions at Sigma Phi Epsilon at State, and Alpha Delta Phi at Chapel Hill. St. Mary's is her first experience in a dorm, but Mrs. Brown says that "both are wonderful experiences." Our housemother has many spare time activities such as crocheting, bridge, bowling, and dancing. Mrs. Brown thinks that St. Mary's is great; however, she has not

had the chance to get to know all of the girls. Therefore, she extends an invitation to come to her room to watch TV or just to talk. She is never too busy to talk and listen.

The other new housemother is also equally important. Smedes has the luck to have Mrs. Selph as their new housemother. Mrs. Selph is originally from Hamlet, N.C., but has also been at work for five years as a housemother at Peace. She saw the light and joined us at St. Mary's which she says that she already loves. Some of her activities include shopping, sightseeing, and exercising which she says that she can do plenty of with the fabulous gym here. Mrs. Selph says that perhaps the most unique aspect of St. Mary's is the warm and sincere chapel services of which she really enjoys.

Also with St. Mary's for the first time is Mrs. Coleen Ransom, the new Food Service Manager. Mrs. Ransom is originally from Winston-Salem and attended the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. She worked for two years at Catawba College before coming to St. Mary's. She and her husband, who is at State, now reside in Raleigh. Mrs. Ransom says that she finds the students and administration friendly.

Our new nurse is Mrs. Wicker who also comes to St. Mary's for the first time. She attended Meredith and later Duke where she got her nursing degree. Some of Mrs. Wicker's hobbies include sewing and swimming. We are sure that being sick will not be all that bad with Mrs. Wicker taking care.

Finally, St. Mary's is delighted to welcome a very interesting and unusual new junior to our school. Miss Olga Spivey, a day student, has come to us from distant Venezuela. She is presently living in Raleigh with her

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VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

by Boo Johnston

The St. Mary's Volunteer Program, headed by Marcia Nahikian, will provide many opportunities for those who would like to help others. Among the programs offered are the Cerebral Palsy and Rehabilitation, The Governor Morehead School for the blind, the Trentman Mental Health Center - "Bridges to Hope Program", the North Carolina Correctional Center for Women, the Methodist Home, Wiley School, and Dorothea Dix Service Guild.

The Cerebral Palsy and Rehabilitation Center needs tutors in the classroom on the primary, elementary, secondary levels. Helpers are also needed in occupational and physical therapy.

In the Governor Morehead School, the program is left up to the creativity of the volunteer. They can help in such areas as preparing the children for tap-dancing class, helping in a beginning guitar class, playing golf with the children, and helping them with gym-type activities.

The Trentman Mental Health Center through their

"Bridges to Hope Program" hopes to bring together a child with a minor adjustment problem with a friend or "buddy". Through this "buddy", the center hopes to accomplish several things: to help the child feel worthwhile and likeable, to offer the child an appropriate adult model, provide opportunities for free and unhampered self-expression, and to give the children an opportunity to experience recreational, social and cultural events that he would otherwise not have.

The rest of the programs need volunteers as tutors in reading, math, and art. The Dorothea Dix Service Guild volunteers will work in the hospital doing work somewhat like that of a candystriper.

In each program the volunteer is allowed to make their own working hours based on their schedule and the program's schedule.

At the present, forty-five girls have signed up to work with the volunteer program. They not only plan to work individually, but also to do programs as a group.



CALL COMMITTEE BEGINS SEARCH

St. Mary's is searching for a new chaplain. The search is being conducted by the Call Committee, a group at SMC especially organized for that purpose. The committee has been used before with great success, a fact to which many of the older girls can attest, for it was by this means that Rev. Davis was chosen as chaplain.

The Call Committee is composed of the vestry, Miss Ellington, Dean Miller, Dr. Pisani, and the Alumnae President, Mrs. Harry G. Walker, Jr. At their first meeting the group became acquainted with one another and discussed means of

procedure. The manner in which the committee operates is simple: names of possible nominees are to be turned in to the committee members who will then review all the candidates and select 8 or 10 names. The candidates for chaplain will be carefully screened and from them, Dr. Pisani will choose our new chaplain. The committee is hopeful of having the post filled by the beginning of second semester, but if that is not possible, a chaplain will certainly be in residence at St. Mary's by the end of the 1975-1976 school year.

One of the most important requirements for our new

chaplain, beyond his obvious role as leader of the spiritual life at St. Mary's, will be his ability to teach, for he will be instructing several religion courses in addition to his job as chaplain and all which that entails.

Students are encouraged to turn in any nominees they may have to the committee. This is our school, and it is up to us to support it and show that we care. Students, PARTICIPATE! We wish the Call Committee all the best and have great faith in their ability, along with the help of the student body, to select a new chaplain for St. Mary's.

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