

# The Belles of St. Mary's College

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## "The Grasshopper" Returns To St. Mary's



Teachers sing their hearts out for students.

A command performance of "The Grasshopper" given by a world reknown quartet of infamous opera singers was presented to the staff, faculty, and student body on September 12 in Pittman

to the staff, faculty, and student body on September 12 in Pittman Auditorium. The quartet has recently won critical acclaim throughout the world with recent concessions in Fuquay-Varina and Gaston County.

According to a drama critic of the Statesville Daily Redneck, the quartet's audacity is worthy of the highest praise. The quartet includes alto Ludmilla Rose, soprano Theresa Funbunny Shaul, tenor Vladamir Stikovich Windham, and baratone Roberto Giovanni Roberts. The accompanist is Tabatha T. Thompson. Also performing with the quartet is the Reverand Jonathon Euphratum Tate. Euphratum Tate.

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theme. The theme is profound and very complex. It consists of several variations on "a grasshopper sat upon the sweet potato vine." And it continues with "the big turkey gobbler came up behind and gobbled him down on the sweet potato vine."

Some of the variations include Andante with Sobs and Pocket Handkerchiefs, Largo in a Mourning Key, Allegro Vivace suggesting Vivi, Maestoso with Veracity and Gall, Presto with the Shortness and Uncertainty of Insect Life, Adagio with Tender Nasal Tones, Allegretto with Heathen Levity, and a concluding variation in a jubilant chorus.

The production was an overwhelming success just as it was four years go when it was also performed at St. Mary's. The quartet plans to appear next week at the Lizard Lick County Fair.

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### Who's Who at St. Mary's

One special person at St. Mary's whom everyone knows or will eventually come to know is Dean Elizabeth Jones. As the Dean of Students, she plays an especially vital role in all facets of campus life.

Growing up in the Tidewater area of Virginia, she completed her undergraduate work at dergraduate work at Longwood College in Virginia. Continuing her education, she attended Old Dominion, North Carolina State, and finally William and Mary. While at college, she was on the dorm council and the orientation committee committee.

After finishing her education, Dean Jones taught

school for twelve years. Also during this time, she got married and had two children. In 1965 she became Assistant Dean of Women at Meredith College here in Raleigh. She served at Meredith until 1970, when she again went back to school. She them became Education Coordinator for the Raleigh Public School System, a position she held until 1972, when she came to St. Mary's.

Her duties as Dean are seen through many aspects of campus life, but her main job is to make sure campus life is running smoothly and correctly. She works twelve months a year on such jobs as housing the students, working

on the handbook, and directing the summer school

One can see Dean Jones' total dedication and devotion to the well-being of the students. Her philosophy is that if she can help one person in the year, she has accomplished something very important.

Clearly, Dean Jones plays one of the most important roles on campus; she contributes greatly to the atmosphere of the school and will be remembered by all students long after they have left St. Mary's.

> **Ruth Byrum** and Virginia Holland



## The Vestry Makes Plans For 1979-80

The Vestry is made up of high school and college students who are interested in becoming involved in the church and-or helping with the services. This group is the student advisory body of the chapel and is under the direction of the Chaplain. The Vestry plans special chapel programs and often engages guest speakers for the chapel services.

There are many com-mittees in the Vestry, each with different respon-sibilities: the Cup Bearers; the Lay Readers; the Finance, Ministry, and Outreach Committees; and the Acolytes, who assist the Chaplain in weekly chapel services and the regular Sunday services. Some of the committees' projects for the upcoming year include Christmas caroling at Glenwood Towers, Adopt-a-Gradparent, Blood Drive, and a Halloween party and an Easter egg hunt for the children at the Governor Morehead School.

Vestry members serve for one year. The current Vestry and their respective positions are as follows:

Senior Warden - Betsy Durst Junior Warden - Kimberly

Head of Cupbearers - Kitty Stephenson

Rachael Cupbearers Jones, Raine Gilbert, Missy Berry, Helen Landi, Mary Kulhan Simmons, Lanie Cox, Rose Ann Mayo

Head of Layreaders - Kathy

Altizer Head of Acolytes - Lydia

Payne Altar Guild Chairmen -Coles Hines, Corbin Hogan-

Projects Committee Chairmen - Mary Clyde Bridgers, Agnes Stevens Senior Representative -Charlotte Martin

Junior Representative -Byrd Britt Sophomore Representative -Stephanie Powell

Please feel free to come to any of the Vestry meetings. And if you would like to dedicate a prayer book or hymnal to a friend or family member, see the Senior Representative, Charlotte Martin.

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#### **New School Year Begins**

Welcome back to school! The school year is here with all of its tests, papers, gossip sessions, and assemblies.

The first week of school was very busy with boarders moving in, new students trying to find their way around campus, and old students finding friends they hadn't seen since May.

Freshmen, sophomores and new juniors arrived on Thursday, August 23, keeping parents, brothers and sisters, and local helpers busy moving them in. The returning sophomores arrived

Friday, while the new students took diagnostic reading tests. Classes started on Saturday for the high school students. All returning juniors and seniors arrived on on Sunday, and their classes started Monday.

The Big Sister - Little Sister program was the theme of an indoors picnic (since it rained).

Welcome back to school, and may the rest of the year be as exciting as the first week!

**Mary Meares**