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## New sign is erected at college's entrance

The large new sign erected near the new entrance to the College has drawn many compliments since it was installed in early September.

Designed by Mr. Joseph Sonderman, a nationally noted designer, built by Southwood of

Charlotte, and installed by Hunter & Walden, the massive new sign is not only practical, but also blends well with the surrounding landscape. Two spotlights illuminate the sign at night, and soon the project will be completed with the planting

of a ring of shrubs around the base.

As is the case with so many of the improvements at the College, we are indebted to good friends for the new sign: Mr. Joseph Sonderman in designing, Hunter & Walden's Mr. Walter Poppi in installing, and Mr. Ernest Dwight of Southwood in making the sign, all contributed their services. We are told that had the college to pay for it, the sign would have cost us approximately \$5,000. Ernest Dwight, an alumnus of the Class of 1970, established his sign business named Southwood soon after graduating and is rapidly gaining a fine reputation throughout the state for the excellence of his work.

The College is most grateful to these good friends.



The new sign...

## History dept. inherits almost \$20,000

The History Department of Belmont Abbey College has been the recipient of an almost \$20,000 inheritance from the estate of Fred J. L. Hassinger.

Belmont Abbey was chosen to receive this gift in appreciation of the education given to friends of Hassinger and the services the school has rendered to the community. He was an associate of John R. Monaghan, Jr., an attorney whose son Jack attended Belmont Abbey College as a history major, class of '75.

Monaghan arranged for Belmont Abbey to receive these funds. He learned of the financial needs of the History Department through discussions with Dr. Frank Murray, present chairman of the department.

According to guidelines set down by Father John Bradley and the Board of Trustees, the Hassinger Trust money will be used for the following:

1. To purchase books or manuscript materials for the library;
2. To purchase audio-visual and educational aids, but not equipment;
3. To assist, at the discretion of the History Department, any needy or worthy student majoring in history;

4. To provide modestly for refreshments once a year at a social gathering for history majors and alumni who may be here.

## BAC CPA scores rank 6th in state

Belmont Abbey College ranks sixth among all universities and colleges in North Carolina in percentage of graduates who pass the C.P.A. exam.

These rankings were established by the N.C. State Board of C.P.A. Examiners and are based on the results of the C.P.A. exam given last May. Their research also indicates that Belmont Abbey College ranks first among all small colleges in the state.

Joe Graham, chairman of the Accounting Department at the College is proud of the College's record in this field. Its graduates have traditionally ranked near the top in the state.

B.A.C. offers courses leading to the B.A. degree in Accounting at night, as well as during the regular school day, making it possible for those in the local community to attain the degree while still holding a full-time job.

## They're coming!

S.A. to review

BAC next month

Every ten years each member of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools undergoes a review by the Association to reaffirm accreditation.

Belmont Abbey College has spent the past year organizing a self-study report to present to the Southern Association for review this year.

The Visiting Committee from the Association will arrive Sunday, November 13 and will meet with the Steering Committee, college administrators and some of the trustees.

During the three days that will follow, the ten reviewers will visit classrooms and interview faculty members and students at random. The object of their visit will be to examine

every aspect of the College, from business management to curriculum and student services.

The members of the Southern Association Visiting Committee were selected from the faculty and administrators of member colleges; each is qualified to examine a different aspect of the college. Jenelle Spear, Dean of Students at Converse College in South Carolina, will act as chairman of this committee.

After their visit to the Abbey, the committee will make their report to the Southern Association headquarters in Atlanta, Ga. and the Association will then decide on the reaccreditation of Belmont Abbey College.

## Abbey frats lead MDA drive

Two fraternities from Belmont Abbey College presented donations totaling almost \$1,800 on the Jerry Lewis Labor Day Telethon for Muscular Dystrophy.

Keith Liscinsky, representing Sigma Phi Epsilon, handed over a check for \$1,089 to Brad Lacey of WSOC-TV during the Charlotte area telecast of the telethon. Jeff Martin of Alpha Phi Omega presented a check for \$700 on behalf of his fraternity.

The total contributions of these fraternities were more than the amount raised by any other college in the Gaston-Mecklenburg area.

Sig Ep raised their money last March by going door-to-door throughout Belmont and Mt. Holly and by soliciting contributions from cars stopped at main traffic intersections.

A.P.O. held a carnival last April for the benefit of Muscular Dystrophy. In addition, proceeds from the annual "Most Popular Fraternity" drive, cake sales, soliciting cars, and a donation from the service fraternity's own treasury helped round out their contribution of \$700.

The groups were assisted by Mrs. Robin Helner, Miss Wheelchair - North Carolina, in coordinating their efforts with the telethon and publicizing the events.

Following presentation of the check, Liscinsky, Bob Caprice, and Cathy McIlmail of S.P.E. and Martin, Rich Ganus, Mike Worland, and Tony

DeCristofaro of A.P.O. manned telephones for the telethon.

Other A.P.O. brothers helped with a marathon "Dance for Those Who Can't," a disco-dance run by the disc jockeys from WAYS radio in Charlotte.

Several groups at Belmont Abbey College are planning to unite efforts in setting up a dance-a-thon next spring similar to this one. The goal will be to raise \$10,000 and send a representative to the national telethon next year.



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