

# St. Charles Halfway House Closed

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The St. Charles Hotel, a San Antonio landmark since 1913, was for just less than a year the St. Charles House, a halfway house for reformed alcoholics. Now it looks the same, still graceful and well-kept, but for the many recent residents who were struggling to repair their lives, the closing of the St. Charles Halfway House means a renewed struggle. Some of those intimately connected with the Hosue believe the sturuggle will be even more difficult.

From November, 1974, to September 30, 1975, the old hotel served to give reformed alcoholics a new family and a new way to rebuild their lives. Eugene Hester, director of the St. Charles House, said, "A halfway hosue is supposed to have the atmosphere of a family. The people support each other."

The St. Charles House obtained the residents jobs, even in this time of high

unemployment. There were three productive gardens. The spacious dining room served to the family home-cooked meals in the peaceful environment of the orange trees and the fresh breeze. There were therapy sessions. There was the spirit of neighborliness in this quiet town.

But economics can ruin even a dream. The St. Charles Halfway House of Pasco-Hernando Counties, Inc., a non-profit corporation, contracted its services to the

Tampa Area Mental Health Board (TAMHB). Additional funds came from \$26,000 in residents' fees, and \$10,000 from

the Pasco County Commission. However, with legislative cutbacks, TAMHB was unable to provide the remainder of the operating budget which was over \$90,000 yearly.

A proposed solution was to combine the services of Pasco County Mental Health Board's Alcoholic Detoxification Center and the St. Charles House, so that common staff, bookkeeping, and food services could be located in the same place. In fact, Hester said he could operate the St. Charles House for an annual \$5,000 if the Detox Center would carry the common services. Instead, the Pasco County Mental Health Board decided to render halfway house services at the Gower's Corner Detoxification Center.

The Detox Center at Gower's Corner consists of a two-unit motel with five rooms each. Residents are housed two to a room so that there can be ten people undergoing detoxification under a trained medical staff and ten residents in the

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St. Charles Motel Alcohol Rehabilitation Center closes down because of lack of funds.

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## Rattlesnake Festival This Week

In the San Antonio City Park, the San Antonio Jaycees annually sponsor what is probably the most unique festival anywhere. Scheduled for Saturday, October 18, is the 9th Annual Rattlesnake Festival and International Championship Gopher Race and it has made our community widely known throughout the world. This year's chairman is Eddie Herrmann, who has been called "the granddaddy of the Festival" by Jaycee president Andy Lessard. Lessard, only half-jokingly calls the Festival "San Ann's social event of the year."

Herrmann, obviously wrapped up in the whole festival idea, says that the October 18 event will definitely be better than ever. He points out the fact that the first item on the program will be the launching of several hot-air balloons at 8:00 a.m. if weather permits and that after that it will be one fun thing after another to keep a body occupied.

The snake shows, which some people come year after year to see and which others ignore while seeing all the other goodies, begins at 10:00 a.m. Dennie Sebolt will be featured again this year "doing his thing" in the snake pit. "His thing" is milking rattlesnakes of their venom, something that is vitally needed by persons who might be so unlucky as to be bitten. His lectures are very informative and are credited with saving the life of a San Antonio boy who was unfortunate enough to receive a snakebite but followed Sebolt's advice and responded very well to treatment. The shows will go on each hour until 4:00 p.m.

At 10:30 a.m. the Dade City Rod & Gun Club will present a demonstration black

powder firing to signal the start of the first show to be presented by the Polk County Bicentennial Travelling Medicine Show featuring Lydia and The Pinkhams, et al. Following each of the Medicine Shows there will be local talent featured on the stage. Other Medicine Shows will be heralded at 12:30, 2:30 and 4:30 p.m.

Also at 10:30 a.m. the first of the gopher races will start on the 50 foot track. Speedy gopher tortoises will run on the 10 lane track until the International Champion is crowned during the 4:30 p.m. set.

All during the day, Festival goers will have the chance to view dozens of exhibits that may be viewed for the one low admission of \$1.50 for adults and only 50 cents for children 12 and under. The only other necessary expense of the day will be food and drink, and that will be available on the Festival grounds at nominal prices. The one-half chicken dinner is only \$2.25, and the quarter chicken will sell for \$1.75. Cold drinks, old fashioned hand dipped ice cream and "homemade" baked goods will be found in the concession area as will a few special Festival souvenir items.

A big success last year, the Arts and Crafts Show will be repeated in an expanded version on streets which the city has allowed to be closed for that purpose. The items in the show will all be hand crafted and judging will take place in the four categories of: crafts, painting, graphics, and photography.

At nearby St. Leo Abbey Golf Course, golfers will have the opportunity to enter the "gopher hole" Duffer's Derby. Among the prizes will be use of a Cadillac for a year. Prizes for other events will be awarded.



Nature shows its force.

## San Ann Meeting Hot

Mayor Conie Mcable had to send for extra chairs to seat the angry SRO crowd at Tuesday night's regular San Antonio City Commission meeting. The audience quietly listened to the decision to buy a used dump truck and to continue exploring plans for City Hall renovation at a special meeting on October 28. But there were raised tempers about the Bicentennial Committee's plans to build restrooms in the park, and outright rage about Pasco County Housing Authority's plans for moderate-income housing to be built just north of city limits.

Mike Alessandro, of the Bicentennial Committee, reminded the commission that the \$10,000 Bicentennial Com-

mittee grant, earmarked for city park renovation, included plans for public restrooms. Mary Schroder, of the Garden Club, however, pointedly reminded that the money ultimately comes from taxpayers. "I can't understand this going so far without other groups being contacted. The Garden Club is opposed to having bathrooms in the park." The Garden Club wants the outhouses in or near the city hall.

Mayor McCabe diplomatically suggested a meeting of the public, Garden Club, Jaycees, Bicentennial Committee, and other to more calmly settle their differences at 1:30 p.m. in City Hall October 21. The meeting will be chaired by

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## Stop Wasting Time

Skip the no smoking in class ban. Quiet simply it won't work, if it is the litter of cigarette butts you want to eliminate, buy some ash trays. Try to gain people's cooperation rather than antagonizing them by telling them what to do.

Don't spend all year talking about passing a resolution asking the college to lift its no alcohol in the dormitory policy. Draw up the resolution and pass it. It is not worth consuming your limited time with an issue that really isn't any longer an issue. Despite the stated rule it is not being enforced. If the board of trustees wants to keep on believing that there is no beer or liquor in the dorms, fine. Time taken up with this is wasted, people are doing all the drinking they want to in the dorms.

What the senate ought to do is to see to it that the students get what they paid for. The senate should see to it that the promises made to students about courses, sports, activities, etc., offered by the school in its catalogue or by its personnel are kept.

If the senate and its officers do not act to protect the students' interests, curricular and extra-curricular, then they are not doing their job.

## People Dont Listen

By ADRIEL WOODMAN

When those people at Tuesday night's San Ann Commission meeting arose from their seats, roused their tempers, and raised their voices of opposition to Pasco County Housing Authority's plans for Alamo Manors, they only showed their lowered natures. First, those people didn't seem to hear John Maylott when he told the residents that this is not to be low-income subsidized housing, but middle-income housing at low mortgage payments. Second, and more importantly, those people didn't seem to understand that Alamo Manors is to be outside city limits and the Commission's only issue was whether or not to provide water or to annex.

Now, I can understand honorable avarice: no one wants nearby property values lowered; but Alamo Manors, I believe, would only raise values.

I can also understand common sense: no one wants houses built on mud; but, I believe, soil studies show the land to be 100-year flodo proof. What I can't understand is why such simple and reasonable objections call for shouts, threats, and vicious challenges.

Whenever sensible objections are shouted and tempers raised it means that there is an unspoken objection, not of greed nor of sense: it is fear. What I heard those people thinking, but not saying, was this:

"We don't want those people here!"

Well, those people will be working, family living, decent people, who will be required to have a modest income in order to qualify for FMHA housing. I think we need those people. And thought the Housing Authority is not proposing any "low, low-income housing for this area," I think we need those people, too. We can't push them over to Lacochee and we can't "keep 'em down" at Pasco Station.

By voting not to annex Alamo Manors, the City of San Antonio loses hundreds of dollars in revenue. Alamo Manors will be built regardless of San Ann's ugly water tower and ugly attitude. Why not make some money on the deal? I urge the City of San Antonio to invite the Housing Authority back, and reverse the decision to not annex.

I also believe the Housing Authority should reverse its decision not to build low-income housing here. We need that as well as the middle-income Alamo Manors.

Those people who we see picking up their mail at the San Ann Post Office, those we see in the park, those we know are poor — those people need housing too. Are we so good and fine as to deny it? More importantly, are we all so wealthy as to deny it? While Pogo said, "We have met the enemy and he is us," I say, "We have met those people and they is us."

## Relevance In College

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Associate Editor

Throughout one's College career a student is called on many times by various instructors to produce research papers.

I speak through experience, and in written testimony if so desired, to say long hours of reading, evaluating, researching and writing go into most papers. Afterwards, these papers are handed in to the instructor and graded. When the papers are returned they are usually looked at for a few moments and then put aside. After four years of College, the number of papers written and collected becomes phenomenal. A file grows and grows. Soon dust appears to remain forever.

Actually, there is very little value to writing the average research paper after you have accumulated a file. The production of the paper simply proves that the student still remembers where to put periods and how to write footnotes. There is some value to the paper but that value usually never goes beyond the realm of the author and those few around him. There is a grand reservoir of intellect untapped when these papers are filed away in the dusty drawers.

Once when I was a freshman at this prestigious institution, I asked an upper classman what the purpose was behind a college education. He replied, in that manner that most upper classmen did at the time, "Listen Kid, when you make it through four years of this place you'll walk up on graduation day to get your diploma and never use anything you learned on this campus again. You'll get a job with some

big corporation and show up for work the first day and meet the vice president. He'll show you into his office and explain to you that the reason you went to school the last four years was to show those in business you can learn. Now forget everything and start over. That's what college is about."

I remembered feeling quite dejected about that short conversation at the time and it has bothered me ever since. But now I see that college life does not have to be irrelevant to the life outside. There are many areas and organizations right inside this community that could benefit from the work done by students at this college.

We have read this week that the St. Charles Hotel is closing down because of lack of funds. If enough research was done on federal grants for alcoholic groups, maybe the program could have continued.

The research done by students can help in many areas of the community. The schools in the county, both public and private, could benefit greatly from educational research. The social sciences could help the many county programs in Dade City by doing some of the necessary research work that must be done.

Political science majors could offer their services of research to the public defenders in Dade City. Sociology and social work majors could help the many social workers in the area. The possibilities are endless.

The faculty should get together and form an action group with students and offer their research hours to relevant problems in the area. Not only would we help the community, but we would also give a bigger and more rewarding note to our education.

## Too Much Litter

Commentary by JOHN GALLAGHER

Have you ever walked around campus and observed the things that surround you? Like trash? More than not you've had the experience of walking over and around the multitude of Saint Leo College litter. Chances are, you've been responsible for a few of the littered cigarette butts and packages, gum wrappers, shreds of papers, orange juice containers, facial napkins, love notes, candy wrappers, soft drink cans, newspapers, potato chip wrappers, matchbook covers, toilet paper rolls, shopping bags, paper plates, beer cans and cups, say-sos, eggshells, even such items as a broom handle and a car fender.

The worst section on campus, the week before homecoming, was the practice field next to Lee Marvin Hall. This area was congested with various papers, primarily for use in the bathroom. It seems a few students have yet to get toilet training

routine down yet. The reader may be consoled to know that according to their advisors, they are making progress in this big responsibility that each human is faced with.

Another trash problem we need to concern ourselves with is classroom smoking. The thrust of the damage results from people grinding lit cigarettes into the carpets, causing the area to transform into a mass of unsightly brown burn marks. Until the commercial rug cleaning companies can come up with a remedy for scarred and melted carpeting, perhaps we should trouble ourselves with finding a soft drink can or another suitable means with which to extinguish our tobacco products.

The problem at hand is convincing ourselves and others that the only place for trash is in the trash can. The next time you see someone litter on the campus grounds pick it up — equipped with a look of scorn, guaranteed to help cure the habit.

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There Will Be No Independent Monarch Next Week

# ★★★★★★★ The Spirit of Encounter Is Not Dead ★★★★★★★

By ELIZABETH SHONTER  
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(The Spirit of Encounter is not dead, it lives and breaths in spite of being voice of economic support).

Last summer the Board of Trustees met in June and simultaneously abolished The Monarch and Encounter. The Monarch survives as the Independent Monarch, but what of Encounter?

The publications were abolished reportedly to save money for the school. To suppose that saving The Monarch's \$4,500.00 per year helps the school is absurd, but not so absurd as supposing Encounter's \$700.00 (yes, that's correct, \$700), per year will greatly contribute to helping the college's books balance.

As author of this commentary, and former editor of Encounter, I feel it is my responsibility to try to quash a few rumors.

1. The Encounter was abolished because of high incidence of "sex" in the publication.

ANSWER — Encounter '74-75 had no more sexual references in it than had any previous issue of the past four years, and even some before that. Believe me, I have read every issue, or better yet, go to the upstairs floor of the library and read the other issues yourself.

2. ENCOUNTER was abolished to save money for St. Leo.

ANSWER — Money is greatly needed at St. Leo, but it is doubtful that \$700.00 could even be considered a drop in the bucket.

3. Encounter was abolished along with The Monarch to make it appear as a joint cutback rather than a crusade against The Monarch.

THOUGHT — Highly possible, even probable.

4. Encounter was abolished because the

previous editor was a 'radical' well known for her off-beat pursuits.

THOUGHT — Once again highly probable. Although I don't pretend the Board of Trustees as a whole even know who I am, with some certainty I can say the executive committee must know enough to have threatened me with expulsion last year. But that might be getting off the subject.

The point still remains. The Encounter is devoid of financial resources. Financially dead, but spiritually alive.

For the spirit of Encounter lives, in the artistry of the students, and the other members of the community who for thirteen years gave Encounter life. The artists still remain, the poets still remain, St. Leo College is still blessed with their creativity — the creativity which culminated in a yearly edition of Encounter. But what will happen this year? Will there be a fourteenth volume of Encounter?

This query is left to the students, the

college community, and even the Board of Trustees to answer. It is up to the college community to decide whether or not to

carry on a St. Leo College tradition and continue to publish a literary magazine.

It appears to the author that such a publication is greatly needed by the college community. For such extra-curricular pursuits are fundamental to the educational process. Musicians need to hold concerts, dramatists must hold plays, and just as much the literary and visual artists need the opportunity to present their works.

Again, you stand reminded, the decision whether or not to continue this tradition lies with you, the college community. As former editor of Encounter, and 'hopeful' literary artist, I hope you will think this through carefully. For the spirit of Encounter deserves not to die, but to live, and flourish in the hearts of each member of the college community.

## Losing Sight Of Our History

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The year was 1787. The place was Philadelphia. The purpose of the 55 men gathered in this hall was to revise the Articles of Confederation.

This group, now referred to as America's "Founding Fathers", gathered together to revise the Articles, but instead decided to do away with them and draw up a new Constitution that would give more power to the federal government.

At the time there was a great split dividing the colonial states. Some wanted a strong central government and others wanted strong state governments.

Many people believed that the convention was a group of men gathered together to take away their rights, to form a new monarchy. Some noted radicals of the revolution refused to attend the constitutional convention to show the people they disapproved. Patrick Henry would not attend, neither would Samuel Adams or Governor Clinton of New York. In fact, many of those at the Convention disapproved. At least seven of the original 55 left the hall without signing.

On the final day of the Convention, Ben Franklin was in a very pessimistic mood. He feared for the rights of future Americans. In a speech delivered on that final day he stated, "This experiment, too, shall certainly end in depotism when the people have become so corrupted that they are incapable of any other form of government."

"I accept this Constitution with all its

faults, if such they be."

It was feared by many of those who supported a strong constitution that Franklin would not vote for its acceptance. If he said no there would have been little chance that the document would have been ratified by the states.

As Franklin walked out of the Convention Hall a lady ran up to him and asked, "What shall it be, republic or monarchy?" Franklin replied, "A republic if you can keep it."

The reason for the pessimism was the Bill of Rights (The first ten amendments) had not been included in the document. Before the Constitution could be accepted by the states these ten amendments were added to insure the basic rights that were fought for in the revolution.

Today in 20th Century America many of the rights that our nation was founded on are in jeopardy. We are losing sight of the philosophy of the American Revolution.

"The founding principles should be the creed of our political faith, the text of civic instruction, the touchstone by which to try the services of those we trust; and should we wander from them in moments of error or of alarm, let us hasten to retrace our steps to regain the road which alone leads to peace, liberty, safety." — Thomas Jefferson, 1807.

Our society today has drifted a long way from the time of the American Revolution. As citizens of America we should make ourselves familiar with the Bill of Rights and insist that our government live up to its initial purposes.

The following survey has been printed with the hopes that all those at the college and in the community will make their feelings known by returning them to our

office. In two weeks we will print the results. Clip and give to any staff member of The Independent Monarch staff or drop it by our office.

Survey	Agree	Disagree
1. The press have the right to report any story it wants.		
2. As long as there is no danger of violence, any group has the right to protest its point to the government, no matter how extreme.		
3. If police suspect drugs or guns, they should be allowed to enter a house without a warrant?		
4. Everyone has the right to criticize the government.		
5. The government should be allowed to hold a secret trial if they believe it is necessary.		
6. The jury should have the power over judgment, not the judge.		
7. If a man is found innocent of a serious crime and new evidence is found, he should be tried again.		
8. If a person is suspected of a serious crime the police are allowed to hold him indefinitely.		
9. The death penalty is cruel and unusual.		
10. The possession of hand guns should be outlawed.		

## Student Questions Administration

In view of the recent controversy surrounding relations between the St. Leo College administration and other members of the college community, it would seem to me that a public forum is necessary to open lines of communication and

alleviate the feeling of oppression that exists on the college campus.

There seems to be a general feeling of apathy on campus due to a lack of closeness between the president, his aides and the rest of us outsiders. This is

unrealistic on such a small campus as St. Leo. Dr. Southard must abandon his reign of silence and tell us directly where he stands on vital issues. If Dr. Southard does not do this, rumors and distrust will remain as St. Leo's claim to fame.

We can only take Dr. Southard's continued silence as a disdain for and disinterest in the faculty and students of St. Leo. If Dr. Southard refuses to speak then perhaps the time for words has passed.

JUDE MICHAEL RYAN

# Old Folks At Home

by Sarah Mulligan

"Way down upon the Suwannee River," Oh, how those words can bring back a whole head full of memories. Why, when I was a boy I could sing that song straight through and mean every word. Right now I don't believe I could get through the first verse. Times change and people change just about as fast. It's really hard to believe that little hick, country boy was me.

Thinking hard, I can still feel that cold mud come sliding up between my toes, slipping with every step. The sun beating down on my bare shoulders with no effect

except adding freckles to freckles. My mom would just about beg me to keep that ugly cap on my head to keep from bleaching my hair to pure straw. Yep, that boy sure was me.

This gray head and wrinkled skin surely don't reflect much of Billy Bradshaw. William Alexander Bradshaw III, is the name which goes with this dark suit and real leather shoes.

Just the thought of shoes would of sent shivers up little Billy's spine, and leather he'd never imagined.



The most fun about this river, as I remember it, was the frogs. We'd chase those warty old toads with long sticks just to watch them dive and shoot through the water. I'd bet I learned to swim from one of those croakers. Kicking and reaching never seemed to get me to the far bank as fast as bunching up and sweeping out, frog-style.

Oh, these oaks look so old and wise. The way the moss falls and swings out toward the river reminds me of the days I spent

swinging out and dropping in . . . Spash! The water always felt so cool; nothing could wash the dust and relieve the tension of a day in town, anywhere near as quick.

It takes close to three straight scoches to come close to the relief of that cool, gray river. I'd never even think to jump in there now. I wonder where I lost the urge and the freedom. The freedom of being stripped of my worries and watching the current carrying them far, far away? I lost it all somewhere but it wasn't anywhere near this place.

## The Pilgrims' Road Of Life

The Pilgrim Center of Saint Leo Abbey has announced a special meeting with interested students, faculty and administrators of Saint Leo College to be held in the Pilgrim House at 3 p.m. on Tuesday, October 21, 1975.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss ways in which Pilgrim Center can be of help to the Saint Leo College community and ways in which Saint Leo College can assist the Pilgrim Center in its work.

John W. Frank, Associate Director of Pilgrim Center and coordinator of youth activities, hopes that this meeting will create an open and sharing relationship between the two structures. He envisions ways in

which the Pilgrim Center might coordinate programs geared to student interest and involvement.

The Pilgrim Center of Saint Leo Abbey is a year old center for contemporary Christian Renewal, sponsored by the monks of Saint Leo Abbey. It has received much support from individuals in the immediate area as well as people throughout the State of Florida.

During its first year of operation, nearly 3,000 individuals have taken part in an assortment of programs, workshops, and retreats. Frank told *The Independent Monarch*, "They all shared in discussion and prayer the significance of God's presence in their lives, their various approaches to

faith, and their struggles in a world becoming more and more confusing in its pluralistic value system." He continued, "Some were students, some were teachers, some businessmen, and others were senior citizens. All of them were God's people, His Pilgrim People, walking the Pilgrim's Road of Life."

Frank, himself an alumnus of Saint Leo College, said, "The proximity of Saint Leo College to Pilgrim Center and its long-time historical involvement with Saint Leo Abbey would seem to make it of prime importance to the work at Pilgrim Center. The College seems to be presently questioning its role as a 'Catholic' institution. Such questions must lead into others like, 'what is a Catholic

student?', and in amore ecumenical spectrum, 'what does it mean to be a Christian student, teacher, college administrator, etc.'"

"These and other questions," Frank went on to say, "have everything to do with Christian Renewal in the world today. And this is the very work of the Pilgrim Center."

"The meeting on Tuesday, October 21, will hopefully create an open dialogue to address such questions and means of dealing with them."

Any inquiries concerning this meeting should be directed to Frank's office at the Pilgrim Center Office Building in front of the Abbey Church.

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Commissioner Eugene Hester who will help "to establish the location of the Johns."

However, it was John Maylott of Pasco County Housing Authority who again aroused the fury of some local residents. The Housing Authority proposes to develop, on about 8 acres of unincorporated land east of Curley Street, just north of San Antonio, 20 single family lots for Farmer's Home Administration housing. These houses will be for "middle-income working class folks" said Maylott. They will sell for about \$21,000 with a low down payment and low monthly payments.

Maylott, although he has plans for a well and sewage treatment plant at the "Alamo Manors," requested that the City of San Antonio provide city water. The Housing Authority would build

the hook-up at a cost of \$8,000. There would be no cost to the city, but if the city wanted increased revenue by annexing Alamo Manor, Maylott reminded the commission of the additional hundreds of dollars.

Commissioner Frank Blommel said angrily, "I'm not going to approve of housing on that property. It's a gully." He said, "I walked out there and looked at it and it's all under water."

Mike Alessandro pointed out, in support of the plan, that this housing would give the underemployed a decent place to live and a pleasant environment. "It would bring revenue if we annexed and only enhance the beauty of the city." There will be a park and garden plots at the site.

But others felt that the site was flood-prone. One nearby landowner said "subsidized housing" is "nothing but a slum when you're through." And

others said for housing at \$21,000, the Housing Authority could easily "go elsewhere."

Maylott calmly reminded the meeting that his studies show that many San Ann residents, and many former residents who want to return, want this kind of housing. "This is for persons who could afford only a mobile home and we get them something better." Maylott noted that Alamo Manors is not government subsidized housing. Residents must have a moderate income. He feels there is no need for "low, low-income housing" here.

Former Pasco County Agricultural Agent Luther Rozar, who owns the 20 acres and a home just north of the proposed Alamo Manors objected to quarter-acre lots.

Understanding that this was to be zoned agricultural-residential, which is one acre minimum.

It was the ever-cool Commissioner Eugene Hester who reminded the meeting that the

only issue involved was whether or not the city would provide Alamo Manors with city water. A vote was taken, and the City of San Antonio City Commission unanimously rejected the proposal to change their policy of providing water outside the city limits.

For the city it was over. For the Housing Authority, plans will continue on schedule for the Alamo Manors with its own water source. For other residents the fight has just begun. Luther Rozar said the site "is standing in water. I'm going to appeal all the way to Tallahassee. I'm opposed to quarter-acre land sites as an adjoining landowner. It will reduce my land by \$25,000 — it's pure economics."

## Funds Available for College Teaching Careers

The Danforth Foundation is once again seeking applicants at St. Leo College for the prestigious Danforth Fellowships. These Fellowships are being offered to those who meet the qualifications and are interested in College Teaching Careers.

The purpose of the program is to give personal encouragement and financial support to selected college seniors and recent graduates who seek to become college teachers, and who are vitally interested in relating their educational plans to their basic values.

The fellowships are awarded to students who excel in three areas: 1. Evidence of intellectual ability which is flexible and of wide range; of academic achievement which is a thorough foundation for graduate study. 2. Evidence of personal charac-

teristics which are likely to contribute to effective teaching and to constructive relationships with students. 3. Evidence of a concern for the relation of ethical or religious values to disciplines, the educational process, and to academic and social responsibility.

Students interested in applying for the Danforth Fellowship must be nominated by the College Liaison Officers before the Foundation will consider them. St. Leo College has two Liaison Officers: Dr. James Horgon and Ms. Francis Martin. Both have offices in Carmel Hall.

Since the GRE examinations must be completed before the applicant can be accepted it is advisable to contact one of the Liaison Officers immediately.

## S·G·A· Speaks out on Smoking

By KATHLEEN KELLY  
Guest Columnist

The Student Rights Committee of the Student Government Association made a proposal in last week's senate meeting to stop smoking in the classroom. After much discussion at a committee meeting, the group came to the unanimous decision that smoking in class infringes upon the rights of non-smoking students. Another significant influence in the decision was the terrible condition classrooms are left in by people who smoke in class and leave their cigarette butts either on the floor or on the desks.

The decision was reached after discussing possible alternatives, such as placing ash receptacles in classrooms, and positioning smokers in a designated area. But the overall conclusion was that the

problem of messy classrooms would still exist.

Since most classes are only 45 minutes, the sacrifice on the part of the smoker doesn't seem to be too much to bear. Even if the class is three hours long, there are usually breaks during which the smoker can have a cigarette.

The committee also concluded that janitorial services need to be looked into, because there seem to be cigarette butts and coke cans all over most classrooms.

The proposal has been turned over to the Academic Affairs Committee of SGA, which will turn it over to the Academic Council in hopes of gaining faculty support. The Student Rights Committee hopes that this policy will be voluntarily implemented by all members of the college community.

## ★★ Lecture Series Planned ★★

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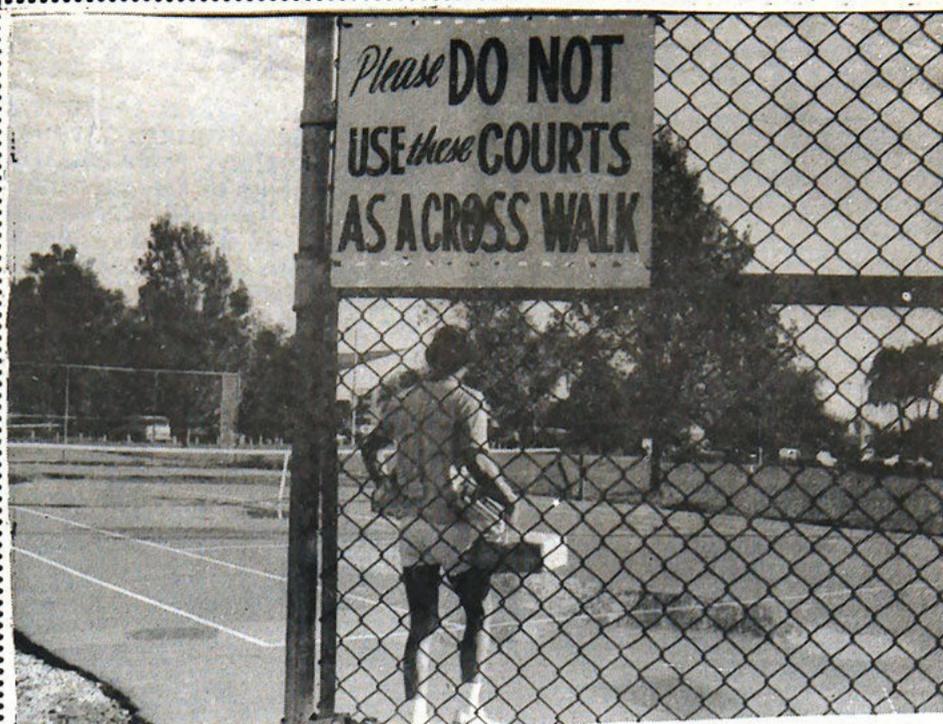
The College Union Board (CUB) in conjunction with the SGA Academic Affairs Committee plans on holding a series of lectures throughout the 1975-76 academic year. The series, which is hoped to begin in November, will attempt to attract speakers from within the college community as well as from outside of it.

Mark Cappicilli of SGA Academic Affairs suggested that Dr. Thomas B. Southard, St. Leo College's President, begin the series. Cappicilli suggested this as a method of trying to alleviate the lack of communication between the students and the president. Cappicilli stated that

the students never get a chance to hear from Southard, to see what he is really like. The other members of the committee supported Cappicilli's proposal.

CUB lectureship chairperson Terry Chavez hopes to be able to invite Congresswoman Bella Abzug to speak at St. Leo. Presently she is seeking approval through Academic Affairs for Abzug's appearance.

The members of the two organizations are limited only by the amount of money available to them for lectures. CUB has \$400.00 per semester set aside for lectures while the Academic Affairs Committee was just donated \$750.00 by Dr. Robert Peterson's office.



Recently the four old tennis courts at St. Leo College were resurfaced and two new courts were built at a cost of \$50,000. To the dismay of tennis coach, Tim Crosby, the courts are being abused.

It seems that although the surfacing was an expensive project it can be damaged easily. During class time many students in their hard shoes tread across the courts and grind sand into the new surface. When a person goes to play tennis he finds that the sand makes it easy to slide and uses this as an excuse for why the ball was missed.

The Tennis Team worked hard with Coach Crosby in the resurfacing of the courts and they request that the student body pay attention to the signs "Don't walk on the tennis courts".

## Senate Discusses Press bulletin

The third Senate meeting of the 1975-76 year was held Thursday in Selby Auditorium. Senate President Vinny Payne discussed the allocation of \$50.00 for a subscription to Inter-Collegiate Press Bulletins. This is a weekly publication which is quoted as reporting on "vital and relevant stories . . ." on "any facet of student government information." Payne also said that he would write for a complimentary copy of the publication, and the motion to allocate the \$50.00 was tabled until receipt of a complimentary copy.

The library committee then gave a report. Chairperson Ted Kolwicz reported that the committee had met with Sr. Dorothy Neuoffer, Library Director. At this meeting the committee members discussed the need to set objectives for the coming year. Sr. Dorothy also commented on the SGA donation of a set of books last year. Kolwicz and SGA President Dennis Mullen discussed the possibility of making another contribution this year, stipulating what kind of books the money is to be used for.

The next matter of business was the discussion of a proposed policy to end smoking in classes. Student Rights Chairperson Kathy Kelly commented that the committee had decided that this is the best procedure available to alleviate the problem of cigarette burns and ashes in classrooms.

SGA Moderator Mr. Ed LaChance suggested that this idea be presented to the Academic Council for support, particularly stressing the infringement of smoking in class on the rights of non-smokers. The two representatives agreed to present the proposal.

Andy Rebolz then asked Payne what had happened to the idea of holding elections for dorm representatives. Payne told the senator that letters had been sent to each dorm director, asking that he or she hold elections for representatives. Payne added that action should be forthcoming.

Having no further business to discuss the meeting was then adjourned.

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# Imaginary Invalid A Success

St. Leo's Theater Company goes to the 17th-century this week when the group presents Moliere's "Imaginary Invalid" at the St. Leo Theater.

The theater itself is uncomfortable as ever, but the constant laughing brought on by this slapstick comedy makes one forget his immediate surroundings.

The play is the first of the season and the company proves to all that they didn't get rusty through the summer.

The play revolves around an aged hypochondriac who is about to die

throughout the entire production. Mike Rausch plays Argon, the healthy invalid, it is obvious from the first moments of the play that he is perfect in the role. Carmel Jasper finds herself in a new role as the wicked wife who is hoping at every moment that Argon will kick off and she will enjoy the fruits of the will. Carmel proves her versatility and keeps everyone laughing throughout.

Janice Natatro plays Argon's daughter, who is trying to marry against his wishes. She schemes with Beth Sands, the flirting maid, to get her wish and marry her love. Beth's



performance brings the audience into the life of the play with her apparent manipulation of all.

Bob Lennox finally finds the perfect role for himself as the crackpot doctor who plans on marrying Argon's daughter. He is constantly reaching for his wedding night pleasures. Argon, of course, approves because everyone knows how good it is to have a doctor in the family.

Carmel Griffen plays the bustling sister of Argon who wins the ad-

miration of all by telling the fool off, constantly.

Sue Harper, Brian O'Keefe, Arturo Constantio, Phil Hughes, and Tony Zangala (Tony's costume itself will bring many laughs), fill out the cast in one of the best plays St. Leo has ever produced.

Jim and Marsha Miller are to be complimented on their excellent job of putting on such a production. The costumes and settings bring everyone a night of fun and laughs.

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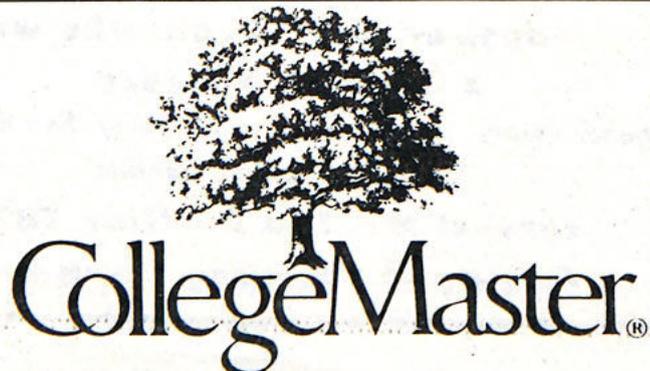
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# St. Charles Halfway House Closed

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halfway house. There was room for twenty-two halfway residents alone at St. Charles House. "I do not think, personally," said Hester, "that the facility that they have, a small box-like room — unless they furnish considerably more rooms — is going to meet the needs of a halfway house." The St. Charles House, "had a quiet atmosphere. Out there, there is the noise of cars — constantly. It's nerve-racking."

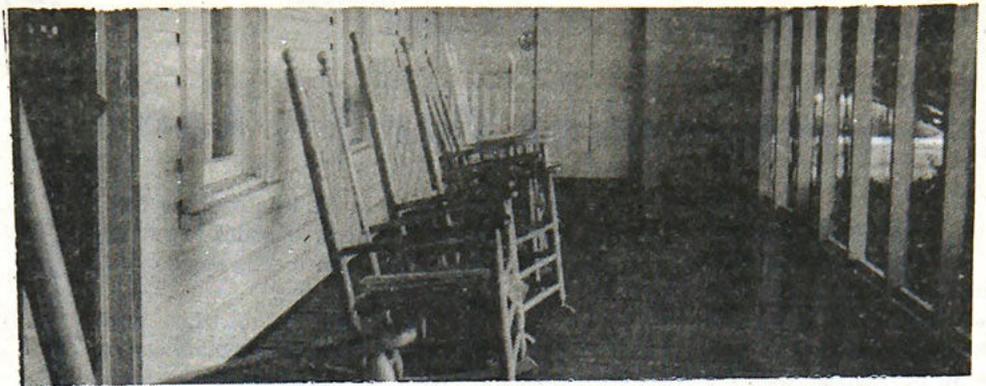
Furthermore, there were jobs to be had in Dade City, gardens to keep, and a home to take pride in. Hester believes "the biggest enemy of an alcoholic is time. He needs to be occupied. He is being charged for his stay and he'll have to pay when he can. The quicker he finds a job, the less tense he is."

When the decision was made by the Pasco County Mental Health Board to

move the halfway house to the Detox Center, rather than the other way around (as was expected), many of those who loved and who needed the St. Charles House were dismayed. "I think it's a great loss," said Hester. "We had a great deal more privacy... a recreation room and a library and a beautiful porch. I guess now they can play cards in the dining room," at Gower's Corner.

Henry and Irene Pike had leased their old hotel for the St. Charles House for a nominal fee. "We wanted to help people," Irene Pike said. This winter the St. Charles will be a hotel once again.

Although the Pike's regret the closing of the Halfway House, she said, "I'm looking forward to opening up for our family of residents in January. They sing and have a good time. We look for them with great anticipation; they are the finest people you



Chairs remain empty at the St. Charles Motel. They are all over 65, mostly Irish immigrants. "And they are a joy." Before the Pike's bought St. Charles, the bustling hotel was popular with "drummers", railroad riding salesmen, and with winter visitors.

The guests "live as a family. We've had some beautiful romances there and united two lovely families." One former guest, Gene Sieben, decided, as others have done, to settle down in San Antonio. Sieben is now a San Antonio City Commissioner. And while Irene Pike is looking forward to opening up the hotel again, she is sorry to see the good work of the Halfway House end, "right when Gene Hester was developing a sound and effective program. He could have helped the Halfway House residents to find a fulfilling purpose in life. If anyone could he could."

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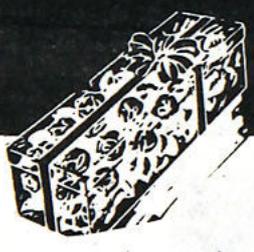
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## A heartbreaker For St. Leo

By TIM GLEASON  
Guest Columnist

(Tim Gleason is a senior half-back at St. Leo who was injured in one of the seasons' previous games).

The St. Leo College Club Football team lost a heartbreaker Saturday afternoon to Gallaudet College of Washington, D.C. It seemed as though the long bus trip took its toll on the players, who showed no consistency in their offense.

Galludet took the ball early in the first quarter after St. Leo had failed to move the ball. Gallaudet then marched 60 yards for a TD. The extra point was good, and Gallaudet took a 7-0 lead.

St. Leo then ran the length of the field and used Rick Rosenwein's kick to put the team on the scoreboard. The score of 7-3 still kept St. Leo trailing.

In the second quarter St. Leo consistently stopped the opposing team and in doing so scored a TD on one occasion. A Jim Mulligan pass to Doug Blake put the Monarchs ahead. Rick Rosenwein hit the extra point to make the score 10-7.

Later in the quarter Rosenwein kicked another field goal to make the score St. Leo 13, Gallaudet 7. But in the final five minutes of the game a Gallaudet pass brought the score to 13-13. The extra point attempt was good, and the final score read 14-13.

## Football Team-Best In History

By WALTER CERMAK

Independent Monarch Guest Columnist

Club football seems to be generating interest on many college campuses these days; whether it be club or professional, people appreciate the game of football. Since the addition of College Field at St. Leo, there have been a number of students, as well as area residents, at St. Leo games. Someone even suggested charging admission to Roderick balcony, but the "grandstand" at St. Leo has always been a favorite place to see the game.

This season the St. Leo Monarchs opened with consecutive wins, beating the Tampa Rangers 22-0 and Haines City 9-8. This past weekend, though, St. Leo lost a 14-13 heartbreaker to Gallaudet College in Washington, D.C.

Over the past three years, though, the team has improved greatly. The members of the club football team are all non-scholarship. There are many players fresh out of high school, who are not even considered by big football schools. Therefore, if the ambition is to still play, club football gives them a chance.

Coach Morrison stated that, "this is the best team in St. Leo history. The combination of experienced players with better freshmen has made the difference."

Several of the players even do scouting for the team. These people deserve a lot of credit, because it can be difficult to try to persuade someone to attend a school without a scholarship.

A great deal of time and effort is put forth by coaching assistant Bobby Smith. Smith, formerly a player with the University of Tampa, is in his second year at St. Leo. He is the team leader and a hard worker with the will to win. His authority generates spirit among the players. His rapport with the players is an asset to coach Morrison.

I asked coach Morrison his reasons behind having a curfew the night before a game. His reply was that the team actually starts on Friday and stay together until after the game. By doing this, the players will have more initiative to win. Their mind is on the game more when all together." Morrison feels it is essential to appeal to the players as men. He helps them to realize their potential.

Last year two St. Leo players were named to the all-American club football team. They were Joe Leone and James Giles. Some of the other key players named by Morrison were Bill Mandus, Rick Rosensuiex and Jim Mulligan. Mulligan in particular has come into his own this year. With two years' prior experience, his mechanics have really improved.

It seems almost ironic but a Westchester Community College player has come to St. Leo. Bill McCauliffe, a transfer student, has been a big plus for the team. Westchester gave St. Leo some tough games in the past.

The team as a whole is much better than any other club football team that has ever been at St. Leo. Morrison tries to get all 35 players into the game. There is more depth to the game and the spirit is better than in past years. The players are helping one another. It is simply a team effort.

There are five games left on the club football schedule. However, one game has been cancelled (an away game on October 1 against the Gulf Coast Cardinals). The other four games are home. I asked Morrison why he scheduled a game against Mars Hill, a team with ex-pros and scholarship players. He said, "There are a limited amount of teams. We want to play as many games as possible." The players deserve a lot of credit. For one thing, the heat is no advantage. It would be instrumental to the other teams if the club football team came out a winner. Thus far, they have been most successful.

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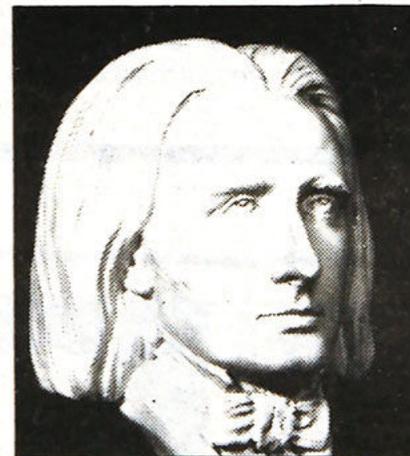
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