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13 Students Selected to Who's Who

Saint Leo College is honored to announce the selection of thirteen of its students to *Who's Who in American Universities and Colleges*. The students selected were considered for their academic ability as well as their interest and involvement in school affairs. The eleven seniors and two juniors were the greatest number from Saint Leo to receive the honor since its initial participation.

The selections are as follows:

Anne Reynolds — The red-headed senior merited the honor by serving as Editor of the *Golden Legend* yearbook and a member of the Publications Board for the past two years. Anne has also served as a member of the A.W.S. for three years and aids as a staff member of *The Lion*.

Dennis Buckley — Dennis has served on the Inter-Fraternity Council, where he's currently president, for four consecutive years. He has presided over Kappa Alpha Sigma and is on the Board of Directors for Club '67.

Patrick Ryan — The current President of the Senate was named as Outstanding Male Senator in 1970-71. Pat also

Brother Bernard Authors

"War Is Stop It"

Brother Bernard, in an interview for *The Lion*, disclosed the publishing of his new book, "War Is, Stop It."

This new book is a fusion of portraits and poetry which illustrate the uselessness of war as a solution to any of man's problems.

A poem from the book entitled "Love comes to me" reflects the beauty of the earth and aptly illustrates the above.

Love Comes To Me

The morning was shrouded.
The grey-white wetness
lay heavy on the moisture-green
valley.

A plasma of black moss
covered the bole of an ancient
tree.

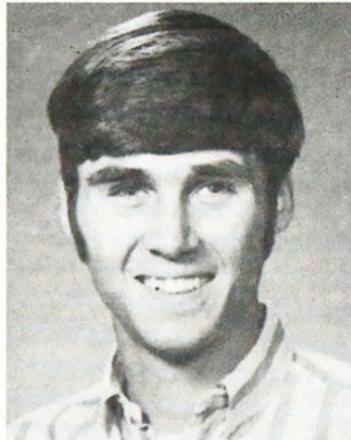
A faint, misty circle in the sky
tried to penetrate the power
of the burden covering the earth.

The pall became heavier
and the brilliant planet became
powerless.

Deep in the valley,
where a great tree hung its
branches

over the earth it covered,
a figure moved,
and Mary appeared
in the beauty of her being.

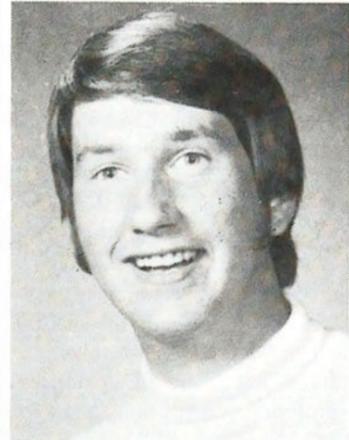
Calm as the new day,
quiet as a silent breeze,
lovely as peace.



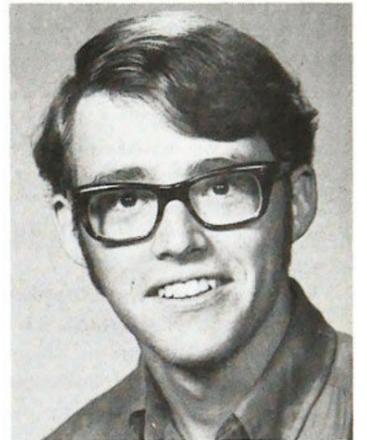
Damato, Joseph E.



Reynolds, Ann N.



Crover, Peter W.



Frank, John W.

functions as a Director of Club '67 and was a former staff member of *The Lion*.

Judith Kane — The President of the Senior Class and Club '67 has been active in Alpha Sigma Sorority, where she reigned as President last year. She has also served on the Panhellenic and Executive Boards.

John Frank — Last year's Editor-in-chief of *The Lion* is a second-time selection to Who's Who. The current Circle K President has been a senator for two years and serves on the

Publications Board.

Peter Crover — is the President of the Student Government Association. The past President of Sigma Lambda Fraternity, he has also served on the Inter-Fraternity Council and the Executive Board.

Patricia Bennett — Patty's accomplishments include Vice President of Alpha Sigma Sorority, President of A.W.S., and a Director of Club '67. She has also been a past Vice President of the Panhellenic Council and a bouncy cheerleader.

James Colangelo — "Turtle" is

a member of Alpha Sigma Chi Fraternity, and is manger of Club '67. He has also been a member of the Inter-Fraternity Council.

Colleen Murphy — The Head Resident of Priory Dorm was selected for the second consecutive year. Colleen has served as President of A.W.S. and was a member of the Publications Board and the Executive Board.

Robert Fischer — Bob is also a second year Who's Who honoree. He is presently serving as floor director in Roderick. A member of the Executive Board, Bob has

been a member of the college theater.

Joseph Damato — Joe is the Editor of the literary magazine, *The Encounter*, for the second year. He is a member of Circle K and is on the Publications Board.

Bill Callahan — The Junior Class President, Bill is also involved on the Saint Leo Rescue Squad and is a member of the Executive Board.

Bernie Coyne — Bernie has served on the Senate and is a member of the A.W.S. Judicial Board. She was also a cheerleader.

homicidal attempt to solve his problems by the devastation of the youth of the world. The children, the aged, and the innocent."

He went on to say, "War does not have just an immediate destination but its after effects are even more horrible.

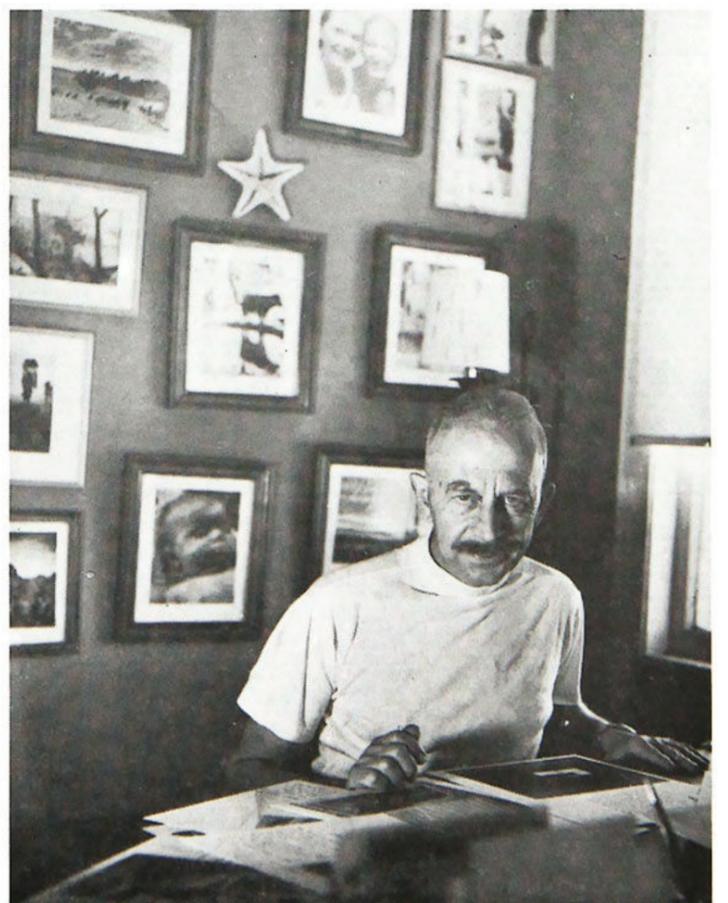
"My guts are fit to busting with a Christian preaching of love thy neighbor.

"We Christians send out missionaries to the boondocks in order to Christianize the pagans, while simultaneously back home here in our undevastated land, we manufacture arsenals to destroy the land and lives of those we are Christianizing."

Brother Bernard's contributions to the literary field have been extensive. He is a contributor to the Saint Petersburg Poetry Appreciation Publication's Poetic License in charge of the Abbey and college photo lab and advisor to the *Golden Legend*, the college yearbook.

Brother Bernard is better seen at Saint Leo for his many photographs that he has taken of students. In fact, the photographs which Brother Bernard has taken have twice gone into the rival judging of the National Newspaper Snapshot Awards. He has received various first and second

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Peace March, Nov. 6th

EDITORIAL

Campus Court Suffering "Growing Pains"

The newly organized Campus Court possesses the same weakness as the Supreme Court or any other court in the land. The fallibility stems from the fact that the judges are human. People tend to overlook that when they denounce the Court and its judges.

The judges, as some people envision, are not kept isolated from the world, confined to boxes, and released merely to pass judgment. They walk the campus daily, just as we do. They experience, they learn, and inevitably develop bias. They are entwined in the college atmosphere, an element that compounds the task of passing judgment.

For years students have been fighting for a peer court. It took tedious hours of organization and constant amending of its procedures to actualize the Court. Sixteen enthusiastic people undertook the thankless chore, giving their time so that the Court could be a reality.

Let me call to your attention the fact that the Campus Court Constitution was written by students and the judges are bound by oath to uphold it.

What do students expect? Do they want to be pardoned of perpetrating a crime, because students constitute a majority of the Court?

Wrongdoing isn't any more justifiable if a "friend" commits it.

The close relationship between the judges and the college community isn't the only problem created. We must realize this is the initial attempt to follow procedures never before practiced. Inadequacies are found in the most profound constitutions and time alone can amend them.

The Handbook, which regulates punishment without regard to a personal element, is outdated and must be changed immediately to attain parity with changing Florida statutes.

Dr. Flemming recently pointed out the fact that a student found in possession of a "joint," is liable to the same punishment as one convicted of "mainlining." Florida regards possession of marijuana (less than five grams) as a misdemeanor, equivalent to a minor caught with a can of beer.

It seems ludicrous that the Court is forced to sadistically punish an offender because of an ancient handbook.

Until these inevitable changes are made, what happens to those convicted?

After studying the situation, is it wise to condemn the judges? I personally believe they have the intelligence to realize a degree of absurdity exists, yet possess the fortitude to uphold the duties of their position.

The Campus Court is suffering inevitable "growing pains," and only time can heal the acne of its procedure. And let us also remember that judges are human.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Mr. Biondi:

You asked for opinions regarding your use of "four-letter 'slang' words". You have not only offended the sensitivities of my wife and myself, but you have also — in our opinion — brought discredit to *The Lion* and to the title following your name.

Under the guise of "license", "rights", "freedom of expression", we find today that many vulgarities (not slang) are being used as forms of expression. If the four-letter vulgarities are to be acceptable as a form of expression, then would it not follow that society would soon be conditioned to acceptance — as a public form of expression — of the physical functions described by such words — which would surely cause man to find himself lowered to the animal state. The dignity of man has suffered greatly in this century and the eroding of that dignity has been accelerated by recent emphasis on vulgar displays in written and visual media. Why should the Editor of a Catholic College paper be a part of and contribute to the eroding of dignity and decency? Surely, God must have blessed you with exceptional talents to enable you to achieve your position on campus. Why not use your talents to promote — rather than to destroy — the Christ-like qualities of dignity and decency?

I was conditioned in my youth to avoid verbal vulgarities, profanities and obscenities because "use of such language would indicate a very limited vocabulary" and "a strong, moral man has no need to rely on strong, immoral language". These were simple, but, in my case, very effective 'commandments' and I have not felt hampered or hindered in my freedom of expression — nor have I felt guilty of offending the sensitivity of others. Surely, the right of others to have sensitivities is a stronger right than my right to the use of vulgarities in expression.

You label your remarks as "a few irrelevant comments". Not only irrelevant, but vulgar enough

to be irreligious. I hope there are enough sensitive students and faculty to raise a storm of protest over the vulgarities contained in your comments and the letter of "Bunker". The editorial "Notice" states that students must present comments "in an intelligent and literary style". Who determines what is intelligent and literary?

You devoted about 220 words of editorial space to "irrelevant comments". You mentioned "widespread vomiting". It seems the unfortunate and sickening accident has spread to your editorial page.

Regretfully,

Frank O'Rourke
(Another Concerned Parent)

Dear Editor:

I am really taken aback by your concentrated defense of an ethic which you preach but do not practice in your columns "Changes Are Needed!", the editorial by Dave Schulte and the back-up letter by John Frank. It appears to me that all of you, throughout your observations, use loaded words and unproven statements.

For instance, you categorically state: "...college editors are beginning to rival student governments and college presidents as the most criticized..." "However, that leaves ninety-eight per cent that either condone..." and "Egocentric campus politicians."

You continue in the same vein with: "...we have been unjustly censored..." "...our experimentation, although logically conceived..." and by "... an informal, yet accurate, journalistic style."

In this full page of self justification of yourselves and diatribe of others, you admit only one fallibility: "... possibly unjust criticism."

You continue again with your self righteous exoneration that your language (in question) was objective and "... personal chiding of my intellect, integrity, and sense of values," not being appreciated. Shades of Hitler!

The tenuous lines of your logic are incomprehensible when you bring in the U.S. Constitution and a "small group of students" attempting to abrogate it. What is this, an exercise in obscurity?

Your name calling continues with "not only are dense" (Board members) and "do not correctly represent." (According to your opinion?)

To culminate it all, you ask the student body for its opinion on your opinion that the Publications Board is unqualified. But earlier you state "an indifferent student body." Does a later paragraph know what an earlier paragraph is doing? In both instances, again you neglect to marshal facts for your categorizations.

In the "Freedom of the Press" article, Dave Schulte follows the same pattern of expression: "Inanimate prejudices" and "any form of censorship will not be tolerated." Shades of Mussolini!

But John takes the grand prize in his wordy proliferation. He mentions such concepts as "extreme subjectivity" and goes on to prove everything from this similar to a Khrushchev pounding his shoe on the U.N. podium. He continues with the bald statement "The issue as such is that there is in fact NO issue at all." That's sure getting rid of all opposition in one operation. That's the best hatchet job I've read about since the Kaiser said practically the same thing in W.W. I. John continues the loaded word kick with such expressions as "shocking."

But the most wrong statement John makes is: "*The Lion* is not written to please our parents, faculty or anybody else except us, the students." This is a narrow, introverted and an untrue thought. Our lives are not restricted to ourselves. All we do and say is reflected and felt by a multitude of publics in this complex world of ours, particularly in this era of instant communication. I'm ashamed of such an idea by a mature college student. We have obligations not only to ourselves but to many other peoples. When John asks people to "think before they speak rashly", I suggest that he think before he writes rashly.

I can swear like any other
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Peace Rally

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in Tampa

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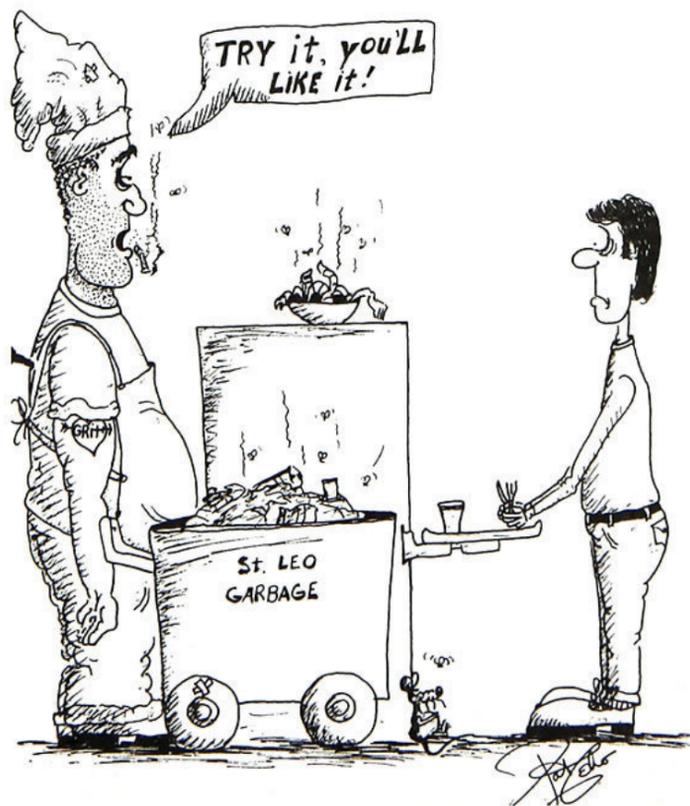
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S.G.A.: Is It Effective? Organized?

In an attempt to gather a more precise student opinion, *The Lion* has initiated an inquiring reporter column.

Attempts to rouse some student opinion through pleas in recent editorials has been futile. However, *The Lion* feels that student opinion is instrumental in shaping our college and is extending itself to make the students' voice heard.

The amount of students expressing intelligent replies determine the extent of the validity of the survey. *The Lion*, with its limited staff, attempts to reach as many students as possible, but with a few more students' aid, we can publish a consensus valid enough to warrant consideration.

If anyone would like to assist, please drop by the office. Furthermore, if anyone has valuable criticism about our current topic and has not been contacted by our reporters, feel free to drop it off (signed - name may be withheld on request) in the Publications Office or send to *The Lion*, P.O. Box 2126, Saint Leo, Florida 33574.

Our first topic is gathering a consensus of opinion from students about the Student Senate and the Student Government Association in general. To issue an objective analysis we've extracted opinion from students at large and those personally involved in its workings, hoping that the constructive criticism can bring about some needed changes in the students' strongest organization (other than publications, of course!).

Opinions of students are authentic and names of those withheld in publication can be obtained by requisition in *The Lion* Office.

"The student senate, even if it accomplishes nothing, is the only student group on this campus. It

is and can be an effective organization if the right people are there. Its organization is a little weak and its communication with the other students on campus is generally poor."

Bill Dorsey

"Although the senate is considered to be an equal representation of the student body, I feel that there are members who do not have the initiative to act in behalf of those they are representing. If they accept this responsibility, they should be willing to devote their time in support of the senate and the betterment of the college. On the other hand it is only fair to say that the senate does have many devoted senators who do their job as expected."

Karen DeNunzio

"What's Patrick Ryan hiding? Why are most senate meetings closed? There have been no severe crises this year, as there were last year.

The functioning representation of the students is the senate, yet it seems that many senators are not fully representing the people who elected them. I feel a little more harmony between students is needed in the senate in order for the senate to function in a stronger voice of student representation on this campus."

Dorri Bostwick

"It will be effective! The committees are effective. It is organized well. Pat Ryan is effective."

Brian Cody

"I don't feel that the senate has accomplished much this year. The ideas expressed during the meeting aren't completely looked into. I don't think many of the Freshman senators are really getting into it. We aren't aware of the procedures and the college organization structure."

Joan Redpath

"The accomplishments of the senate have been few, however, one must realize that many of the issues are long term and will not be complete until next semester, mainly because of their complexities, i.e. Student Rights. On the other hand, I kind of wonder about what people are thinking about when they vote. To ask questions after a vote is a bit foolish. Maybe if they didn't rush the vote they would have taken the time to ask them. One other thing - new business can't be brought up effectively because people can't wait to get out at 4:00."

Bill Bouffard

"I think the senate can be better organized and as it stands now I feel it is a very loose and ineffective student structure."

Anonymous

"I think it can be a very effective organization if they concentrate on helping the student body rather than parliamentary procedure."

Jim Loiacono

"The senators on committees are accomplishing a great deal but their work is not getting anywhere because the executive committee is not well organized."

Cathy Trice

"The senate is working as an efficient form of representative type government. This is shown specifically by the work done by the committees. Most of the problems which are incurred by the senate evolve from the lack of organization on the part of the President of the senate and the executive committee of the S.G.A."

Gregory E. Masi

"There are far too many committees in the senate. The senate can be a powerful organization. It is too tied up in bureaucracy."

Scott Spradley

"S.G.A.'s effectiveness is directly proportional to student participation. Organization is good but lacks true influence on significant college policy."

Stuart Arnett

"The senate hasn't been too effective, yet, but hopefully before the semester's end the senate will be able to make the necessary changes. As far as the senate's organization, it has the potential but needs the leeway to change rules which are badly in need of it."

Bill Stuart

"There is a definite need for a greater harmony between the President of the senate and the senators. After all, Patrick did choose the senators he wanted to work with him. It is not the president's duty to yell "shut up" in the middle of discussion. Proper parliamentary procedure is yet to be followed at the meetings. Are we running them according to Robert Ryan's Rules or by the senate constitution?"

Anonymous

"How about some order during the senate meetings? Maybe some of us ought to familiarize ourselves a little more with the constitution and Robert's Rules. If not, we may not have a quorum in the future - or after the first two hours. Also, senators, we are there to represent the student body. So please let's think before we vote!"

Ingeborg van Straalen

"In the past many students complained that S.G.A. did not have enough voice in college affairs. I feel that administrators know that when they meet with a representative of S.G.A., that this person does not truly represent the students, but himself.

The senate, as a voice of student opinion, is virtually ignored by both college administrators and S.G.A. administrators. Until senators and S.G.A.

administrators begin to work together and show this united front to the College, their efforts on the behalf of the student community will be fruitless."

Charles Eason

"The senate is composed of dedicated people, however, lack of well-defined procedure makes the proper conduct of business disorderly and ambiguous. At times, Pat Ryan becomes too manipulative and fails to recognize concerns and viewpoints of other senators. He could amend the situation by being more diplomatic."

John Frank

"Serving its purpose and its purpose seems to be its representation of the students."

Vince Buttigieri

"I think it's only effective to a minority of the students, basically because a majority have no concern. Organization is poor due to the fact that senators have not had specific procedure given to them."

John O'Rourke

"This year's S.G.A. has done an effective job in devoting itself to the students. I am sorry that the senate is being stifled by senators who do not want to take part."

Tom Brown

"The senate is in dire need of strong committee structure. We can only hope that some of the deadwood will fall away and the harder working representatives will receive the recognition due them."

Anonymous

"The senate is effective. The opinions of the senate have some weight. I think it is unorganized because it has no organization."

Anonymous

"It is the only voice of the students and it is effective. It is organized."

Mike Lawrence

Letters Continued

victim dying in the boondocks of Vietnam or any ghetto here. And use any language that hits my mind before I die, crying aloud to God in the foul language of despair and fear as he dies with me in agony. But this is not the place. We're not dying with our limbs shot off in a far away place. We're not shouting from an unknown depths of ourselves in a hospital for the deranged. This is a college community of diverse ages and learning and wisdom, all having a variety of repercussions.

The passion of death is unexplainable. So the interpreter of death and life, the writer, has the privilege to use the essence of life on the printed page of his creativity in the gut level language of agony. But only when the event justifies it and it is done within the circumspection of his art. This is never done within the circumspection of editorial writing. Even if there is judged to be "nothing of any relevancy."

But whether subjectively or objectively, a viewpoint necessarily, because of its definition of "opinion," must be as objective and constrained and thoroughly researched as humanly possible if it is to be of any value to any readers and bear any weight in the reader's mind.

Every newspaper and magazine is governed by an editorial policy.

Freedom of the press and freedom of anything else can never be an absolute freedom because the human condition today requires constraint of one sort or another if the mind is not to revert back through its evolutionary stages to an instinctive operation of jungle control.

I really do not understand your reasoning and logic. It appears to me that you reason that all criticism is wrong and a challenge to your freedom. This is not the point. The intent is to try and establish a college newspaper worthy of the name. Take a look around you at other college newspapers of repute. You've got a long way to go, Babies. And so, apparently, do your "outside consultants."

Sincerely yours,

Brother Bernard OSB
P.S. All creatures capable of reflection know about the excretions of all creatures and the biological function of sex. It is inconceivable to me why these natural functions should obsess you in an editorial. Why not concern yourselves with war and starvation and illiteracy, ad infinitum, if you're so lost for action on campus to write about?

Students Get Shafted

The student population of St. Leo College is diminishing rapidly,

mainly because of the overwhelming hypocrisy of the student government and campus court.

You'd think there was a gross usage of drugs on this campus to cause this deterioration in the student body. Well there is! Big shit! It is everywhere, but this doesn't mean every security cop on campus has to play Dick Tracy and constantly harass everyone they feel is guilty of drug usage.

I am not condoning the use of drugs, but the fact of the matter is everyone suffers for such triviality at this school. I can see damage to school property as a reason for suspension, but not for the consumption of beer or a few hits on a "j".

-Regis

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As *The Lion* exists as "an open forum for the students of Saint Leo College," all students are entitled to utilize it provided that comment made is of general interest and presented in an intelligent and literary style. NOTE WELL: although the editors are immediately responsible for content, opinions expressed by individuals not on the staff are not necessarily agreeable with the opinions of the official editorial staff.

Organizational News



Support Grape Boycott

Student Organizations

Beginning Wednesday, October 27, 1971, Rev. Wilson DeForde assumed the position of Director of Student Organizations, replacing Rev. Henry Riffle, who has resigned to become Business Manager of Saint Leo Abbey.

His office hours will be from 1:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, in the Office of Student Organizations, Room 126, in Saint Edward Hall.

Father DeForde will retain his position as head resident of Benoit Hall.

Kappa Theta

The brothers of Kappa Theta wish to extend their congratulations to John Konew and Floyd Stafanski, who recently became Honorary Brothers of the fraternity.

Congratulations are also in order Jane Riley, our newly chosen Sweetheart for 1971. Janie is also a senior and Vice President of Phi Tau Omega. She is the fiance of alumnus brother William Parks.

We would like to take this time to thank all who attended our last smoker.

Kappa Theta, after three years suspension from I.F.C. football, came back to tie Sigma Lambda to a 6-6 tie ball game, full of fine officiating and a good team effort by all.

Delta Phi Delta

First, we would like to relay a belated but nevertheless sincere thank you to the brothers of Sigma Beta for the good time at the bash held last month at "The House".

A special congratulations goes to Janet Jones and Kathy Jameson who recently became honorary sisters of the sorority.

Rushing began October 24th and two teas have already been held. Any girls interested in rushing may attend our third tea which will be coming up in the near future.

Keep November 13th open for "Red Garter Night". Starting time is 8:00 at "John and Mary's". \$3.00 includes all the beer you can drink, live entertainment provided by "The Gap" and spicy added attractions. If you'd like a little taste of New York in San Ann, don't miss us!

As you know, Ruth Brennan is back as president of Delta. Paris will never be the same without you "FiFi"! A special thanks goes to our moderator, Marion Ruffing, who is always there to help us out. Marion, you are Great!

Senior News

We, the Seniors, wish to challenge the Freshman Class to a co-ed football game on Saturday, November 13, at 12 p.m.

Get ready for the biggest drinking marathon Saint Leo College has ever seen. All students, 21 or over, are welcome to enter with an entrance fee of \$5.00. The prize is outrageous. It will be held at Club '67 on Saturday, November 6th, beginning at 4 p.m.

The Senior Class has voted to wear caps and gowns for Commencement.

For all interested Seniors, there will be a class trip to the Bahamas over Easter vacation. Details will be given at the next Senior Class meeting.

There will be a Senior Class meeting at 10 p.m. on Sunday, November 14, in Selby Auditorium.

We would like to thank Dr. Mary Crosby for the interest she has shown in the Senior Class as our moderator.

We would like to thank the bartenders for donating their time to the class, and a special thanks goes to Jim Colangelo for his outstanding management.

Phi Tau Omega

The sisters of Phi Tau Omega would like to say welcome to all new and returning students and we hope that they all had a happy and eventful summer. We would also like to welcome our two new

members of our sorority: Doctor Barbara Kaplan, the new Phi Tau Omega moderator, and Linda Bonash, our new honorary sister. Doctor Kaplan is one of the music professors here at Saint Leo. Residing in Tampa, Florida, now, she is originally from Texas where she studied.

Linda is a senior here and is majoring in Elementary Education. We are very happy and pleased to have them with us.

So far this year we have just begun with projects, and are planning for the future. The sisters are going to Trillacoochee each Saturday to work with the kids in a recreation program. A raffle has been started for a round trip plane ticket anywhere in the United States for Thanksgiving vacation. A car wash has been scheduled to support the Children's Theater program, and a rush program is being started, too. Future projects are in the planning now, and we are looking forward to an exciting year ... PEACE

Human Relations Organization

Human Relations Organization members have been busy these past weeks working on both old and new projects. Several members of the club are working with the Farm Workers Committee, while others have taken interest in spending time with the two sponsored children from Pasco Elementary.

New projects that are up before the group now are a workday at the Dade City Day Care Center where repair work and addition of playground equipment will be done. Details of this should be posted soon. Special fund raising activities for the club's projects will also be carried on in the near future. Meetings have been changed to Monday nights at 7:30 in the Learning Resource Center, downstairs in Snyder Hall, to allow more people looking for a chance to get involved to be there.

We are planning a fast to be observed within the next couple of weeks, much like that of the Biafra problem. Moneys gathered from your cooperation will be needed to furnish needed supplies for organizers coming into the state and for your own participation expenses in the movement.

If you are at all interested in what we are doing to help alleviate poverty within this country, there will be a table set up in the student center with information available from members of our group. Also, Doctor Horgan, who is coordinating our activities, would be more than glad to answer any questions that you might have concerning the movement. This is an ideal chance for YOU to do something worthwhile - don't blow it.

Saint Leo Area Deaths

Amos Stearns

St. Leo - Amos Stearns, 1 year, 6 months, died October 26, 1971. A native of Africa, he came to this area two months ago. The cause of his death was accidental. Due to negligence of certain persons, Amos suffocated in the trunk of a car during room inspection. He is survived by owners, Hugh and Steve Stearns, and a cousin, Alexander.

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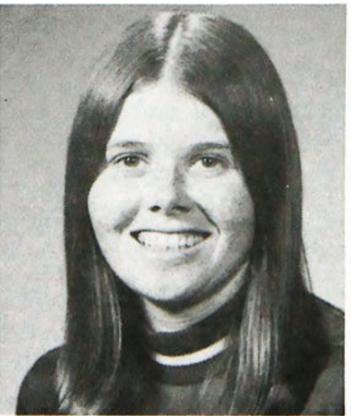
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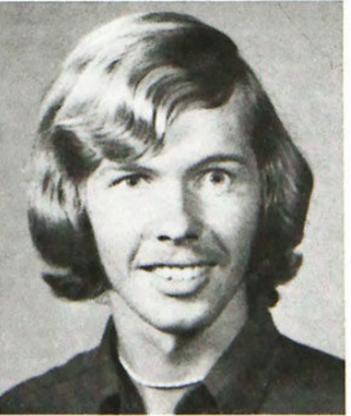
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Campus Court; Past and Present

The campus court has begun its work in its first year of operation. In its first three weeks of operation it has had seven cases, involving 19 people. Its sentences include 8 probations, 4 suspensions, 6 written warnings and one acquittal for lack of evidence. The last case was dropped because of a 6-6 deadlock.

This campus court, composed of students, faculty members and administrators, is the result of many years of study by the department of student affairs.

The student members are Colleen Murphy, President; John O'Rourke, Vice President; Gini O'Brien, Secretary. Associate Justices are: Mary O'Rourke, Cathy Gerdon, Frank Kiley, Arthur Clarke and Greg Masi.

Faculty members include Dr. Mary Crosby, Mrs. Maguire, Mr. Thad Tedrowe and Dr. Sledge. Members of the administration are Dr. Peterson and Mr. Powers.

History of Past Courts

Back in the year 1964-1965, the court system of Saint Leo consisted of a very weak honor court.

Under the code of sentences of this court, a student could be suspended for the remainder of the trimester for the following offenses: the possession of alcoholic beverages on campus or at any functions off campus by any student even at the age of 21, defined by the Florida statutes; contempt of court involving probation; perjury involving any testimony given; theft or extensive damage of personal or college property; endangering the life or property of any member of the college community. Violations of the above were given probation. Probation was also given for thefts

of less than five dollars, flagrant violations of minor rules or lying to college officials.

Expulsions were given for the second conviction of a drinking charge, and for contempt of court involving suspension.

This court proved extremely inadequate, and after a court evaluation made by the court to the Dean of Student Affairs, the court was discontinued.

In this evaluation the President of the court recommended that a campus court would be more realistic when St. Leo became an accredited four year college. (At the time St. Leo was a junior college.) He also stated that the college needed a better disciplinary code, regulating the consequences for misbehavior according to the specific offense.

As the President said, "Operating without this was a devastating handicap during this year (1964-65)."

Another problem the President took note of was that the resident hall prefects were not familiar with the backgrounds of the students in their halls, allowing for personal prejudices, which is seriously detrimental to justice.

The honor court was disbanded and as historians say, "passed into the pages of history."

From September, 1965, to the present year, all disciplinary cases were handled by the Deans of Men and Women and the Student Advisory Committee. The committee was composed of faculty members and one or two students. Appeals were made to the President of the College.

In 1968, when St. Leo became an accredited four year college, Sister Lucy, then Director of Women, brought up the idea of a

court to Mr. Norm Kaye, then Director of Men. In January of 1969, Mr. Kaye appointed a subcommittee to study and prepare plans for a campus court.

This committee consisted of Col. McCabe, chairman; Sister Lucy and student Tom Brown, a present senator.

For the next two and a half months, the committee studied the history of similar courts and the comparable courts of several other colleges.

In April of 1969, the subcommittee submitted its completed report with the rules and the constitution to the Dean of Student Affairs. It went through the legal chambers to become a reality.

At the Board of Trustees meeting on April 25, 1970, a motion was made that starting September, 1970, the court would proceed on the trial basis, but that was one year before the Student Affairs Committee and the Student Government Association could get things together.

Court Procedure

The campus court is a college court, not a civil court. No lawyer can be used in the court, since the constitution states that the accused can have a student representative.

Sister Lucy, who has spent four years in dealing with the court, has said, "No student is brought to this court unless he or she has actually been caught violating a college policy."

"The judges hear both sides of the issue, ask and answer questions that may clarify the facts in their own minds, and vote among themselves in closed session. They are bound under oath to uphold the college policies. They may not give less

than the minimum or more than the maximum penalties, as stated in the handbook."

Support and Criticism

As some of us have noticed, the court seems to have trouble with its procedure concerning difficult cases, in which two or more people are on trial.

Dr. Flemming, who served as a student's representative, had this to say: "I feel that the student court is a very wonderful and meaningful development on this campus. As a new institution, the court must work out its techniques and procedures so that the basic concept of fairness to both the individual and the college can be maintained."

"At this time there are some minor difficulties in procedure, but I am sure that as the court becomes more experienced these minor irritants will be eradicated."

"We must also remember that our court does not determine the maximum or minimum punishments it delivers. It only acts on those regulations which are established elsewhere."

Another important point that the students should be aware of is that the court concerns only the rules and regulations of the campus, not the state of Florida.

Perhaps the one person who has witnessed this is Miss Barbara Berger, who served as a student's representative on the night when the court had its most trying case. (Five students accused of illegal use of alcoholic beverages and possession of marijuana in one of the halls.)

Miss Berger made a motion that the court postpone hearing this case because of procedure with more than one person being tried. The court was cleared while

the court deliberated on the motion. After the deliberation, the court decided to hear the case that night amidst a few groans from the student spectators.

The case, as we understand, went until two thirty at night. The court found the five guilty of alcohol, but reached a 6-6 deadlock on the marijuana charge. (Four received a written warning, the fifth an extended probation.) The marijuana charge was dismissed.

Miss Berger had this to say about the court, "I believe in the viability of a student court. The court's main hangup is that it has not promulgated its procedure. The court has had major deficiencies in the procedure, as I have observed it, which hampers a dispensation of justice. I believe at this time that the people on the court themselves are aware of the positive and negative aspects and are taking steps to alleviate its shortcomings. I feel there are many responsible members of the court who believe in due process as the court basis."

At press time, we could not get a statement from Colleen Murphy to give the court's side of the story, but Sister Lucy, Dean of Student Affairs, had this to say: "As Dean of Student Affairs, the campus court comes under my jurisdiction. The basic concept is of fairness to both the individual student and the college. This is my fourth year in dealing with the court. The judges are extremely conscientious about their duties and the oath that they took upon becoming judges. They have a most difficult task to perform and are doing the job well. They don't enjoy the luxury of criticism; they have the awesome task of responsibility."



Play Review

Wait Until Dark — Not Worth the Wait

Last Wednesday night the Saint Leo theater department opened its season with *Wait Until Dark*. The plot consisted of three men trying to trick a blind woman, Suzy Hendricks, into telling them where she had hidden a doll full of heroin. For two hours and fifteen minutes they connive, invent and scheme to find a doll in which Sam Hendricks was given in an airport. Not knowing the doll is packed full of pure heroin, he brings it back to his apartment then takes off for the day leaving his wife Suzy home with no one but a twelve year old girl who lives upstairs, to keep her company. Knowing the play we can realize that it once had the potential to keep its audience captivated in intrigue, but the performance this week had its audience anything but captivated. You would think with a struggling blind woman, a bratty twelve year old having fits of anger, a body in the closet, another one being crushed to death in the parking lot by a

Volkswagen bus, another getting it in the doorway with a switch-blade and finally a five minute scene in which you don't know who got it until the cops come barreling in the door, that keeping a play together and interesting wouldn't have this much difficulty. The first act started off slow and stayed that way till intermission. Lack of movement was very noticeable and so was a weak supporting cast.

Greg Moran as Mike Talman once again gave a well done performance, and little Cindy Benson gave the play a boost every time she appeared on stage, excelling in energy and life. Ellie Sullivan showed with her performance of the blind girl, Suzie Hendricks, that she could pick up the play and carry it on her shoulders throughout the whole show. We also saw some new faces, which was in itself refreshing and quite a change.

As for the technical achievements no award would go out for

this one. One somehow gets the feeling that whenever they can't relate to a set the thing to do is throw up some wallpaper. But you would think that once the wallpaper was up, the set just might match it! And that the set might match the personality of the characters, such as more than one painting on the wall with more purpose than that of hiding the stage manager's peep hole, (which by the way it didn't do). And an assortment of furniture that matched. For over a month's preparation it could have looked a little more perfected. It was also distracting to watch an actor come through the front door then walk across stage left into a ten foot shadow. Oh, mister director what were you doing?

An overall comment: the actors had a hard job salvaging what was left of the play and we compliment them. We have probably seen worse here (even if I don't remember when), and it is definite that we have seen a lot better, and will in the future.

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Monarchs End Fall Baseball Practice

In the 1971 Saint Leo Baseball Guide, one quote from the book states, "... one of the strongest teams in the history of Saint Leo College and possibly one of the powerhouses in the South." This optimistic view obviously refers to the 1972 edition of the SLC Baseball Team.

On October 22, twenty-seven Monarch Baseball players ended six weeks of the fall training in preparation for their upcoming 1972 season. These September and October practices, held at Dade City's Massey Field, brought out eight seniors, nine juniors, seven sophomores, and three freshmen.

In an interview Coach Bill Meyer said, "this year's team looks pretty good." The Monarchs played six practice games with the Kansas City Royal farm club and with Polk County Junior College. Meyer further stated, "Kansas City has improved tremendously over last year, and this year they gave us a good battle."

Meyer, since taking over as head baseball coach in 1967, has compiled an 88 and 58 won and

lost record over the past four years. The Monarchs annually play a tough schedule featuring the best teams in Florida and the South. Meyer said, "This year is no exception. In March we will host University of Georgia, Austin-Peay, Florida State and South Florida, these are just a few of the teams."

He said, "One strong point will be our hitting, since we did score an average of seven runs a ball game." The Monarchs scored 290 runs last year setting a SLC record in the process.

Pitching wise, Meyer said, "Denny Harrigan will be our number one pitcher. We will go to him for the big ball game and he should have a great year."

Harrigan, a 20 year old junior from Chicago, compiled only a 2-3 won-lost record last year, but shook off a mid-season injury to shutout Upsala College in the first round of the NCAA regional tournament.

Speaking about the Monarchs defensively, Meyer mentioned his catcher, Bob Sallinger, whom he called "the best catcher in Florida." Sallinger is noted for his

fine arm and was frequently used as a defensive replacement in the late innings last year.

Sallinger is a six foot, two inch, 185 pound junior from Larchmont, New York. He has 19 hits in 88 at-bats with three doubles, one triple, one home run and five runs batted in.

Meyer, this year shuffled some players around in trying to strengthen the defense. Tentative changes are: 1) Chuck Sousa, outfield; 2) Rick Teele, first base; 3) Mike Richards, infield; 4) Marty Tobias, shortstop; 5) Mike Carabrese, third base.

Behind Harrigan, the pitching staff includes Danny Evans, Jim Lasher, and Ron Vick. Newcomers are Larry Farmer from Brooksville and Gary Honulik from Greenwich, Connecticut.

Meyer in summing up fall practice said, "Team morale was extremely high, in fact it is the highest I've ever seen." He said, "The team got a life when it was invited to the NCAA tournament." The Monarchs will open practice on January 10 of next year in preparation for the Monarchs' best year yet.



The action was non-stop as the Monarchs defeated Florida Tech 3-0 in a game played October 26th. Mike Shashkewych, Carmen Santoro, and Steven Erbe scored for the Monarchs in their second win of the season. The Monarchs are 2 and 6, with three games left in the season. Future games include Florida Technical University from Orlando, Florida Tech from Melbourne and the Stetson University Hatters from Deland.



Coach John Swart "shuffled the deck" and came out with an action-packed win over Florida Tech 3-0. With Rick Harmon in the goal, the Monarchs achieved their first shutout in three years. With three games left in the season, the Monarchs could pass last year's record of two wins.

Circle K & V.F.W. Aid Youth

On Saturday, October 16, 1971, Post and Auxiliary 4283 Veterans of Foreign Wars joined with members of the Circle K of St. Leo College and members representing VISTA in a program aimed at betterment of facilities for the youth of the Meredith Heights area, better known to local citizens as Tommy Town.

Circle K President John Frank, from Farmingdale, New York, was introduced by District 12 VFW Chief of Staff Jack L. McLaughlin, who in turn introduced Mr. Tom Adamczyk of Boston, Massachusetts, presently attending St. Leo College. Mr. Adamczyk told those assembled of the aims of the program and expressed the hope that through this program a Community Action program could be launched for the betterment of the entire community. As a part of the overall presentation, a twenty minute black and white sound movie was shown which took place in North Carolina and was narrated by Dr. Billy Graham. The title of the film was "Beyond These Hills" and

covered many of the same problems that exist in this area and how problems were solved.

Out of this initial program, which had some 16 children and 2 representatives from the Meredith Heights area, Mrs. Joyce Cash and Mrs. Mattie Graham, came the idea to meet again this coming week at the home of Mrs. Cash for the purpose of further planning for next Saturday, October 23rd.

It is the hope of all concerned that out of this initial start will come the help and assistance that is needed to improve the facilities that are almost non-existent at the present time for youngsters living in the Meredith Heights area. Plans were discussed about setting up some sort of playground, while the facilities of the VFW hall would be used every Saturday for Arts and Crafts, movies, etc.

Brother Bernard Continued
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place awards in these competitions. Brother Bernard has also received first place, second place, and honorable mention awards in Sidewalk Art Festivals in Florida. He received honorable mention in the International Photographic Competition of the Saturday Review for 1970.

In addition to these ventures, Brother Bernard has published and been paid for articles and short stories which have appeared in Columbia, Catholic Digest, Victorian, Writer's Digest, and the Accent magazine supplement of the Tampa Tribune.

Currently Brother Bernard is engaged in a new book of photography and poetry, tentatively entitled "72 Love Songs for '72". This book will be composed of 72 poems along with 72 different portraits of the same model, a sophomore coed here on campus.

If there is one fact about Brother Bernard which stands out like an illuminated light bulb, it is the fact that he is a man of vast experience in the photographic and literary fields, whose works represent the writings of excellence.

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