

# AGNES SCOTT COLLEGE

## NEWSLETTER

### Applicants' Weekend

Students from throughout the United States who have applied to Agnes Scott are invited to Applicants' Weekend at the College April 14-16. The weekend is being sponsored by the Agnes Scott chapter of Mortar Board, the national student honorary leadership society.

According to Mortar Board President Sylvia Foster of Jackson, Miss., guests will live in the residence halls with Agnes Scott students and attend classes in academic fields of their choice. Thursday evening, applicants and Agnes Scott hostesses will attend the annual spring concert of the Agnes Scott Glee Club and Music Department. Friday, visiting students will attend classes and meet informally with faculty members. That evening guests and Agnes Scott students will go to Atlanta either to attend the play *To Kill a Mockingbird* at the Alliance Theatre in the Atlanta Memorial Arts Center, or to visit the Omni International for dinner, movies, ice skating, or shopping. Saturday morning, applicants will be introduced to the arts on campus with presentations by the Dance Group, the Madrigal Singers, the Blackfriars drama group, and other arts organizations.

Those who wish to attend Applicants' Weekend should call (404) 373-4614. Visitors should plan to arrive Thursday between 1:00 and 4:00 p.m. and arrange to depart Saturday after 1:30 p.m.

### Marine Biology

This summer the Biology Department offers, for academic credit, a field trip course in marine biology that will take students to research sites in Florida and the Bahama Islands. According to course instructor Dr. Tom Simpson, the trip will give students a broad overview of research in the marine sciences and acquaint them with the ecology, distribution, behavior, and classification of organisms in estuaries, coastal areas, and coral reefs.

The students and Dr. Simpson will depart June 13 with snorkeling gear and travel to Ball Marine Labs and Alligator Harbor below Tallahassee. On Sanibel Island near Fort Myers they will



Dr. J. Randolph Taylor, guest speaker for Focus on Faith Week and pastor of Myers Park Presbyterian Church, Charlotte, N.C., talks with a student during an informal gathering.

observe a large fiddler crab colony and spend a night watching the sea turtles come in to lay eggs. They will observe wildlife in the Everglades, also.

In the Florida Keys the group will go snorkeling along the coral reefs in Pennecamp State Park, which is totally under water. On Pigeon Key they will visit the University of Miami Laboratories at which Nobel prize winners have conducted research.

At Forfar Field Station on San Andros Island in the Bahamas, the group will camp out and conduct coral reef studies as well as observe the wildlife. At Jensen's Beach south of Daytona they will visit the labs of Florida Institute of Technology and take an overnight oceanographic run on a marine research vessel. On Fernandina Beach in the northeast corner of Florida, they will study unique sand dune development.

Throughout the trip the students will conduct short field experiments in ecology and distribution of specific organisms representative of each area studied. In addition to hearing lectures on current research, they will attend lectures in marine biology and oceanography and seminars by specialists in animal behavior, sea turtle biology, and symbiosis.

### Writers' Festival

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For the Writers' Festival Miss Welty, Mrs. Jacobsen, and Mr. Davenport will give public readings of their own works and serve as final judges for the Agnes Scott Writers' Contest for Georgia college students. In addition, Mr. Davenport and Mrs. Jacobsen will participate in a panel discussion on poems and stories selected by Agnes Scott faculty in the initial judging of the Writers' Contest. The student authors of these selected works will be invited to participate in a writing workshop directed by poet Nathalie Anderson, an Agnes Scott graduate and English instructor at Georgia State University.

The author of the best poem and the best short story, as chosen by the three guest writers, will each be awarded a prize of \$100. These works will have been published for the Festival in the Agnes Scott literary magazine, *Aurora*, with the other poems and stories selected in the initial judging.

In addition to sponsoring the annual Agnes Scott Writers' Contest and Festival, the College's English Department also offers five courses in creative writing, including three introductory courses in narrative writing, poetry writing, and play writing. In a fourth course, a writing workshop, students elect to work in poetry, fiction, or drama with guidance in revising and preparing publishable material. The fifth course offers individual conferences with emphasis on sustained creative writing projects in poetry, fiction, or drama.

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# English and Foreign Languages

**English.** Dr. Patricia Pinka, associate professor of English, will teach a seminar next year entitled "Dangling Man: The novels and selected short stories of Saul Bellow."

Kate Kussrow, a senior majoring in both art and English, is doing an independent study under English professor Dr. Jack Nelson on 19th-century English novelist George Eliot and her use of the painter's perspective in her novels. Kate is looking specifically at the novel *Adam Bede* and at such techniques as Eliot's method of developing a scene by freezing the action and describing it as though it were a painting.

**French.** The French government has presented the French Department with a small scholarship which will be given to a French language student for summer or winter study in France.

The French Department offers next year a new course, "French Writers of the Twentieth Century," to be taught in English. The course will cover the writers Camus, Sartre, Ionesco, and others.

Agnes Scott sophomores Susan Gomez from East Point, Ga., and Donna Sanson from Tucker, Ga., plan to study in Paris during the 1977-78 school year with the Sweet Briar Junior Abroad program. Agnes Scott sponsors Summer Study Abroad programs and encourages students to participate in the Junior Year Abroad programs of other colleges and universities.

**German.** Winter quarter the German Department sponsored a lecture by Theodore Ziolkowski, professor of comparative literature at Princeton University and a visiting scholar for the University Center in Georgia.

In April the German Department and the Goethe Institute Atlanta, the German cultural institute, co-sponsor the exhibit *Die Frau*. The exhibit, which will be shown in the Agnes Scott library, is composed of 900 books in German and three German films with English subtitles. According to Dr. Gunther Bicknese, chairman of the German Department, the Goethe Institute Atlanta is immeasurably valuable as a source of extracurricular cultural programs for students of German.

**Spanish.** In April the Spanish Department sponsors a visit by Karl-Ludwig Selig, professor of Spanish at Columbia University, whose specialty is the Renaissance and the Golden Age of Spain. He is the editor of *Revista Hispánica Moderna*.

Two new courses in the Spanish curriculum this year are "Freedom and Literary Creation" and "Mexico: The

Search for Identity." Mrs. Aleida Martínez, a native of Cuba, is teaching these courses in English for students interested in these subjects but unfamiliar with Spanish. The course "Freedom and Literary Creation" examines the major works of prose in Spanish American literature from 1940 to the present. The course on Mexico looks at the principal problems underlying Mexico's search for a national identity as reflected in major works of prose.

## English History Abroad

On-site learning in England and Scotland awaits Agnes Scott students who take a six-week course this summer in the "Social History of Tudor and Stuart England." Teaching the course will be Dr. Michael J. Brown, a native of England and chairman of the Agnes Scott History and Political Science Department.

The first two weeks the students will study and sightsee in London. The course will then move successively to other cities, where the group will stay at universities, including the University of Exeter, Oxford University, York University, and the University of Edinburgh, Scotland. Distinguished British historians will conduct tours of historical sites and give lectures related to the sites. The group will tour Parliament, Stonehenge, Stratford-upon-Avon, art museums, famous palaces and cathedrals, and other historically significant sites.

Academically, students will earn five quarter hours of credit for their summer study. Before departing for England, they will have read assigned material, and during the trip they will each keep an historical journal of lecture notes and observations of historical sites. The course has no pre-requisites, so any Agnes Scott student in good academic standing is eligible.

## Legislative Interns

Two Agnes Scott seniors, Sandra Saseen of Savannah, Ga., and Debbie Smith of Acworth, Ga., worked in the Georgia State Legislature winter quarter for credit in the political science course "The Legislative Process." The legislative intern program is administered by the State Legislature to provide staff for legislators and at the same time offer college students opportunity to observe the legislative process.

Sandra, a political science major, worked in the Senate for the Rules Committee and for the County and Urban Affairs Subcommittee. Debbie, also a political

science major, worked in the House of Representatives for the Education Committee and for the Georgia Educational Improvement Council, a research agency of the Legislature.

Both students attended all meetings of their committees and conducted research on bills sent to their committees. For committee members they wrote summaries of bills and kept track of the progress of bills through the Legislature. In addition to working, Sandra and Debbie each wrote a paper that traced a proposed bill through the Legislature and analyzed its success or failure in becoming a law.

Other Agnes Scott people working for the Legislature this year were Betsy McDaniel, a 1976 political science graduate from Little Rock, Ark., and India Culpepper, a 1975 French graduate from Camilla, Ga. Betsy supervised the interns in the House of Representatives, while India supervised the pages in the House.

## Biblical Artifacts

The Bible and Religion Department has recently acquired from the nation of Iraq nine casts from Biblically related artifacts on display in the Iraq National Museum in Baghdad. Selected by Dr. Paul Garber, retired Agnes Scott professor of Bible and religion, the artifact copies are the first items purchased for a collection of teaching aids for the Department. Dr. Garber chose each artifact on the basis of its relation to ancient Mesopotamia, which is now Iraq.

Among these pieces is a statue of Ur-Nammu who reigned over the empire of Ur about 2113-2096 B.C., some 200 years before Abraham was born in the capital city of Ur. The inscription on this statue attributes to Ur-Nammu the erection of ziggurats (temple-towers), which were forerunners of the Bible's Tower of Babel.

Another artifact is a clay tablet inscribed in cuneiform by Sumerians contemporary with Abraham. This mathematical text of about 1800 B.C. discusses an algebraic-geometrical problem similar to a theorem by Euclid fifteen centuries later.

The other artifacts in the Agnes Scott collection include a statue of an early Mesopotamian king, a statue of a scribe who lived about 2000 B.C., the face of a woman known as the "Mona Lisa of Nimrud," and a worshipping figure of about 2500 B.C. Also in the collection is a stone, carved plaque that probably hung in a temple, a weight marked as being equal to five "mannas," and a cylinder seal typical of the type used to sign official documents by rolling the carved cylinder across a clay tablet.

# Social Sciences: On-Site Learning

**Economics.** The winter quarter economics class in "Theories of Economic Organization," taught by Dr. William H. Weber, visited several corporations to observe how production work is organized and supervised.

Economics majors attend the luncheon programs of the Southern Council on International and Public Affairs, which has a membership of mostly presidents and vice presidents of Atlanta business firms. Speakers at these luncheons come from the top level of business and government both in the United States and abroad.

The Economics Department has added to its curriculum a new course entitled "Corporate Finance." This course, according to economics professor Dr. William H. Weber, is intended to be a bridge between economic theory and accounting, so that theory can be a guide to actual practice.

Dana Nichols, a senior economics major from Lexington, Ky., is conducting an independent study on the relationship between economic theory and the way businesses make decisions.

**Political Science.** Students in the fall quarter political science course on American political parties, taught by Dr. Gus Cochran, worked two hours a week in campaigns of their choice. They wrote papers analyzing campaign organization and strategy based on their experiences as well as readings from library sources. They also heard guest speakers such as the chairman of the Republican Party of DeKalb County.

Joachim Schwelien, noted German journalist and lecturer, met with the political science class, "Studies in World Order," to discuss the topic, "USA-Europe under New Auspices." His visit was sponsored by the History and Political Science and the German Departments.

A state representative from the Georgia Legislature met with the political science class studying local and state government.

**Psychology.** In the abnormal psychology course taught by Dr. Lee Copple, students work two hours a week at Atlanta area institutions that care for the mentally ill or the mentally retarded. This winter quarter, students could choose to work at the Georgia Mental Health Institute, the Georgia Regional Hospital, the Howard School for children with learning disabilities, the DeKalb Workshop training center for severely retarded adults, or in Decatur City Schools' classes for either emotionally disturbed children or for trainable and educable mentally retarded children. At these institutions Agnes Scott students may tutor children,

work in recreational and crafts programs, or simply engage in conversation with patients while at the same time observing the behavior of mentally ill or mentally retarded persons.

Also, in the abnormal psychology course, guest speakers come to class to talk about mental health programs and care of the mentally ill. Guest lecturers have included an attorney, social workers, a physician, a psychiatrist, the director of a college's psychological services, and the director of a citizens advocacy group for the mentally retarded and mentally ill.

**Sociology.** In this year's sociology course on deviant behavior, taught by Dr. Paul Mills, students studied theories of criminal and delinquent behavior and took field trips to observe the treatment of offenders. The class attended one session of a murder trial in a local county criminal court and heard a talk by the attorney who prosecuted Charles Manson. To observe conditions in prisons, the class toured the United States Penitentiary in Atlanta, the Georgia Women's Work Release Center in Atlanta, and a local county Juvenile Court and Detention Home. As part of a project to study female crime, separate groups from the class visited local county prisons to determine whether or not the female prisoners were treated differently from the male prisoners.

In the course on social problems taught by sociology instructor Connie Jones, guest speakers have included the Grand Dragon

of the Knights of the Klu Klux Klan, the head of the National States Rights Party, and prominent civil rights leaders. The course deals with current social movements as well as a range of deviant behaviors that are considered social problems. Each student observes a representative group of a movement, interviews the group's leaders, and writes a paper from her observations and interviews.

## Natural Sciences

**Biology.** The ecology class spring quarter will take a field trip to the sandhills of south Georgia, the Hatch Nuclear Power Plant, the Okefenokee Swamp, and to the estuaries and coastal areas of northeast Florida. The Georgia sandhills, the site of beaches from past ice ages, offer unique vegetation and ecology for study.

**Chemistry.** The Chemistry Department now has two PDP-8 Minicomputers for use by students and faculty. The second computer was recently donated to the Department by Tennecomp, Inc. of Oakridge, Tenn. According to Dr. Alice Cunningham, associate professor of chemistry, the addition of the second computer will allow the Department to use one computer for calculations and programming and the other for gathering data from instruments used in experiments. This use, she said, will allow greater variety and flexibility in integrating computer applications into the chemistry curriculum.

The staff of the Agnes Scott student newspaper, *The Profile*, is, of course, all women. Planning an issue above are (standing left to right) Editor Peggy Lamberson, junior from Atlanta, Ga., Associate Editor Sandra Saseen, senior from Savannah, Ga., and Arts/Entertainment Editor Ginny Lee, sophomore from Jackson, Miss. Seated (left to right) are staff writer Ginni Rockwell, sophomore from Brandon, Fla., and Makeup Editor Andi Julian, freshman from St. Simons Island, Ga. (Photo by Andrea Groover, student photographer.)



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**Assertiveness Training.** The Agnes Scott chapter of Mortar Board, an honorary leadership society, lead a seminar winter quarter in assertiveness training for all interested students. A film was shown of vignettes of various situations in human relations. After each vignette student groups lead by Mortar Board members discussed how they could have responded assertively in that situation. Before the seminar, Mortar Board members took assertiveness training under Dr. Gwen Bate, assistant professor of psychology, and Barbara "Knicky" Knickerbocker, counselor in the Career Planning Office.

**Black History Week.** Students for Black Awareness at Agnes Scott sponsored several events for Black History Week in February. Monica Kaufman, a black television news anchorwoman, spoke to

the college community about the present struggle of blacks and advised the black students to work to eliminate the subtle forms of discrimination still operating in American society. Students for Black Awareness presented "Creations in Ebony," their own program of poetry, dance, and music by black artists. Spanish instructor Aleida Martfnez gave an informal talk in English on "The Black Influence on Spanish Literature."

**Faculty-Student Interest Groups.** Representative Council of the Student Government Association is sponsoring informal interest groups lead by faculty who have volunteered to share their hobbies with students. Students may join faculty for gardening, dance concerts, antique shopping, spelunking, backgammon and bridge, furniture making, fencing, jogging, tennis, golf, and hiking, German conversation, non-fiction writing, flying, and other interests.

**Chimo,** a club of foreign and American Agnes Scott students, sponsors informal gatherings such as a dessert party for freshmen, United Nations Day activities, and a party with foreign students from Georgia Tech, Georgia State and Emory Universities, and the Villa International community in Atlanta. Foreign students at Agnes Scott this year are from Nigeria, Indonesia, Korea, Hong Kong, Malaysia, Turkey, France, Spain, Germany, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland, Nicaragua, Guatemala, and Panama.

**Christian Association** sponsors for the town of Decatur a Girl Scout troupe led by Agnes Scott students. Christian Association members also work in nursing homes, crisis centers, girls' clubs, and as tutors in schools.

**Dolphin Club.** For a public performance and for Sophomore Parents' Weekend the Agnes Scott Dolphin Club presented their synchronized swimming show "Star Attractions" in the college gymnasium. The show was performed to special lighting and songs from Broadway and Hollywood musicals.

**Guest Speakers.** Ms. Ann Avant Crichton, 1961 Agnes Scott graduate and Mayor of Decatur (Agnes Scott's town), spoke in January on "Women in Politics and Public Office."

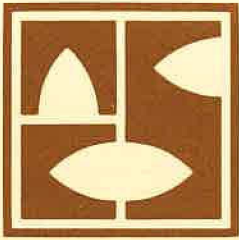
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**Honor Court** sponsored Honor Emphasis Week during February with panel discussions on topics such as "What Difference Does the Honor System Make?"

**Social Council** sponsored Winter Weekend in February with a Blue Grass Band Party and a formal dance at an Atlanta hotel ballroom.

**Sophomore Parent's Weekend.** The sophomore class hosted their parents for a weekend on campus Feb. 18 and 19. The parents attended a creative arts show produced by the sophomore class, a dessert-coffee hosted by President and Mrs. Marvin B. Perry, Jr., and a panel discussion by alumnae on the worth of their Agnes Scott education. Parents also attended classes with their daughters.



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### Teams Start Season

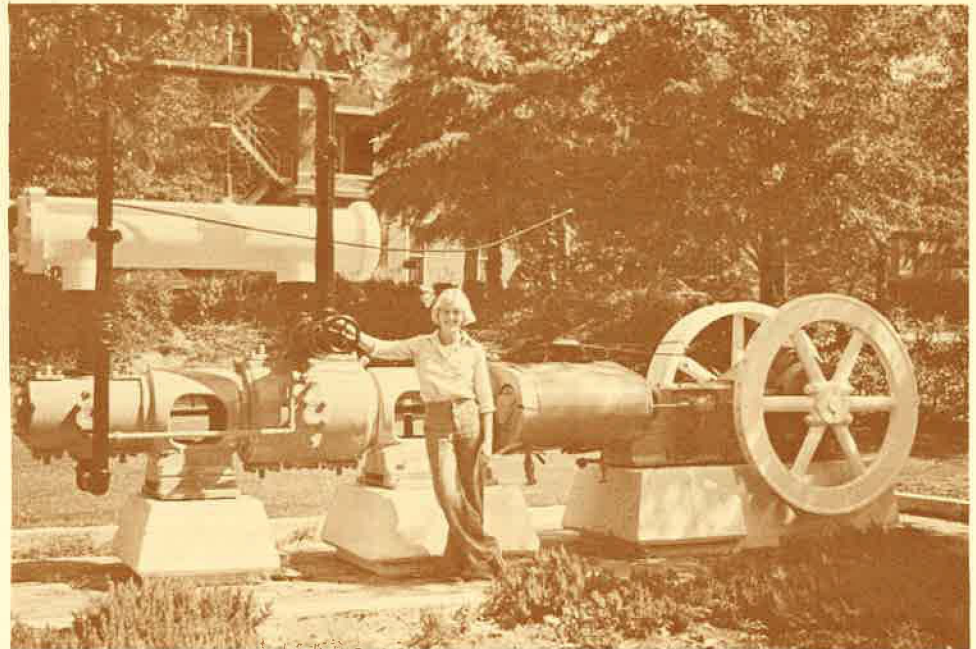
"Fall quarter begins a new approach to tennis at Agnes Scott. Ms. Ann McConnell will work with both intercollegiate and intramural activities this year. Students now have the option of playing in campus-wide ladder tournaments or of earning a position on the intercollegiate team." *The Profile* (October 14, 1977)

### Career Preparation Discussed

Dr. Rhea T. Workman, consultant in career preparation, gave a presentation on "Career Preparation through the Liberal Arts Curriculum" Oct. 26. She established BIG English, a program at Columbia College, S.C., that directs English majors toward careers in Business, Industry and Government. Sponsored by the Ford Foundation, Dr. Workman coordinates career programs for small independent colleges.

### French

A Visiting Professor from the University of Toulouse, France, is teaching in the French Department fall quarter. Monsieur Jean Méral is teaching a course on Albert Camus and courses on French civilization and conversation.



**DUAL DEGREE STUDENT AT GEORGIA TECH.** Carol Hedrick, Agnes Scott's first dual degree student, poses with a mechanical sculpture on the Georgia Tech campus where she is now enrolled. Carol studied mathematics and liberal arts subjects at Agnes Scott before going to the Georgia Institute of Technology to study chemical engineering. Upon completing her Georgia Tech courses, she will be awarded a B.A. degree from Agnes Scott and a B.S. degree in engineering from Georgia Tech.

## Best of Two Academic Worlds — Liberal Arts and Engineering

Agnes Scott College's first dual degree student, Carol Hedrick of Jacksonville, Fla., has completed three years of liberal arts studies at Agnes Scott and is now enrolled at the Georgia Institute of Technology. She is studying chemical engineering, one of the more demanding engineering curricula.

At the end of two years at Georgia Tech, Carol will receive her bachelor of arts degree from Agnes Scott and her bachelor of science degree in engineering from Georgia Tech. She will have completed the Dual Degree program, which allows an Agnes Scott student to obtain an engineering degree and a liberal arts degree within five years.

Asked why she chose to attend a liberal arts college before studying engineering, Carol pointed to several advantages to the Dual Degree program.

"Through my liberal arts studies at Agnes

Scott," she said, "I acquired communication skills that many Georgia Tech students don't seem to have. I've found these skills helpful in writing lab reports and expressing myself in class."

"I also have a broader frame of reference than the four-year engineering students. I can discuss topics other than engineering."

She also noted, "At Agnes Scott, taking English and humanities courses that required volumes of reading, I learned to budget my time. In chemical engineering you work problems and read less. So, I've had more time at Tech for extracurricular activities. I play tennis, swim and run on the track at the Georgia Tech Student Athletic Complex."

At Agnes Scott Carol budgeted her time well enough to participate actively in the Athletic Association and the Christian Association.

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**EUROPE IN THE DINING HALL.** Students of Spanish, French and German practice these languages over meals in the dining hall where native-speaking language assistants host tables. Above, students pose with this year's assistants and a visiting French professor. Standing at the end of the table are (l. to r.) Nancy Campbell, Spanish assistant who has lived in Colombia;

Dr. Jean Méral, visiting professor of French from the University of Toulouse; Marion Dachary, French assistant from Paris; and Brigitta Borck, German assistant from Hamburg, West Germany. Seated on the far right is Dr. Méral's son, Laurent. Dr. Méral is teaching French courses while on campus fall quarter. Brigitta, Nancy and Marion are living on foreign language halls in dormi-

tories all year, tutoring students and leading activities for the German, the Spanish and the French clubs. Also standing in the background in the wall poster are the Keystone Cops, the mascot for the class of 1980. The poster was up for Black Cat weekend, the high point and conclusion of freshman orientation.

## Marine Biology Summer Trip Explored Florida and Bahamas

Snorkeling and photographing sea life in the Bahama Islands and along the Florida coast. That's the life nine Agnes Scott students led this summer. They were taking a course in marine biology taught by Agnes Scott professor Dr. Tom Simpson.

The group studied the organisms and ecology of the sea. For part of their studies they photographed coral reefs under water off Andros Island in the Bahamas. Off the Gulf coast of Florida on Sanibel Island, they watched Caretta sea turtles come onto the beach at night to lay eggs. They conducted experiments on Pigeon Key in the Florida Key Islands and snorkeled in Camp Pennekamp State Park, a coral preserve entirely under water off the Atlantic coast of Florida.

Throughout the four-week trip they attended seminars by distinguished marine scientists working at laboratories in Florida. Among scientists the group talked with was Dr. William Herrnkind, who has worked

with Jacques Cousteau, famous French marine biologist.

Although involved in serious study during the trip, the group found time for fun. Calling themselves "The Dancing Decapods" and naming Dr. Simpson their manager, they improvised skits and songs that they performed spontaneously whenever the opportunity arose.

On the trip were Debbie Ballard, Atlanta, Ga.; Angela Carter, Chipley, Fla.; Carol Corbitt, Anchorage, Alaska; Kathy Fitch, Lexington, Ky.; Laurie Kramer, Vero Beach, Fla.; Beth Mason, Stone Mountain, Ga.; Mary Romeo, Augusta, Ga.; Jennifer Scott, Anniston, Ala.; and Sue Yannone, Grand Forks, Ind.

The marine biology course alternates with a summer course in desert biology taught by Dr. Harry Wistrand, assistant professor of biology. The desert biology course takes students through the Chihuahuan and Sonoran deserts of the southwestern United States.

## Best of Two Worlds—

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Carol also pointed out advantages to attending a small college and a women's college before enrolling on a large, coeducational campus such as Georgia Tech's.

"The women at Georgia Tech who come from other women's colleges," she said, "assert themselves more often than do the women who started as freshmen at Georgia Tech."

"I especially assert myself to get to know my professors. Coming from Agnes Scott, I'm used to conversing with my professors outside the classroom. So here at Georgia Tech, where classes are larger, I've made a special effort to know my teachers."

Carol said, however, that she did not find it difficult to adjust to the Georgia Tech campus and to having men in class.

Once she is out of school, Carol thinks she and other women engineers will compete well with men for jobs and promotions. In fact, Carol thinks women have an advantage over men.

"I think women express themselves better and are more persuasive than men," she stated. "I think women engineers can sell their ideas to management and clients more easily than men can."



## Washington, D.C., Learning Site for Two ASC Students

Washington, D.C., is home this fall for two Agnes Scott students, Judy Miller from Brevard, N.C., and Mary Anna Smith from Valdosta, Ga. They are participating in Washington Semester Programs coordinated by the American University for other colleges such as Agnes Scott.

Judy, a senior economics major, is studying national economic policymaking. Mary Anna, a senior art major, is in the new semester program in American studies entitled "The City of Washington and Its Cultural Institutions."

In a Washington Semester program, a student serves an internship in a governmental or private agency, or conducts research on a topic related to her particular semester program. In addition, she takes courses at the American University and attends seminars led by government figures and experts in fields relating to her semester program. In her free time she can explore Washington, D.C., and observe national government at work. For her work and study she can earn up to 24 hours credit toward her Agnes Scott degree.

Judy is working as an intern for Congress Watch, a Ralph Nader special interest organization. At the American University she is taking a course in the diplomatic relations of Latin America since 1800. In seminars she has heard guest speakers such as the special assistant to the deputy assistant Secretary of Treasury for economic policy. In her free time, she said, she observes the U.S. Senate.



**FIELD HOCKEY GAME.** The Agnes Scott Field Hockey Club goes after the ball in a game against Judson College's women's team in October at Agnes Scott. Fall quarter the Agnes Scott team played the University of the South and the Georgia Hockey Club. Founded in 1908, the Agnes Scott Hockey Club is the only intercollegiate women's field hockey team in Georgia. Their coach is Dr. Kate McKemie, chairman of the Physical Education Department. (Photo by Sally Neal, '80, Northport, N.Y.)

Mary Anna is working in the District at the Phillips Collection, the first museum of modern art in the United States. Her major project at the Phillips is updating the inventory of the entire collection. She also conducts research on art works. This research sometimes takes her to the Library of Congress and to the library of the National Gallery of Art.

At the American University Mary Anna is taking an art history course in Impressionism. In between study and working she has attended plays at the Kennedy Center and art shows, including the Smithsonian's

Festival of American Folklife and the Matisse Cutouts exhibit at the National Gallery of Art.

An Agnes Scott student is eligible for the Washington Semester programs her junior and senior years. Faculty at Agnes Scott select participants who are then approved by the American University. Agnes Scott students may participate in any of the semester programs, which include Washington government, science and technology, international development, urban affairs, economic policy, and American Studies.



## Summer Study In British Isles

Eight Agnes Scott students in this summer's Agnes Scott study program in England and Scotland peer out the back window of the motor coach, or bus, that carried them about the countryside. Under the instruction of Dr. Michael Brown, native Englishman and chairman of the Agnes Scott History and Political Science Department, the group studied the social history of the Tudor and Stuart periods. They toured sites in and around London, Oxford, Exeter and York, England and Edinburgh, Scotland. Sites visited included Parliament's House of Commons, Runnymede where King John signed the Magna Carta, Stonehenge, Plymouth Rock from which the Pilgrims sailed for the New World, Winston Churchill's birthplace, and Hampton Court Palace, the 16th-century palace of King Henry VIII and Queen Elizabeth I. (Photo by Dr. Michael Brown)

## Air Force ROTC At Georgia Tech Open to ASC

Scholarships and career opportunities await Agnes Scott students who participate in the cross-town Air Force ROTC program at the Georgia Institute of Technology. In this program Agnes Scott students go across town to Georgia Tech once or twice a week to take ROTC classes.

Full-tuition scholarships from the Air Force are available to students who study in the scientific, engineering or medical disciplines. You can study in these areas at Agnes Scott by majoring in biology, chemistry, physics, or mathematics. Or, you can pursue a pre-med program or the Agnes Scott Dual Degree program in engineering with Georgia Tech.

Even if you are not on scholarship, as a junior and senior in the Air Force ROTC you would be paid \$100 a month, tax-free. Once you had completed the four-year ROTC program, you would be commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force with a starting salary of \$10,500 a year. You would be placed in one of the Air Force career areas, ranging from administration or personnel management through computer systems design to physics or electronics engineering.



**HONORS DAY AWARD.** Dr. Julia T. Gary, Dean of the Faculty, presents Thelma Ruddell, senior class president, the Class Scholarship Trophy during Honors Day ceremonies in October. The trophy is only one of many awards announced each year at Honors Day to recognize academic achievement.

## Academic Notes

### Philosophy

The Philosophy Colloquium for philosophy students will focus this year on the issues of human experimentation, the death penalty and abortion. Guest speakers will include, among others, Dr. Bruce Dull, associate director of the Center for Disease Control. Dr. Dull is responsible for the protocols in human experimentation, which he will discuss at a Colloquium session. According to Dr. Richard Parry, chairman of the Philosophy Department, the Philosophy Colloquium will give philosophy majors a forum in which to practice thinking on their feet analytically and critically.

### Chemistry

Two chemistry majors, Nilgun Ereken of Istanbul and Susan Smith of Denver, N.C., are conducting research projects on an enzyme important in the control of blood pressure. They are working under the direction of Dr. Alice Cunningham, associate professor of chemistry.

## Honor Roll and Scholarships Announced at Honors Day

Agnes Scott's annual Honors Day Ceremony this October recognized 56 Honor Roll students and six scholarship winners. These students were honored for their academic achievements during the 1976-77 session.

In addition to announcing the scholarships and Honor Roll, Dr. Julia T. Gary, Dean of the Faculty, announced that the senior class had won the Class Scholarship Trophy. The trophy is awarded each year to the class that has earned an academic average that is highest in relation to the three preceding classes of that level.

Among the scholarships announced were the Stukes Scholarships for one student in each of the sophomore, junior and senior classes. Each student had earned the highest average in her class. Named Stukes Scholars were Emily "Mimi" Holmes, a senior from Jacksonville, Fla.; Lynda Lynne Harris, a junior from Decatur, Ga.; and

Dorothea "Dottie" Enslow, a sophomore from Stone Mountain, Ga.

Other honors announced were the Rich Prize, the Kathleen Hagood Gambrell Scholarship and the Jennie Sentelle Houghton Scholarship. Susan Landers, a sophomore from Dunwoody, Ga., was presented the Rich Prize for outstanding work in her freshman class last year. Paula Starr, a senior from Camden, Ala., was awarded the Gambrell Scholarship for her interest in Christian education and ministry. Shirley Kam-Yeap Chan, a senior from Sherwood Park, Alberta, Canada, was awarded the Houghton Scholarship for future promise as indicated by character, personality and scholarship.

The guest speaker for Honors Day was Dr. Hugh Gloster, president of Morehouse College in Atlanta. Dr. Gloster spoke on the progress, problems and prospects of the modern college woman.



### The Three Sisters

The Agnes Scott Blackfriars, the student theatre group, presented *The Three Sisters*, a drama by Anton Chekhov, this fall in the Winter Theatre of the Dana Fine Arts Building. The three sisters are (l. to r.) Irina, the youngest, played by Margaret Evans of Macon, Ga.; Olga, the eldest, played by Jo Weinstein of Chamblee, Ga.; and Masha, the middle sister, played by Jennifer Knight of Atlanta, Ga. Dr. Jack Brooking, chairman of the Theatre Department, directed the play. Each year the Blackfriars and the Theatre Department produce two full-length plays, a children's play and an evening of one-act plays.



### Roman de Fauvel

The Ensemble for Early Music will present on February 2 the *Roman de Fauvel*, a fourteenth-century French secular music drama. This theatrical experience is filled with mimes, puppets, processions and magic, as well as medieval events such as jousts and wedding feasts. Throughout the play, Fauvel, the personification of falsehood and pretense, follows Dame Fortune through worlds of fantasy and reality. Sponsoring the play is the Agnes Scott Lecture Committee, which sponsors other cultural events during the year.

## Calendar Highlights From Fall and Winter Quarters

- October 5 Honors Day recognizing students' outstanding academic achievement
- October 16 — December 1 Georgia Designer Craftsmen Show
- October 18 Guarneri String Quartet in concert
- October 19 Reynolds Price, novelist, reads from his works.
- October 20-22 Black Cat, conclusion of freshman orientation, with bonfire, class song competition, play satirizing Agnes Scott and a dance.
- October 24 Atlanta Chamber Players (in residence at Agnes Scott) in concert with guest artist Janet Stewart, soprano and Agnes Scott assistant professor of music.
- Nov. 11, 12, 17, 18 Agnes Scott Blackfriars production of *The Three Sisters* by Anton Chekhov
- November 14 Film of Chekhov play *Uncle Vanya* directed by and starring Sir Laurence Olivier
- November 15 "Expedition to the Abyss: Deep Sea Research Aboard the Submersible Alvin," slide-lecture by Chuck Messing, marine biologist at Rosentiel School of Atmospheric and Marine Science, University of Miami.
- November 16 Le Treteau de Paris, professional theatre group from France, presents two plays in French.
- November 30 Lecture, "The Humanism of Science," by Raymond J. Seeger, physicist and director of Sigma Xi, national science honor society.
- December 4 Christmas Concert by Agnes Scott Glee Club
- January 8 — February 9 Art show of Japanese prints
- January 9 Lecture, "Nineteenth-century Pianists from the Personal Collection of Harold Schonberg," by Harold Schonberg, music critic for *The New York Times*.
- January 12 & 13 Agnes Scott Opera Workshop production, in English, of *Sister Angelica* by Puccini
- February 2 *Roman de Fauvel*, medieval music drama, in English, by The Ensemble for Early Music from New York.
- February 5-9 Black History Week
- February 12 Concert by University of Georgia Men's Glee Club and the Agnes Scott College Glee Club.
- February 12 — March 6 Art show of works by Agnes Scott students
- February 16 Synchronized swimming show by Agnes Scott Dolphin Club
- February 18, 19, 20 *Puss 'n Boots*, children's play, produced by Agnes Scott Theatre Department and Blackfriars
- March 3 Agnes Scott College Foreign Language Drama Contest for Georgia High School students.



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## Extracurricular Activities

### Thank Goodness It's Friday

"TGIF" beer busts on Friday afternoons bring out even the most studious Scotties. The campus descends on the Hub to enjoy a keg and that feeling of "Thank Goodness It's Friday" (TGIF). Social Council of the Student Government Association sponsors the parties.

### Student-Faculty Interest Group

"Bridge for Fun" is meeting on Saturday mornings this fall. Dr. Lee Copple, associate professor of psychology, and Mollie Merrick, associate dean of students, sponsor the card games for students, faculty and staff.

### Field Hockey

The Agnes Scott Field Hockey Team played Judson College, the University of the South and the Georgia Hockey Club this fall. Started in 1908, the Agnes Scott club is the only intercollegiate women's hockey club in Georgia.

### Student Photography Contest

A campus photography contest for students fall quarter awarded \$140 in prizes. Prizes were awarded for the best photographs of academic and extracurricular life and of faces and places on campus. The judges were a news photographer with *The Atlanta Journal-Constitution* and the director of publications and printing at Georgia State University. Contest sponsors

were the *Silhouette* (Agnes Scott year-book), the Public Relations Office, the Admissions Office and the Alumnae Affairs Office.

### Coffee House

Live entertainment is featured at the coffee house sponsored on campus by the Christian Association. Guitarists and gospel-rock groups perform at the coffee house, which is set up in the LDH, or lower dining hall.



**WET TRADITION.** Patti Tucker, a sophomore from Winder, Ga., recently made a splash in the pond behind the Alumnae House. Her friends threw her in after she had been "pinned" by her Georgia Tech boyfriend. A dunking in the Alumnae House pond is a tradition of congratulations for all pinned and engaged Agnes Scott women. Even the Dean of Students, Martha Kirkland, was thrown in last spring when she became engaged.

## Academic Notes

### Art and Chemistry

"Women in Art" and "Earth, Water and Air" are special one-hour seminars the Art Department and the Chemistry Department are offering this quarter. These one-hour seminars allow students and faculty to explore areas not covered in regular courses. Dr. Marie Pepe, chairman of the Art Department, is teaching the seminar "Women in Art: The Role of the Woman in 19th and 20th Century Art." Dr. Alan White, assistant professor of chemistry, is teaching the seminar "Earth, Water and Air." In his seminar he discusses and demonstrates in the laboratory the chemical nature of soil, fertilizers and natural water systems, and the chemical processes underlying water purification.

### Education

The Education Department sponsored a workshop for aspiring teachers on creating and using learning centers. The workshop was led by a second-grade teacher from the DeKalb County school system, one of the best school systems in Georgia. Agnes Scott College is in DeKalb County, where many Agnes Scott students student-teach and find permanent teaching positions.

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