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FROM THE PRESIDENT



Dr. Marvin B. Perry, Jr.

In late 1981, gifts and pledges from all of Agnes Scott College's trustees launched the \$3,000,000 fund-raising campaign for renovation of the College's science hall. As of March 20, 1982, over \$1,100,000 had been raised in gifts and pledges from the trustees, alumnae, and friends. Donors to the Science Hall

Campaign are being offered several special opportunities for public recognition of their gifts. Individuals who give \$3,000 or more will be recognized as "Sponsors of the Sciences." Their names or names in memoriam of their choosing will be cast on a large plaque to be mounted in the foyer of the science hall. Each individual who makes a gift of \$10,000 or more will be given the opportunity to have his or her name or a name in memoriam given to an

office, classroom, or laboratory.
Gifts from all of Agnes Scott's friends — alumnae, businesses, foundations, students, faculty, staff, and others — will enable the College to continue "on the cutting edge of higher education for women," in the words of Alice Jeanne Cunningham, William Rand Kenan, Jr. Professor of Chemistry and Chairman of the Department.

As Dr. Cunningham has stated, "Modern science will not stand still — or even slow down — to accommodate the teaching facilities at Agnes Scott. New directions and technologies in all of the sciences demand that we significantly update facilities and equipment if Agnes Scott is to maintain its tradition of academic excellence in the natural sciences.

. . . . To falter now in this commitment to the sciences, which constitute an

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#### STUDENT'S HISTORICAL RESEARCH UNCOVERS HEROINE IN AGNES SCOTT'S FRONT YARD

An Agnes Scott College student's original research has led to the discovery of a Civil War heroine in Agnes Scott's front yard and to the holding of the symposium, "Southern Women: Images, Myths, and Realities," set for April 19 and 20, 1982, at the College.

History student Kathryn L. Helgesen '82, originally of Pennsylvania and Ohio, now of Memphis, Tenn., went to work as an intern for the Junior League of DeKalb County in the fall of 1980. She researched the life of Mary Gay of Decatur, whose house the Junior League is restoring. Ms. Helgesen soon found that Mary Gay was "quite a spunky little lady who enjoyed a good adventure; she dabbled in espionage, hid the winter supplies of half [sic] the Confederate Army in the attic of



Agnes Scott College student Kathryn L. Helgesen '82 stands in front of the DeKalb County Court House where she spent many hours at the DeKalb Historical Society researching the life of Civil War heroine Mary Gay of Decatur. Ms. Helgesen will present a seminar on Miss Gay at the symposium, "Southern Women."

her Decatur home during the siege of Atlanta, and wildly cheered the rebel troops on from her front doorstep during the 'battle' of Decatur while shells and cannonballs flew around

her." Later, she also sponsored a student at Agnes Scott, according to Ms. Helgesen, who is trying to find out the alumna's name.

The research for what has become a biography of Mary Gay led Ms. Helgesen to the archives of the

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Three new members of the Agnes Scott College faculty have been awarded New Faculty Research Stipends to establish research projects. These stipends are funded in part by the National Endowment for the Humanities Challenge Grant recently

awarded the College.

Mary E. Butler, Assistant Professor of English, will use her stipend for research titled "The Literary Implication of Various Rhetorical Patterns in the Novels of Daniel Defoe." Lois M. Overbeck, Assistant Professor of English, studied Samuel Beckett manuscripts in the libraries of Ohio State University and Washington University during the winter holiday. She will travel this summer to England to study the major Beckett holdings at the University of Reading. Nai-Chuang Yang, Assistant Professor of Chemistry, plans to conduct research on the relationship between the macrocyclic effect and the reactivity of four organic compounds.

The College is using funds from the NEH Challenge Grant to strengthen its humanities programs through professional development of the faculty and the expansion of the Library's book collection. To qualify for the \$250,000 Challenge Grant, the College raised \$750,000 in gifts and pledges from alumnae, trustees, faculty, staff, students, parents, and friends. The grant plus gifts will add \$1,000,000 to Agnes Scott's endowment. For the College to receive the entire \$250,000 of the grant, all pledges must be paid by June 30,

#### WOMEN SPEAK THEIR MINDS

Six women who have achieved in nontraditional areas for women spoke at the second Agnes Scott College Women and Mindpower Symposium, "Women and Achievement," Feb. 24 and 25. Here are some of their comments.



MARIE W. DODD, Vice President, Ivan Allen Company, and first woman head of the Board of Regents of the University System in Georgia — "At no stage in history has education and achievement for women been without sacrifices, controversy and opposition. Each step to eliminate sex-biased inequality has met with resistance — a resistance which unfortunately . . . will in some degree be evident in the decades to come."



EUGENIE CLARK, Professor of Zoology, University of Maryland, and shark expert featured in National Geographic Magazine and films — "I met my first obstacle as a woman in science when I was a graduate student at Scripps Institution of Oceanography [late 1940's]. We women students could go out on the research boat during the day, but we weren't allowed to go on the overnight expeditions with the male students. Today women and men scientists go together on ocean research expeditions all over the world."



RUTH GARRETT, Attorney, King & Spalding — "It wasn't until 1972 that all law schools were open to women, that the most prestigious law schools allowed admittance to women." ... "Yes, you're going to meet resistance as a lawyer because you are a woman, but men's attitudes are changing as their daughters enter the legal profession."



JEANNE A. PETREK, Assistant Professor of Surgery, Emory University School of Medicine and surgeon, Grady Hospital—"Medical school is no more difficult than high school or undergraduate school. You just do one thing at a time to the best of your ability and do what is required each day. Perhaps men make medical school sound so difficult because they don't want any extra competition in a very self-fulfilling and lucrative profession."



MONICA KAUFMAN, news anchor, WSB-TV — "You may see women on the television screen or hear them over the radio, but you will find very few women behind the scenes. Very few have broken into the management side of broadcasting where the decisions are made about hiring, firing and programming."...."If you want to achieve, be willing to be the different one who stands out and be willing to take calculated risks."



CATHEY STEINBERG, Legislator, Georgia General Assembly — "The greatest chance for change for women is through the political process. Women must contribute money, work in campaigns, and run for office.... Political power is not acquired, it is taken, and women must learn to take their share."

#### FACULTY NOTES/FACULTY NOTES/FACUL

PAVID P. BEHAN, Associate
Professor of Philosophy, presented the
paper "Source and Subject in
Meditatio II" in early April to a
meeting of the Southern Society for
Philosophy and Psychology. He
presented an earlier edition of this
paper in the fall to the Georgia
Philosophical Society.

of German and Chairman of the Department, was invited by the Georgia Department of Education to help in interviewing candidates in January for this year's Governor's Honors Program in German. He participated in a workshop for teachers of German in February at the Goethe Institute in Atlanta.

Louise Harrison Waterman Professor of Theatre and Chairman of the Department, presented a workshop on acting styles at the Georgia Theatre Conference in November. He gave a lecture in January on French playwright Molière at the Dunwoody Stage Door Players, an Atlanta area community theatre.

Professor of Psychology, attended the University of Illinois Conference, "The Teaching of Psychology to Undergraduates," in January.

Assistant Professor of Sociology, has been invited to present a paper in April at the symposium, "Femininity and Feminism in the Deep South," for a meeting of the Southern Anthropological Society. Her paper is entitled "The Making of the Southern Woman: Socialization Then and Now." She spoke on "Family Life in Colonial Times" at the annual meeting of the Georgia Chapters of Colonial Dames in March in Atlanta. Her brief commentary, "More on Identifying the Rural Community," was published in Rural Sociologist, January, 1982.

Professor of History, has contributed an essay on Douglas Southall Freeman to the forthcoming Dictionary of Literary Biography, published by Gale Research Company of Detroit. Freeman, author of R. E. Lee, Lee's Lieutenants, and George Washington, is one of fifteen historians who receive extended coverage in a volume devoted to sixty American historians of this century.

Professor of French, presented a lecture on the novel L'Oeuvre au Noir by Marguerite Yourcenar to a literary group of the Alliance Francaise of Atlanta in December. Dr. Hubert pointed out that Mlle. Yourcenar,

admitted to the French Academy in 1635, was the first woman so honored.

Associate Professor of Economics, has had a case study published in one of the two major arbitration journals, Labor Arbitration Reports, Vol. 81, No. 1. His invited review of the monetary economics textbook Money and the Economy, 5th Edition by John J. Klein was cited in the book, published this year. Dr. Johnson lectured this fall on the Great Depression and current national economic policy to advanced students of Renfroe Middle School in Decatur. He continues his work as an arbitrator of labor/management disputes for industrial companies and government agencies.

Professor of Sociology and Chairman of the Department of Sociology and Anthropology, presented a paper in March on changes in sex roles in the family at the "Daughters & Mothers Symposium" in Atlanta. The symposium was sponsored by the Center on Women and the Alumnae Associations of Women's Colleges.

Associate Professor of French, attended the annual meeting of the Modern Language Association (M.L.A.) in December, at which she participated in seminars on literature written by women. Among other Agnes Scott faculty who attended seminars in their respective fields at the M.L.A. meeting were Mary E. Butler, Assistant Professor of English; Claire M. Hubert, Associate Professor of French; Lois M. Overbeck, Assistant Professor of English; Patricia G. Pinka, Associate Professor of English; and Linda L. Woods, Associate Professor of English.

Associate Professor of Chemistry, is serving this year as treasurer of the Georgia Section of the American Chemical Society. He has been appointed as a Visiting Scholar at Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill., for the coming summer. He will collaborate with Professor D. F. Shriver in developing systematic approaches for characterization of the interaction of carbon monoxide with metal and metal oxide surfaces. These studies relate directly to many industrial chemical processes involving carbon monoxide. According to Dr. Kuznesof, carbon monoxide promises to be a much greater source of chemical feed-stocks and fuels in the future as our primary fossil source of carbon shifts from petroleum to coal. (Cont'd. p. 6)

#### CAMPUS SAMARITANS WEAR BLUE

AGNES SCOTT POLICE RESCUE "RESUSCI ANNIE." Agnes Scott Police Officers John Brantley and Margo Turner demonstrate CPR technique on "Resusci Annie" of the American National Red Cross. All Agnes Scott police officers are trained in first aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation.



When one of the heaviest snow storms in the history of Atlanta closed the Agnes Scott College campus for three days this January, the men and women of the college police force continued working. They drove employees home and rescued students caught in the storm across town. They helped the City of Decatur Police direct traffic, work car accidents, and clear the roads of stranded vehicles. And, as always, they patrolled the campus by car and on foot, day and night.

Even in pleasant weather these samaritans in blue uniforms provide special services for students and the campus. After dark they escort students across campus and to and from parking lots and the local bus and train stations. They also stand by at all student parties and dances, on and off campus. The student Social Council praises the officers for their work at social functions.

"They are very supportive and easy to work with," states Katherine Crallé '82 of Durham, N.C., president of Social Council. "We like having our own police at off-campus functions because they know us and our guests."

The student body as a whole seems to respect and admire the police officers. As campus activist and Truman Scholar Burlette Carter '82 of Denmark, S.C., states, "The relationship between the Agnes Scott Police Force and the student body is a very special one. I think that the officers are firmly committed to making Agnes Scott as safe a campus as possible, yet there is time for camaraderie. This mixture of business and camaraderie is very refreshing and very appropriate on a college campus."

In addition to patrolling the campus, investigating crimes, and providing officers for student functions and for the escort service, the Agnes Scott Police Force handles emergencies. In 1980-81 alone, they responded to 118 emergency calls ranging from transporting students to medical facilities to giving cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR)

to heart attack victims.

All Agnes Scott police officers take a course in first aid and CPR during their initial training. Two officers, Dennis Blanton and John Brantley, have taken the advanced course in CPR and emergency rescue care. Officer Brantley is a State certified paramedic. He is also the certified training instructor for the Agnes Scott Police Force. Police Chief Al Evans and Officer Margo Turner are qualified as firearm instructors for the force.

As of this past summer, all Agnes Scott police officers are trained in professional police academies and certified as police rather than as just security guards. Chief Evans urged the College to train its officers as State certified police because "the campus is now part of its suburban environment and criminals don't differentiate between suburbia and a college campus. Professionally trained police are needed on the campus just as they are in the suburbs and in the city."

Agnes Scott President Marvin B. Perry, Jr., agrees. "At this time colleges in urban areas everywhere are concerned about crime and are upgrading their security forces to police departments. Agnes Scott's Police Force should be among those campus law enforcement agencies known for their professionalism and effectiveness in providing a safe environment for teaching and learning."

#### OLDEST AGNES SCOTT ALUMNA CELEBRATES 103 YEARS



Annie Shannon Wiley Preston (far left), the oldest known living alumna of Agnes Scott College, celebrated her 103rd birthday January 15. Dr. Marvin B. Perry, Jr., President, and Virginia Brown McKenzie, Director of Alumnae Affairs, visited Mrs. Preston in her home in Decatur, Ga., and presented her with an Agnes Scott letter opener. The microphones pinned to each of them were for the recording made for the College's archives. Mrs. Preston, who attended Agnes Scott from 1805 to 1807, still visits the campus for alumnae functions.

#### FILM SERIES BOAST ENTERTAINMENT AND CULTURE

By Mary Katherine Bassett '83

Quality has always been synonymous with cultural events at Agnes Scott. The latest cultural medium to evolve at Agnes Scott, the film series, is no exception. Both the Agnes Scott Film Series and the French Art Films are attracting a regular audience of students and community residents. Some come for the entertainment or for the education in French art, while others are interested in film as an American art form.

Diversity is the key to the success of the four-year-old Agnes Scott Film Series. Films range from such classics as "Pride and Prejudice," "A Tale of Two Cities," and "Hamlet" to foreign films sponsored by the French Department such as "The Eternal Return" and "The Stranger." Old Hollywood favorites like "From Here to Eternity," "An American in Paris," and "Adam's Rib" seem to be as popular as recent Hollywood blockbusters like "Julia" and "The Turning Point."

Co-sponsors of the series, Steven Haworth of the Political Science Department, and Penny Wistrand of the Development Office, stress that "the series attempts to offer different types of films which students would not ordinarily have the opportunity to see. Most of the films shown can only be seen occasionally in Atlanta."

The French Art Films Series, new this year, has already attracted standing-room-only crowds of students and community residents.

# NEW FINANCIAL AID & COLLEGE FUND DIRECTORS

Increased activity in development and general fund raising at Agnes Scott College has made it necessary to create the position of Director of the Agnes Scott Fund in the Office of Development. Appointed to this new position January 1 is Bonnie Brown Johnson '70, who reports to Dr. Paul McCain, Vice President for Development. Prior to her appointment, Mrs. Johnson was Director of Financial Aid for four and one-half years.

Succeeding Mrs. Johnson as Director of Financial Aid is Susan D. Little, a Return to College graduate of the Class of 1980. Mrs. Little worked in the Office of Financial Aid for one and one-half years prior to being named the director.

Claire Hubert of the French Department, who organized the series, reports that "there seems to be a great interest in French art history." The series includes six films on medieval art and architecture, the Louvre, 18thcentury art, and the artists Cézanne, Monet, and Picasso.

#### WOMEN AND CURRICULUM

"Women and Curriculum," April 14 and 15, will be the third and final Women and Mindpower Symposium for 1981-82. Speaking on the integration of information about women into the college curriculum will be Catharine R. Stimpson, founding editor of Signs, a scholarly publication on women's studies, and Mary S. Metz, President of Mills College, a women's college in Oakland, Calif. The public is invited, free of charge.

#### PRESIDENT'S COLUMN (CONT'D.)

integral part of the whole liberal arts experience, would be an act of infidelity to the original purpose of the institution."

I invite you to make your pledge today toward the science hall's \$3,000,000 and keep Agnes Scott's science programs "on the cutting edge."



ALUMNAE LEADERS AND AGNES SCOTT PRESIDENT LOOK OVER SCIENCE PLANS

Dorothy Holloran Addison '43 (left), President Marvin B. Perry, Jr., and Jackie Simmons Gou '52, discuss the renovation plans for the science hall. They looked over the plans during the Science Hall Campaign dinner held on campus in January for Atlanta area alumnae. Mrs. Addison is chairman of Greater Atlanta Alumnae for the fund-raising campaign, and Mrs. Gow is assisting with the campaign as president of the Alumnae Association. To bring the Science Hall Campaign to alumnae throughout the country, President Perry is speaking at alumnae dinner meetings in Charleston, S.C.; Charlotte, N.C.; Dallas and Houston, Texas; Knoxville and Memphis, Tenn.; Mobile and Montgomery, Ala.; New York City, and Washington, D.C. Alumnae will also have the opportunity to learn about the science hall renovation during Alumnae Weekend.

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Between November 1, 1981 and January 31, 1982, Agnes Scott has received gifts in honor or in memory of each of the above. In addition, the Alumnae Association placed a memorial book in the McCain Library for each alumna who died during this period.

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IEAN LEMONDS, Instructor in Music, attended the national convention of the National Association of Teachers of Singing in December. She was ordained and installed as an elder in the First Presbyterian Church in Atlanta in January.

Professor of Classical Languages and Literatures, has had her article "Imitation and Style in Angelo Poliziano's Iliad Translation" accepted for publication in Renaissance Quarterly.

Professor of Art, had her painting "Floating Triangle" accepted for the Seventh LaGrange National Sculpture and Painting Show held in March. She attended the annual meeting of the College Art Association of America in February.

Associate Professor of Physical Education and Chairman of the Department, attended a Water Safety Instructor Trainer Workshop in Atlanta in March. She attended the general program of the National Conference on Physical Education in November.

of Music and College Organist, has been invited to play the dedicatory recital on the new Austin organ at Clairmont Presbyterian Church in Atlanta on April 25.

Associate Professor of Music, has had his performance edition of "Suscepit Israel" from the Magnificat by J. S. Bach accepted for publication by the Neil Kjos Music Publishing Company. He presented new choral literature to choral conductors at the Georgia Music Educator's Association State Convention in January and attended the American Choral Directors Association Regional Conference in February. As a member of the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra Chorus under Robert Shaw, he will sing with the Chorus at the World's Fair in Knoxville, Tenn. The Chorus will record the Gloria by Francis Poulenc this spring. He is also coordinating workshop seminars to be held at Agnes Scott College by both the Atlanta Area Orff-Schulwerk Society and the Georgia Association of Music Theorists.

Dean of the College and Lecturer in Psychology, presented the program, "Your Early Reader and First Grade," at Emory University in November with Dr. Wood Smithurst of the Emory Reading Center. The program focused on ways parents of early

reading children can work with schools to make the transition to first grade easier. Mrs. Moye presented the paper, "Learning Categorization Skills: A Cognitive-Developmental Approach," at the Southeastern Psychological Association in late March. This research report dealt with the relationship between the child's ability to use memory strategies and his/her other cognitive skills.

#### SOLOMON'S TEMPLE FILMED FOR TV DOCUMENTARY

Solomon's Temple at Agnes Scott College begins to "burn" for a television documentary scheduled for broadcast in 1983. Thanks to modern technology and some skilled technicians, though, the model designed by Agnes Scott Professor Emeritus Paul L. Garber survived the November "fire." Special effects experts set up gas fire wands and smoke machines to create the illusion of the Temple being consumed by flames, as was the real Solomon's Temple in 586 B.C. The television





documentary, "Civilization and the Jews," is being produced by public television station WNET/13 of New York City. The model, which was opened for the filming to reveal the detailed, scaled interior, has been left open for future visitors. Always a popular attraction for campus guests, the Agnes Scott model is the most historically accurate model of Solomon's Temple in existence, according to Dr. Garber and Dr. Mary Boney Sheats of the Bible and Religion Department.

Professor of English, has had her article "An Absurd Morality Play:

Rediscovery of the Old in the New (Eugene Ionesco's Exit the King)" accepted for publication in Comparative Drama Conference, Vol. II, Humanities Press for the University of Florida. She served as associate chairperson for a session at the Conference on College Composition and Communication in March.

Charles A. Dana,

Professor of Art and Chairman of the Department, attended the annual meeting of the College Art Association of America in February.

Assistant
Professor of Biology, presented the seminar, "Studies of the Reproductive Biology of Themiste Lageniformis from the Indian River," to the Smithsonian Institution and Harbor Branch Foundation Inc. in Ft. Pierce, Fla., in December. He attended the annual meetings of the American Society of Zoologists the same month.

Fuller E. Callaway Professor of Bible and Religion, will be awarded an honorary Doctor of Letters degree by Presbyterian College, Clinton, S.C., where she will preach the baccalaureate sermon May 9. She will become the first woman to preach the baccalaureate sermon at Converse College, Spartanburg, S.C., on May 23. She is serving as chairperson of the Atlanta Presbytery's Commission on the Minister, which has oversight of churches, ministers, and ministerial candidates in the Atlanta area. She, along with Professor Emeritus W. Edward McNair and Agnes Scott alumna Henrietta Thompson Wilkinson '40, served on a committee of the Atlanta Presbytery that wrote a paper entitled "The Charismatic Movement." Dr. Sheats gave a series of Bible studies entitled "The Quest for Meaning" for the Presbytery of Southwest Georgia's "Celebration of Faith" in March.

Assistant Professor of Philosophy, will give a presentation on religious existentialism to the Faculty "Tabletalk" at Agnes Scott April 20. This spring quarter he is introducing the course "Philosophical Foundations of Sexual Morality," which explores the traditional Western sexual norm and contemporary theories in psychology, biology, and sociology that suggest a new foundation for sexual morality.

LHLAND STAVEN. Associate Professor of Art and Curator of the Dalton Galleries, has had two poems, "Beacon Fire" and "Jurassic Attendant," accepted for publication in the Fall, 1982 issue of San Fernando Poetry Journal.

## STUDENT'S HISTORICAL RESEARCH UNCOVERS HEROINE IN AGNES SCOTT'S FRONT YARD (CONT'D.)

Decatur Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, the collections of the DeKalb and the Atlanta Historical Societies, and the library of Duke University. Along the way, she turned up editions of a volume of poetry and a novel by Miss Gay, an unpublished biographical essay on her that had been missing for over thirty years, an informal history of the Agnes Lee Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy

#### SOUTHERN WOMEN: IMAGES, MYTHS, AND REALITIES

A symposium sponsored by the Junior League of DeKalb County, Agnes Scott College, and the Georgia Endowment for the Humanities.

MONDAY, APRIL 19, 1982

Keynote Address: "Southern Women: Images, Myths, and Realities" by Anne F. Scott, W. K. Boyd Professor of History, Duke University — 8:00 p.m., Presser Hall, Agnes Scott College.

TUESDAY, APRIL 20, 1982

Orientation and registration for seminars — 9:00-9:15 a.m., Rebekah Scott Hall

Seminar Meetings (concurrent) — 9:15-10:30 a.m., Rebekah Scott Hall

Seminar I: "Women's Clubs and Organizations: Images and Reality" by
Darlene Roth, President, The History Group, Inc. and Director for
Historical Research, Women's Records Project of Georgia, Inc.

Seminar II: "Southern Women from Reality to Myth" (Modes of dress) by Louise E. Shaw, Director, Georgia State University Art Gallery and Exhibit Director, "Atlanta Women from Myth to Modern Times," Atlanta Historical Society

Seminar III: "In Search of Mary Gay: Writing Her Biography" by Kathryn L. Helgesen, Charles A. Dana Scholar, Agnes Scott College

Seminar IV: "Women's Colleges — Spelman and Agnes Scott" by Beverly Guy-Sheftall, Director, Spelman College, Women's Research and Resource Center, and Mildred L. Petty, former Assistant Dean and former Lecturer in History, Agnes Scott College

Seminar Meetings repeated — 10:45-12:00 noon

Luncheon Address: "What We Have Learned: Current Images, Myths, and Realities" by Elizabeth Minnich, Dean, The Union for Experimenting Colleges and Universities" — 12:15-1:30 p.m., Rebekah Scott Hall. (Box Iunch, \$3.50.)

Guided tour of Mary Gay House restoration — 2:00-3:00 p.m., 713 West Trinity Street, Decatur.

All events are open to the public, free of charge. For more information, call the Junior League of DeKalb County at 404/378-4536.

#### **COLLEGE HONORS CUSTODIANS**





Agnes Scott custodians Lou Nell Ghee and Corrie Cash (far left) are presented letters of commendation for outstanding attendance by Vaughan Black, Director of Physical Plant. Mrs. Ghee and Mr. Cash were absent one day or less during 1981. Custodian John Austin (left) receives a letter of appreciation from Mr. Black for working during the January snowstorm. The College has honored custodians with outstanding attendance records for five consecutive years.

written in Miss Gay's own hand, and letters to and from Miss Gay found on microfilm in the Duke University Library.

As Ms. Helgesen discovered more and more information on Mary Gay and as the Junior League came nearer to completing the restoration of Miss Gay's house, the League decided to expand its original plans for a seminar on Miss Gay into a symposium on southern women. Funding was obtained from the National Endowment for the Humanities through the Georgia Endowment for the Humanities, and Agnes Scott was invited to provide the facilities.

The symposium will focus on the historical role that individual women, women's colleges, and women's clubs and organizations have had on both the reality and the image of women in the South. The keynote speakers will be two of the nation's outstanding

Anne F. Scott Keynote Speaker





Elizabeth K. Minnich Luncheon Speaker

scholars of women's history and women's studies — Georgia native Anne F. Scott of Duke University and Elizabeth K. Minnich of The Union for Experimenting Colleges and Universities.

All events are open to the public, free of charge. No advance registration will be held. For a complete schedule, see the symposium events listing.

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#### AGNES SCOTT TO ABSORB FEDERAL CUTS IN FINANCIAL AID TO STUDENTS

Changes in financial aid are becoming the rule rather than the exception. As federal regulations change and educational assistance funds are cut in Social Security benefits, Guaranteed Student Loans, and governmental grant programs, we are having to adapt to a level of uncertainty never before experienced in the student financial aid profession. Although Agnes Scott's participation in federal grant and loan programs will continue, we cannot expect that our students will receive as much assistance from these sources as in the past.

Agnes Scott, however, is still committed to attempting to meet the full demonstrated financial need of every accepted applicant. It is our strong belief that financial need should not prevent any qualified student from attending Agnes Scott College. The policy allows our Admissions staff to seek out high school students who have great academic promise and leadership potential. Our financial aid program is

By Susan D. Little Director of Financial Aid



an investment in the future of these young women.

To help Agnes Scott students and their families cope with increasing costs and decreasing governmental assistance, the College is offering a new loan option to parents whose combined income is between \$30,000 and \$70,000 per year and which will enable them to extend the payment period for their daughter's educational expenses. Agnes Scott is providing its own funds for the loans at a lower interest rate than is generally available commercially.

We are fortunate that our financial aid program at Agnes Scott is not as dependent on governmental funding as are those of most colleges. The challenge of continuing to meet the full financial need of our students is going to become greater in the coming years. With the strong support of our friends and alumnae, Agnes Scott's tradition of excellence in women's education will continue in spite of governmental budget cuts.

# the President's rewsletter AGNES SCOTT COLLEGE Decatur, Georgia 30030 Series 79, Number 2, Summer 1982

#### FROM THE PRESIDENT



Dr. Marvin B. Perry, Jr.

I know you will join me in welcoming to the campus Agnes Scott's fifth president, Dr. Ruth A. Schmidt. She comes to the presidency at a crucial time in Agnes Scott's history, and she brings with her strong credentials earned in a distinguished career of college teaching and administration. Her credentials are further enhanced by her demonstrated, active concern for excellence in liberal arts education and for larger opportunities for women in today's world.

From our first meeting with Dr.

From our first meeting with Dr. Schmidt, Mrs. Perry and I were strongly impressed with her warmth and friendliness, her dignity and simplicity, her quiet but deep personal commitment to Agnes Scott's long Judeo-Christian heritage and ideals of service.

It is hard for the Perrys to say "good-bye" to Agnes Scott. For nine years it has been at the center of our lives, and thanks to you all these nine years have been continually enriched by your warm friendship and support. We shall always be grateful!

We shall always be grateful!

I know you will give our new president the same gracious welcome you gave us in 1973, and I am confident that she will merit, and receive, your support and friendship throughout her service at Agnes Scott.

EDITOR'S NOTE: The Perrys are retiring to Charlottesville, Virginia, where their address is 915 Cottage Lane, Charlottesville, VA 22903.

Ave atque vale!

#### AGNES SCOTT COLLEGE NAMES FIRST WOMAN PRESIDENT

The first woman president in the 93-year history of Agnes Scott College will assume her post July 1. Dr. Ruth A. Schmidt of Wheaton College, Norton, Mass., has been elected by the Board of Trustees to succeed Dr. Marvin B. Perry, Jr., who retires June 30.

Dr. Schmidt is provost and professor of Spanish at Wheaton, a women's liberal arts college of 1200 students. The 51-year-old educator will be only the fifth president in the history of Agnes Scott.

Agnes Scott Board Chairman Lawrence L. Gellerstedt, Jr., has pledged "enthusiastic cooperation and support" for Dr. Schmidt. "She was the unanimous choice of the Board following an intensive evaluation of more than 130 outstanding educators in consultation with the faculty, students, and alumnae. We set out to find the best person for the job and it thrilled me that the best candidate was a woman. Dr. Schmidt's background eminently qualifies her to move into the presidency of Agnes Scott and to serve as a role model and leader for young women at a unique time in their lives."

Contacted in Massachusetts upon the announcement of her election, Dr. Schmidt said, "Agnes Scott College's long commitment to excellence in liberal arts education for women is one which I share. I'm excited by the prospect of working with the College's caring and able people in an era in which women's lives are more complex than ever because they have more choices to make."

As provost of Wheaton College, Dr. Schmidt has been directing the College's federally funded program to incorporate research and scholarship on women into all areas of its liberal arts curriculum. She led a workshop on this program for Agnes Scott faculty in April during the College's Women and Mindpower Symposium, "Women and the College Curriculum." Wheaton's balanced curriculum project has received national recognition from colleges, scholars, and educational news media.

"I was able to meet with about half the faculty at that time," Dr. Schmidt said. "But I haven't gotten to know the College well enough to



Ruth A. Schmidt New President

formulate goals yet. I think I need to learn more about Agnes Scott before deciding what to do in the future."

On the national level in higher education Dr. Schmidt serves as treasurer and as a member of the board of directors of the Association of American Colleges. She is also a member of the executive committee of the Council of Chief Academic Officers of the American Council on Education. She has been active throughout her teaching career in the Modern Language Association on national committees and in the section on 18th and 19th century Spanish literature.

A native of Minnesota, she graduated summa cum laude from Augsburg College, Minneapolis, Minn., in 1952 with a B.A. in English and Spanish. She began her career in education that year as a high school teacher of Spanish and English in Detroit Lakes, Minn. After receiving her M.A. in Spanish from the University of Missouri, she taught at Mary Baldwin College in Virginia for three years.

She received her Ph.D. in Spanish from the University of Illinois in 1962 and joined the State University of New York at Albany as an assistant

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#### First Woman President (cont'd.)

professor of Spanish. She was promoted to associate professor and in 1971 named dean of humanities. During her tenure at Albany, she was named a Distinguished Alumna by her undergraduate alma mater. In 1978, she went to Wheaton College as provost and professor of Spanish.

The author of a number of articles on Spanish literature, Dr. Schmidt has written two books on Spanish literary figures. She speaks frequently on the topic of women and religion, on which she has written

several articles.

In addition to holding memberships in professional and scholarly organizations, Dr. Schmidt has been active in community affairs as a member of the National Historic Trust, Norton Historical Association, Bread for the World, and the Attleboro Covenant Church. She is also a member of the board of trustees of Gordon College, Wenham, Mass.

#### PARENT LOAN PLAN TO OFFSET FEDERAL AID CUTS

As the federal government has made cuts in financial aid programs for college students, Agnes Scott College has sought ways to help students pay for the increase in costs. One program the College has developed is the Parent Loan Plan which will begin next fall.

The plan, designed for parents with combined incomes over \$30,000 a year, enables parents to pay for their daughter's education in regular installments at a lower than usual interest rate. Agnes Scott is providing its own funds for the loans at an interest rate of 10.5% in 1982-83.

"The Parent Loan Plan has been very favorably received by parents and students," reports Susan D. Little, Director of Financial Aid. "It is a very positive measure which provides assistance to those who will receive the least from governmental sources in the future."

For more information about Agnes Scott's Parent Loan Plan and other financial aid programs, write Susan D. Little, Director of Financial Aid, Agnes Scott College, Decatur, Georgia 30030; or call 404/373-2571.

#### MORTAR BOARD TAPS FIRST HONORARY MEMBER — ELLEN PERRY

The First Lady of Agnes Scott College, Ellen Perry, this spring became the first honorary member ever elected by the 50-year-old Agnes Scott College HOASC Chapter of Mortar Board.

Mortar Board is a national honorary society whose members are chosen for their scholarship, leadership, and service to the community. This year 19 rising seniors were elected to the Agnes

Scott chapter.

Mrs. Perry was elected for her leadership activities in the local Decatur and Atlanta communities. She has served on the boards of the DeKalb and Metropolitan Atlanta YWCA's and of the Community Center of South Decatur. Active in the Decatur and Oakhurst Presbyterian Churches, she has served on the board of the Decatur Cooperative Ministry and as a community relations advisor to the Christian Council of Metropolitan Atlanta. She has been a member of the Atlanta Historical Society, the Women's Association of the Atlanta

Symphony, and the League of Women Voters.

The student members and officers elected to the 1982-83 Mortar Board at Agnes Scott are as follows: President Susan Carrington Whitten, Lynchburg, Va.; Vice-President Kathryn Hart, Tallahassee, Fla.; Secretary Laura Lavinia Head, Gainesville, Ga.; Treasurer Cecily Lane Langford, Winder, Ga.; Editor Laurie Kerlen McBrayer, St. Louis, Mo.; Historian Marcia Gay Whetsel, Morristown, Tenn.; Mary Katherine Bassett, Leesburg, Fla.; Katherine Friend Blanton, Richmond, Va.; Barbara Lynn Boersma, Ruston, La.; Carie Marie Cato, Central, S.C.; Pamela Ruth DeRuiter, Signal Mountain, Tenn.; Angela Drake, Atlanta, Ga.; Martha Scott Echols, Greenville, S.C.; Valerie Ann Hepburn, Bogart, Ga.; Gretchen Gail Lindsay, Longwood, Fla.; Amy Wynelle Potts, College Park, Ga.; Sallie Ashlin Rowe, Fredericksburg, Va.; Jody Renea Stone, Moultrie, Ga.; and Jane A. Zanca, Stone Mountain, Ga.

### HUMANITIES PRIZES TO HONOR PROFESSOR MERONEY

A group of Agnes Scott College alumnae have established the Meroney Prizes in the Humanities to honor Professor Geraldine M. Meroney who retires from the Department of History the end of June. The College's Board of Trustees has made a grant to the fund and has elected Dr. Meroney Professor Emeritus of History as of July 1.

The two Meroney Prizes will be awarded each fall at Honors Day Convocation to the junior and senior with the highest grade point averages in the greatest number of courses in

the humanities.

The prizes will honor Professor Meroney's "contributions to her students and the College and her



Geraldine M. Meroney Professor of History

belief in the formative value of the humanities in shaping the individual's mind and life."

Martine Watson Brownley '69, an English professor at Emory University, helped solicit contributions from former students of Professor Meroney. "Funds just flowed in. Miss Meroney was one of the most central figures in the experience of many students at Agnes Scott. For a lot of people, she personified the best that the College represented."

Professor Meroney came to Agnes Scott in 1966. In her courses, she emphasized that history was much more than the rote memorization of facts and dates. Such an approach, she stated, "neglects the role that emotion plays in the course of events. History should act as a mirror to inform and teach us about ourselves, about our humanity." Her courses in twentieth century Europe, medieval civilization, Western civilization, the Renaissance, and European intellectual history reflected this philosophy.

In addition to being a popular teacher, Professor Meroney has been one of Agnes Scott's most prolific scholars. Although her specialty is the medieval period, she has done extensive research on the Loyalists of Georgia and South Carolina during

the American Revolution.

#### BOARD OF TRUSTEES ELECTS NEW MEMBERS



Jackie Simmons Gow '52 Atlanta, Ga.



Dorothy Holloran Addison '43 Atlanta, Ga.



Elizabeth "Betty" Henderson Cameron '43 Wilmington, N.C.



John E. Smith, II Atlanta, Ga.

The Agnes Scott College Board of Trustees at its spring meeting elected four new members. They are Dorothy Holloran Addison '43 of Atlanta, Elizabeth "Betty" Henderson Cameron '43 of Wilmington, N.C., retiring Alumnae Association President Jackie Simmons Gow '52 of Atlanta, and John E. Smith, II, of Atlanta.

The election of Mrs. Addison and Mrs. Cameron brings the total number of women on the 31-member board to 11. Two positions are always filled by women who are the two immediate past presidents of the Agnes Scott Alumnae Association. Mrs. Gow takes one of these four-year positions, and Celia "Cissie" Spiro Aidnoff '51 is in the middle of her four-year term.

As a new trustee, Mrs. Addison comes to the Board with experience in fund raising and alumnae organizing. She has held various offices in the Alumnae Association, including that of regional vice president and fund chairman. She is now serving as Atlanta alumnae chairman of the Science Fund Campaign.

Mrs. Cameron has been a leader in human relations in Wilmington. She is a commissioner on the New Hanover County Human Relations Commission and a member of the board of directors of the Presbyterian Personal and Family Life Center. She is a past member of the YWCA Interracial Dialogue Group and past president of Women in Action for the

Prevention of Violence and Its Causes.

Mrs. Gow, in addition to serving as president of the Agnes Scott Alumnae Association for the past two years, has continued her active volunteer service in Atlanta. She is a trustee of the Fledgling Foundation and an executive committee member of the Georgia Association for Pastoral Care.

Mr. Smith is the son of Hal L. Smith, who was chairman of the College's trustees for 17 years and is now a trustee emeritus. Mr. Smith, II, is president of John Smith Co. and a director and past president of the Metropolitan Atlanta Automobile Dealers Association. He also serves on the advisory board of C & S National Bank and as chairman of the Camping Council of Metropolitan Atlanta YMCA.

#### AWARDS DAY HONORS STUDENTS

Twenty-eight awards were presented to 30 Agnes Scott College students and one alumna during the College's annual Awards Day Convocation in May. President Marvin B. Perry, Jr., announced six literary prizes, five science awards, seven fine arts awards, three language awards, and seven other assorted academic and service awards.

The literary prizes and their recipients are as follows: Robert Frost Prize in Creative Writing — Laurie Petronis '85, St. Petersburg, Fla.; Academy of American Poets Prize and Second Place for Louise McKinney Book Award — Robyn Perry '84, Bartlesville, Okla.; Janef Newman Preston Prize for Fiction and Second Place, Informal Essay Category, Southern Literary Festival — Jane Zanca '83, Return to College student, Stone Mountain, Ga.; Louise McKinney Book Award, First Place — Susan Mead '82, Lexington, Va., and Southern Literary Festival, Formal Essay Category, Third Place — Katherine Lewis '82, Greenville, S.C.

The science awards and their recipients include the following: S. Leonard Doerpinghaus Scholarship for Summer Study — Amy Mortensen '83, Marietta, Ga.; Outstanding Freshman Chemistry Student (CRC Press, Inc. Award) — Laura Feese '85, Danville, Ky.; Undergraduate Award in Analytical Chemistry, American Chemical Society — Rebecca Moorer '83, Moscow, Idaho; American Institute of Chemists Medal for the outstanding chemistry major — Mary Stortz Cox '82, Atlanta, Ga.; and Clark Award in Organic Chemistry — Mary Ellen Huckabee '84, Charlotte, N.C., and Mary Leigh Ward Sellers '84, Decatur, Ga.

The fine arts awards and their recipients are as follows: Dalton Award for two-dimensional art work — Susan Glover '82, Tullahoma, Tenn., and for three-dimensional art (Cont'd p. 5)

#### TEN SENIORS ELECTED TO PHI BETA KAPPA

Ten seniors in Agnes Scott College's 1982 graduating class were elected in May to Phi Beta Kappa, the nation's most prestigious honor society for liberal arts undergraduates. Election to Phi Beta Kappa is the highest academic honor a student can achieve at Agnes Scott, which has one of the only four chapters of the honor society in Georgia. Agnes Scott's Beta of Georgia chapter of Phi Beta Kappa was organized in 1926.

The new members are Mary

Stortz Cox, Atlanta, Ga.; Bonnie Gay Etheridge, Macon, Ga.; Kathleen Bell Fulton, West Palm Beach, Fla.; Susan Gay Glover, Tullahoma, Tenn.; Sonia Hall Gordon, Sao Paulo, Brazil; Kathryn Lucille Helgesen, Germantown, Tenn.; Sandra Thome Johnson, Atlanta, Ga.; Katherine Goodwin Lewis, Greenville, S.C.; Tobi Roxane Martin, Shreveport, La., and Elizabeth Ann Ruddell, Newport, Ark.

#### FACULTY NOTES/FACULTY NOTES/FACULTY NOTES/FACULTY NOTES

Professor of Education and Chairman of the Department, will have an additional chapter, "What is Teaching," included in the second edition of Physical Education for Children: A Focus on the Teaching Process, which will be released in 1983. Dr. Ammons had one chapter included in the first edition, published by Lea and Febiger of Philadelphia.

Associate
Professor of Philosophy and Chairman
of the Department, has been awarded
a course development fellowship by
the College's Committee on
Professional Development. He will
spend his summer developing two new
courses, Introduction to Political and
Legal Philosophy and Philosophy of
Science.

Professor of German and Chairman of the Department, is the recipient of the 1982 German Teacher of the Year Award, College Level, sponsored by the Georgia Chapter of the American Association of Teachers of German. In April, Dr. Bicknese traveled to the Goethe Institute in Chicago to participate in a seminar for authors of German textbooks.



Annie
Louise Harrison Waterman Professor
of Theatre and Chairman of the
Department, presented a workshop on
British Restoration acting styles at the
Georgia Theatre Conference in
Savannah in March. That same
month, he served as a critic for the
South Carolina Theatre Festival in
Florence, S.C.

Instructor in Art, won Best in Show and Second Place for Ceramics in the Toccoa (Georgia) Arts Show in May. He exhibited his works in April in the Albany (Georgia) Art Show. He attended the National Council on Education in the Ceramic Arts (NCECA) in April in San Jose, Calif. At the conference, he was appointed to the NCECA Board of Directors and appointed chairman of the Communications and Information Committee for the 1983 NCECA Conference.

Professor of History and Chairman of the Department, traveled to Zambia in southern Africa during spring break to evaluate a refugee assistance program sponsored by Africare of Washington, D.C. In May, she attended a conference at the Air Force Academy on the Teaching of World History.

Associate Professor of Psychology, was one of four leaders of the workshop, "Children's Play Styles and Structures: Cross Cultural Considerations," during the 59th Annual Meeting of the American Orthopsychiatric Association in San Francisco March 29 — April 3. She presented portions of her research with children in Turkey.

Associate Professor of Political Science and Chairman of the Department, has been awarded, along with Steven A. Haworth, Assistant Professor of Political Science, a \$1,000 Faculty Research Fellowship for the summer. They plan to research the politics of Southern development in terms of the orthodox model of modernization and to develop alternative models for explaining Southern development.

Assistant Professor of Sociology and Anthropology, will be the chairman and a discussant for the session, "Southern Women in Transition," at the Mid-South Sociological Association's meeting to be held in October in Jackson, Miss. At the meeting, she will also present a paper, "Research on Southern Women: Definitional Complexities and Methodological Problems."



Associate Professor of Sociology and Chairman of the Department of Sociology and Anthropology, has been awarded a \$2,000 Faculty Research Fellowship for the summer of 1982 to continue her research into "Authoritarianism in New Religious Movements" at the Center for the Study of New Religious Movements, Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley, Calif. She has also signed a contract with Garland Press to write a volume for their "Religion in America" series. Her volume, Hinduism in America, will cover significant Hindu influences in

America from Transcendentalism to the present.

Associate Professor of Chemistry, reports that his research at the U.S. Naval Research Laboratory, Washington, D.C., on electroactive polymers has yielded a patent (U.S. Patent 4,304,719, December 8, 1981) entitled "Conducting Iodine-doped Fluorometallophthalocyanines." Coinventors are K. J. Wynne, Office of Naval Research, and R. S. Nohr and M. E. Kenney, Case Western Reserve University. The patent assignee is the U.S. Government.

Assistant
Professor of Mathematics, attended
the Chatauqua Short Course,
"Combinatorial Problem Solving,"
sponsored by the National Science
Foundation in San Juan, Puerto Rico,
during April. In May, he led the
discussion "The Future of the Urban
Environment" at St. Luke's Episcopal
Church and presented the talk
"Computers and the Environment" to
the Agnes Scott Decatur Alumnae
Club.

Assistant Professor of Art, recently had a painting selected for the juried exhibit of the 1982 Atlanta Arts Festival. A show of her work will be on display at the Columbia Museum of Art and Science, Columbia, S.C., during July and August. She has also been awarded a course development fellowship by the College's Committee on Professional Development to develop the art history course, "The Woman as Artist in the Twentieth Century." The course will present the contributions to the visual arts of 20th-century women artists in Europe and the United States along with a critical analysis of their works.

Assistant Professor of Spanish, will travel through the Yucatán this summer to sharpen his linguistic skills and to learn more about the Mayan civilization.

Professor of Philosophy, has spent his sabbatical this year as a visiting member of the Senior Common Room at Oriel College of the University of Oxford. He has presented the paper, "Happiness and the Craft of Justice," to the Classics and Philosophy Departments of the University of Manchester and the University College of Wales, Aberystwyth. He will also give a lecture at the Ancient Greek Philosophy Seminar at Oxford. The seminar consists of faculty members giving lectures on their current areas of interest.

#### FACULTY NOTES/FACULTY NOTES/FACULTY



Dana Professor of Art and Chairman of the Department, presented two slide lectures on Andrew Wyeth in Cartersville, Ga., during April. The lectures were sponsored by the Cartersville Chapter of the American Association of University Women and the Etowah Creative Arts Council. Professor Pepe has been notified that she is listed in the 12th edition of Personalities of the South.



Assistant Professor of Biology, has been awarded a \$22,000 grant by the National Science Foundation's Two-Year and Four-Year College Research Instrumentation Program. The money will be used to purchase an ultramicrotome, an ultramicrotomy knife maker, and optical microscope equipment. These instruments will make it possible to prepare and evaluate thin sections of animal tissue with the light and electron microscope and will facilitate Dr. Pilger's study of development in marine organisms, particularly sipunculans (peanut worms).

Callaway Professor of Bible and Religion, will give a series of Bible studies at the Central Presbyterian Church in Jackson, Miss., June 27-29.

Assistant Professor of Philosophy, presented the lecture "What Is Religious Existentialism?" in May to the Agnes Scott Chapter of Phi Sigma Tau, a national honor society for philosophy students.

Associate Professor of Art and Curator of the Dalton Galleries, was recently nominated and selected by the Southern Highlands Foundation to appear in the 1982 edition of Who's Who in Georgia, a compilation of biographical information on

outstanding citizens who have distinguished themselves in business, government, or civic awareness within their communities.

Assistant
Professor of Biology, has been elected vice-chairman and editor of the Atlanta Genetics Society. His paper "Further studies on rates of dispersal of Drosophila pseudoobscura and its relatives," will be included in a collection entitled Dobzhansky's Genetics of Natural Populations (Columbia University Press, 1981, R. C. Lewontin, J. A. Moore, W. B. Provine, and B. Wallace, editors). The paper was co-authored with J. R. Powell, Th. Dobzhansky, and J. E. Hook.

#### FACULTY PROMOTIONS

The following faculty promotions were approved in May by the Board of Trustees:

Katharine D. Kennedy, Instructor in History, promoted to Assistant Professor; Robert A. Leslie, Assistant Professor of Mathematics, promoted to Associate Professor; Kate McKemie, Associate Professor of Physical Education, promoted to Professor; Patricia G. Pinka, Associate Professor of English, promoted to Professor; and Constance Shaw, Associate Professor of Spanish and Chairman of the Department, promoted to Professor.

#### GRADUATING CLASS PRESENTS GIFT TO SCIENCES

To celebrate Agnes Scott College's 93rd Commencement, the graduating class of 1982 has pledged \$3,000 to the College's Science Fund Campaign for renovation of the science hall. The gift was announced during the commencement exercises Sunday, June 6.

President Marvin B. Perry, Jr., presiding over his last commencement before his retirement June 30, presented the Bachelor of Arts degree to 109 seniors. During the ceremony, Dean of Students Martha C. Kirkland placed over each graduate's shoulders the long cloth drape, or academic hood, signifying the bachelor of arts degree. The hood displays the College's colors, purple and white.

Among the graduates were 11 daughters of alumnae, including two whose grandmothers also attended Agnes Scott. The class also included 12 Return to College students, or women older than the traditional college ages of 18 to 22.

Geographically, the class of 1982 represented 16 states from Maine to Arizona, and three foreign countries — Brazil, Germany, and Haiti.

Academically, the graduates' major areas of study ranged from theater to chemistry, with many taking double majors that most frequently combined art, English, or political science with another field. The three most popular majors were economics, English, and psychology.

#### AWARDS DAY HONORS STUDENTS (CONT'D.)

work — Christia Riley Ashmore '82, Augusta, Ga.; Blackfriars Winter-Green Scholarship for summer theatre work — Miriam Garrett '84, Atlanta, Ga.; Blackfriars Bennett Trophy for acting — Cayce Callaway '84, Ringgold, Ga.; Blackfriars Kimmel Awards — Cayce Callaway and Jennifer Shelton '84, Crestview, Fla.; Presser Scholarship in Music — Mary Jane Golding '83, Decatur, Ga.; Studio Dance Theatre Studies in Progress Award — Beth Shackleford '82, Atlanta, Ga., and Studio Dance Theatre Student Choreographer's Award — Nancy Childers '83, Catherine, Ala.

The language awards and their recipients include the following:
Margaret T. Phythian Scholarship for summer study in French — Mary Truesdale Patterson '84, Atlanta, Ga.;
Myrna Goode Young Latin Award — Deborah Moock '82, Troutman, N.C., and Lillian Dale Thomas Award in

Classical Languages — Allyson Rhymes '82, Monroe, La.

Other academic and service awards announced are as follows: Wall Street Journal Student Achievement Award — Kathleen Bell Fulton '82, West Palm Beach, Fla.; Emily S. Dexter Scholarship in psychology — Susan Ann Sowell '83, Griffin, Ga.; Kathleen Hagood Gambrell Scholarship — Leslie Colleen Flaxington '83, Lancaster, Calif.; Jennie Sentelle Houghton Scholarship - Carolyn Rose Goodman '83, Black Mountain, N.C.; Mary Angela Herbin McLennan Medical Fellowship - Susan Glover '82, Tullahoma, Tenn., and Ann G. Early '74, Atlanta, Ga.; Atlanta Rotary Club leadership award — Peggy Davis '82, Durham, N.C.; and Outstanding Student Admissions Representative Awards — Florence Hines '84, Greenville, Miss., and Susan Whitten '83, Lynchburg, Va.

#### TRIBUTES IN APPRECIATION AND IN MEMORY February 1 — May 31, 1982

#### IN MEMORIAM

HIRAM C. ALLEN, Jr.
Dr. and Mrs. Paul M. McCain

LOUISE BENNETT Catherine Parker

CARRIE BRASELTON
Sarah Frances McDonald

LILLIAN BREDOSKY
Jacqueline Stewart

JOHN A. and SALLIE BURGESS Cama Burgess Clarkson

DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE CLASS OF 1947 Class of 1947

MARY FREEMAN CURTIS
Roberta Winter

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#### CANADA'S LITERARY STAR READS AT WRITERS' FESTIVAL

The 1982 Agnes Scott College Writers' Festival featured "super-star of Canadian letters" Margaret Atwood (right), who was introduced at the Festival by Agnes Scott Professor Linda L. Woods (left). Ms. Atwood is the author of the novels Bodily Harm, Life Before Man, and Surfacing as well as several award-winning volumes of poetry. Prizes of \$100 each were awarded at the Writers' Festival for the best short story and the best poem. Agnes Scott Return to College student Jane Zanca of Stone Mountain, Ga., won the Fiction Prize, and an Emory University student won the Poetry Prize.

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Between February 1 and May 31, 1982, Agnes Scott has received gifts in honor or in memory of each of the names on the adjacent page. In addition, the Alumnae Association placed a memorial book in the McCain Library for each alumna who died during this period.

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#### THE PRESIDENT MAKES A WISH LIST

If President Marvin B. Perry, Jr., were to make a list of wishes to be fulfilled before he retires June 30, he has said he would place on the list at least two dreams for gifts to the College.

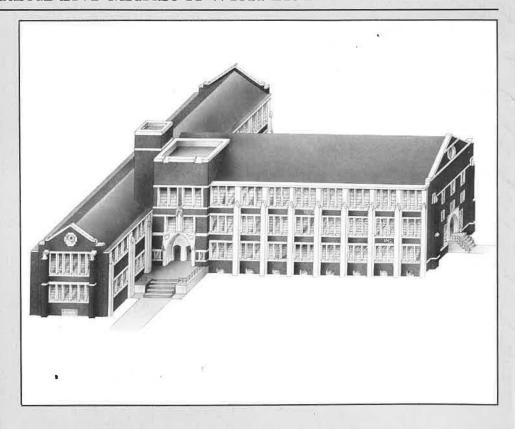
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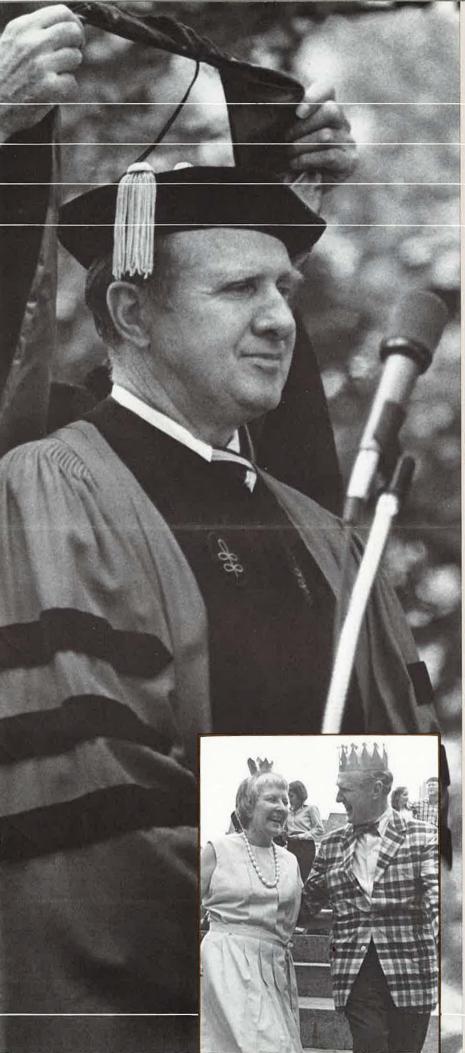
First, he would like the College to have raised at least one-half, or \$1,500,000, of the \$3,000,000 needed for renovation of the science hall. To reach the halfway point by his retirement, the College needs to receive \$50,000 in gifts during June.

Second, President Perry would

Second, President Perry would like to see an increase in the percentage of alumnae who make annual gifts to Agnes Scott. At several other leading women's colleges, 50 percent or more of their alumnae are donors, as compared to 30 percent of the alumnae of Agnes Scott. Alumnae gifts mailed by June 30, 1982, will be counted toward this goal of 50 percent participation for 1981-82.

For more information about Agnes Scott's Science Fund and annual giving programs, write Paul M. McCain, Vice President for Development, Agnes Scott College, Decatur, Georgia 30030; or call 404/373-2571.





# The perry Years

Honors and surprises of which memories are made have filled this retirement year of President Marvin B. Perry, Jr., and his

First Lady, Ellen Gilliam Perry.

In recognition of Dr. Perry's nine years of outstanding service, the Board of Trustees elected him President Emeritus. In appreciation of one of his legacies to the College, the Honor Scholars Awards, the Board appropriated funds to support these merit scholarships and directed that each year two of the recipients of these awards will be designated "Marvin B. Perry Scholars."

Mrs. Perry was named an Honorary Alumna of Agnes Scott College by the national Alumnae Association during Alumnae Weekend in April. Earlier that month, she became the first honorary member ever elected to the 50-year-old Agnes Scott Chapter of Mortar Board, a national honorary society recognizing outstanding

leadership and service.

Surprises for both the Perrys came at the student picnic held in their honor. The event began with President Perry pitching out the first ball of the intramural All Star softball game and ended with him and Mrs. Perry being crowned King and Queen. In between, the students presented the Perrys with gag gifts, performances by the arts groups which the Perrys have so generously supported, and two gifts from the entire student body—a scrapbook of memories and letters and "The Perrys' Song" written by Julie Norton '84 and Sue Feese '84 and sung by the student body.

"The Perrys' Song" is presented here with a brief pictorial review of the legacy that Marvin and Ellen Perry leave to a 93-year-old women's college that is the better

for their service and their love.





ind Mindpower Symposia, 1981-82, edevelopment of a complete, genderof humankind's heritage. The symto the campus outstanding women ofessions, including business, journaln, science, law, and medicine. Profesden (left), symposia coordinator, is one of the guest speakers, Mary S. nt of Mills College, Oakland, Calif. Construction hard hats became frequent sights on campus during President Perry's administration. Major buildings were renovated, including Buttrick Hall—the primary classroom and faculty office building, McCain Library, Dana Fine Arts Building, and, in his last year, the science hall.

"Now and then, you have to stop and think it over, stop to look it over,

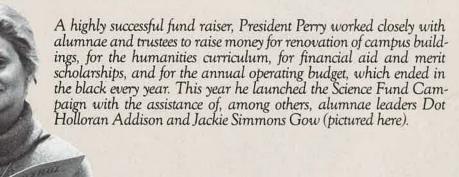
Stop to thank the ones that need the thanking!"





Dedicated service was remembered during the Perry years. Christmas parties honored longtime employees including retired custodians John Flynt, in his 90s, and Mary McClain, 100 years old, when this picture with President Perry and President Emeritus Wallace M. Alston was taken in 1978. On other occasions awards were presented to employees who worked for years without a day's absence, as did Eva M. Lewis, pictured receiving an engraved bowl from the President.

ost of all, we want to say we love you and we're thinking of you; Marvin Perry, thank you and we love you."



If we had a crown of rubies, on your head it would be seen; We would crown you King of Agnes and dear Ellen would be Queen."





The English Renaissance Festival, a yearlong series of lectures and fine arts performances honoring William Shakespeare, culminated with an Olde English Faire on the Quadrangle and a "merry olde feast" in the dining hall complete with toasts to the Queen. The festival was held in conjunction with the Folger Library exhibition "Shakespeare: The Globe and The World" at the High Museum of Art in April, 1981.



Agnes Scott engineers??? Instituted during Dr. Perry's second year, the Dual Degree program with the Georgia Institute of Technology provides women the opportunity to earn a degree from Agnes Scott and a degree from Georgia Tech in one of the various engineering fields or in several other areas. Pictured on the Georgia Tech campus is Agnes Scott's first dual degree student, Carol Hedrick, who graduated in 1979 as a chemical engineer.

For each day filled with your service, Through the years until right now, We salute you for a fine job; Marvin Perry, take a bow!"