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New face for Mercy Campus



Fourth floor view of new landscaping.

Lecture series

Dr. Daniel Maguire will visit Mercy College on October 12, 1978 to participate in the Lecture Series, "Violence and the Violated," which is being sponsored by the College and supported by a grant from the S & H Foundation, Student Government, and Master Calendar.

Dr. Maguire is currently professor of theology at Marquette University, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. He has lectured widely and published extensively in various areas of moral theology, including questions related to death and dying, religious and moral values in education, the ethics of political decision making, medical and legal ethics, and Christian Ethics in general. He is author of *DEATH BY CHOICE* (1974) and *MORAL CHOICE* (1978).

Dr. Maguire states that "Ethics is the art-science which seeks to bring sensitivity and method to the discernment of moral values." While visiting Mercy College of Detroit, Dr. Maguire will discuss moral values and issues in society with students and faculty.

A lecture, free and open to the public, is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Thursday, October 12, 1978, in the Student Conference Center. This lecture, "Human Violence: Ethical Alternatives" will assist in focusing on human dimensions of violence, raising questions such as: What are the ethical choices open to people faced with various types of violence? What are the possible responses to violence? What are the consequences of these responses?

Other speakers and their topics in this Lecture Series are as follows:

• Tuesday, October 17 — Dr. Grant Friley, Director of the Law Enforcement Education Program at Wayne County Community College, "Violence in the Administration of Justice."

• Monday, October 23 — Werner Glas, Director of the Waldorf Teacher Training Institute at Mercy College, "Violence in Education."

• Thursday, October 26 — Dr. Emmanuel Tanay, well known Detroit area psychiatrist, "Violence in the Family."

Money in jeopardy

Public Act 105 of 1978 was signed into law by Governor Milliken on April 6, 1978. The importance of this act is perhaps not fully understood by the total Mercy community. This act provides new freshmen who are entering private institutions with \$500 per year for full time and \$250 for part time students. The following year both freshmen and sophomores will be eligible for the tuition differential grant. This will continue until all students will receive the monies.

Next year both freshmen and sophomores will be eligible for the tuition differential grant. This will continue until all students will receive the monies.

The purpose of this grant is to help decrease the difference between the cost of public and private tuitions.

The act, however, is currently being threatened by a petition drive spearheaded by Robert Carins, Dean of Engineering School, U of M Dearborn, and Annetta Miller, V.P. State Board of Education.

The drive is attempting to gather 133,000 signatures in an effort to stop implementation of the act. The signatures must be filed by March 29, 1979.

If the petition referendum is successful, the question will be put to the electorate at the general election in November of 1980. An unpleasant note to Mercy students is that if the petition drive succeeds no monies will be available until, or if at all, the act is approved in the '80 election.

DATeline will attempt to keep the Mercy community informed as to progress of the petition drive as well as all other important happenings associated with Public Act 105.

By KATHY KUZDAK

PROJECT: Beautify Mercy's Campus is currently underway with the central focus on the area in front of the Administration building (we knew they closed that front gate for something.) Projected completion date: Spring 1979, just in time for the graduates' Baccalaureate Mass procession.

The design for the landscaping project was drawn by architect Tivador Balogh, who also designed the Library and the Health-Science Center presently under construction.

The landscaping scheme, according to Barbara Staskowski, a '66 Mercy grad and Assistant to the President for Grants and Projects, will be casual and picturesque. It will include thick grassy berms, and a variety of shrubs and

evergreen and oak trees.

What is now an unused concrete drive will become a narrower flagstone walkway scalloped with several flowering trees. Benches will be added to make this a pleasant place to stroll or relax. One day students may also look up at an ivy-covered Administration building. (Imagine Mercy another Harvard or Yale.)

At present the "fall-planting" trees have already been put into the ground, the grass has been seeded, and the ivy planted. Come spring, the remainder of the trees and shrubbery will be planted.

Another phase of Project Mercy calls for glass-enclosed directories at key points to assist students and visitors in locating offices and facilities, internal and external building signs, a campus map, and

other directional signs.

Funding for Project Mercy comes from a special friend of the college who donated \$10,000 specifically for this landscaping. Other benefactors include the Class of 1978 through the Student Government and the Programming Board, and the Alumni.

In order to get the best prices by "shopping around" Project Mercy is being carried out in sections. Using Mr. Balogh's design, the Vidosh Brothers Landscaping Co. has been contracted for the planting of the trees and the creation of the berms. As yet, no one has been contracted for the flagstone walkway.

Phase I: The Library, Phase II: The Science Center. Is there a Phase III? Imagine Mercy with a swimming pool, tennis courts, a new gym. Only the future can tell.

Million dollar grant

By LYNN FEEMAN

Who ever said the government never does anything? It sure is doing something for Mercy, in fact, a million worth of something we all would like to have! A Million Dollars has been granted to Mercy College of Detroit. The money is to be spread over a period of three years and nine activities have been approved for funding. After much careful deciphering of governmental jargon, one learns that this is what the new plan offers:

PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT SYSTEM:

This area includes the Planning, Management, and Evaluation activity. This is designed for college expansion and improvement of the systems already available and to help the College perform more efficiently. The second activity is the development of a computer center. This will aid in management research, development, academic and student services and instruction.

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS:

The College hopes to develop three new areas of study. They are The Center for Administration of Justice, Gerontological Studies,

and Multicultural Education. The justice program includes the existing Law Enforcement and Protection plus Industrial and Institutional Security and Legal Assistant-Court Administrator.

Both of these are offered at the baccalaureate and associate levels. The gerontological studies offer a minor leading to a certificate in Aging Services. These courses may be taken in addition to your current studies or to aid in graduate study in the gerontological field.

The Multicultural Education will be an asset to the community as well as to the students. Included would be faculty and staff development, development of instructional materials, and implementation of a minor in multicultural education.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS:

The first of these is the Minority Leadership Program. This is to encourage high school students to seek leadership positions in the professional fields. The Weekend College would be expanded and improved over the next five years to accommodate new students and a growing curriculum.

The next of the tongue-twisting programs is named Comprehensive Student Development Program. Its aim is to coordinate student ac-

tivities by providing a year of orientation. This will be accomplished by a year-long class required for freshmen.

To meet the needs of the students, peer tutoring and counseling programs and faculty and staff development programs will be implemented. The last of the programs of the new plan is the Nursing Role Transformation Program. This will assist the RN's who are returning to college to complete their degrees.

All of these programs are still in the planning stages but hopefully will be put into effect in the spring or fall of 1979. So far three new people have been hired to help plan and assist in the new programs and more hiring is in the process.

Rumors ramble

By JIM ESBROOK

It has come to my attention that our freshman class has become somewhat misinformed about several topics dealing with the history of Mercy College. In a continuing effort to keep our students well informed, we will attempt to lay the following rumors to rest once and for all.

To begin with there is no truth to the rumor that the large hill, northeast of Manning Hall, was formed in 1962 when, in an effort to save water, an "instructors' only" outhouse was constructed. That rumor is without basis, and in fact its originator could be said to be full of, shall we say, partially decomposed food stuffs.

In addition, McAuley Auditorium will not be the site of the 1980 Republican Convention. The U.S. Air Force has never used the tennis courts as a practice bombing target. And, the Grinch did not steal Mercy's multimillion-dollar athletic facility. F. Lee Bailey has never practiced law in Mercy's Library court yard. The Student Affairs department does not arrange for student affairs and the Pool-It Program has nothing to do with swimming. There are not 327 miles of roads on the Mercy Campus. And, finally, there are no active volcanos on campus.

EDITORIALS

'Lost and found' at MCD

With the end of the fifth week of school at hand, and mid-terms only a week away, almost everyone is finding the horrendous schedule catching up with them. Imagine that, the school term is almost 1/3 over and what has been accomplished?

Well, actually . . . nothing. It seems that very little if any thing is expected during these first few weeks, and to everyone's happiness I imagine, as one finds it very difficult to accept the cultural shock of being in school and not where they really want to be . . . on a golf course or a beach.

Newspapers are no exception. This is apparent from the mass confusion around our office and by the day-late issue we published last week. It also seems evident around campus as several "items" have been taken for missing. Maybe it is essential for us at DATELINE to open "Lost and Found" listing.

LOST: Square sign, which reads as the following . . . Parking only in this area with a Resident sticker. This sign was last seen west of the Student Center Building and south of Manning Hall. It has been known missing since the beginning of the school year.

LOST: One 1974 Chevrolet. Lost in the vast desert of the MCD parking lot this past Thursday (all spots close were taken by visitors). If found, notify senior Med Tech Dorm room 712.

LOST: One sophomore Dietetic student. Last seen Friday evening on her way home from work, was spotted wandering aimlessly near expressway, apparently exhausted from the walk from the nearest parking space.

All women interested in intercollegiate tennis sign up in the Dean of Students' Office

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Letters to the Editor



Because of the short time between the September 27, 1978 issue of Dateline and the deadline for the following issue, all members of the Mercy College faculty could not be given the opportunity to sign the following statement. The absence of an individual's signature to this letter ought not to be construed as either an affirmation or rejection of its contents.

Regular procedures may often seem cumbersome, but the writer of that letter will do Mercy College and its students and faculty a valuable service if those procedures are followed so that those with the proper authority may receive the information necessary for them to act.

Dear Editor:

Anonymous letters ought usually to be ignored, for an author who will not publicly take a position or make an assertion cannot usually be relied upon for veracity or for commitment.

The letter in the September 27, 1978 edition of Dateline, however, deserves a response because it raises such critical issues and because, if accurate, it fully justifies the letter writer's apparent fear of reprisals from the instructor of _____xyz.

Obviously any instructor who conducts himself or herself in the way described in the letter is well outside any accepted boundary of professional ethics. Less obvious, but true, is that such an instructor is manifesting a profound contempt for students, fellow faculty members, the standards of his or her own discipline, Mercy College, and the ideals and purposes of any college. Presumably, he or she is beyond self-contempt.

The issues that the writer of that letter raised are essential — but they cannot be efficiently addressed in the "Letters to the Editor" section of a newspaper. The writer ought to approach the Chairperson of the department which offers the course; any Chairperson should presumably be prompt in trying to rectify the situation.

If the writer has already approached the Chairperson, or if circumstances prevent him or her from doing so, the writer should take his information, together with as many other students who will corroborate the story as can be found, to Dr. John McNary, Mercy College's Academic Dean. No one can speak for Dr. McNary, but it is inconceivable that he would be indifferent to proof of such irresponsibility manifested by a faculty member.

It is a deep disappointment that the writer of the letter in last week's edition has been confronted with circumstances which convinced him or her that such a letter was the only possible recourse. The writer should know, however, that the letter was a valuable effort and that his or her desire for a quality education is shared.

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Dear Editor,

This letter concerns two articles in the September 27 issue of Dateline that need to be corrected. The article entitled "Lecture series to begin at MCD" stated that,

"the series is available free of charge to all interested persons and is made possible through a grant from the S&H Foundation."

To be correct it should have read, "is made possible in part through a grant from the S&H Foundation and Master Calendar Committee and Programming Board contributions."

After all, Master Calendar and Programming Board met half the cost of the series to make it available.

The second article that needs clarification is the one about the new food service, "MCD regains control," which stated:

"Marty does the scheduling of activities in the Student Center. She schedules campus activities such as the movies, keggers and numerous meetings."

There may be some confusion in this statement because the Conference Center Office merely schedules rooms and facilities for events and meetings. The scheduling of these events comes from Student Activities Office, Programming Board and other various clubs. Thank you for clearing up these points.

Sincerely,
John J. Truitt
Programming Board

Dear Editor:

This letter is a response to the letter submitted last issue regarding the course _____XYZ, and the student concerned about not getting his money's worth of education. It is often the case that premature assumptions and judgements of courses are made before the class has a chance to get on its feet.

We are enrolled in _____XYZ and strongly disagree with the student's remarks and attitude reflected in his letter. If this student is really concerned with his intellectual growth, we suggest he absorb all the knowledge this instructor has to offer, and invest his energies in developing a more positive attitude, which is more conducive to learning.

It has always been our own philosophy that students get as much out of their classes as they put into them. If "Name withheld" needs the stimulus of exams, deadlines, and academic pressures in order to learn, perhaps the course _____XYZ, which is directed for the more independent, self-motivated student, is not the course for him.

Other students of _____XYZ

Campus Events

OCTOBER

10 Women's volleyball @ Concordia, 7:00
11 "Autobiography of Jane Pittman," 1 & 7:30
12 Violence & Violated — Daniel Maguire, 7:30
13 Last day to declare P/NC
14 Women's volleyball @ Madonna, 2:00
16 Student Government, 1:00
17 Violence & Violated — Dr. Friley, 7:30
19 Women's volleyball @ Mott C.C., 4:00
21 Women's volleyball @ OLM, 2:00
23 Programming Board, 1:00
 Violence & Violated — Werner Glas, 7:30
 Woodwind Quintet, 1:00
25 "Camelot," 1 & 7:30

Around the Town

By GREG MONTY
FILMS AT THE DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS

- Oct. 13 Straight Time (American) dir. by Ulu Grossbard
7:00 and 9:30
Oct. 14 Private Life of Sherlock Holmes (American)
dir. by Billy Wilder — 7:00 and 9:30
Oct. 15 Nights of Cabiria (Italian) dir. by Federico Fellini
7:30 only
Oct. 20 One Sings, the Other Doesn't (French) dir. by
Agnes Varda — 7:00 and 9:30
Oct. 21 Illusion Travels by Street Car (Mexican)
dir. by Luis Bunuell — 7:00 and 9:30
Oct. 22 La Dolce Vita (Italian) dir. by Federico Fellini
7:30 only
Oct. 27 Joseph Andrews (English) dir. by Tony Richardson
7:00 and 9:30
Oct. 28 Liebeleil (German) dir. by Max Ophuls — 7:00 and 9:30
Oct. 29 "8½" (Italian) dir. by Federico Fellini — 7:30 only

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\$9.00

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Tour the campus

By JEANNE O'BRIEN

Those odd hours between classes can get boring. Have you looked for something to fill the time and come up empty-handed? Did you try the Admissions Office? The Admissions Office is looking for campus tour guides and volunteers for phonathons.

Tour guides are needed to show prospective students and their families the campus. Tour guides meet the prospective student and family at the Admissions Office. From there the guests are shown the different sights of MCD's campus.

Tours usually include the Administration Building, the Library, the Student Center, Marian Hall and, when applicable, Manning Hall. After the tour the family and student are taken back to the Admissions Office.

The Admissions Office is always looking for tour guides. Being a tour guide is said to be quite a \$ rewarding \$ experience.

Along with tour guides, admissions is also looking for phonathon volunteers. Volunteers

meet on Thursday nights from 5:00-7:30 p.m. That time is spent phoning prospective students and inviting them to visit the campus. After two and a half hours of fast talking, it's on to refreshments (such as Coke and pizza or submarine sandwiches).

If you would like to try out either of these ideas contact Paige Knox in the Admissions Office, ext. 285.

DISCO COLLEGE NIGHT At The LATIN QUARTERS

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Vote!

By DIANE AVERILL

On Tuesday, November 7, 1978, residents of Michigan will be deciding on their future. Students 18 and older are eligible to be included in this decision-making process by voting. Students, by using their right to vote, will be able to achieve their fullest potential as citizens. Who do you want as governor — Milliken or Fitzgerald?

Another very important issue on the ballot will be the drinking age. The Legislature has already decided that the age will be raised to 19. The people of Michigan will decide if the age will be increased to 21.

Around the Mercy College campus the attitude towards this proposal is negative. Many students feel that drinking is a right and rights, according to the Constitution, cannot be taken away. This is not true. Drinking is a privilege which means, if majority votes to change the age, then it will be changed.

Also is the Constitutional Convention issue. Does the Constitution need to be rewritten? November 7 is the time to take a stand.

Also on the ballot are three proposals concerning taxes. The Voucher system, Proposal H, which would cut property taxes by sixty-five percent. Education would no longer be financed by property taxes, the money would come from someplace else.

The Tisch Amendment is also on the ballot and concerns tax limitations as does the Headlee Amendment. The League of Women Voters feels that none of the above amendments meet the needs of the people. If students wish further information concerning issues on the ballot they are welcome to contact the League of Women Voters at 362-0644.

Students are invited to attend a debate concerning Proposition H. The League of Women Voters will have a representative stating why this amendment does not meet the people's needs and the Citizens For More Sensible Financing of Education will state the positive aspects of this proposal. Students are encouraged to attend this presentation on October 17 at 1:00 p.m. in the Student Center.

If you are 18 and have not registered to vote, Mercy College is giving you the opportunity to do so on Monday, October 9 from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the East Lobby of the Student Center.

Requirements for registration are:

1. Must be 18 years of age.
2. Must be a resident of Detroit (this includes dorm students).
3. Must have proof of age and address.
4. Must know place of birth and mother's maiden name.

Attention graduates!

If you are a candidate for a baccalaureate degree and have completed a minimum of 94 credit hours, you are eligible to petition for graduation.

If you are candidate for an associate degree and have completed a minimum of 47 credit hours, you are eligible to petition for graduation.

December 1978 Graduates must file graduation petitions at the Academic Counseling Center by October 15, 1978. Last day to pay the graduation fee is November 15, 1978.

May, July, August 1979 Graduates must file graduation petitions at the Academic Counseling Center by December 15, 1978. Last day to pay the graduation fee is March 15, 1979.

Note: Graduation Petition forms are available at the Academic Counseling center. Forms will be

given only to those students who have paid the graduation processing fee of (\$10) and who present the receipt from the Business Office.

Graduates who wish to be included in the composite picture must sign up for an appointment in the Dean of Students' Office. A photographer will be on-campus October 9, 11, 12, 13, 16, and 18th. The cost of the composite picture is included in the Graduation Fee.

Graduating seniors of Mercy College are eligible for nomination to "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities, and Colleges." Selection is based on scholarship, service, leadership, and character.

If you are a graduating senior interested in this honor, you must submit the application form sent to you along with the Graduation Newsletter to the Dean of Students' Office. If you did not receive this mailing, please check with the Dean of Students' Office.

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450 attend kegger



A LARGE CROWD turned out to enjoy the music provided by "Big Foot" at Mercy's first kegger. This

group at a particular "rowdy table" toasted the end of the fifth week of the fall semester.

Liturgy planned

Sister Mary Marguerite Butler, RSM, whose name was synonymous with MCD's Speech and Drama Department for its first 30 years, died August 2 in Grand Rapids at age 76.

A Eucharistic Liturgy in her memory will be held Monday, Oct. 16, at 5 p.m. in the College chapel. A reception will follow in the Library courtyard.

Sister Marguerite came as an instructor in 1941, the year the College opened, and in 1954 was named head of Speech and Drama. She retired in 1972.

"Countless students will remember her as a magnificent teacher and a fun person, one who was always very kind and thoughtful, too," said Sister Mary Celeste, RSM, present coordinator of Alumni Affairs. Sister Celeste, who then was Home Economics Department chairman, worked with Sister Marguerite in designing costumes for many of the school plays.

"Her plays were always superb, very professional productions," recalled Sister Celeste. "I never missed a one. Audiences packed McAuley Auditorium for shows like 'The Sound of Music,' 'Vagabond King,' 'Finian's Rainbow' and 'Oklahoma!'"

Al Zolton, the present chairperson of the Speech and Drama Department, also has fond memories of Sister Marguerite.

"She had an exquisite statue of Hamlet on her desk, and, you know, it is my belief that she dreamed of some day playing a female Hamlet on stage," he said.

Although that ambition was not realized, recognition came to Sister Marguerite in many other ways. She received the National Catholic Theatre Drama Award in 1960 and

the Brooks Van Horn Award for contribution to the theatre in 1966.

She served as vice president of the National Catholic Theatre Conference for two years. She was also named to The National Register of Prominent Americans and International Notables. Her professional memberships included the American National Theatre Association, the Association of Higher Education, and the Speech Association of America.

She was listed in *Who's Who in American Education* and in the prestigious *Dictionary of International Biography*. The latter was for publication of her doctoral dissertation, entitled "Hrotsvitha: The Theatricality of Her Plays." Her translations of two medieval Latin plays were published and used as texts in colleges and universities.

Sister Marguerite obtained her BA degree in Latin from University of Notre Dame, her MA in Drama and English from Catholic University of America, and her Ph.D in Theatre and Speech from University of Michigan. While at U-M she received the Carl Braun Fellowship Award to do study and research in medieval drama in Europe.

Except for a year as principal of Our Lady of Mercy High School, and time spent in obtaining her doctoral degree, Sister Marguerite remained at Mercy College from 1941 through 1972. Perhaps her three decades of service can best be summed up by these words of President Sister Agnes Mary Mansour, RSM:

"Sister Marguerite was much loved and respected and will long be remembered not only for her intellect and academic skills, but for her charm, humor and compassion."

Dates to remember

By KATHY SPENCER

As seniors return to school for their final challenging year of college the reality of their upcoming graduation is not yet apparent. "Attention seniors!" Let this be a reminder to you that you must start preparing for graduation now, beginning with the filing of graduation petitions.

Some of the stipulations of the petitioning procedure for the 1979 graduates are stated in the following paragraphs.

To be eligible for graduation petitioning, baccalaureate degree students must complete a minimum of 94 credit hours, and associate degree students must complete a minimum of 47 credit hours.

A graduation petition processing fee of \$10.00 is required to be paid at the cashier's office. The processing fee of \$10.00 will be applied toward the total graduation fee of \$30.00 for baccalaureate degree recipients, and \$25.00 for associate degree recipients.

To complete the petition form, students must then make an appointment with their faculty advisor, for the purpose of validating that all college requirements are fulfilled.

Faculty advisors then forward petitions to the Academic Counseling Center. The petitions will be reviewed and evaluated for accuracy and completeness, in conjunction with review of course transcripts.

The students will be advised by a letter of acceptance or rejection of submitted petition by the end of the semester in which they filed for petition.

A formal newsletter will soon be distributed to all potential graduates stating detailed petitioning procedure. The deadline for December graduates to file for petition is October 14, 1978. April and July graduates must file for their petition by December 15, 1978.

Let's double up

By Linda Luce

Student Activities has something new for you! Two new matchmaker programs have been set up to meet your needs!

Yes, at last Mercy has set up a system for students to get together and share good times. This non-computerized system matches students' personalities and needs, but is not a dating service... Yes! It's the new Ridepool and Roommate / Apartment Mate files!

Share good times and expenses by driving to school with a friend. Or if you really want to get to know

someone, sign up with our Roommate File. (Stop in anytime between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. at Student Activities in the S.C. across from F.A.) We'll do our best to match people and personalities so that everyone will be happy.

Commuters wanting riders or those needing a ride simply fill in a card telling us the area they live in and the days and hours they need to be on campus.

You may also add anything that will make riding in a car comfortable for you... like being able to

smoke, or sleep, or read, or sing — or even satisfy a Big Mac attack on the way in for a 9:30 a.m. class! We're sure to find a compatible match for you.

And for those who are looking for someone to share living arrangements, there is the Roommate / Apartment Mate file. To match you with someone you can live with we need to know the vicinity where you wish to live, the approximate amount you're willing to pay per month, and any personality traits you're looking for or wish to avoid in a roommate.

Be honest, now... do you want a quiet roommate or do you party every night until 3 a.m.? Are you worried about being neat or do you throw your clothes on the furniture?

With this type of information we may be able to line you up with someone who fits your needs — whether driving in a car or sharing a place to live. You should be able to find someone with whom you can have fun and cut down on expenses at the same time. And who knows — it just may turn out to be the best "match" you've ever made!

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