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## Alumnae Give Art Exhibit

Because the liberally-educated Fontbonne woman is interested in many things, she will be interested in the Alumnae's Annual Art Exhibit and Tea to be held January 21, 1962, from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. in the Medaille Hall Ballroom. The exhibit will feature the works of both the Fontbonne alumnae and their children. The general chairman is Mrs. Francis Flynn, and the co-chairman is Mrs. Russell Ellinger. Fontbonne students are invited to the exhibition.

The Fontbonne Alumnae group are also providing the opportunity for all interested alumnae and their friends to paint every Tuesday evening from 7:30 to 9:30 in the Science Hall, Room 203, beginning February 6, 1962. For information call Mrs. Ray Berger, UN. 7-0052.

## Gives Two Modern Plays

The Theater Workshop recently presented two contemporary one act plays in the Fine Arts Auditorium. Junior Barbara Kesting directed *Ario da Capo*, and Senior Suzanne McNulty directed *The Lesson*.

Written by Edna St. Vincent Millay, *Ario da Capo* is actually two plays—a sophisticated twentieth century farce and a pastoral tragedy—within the frame of an allegorical drama. It is done in complex, symbolic poetry. The inevitability of history repeating itself is its theme. Phillis Goedert, Carol Lutz, Mary Mason, Anne Sullivan, and Mary Ann Tenfelder were included in the cast.

*The Lesson*, written by Eugene Ionesco, is tragi-comedy. It involves a professor who "teaches" pupils in his home, a maid who tries to dominate him, and the student who comes for the lesson which continues as history repeats itself. The play was intended merely to entertain. John Gropeter, Kevin Kirk, and Mary Beth Olynic were featured.

## Hold Open House In Arcade Room

On Monday, January 15, open house was held in the new Arcade Room on the second floor of the gymnasium building. The SGA sponsored the event, and coffee and doughnuts were served.

The Arcade Room was, in past years, known as the day students' den. The Student Council Room is now located across the hall in what was formerly a storeroom. With brown, blue, white, and orange the predominant colors, the furniture and accessories in the Arcade Room are contemporary in style.

In order that the room may stay in good condition, students are asked to follow a few simple rules. Candy may be eaten, but no other food. Soda should be in paper cups, not bottles. Ash trays are to be emptied by students.

The Arcade Room will be available on appointment for club parties and other functions.

Given under the auspices of the Student Government Association, the affair this year was directed by the officers: Marilyn Costello, president; Patricia Cramer, vice president; Anne Latta, secretary; Patricia Neely, treasurer.



Sister Joseph Aloysius

## Former President Buried At Nazareth

Sister Joseph Aloysius Geissert, C.S.J., president of Fontbonne College from 1935 to 1941, died of infirmities December 6, 1961 at Nazareth Convent, Forder and Ringer roads, St. Louis County. She was 78 years old.

Sister Joseph Aloysius also served two terms as Fontbonne dean of studies from 1928 to 1935, and from 1941 to 1950. She also was professor of history at Fontbonne from 1950 until her retirement in 1954.

A native of St. Louis, Sister Joseph Aloysius entered the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet here in 1910. She taught at Holy Name of Jesus and St. Teresa parochial in St. Louis and later became principal of high schools in Chillicothe, Mo., and Green Bay, Wis.

Surviving is a brother, George E. Geissert of University City. Funeral services were held at Nazareth Convent. Burial was in the convent cemetery.

## Registrar Releases Exam Schedules

Following is the first semester examination schedule.

**MONDAY, JANUARY 22**

9:00 MWF classes... 8:00-10:00

1:00 TTH classes... 10:00-12:00

1:00 MWF classes... 1:00-3:00

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 23**

8:00 TTH classes... 8:00-10:00

9:00 TTH classes... 10:00-12:00

2:00 TTH classes... 1:00-3:00

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24**

8:00 MWF classes... 8:00-10:00

10:00 MWF classes... 10:00-12:00

3:00 MWF classes... 1:00-3:00

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 25**

10:00 TTH classes... 8:00-10:00

11:00 TTH classes... 10:00-12:00

3:00 TTH classes... 1:00-3:00

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 26**

11:00 MWF classes... 8:00-10:00

12:00 MWF classes... 10:00-12:00

12:00 TTH classes... 1:00-3:00

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 27**

All Saturday classes—Examinations are to be taken at the regular class periods.

**Registration Dates**

Second semester registration will be held for weekday classes on Wednesday, January 31, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00, and between 1:00 and 4:00 p.m. in Medaille Hall.

Saturday class registration is to be made on Saturday, January 27 between 8:30 a.m. and 12:00 in the registrar's office, according to Sister Patricia Marie, registrar.

## Retreat Dates, Jan. 26 - Feb. 2

There will be three retreats at the end of the first semester. The annual Sodality of Our Lady closed retreat will be held from Friday, January 26 to Wednesday, January 31, at Mercy Retreat House on Laclede Station Road in Webster Groves.

During this five-day period the retreat master will be Rev. Joseph P. Fisher, S.J. He is the former Jesuit provincial and is now rector of St. Mary's College in Kansas.

This year the students will be divided into two sections for the on-campus retreat. On Monday, January 29, and Tuesday, January 30, the senior, junior, and sophomore classes will have their retreat. The freshmen will assemble Thursday and Friday, February 1 and 2, for their annual spiritual exercises.

Rev. Ryan Clancy, C.P., will give the conferences for the college retreat. Father Clancy is stationed at St. Paul Monastery in Detroit, Michigan.



Marianne Buellmann

## Heads Dinner For Dads, Daughters

Marianne Buellmann, senior, is this year's chairman of the annual father-daughter banquet. The affair will be held at the Ambassador-Kingsway Hotel on Saturday, February 24. It is the only social event of the year exclusively for students and their fathers.

## College Will Host IRC Regional

Fontbonne will be hostess to the Missouri State Conference of the Collegiate Council for the United Nations on Saturday, March 3.

Sponsored by the IRC, the convention having a membership of twenty-five will have as its chairman, Carol Stoessel, Fontbonne junior and Missouri State CCUN Chairman.

All colleges in Missouri will be invited. The program will include an address by the mid-central region director, Mr. Arthur Groesbeck, and by Mr. Joseph Johnson, field representative for the national office. The keynote speaker and seminar plans will be announced later.

The purpose of the conference is 1) to increase affiliation in the Collegiate Council; 2) to spread knowledge of the U. N. among collegiate students. The state members of the council are: Lindenwood, Missouri U., Washington U., Warrensburg State College, and Fontbonne College.



Yearbook Staff after Copy has gone to Printer: First Row: Bonnye Rose Brimmer, Art Editor; Mary Eileen Deck, Editor; Patricia Koeln. Second Row: Jessica Peeler, Mary Jeanne Gerken, Rita Solovitz, Nanciellen Davis, Anne Smith, Betty Ann Stocke, Elaine Tighe, Art Editor. Missing from the picture are Angela Harris, Dianne Pitzer, and Kathleen Walsh.

## Scholarship Exams Planned

The annual competitive examination for scholarships to the three Catholic women's colleges in the St. Louis area will be given at 9 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 10, at Xavier High School, 3733 West Pine Bl., it has been announced.

The colleges—Maryville College of the Sacred Heart, Webster and Fontbonne—each will offer 10 four year scholarships. Each scholarship will be valued according to financial need and scholastic potential of the recipient.

The examination is open to any girl in the upper fifth of her class in any public, private or parochial high school in the St. Louis area.



Marilyn Costello, Chairman of "Projectospect."

## Speech Majors Give Reception In Arcade Room

"Projectospect," a program and reception by the speech correction department last Saturday afternoon in the newly decorated Arcade Room, was given in order to project the work and responsibilities of the profession for new and interested students.

Marilyn Costello, senior speech correction major, was chairman. Her committee was composed of Janice Breher, Mary Louise Korfmaier, Ann Luttrell, and Victoria Bayot.

Subjects discussed informally with friends and parents of present and prospective students were the routine of the speech correction clinic, the need and opportunities for speech therapists.

## Help Wanted In Work Of Extension Volunteers

This year, for the first time, Fontbonne will join the summer program of the Lay Extension Volunteers. The college will affiliate with a Southern Missouri mission diocese and send student volunteers to help out in areas where there are few Catholic schools.

The students will do religious vacation work; that is, they will give instructions in catechism and prepare children for First Communion and Confirmation. Some of the volunteers will take the parish census, going from door to door to determine the number of Catholics and fallen-away Catholics in the area.

Working in groups of from three to five the students will carry on the program for six or eight weeks. During this time they will probably be housed in an apartment for their own privacy and convenience. All living costs will be paid, and their only expense will be the transportation to the mission area.

The Extension Volunteers also sponsor a one-year program for graduate students. Insurance and a monthly stipend for incidentals is arranged for this program. Something similar will be worked out for the summer volunteers.

During the second semester a series of lectures will be given for the students in the program. They will be given instructions in methods of teaching religion and given suggestions on handling situations which may arise.

Anyone interested in the program is asked to contact Sister Agnes Patrice, of the theology department and student religious affairs committee by February 9.

According to Sister Agnes Patrice, the program is aimed at those who wish to work during the summer but who do not really need money for tuition or to help at home. Certainly God will reward the volunteers for their generosity.

## S. McNulty Wins College "Player of Year" Award

At the annual awards ceremony of the Fontbonne Theatre Players, during the Christmas holidays, Suzanne McNulty, senior, was declared the most valuable player and won the title "The Fontbonne Player of the Year." The best actress award was merited by Joan Wavering Grindon, A.B. '61, for playing the part of Mama in "I Remember Mama."

The ceremony followed the celebration of Holy Mass at the Greek Rite Church, the Church of the Assumption, and brunch at Old Cheshire Inn. Miss Carmelita Schmieg as moderator of the group presided; Mr. Francis Kinkel, of the English department, gave the principal address, "Censorship in the Modern Theatre."

Other awards were merited by senior Nancy Cowell as the best character actress for portraying Bloody Mary in "South Pacific," for showing the greatest promise in a first lead to junior Marlene Gruber, taking the part of the Devil in "The Green-Winged Angel."

Shirley Jahoda received the technical award for lighting and Agnes Hromadka, A.B. '61, the administrative award.

For the best actor, Peter Messineo received the honor for playing the lead Emil de Beque, for the best supporting actor, Richard Kaiser as Commander Brackett, for the best character actor, Robert Winkler as Billis, all roles in "South Pacific."

The scenic design award was given to Michael Kennerly for his work in "South Pacific."

## Discusses Role Of Layman In Modern Church

On December 6, 1961, the students and faculty assembled in the auditorium to hear an address by Michael de la Bedoyere. The speaker, noted English Catholic editor, author, and lecturer, was introduced by Marilyn Costello, SGA president.

Mr. Bedoyere spoke on the layman's role in the Church today. He began by pointing out the difference in the position of the Church today and that of a hundred years ago. In the nineteenth century, a period of much technical advancement, the Church seemed to be the only thing not progressing.

In the twentieth century, on the contrary, the Catholic Church has achieved a status or importance that would have been "a Utopian dream . . . a hundred years ago." As more and more men realized that happiness did not lie in scientific achievements, they began to look to Roman Catholicism for the answer.

In the early days of the Church there was a great amount of apostolic spirit among the members; but today, when the Church has achieved this high position of influence, it is almost paradoxical to talk of the lay apostolate. The work is considered "something for the minority," whereas the attitude should prevail that "to be a Catholic is to be an apostle."

There are three movements in the Church today which are important factors in the desired apostolic spirit. These are (1) the liturgical movement, (2) a campaign to increase the understanding between Catholics and other Christians, and (3) the Ecumenical Council.

The lay apostolate is just "common sense;" for if one really believes in something, he should naturally want "to communicate it to others."



Suzanne McNulty, the Player of the Year.

## NF Sponsors Trips Abroad

The NFCCS is sponsoring five tours this year in co-operation with Popularis Tours, Inc. of New York. The earliest of these tours is a trip to Bermuda during the Easter week for approximately \$225 including air travel by jet. A comprehensive tour of South America is, also, available this year for the first time to Catholic college students. The NFCCS sponsors three different tours of Europe, each varying in price and in length of time.

For more detailed information about the tours, contact Marianne Catanzaro, the NFCCS travel chairman on the Fontbonne campus.



Joan Wavering Grindon, the best Fontbonne Actress of the Year.

## Joint College Arts Festival

A Fine Arts program sponsored jointly by Fontbonne and St. Louis University will be presented on February 18, 1962, at St. Louis University at 8:15 p.m. The program, being presented in four parts, will begin with some folk songs and contemporary numbers given by the Fontbonne Chorus. These selections will include the following: "Koom Ba Yah," "Waters Ripple and Flow," "Ave Maria" by Alan Hovhaness, and "How Excellent Thy Name" by Howard Hanson.

The second part of the program in which Fontbonne will participate is the presentation of the comic opera "Game of Chance." The cast for this performance is as follows: Marilyn Cooper, Marlene Gruber, Kathleen Noser, and William Wood. The accompanists are Marianne Catanzaro and Barbara Bollwerk.

Sister Mary Antone, CSJ, will be the music director, and Miss Carmelita Schmieg will direct.



Nancy Cowell, the best Character Actress of the Year.

## Mary Jane Krekeler Is First Alumna Enrolled in PAVLA

Which Fontbonne student will be the next to volunteer for PAVLA, Papal Volunteers for Latin America? Who are the students who will teach catechism, aid in developing Catholic Leaders, and spread Christian principles throughout Latin America?

Mary Jane Krekeler A.B. '62, is the first Fontbonne alumna to answer the call from the Vatican. She will work in La Paz, Bolivia, teaching English in a Catholic school. This three-year assignment came after a series of aptitude, intelligence, and psychological tests. At present she is studying at the Center of Intercultural Formation in Cuernavaca, Morelos, Mexico.

Mary Jane, as one of the lay apostles in a neighbor country to the south, is helping to satisfy a crying need in the Church today. The importance of the laity's role in the Church is being stressed more and more. This is very true in Latin America where lay leaders are desperately needed to strengthen the Church.

To answer the pleas of the Bishops of Latin America for lay help, in the summer of 1960 Rome issued a special document which called for volunteers from among the ranks of the laymen to help "the priestless millions in many parts of Latin America." Thus PAVLA began and was incorporated into the Papal Program

## Even Alumnae Are Missing

Have you ever won a sweepstakes? Of course, the Irish Sweepstakes would be nice, but just for practice take a chance on the sweepstakes Alice Cafferata Whelan, chairman of the alumnae membership committee, is holding. In an attempt to locate some of the "lost sheep" she has given a list of alumnae for whom she is searching. For each clue that you can furnish, she offers one chance on a \$10.00 gift certificate at Stix, Baer, and Fuller.

If you can supply any information concerning the whereabouts of the alumnae listed, their names are listed in the FONT office.



Sodality of Our Lady Committee sorting clothes and packing food for needy families: Barbara Daly, Judith Gelmi, and Judith Clarke.

## U.S.-L.A. Cooperation Is Topic For IRC Convention

"U.S.-Latin America: Cooperation of . . . ?" is the question the fifteenth annual convention, scheduled to be held at Hope College, Holland, Michigan, April 9-12, 1962. Carol Soessel, Fontbonne junior is a member of the executive committee and will attend as one of Fontbonne's delegates. According to Sister Dolorita Marie, IRC adviser on campus, the names of the other delegates will be announced later.

The theme will be developed in the following two major areas: 1) Tradition and Agrarian Reform in Latin America; 2) Foreign Relations in Latin America. Minor

points to be treated will include Cuban agrarian reform, Puerto Rican Church and State, Democracy or Dictatorship in Guatemala, the Peronist tradition in Argentina, Latin America's struggle against illiteracy, Communist appeals in Latin America, the role of Latin America in the United Nations, and American relations with Panama since World War II.

President Kennedy's "Alliance for Progress" program, the organization of American states and the Soviet Threat in Latin America, American private investment in Mexico, and the roots of anti-Americanism in Cuba.

## Fontbonne Participates In Midwest Model UN

A Fontbonne delegation of five students and one faculty adviser is participating in the Midwest Model United Nations (MMUN) to be held at Washington University and the Statler Hotel, March 29-31. Sister Dolorita Marie is the faculty moderator for the IRC; Carol Soessel is the chairman of the Fontbonne delegation.

The program is sponsored by the Collegiate Council for the United Nations of which Fontbonne IRC is a member.

Keynote speakers include U. S. Representative to the United Nations, Adlai E. Stevenson, who has been invited to address the First Plenary Session of the Model General Assembly on Thursday, March 29, 1962; Dr. Frank Porter Graham of the United Nations Secretariat, who will address the Model Security Council session on Friday, March 30; Dr. Zelma George, a former member of the U. S. Mission to the United Nations, who will speak at the delegates banquet on Saturday, March 31, and Mr. John Boettger, past president of the Collegiate Council for the United Nations.

Carol Soessel is also serving on the steering committee as undersecretary for public administration. Ruth Ann and Mary Ann Hostler are publicity assistants to the secretary of public information, Tom Atkinson, of Kansas State University.

The Fontbonne delegation of five will represent Ecuador in the General Assembly and on the Security Council. SGA at Fontbonne is paying the major part of the fee for the delegation.

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