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Student Organizations at CSB – 50 Years Ago



Facula 1960 p. 70; 1958 p. 76

Students prayed a lot – in chapel...



...in the dorms...



...and outside.

Apostolates and Sodalists



Furthering the Apostolate work on the CSB campus are the regional and campus delegates. Back row: Catherine Baxter, Campus Fine Arts Commissioner; Elizabeth Dempster, Campus Student Government Commissioner. Second row: Mary Daley, Regional Secretary; Mary Ann Balster, Campus Liturgical Commissioner; Mary Alice Zimmerman, Regional Treasurer. Front row: Margaret Wenner, Regional Family Life Commissioner; Rose Marie Thomas and Alice Ann Orr, Campus Family Life Commissioners.

New Sodalists receive the Sodality medal from their chaplain, Father Jerome, in a candlelight ceremony in the Sacred Heart Chapel. Standing: Kathy Petry, Irene Bates, Rosie Thomas, Nancy Wadekamper, Evelyn Wanner, Kay Keefe, and Sodality Prefect Mary Gits. Kneeling: Mary Jane Bernaciak, Mary Ann Hurkes, Mary Lawrenz, Alice Ann Orr, Charlotte Speikers, Kathy Sullivan.



Sodality Aims:
"personal holiness and
active Catholicity"

Facula 1958 p.54-55; 1958 p.34

They were Apostolates and Sodalists



Facula 1958 p. 63

The CSB Chorus brings Christmas spirit and cheer to their audience with the annual and very popular Christmas concert. Members of chorus pictured here are: Back row: Rosalie Richard, Mary Alice Weill, Betty...

“Singing is praying twice”

Twelve to Get CCD Diplomas

Twelve OSB girls will receive Confraternity of Christian Doctrine Certificates March 15 at 8 p.m. in the Sacred Heart Chapel. Bishop Peter W. Bartholome will award the certificates and address the students on the importance of lay teachers in Catholicism.

One senior, six juniors, and five sophomores have completed the program enabling them to teach religion in the elementary grades.



The Confraternity of Christian Doctrine executive board consisting of Rose Marie Liguori, president, Rosalie Reuter, vice-president, Jean Gougeon, secretary, and Pauline Plante, treasurer, meet under the direction of Sister Bechiana to set up the program for '66 year.

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Rose Marie Liguori, representing NRCDS, introduces the panel on the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine which acquaints students with CCD.

Facula 1960 p. 96-97

Facula 1960 p.79

Students in CCD

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Y.C.S. - Young Christian Students

“Y.C.S. is a specialized Catholic Action movement composed of a small group of students working among themselves and in cooperation with the faculty.

Young Christian Students is essentially concerned with creating an atmosphere in the college where the intellectual life and the seeking for truth can be cultivated and attained.

Each Y.C.S. meeting is devoted to a discussion of the Scripture, the Liturgy, and the Social Inquiry.”

Facula 1959 p.87

Young Christian Students

Expect 50 Here For YCS Confab

"The New Breed" will be the area of discussion at the March 19-21 Young Christian Student's (YCS) Conference co-sponsored by the YCS groups at St. John's University and the College of St. Benedict. Junior Eileen Sullivan, YCS student moderator at St. Ben's, and Tom Rausch, a senior at St. John's, are co-chairmen of the conference.

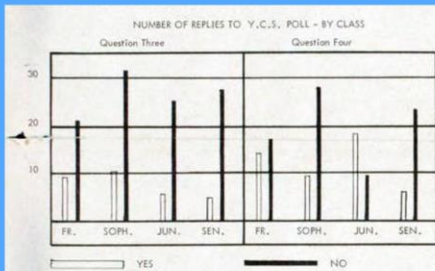
About 60 YCS representatives from colleges throughout the state are expected to attend. Among the colleges represented will be St. Mary's and St. Teresa's in Winona, St. Thomas in St. Paul, and St. Mary's Nursing School in Minneapolis.

The three-day conference will begin with registration in Mary Hall Commons on Friday, followed by a day of speeches and

discussions in the Fine Arts Center, and concluding with Mass, dinner, and closing remarks at St. John's on Sunday.

Conference speakers include Father Godfrey Diekmann, OSB, well-known liturgical scholar and a professor of theology at St. John's; Dr. Sylvester P. Theisen, associate professor of sociology at St. John's, who attended an international convocation in New York City to discuss the practical implications of "Pacem in Terris" with dignitaries from around the world; two members of the YCS national headquarters staff; Father Alberic Culhane, OSB, and Father Reinold Theisen, OSB, YCS moderators at St. John's and St. Ben's; and two other guest speakers.

YCS conference at CSB March 1965



YCS Poll Favors New Liturgy

By Sheila Hogan

A pre-Christmas poll conducted by St. Benedict's Young Christian Students netted a disappointing number of replies to questions concerning a more liberal attitude toward community worship in the Mass.

"This is a happy occasion; why not sing that way?"
"Terrific!"

"Any song is fine if we are able to praise God by singing it."

"In singing old hymns, we often become mechanical in saying the words. Spirituals and folk songs

YCS Conference; YCS Poll

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ALSO:

"Ellen Strong, NFCCS senior delegate, wishes to thank those who participated in the National Federation of Catholic College Students Minnesota Region "Plight Project." Miss Mary Manning of the College of St. Teresa won \$200 in the contest. Proceeds were used to purchase a film projector for migrant workers in Hollis, Okla. Lay Extension volunteers Mrs. and Mr. Paul Cree-lan said, "We are hoping to help the Spanish to know more of the American, modern way of life. We have been unable to even think of buying a projector until your money order arrived."

**NFCCS:
National Federation of Catholic College Students**

“As an apostolic organization, the National Federation of Catholic College Students was set up by the American hierarchy to urge Catholic campuses to help bishops in promoting the kingdom of God.

Aiming to develop future Catholic leaders, to unite students through student government and to develop them intellectually, spiritually and culturally, the NFCCS works through its annual regional congress...

Under the guidance of Sister Jeremy and senior delegate Diane Bormann, the four commissions of Family Life, Fine Arts, Liturgy and Student Government work actively toward goals of NFCCS through such projects as firesides, a foreign student week, and a leadership workshop.”

Facula 1959 p. 86

National Federation of Catholic College Students

NFCCS appropriates \$260 yearly for national and regional seminars and an additional \$246 for national and regional dues. One person, junior Ellen Strong, is actively involved in NFCCS. She is senior delegate and regional secretary-treasurer.

NFCCS sponsors buses to regional seminars (36 girls attended each, of two such meetings last year) and sends panel members to discussions such as the one held on birth control at the College of St. Catherine this fall. However, St. John's students also participated in the panel and SJU is not a member of NFOCS.

NFOCS also undertakes projects like the recent clothing drive for migrant workers in Oklahoma, and procures cakes for OSB students who have birthdays during the school year.



**Student
Council**

Facula 1958 p.53

Student Council

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Many of the student organizations date back to the early days of the college. The Ardeleons, a dramatic club, carries on the work begun by Sister Dominica Borgerding and Sister Marcine Schirber. Since 1952, Ardeleons of St. Benedict's and the Johnny players of stage.

The Choral Club is another organization dating from the foundation of the college. "Our Lady's Juggler" presented in 1953 on the stage at St. John's was the first of the annual operas in which musicians of St. Benedict's and St. John's collaborated. The International Relations Club introduced in the early 1930's at the invitation of the Carnegie Peace Foundation continues to draw more politically minded students. The

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Sigma Kappa Phi gives members of the home economics department opportunities for experiences not possible in the classroom.

On March 29, 1940, St. Benedict's established the Omega Chapter of Delta Epsilon Sigma, a national scholastic honor society for students of Catholic colleges and universities, founded in 1939 in Washington, D.C. The National Federation of Catholic College Students and the National Student Association are strong organizations tying the student body at St. Benedict's in with the students of other colleges in the nation

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Student sign-up: NCS

National Council of Students

Facula 1960 p.58-59; 1959 p.86-87

The United States National Student Association, known by its shorter title, **NSA**, is an association which includes the entire student body....The colleges' representatives present general plans and ideas to each campus and encourage individual interest and action. One of this year's most interesting projects was the travelling exhibit of artwork done by students of nearby northwestern colleges including CSB and SJU.



National Council of Students

Tuesday, March 9, 1965

Community Volunteer Program Suffers From Financial Want

By Sheila Hogan

St. Benedict's Faculty-Student Council pays out over \$750 per year for two national campus organizations: the National Student Association (NSA) and the National Federation of Catholic College Students (NFCCS).

On the other hand, the St. Benedict's Community Service Program receives a mere \$200 in Student Council Funds. The pro-

school."

The College Student Volunteer Program was begun in the fall of 1961, incorporating student volunteers from St. John's University, St. Cloud State College, and the College of St. Benedict. The Community Service Program was instituted here last year and since then has extended only to St. Gertrude's School and to a larger area of service at the V.A.

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National Student Association (NSA)

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National Student Association (NSA)

National Fed. Of Catholic College Students (NFCCS)

Community Service Program – underfunded

VA Volunteers

College Student Volunteer Program (tri-colleges)

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NSA has two active members on campus: junior Mary Lynn Payne, senior coordinator, and sophomore Irma Theis, assistant coordinator. NSA is also involved in national and regional seminars. Many of the programs and ideas begun by the Faculty-Student Council, such as the Community Service Program, work with foreign students, leadership seminars and International Relations Club, are results of cooperation with other NSA member schools. The Student Council gives NSA \$258 yearly for its dues

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When such a large amount of money is delegated for two organizations which cannot show much concrete organizational activity for their spending, and when a vital and important program such as the Community Service Program is suffering the hardship of a mere financial pittance, then the time has come for the elimination of one or both national organizations. St. John's has operated well without membership in either one.

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|  <p style="text-align: center;">THE TORCH STUDENT NEWSPAPER OF THE COLLEGE OF ST. BENEDICT Vol. 6 No. 2 College of St. Benedict St. Joseph, Minnesota</p> | <p>“Nearly 300 student body presidents and editors have now signed a call for a Vietnam Moratorium—a nationwide anti-war class and work boycott.</p> |
| <h2 style="text-align: center;">Viet Nam Moratorium Hits College Campus</h2> <p>WASHINGTON—(CPS)— Nearly 300 student body presidents and editors have now signed a call for a Vietnam Moratorium—a nationwide anti-war class and work boycott.</p> <p>The call, sponsored by the new “Vietnam Moratorium Committee,” is for a one-day boycott of classes at all U.S. colleges and universities on October 15 to call attention to and move toward ending the Vietnam War. The committee plans to expand the moratorium to two days in November.</p> <p>Go” statement campaign involving 250 student body presidents and editors last year. Sam Brown, another former NSA staff member and organizer of youth for Sen. Eugene McCarthy’s 1968 presidential campaign. He is currently a fellow at Harvard’s Institute of Politics. David Mixner, another former McCarthy campaigner presently on the Democratic Party reform commission headed by Sen. George McGovern (D-S. Dakota).</p> <p>The committee, according to</p> | <p>The call, sponsored by the new ‘Vietnam Moratorium Committee,’ is for a one-day boycott of classes at all U.S. colleges and universities on October 15 to call attention to and move toward ending the Vietnam War. ...</p> <p>Financial assistance is coming from private gifts, Moratorium organizers say, though they do not list any primary backers. The National Student Association has provided some financial aid for the Washington office.”</p> |
| <p style="text-align: center;">The Torch October 1969, p.1 http://cdm.csbsju.edu/u/?/CSBArchNews_202</p> | <p style="text-align: right;"><i>The Torch</i> October 1969, p.1 http://cdm.csbsju.edu/u/?/CSBArchNews_202</p> |

NSA gets political



A headline giving results of the Wisconsin primaries pleases Young Democrats, Kady Mollathand, Julie Licatour and Florence Wagnor.

As the year progresses, Joan Scherer, Barb Velecky and Alice Ore, members of the Young Republicans, see that the club is fulfilling its objectives.

Facula 1960 p.111

Young Democrats and Young Republicans



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