NEWS OF THOMAS AQUINAS COLLEGE

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FIRST YEAR JUDGED SUCCESSFUL

In the judgment of the faculty of Thomas Aquinas College the first year of the program has been a major success. Student performance has exceeded expectations. They have studied and mastered very difficult material.

Students apparently find the program exciting, interesting and worthwhile. This is evidenced by the long hours of study they willingly undertake, by their general comments and by the expressed intention of most of them to return next year.

SEPTEMBER CLASS FILLING

The Admissions Committee of Thomas Aquinas College has already accepted a number of students for admission to the 1972 freshman class. Additionally in recent weeks a great many students have requested admission information and application forms from the College. Due to this widespread interest we expect the freshman class for September to be filled before June 15th. Since each application is dealt with individually on a first come, first serve basis, even this date does not guarantee consideration. It is therefore suggested that students who might wish to apply for admission contact the College as soon as possible.

Students requesting financial aid must first be accepted for admission. The College then allocates available funds and employment opportunities on the basis of need.

Those interested in attending Thomas Aquinas College are invited to visit the campus for up to two days. This will give them the opportunity to attend classes and take part in the life at Thomas Aquinas College. Arrangements for such a visit may be made by calling Mr. Peter DeLuca at the College.



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FACULTY ENLARGED

Four new tutors will join the faculty of Thomas Aquinas College for the coming year. Two of them are just completing their doctorates—Mr. Thomas Dillon in Philosophy at Notre Dame and Mr. Lawrence Shields in The History of Science at Princeton. Mr. Marcus Berquist, one of the founders of the College, will begin teaching on a full time basis. Father Peter Royal, of the Congreation of the Sacred Cross, will also join us. He is very learned in the subjects we pursue, with a doctorate in Theology as well as in Philosophy.

WILLIAM R. HAYDEN ELECTED COLLEGE GOVERNOR

Mr. William R. Hayden of Los Angeles has been elected to the Board of Governors of Thomas Aquinas College bringing the Board to its full complement of fifteen members. Mr. Hayden is an outstanding Catholic layman and well-known in the Los Angeles business community.

PRESIDENT'S COUNCIL FORMED

Dr. Ronald P. McArthur, President of Thomas Aquinas College, has appointed a group of prominent Catholic laymen to a newly formed President's Council. This Council will advise and assist the President in the planning and organization needed to provide for the growth and development of the College.

The activities of the Council are co-ordinated by the Executive Committee under the Chairmanship of J. Edward Martin.

The Council is divided into two groups. The National Scholarship and Information Committee, chaired by Francis J. Montgomery, works to secure funds for scholarships and current operations, seeks good students from all parts of the United States, and in general works to increase national awareness of the College. It operates primarily through local committees such as those already formed in Los Angeles, Pasadena, Orange County, Bakersfield and San Francisco.

The Campus Planning Committee, under the Chairmanship of William R. Sidenfaden, is responsible for both the physical and financial aspects of campus development.

Thomas Aquinas College is indeed fortunate to have such qualified and dedicated men working to provide for its future.

CHAMPAGNE BRUNCH FORTHCOMING

The Thomas Aquinas College Auxiliary will host a champagne brunch on Sunday, May 21st in the former Gillette mansion on the Thomas Aquinas College campus. The activities will begin with Mass at 11:15 with brunch served at 12:30. Donations for the affair are \$7.50 per person and reservations may be obtained by calling 472-6152 or 889-3391. Proceeds will benefit the Auxiliary Scholarship Fund.