

# NEWS OF THOMAS AQUINAS COLLEGE

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Thomas Aquinas College begins its second year most hopefully because our new freshman class has come well qualified to do our curriculum, because they are enthusiastic about the College, and because we are blessed with an outstanding group of new tutors to educate them.

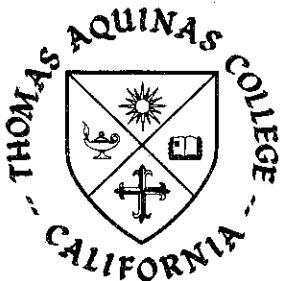
Our publicity has gone out to new places in Europe and America, and the response to our efforts continues to grow. We will start recruiting now all over the country for our 1973 freshman class.

I ask you to continue your support of the College, and to pray for us and for our success. Those of you who have already helped have performed the indispensable task of launching the College, and of then making possible a good life for our students.

Ronald P. McArthur  
President

## CLASSES BEGIN

Thomas Aquinas College commenced classes on Tuesday, September 19th. With the addition of thirty-six freshmen, opening day saw sixty-two students, 30 men and 32 women, enrolled. The new students come from all parts of the United States as well as from Southern California.



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## HOLY CROSS SISTER JOINS STAFF

Sister Verda Clare, former provincial of the Midwest Province of the Sisters of the Holy Cross, has joined the staff of Thomas Aquinas College as administrative assistant in charge of women. Sister has studied French language and literature at the Sorbonne in Paris and Scripture at the Ecole Biblique in Jerusalem. After receiving her Doctorate in Philosophy at Laval University in Quebec, Sister served as Vice-President of St. Mary's College in Indiana and, following this, President of Cardinal Cushing College in Boston. During these years, Sister translated from the French a two-volume work on Carmelite spirituality by P. Marie-Eugene, O.C.D. These appeared in English under the titles: *I Want To See God* and *I Am A Daughter Of The Church*.

The College is indeed privileged to add Sister Verda Clare to its staff.

## NEW FACULTY MEMBERS

To handle the increase in students, the College has added three members to its staff. They are:

Mr. Thomas Dillon, B.A., St. Mary's College of California, 1968; M.A., University of Notre Dame, 1972; Ph.D. Candidate, University of Notre Dame. Mr. Dillon's first year teaching assignments include the freshman physics laboratory plus the sophomore mathematics tutorial and seminar.

Mrs. Molly Gustin, Bachelor of Music, Master of Music, Ph.D., University of Indiana. Mrs. Gustin has taught at both the Annapolis and Santa Fe Campuses of St. John's College plus Park College in Missouri and Portland State University in Oregon. Mrs. Gustin has recently published a book on music theory entitled *Tonality*. Her first year teaching assignments include the freshman mathematics tutorial and seminar plus the sophomore music tutorial.

Mr. Laurence Shields, B.A., St. Mary's College of California, 1966; M.A., Princeton University, 1969; Ph.D. Candidate, Princeton University. Mr. Shields has been teaching at the Newark School of Engineering for the past two years. At Thomas Aquinas, Mr. Shield's first year teaching assignments include the sophomore chemistry laboratory plus the sophomore mathematics tutorial and seminar.

Thomas Aquinas College is very proud to add men and women of this stature to its staff.

## DIRECTOR OF ADMISSIONS NAMED

Because of the mounting number of applications to Thomas Aquinas College, the school has hired Mr. Dennis Koller to serve in the dual capacity of Director of Admissions and Financial Aid. Mr. Koller will be available to speak at or help organize any function or gathering arranged by friends of the College.

## DOCKWEILER LIBRARY CONTRIBUTES BOOKS

Mrs. Henry I. Dockweiler has recently contributed 450 volumes to the Thomas Aquinas College library. These books were originally part of the late Mr. Henry Dockweiler's personal library, much of which was inherited from his father, the late Mr. Isidore Dockweiler.

The contributed books include 10 volumes of the 1803 edition of *The Works of Robert Burns* plus 40 volumes of the 1899 edition of *The World's Great Classics*.

This contribution represents a substantial addition to the College library and is greatly appreciated.

## INTERESTED STUDENTS INVITED TO VISIT CAMPUS

Students interested in attending Thomas Aquinas College in the future are invited to visit the campus for up to two days. They may attend classes and live with the students so as to obtain a good idea of what the academic program in particular and the College in general are like. Arrangements for such a visit may be made by calling Mr. Dennis Koller at the College.

## FURNITURE AND EQUIPMENT NEEDED

With its larger student enrollment, the College can put to good use many items of furniture and equipment. Before disposing of such items, friends of the College are urged to consider donating them to the school. Of particular importance are items such as rugs, drapes and living room furniture.

## LECTURE SERIES CONTINUES

As a regular part of the academic program, Thomas Aquinas College presents a lecture series. Lectures are related to the work being done in the program and are primarily for the benefit of the students. Attendance at the lecture is open, however, to parents and other friends of the College. The first lecture was given by Dr. Ronald P. McArthur, President of the College, on Friday, September 22, 1972. The title of his lecture was "A Modern Dilemma".

Information about other lectures is available from the College office.