and http://www.csbsju.edu/sju-archives/csb-sju-student-newspapers-on-vivarium
Preface

St. Ben’s turned 100 this academic year, and there have been lots of opportunities to learn about St. Ben’s history:
- centennial displays
- Art & Heritage Place exhibit, “Lighting the Torch”
- Annette Atkins’ book for the centennial, Challenging Women Since 1913: the College of Saint Benedict

But what was going on 50 years ago? What was happening on the campus during the 1964-1965 academic year?

What follows is a potpourri of what I came across, mostly in the few publications we have from that year. However, in 1964-65:
- St. Ben’s had no yearbook
- St. Ben’s had no student newspaper

But it had:
- a quarterly magazine for alumnae, The Benet
- the catalog (aka the Bulletin)
- and, in 1965, The Torch student newspaper
In 1964 Mariella Gable, OSB gives "In League with the Future" talk to the alumnae to commemorate 50 years of CSB history.

Photo from St. Ben’s Monastery Archives.
The Benedicta Arts Center was under construction....More about that in another PowerPoint!
Out in the woods the boys found a big change in progress. In the process of being built is a larger pavilion, with electricity, gas and water facilities. It will make it possible for the Sisters to enjoy periods of relaxation during the summer or winter.
Meanwhile, at SJU: Having completed the Breuer Monastery wing, the Lit Press building, the Abbey Church, Tommy Hall and the Prep School, St. John’s was launching into

...building a new library and science hall, and planning for a new student center


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## CSB’s

### FEES AND EXPENSES

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Torch Relighted

With Rosemary Maires as editor, CSB’s student newspaper, The Torch, was reinitiated at the beginning of the second semester. Assisting Miss Maires are Kathleen Conroy, Sheila Hogan, Mary Garrity and Jane Wilson. Mr. Paul Molendy, CSB’s public relations director, and Mr. George Herman of the speech and drama department are faculty moderators.

The paper which will appear monthly is being printed at St. John’s and resembles The Record in appearance. Alumnae and friends will receive it upon notification of The Torch office.

Back in the days when women, even professional women from an all-women’s college, were usually referred to in their own alumnae publication by their husbands’ first and surnames, with few mentions of their own first and maiden names.
Cagers, Swimmers Test
Gusties, Huskies, Katies

St. Benedict's all-college basketball team and the newly formed swimming team will be the guests of Gustavus Adolphus College in St. Peter on Saturday, Feb. 6.

The all-college basketball team, which was originated four years ago, is coached by Miss Karen Hanke, the head of the physical education department. Miss Henke's main ambition is to produce a team that will work well together, therefore leaving most of the selection of players and consultation of players to the team members themselves, and the captains, Bernice Rohr.

The present team, elected by those eligible for team membership, consists of nine girls: freshmen Mary Morris, Jane Minnek, and Joan Bremer; sophomores Bernice Rohr and Mary Brain; juniors Ruth Mauzy and Karen Holman; and seniors Dorlina Story and Mary Ellen Comlin.

Besides the game at Gustavus, the team will host the College of St. Catherine at 2 p.m. on Sun.

The new swimming team, not yet named, will join the basketball team at Gustavus. As a result of several invitations from other colleges to participate in swimming competition, interested swimmers have formed an official team sponsored by the Women's Recreational Association.

Since October the girls have practiced every Wednesday night at St. Cloud Tech High School's pool. Their meet with the "Gustie Guppies" will be their first formal competition. The WRA has purchased red and white striped tank suits for the team.

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(Elaine Faulkner is a sister to CSB’s Professor Emerita of English Mara Faulkner OSB.)
Woman's Role Explored in Weekend Talks

Mrs. Emerson Hynes of Arlington, Va., and Mr. Ronald Lane of the CSB philosophy department will be featured speakers at Womanhood Weekend March 13-14.

The weekend, a concentration on the role of women, is sponsored by the Faculty-Student Council.

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Discussors will be moderated by two or three student leaders.

Chairman Carol Landskamer, '65, has patterned the weekend as in 1963 except for an improvement in the discussion groups.

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Night Classes Attract Varied Student Body

By Mary Garry

Local teachers, housewives, and professional people are now playing the student role at St. Benedict’s. Thirty-seven adults enrolled in Sister Johanna’s two introductory pottery courses which meet Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

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Sister Johanna, briskly brushing the pottery dust off her habit, enumerated some of her heterogeneous students: three Sisters from the St. Cloud Hospital staff; Michael Basqui, S.J. French teacher; Agatha Gertken, St. Joseph postmistress; Sister M. Cecilia, CSB treasurer; Dr. Robert Kelly, St. Joseph dentist; Margaret Faulkner, a postulant and teacher at St. Benedict’s High School.

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This semester thirty-nine girls will be taking classes at SJU in areas such as chemistry, history, Latin, French, and psychology while forty-one boys will be attending CSB classes including contemporary philosophy, social casework, history of music, and speech and drama courses.

Mr. Joseph O’Connell will be joining the Art Department as instructor in sculpture and Sister Shaun, OSH, who holds an M.A. in American History from Marquette University will be teaching U.S. History, Civil War and Reconstruction. Sister is presently Dean of Students and an American history instructor at St. Benedict’s High School.

Adult education classes, which will be offered each Tuesday evening from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., February 2 through May 18, will include a variety of courses, beginning painting 10; Sister Jacqueline Dufay, OSH; Pottery 22; Sister Joanna Becker, OSH; Shakespeare 29; Sister Louise Welser, OSH; Munion of the Holy in the Church; Sister Mary Anthony Wagner, OSH; and Modern Mathematics for Parents; Sister Joanne Muggil, OSH. According to Sister Ermin Escher, OSH, Academic Dean, the painting and pottery classes have been the most popular.

More instructors from SJU are coming over here to teach courses than ever before and are teaching in more areas. Mr. Stephen Humphry will teach Contemporary Literature 40; Father Leonard Eshle, OSH, World Geography 2; Mr. William O’Donnell, Adolescent Psychology 4; Mr. Edwin Bark, History and Philosophy of Education 40; Mr. Frank Herring, Instrumental Technique 12; and Father Paul Marx, OSH, Family 38.
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Beginnings. In March of 1963, representative faculty members from Saint John's University, Collegeville, Minnesota and the College of Saint Benedict, Saint Joseph, Minnesota constituted a Steering Committee to discuss plans for developing an Academic Exchange Program. Some cooperation had begun some ten years earlier in the Sociology, Art and English Departments, but the program was a small one and was used for emergency measures predominantly.

Cooperation advances, 1964-65. In 1964-65, more students were traveling between campuses, more departments were cooperating in the program, more faculty were teaching in two colleges. The first combined major developed during this year was Communication and Theatre. A student pursuing this major was required to

to change to complexity. About 70 students from both colleges were registered in fifteen different classes in each semester of the academic year 1963-64. The class period was identical on both campuses. This created difficulties for the student since he needed to be free on his home campus both before and after his scheduled class on the neighboring campus. Scheduling classes became more difficult. Transportation needed to be smoother. The time of vacations on both campuses required an identical calendar. Some departments were waiting to see how the program would develop before attempting to be a part of it. The most successful part of collaboration thus far was faculty exchange.

The Bulletin, 1964-66 published during this year, described the CSB-SJU Academic Exchange Program as follows:

A program of cooperation exists between Saint John's University and the College of Saint Benedict. Students from either school may elect courses from a list of shared offerings approved by the administration and the department chairmen of both institutions. The program permits some sharing of faculty and facilities.
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First Semester

- Faculty Orientation
- Freshman Orientation
- Registration
- Opening Mass, classes begin
- All Saints Day, free day(s)
- Midsemester
- Thanksgiving vacation
- Immaculate Conception, free day
- Christmas vacation begins (4:40 p.m.)
- Classes resumed, 7:50 a.m.
- First semester examinations

September 8, 9
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