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The class of 1971 at Salve Regina College will mark their Class Day Wednesday afternoon (May 19) with traditional outdoor ceremonies on Ochre Court Terrace.

The program, scheduled to begin at 2 p.m., will include an address by the class valedictorian, Sr. Elena Natalizia, Johnston; the presentation of honor society and activity awards and nursing pins; and the conferring of academic hoods on the 156 baccalaureate degree candidates.

A highlight of this year's exercises will be the awarding of the Arlette Hopkins Scholarship to one of the seniors for graduate work in French studies abroad. The scholarship, named for the late Mrs. Arlette Hopkins -- a member of the French department at the College for the six years prior to her death last November -- was realized through the fund-raising efforts of her colleagues, friends, and students. The Hopkins Scholar will be announced by Mrs. Elaine N. Mayer, Middletown, language laboratory technician at Salve Regina, who spearheaded the drive that raised nearly \$2000. for the fund.

The ceremony will also feature recognition of 17 members of the class of 1971 who have been elected to membership in Sigma Phi Sigma, national Mercy honor society; Delta Epsilon Sigma, national scholastic honor society; Sigma Delta Pi, national honor society for Hispanic studies; and Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities. There will also be award presentations sponsored by the Student National Education Association, the College's glee club, and the Ebbtide yearbook staff.

Salve Regina president Sr. Mary Christopher, R.S.M., assisted by Dr. Lester Carr, vice president for academic affairs, and Sr. Veronica Duffy, R.S.M., senior class moderator, will confer the College's baccalaureate hoods on the graduates to close the program.

The class of 1971, who were welcomed to the Salve Regina College Alumnae Association at a dinner party on campus Tuesday evening (May 18), will officially join the alumnae upon receipt of their degrees at next Monday's Commencement.