Chronology

1934

January 30

Petition for a charter presented to the General Assembly of the State of Rhode Island

March 19

The bill was passed unanimously by the General Assembly and approved by the Governor of the State of Rhode Island, Theodore Francis Green

July 13

First meeting for the inauguration of the Corporation of Salve Regina College held at St. Xavier Convent in Providence

July 27

First meeting of the Board of Directors of Salve Regina College conducted at St. Xavier Convent

1947

September 21

Students enter College

First to register but last to arrive, Patricia Dooley; first to arrive and last to register, Eileen Schwenk

September 22

Day students arrive

During orientation, Michael F. Walsh, Ed.D., Director of Education in Rhode Island, welcomed students to Newport and to higher education. A reception introducing faculty and students followed.

September 24

Formal opening

10:00 procession and blessing of College

10:30 Mass with Most Reverend Francis P. Keough pontificating

Assistant - Reverend John Kenny

Superintendent of Catholic Schools

Music - students of College

Salve Regina becomes the official hymn

Luncheon

3:00 Benediction of Blessed Sacrament - Reverend Gerald F. Dillon, Chaplain

September 28

First mass offered at Our Lady's Shrine

October 4

Extension courses begin

October 7

Blessing of statue of St. Joseph, gift of Sister Martha Quinn's brothers in honor of their parents

December 18

First issue of *Ebb Tide*

First party for poor children of Newport schools

1948

January 6

Reception and tea honoring Mrs. Robert Goelet

February 6

Garage and land on Leroy Avenue presented to college by Robert Goelet - Mercy Hall

April 6

Nursing as a new addition to the curriculum discussed with faculty. Faculty to poll number of students interested.

April 20

Meeting for organization of the Salve Regina Guild

May 5

Catherine Cooney, Rhode Island Welfare Bureau, addressed students concerning social services

May 9

Statue of Our Lady of Fatima blessed. Gift of Sister Mary Catherine Durkin's brothers in memory of their parents.

June 28

First summer school classes begin

September 9

First meeting of Advisory Board

December 12

Mercy Hall blessed

1949

June 27

Summer school session - thirty-five Religious, eight lay people

September 23

First Honors Convocation - Terrace Ochre Court. Reverend Robert L. Slavin, O.P., President of Providence College addresses students. Two juniors and two sophomores receive fourrageres.

Note: Remainder of chronology reflects development of College curriculum, social highlights, and organization of College clubs.