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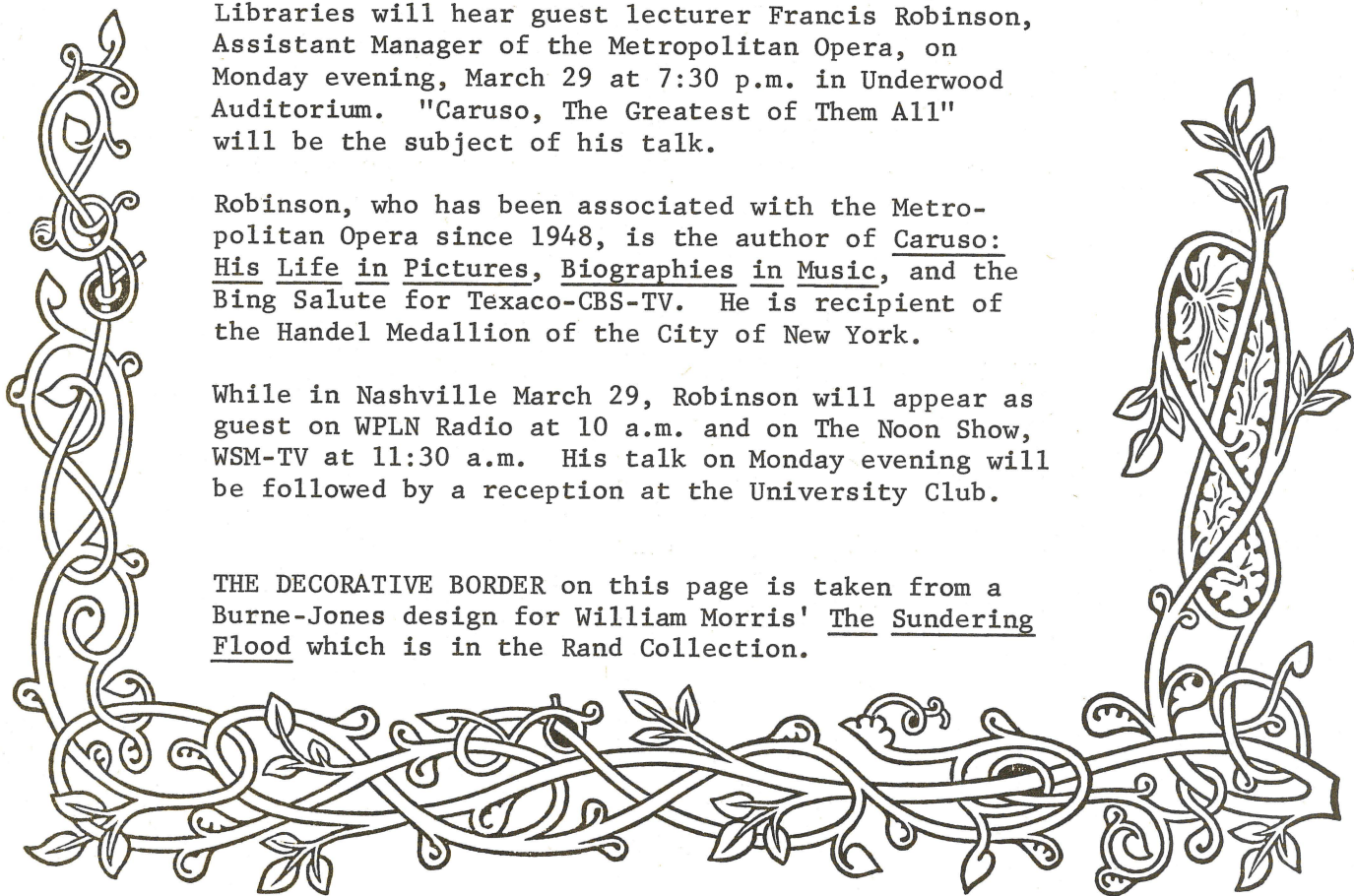
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ONE OF TWO SPECIAL FRIENDS EVENTS of Fall 1975 was the appearance of noted critic Cleanth Brooks as guest speaker for the second annual dinner meeting of the FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY on November 3, 1975 at the University Club.

Brooks, Gray Professor of Rhetoric, Emeritus, at Yale, discussed "Nature and Human Nature in the Poetry of Robert Frost." He was introduced by Rob Roy Purdy, senior vice-chancellor and professor of English at Vanderbilt.

Brooks is well known for his literary criticism, and his books include William Faulkner: The Yoknapatawpha Country, The Hidden God: Studies in Hemingway, Faulkner, Yeats, Eliot and Warren, Literary Criticism: A Short History, and The Well Wrought Urn. He has worked with another Vanderbilt alumnus, author Robert Penn Warren, in the preparation of several textbooks and anthologies for English courses.

From January to June of 1976 Brooks will hold the Andrew W. Mellon Fellowship in the Humanities at Tulane University. He is currently doing research for a second book on William Faulkner to be a companion volume to his first.

LOVERS OF SHAKESPEARE, Song, Stilton, and Sack braved the tempest of the evening of September 17, 1975, to sample some of each, provided for and by the FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY.

Professor Robert Hunter of the Vanderbilt English Department discussed the songs of Twelfth Night as they relate to or reflect themes in the play. Professor Hunter emphasized the play's comedic element both in the content and style of his remarks.

John Johns, classical guitarist and teacher at the Blair Academy of Music, and Trisha Johns, flutist, followed Professor Hunter's talk with performances of Elizabethan music by John Dowland and others.

Following the program in Underwood Auditorium, most of those attending moved to an adjoining corridor of the Law School where long, beautifully arrayed tables laden with wheels of Cheddar and Stilton cheese and flanked by mounds of apples and grapes had been set. One could choose between ruby claret or golden dry sack to accompany the cheeses.

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	1974-75	1975-76
Student	14	33
Contributing	132	131
Family	169	132
Sustaining	31	28
Patron	13	3
Benefactor	7	2
Life	7	2

According to Gus Halliburton, Treasurer, the group has raised \$93,048.66 in restricted and unrestricted funds for the libraries from its inception.

THE TOM LITTLE CARTOON COLLECTION in Special Collections at JUL is represented in "The Image of America in Caricature and Cartoon," a bi-centennial exhibit mounted by the Amon Carter Museum of Western Art of Fort Worth, Texas. Tom Little, former editorial cartoonist for the Nashville Tennessean, showed a supposed U.S. Chamber of Commerce plan to blow up T.V.A in the cartoon which appeared in the Tennessean on May 9, 1957.

The original charcoal drawing is in the Tom Little Collection of approximately 6000 cartoons currently being indexed. After appearing at the galleries of the Public Library of Fort Wayne, Indiana through mid-March 1976, the traveling exhibit is scheduled for the National Museum of Man in Ottawa next summer and for the Rhode Island School of Design in Providence in the fall.

A Tom Little cartoon adds a light note to a recent study of the university budget presented in Gazette, a publication of the office of the Chancellor of Vanderbilt University.



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