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ESCORT DAN McGinnis bestows Valentine's Day Queen Gracie Wiginton with the traditional crowning kiss.

## Valentine Festivities Offered Fun and Excitement

MSC's annual Valentine's Day celebration was held last Wednesday featuring Valentines hand delivered by cupid's messengers, an exciting disco dance and the coronation of a new Valentine's Day queen.

The day began with members of the Student Senate delivering Valentines and heart shaped suckers to students all over the campus. For a mere fifty cents secret admirers could have delivered to their lovers little known but highly acclaimed Shakespearean sonnets such as: "Roses are Red/Frogs are Green/You'd be Kinda Cute/If you weren't so Mean." And, "Violets are Blue/Roses are Red/I'll love you Always/Until You are Dead!!"

Later in the day Gracie Wiginton,

a freshman art major from Paden, was crowned as the new Valentine's Day queen. Gracie, one of this year's MSC cheerleaders, was escorted by Marietta freshman Dan McGinnis. Runners up in the queen competition were Mary Moore, representing McKee Hall, and Dr. Kay Husen representing the Veterinary Technology Club.

After the coronation of the new queen a dance was held in the student union ballroom. From nine o'clock to midnight, Murray students boogied to the beat of such rock artists like the Bee Gees and Donna Summers as played by the KVSQ Mobile Disco. Multi-colored lights added to the club-like atmosphere and helped make this Valentine's Day one of the most enjoyable evenings so far this year.

## Snow Encumbers Cars, Highways, Students and Instructors

By Linda Jones

Dorm students definitely have one advantage (or disadvantage, depending on how you look at it) over commuters in regard to the recent ice and snow. If you are a commuter, you know what I mean. You get up one morning, look out the window and see five inches of snow. The streets and highways are solid ice. "Only a fool would attempt driving on this stuff," you think.

But then you begin to worry about the classes you're missing. It isn't easy to catch up when you get behind. You sit around and bite your fingernails for a while, then, walk the floor, weighing the pros and cons of the situation. It finally gets the best of you, so regardless of traveler's ad-

visories and the risks involved, you set out.

The first leg of the journey is one of the most dangerous—from your front door to the car. You maneuver across the porch, down the steps, the length of the sidewalk and reach the car feeling rather smug (you only went sprawling once), only to find the doors frozen shut. After much pulling and tugging and colorful language, you finally manage to get the car door open, usually the one on the passenger side so that you have to crawl back and forth across the front seat.

Now, after you get the car started and the defroster going strong, all you have to do is clear the windshield and windows. No problem. Where's that ice scraper? You know it was right

here yesterday. Never mind. Time is running out so you get out and start raking the snow off with your hands. It doesn't take long to soak your gloves. Your fingers begin to tingle, then grow numb. It's not important. Frostbite is a small price to pay for staying caught up in Dr. Hayes' Biology class.

After several false starts you finally get out of the driveway, spin and slide through three stop signs and a traffic light, and you're out on the open highway. It's not bad. No traffic. Just go slow and you've got it made.

But a glance in the rear-view mirror reveals an eighteen-wheeler approaching rapidly from behind. "He's driving too fast," you think. Closer

and closer. With one eye on the road and one on the rear-view mirror, your heart begins to pound. Perspiration breaks out. "Slow it down, buddy," you pray. You resign yourself to your fate, close both eyes tight and wait for the crash. As he whips around you, blowing his horn, you get a glimpse of his laughing face before the muddy slush hits the windshield.

Miraculously, you arrive in one piece—no dented fenders. You're half an hour late, but you're here. You dash up the stairs, race down the hallway and reach the classroom. Taped to the outside of the door is a note which reads: "Classes dismissed today. Instructor snowed in."

That's all right. All you have to do now is get back home.

## Student Senate Effective, Visiting Hours Increased

The MSC dorm visiting hours have been lengthened on a trial basis for the rest of the semester. The new hours are from 1:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and from 1:00 p.m. to 12:00 midnight Friday through Saturday. Director of Student Personnel, David McCormick, commented that he "would hope that students would fully cooperate with this trial basis."

The question of the dorm hours was brought before the Student Senate and the senate voted to take action. When asked about the way the senate acted on the issue, McCormick stated

"I would personally like to commend the members of the Student Senate who worked developing the proposal, and I was particularly pleased with the way in which they went through the proper channels—one step at a time—in order to get the proposal approved and submitted to the proper places."

This particular incident is just one example that there isn't as great a void as some people would believe between the students and the administration. It also proves that there are ways to change undesirable situations on the campus of Murray State.

## Teachers Are Students In Writing Workshop

"Teachers of writing must also write" is a basic rule of the Oklahoma Writing Project. Over 35 teachers of English from Southern Oklahoma came to MSC to practice that rule in an all-day workshop, Feb. 16.

Sponsored by the State Department of Education and the Department of Education at the University of Oklahoma, the OWP's goal is to improve the teaching of writing in Oklahoma schools.

To achieve that goal, 25 teachers were selected from statewide applications to attend an intensive 5 week workshop at OU last summer. Teachers who participated in this original workshop are now conducting additional, briefer workshops such as the one here.

The MSC workshop was a cooperative effort. Dr. Clyde Kindell sponsored a luncheon to inform area schools of the workshop opportunity. Dr. Marion Wirth worked out OU funding and graduate credit arrangements as well as much of the workshop organization. Lewis Parkhill, one of the 25 original OWP participants, coordinated the consultants and the program.

From 9 until 5, the MSC workshop participants wrote, worked in groups on their writing and listened to writing presentations tested in the classroom.

Consultants were: Lee McKenzie, OU; Pat Smith, Moore Public Schools; Anna Belle Leka, Tulsa Public Schools and Sherry Morgan, Sand Springs Public Schools.

Dr. Francis Dunham and Martha Mills, OU, Directors of the Oklahoma Writing Project also assisted with the workshop.



CONFERRING WITH Dr. Clyde Kindell at Murray's Oklahoma Writing Project luncheon is Dr. Weldon Perrin, superintendent, Ardmore Public Schools.

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## Editorial Debate:

# Homosexuality

## Pro:

By Jeff Milligan

One of the most hotly debated issues in the United States today is the question of gay rights. In Dade County, Fla., and in several other cities around the country, recently enacted ordinances barring discrimination against homosexuals have been repealed. Should homosexuals be accorded the same rights under the law as "straight" people, or do we, as the majority, have the right to determine who merits equal consideration in housing, employment and in other aspects of American society?

Clearly the constitution provides for rules by the majority; however, it does not provide for majority rule at the expense of the minority. The U. S. constitution guarantees the same basic rights to all citizens, not just those who conform to the social and religious ideals of the majority.

Many people are justifiably concerned about homosexuality and the effects it may have on their families and society. Will they influence my children? Are they contributing to the moral decline of this country? These are just a few of the many fears expressed by citizens throughout the country. These fears are understandable, but totally unfounded. The popular stereotypes of limp wristed sissies or murdering perverts simply does not fit the vast majority of homosexuals in this country.

In a Kinsey Institute study on homosexuality by Drs. Alan Bell and Martin Weinberg, it was found that most gays lead a life of quiet, unharmed domesticity. Also it was found that those couples involved in quasi-marriages (a very large portion) may be better adjusted than their heterosexual counterparts. These people conduct their day to day lives as doctors, lawyers, teachers, etc., and do not attempt to impose their sexual preferences on anyone, children or otherwise.

The popular concern that gay teachers will use their position to recruit children is also unjustifiable. In most cases homosexual teachers do not try to recruit children into their personal causes. If they do they are relieved of their job. Moreover, there is good reason to believe that gay teachers can not wield such influence. Studies by many psychiatrists indicate that sexual preference is determined by the time a child is five years old, well before school age. There is no indication that exposure to gay people in any way influences a child's sexual identity. Also, there is absolutely nothing to suggest that homosexuals molest children any more than heterosexuals do; if anything, the research on sexual behavior and child molesters suggests the reverse. Obviously there are some maladjusted gay people, just as there are many maladjusted straight people; however, these individuals constitute a very tiny minority.

One objection raised against gay rights is based on religion; homosexuality is an "abomination", a sin. This objection is valid for those who choose to believe in it. Freedom of religious expression is rightly guaran-

teed to all American citizens; however, this does not give anyone the right to impose their religious beliefs on anyone else. Denial of an individual's rights on a purely religious basis would be doing just that.

Homosexuality is not a new phenomenon. It has existed in practically every Western civilization throughout recorded history. Many gays have made significant contributions to society in almost every country. The world would be much poorer without the art of Michelangelo, the philosophy of Plato, or the plays of Tennessee Williams. Over the years some countries have banned homosexuality and others have permitted it. But in neither case has it had any effect on size of the gay population.

The denial of equal rights under the law to homosexuals or any other minority may be setting a dangerous precedent. Will we see sometime in the future campaigns to deny constitutional rights to opposition political parties or unpopular religious groups? Preposterous? The recent attempts to prevent American Nazis from marching through Skokie, Illinois, and measures under consideration to control so called "cults" indicate otherwise.

The choice before us is simple: either we guarantee all constitutional rights to all people regardless of personal life style or beliefs; or, we leave ourselves open to the denial of our own rights when we are in the minority.

## Con:

By Darel Stokes

To be pro-homosexual in the United States today seems to be the fashionable thing to do. The supporters of gay rights would have you believe that homosexuality is okay.

But, there have been several homosexual-linked murders around the country such as the thirty boys who were raped and murdered in Chicago, the "Trash Bag" murders of San Francisco, and the 27 people who were subjected to homosexual acts and murdered in Houston. All of these examples and many more are linked to homosexual activity.

Psychologists in the U. S. have voted not to call homosexuality a "disease." Homosexual activists argue that their practices are simply an "alternate life style," a style that anyone may choose to live in.

Many psychologists argue, on the basis of scientific study, that homosexuality is not normal but is a dysfunction. They disagree on whether homosexuality has physiological roots. But, many psychologists agree that homosexuality is far more than just an alternate life style.

If homosexuality is granted equalization with other minority groups, homosexual radicals are gaining support. Such an act would strengthen the views of homosexuality as a life style.

Most Americans don't understand or openly dislike homosexuality and will continue to dislike homosexuality regardless of its legal status. Most of the indignation toward homosexuality comes from religion. The strongest of these religious stands comes from the

## Student Poll

Based on a Student Senate recommendation, dorm visiting hours have been lengthened. Effective today, students may visit from 1-11 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and from 1-12 p.m. Friday and Saturday. The Aggielette editors asked this question: "What effect will the new visiting hours have on dorm life?"

Annette Rambo: "I think it will be just fine. It won't bother us at all. I think they ought to be able to come upstairs. I mean, uh, so they can watch TV sometimes."



Danette Rambo: "It'll be all right. Hey, if something is goin' to happen, it's goin' to happen anyway."



Randy Hendershott: "I feel that dorm life will improve, and everyone will be a lot happier with the school. It's kind of babyish being run out at 10:00."



Billy Nievar: "I don't think it will make a lot of difference to nobody. Weekends they ought to let you come in any time that you want. During the week you ought to be in by 10:30—it helps you get up about 6:00 in the morning so you can get your homework that you should have gotten the night before."



Kevin Norrell: "I don't think it's going to affect it much at all. There's not that many people that stays here on weekends. And the people who do stay here on weekends don't spend their time in the dorms."



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Judeo-Christian philosophy, which bases its stand on a passage from the Bible: "Thou shalt not lie with mankind as with womankind; it is an abomination." Whether correct or incorrect, a person attracted to homosexuality will suffer from the dominant public attitude which the law will not change.

Biologically, our species is a heterosexual species. This means that we have two sexes, male and female, and the process of reproduction is carried on between the two sexes. It is in this sense that the concept of homosexuality is an abnormal trait in our species.

Homosexuals should not be persecuted, but they should not be given special privileges and attention because they are. Their behavior has proven to be potentially dangerous to the individual and could be a detrimental factor to the evolution of the human race.



## Poetry Contest Offers Prizes

March 1 is the deadline for entries in the Mark Allen Everett Foundation Oklahoma Collegiate Poetry Contest. There will be three awards given: a first prize of \$100, a second prize of \$50, and a third prize of \$25.

Poems submitted may be of any length and style. One author may submit no more than four pages and/or no more than four poems. Entries must be postmarked no later than March 1, 1979.

Entrants must be currently enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate program in a college or university in Oklahoma.

Manuscripts should be typed. The author's name must not appear on the manuscript itself. The poem or poems must be accompanied by a cover sheet containing the author's name and address and the title of each poem submitted.

Manuscripts will not be returned unless the author sends a stamped self-addressed envelope.

Winners will be announced in April. A public poetry reading will be planned for the presentation of prizes.

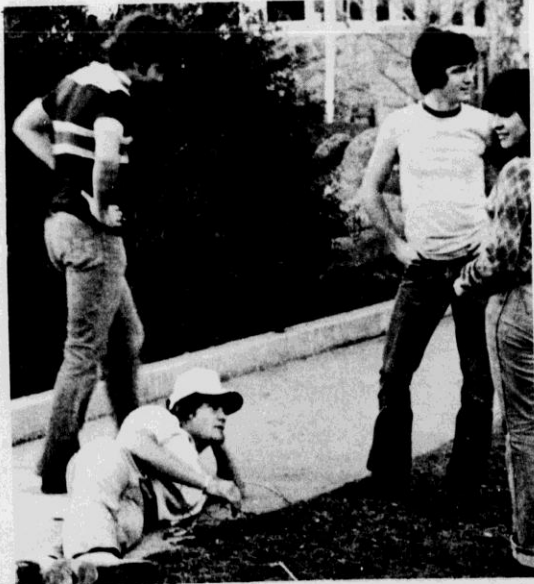
Entries should be sent to: The Oklahoma Collegiate Poetry Contest, Department of English, Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, Oklahoma 74074.

Contest entry should be clearly indicated on the envelope. Interested students desiring help in preparing manuscripts should contact Lewis Parkhill in the Language Arts Department.

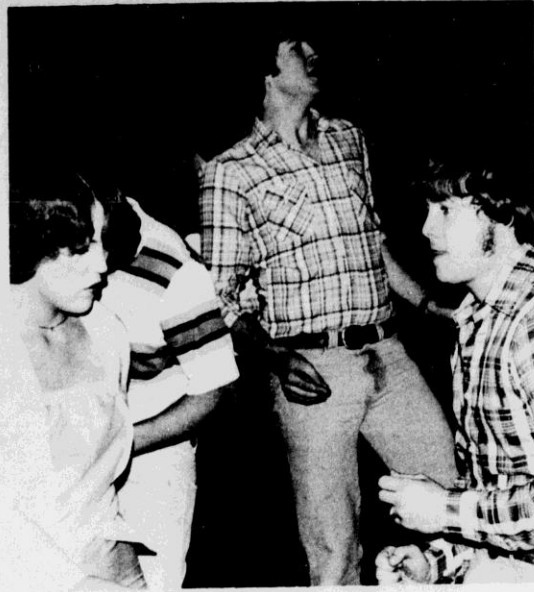
## Students Attend Musical Plays

Special Services students attended the Broadway hit musical "The Wiz" Feb. 15 in Oklahoma City. Approximately 45 persons, including sponsors, made the trip.

Also, on February 17, 13 Special Services students travelled to Ardmore to see the Ardmore Little Theatre's production of "South Pacific."



MSC STUDENTS enjoy a summer-like reprieve from the harsh winter weather by simply lounging around the campus in the sun.



MSC STUDENTS "boogie down" to the sound of the KVSQ Mobile Disco at the Valentine's Day Dance.

## Student Deposit Rules Changed by MSC Regents

Policies regarding enrollment and room deposits were changed at the Board of Regents meeting, Jan. 16, said Michael Chambliss, business manager. A \$15 enrollment deposit will be charged to all students entering Murray State College for the first time and will remain on deposit as long as the students attend Murray.

A \$20 room deposit will be charged to all students living in dormitories and will remain on deposit as long as the student resides on campus. The room deposit paid prior to enrollment will reserve a room for the student

until the first day of class.

Enrollment and room deposit refunds, less any damage assessments, will be as follows: if the student does not appear before the first day of class or if the student officially withdraws before the first day of class there will be no refund. If the student officially withdraws during the first five class days there will be a 20 per cent refund; 50 per cent during the first six to ten class days; 80 per cent during the semester but before the end of the semester, and 100 per cent at the end of the semester or term.

To be eligible for any enrollment or room deposit refund, a student must officially withdraw from the college. The official withdrawal form provides for a refund request.

Michelangelo carved his famous statue of David from a marble block on which another sculptor had started work.

## More Honor Roll Names Released

Three additional students attained the President's Honor Roll at Murray State College for the fall semester of 1978-79. Each student selected has maintained a minimum of fifteen semester hours with no grade lower than "A."

In addition to the 12 students already named to the President's Honor Roll, the following students achieved this honor: Reuben Edgar, Jr., Lindsay; Darrell Hefley, Davis; Mel Termini, Garfield Heights, Ohio.

An additional 15 names of students attaining the Dean's Honor Roll at Murray State College for the fall semester have been announced. Each student selected has maintained a minimum of 12 semester hours with no grade lower than "B."

Those additional students are: Stephen Bailey, Timothy Dickenson, Keith Jones, Ardmore; Marcia Baskin, Brenda Lone, Madill; Connie Van Winkle, Paden; Mary Clay, Lisa Dunn, Donna Pope, Tishomingo; Satoshi Sakata, Kazumasa Yoshida, Japan; Susan Sexton, Sulphur; Shelly Hamilton, Mulvane, Kansas; Sheri Kenny, Westford, Vermont; Mahlon Meadows, Orosi, California.

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## Aggiettes Eye Regionals As BB Season Nears End

The MSC Aggiettes lost one game and won another in their last two outings at home bringing their overall season to 17 wins and 4 losses, announced Coach John Loflin.

The Aggiettes' most recent loss came at the hands of Conners in an exciting overtime battle on Feb. 8. The Aggiettes led through much of the game and were leading by two points with only seconds to go when an outside shot by Conners tied the game at 46 points. During the overtime the Murray women once again held a two point lead, but a last minute rally by Conners finally defeated them.

The Aggiettes were hurt in the Conners game by the absence of starter Jackie Scott. Scott, currently averaging 12 points per game, was out with the flu. Murray chances for victory were further diminished when two of the teams tallest players, Princess Williams and Rhidonah Ladner, fouled out of the game with five minutes to go. As a result of this loss the Aggiettes will probably be dropped from the top twenty teams in the nation.

Wanda Jones once again led the

### Aggies are Ready

Some of the Yankees have just begun spring training, but Bill Hickey's baseball team has been practicing all winter come rain, sleet or snow.

Moving inside Beames Hall and the National Guard Armory with bad weather, the Aggies have continued working on fundamentals in preparation for a Feb. 16 opening game in Paris, Tex.

The Aggies lost one player, Benji De La Rosa, to the professional baseball winter draft. "Losing Benji was a big loss," said Hickey.

Mid-year recruitment has bolstered

### Intramural Action

One-on-one, a new intramural competition, begins soon, said Bill Hickey, baseball coach.

Both men and women may compete in basketball one-on-one, two-on-two and three-on-three com-

petition. Winners will be the first to 10 points, leading by at least two.

Free throw competition will also be available in the one-on-one format. All interested students should sign up in Beames Hall as soon as possible.

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## Aggies Drop El Reno, Record Now at 9 and 15

Coach Denny Aye's Aggies won over El Reno at a home game in a high scoring offensive battle against El Reno last Tuesday night bringing their season record to 9 wins and 15 losses.

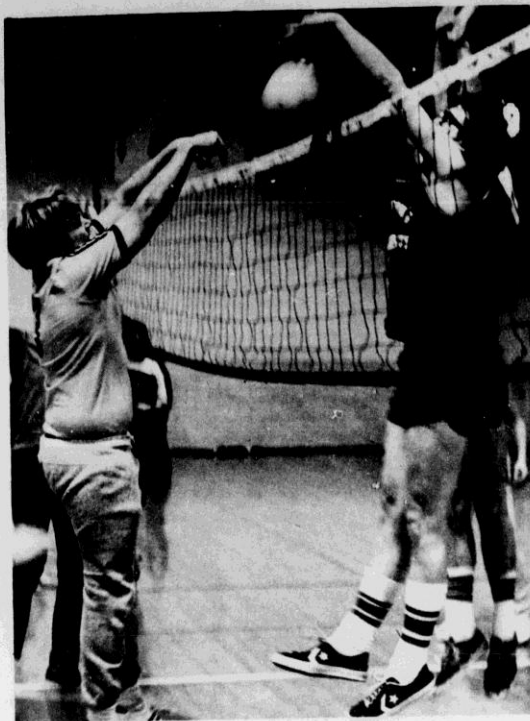
The game against El Reno was characterized by very good offensive play by both teams, however very little defensive play was exhibited by either squad. The high score, 106 to 90, resulted in a very enjoyable game for both players and fans, and helped the Aggies in their attempt to win the game. Bob Wakefield, 6'-1" guard from East Moline, Ill., led the Aggies statistically with 43 points and 17 rebounds. Second high Aggie scorer was guard Ronald Mims who scored 20 points and brought down 10 rebounds.

Before the bout with El Reno the Aggies had previously lost to a very strong Conners team 78 to 70. The Aggies were plagued by poor ball handling during the first seven

minutes of the game, quickly dropping behind by ten points.

Lack of height seems to be the Aggies greatest problem this year. They barely average six feet. "I think my players have played smarter, harder, and shot better than any other team we've played," said Coach Aye. "Even so it is difficult to successfully compete against teams eight or nine inches taller."

It has been suggested recently that more athletic scholarships might help to attract more quality basketball players and improve the program at Murray. When asked Coach Aye responded: "Scholarships would definitely help upgrade the basketball program at Murray. How much or how little no one can say for sure. The only fact I can give is that five out of seven teams in our conference give 10 to 12 full scholarships. At this time Murray does not offer that much athletic aid."



FACULTY TEAM member Larry Miller attempts to keep the ball in play against BMF player Steve Lindsey. Faculty went on to be the only intramural volleyball team to beat the BMF's.

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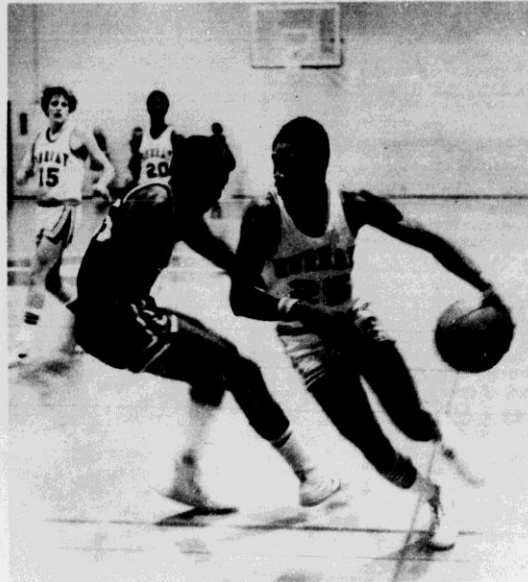
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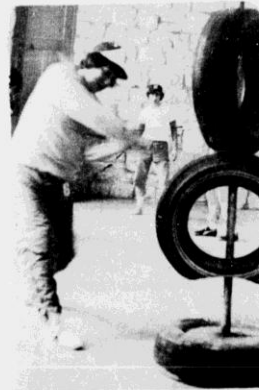
**THE INTRAMURAL** volleyball champions, BMF No. 2, stand by the net and gloat over their victory. The members of the team are: Jeff Hughes, Stratford; Bobby Garner, Stratford; John Tyler, Stratford; Randy Hendrix, Stratford; Mike Hall, Tishomingo; Kevin Norrell, Davis; Steve Lidsay, Plainview; Clifton Long, Stratford; Joel Longhorn, Earlsboro; George Ros, Battiest.



**RON MIMS**, Minden, La.; streaks by a bewildered Connors Cowboy toward the hoop to score two for the Aggies. Connors went on to win over the Aggies by 8.



**DORIS STANFIELD**, Wellston, completes an Aggie scoring drive against the Connors Cowgirls.



**DAVID BRADY**, catcher for the Aggies, works out with the rest of the team in the National Guard Armory during last week's cold weather.



**AGGIETTES PREPARE** to go into overtime in their grueling game against Connors. Connors went on to beat the Aggies by three points in the overtime.

## Shady Oaks

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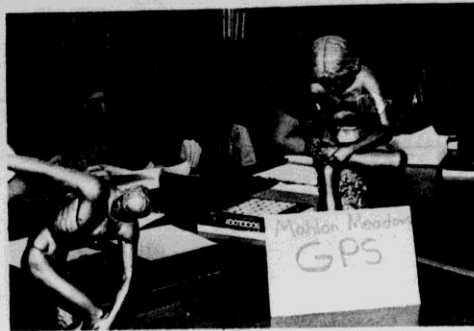
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**KEEPING BUSY:**  
A statuette plays with his toes while Mahlon Meadows, General Physical Science tutor, does his homework while awaiting a "tutoree."



**LAST MINUTE BRIEFING:**  
Kevin Norrell, English tutor, receives last minute instructions from Lewis Parkhill before diving into action.

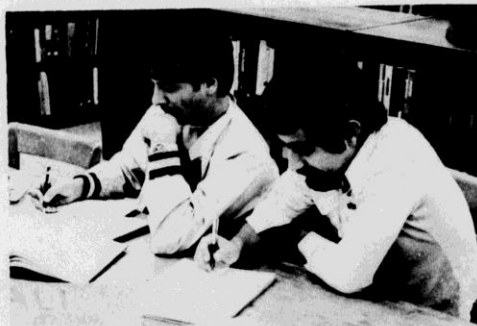
## The Lonely Life of a Tutor

By Darel Stokes

Life as a tutor at MSC can be very dangerous. There is a possibility that you can be bored to death. Most students know about tutors, but they rarely use them. This is an episode in the daily (or nightly) life of a few MSC tutors.



**CONSTANT PREPARATION:**  
Randel Sisson, Soils and Plant Science tutor, studies his notes diligently so that he will be well prepared when a lost soul approaches him.



**A LIVE ONE:**  
Ali Mohtashami snaps into action when a rare customer of knowledge seeks him out to learn the mysteries of chemistry.



IF YOU are a commuter, about the only way you could get to class at Murray was to fly a Navy jet like the one displayed in front of McKee Hall in honor of Smokey Tolbert.

## New LRC Committee Organized by Senate

A student-faculty ad hoc committee has been formed by the Student Senate and members of the administration to maximize utilization of the Library and LRC by Murray students through interaction with faculty and the director.

According to Rex Morrell, MSC history instructor and committee member, the group will be a sounding board for student and faculty suggestions on how the library and LRC might be modified to better suit the needs of Murray students.

The first meeting was held Feb. 8th. In the meeting it was suggested that several typewriters be placed in one of the conference rooms of the LRC for students who do not have access to one. The committee will be an ongoing project with meetings every other week.

Committee members are: Rex Morrell, Dennis Toews, Sheri King, Fred Poe, Carl Hatley, Mark Christians, Jeff Milligan, Barbara McDonald and Wanda Talkington. Suggestions from students on improving the Library/LRC are encouraged and should be addressed to these people.

## PTK Banquet Celebrates Sixtieth Anniversary

A banquet celebrating the sixtieth anniversary of Phi Theta Kappa will be held Feb. 22, in the P. J. Park Student Center, said Dr. Marion Wirth, PTK advisor.

Alpha Epsilon, MSC's chapter of the national honor society, will be initiating new members and welcom-

ing past members from its 50 years on campus.

Harold Slack, director of admissions, will deliver the banquet lecture on PTK's honors theme: "The Brilliant Future of Man—Problem-solving Time."

The \$5.50 price of the banquet includes a \$1.00 donation to the PTK National Scholarship Fund.

PTK officers are Randy Greason, Noble, president; Pam Lee, Tishomingo, and John Wackler, Ardmore, vice-presidents; Karen Minter, Madill, secretary; Donna Pope, Tishomingo, corresponding secretary; Mark Christians, Healdton, treasurer; and Carl Hatley, Lone Grove, historian.

## Tips for Females Only

By Derita Deen

Charm is a Middle English word meaning to attract, please greatly, enchant, allure, fascinate and delight.

It is amazing how women need to work for charm where men seem to acquire images just by being themselves. It is true that men may try to look like professional images, but not to the extent of what women go through. Women strive to achieve the right hair, make-up, and dress styles just to have it all changed in the next season and from year to year. However, there is help....

Charms schools offer women poise, beauty, and an over-all concept of themselves. One of such charm schools is Charles of the Ritz in Dallas, Texas, instructed by John Robert Powers. One-week courses begin with proper ways to apply make-up and exercises. Next, the course gives instructions on how to walk and sit correctly. Taping the quality of voices and correct pronunciation of the most mispronounced words follows. Counseling about your future with special concern on your majors in college ends the course.

The remarkable tips about the course are: learning the awareness of muscles you didn't know you had; if your now bow-legged, learning to hide your flaw by crossing your legs at

your knees when you walk; pronouncing laboratory, lab-o-ra-tory; remembering if you go to your boyfriend's home, never to sit down in the over stuffed chair because you'll be stuck and there is no graceful way to get up; and, last, but most important, carrying an extra pair of pantyhose in your purse because it doesn't matter how great you look, you're ruined if you get a runner!!

## Self Paced Math Course Easy 'A'

Steven Floyd, Madill, has completed the final module of general college math. Two other students, Ann Williamson, Madill, and Theresa Moores, Tishomingo are within two modules of completing the course.

According to Gerald Alloway, MSC math instructor, the modular courses "are self paced and are an easy way to get an 'A' for the semester."

The General College Math course is taken directly from Alloway's office. Course objectives and problems are handed to the student to study on their own time. As each section of the course is completed, the student takes an exit exam.

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# The Pervasive Power of ETS

By Ralph Nader

The next time you pick up a well-sharpened No. 2 pencil and begin to hurriedly answer a standardized, multiple-choice test, chances are that your test is one of more than eight million given annually by the Educational Testing Service (ETS).

You may know ETS manufactures SATs, LSATs, GREs and GMATs. With these tests alone, ETS influences the educational and career opportunities of millions of people. But the power of ETS does not begin or end with those tests.

ETS markets 299 different tests. ETS tests are used to determine entrance to over 60 occupations including firefighters, actuaries, policemen, real estate brokers, sailors, teachers, gynecologists, engineers, and auto mechanics.

ETS tests results are the standards of access to some of the most powerful professions: Foreign Service officers, New York stockbrokers, lawyers in over 40 states, CIA agents.

Two million elementary students take ETS tests, and ETS is even developing ways to test infants. ETS helps determine who will be eligible for financial aid and how much they will receive. The financial information ETS obtains on nearly two million families is more detailed than a mortgage application or an IRS return.

ETS consultants and trainees help shape education and labor allocation policy in scores of countries, including Singapore, Brazil and Saudi Arabia. And ETS has test centers in 120 countries.

In thirty years, probably 90 million people have had their schooling, jobs, prospects for advancement, and beliefs in their own potential directly shaped by the quiet but pervasive power of ETS.

What is the Educational Testing Service? How has it centralized so much power? Is it accountable to anyone, or anything? Should your opportunities be so influenced by ETS' standards of aptitude or intelligence?

Despite its massive influence, few people question ETS. Students may want to tear up test forms in moments of frustration, but few of us think of challenging the corporation that makes the tests.

We will soon release a lengthy report on ETS, written by Allan Nairn, which we hope will help people understand, and question, the unique and unregulated power of this corporation.

Indeed, ETS is, in non-dollar ways, a large corporation. It has more customers per year than GM and Ford combined. Despite its non-profit status, it declares roughly a million dollars in "non-profits" each year.

This money is plowed back into corporate expansion and maintaining the ETS estate, which includes a 400 acre headquarters in Princeton, New Jersey, a \$250,000 home for the president, William Turnbull, and a three million dollar hotel/conference center—all built with student test fees. Its revenue from test fees enabled ETS to double in size every five years from 1948 to 1972, a rate of growth faster than IBM.

ETS's sales and near monopoly power, combined with its privileged legal status as a non-profit corporation, make it unprecedented in corporate history. ETS is exempt from federal and state income taxes, is effectively beyond the reach of many anti-trust laws, and has no stockholders. ETS escapes the restraints governing other corporations because it is an "educational" institution.

The power of ETS is massive, as even one ETS executive conceded. "No matter what they try to tell you here about how we really don't have much power," he said, "we know we do. We know we're the nation's gatekeeper." This gatekeeper can determine who enters college, graduate and professional schools, as well as many occupations and professions. It that power legitimate?

ETS defends its role as the gatekeeper by claiming it has developed the "science of mental measurement," but as our report will argue, the tests measure nothing more than how you answered a few multiple-choice questions. The correlation between SAT scores and first-year grades in college, for example, is often lower than the correlation between the test scores and the income of the test taker's parents.

At best, standardized tests measure the specialized skill of test-taking, but they do not measure key determinants of success such as writing and research skill, ability to make coherent arguments, creativity, motivation, stamina, judgment, experience or ethics.

ETS not only influences how institutions judge individuals, however; it also influences how individuals judge themselves. As Nairn says, "A false self-estimate or image is instilled in the mind of the individual who receives a standardized test score. For although the scores are

significantly determined by social class, he is told they are objective, scientific measures of the individual."

Moreover, test takers are subject to numerous injustices, ranging from incorrect scoring of tests, to late reporting of applicant information, to secret evaluation of grades and test scores—and they have no recourse.

We must begin to examine the examiners.

There is a growing movement to reform and restructure the testing industry. In New York, Ohio, Texas, and other states, student-run Public Interest Research Groups (PIRGs) have introduced "Truth in Testing" legislation in their state legislatures.

This legislation would force ETS and other testing companies to disclose test questions and answers, and all studies and data on the tests; it would also require companies to keep information on applicants confidential.

Disclosing test answers would enable students to contest disputed answers, and thus eliminate much of the mystery surrounding the tests. ETS has said it is willing to release 99 per cent of its test data. But, Nairn says, the bulk of this 99 per cent is the material provided by the test-takers themselves—name, social security number, etc.

Nairn says it is crucial to disclose that last one percent, as it includes ETS's extrapolations from the information provided by test-takers—such as predictions of future academic success.

The testing reform movement has other facets. Jesse Jackson is organizing around the issue of the ETS National Teacher Examinations which have systematically eliminated qualified black applicants from teaching jobs.

The FTC has apparently found, contrary to ETS claims, that certain kinds of prep or cram courses can raise test scores—but the report has been withheld at this time. And several members of Congress have called for an investigation of the testing industry.

Students now have opportunities to challenge the test makers.

Individuals interested in this issue, or in sponsoring Truth in Testing legislation, can contact Ed Hanley at our office at P. O. Box 19312, Washington, D. C. 20036.

## Metcalf to Produce Roar of Greasepaint

Members of the Murray State College music department will soon be producing a popular musical comedy entitled: "The Roar of the Greasepaint, The Smell of the Crowd," announced music director Larry Metcalf.

The musical, written by Anthony Bricusse and Anthony Newley, is described as a modern day slapstick comedy reminiscent of Laurel and Hardy and the Keystone Cops. "The Roar of the Greasepaint, Smell of the Crowd" is set in the London ghettos around the turn of the century and deals with the prejudices of early 20th century England.

Tryouts for the various roles in the musical were held Tuesday through Thursday of last week. At press time the names of the members of the cast were not available. The production will run from March 29 - 31 in Fletcher Auditorium on the MSC campus.

## Student Senate Summary

The next movie on the SS movie agenda will be "The Fearless Vampire Killers." The movie will be shown tomorrow night (Feb. 20) in the Audio-Visual Room at the regular times. Check posters around campus for times.

The senate is also planning a karate tournament to be held in the near future. This tournament will be open to all who wish to participate both on MSC campus and in the surrounding area. Judges for the tournament have not yet been selected, but area black belts are being considered for the positions. For more information on the tournament, contact Donny Higginbotham.

A pool tournament has also been discussed in the meetings. There is no tentative date for the tournament, but watch the bulletin boards around campus for more information.

If you wish to bring proposals or ideas before the senate, contact your club representative or speak with the Student Senate president, Carl Hatley.

## Enlistment Bonuses Defray College Expenses

Need extra cash? Uncle Sam needs you and has made an offer you may be unable to refuse.

The 4003rd Reserve Garrison Unit at Ardmore, Okla. has been selected to participate in the Selected Reserve Incentive Program. The program is designed to increase the strength of critical units through special enlistment incentives.

Individuals with no military experience can choose one of two enlistment options.

The educational assistance option pays a portion of education expenses at an accredited institution such as Murray. The limits of this assistance are \$500 per year or 50 percent of school expenses, whichever is less. Total assistance may be up to \$2000 for being in the reserve while earning a bachelor's degree.

The enlistment bonus option consists of a \$1,500 award. Upon completion of basic training and advanced individual training, the reserve member is awarded \$750. After the second year of enlistment, \$200 is awarded, and again after the third year. At the end of the fourth year of enlistment, \$350 is awarded.

Anyone interested should contact Sgt. L. V. Bridges in Ardmore, 223-0555.



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THIS IMAGE of the solar eclipse was produced by reflecting the sun onto a piece of white paper through a portable telescope positioned in front of the Administration Building.

## Medieval Adventures Explored by a Newcomer

By Darel Stokes

A small group of ten obscure figures armed with knives, daggers, swords and bows cautiously makes its way down a dark, slimy corridor toward a faintly lit room. Upon entering the room, the group is struck to their knees by a blinding light.

What happens next is up to the dungeon master because this is one of the many encounters they may be faced with while experiencing the fantasy game "Dungeons and Dragons."

I recently experienced this game and found it to be a very habit forming entertainment. I learned about Dungeons and Dragons (D&D) from Dr. Hayes, one of the MSC biology instructors. He invited me to come and play the game with a small group of MSC staff and students. I will never be quite the same.

Dungeons and Dragons is basically a group of characters who are searching for a predetermined object.

These characters are invented by the individual players. This sounds perfectly normal, right? Wrong! The search takes place in a dungeon that

has been prepared very carefully by the dungeon master. The dungeon that I was subjected to was created by Dr. Rousey, physics instructor.

To play D&D, you must have a character. This character can be a fighter, witch or a magic user and can be an elf, half-elf, human or troll. Depending upon the type of creature you have selected, you will be given a fictitious amount of money (in gold pieces) to equip your new citizen of fantasy. First, you must buy your character some clothes because he or she is naked. Then, a few protective items such as a sword, armor, and a little holy water is suggested.

After your character is outfitted, he or she is joined to a group of fellow adventurers. The other members of the group are all more experienced and richer than your new-comer. They have names like Rowena Ravenwing (Gail Moore) and Justin Ardur (Dr. Hayes). You feel like a fool because your newly born creature has no name. But, you prepare for the game anyway.

(SEE DRAGONS, PAGE 8)

## MSC Classes Interrupted By Last Week's Eclipse

Normal class schedules suffered cosmic interruption, Feb. 26 as students and staff observed the solar eclipse.

Groups of students all over campus stopped what they were doing to use cardboard, notebook paper and slightly more sophisticated observation equipment to see the sun 67 percent obscured by the moon.

Dr. Bill Hayes had passed out 3x5 cards before the event, and many used them to focus on the eclipse. "Many students were as impressed with the way the cards worked as they were by the eclipse," said Hayes.

Darel Stokes, Tishomingo sophomore, brought a small telescope and used it to project a 30x magnification of the eclipse onto a viewing screen. It proved a highly effective way of viewing the eclipse, allowing

10 to 15 people to observe at one time. With careful scrutiny it was even possible to see sunspots.

Resident astrophysicist Dr. Carlton Rousey, had readied the campus for the event with a lecture on eclipses. A simple phenomenon, a total solar eclipse is not ordinary. The odds of a total eclipse on any one point of the earth is 1 in 360 years, said Rousey. A partial may occur 1 in 12 years.

Unless you fly to Honolulu in August, 1981, this was your last chance to see a solar eclipse until 2024.

Beginning at 8:18, the eclipse reached its peak in Tishomingo around 10:42. At that time, fully two-thirds of the sun was blocked, and the light was dimmer, as if a cloud had obscured the sun.

The general response was that the eclipse was one of the better light shows on campus this year.



P.L... SCIENCE INSTRUCTORS Mark Kelly, Robert Ross, and Dr. Bill Hayes (L to R) watch the total eclipse on one of the televisions in the Bio-Learning Center.

## MSC Music Department Performs 'Greasepaint'

March 29-31 are the performance dates for "The Roar of the Greasepaint, The Smell of the Crowd," a musical being produced by the members of the MSC music department.

"The musical is a comedy, but it is a comedy with a message," emphasizes Larry Metcalf, music director.

The musical deals with the class and social structure of early 20th century England but it also touches on many aspects of life in general.

Sir and Cocky are the two central figures in the musical with Sir representing the "haves" and Cocky representing the "have-nots." They play the game of life with Sir constantly changing the rules to his own advantage.

The musical also includes outstanding music with songs such as "Who Can I Turn To When Nobody Needs Me?" "The Joker," "My First Love

Song" and "On A Wonderful Day Like Today."

Members of the cast have been announced as follows: Sir, John Wackler; Cocky, Byron Coats; Kid, Mary Howard; Girl, Kay Kindell; Negro, Jesse Cavins; Bully, Charles Henderson.

The Urchins: Mitzi, Carrie Lee; Pamela, Debbie Wauchoff; Gloria, Katrina Dawkins; Marlene, Kathy Young; Cyndi, Gracie Wiggington; Kay, Anita Johnson; Jill, Brenda Hairrel.

Other Urchins are Donnie Higgonbothan, Kevin Norrell, Mark DeWeese, Teresa Brown, and Tommy Roundtree.

The Assistant Student Director is Cheryl Young with Greg Pannell as Technical Director. Sets are being designed by Larry Milligan of the art department.

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## Editorial

I have worked for four years to have a first-rate women's basketball program. Every year we have won more games, but finished further down in the conference. This tells me that our conference members are promoting first class programs and we are not. I have seen our budget go from \$22,000 in E & G to \$16,000 last year. I cannot understand why Murray is cutting its program when every other conference school is increasing its numbers of athletic scholarships.

What is a better way to keep area girls at home and in school than athletic scholarships. On the other hand, how can we keep area girls at Murray offering them a work job and playing basketball for nothing, when surrounding schools are offering them scholarships. Example: Eastern.

Let me ask this question: Are we more intelligent about recruiting students than any other conference schools? We must be because we are doing it differently.

Why should we give women scholarships? Because they will bring in quality academic female students who are well rounded individuals. If girls from our area see this type of student at Murray, they will be more inclined to enroll at this institution. These types of students have to be enticed to come to Murray. I think our music department is a good example. Look at the quality female students our Entertainers group has enticed.

## Spring Break Begins Friday

Warm weather has finally returned to MSC bringing with it mid-term exams and the long-awaited spring break.

Mid-semester tests will be given throughout this week with grades due on Friday. Immediately after the close of classes on Friday spring break will officially begin giving students a week's reprieve from their academic chores. Classes will not resume until 8:00 p.m., March 19th.

The return of spring weather to southern Oklahoma should give vacationing students plenty of time to relax, enjoy themselves, and forget about classes for awhile.

The week's break will also include all students enrolled in night classes and community service courses.

## European Trip Planned By Morrell and Robertson

Murray State College is sponsoring a trip to Central Europe that will depart from MSC campus on May 11 and return on June 4. There will be a maximum limit of 23 people and if the limit is met, the cost of the trip will be \$1,085. This cost will cover all expenses except the passports.

This trip will be a leisurely adventure through France, Italy, Switzerland, Austria, Germany, Netherlands and Belgium, in which three or four days will be spent in each location.

A \$50 deposit must be paid to secure a place on the trip and a \$320 deposit must be paid by April 10 to reserve airplane tickets. The entire fee of the trip must be paid by May 1.

This trip is being organized by Rex Morrell and Randy Robertson and will count as three college hours of geographic travel. There will be a meeting today, March 5, in the Audio-Visual room at 3:00 p.m. for all interested students.

## Student Senate Summary

The Apple Dumpling Gang is a Walt Disney production and will be shown in the audio-visual of the Ad. Bldg. March 6, 1979. Student Senate hopes you enjoy the movies and will pick up your trash when you leave.

Have you entered the SS Pool Tournament? You have till spring

break to get your \$1.00 entry fee to either Mark Streber or Jimmy MacGruder. The exciting competition begins Monday after spring break in the Student Union game room.

Efforts are being made by Student Senate to extend the hours the gym is open with special interest for the weekends.



AGGIELITE EDITOR, Darel Stokes, strives for better focus through a portable telescope while other MSC students and faculty look on.



MSC STUDENT, Jerry Lawley, explains to Dr. Hayes what he has just observed.

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AGGIETTES COACH John Loftin looks on with serious intent as he studies the game preparing to make the next move.

## Aggies Win 1, Lose 1; End Season With a Bang

The MSC Aggies won one game and lost another in regional tournament play last week, ending the 1978-79 season and bringing their overall season record to 20 wins and seven losses.

The Aggies' victory over Northern Arkansas 90 to 66, advanced the Murray girls into the semi-finals where they were defeated by Northern 86 to 67. The girls were down by only two points at the end of the first half but Northern's greater depth wore the Aggies down in the second period. "Northern is one of the best teams I've seen in four years," said Coach Loftin. The Northern team has been ranked number one in the nation all year.

Aggie star, Wanda Jones once again led the Murray girls in scoring against Northern Arkansas with 35 points. Denise Evans was second with 20 points. Princess Williams led the team in scoring against Northern with 22 points, followed closely by Wanda Jones with 21.

Jones, who has consistently led the Aggies in scoring all year, will be playing in the National Junior College All-American game in Hutchinson, Kansas on March 31st. Jones was also chosen for the regional team, and

according to Loftin, stands a good chance of being named to the All-American second squad.



AGGIETTES' PRINCESS Williams launches the ball toward the hoop for two points against the Conners Cowgirls.

## Aggies Complete Season With Loss to Claremore

Coach Denny Aye's Aggies lost their last game of the 1978-79 season Feb. 19th to Claremore J. C. 104 to 93, bringing their season record to nine wins and 17 losses.

The loss to Claremore marked the end of a disappointing season for this year's Aggies. Plagued by a lack of height throughout the season, the Aggies had difficulty in competing against the much taller teams in their conference.

Overall, Coach Aye was pleased with the team's performance this year. "Realistically, we did about as

well as could be expected with the size team we had," said Aye. "Unfortunately fans only look at win-loss records."

Only four players from this year's squad will be returning next year.

Brad Crow, Steve Anderson, Kent Hunter and Lawrence Guess are returning next year.

Recruiting for next year's squad is already under way with Murray coaches trying to draw talented high school athletes to the basketball program here.



MSC AGGIES practice diligently for their next conflict daily.

## MSC Baseball Team Opens With 2 Losses

The MSC Aggie baseball team began their spring season by dropping both games of a double header with Paris last week 7 to 5, and 5 to 3.

According to Coach Bill Hickey the Aggies' weakest point is in the pitching department. During the games against Paris only 50 percent of the Aggie pitches were strikes. "We've to throw around 80 percent strikes to be successful," said Hickey. The Aggies were also hurt in their season opener by poor hitting. The Murray team hit the ball only four times in each game.

This year's season will depend greatly on how well the pitching

staff comes around. In an attempt to gain experience for the team Coach Hickey has scheduled 44 games this spring, almost three times the usual number. "Lacking size and power, the Aggies will have to play with more intensity than their opponents," said Hickey. "I think we proved we could do just that last fall."

The Aggies next game will be against Mid-Plains College tomorrow.



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Photos  
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Jeff Milligan



## Nursing Program Takes Diligence

The nursing program at Murray State College is four semesters and one summer and leads to an Associate in Applied Science Degree. The program is approved by the Oklahoma State Board of Nursing Registration and Nursing Education and has national accreditation by the National League for Nurses.

Students enrolling with a major in nursing must meet the same general admission requirements as all other students at Murray State College. However, because there are more students applying for nursing courses than it is possible to enroll and due to the complexity of the field additional criteria must be completed by the students:

1. Transfer credits from past college matriculation in the biological and behavioral sciences are not applicable to the nursing program if less than a "C" grade was achieved or if they were completed ten or more years ago.

2. An Admission Committee selects students admitted to the program. The committee is composed of members of the nursing faculty, counseling services, the academic dean and the director of occupational education. In selection of students the following factors are taken into consideration: ACT scores, G.P.A. of previous academic work, Nelson-Denny Test, financial resources, family responsibilities, level of motivation, physical and mental health. The final date for application is April 30, 1979. The applicant will be notified of results on or before May 12, 1979.

3. Students enrolling in the nursing courses, Nursing 1116, Nursing 1128, Nursing 2218, Nursing 2220, must have a 2.0 grade point average (a grade not less than "C") at the completion of each course and a clinical evaluation of "satisfactory" in order to successfully complete the course and continue in the nursing program.

Once admitted into the program much work must be done—uniforms and name tags must be ordered, liability insurance purchased and textbooks and other supplies bought at the college bookstore.

Nursing students are very busy throughout the year. All students enrolled in a nursing course meet together with the instructors each Monday morning to receive bibliographies and objectives and discuss material available for study that week in the audio-tutorial laboratory in the nursing department and also materials available in the MSC library.

The audio-tutorial laboratory is where the student studies and practices nursing care measures. The lab is available to the students throughout each school day from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. A laboratory assistant is available at all times to aid the students in locating and using all the material and equipment in the lab.

Students perform direct patient care activities at one of the following facilities, Bryan Memorial Hospital, Durant; Memorial Hospital of Southern Oklahoma, Ardmore; Ardmore Adventist Hospital, Ardmore; Hayden H. Donahue Mental Health Institute, Norman, Okla., on Tuesday and Thursday of each week. In addition, one semester of the four includes a comprehensive community health observational experience for the student.

Upon successful completion of the curriculum, the graduate is eligible to



MSC STUDENTS enjoy a break from wintery, wet weather by just sitting outside and soaking up the sunshine.

write the State Board Test Pool Examination for licensure as a registered nurse.

Patty Wilhite, director of the nursing program of Murray State College, said, "I came to Murray State from Grayson with much ambivalence and hesitation, but all of my hopes and desires have been satisfied. Murray State College has an excellent nursing program. I used to say 'you,' but now I say proudly 'we' have excellent equipment, facilities, faculty and support of our nursing program. Besides, MSC is a very friendly, supportive campus. There are a great bunch of people here. One reason I came to Murray State College was because I felt its nursing program was on its feet and showed great potential."

The program teaches the student to be self-disciplined and directing. It assists the student to problem solve and become beginning practitioner of nursing who is capable of functioning independently when indicated.

## Student Poll

Students and instructors alike could be seen running around campus looking for a vantage point to view last week's solar eclipse. The editors of The Aggie-lite were curious about what people thought about the eclipse.

Charles Locke: "I think it was great! Because of the fact that Mr. Vernon let us out of American History class—early."

Gerry Cochran: "Well, it was nice to watch, but I've been places and seen a lot of things and there's not much that impresses me anymore except—"

Marion "Pokey" King: "I guess it was alright. It was something interesting to watch because I know there's not going to be another one going to happen till 2024 and I don't think I'm going to be around that long to be watching it, so I thought it was really neat."

Jay Driskill: "I thought it was something that, hopefully, we'll live to see the next one. It was a rare case and everybody should have went out and looked at it. You know, just because they haven't ever seen one. I thought the teachers were real helpful."

## Special Services Ready To Serve Students

Special Services is a federally funded program that is designed to assist qualified students to educational success. According to Evelyn Hutchings, Special Services is "Mainly for students in rural communities who get the education but are culturally deprived."

Special Services is a member of a trio program that consists of two other federally funded programs: Upward Bound and Talent Search. Upward Bound deals with high school students in helping them make a decision about higher education. Talent Search is a program that helps high school students get financial aid to continue their education either through technical schools or college.

The two main areas that Special Services offers assistance in are counseling and tutoring.

The Special Services program offers academic, financial, and personal counseling to all of its members. The program also assists its sophomores in getting information on four-year colleges to transfer to. If a Special Services student has decided upon which college he wishes to attend, Special Services will try to take

him to that campus and let him get acquainted with it.

The tutoring division of Special Services is a free service to all MSC students. If a student is having trouble meeting the hours of tutor, the tutor can change his hours by appointment to meet with the student. "We try to make the program as flexible as we can," stated Mary Steel, tutor co-ordinator. "Anything to assist the students in doing better." If a student is interested in becoming a tutor, they should speak with Mary Steel or the instructor of the course they wish to tutor.

Perhaps as many as 90 percent of MSC students qualify for Special Services, but many fail to take advantage of the program. A student may qualify in any one of four categories: 1) economically deprived, students who need financial assistance; 2) come from an educationally deprived area; 3) culturally deprived, students that are from a rural area in which they never had the chance to see any Broadway musical or big city museums; 4) physically handicapped.

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## Banquet Features Awards, Initiation

Alpha Epsilon, MSC's chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, held its Annual Alumni Banquet and Initiation Feb. 22 in the Student Union Ballroom.

The meeting was begun with a welcome by the club president, Randy Greason, and with an invocation by club sponsor Fred Poe. Alpha Epsilon state advisor Dr. Marion Wirth gave the annual report with a few candid remarks added here and there.

Those who attended the banquet received a delightful surprise when alumni members of Phi Theta Kappa recollected some of their more interesting college experiences.

After the Alumni completed their remarks, Pam Lee, second vice-president, presented the Ron Johnson Award to Donna Pope. This award is given to an exceptional member who devotes time and energy in helping other members of Phi Theta Kappa. Dr. Marion Wirth was awarded with a corsage for her efforts with Alpha Epsilon.

After awards were given, John Wackler presented members and alumni with musical entertainment while the initiates were preparing for the initiation. The initiates were then brought out, given candles and placed in front of the crowd. The initiates were then initiated into Alpha Epsilon.

The 1979 initiates were Georgia Balch, Marietta; Barbara Barbour, Wilson; Teresa Brown, Wanette; Gerald Cochran, Lone Grove; Delores Cosper, Coalgate; Toni Carrell, Mannsville; Mike Claborn, Tishomingo; Vicki Campbell, Tishomingo; Derita Deen, Davis; Tim Dickenson, Dickson; James Donaldson, Lone Grove; April Erwin, Kingston; Jack Gorczyca, Konowa; Dulcia Holloway, Ardmore; Margie Hunt, Davis; Alma Glover, Sulphur; Karla Kovac, Kansas City, Mo.; Rhidonah Ladner, Burneyville; Debra Norton, Tishomingo; Barbara McDonald, Milburn; Mahlon Meadows, Orosi, Calif.; Mike Morrison, Madill; Barbia Parker, Tishomingo; Mary Parnell, Sulphur; Donna Pope, Tishomingo; Daryl Stokes, Tishomingo; Mary Steel, Tishomingo; Susan Sexton, Sulphur; Ricky Throneberry, Ardmore; Deborah Waychoff, Ardmore; Helen Whittenburg, Tishomingo; and Yoichiro Uchishiba, Japan.

"Man by nature is fond of novelty."  
Pliny The Elder



PHI THETA Kappa initiates for 1979 sing the fraternity song, which is being led by club president Randy Greason.

## Murray Campus Buildings Receive New Aluminum Name Plates

There's something new about seven campus buildings. During December, old building signs were removed and replaced with attractive 8-inch-high cast aluminum name plates.

The buildings—some new, some old—are part of Murray's history and future. They are all named for MSC personnel. Stories of their names follow.

The Paul J. Park Student Center was completed in 1966. Paul J. Park taught chemistry and was chairman of the Science Department from 1935 until his death in January 1969. Mr. Park was a well-liked instructor with an outstanding sense of humor. Mrs. Park still resides in Tishomingo and is responsible for the plants presently in the library.

The Beulah Zimmerman Science Building was built in 1949 and enlarged in 1963 and again in 1969. Beulah Zimmerman taught chemistry from 1946 until 1969 when she became chairman of the Science Department after the death of Mr. Park. She was also a popular teacher and taught several of the present members of the Murray faculty. Dr. Zimmerman retired in 1975 and is

presently living in Tishomingo. She is still very active in campus affairs.

John Fletcher Auditorium was constructed in 1969. John Fletcher was a member of the Murray faculty from 1942 until 1967. He served as chairman of the English Department, possessed an impressive knowledge of literature, and was responsible for many of the plays performed during that time. Mr. Fletcher and his wife reside in Tishomingo and still attend many of the campus affairs.

George Erichson Maintenance Building was named for an employee of the Murray Maintenance Department. George Erichson was associated with Murray from 1950 until 1977. Mr. Erichson was considered by many to be able to fix or repair anything. It has been said that he could look at a key and tell exactly which door it opened. Mr. Erichson and his wife live north of Tishomingo and he is presently employed with his son in a thriving plumbing business.

The Clyde J. Hall Classroom Building was named for Clyde J. Hall, who was a member of the Murray faculty from 1930 until his retirement in 1967. He taught business courses and also served as business manager and acting president during that time. Mr.

Hall and his wife live in Tishomingo and stay in close contact with Murray.

The M.C. Courtney Engineering Building was named after M. C. Courtney, an instructor in the Engineering Department from 1931 until his retirement in 1961. Mr. Courtney and his wife are presently residing in Florida.

The A. W. Beames Field House was completed in 1951 and enlarged in 1967. A. W. "Bois d'Arc" Beames came to Murray in 1929 as an instructor in social studies, athletic director and coach. He left Murray after six years but returned in 1941. During his association with Murray, he served as registrar, dean of students, dean of the college, bookstore supervisor and proctor of the boy's dorm.

Besides being an exceptional coach, Mr. Beames was considered to be an authority on Oklahoma history and was in constant demand as a public speaker. Mr. Beames retired in 1967 and resided in Tishomingo until his death in December 1978.

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## Profile: Gary Cook

When a video tape recorder goes on the blink in the LRC or the sound system fades away in the auditorium, there is a man on campus who knows what to do. He is MSC's whiz technician, Gary Cook.

If you see him heading across campus, eyes straight ahead, unsmiling, don't be put out when he doesn't stop to chat. He hasn't time for such trivialities. The work he does for Murray is astronomical. Aside from repairing almost daily break-downs, Mr. Cook runs or personally supervises the cantankerous but versatile offset printing press. He is present any time the auditorium is in use and the television studio is not unlocked without his knowledge. Sounds like an exaggeration? Believe me, it's not.

When he's not working here, he has plenty of hobbies to keep him busy. He collects, rebuilds and refinishes antique radios. Among his collection are some coin operated hotel radios. For a quarter, an out-of-towner of the thirties could hear the lates in entertainment until the time ran out and the box had to be replugged.

Most interesting of all, however, is Cook's fish fetish. In his small house

ten aquariums bubble, sporting an estimated 125 fish, numerous snails and a turtle. But these critters are not just for show. Most are swimming guinea pigs. He studies their ills for diseases such as ich, fin rot, swim bladder, shimmies and...constipation?! But don't get the wrong idea. He loves them dearly. He even raises fruit flies especially for their dinner.

After he began raising the flies, he became interested in them for their own sake. This reporter found it hard to conceive an interest in ugly flies. With a mischievous grin, he said, "You can cross breed them and get some wierd-looking flies." Oh, brother.

Doesn't he ever stop? From what I understand, his only still moments are spent in front of the TV. Anyone who likes Monty Pyton can't be all bad.

Gary Cook has an associate degree from Murray in electromechanical technology. He is presently studying for a bachelor degree in zoology, after which he aims for a master in bacteriology and parasitology pertaining to fish diseases. The far-sighted Cook then intends to receive a Ph.D. in ichthyology (the study of fish, of course). I believe it's as good as done.

## Financial Aids Workshop To Be Held at Murray

Financial aids will be discussed in a workshop held for the public on Tuesday, March 6, from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in the Murray State College Ballroom. All interested parties are invited, especially parents, high school instructors, counselors and students.

The workshop will be presented by Mr. Floyd West, Murray State College financial aids coordinator. The Basic Grant and its application will be discussed as well as all other federal financial aids, including the Oklahoma Tuition Aid Grant, Supplemental Grants, etc.

Various scholarships offered by Murray State College will also be discussed at this time. Scholarships offered include a full tuition and room fee waiver for all persons scoring 24 or higher on the ACT. Also, a room fee waiver is provided for all persons scoring 17 or higher. Murray offers many other scholarships in areas such as music, agriculture, basketball, baseball, speech and many scholastic fields.

This workshop will provide an excellent opportunity and an excellent forum for those needing information

on financial aids. Refreshments will be available. The workshop is free and the general public is invited.

Each year many financial aids go unused because people are unaware of how to apply for them. Hopefully, this workshop will provide an awareness of financial help to all those interested.

In new federal guidelines, families with incomes up to \$25,000 a year now qualify for the Basic Grant. Any parent with students of college age should plan to attend this workshop. It could mean many dollars in financial aids to their child. For more information, call collect (405) 371-9231.

## New Counselor at Murray

A new addition to the counseling staff at Murray is Roger Young, Indian counselor. Mr. Young is originally from Muskogee, Okla. He joined the Army after graduation from high school and has been in the service from that time until his retirement as major in January of this year, a total of 20 and one-half years.

Mr. Young spent 11 of those years in Europe and the Far East. While in the Army he also received his bachelor's degree from the University of Nebraska and his master's degree from Eastern New Mexico University.

Mr. Young has excellent qualifications for the position he now holds. In the Army, he served as personnel manager officer and human relations and equal opportunity officer. He was also associated with Eastern N.M.U. and N.M. Jr. College as Indian Counselor and minority relations advisor as well as teaching history and management.

Mr. Young states that he enjoyed his military career but is looking forward to his civilian occupation and is very excited about this job.

As hobbies, Young lists fishing, hunting, golf and tennis. He also includes on that list studying Indian history, traveling and meeting new people.

Young is half Cherokee and states that he is proud of his In-



ALPHA EPSILON sponsor Fred Poe opens the banquet with the traditional invocation.

## ★ Dragons

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When I was somewhat satisfied with my knowledge of the game, I decided to let my inexperienced creation enter Grimmel Falcon Hurst's (Dr. Rousey) dungeon. "Dungeon Master, we are ready to begin," came the words from Christen, the Unfailing (Jimmie Sue Rousey). So, with these words, we entered the dungeon.

The dungeon is an abstract dungeon that is mapped out on graph paper by the dungeon master. The players are not allowed to see this map. They must draw their own map from the descriptions that the dungeon master dictates. For example, Faldryn (Dr. Hayes) and Myrmidon (Gary Cook) were leading the way through a passage when they came to an intersection. "Dungeon Master," Faldryn begins "I'm looking down the south passage." "You see a ten foot passage with a door at the end," the dungeon master (Dr. Rousey) returns. The dungeon master's description is then drawn on a piece of graph paper. This continues throughout the game and the players must work with their map and never really know what's through the next door.

As if this wasn't enough, there is always the possibility of encountering a ghost, goblin, mummy, zombie or other monsters in each new corridor or room in the dungeon.

Any money or riches found in the dungeon is divided among the surviving members of the party. The surviving members of the party of which I am a member are Rowena Ravenwing (Gail Moore); Christen, The Unfailing (Jimmie Sue Rousey); Penelope of Purpolea (Carolyn Hayes); Sinistra (Sherry King); Myrmidon The Fearless and Lindo Mosslin (Gary Cook); Grimmel Falcon Hurst (Dr. Carlton Rousey); Justin Ardur and Faldryn (Dr. William Hayes); and the newcomer: Sardon the Ferocious (Darel Stokes).

If you are interested in Dungeons and Dragons, see any one of the members of this strange group. They will tell you how to become a master of medieval fantasy.

dian heritage. He also remarks that he is looking forward to helping Indian students at Murray. He emphasized that any one desiring counseling assistance should feel free to come to him and that his door is always open.

He resides in Durant with his wife, Gisela, and two daughters, Sabrina and Jacqueline.

## Club News

BSU News

The film originally scheduled for Feb. 15 did not come in so it has been rescheduled for Thurs. March 8. The name of the film is the **Ballad of Billy Rude**, and it will be shown in the Baptist Student Union. It is an emotional film about a country singer who gets his dreams shattered and then finds a "new way."

There will be two showings, 7:00 and 9:00, with refreshments for everyone.

Also coming up will be a performance by David Meece on March 22. David is a recording artist and widely known pianist who plays and sings contemporary gospel music of his own composition. The concert will begin at 7:30 at the First Baptist Church of Tishomingo.



MSC STUDENT Jessie Cavins, wears a triumphant grin after viewing the solar eclipse with two small cards.

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THE OKLAHOMA National Guard was on hand in the Ballroom last week to entertain Murray students.

## Murray's Nursing Fair Was Complete Success

Over 25 students got a closer look at health professions in a day-long Health Education Job Fair sponsored by the Murray State College of Nursing.

Thirty-four health organizations set up booths and provided students information about their offerings. Included were hospital representatives from area towns as well as from Tulsa, Oklahoma City, Texas, Kansas and Illinois.

Patty Wilhite, Director of Murray State College Nursing Department, said, "We sponsored the Health Education Job Fair so students and persons in the community would have the opportunity to increase their knowledge of personal health and, also, careers available in health. We had a good attendance. We hope that the Health Education Job Fair answered questions for anyone interested."

Having potential employers on campus proved very informative. Student nurses were able to ask specific questions about individual hospital facilities and policies. Questions about shifts, hospital training and retirement were answered. For the most part, until a nurse has some experience it takes about a year to get a 7-3 shift. As a condition for employment, some hospitals have from 3- to 11-week set-paced schools.

The folk wing nursing students gave their opinions to the fair.

Joe Henry: "It was good. They put material there. Thanks to the people that spent time there."

Pam Lee: "It was a good idea. It provided lots of information."

JoAnn Miller: "It was very educational and offered materials for opportunities."

Patty Wilhite pronounced the fair a "complete success."

## Guardsmen Entertain Student Passersby

The Guardsmen, a National Guard band, treated MSC students to country and western music March 21. The band was booked for a noon Lions Club meeting in the ballroom but spent the morning entertaining MSC students who took time out from their daily schedule to enjoy the country sound. After their appearance at MSC, The Guardsmen went on to play at Tishomingo High School.

According to Kent Tucker, National Guard recruiter for Healdton, Ardmore, Tishomingo and Madill, the band "will play for dances, recruiting seminars and other events and can be booked for just about any activity."

All of the members of the band are also members of either the National Guard stage or marching bands. "The National Guard bands are in need of drum and clarinet players," said Kent Tucker, "interested people can either apply at the National Guard recruiting office or at Oklahoma City." The guard also has positions for registered nurses, lawyers and all other vocations!

The members of The Guardsmen are Gerald Glass, band leader and rhythm guitar; Kevin Williams, lead guitar; Jim Barlow, base guitar; Gerry Emory, piano; Sam Edward, steel guitar and saxophone; and Robert Post, fiddle and harmonica.

## Scholastic Meet Held At Murray Thursday

Dean Traugbber has announced that over 1,000 students from 35 area high schools participated in the Southern Oklahoma Scholastic Contest held at MSC Thursday, March 29.

Beginning at 9 a.m. tests were given in 31 events ranging from English grammar and Oklahoma history to welding and woodworking.

Medals were given to those students placing first, second and third in each division. Certificates of merit were awarded to all students ranking in the top one-fifth of each contest and the remaining students received certificates of participation for exhibiting academic excellence and for representing their schools.

A grand trophy was awarded to the high school scoring the highest number of points and division trophies went to the schools scoring highest in each of the three divisions.

Scholarships to MSC were awarded to the top ranking senior in each test category.

The day's activities began with registration and a faculty coffee held in the Student Center. Tests were given from 9 until noon. A luncheon was held in the college cafeteria and entertainment was provided afterward in Fletcher Auditorium by the MSC Entertainers. The last event of the day was the presentation of awards in the auditorium.

Open house was held all day so that students planning to attend college were provided with an opportunity to tour the dormitories, the Science Building, the Library, and the Engineering Technology Building. Booths were set up in the Ballroom with displays of the various offerings of each academic division at Murray.

Results of the contests were not available at press time.

## China Today: A New Cultural Revolution?

By Darel Stokes

The time was the early twenties. Chiang Kai 'shek was in power and corruption was eating at the political machine of China. The people were starving and murder and assassination were common in the government. The major cities were in shambles; murder, rape and slavery were common.

The Communist Party of China, lead by Mao Tse Tung, began opposing Chiang in 1929. In 1949, Mao took control of the Chinese mainland and the Chiang nationalists fled to the island of Formosa, now called Taiwan. Chiang set up a small government in Taiwan and continued.

Under Chiang, most Chinese were peasants, living in poverty. A small, wealthy, upper class profited under Chiang. Thus, the majority of Chinese supported the communist revolution

with its promise of equality for all Chinese citizens.

The communist party continued the policies of isolationism that China has always abided by until 1971. In that year, U.S. President Richard Nixon became the first president to visit Communist China. With this act, China began turning away from her isolationist ways and slowly began opening her doors to the outside world.

In the final years of Mao's reign, his government began to bear the same signs of public neglect and corruption that the Chiang government displayed before its fall. An echo of cultural revolution could be heard from the people. An explosive situation was mounting and Mao's government did not seem to notice it.

Early one morning of late November (1978), a lone Chinese auto

mechanic crept onto Peking's Avenue of Eternal Peace and posted a 14 page poster. The poster charged Mao Tse Tung of being "metaphysical" and that he had "lost touch with reality." Worst of all, it had accused him of supporting the Gang of Four, a group infamous for dispensing radical, revolutionary justice.

This is the first time that Mao had ever been publicly accused of error or linked with the infamous "gang." The poster was a radical shock to the Chinese government and a daring political feat.

Hundreds of Chinese citizens flocked to the poster and copied its revolutionary message down. The poster had voiced what most Chinese had always wanted to say.

Within hours after the poster started gathering crowds, it was torn down

by Chinese law enforcement agents. Over the next few days, revolutionary posters of open government criticism blossomed all over the country.

The next week (early December) was marked by several demonstrations and marches through the major cities of China. The marchers yelled and chanted sayings such as "long live democracy."

With the acceptance of the passing of the pure Mao way of life, China is now opening her doors to non-communist countries and beginning new trade policies. She has set up diplomatic relations with the United States and is doing business with both Japan and the U. S.

China is changing, how much can only be determined by time itself. In such a revolution, little can be speculated upon safely.



# Student Senate Summary

The Student Senate has a new office location in Room 312 on the third floor of the Administration Building. The regular office hours of the Student Senate are 10-11 a.m. Mon.-Fri. and 2-4 p.m. on Monday. All students are encouraged to come to the office to discuss issues or make suggestions during regular office hours.

The Student Senate-sponsored karate tournament was held March 31 in the Beames Field House. First, second and third place trophies were awarded to winners in each division.

The senate voted to recommend an additional \$1 Student Senate fee to all students enrolling in six hours or more at MSC. This money would be used to supplement senate budgets in future years so that more activities of superior quality may be extended to MSC students.

Letters were sent by the senate to Oklahoma Gov. George Nigh, President Pro Tempore of the Senate Gene Howard and Speaker of the House of Representatives Dan Draper requesting the reconsideration of the allocation of \$4 million for higher education facilities and capital improvement. The senate felt that much more money than that allocated was needed to renovate existing facilities on the campuses of Oklahoma's colleges and universities.

The results of the Prom poll taken are as follows: Whether or not to have a band; 100 students for band, 99 students for a disco. Whether to be formal or informal; 143 for formal, 63 students for informal.

There are two remaining Student Senate sponsored movies on the agenda: April 3, Enter the Dragon; and April 17, Trinity is Still My Name. Both movies will be shown twice, once at 6:30 and 9:30.

# ★ EDITORIAL ★

By Jeff Milligan

Whether we at Murray know it or not our college is in a state of change. Over the past five or 10 years Murray has been changing from the friendly, hometown college that our brochures say it still is into something quite different. I'm not sure what to call it; perhaps it should be called a "collection of classes."

A college is much more than buildings and classes; it is a small community. It has its own government and police, and, most important, it has an atmosphere all its own. Over the years Murray State College has been taking on many of the characteristics of just another higher education center, adding mass appeal classes like graphoanalysis and bricklaying in order to bring in more students. This is not necessarily bad; a college should, to a certain extent, cater to the needs of all people.

As these classes are added they bring with them less serious students who are here for only a few hours each day and are consequently less interested in campus affairs. This apathy spreads easily to other students as well, leading to a decline in this "college" atmosphere.

Student publications is one of the areas suffering from this lack of interest on the part of students. Murray has two student publications, the Aggieite and the Tribesman.

Out of an enrollment of over 1,000 students only five can be found to work on the two staffs. With this kind of student support it is only a matter of time before both publications disappear from the scene.

This year's Tribesman staff consists of three people. Three people trying to do the job that in most high schools takes eight to 12 people working every day. This lack of personnel, caused to a large part by this lack of general student support, can be easily

seen in the quality of yearbooks produced in the past few years. Murray's yearbooks in the past few years couldn't compete with an average junior high publication. Admittedly, some of the blame must lie with the staff, but the biggest share of the blame must lie with an apathetic student body.

While not in quite the same situation, the Aggieite is heading down the same road. The vast majority of the work done on the Aggieite is the work of three people. Occasionally people outside the staff contribute stories, but not very often. In addition to carrying as many as 23 hours and pursuing stories throughout the week, the editors must routinely work until well after midnight on the days before deadlines. Even with such handicaps the Aggieite is still a respectable college newspaper, but both editors and the one regular source of copy outside the staff will not be here next year. Unless some

interested people show up between now and next semester there will be no Aggieite.

Student clubs and organizations are on the decline also. In the past few years club membership and activities have been steadily decreasing to the point where any club activity is rare. Many clubs don't even have enough members to fill all of the officers' positions. The few clubs that are active on campus are those whose members consist of a particular group of students such as nursing and vet-tech.

Murray students should decide. Do we want student organizations and publications or not? If the answer is "yes" then everyone should see to it that our student organizations and publications are active and play a vital role in campus life. If this widespread student interest is not forthcoming soon, then I am afraid that Murray will cease to be a "college" and become just another collection of classes.



WARM SPRING weather brought out quite a few fans to see Murray beat South Dakota College last Tuesday.

## Student Poll

The editors of the Tribesman and the Aggieite find it hard to enlist help from students to assist in publication. There is so much of an unconcern of students for these publications that the Aggieite editors asked this question: "Do you think that MSC should have a yearbook?"



Mike Campbell: "Yes, I think we should have a yearbook. Because you have a lot in it that, uh, gives a person—it's something that people can look back on in 20 years and show your children or your children's children or just yourself. You're gonna look back on it and see a lot of your friends that if you didn't have a yearbook you might forget about them."



Carl Hatley: "I think we should have a yearbook? Yea, uh, I think it's good to have something to remember your college life with."



Linda Fleming: "I think it's an activity that students can get involved in and something that they can work on. You know, out of their regular classes and something that they can be proud of. I do work on the yearbook staff and I do think that everybody does want to remember their college days, like 40 years from now show their grandkids that's when I was in junior college."



Sam Barrick: "Yes, if we had somebody to work it. We shouldn't have to push it off on somebody. Because I know how it was because we had a yearbook in high school. Everybody said yes and then nobody wanted to work. It would be okay, but who wants to do it?"



Debbie Moore: "Yes, because everybody likes to look back on the memories and stuff that they did that year."



Larell Gaines: "Yes, well because you get to see what you've been doing and the activities and everything and differing things."

## Graduation Brings Thoughts of Future

By Darel Stokes

Where do you go to from here? It seems like only yesterday you were asking that question while sitting in a senior high English class. Now, you are asking that same question again. Graduation is staring you in the face (if you are one of those lucky few) and you have those same butterflies in your stomach that you had two years ago.

Four semesters MSC campus has been home. When you visit a new campus trying to decide where to go or what to do, you feel a little lost. No one knows you on all the other campuses. Somehow, this campus that you have scorned, cursed at and joked about seems a lot better than it used to be.

But, you must go either to join the work force or continue your education. If you're like most, you start looking for a four-year college.

If you are planning to go to a four-year institution, you should begin looking at prospective choices now. Don't wait too late to choose where you are going next because most colleges are beginning pre-enrollment very soon. Before you decide on a new college, visit several. Look over the facilities and check out the instructors. See what the school is like inside and out, make sure you know what you are getting into. After you have chosen your college, apply for financial aid. It doesn't hurt to try, even if you don't get it. The key is to start early so you don't get disappointed later.

After you have made all of your preparations to move on to another school, savor your last few weeks at Murray. No matter what you say now, you will miss Murray when you are gone.



THE COMING of spring has brought about the annual spawning run of sand bass in area waters. MSC fishermen Martin Pickens, Tommy Roundtree, Jim Rice and Teddy

Bernard took advantage of this and caught this stringer of fish last week.

## Vesuvius Preserves Metropolis

By Cathy Perkins

In August of the year AD 79, Mount Vesuvius in Central Italy erupted after centuries of dormancy, covering a cultural metropolis with hot ash and volcanic debris. A day and a half later, Pompeii lay under 12 feet of ash and pumice where it remained in remarkable preservation until 17 centuries later when, in 1864, the Italian archaeologist Guiseppi Fiorelli began systematic excavations into the heart of the city.

Some of the wonders revealed by Fiorelli were recently on exhibit in the Dallas Museum of Fine Arts where 27 Murray students went to view it. Two separate MSC groups sponsored by Special Services and Larry Milligan toured the exhibit.

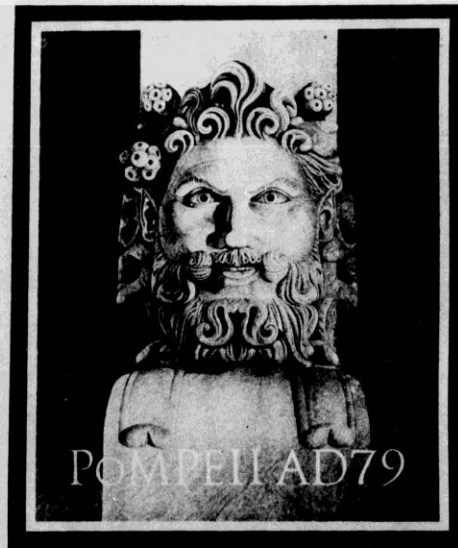
They discovered there treasures of a sophisticated civilization, artifacts

which told of the religion, culture and life style of the Pompeians. A statue of a prominent citizen, a double portrait of a man and his wife, beautiful golden jewelry, examples of their architecture, jars, pots, paintings, sculptures—all were there and much more.

Two of the main attractions, however, were the plaster replicas of a girl and a dog. Made by filling the molds left by their remains in the hardened cinders which enveloped Pompeii, the girl lay, hands covering her face to protect it from the suffocating atmosphere, while the dog was stilled fighting the chain which held him.

Thousands drifted through the museum daily to see what remained of a city which had been frozen in time for 1,700 years. The air was stuffy in

small crowded corridors. Artifacts were placed appealingly if you could see past the fat man in the hat to view them. When leaving the museum this reporter was struck by a gust of fresh air and sighed, "Those poor people."



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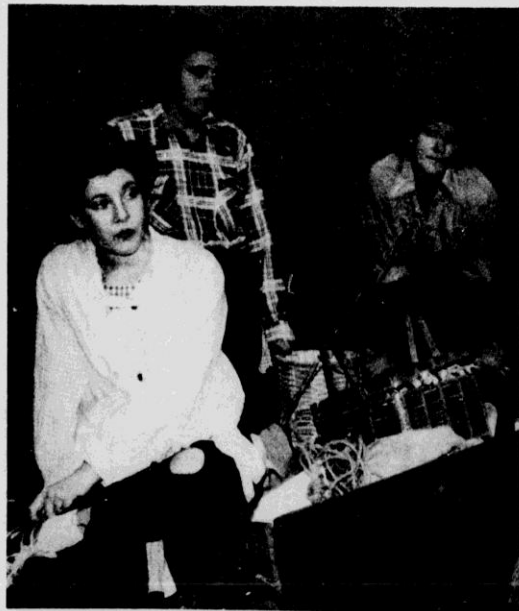
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Darel Stokes  
and  
Linda Fleming





AGGIE BATTERS wait their turn at the plate during Murray's game against South Dakota last week.

## Aggie Batting Improves, Season Record 7 and 9

Coach Bill Hickey's Aggies baseball team won two games from a strong South Dakota team last Tuesday bringing their season record to seven wins and nine losses.

The Aggies won the first game of the double header by a score of eight to six. MSC batters hit the ball 12 times during the game with second baseman Michael Campbell scoring a home run in the third inning. Campbell, who also hit a single and double, was followed closely in number of hits by Jim Waters and David Brady with two hits each.

The Aggies also took the second game of the set by a score of three to two in which all five of the Murray pitchers saw action. David Brady and Donny Miller led the Aggies in hits with two apiece.

According to Coach Bill Hickey there has been some improvement in the Aggie batting department with the beginning and end of the line up batting fairly well. However the middle of the line up still needs improvement. Lack of depth on the mound is the main problem with the Aggie team so far. With only one experienced pitcher on the squad, Hickey is having to use players from other positions to act as back up pitchers.

The Aggies have had a tough schedule over the past three weeks winning only one of their six games. The Aggies dropped two games to Allan County Junior College by a score of nine to three and five to zero. The games were characterized by a lack of intensity on the part of the MSC team. "We must play with more desire and intensity than any other team we play if we are to win," said Coach Hickey.

The MSC team dropped two games to highly rated Seminole on March 25th in which second baseman Mike Campbell hit another home run.

On March 26th, the Aggies beat Bacone, one of the top three teams in the state, by a score of five to three. In the first game against Bacone, the Aggies scored eight hits, three of which were home runs. Two of the home runs were scored by outfielder Buddy Lackey in the second inning. Bacone took the second game from the Aggies by a score of eight to four.

The Aggies will play again on Thursday against Oscar Rose.



QUICK INFIELD action resulted in this out against South Dakota in the Aggies' winning effort last week.

## Murray Students Brave High Risks for Sport

By Jeff Milligan

"I don't know how to tell you this guys, but that is a hell of a long way down," I said as I peered over the edge of the cliff at the rubble 70 feet below. "Make any mistakes here and you're dead."

On that gloomy note the four of us, Tommy Essary, Darel Stokes, Julio Narvaez and Jeff Milligan, prepared to rappel down one of the highest rock faces in Johnston County. Located west of Tishomingo at the Mill Creek dam, the limestone face stands more than 150 feet high; however, the portion we would tackle is only half that height.

After a strenuous climb up the back side and a few minutes of preparation at the top, we were ready to go. Moments later, with a hearty "On rappel!" the leader of our group, Tommy Essary, disappeared over the edge. Once he was safely down, he was followed quickly by Darel Stokes, myself, and a reluctant Julio Narvaez. After the descent, we utilized some of the rock climbing techniques we'd learned in returning to the top for another run.

Rappelling is a sport that is growing in popularity with many Murray students. First introduced to the Outing Club by Jim Schammerhorn and Phillip Harjo last fall, it has grown to the point that several students own all the necessary equipment and make regular trips to local rappelling sites such as the one at Mill Creek.

Rappelling is one of the techniques used by climbers to descend from a mountain or rock face. Very little equipment is required and anyone can learn in less than an hour. All that is needed to rappel is 100 or more feet of strong nylon rope, a shorter piece of rope about six feet long, a metal ring called a carabiner and some gloves.

The longer piece of rope is anchored around a solid object such as a tree or rock. It then passes through and around the carabiner which is secured to the rappeler by the shorter length of rope.

When all the equipment is in order the rappeler backs up to the cliff, places his feet firmly on the edge and leans back on the rope. "The first three feet are the hardest," said Darel Stokes as novice rappeler Julio Narvaez prepared to rappel for the first time. "Just lean back and jump letting the rope slide through your brake hand."

That first jump on every run has many of the same characteristics of a suicide—the only difference is that the person lives to tell the story. This is the time when the chest tightens and the adrenaline begins to flow. If the fear is mastered and the first step is taken, then the rest is simple.

Throughout the descent the speed at which the rappeler comes down is controlled by the brake hand holding the rope behind the back. The friction of the rope passing through the car-



AGGIELITE EDITOR Darel Stokes gets the rope ready for a rappel down a limestone cliff near the Mill Creek dam.

biner slows the descent enough that it can be stopped by simply grasping the rope tightly in the small of the back. The rappeler can begin to descend again by loosening his grip and allowing the rope to slide through his hand at the speed he wants.

The number of ways of conducting the rappel are as varied as the personalities of the people rappelling. The rappeler can come down fast or slow, bound from side to side, or even stop to admire the view.

Perhaps the most attractive aspect of rappelling is the mental challenge it holds for those who try it. On every rappel the individual must overcome his natural fear of falling and place his complete trust in his own abilities and his equipment. To face your fears and to overcome them; that's what rappelling is all about.

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## Kappans to Found ECU Alumni Chapter

Alpha Epsilon, MSC's chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, is beginning the first Alumni chapter of PTK at East Central State University.

MSC Kappans Donna Pope and Darel Stokes traveled to ECU over the spring break to begin the founding of the new chapter. Stokes and Pope spoke with Dr. Joe Parsons, ECU's vice president for student services, about the new fraternity. Dr. Parsons was excited about the prospect of a PTK chapter at ECU and took the MSC party to see the president of ECU.

East Central was very cooperative with Alpha Epsilon and is ready for the next step in the founding of the new fraternity.

An Alumni chapter of PTK is a chapter that Kappans can join after they have left a junior college. A third or fourth year college student who has not been a member of PTK but meets the eligibility requirements may also join.

If you would like to become a member of Phi Theta Kappa and have a G.P.A. of 3.5 or better, you should get in touch with Dr. Marion Wirth.



Johannes Gutenberg, the father of printing, was originally a goldsmith.

## Ento Class on the Move, Bugs Had Better Beware!

By Darel Stokes

To most people, spring means the coming of flowers, the grass turning green and the return of warm sunny days. But to Dr. Hayes' entomology class it means the return of all kinds of bugs.

What is entomology? It is the study of insects. The members of this class are required to create an insect collection. So, when spring finally got here, the wild was infiltrated with a new kind of predator—the entomology student.

Most people think that catching bugs is an easy way to get a grade. This myth will be dispelled the first time you are bitten on the ankle for stepping on a coleoptera (beetle).

The amateur entomologist is presented with a slight problem when he is bug collecting. What do you do with the specimen after you catch him (or her, however the case may be)? If you use Skoal, your problem is solved. Nicotine is very deadly to most insects, so you can just drop your new specimen into the Skoal can and he will soon die. But, you should be aware of which Skoal can you use for collecting and the one you use for dipping. You will become a firm believer in keeping the two cans separated the first time you take a dip of Skoal and it crawls between your teeth, down your tongue, and slips down your throat.

After the insects have been captured and killed, there arises the problem of preservation. This is easily remedied by dropping the specimen into a bottle of rubbing alcohol. Make sure the bottle is clearly marked so that you don't try to dress a wound with dead insects. You can, of course, use regular drinking alcohol. But, when the house is cleaned out after a party and there is nothing else to drink, you might not be able to control yourself.

After all of these pains of catching and preserving the insects have been accomplished, there is the process of pinning the insect. Just sticking a pin through an insect, no problem, right? Wrong! The little beast must have his legs spread in a life-like fashion. This sounds easy until it is tried. Just when all of the legs have been positioned, another leg falls off and you have to go get a new specimen.

At this stage, there is one more operation that must be carried out. The insect must be "keyed out." That is, he (or she) must be identified and classified. To do this, you are equipped with a book equivalent in size to an encyclopedia that has every type of insects imaginable and 4,000 more.

Finally, all of the insects are caught, pinned and classified. A sigh of relief is released for a job well done.

## Folklore Class Explores Culture

By Linda Jones

Do you know how to get rid of warts? Have you ever heard of the Bell Witch of Tennessee? Do you know why you shouldn't sweep trash out the front door after sundown? What is a "real toad-strangler"? Do you know any good elephant jokes?

These are just a few of the questions Fred Poe asks his Monday night folklore class. The class meets at 6 on Monday nights and is proving to be not only interesting and educational, but downright entertaining.

Folklore, an elective course, is not widely taught but is rapidly gaining popularity. Exactly what is folklore? According to Poe, the simplest definition seems to be the "unrecorded traditions of a people." Areas of folklore already covered by the class include myths, legends, folk heroes, superstitions, folk medicines and home remedies, folk speech and humor. Some of the subjects scheduled for the future are folk music, folk dancing, folk art and graffiti.

Why would anyone want to take a class in folklore? Most of the students asked that question responded with answers such as "I thought it would be interesting" or "I was curious about what folklore is."

Poe says he first became interested in the subject at the University of Arkansas where he became acquainted with Mary Randolph, wife of noted folklorist Vance Randolph.

"Folklore gets back to things that are close to the people. It becomes a traditional sort of thing," states Poe. "It also provides a depth to general education," he says.

This semester the emphasis is on local lore. Members of the class are working on special projects as part of the requirements for the course. Some of these projects are an examination of quilt patterns as a form of folk art, an investigation of the lore of some Amish residents in the community, collections of folk music and area Indian lore.

Poe has some interesting field trips planned for the class including witching for water with a peach tree limb and an investigation of the famed "Milburn lights."

Highlighting the course is the planned trip to the Arkansas State Folk Festival at Mountain View, Ark. in April.



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MSC FRESHMAN Lisa Rushing prepares to take an unwanted dip in the fountain.

## Financial Aids Gets New Staff Member

Floyd A. West is the new financial aids counselor at Murray. Mr. West comes here from Tahlequah, where he was assistant director of student aids at Northeastern Oklahoma University.

Mr. West served in the Air Force as a young man and then spent the next 20 years working for various oil companies. He was employed by Standard and Amerada oil companies in geophysical research and with Kewanee as an electrician. An explosion in 1958 caused him to lose his left leg below the knee, and he changed to a job as a pumper.

Dissatisfaction with that job prompted West to return to school in preparation for an entirely different career.

He received a bachelor of science

degree in accounting and a master's degree in business administration and junior college education from Northeastern Oklahoma State University.

He was associated with the work study program at Northeastern for two years before moving to the position in the student aids office. He filled that position for five and a half years.

One of the first projects he has undertaken at Murray is the preparation of a handbook listing all the financial aids available for students. He says his main aim is to help every student who comes into his office if possible.

West has moved to Tishomingo and states that he is looking forward to the outdoor activities afforded by the area, especially golf and fishing.



AGGIE OUTFIELDER Brian Thomas slides in safe at second base during last Tuesday's game with South Dakota.

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# Marijuana and Drinking Problems with Students

By Jeff Milligan

During the 1960's and early 1970's the problem of drug abuse among young people was widely believed to be one of the greatest problems facing our country.

Hardly a day went by without some new revelation about the horrors of drug use. Millions of dollars were and are being spent to combat the spread of drugs in the United States. But no matter how hard society tried, it could not rid itself of the problem of drug abuse.

In recent years, however, the widespread public alarm over drug use has abated to some degree. Smoking pot is not considered to be such a big deal anymore. Why? Is drug abuse on the decline?

Far from it. According to many government agencies drug abuse is still on the increase and is steadily expanding into previously drug-free groups.

Few places in the United States today are free from the influence of illicit drugs and Murray State College is no exception. As drug abuse has risen in other parts of the country it has risen here. Although Murray's drug problem is no where near as great as many other colleges, it nonetheless exists.

"I feel that we have had problems with drugs in the past, and that we have a problem now, and we will continue to have a drug problem in the future," said Director of Student Personnel David McCormick. "As long as there are those individuals who wish to use drugs, there is no way to stop them."

According to some estimates, as many as 50 to 70 per cent of Murray students have smoked or do smoke marijuana. In 1977, two residents of the athletic dorm who were caught with pot were reported to have said that only three of the 15 residents of the dorm did not smoke pot. One student recently stated that it was easier to buy a joint than to buy a six-pack of beer.

Other, harder drugs are also in use by a few students at Murray State. A few students routinely use speed and downers on campus. Although the use of drugs other than marijuana occurs on campus, it is confined to very small groups of people.

Harder drugs have not yet enjoyed the increasing acceptance that marijuana has enjoyed with college students. Smoking pot is no longer seen as the ultimate rebellion against adults as it once was. Today's young people use marijuana in much the same way as previous generations have used alcohol—for relaxation and as a part of social gatherings.

By far the greatest drug problem at Murray and at other colleges around the country is alcohol abuse. A large portion of Murray students regularly get drunk, with drinking parties and the regular Wednesday night pilgrimage to Grayson's being an integral part of campus life.

This routine drinking by Murray students has a significant effect on academic performance and in many cases leads to problems with campus and city law enforcement officials.

As appalling as these facts may seem, it should not be assumed that Murray State College is a vast collection of drunks and dope heads. It is not. Most Murray students, even those who drink or smoke pot, are good students. Murray, like any other college in the nation has a drug problem, relatively small to be sure, but it does exist.

## State Regents Say MSC Enrollment Up

Spring enrollment at MSC is up 5.1 per cent over the same semester last year, according to a report from the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education.

Statewide, college enrollment dropped 1.5 per cent, from 142,705 a year ago to 140,488 now. Murray's increase is measured in "head-count," the total number of students registering for classes. A student registered for a one-hour course is included in "head-count" statistics.

Using another measure of enrollment, the "full-time equivalent," a statistical measure based on an average student load, Murray reported a slight loss.

This semester the FTE enrollment is 775 compared with 786 a year ago, according to the MSC Registrar's office.



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## Caney High School Sweeps Scholastic Meet

Caney High School swept Murray's Southern Oklahoma Scholastic Contest held March 29. Caney received the Grand Trophy in a field of over 1,000 students and 35 schools.

Byng High School received the Division I trophy, awarded to the next highest ranking school with a high enrollment of 209 or more.

Allen High School received the Division II trophy, awarded to the highest ranking school with an enrollment between 100 and 199.

Coleman High School received the Division III trophy, awarded to the highest ranking school with a high school enrollment not exceeding 99.

Each senior placing first overall in a single contest was awarded a president's scholarship, equivalent to full tuition at Murray.

Those seniors are listed as follows: Vicki Ashford and Royce Walker, Vanoss; Terri Jenkins and Mike Workman, Caney; Rhonda Pitts, Lone Grove; Jamie Danner and Roxanne Rogers, Madill; Vonda Beck and Jimmy Dewbre, Wilson, Don Robertson and Lynda Vogt, Konawa; Melissa Pannel, Coleman; Holly Vance, Empire and Keith Huit and Barry Diller, Wynnewood.

Also, Rhonda Kelly, Plainview; Shelly Watkins, Agra; Melissa Peck,

Comanche: David Temple and Jerry McCaskill, Elmore City; Joan Rushing and Aaron Milligan, Tishomingo; Ronnie Ambrose, Tupelo; Lisa Davis, Kingston; Denise Nation, Kingston; Randy Bryant and Gian Kelley, Byng; and Juanita Ybarra, Olney.

## Dean Urges Students To Pre-Enroll Now

Pre-enrollment for Murray classes began Tuesday, April 3. Harold Slack, dean of admissions, encouraged all students planning to return to Murray to pre-enroll prior to the end of the school term.

Pre-enrollment is for both summer and fall classes. Students wishing to pre-enroll should first go to the registrar's office to begin the process.

Enrollment and tuition fees may be paid at the time of pre-enrollment or any time prior to the beginning of classes.

Any student desiring additional information should inquire in the registrar's office. The office is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and closed for the lunch hour.



TWO MSC students begin early preparation for upcoming final exams.

## Aggielite Staffer Snares State Writing Award

Jeff Milligan, Aggielite co-editor, placed first in a statewide collegiate press writing competition.

The award was announced at the semi-annual meeting of the Oklahoma Collegiate Press Association at Oklahoma City University April 6. In competition with articles from 15 other collegiate newspaper staffs, Milligan's feature article "Range's Canine Clown Performs Various Tricks." (Aggielite, Dec. 11) was named the best in the state. Milligan received a plaque for the honor.

"It was a good subject to work with," said Milligan. "Dr. Range and his dog are already interesting, and all I did was write about them."

Milligan's story opened with: "Who runs like the wind? Who leaps high in the air, catching flying saucers in his teeth? Who leaps into tall pickups in a single bound? Who wets fence posts on command? Who is this hairy hero? Ho's Who."

Milligan plans to major in photojournalism next year at the University of Missouri, one of the most prestigious journalism schools in the U.S.

Other OCPA activities included informative critiques on news writing, features, photojournalism, editorial writing and a session on a reporter's rights. Darel Stokes, co-editor, said

the editorial critique was "excellent." Professional journalists, primarily from Oklahoma City newspapers, judged the competition and conducted the critique sessions. Nancy Gibson, entertainment editor of the Oklahoma Journal, judged feature writing.

Mike Hammer, assistant regional director of the Society of Professional Journalists, spoke to the group on the rights a reporter has under the open meetings and open records laws.

Hammer pointed out that "executive sessions" are sometimes used to circumvent the open meetings law. The law restricts what subjects can justify "Executive sessions" and exclusion of the press and public, said Hammer. He urged reporters to know the law and to speak up for it.

Ernie Schultz, Public Affairs Director of KTVY, spoke on the recent decision to allow television cameras in courtrooms. Under the new law, KTVY gave TV coverage to the Gene Leroy Hart trial and the Karen Silkwood case.

Competition, information and a chance to visit with professional journalists proved useful to the MSC publications staff. Besides the Aggielite editors, Tribesman Editor, Cathy Perkins, also attended.

## Aggielite Editorship Includes Scholarship

Applications for the position of Aggielite editor are now open. Lewis Parkhill, newspaper advisor, said.

Applicants should have sophomore standing, at least a 3.0 GPA with at least a B in all language arts courses. Journalism experience is desirable but not necessary.

Other desirable traits are the ability to meet deadlines, to motivate people and to be aware of all phases of campus activities.

"It is one of the most challenging and rewarding student jobs on campus," said Parkhill. "The editor must produce, and his or her work is visible for praise or attack. The editor

is a major presence in campus affairs."

Financial rewards for Aggielite editor have been improved. A student editor may receive a tuition and room waiver in addition to being paid for 40 hours of newspaper work per month.

To apply, write a letter of application and send it by campus mail (or deliver it to Ad. 325) to Lewis Parkhill not later than 5 p.m. April 27. The letter should list qualifications, offer specific proposals for Aggielite coverage or practices, and explain the applicant's views of what functions the student newspaper should perform.

## China Today: How Much Has Really Changed?

By Darel Stokes

"We feel free" was the message bellowed by loudspeakers spread across Peking. The Chinese have gained a little oral freedom, but how much is China changing?

One of the major changes in the "Post Maoism" era is wage increases. The average Chinese worker rarely received a wage increase during the Mao era. The new culture revolutionist government has decided that one way to increase national productivity is to give factory workers raises. These wage increases aren't much, but they are the first since 1962. For example: Huang Wei Feng, a worker at a heavy machinery factory in Canton, used to get \$42.20 a month; now he receives \$46 a month

and a \$2 bonus.

"We have to give the workers more money to motivate them," explained a plant secretary, "but we can't give them too much because that would cause inflation."

A part of the working situation that has not changed is the job selection system. A graduating high school class will be told that 50 farmers are needed, and 50 students will be shuttled off to some distant farming commune. Adult workers are often sent to provinces hundreds of miles from their families so they can "do their part."

As a result, the workers don't care about their jobs and have no pride in them. It is not uncommon to find factories that have one third of their

work forces absent on a single day. Usually, the busiest office in a factory is the dispensary where the workers line up for hours hoping something will be wrong with them so they can go home.

Another area of Chinese life that has been affected by the cultural revolution is romance. During Mao's reign, public expression of love had been outlawed by Chaing Ching who was Peking's cultural empress and Mao's wife. If you had asked a young Chinese girl what she was looking for in a man, she would have said: "He should have boundless love for Chairman Mao and the communist party and a willingness to serve the people wholeheartedly."

Today Chinese newspapers discuss

freely romantic love and the concepts of going steady and marriage. The traditional marriage rituals and the payment of dowry by the groom is still intact in the Chinese society.

A (married) couple receives a six-day marriage leave from their jobs. The wedding itself is a simple ceremony at which the bride and groom sign their mutual consent and receive a small booklet that explains contraception and gives a few basic hints. This is necessary because there is no sex education and little premarital sex. In the words of one Chinese citizen: "they just don't know how."

Because of overpopulation, each new couple is advised to have only two children. If this guideline is not

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## Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

There was a rather controversial discussion in Miss Lovelace's 10:00 sociology class on homosexual marriages. I think that there are some points of view that weren't brought into focus. Here are these points of view.

Should homosexual marriages be legalized? The answer is "yes." Because the Constitution of the United States guarantees the right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. This essentially means that you have the right to do with your own personal life what you will, as long as you aren't interfering with anyone else's rights. I think it's time we forget our narrowmindedness and realize that we are infringing on their rights. If homosexuals were the majority and they said heterosexual marriages should not be legalized, we would be just as angry as they are.

I am not condoning homosexuality, but I believe that they are as equal as we are. Which leads us back to the Constitution: It also states that we have freedom to believe what we wish as long as we don't curtail anyone's rights and I honestly don't see where or how homosexuality is interfering with anyone's rights.

Jerry Wyatt

Dear Editor:

I was impressed with your student

poll in the last issue of the Aggiielite about the Tribesman. As yearbook editor, I was pleased that there is, after all, some interest in it.

To say that the Tribesman hasn't gone well this year would be a gross understatement. Through a lack of organization on my part, an apparent lack of interest on the part of the students, and a lack of encouragement for the most part the Tribesman has been dangerously behind schedule.

The staff is under extreme pressure to gather a million loose ends into one quality volume. The end of the semester threatens us like a sword of Damocles.

The impression so far is that of impending doom. Perhaps. However, the pressure has been a swift kick in the pants for us. We have been working diligently at it and are beginning to see the top of the hill. If we continue with persistence and cooperation, the Tribesman will be in this summer in quantity and, hopefully, in quality.

Despite the drawbacks, I have realized the effort and tears which go into the making of a yearbook are not wasted.

The staff and I would like to express our appreciation to the subjects of this book—the students. And, at the same time, our apologies for our underestimation of their interest.

Cathy Perkins



MANY MURRAY classes have begun taking advantage of the warm spring weather by meeting outdoors.

## Ninety-Five Trophies Awarded in FFA Meet

The FFA Interscholastic Contests were held on the Murray State campus April 2 and 3. Every vocational agriculture department in the state was invited, and approximately 2,000 students attended the contest.

These students participated in eight speech contests Monday and in fifteen judging contests Tuesday. Events included such areas as land judging, horticulture judging, entomology, and soil and water management.

Ninety-five trophies and 90 individual awards were presented. The

Bethel FFA Chapter took home the overall sweepstakes trophy and the Spiro Chapter took the district trophy.

Each senior who placed highest overall in an event was awarded a scholarship to Murray. Plaques were awarded to the top two individuals in each speech contest.

Concessions for the two days were provided by the Aggie Club.

Jerry Barbee said that he personally feels this was one of the best contests held. He also would like to thank all the individuals who helped to make the contest a success.

## Student Senate Summary

The election of Student Senate officers will be held April 18, with the polls open from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. If a run-off ballot must be taken, it will be held May 23.

The recent karate tournament was a complete success and the senate has hopes of making it an annual affair.

"Trinity is Still My Name" is the final movie on the Student Senate sponsored agenda. The feature will be shown twice, at 6:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m., in the Audio-Visual Room on April 17. Please do not leave any trash in the A-V Room. If you bring it in, take it with you.

The Spring Student Senate retreat will be May 1 at Lake Texoma. The chief speaker for the event will be Dr. Clyde Kindell.

The MSC prom will be May 3. A theme has not yet been selected.

## BSU News

"The Cross and The Switchblade" will be shown at the Baptist Student Union at 7 and 9 p.m. April 19. All MSC students are welcome and free refreshments will be served.

The state BSU retreat at Falls Creek will be held on the weekend of April 20 to 22. It will be a weekend of fun, excitement and worship with college students from all over the state. There is a \$6 admission fee that will cover all expenses for the weekend. For more information, contact Carl Hatley or visit the Baptist Student Union, located north of the campus.

## STUDENT POLL

Some colleges around the country have begun allowing alcoholic beverages on their campuses. On those campuses that do not, students seem to violate this rule at their own risk. To find out what the opinion of the MSC student body is on alcoholic beverages on campus, the Aggie-elite editors posed this question:

"How do you feel about allowing alcoholic beverages on MSC campus?"



Kathryn Young: "According to state law, this is a state school and alcoholic beverages are not allowed on state property. This goes for colleges, parks and whatever."



Karen Snider: "Well, you see a lot of beer cans thrown around campus anyway. Just as long as it was kept fairly controlled and the driving wasn't too wild it would be okay. If people started getting out of hand with it and started driving crazy they should slow it down or stop it. As far as having beer on campus, it would be okay."



Donnie Higginbotham: "Well, I think we ought to be able to have anything we want to in our vehicles because they are our personal property. And as for our rooms, we should be able to have as much as a six-pack or at least a can in their rooms without being burnt. I like the way ECU does it, they allow you a drawer that they can't search—you can put anything you want to in there and they can't go through it. I'm personally for allowing beer in the rooms."



Dale Allen: "No, because it would cause too much trouble. It's not anything, really, that should be let on a college campus. It would offer the wrong type of atmosphere."



Teresa Harris: "I think it would be all right. Because I think we are mature enough that if we want to drink that we should be able to. It would be better to drink in the dorms instead of out in the cars and getting in trouble. And it's just better that you be able to drink in a private place."



## SS Karate Tournament Attracts Black Belts

Beames Hall teemed with action March 31 when the Student Senate sponsored an open karate tournament. Contestants from Murray State, Durant, Ardmore, Seminole and Denison all participated in the all-day affair that began about 10:30 a.m.

The chief referee for the event was Denison black belt Ronnie Clark, and the ring referee was Seminole black belt Tommy Williams. Both referees are world and national rated fighters. Tommy Williams is the number one contender for the world lightweight division.

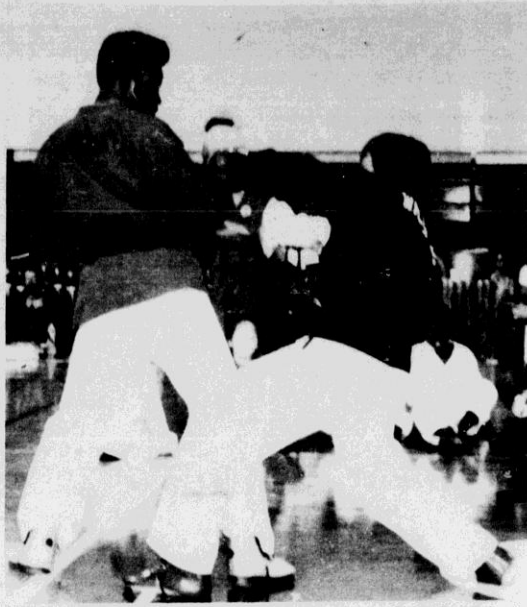
There are two areas of competition: forms and fighting. According to Donnie Higginbotham, "the closest thing to compare forms to is shadow boxing." The contestant goes through a routine of special kicks and fighting movements which are judged by three judges sitting outside the ring.

The fighting division, sometimes called sparring, is by far the most interesting. Two contestants are pitted against each other in a fight. Four observers and one ring referee watch the fight and award scores to the fighter with the best move and the most successful strikes at his opponent. Striking the face is prohibited but the contact with the rest of the body is allowed.

"They hit," said Higginbotham, "as hard as they want to hit you."

Donnie Higginbotham, Roff, placed third in the orange belt forms and fighting competition. Two other MSC students, Ed Weathers and Chuck Goodner, participated in the tournament but did not place.

After expenses, the Student Senate made \$200 on the tournament. This money will be used to increase the quality and number of Student Senate activities.



MURRAY STUDENTS were treated to a display of martial arts during the first annual Murray State College Karate Tournament held March 31. The tournament was sponsored by the Student Senate.

## Final Concert Offered By 78-79 Entertainers

The Entertainers' annual spring concert will be at 8 p.m. April 26 in Fletcher Auditorium.

This concert will be the last chance to see the 1978-79 version of this popular and versatile musical group.

Directed by Larry Metcalf, the performance will feature everyone in the group in at least one solo performance. New duets have been added, and John Wackler will perform some original compositions. Some of the regular material from this year's routine will also be included.

This year's members are John Wackler, bass guitar and saxophone, a sophomore from Ardmore; Byron

Coats, tenor, a freshman from Newcastle; Cheryl Young, soprano, a sophomore from Kingston; Carrie Lee, soprano, a freshman from Lone Grove; Mary Ann Howard, alto and piano, a freshman from New Orleans; and Kay Kindell, soprano, freshman from Tishomingo.

Also, Deborah Waychoff, alto and piano, a freshman from Ardmore; Greg Pannell, bass and drums, a sophomore from Prague; Jessie Cavins, bass, a sophomore from Ardmore; Russell Hagen, tenor, a freshman from Sherman, Texas; and Charles Henderson, sound and equipment manager, a freshman from Ardmore.



TWO MSC students take advantage of the beautiful spring weather.

## Skydiving Hobby Adopted by Aggeliite Co-Editor

By Jeff Milligan

Looking out of the open door of an airplane flying 3,000 feet above the earth is a strange experience. Climbing out and hanging from the wing-strut in a 60 to 70 mph wind is stranger still. But actually letting go is a sure ticket to your friendly neighborhood mental hospital, or funeral home, depending on your luck.

Most people have absolutely no need for such a thrill but there are a few mad men in the world who actually enjoy such things, and, surprise, surprise, one of them is in your midst. That's right, MSC's mild-mannered Aggeliite co-editor, Jeff Milligan, is a sky diver.

Actually, I cannot truthfully say I am a sky diver since I have only made one jump. But I intend to make more jumps in the future and will continue to do so until I have earned the title.

Sky diving is a sport that has been growing in popularity over the past few years. There are thousands of people in the U.S. alone jumping regularly and hundreds of schools to train new jumpers have sprung up all over the country.

The school I attended, Para-Dice Parachute Center in Norman, trains new jumpers every Wednesday evening and Saturday morning. For \$50 instructor-jumpmaster Carl Brannon teaches prospective sky divers the

basics of the sport—canopy control, procedures in the aircraft, exiting the aircraft, etc.

On the Saturday following the Wednesday night class, the new jumpers receive another three hours of instruction at the Cushing airport. USPA certified jumpmasters working for Para-Dice instruct the students in emergency procedures, parachute landing falls and review what was learned the Wednesday before. After eight hours of classes—and if the winds are right—it is time to jump.

It was about 7 a.m. when my group got to jump. After putting on nearly 50 pounds of gear we waddled out to the airplane. It is about this time that the adrenaline begins to seep into the bloodstream and you begin to feel as if you could juggle elephants. As the plane climbs, objects on the ground shrink into the haze, the flow of adrenaline increases until by the time the door opened for me at 3,000 feet I had O.D.'d on it.

When we were on the jump run and the pilot cut the engine I was told by the jumpmaster to sit in the door. In something akin to a trance I did as I was told and swung my legs out into the rushing wind. On the command, "Out on the strut" I placed my left foot on the wheel, grabbed the strut with both hands and pulled myself out into position.

The jumpmaster slapped me on the shoulder and shouted, "Go!" I let go of the strut and dropped away from the plane. At this point the jumper is supposed to hit a good arch, count and smile back up at the plane. Not me. My fall looked more like a suicide going off the Golden Gate Bridge. My arms and legs thrashed about wildly and I never even thought of counting. The sky and plane rushed away in a blue blur making it impossible to see until the static line pulled the canopy open.

After about a two-second fall the canopy opened with a jerk and I began a slow 17 feet per second descent to the airport below. The view was incredible. The whole world in miniature stretches out for miles like a child's model. If you don't look up at the parachute it is easy to imagine that you are simply floating like a cloud in the sky with nothing else around.

After a minute or more under canopy the ground begins to rise to meet you. It's time to prepare for the landing, the jolt of which is a little more than I expected. Immediately after landing the jumper must run downwind of the parachute to prevent it from dragging the jumper. Then after picking up the canopy he begins the long walk back to the jump zone.

On the walk back to the drop zone I

had to stop occasionally to look up into the sky and laugh. I had done something I had wanted to do for a long time. I must still be a little high from the experience, because I still have a tendency to look up at an airplane passing overhead, smile, and look forward to the next jump. Sky diving is an incredible experience; there's nothing else like it in the world.

## Fish Now in Annual Contest for a Trophy

Here it comes! The big annual Social Science Club fishing contest, so fish now! It has been in existence for several years, and the fish caught in the contest is used in the annual fish fry at 6 p.m. April 30.

A maximum of five contestants to a team is permitted. Individual trophies are awarded by the club for the most pounds of filleted fish. You may register by paying a \$1 entry fee to Hoot Vernon, Jeff Sanner or Lynn Dupree. The fee is used to pay for the trophies.

Black bass, crappie, catfish, striped and sand bass are the five categories for competition.

## Day Care Adds Dimension to Campus

Students and instructors are familiar sights at Murray. The senior citizens' program has brought over-60's people to campus for several years. And now, the under-12 crowd has come with the opening of the MSC Day Care Center. Play is their major study with generous mixtures of eating, napping and listening to stories.





Photos By  
Linda Fleming





# Winning or Losing, Aggies Keep Score Close

The Murray Aggies baseball team displayed some impressive field work as they won the second of a double header 1-0 against Connors. The game went two extra innings.

Tied at 0-0 in the bottom of the ninth, John Crane walked. Jim Waters advanced Crane to second base on a fielder's choice. Connors' pitcher threw a wild pitch, and Crane went to third.

Johnny Clary hit an infield ground-er, but the Connors throw to first was wild, scoring John Crane from third with the winning run. Gary Washington was the winning pitcher. He pitched the entire game, allowing only two hits, coming on very strong in the final innings.

In the opening game, the Aggies lost 0-2. Connors touched Jim Weaver for a home run in the second inning and added another run in the fourth.

"Right now, Weaver is my best pitcher, but we haven't scored the runs for him." Coach Hickey said. Inconsistent hitting was a problem along with balls hit well, but right at Connors players.

The Aggies now stand 8-15 with 10 conference games remaining. Pitching, a problem all season, has been "fair" the last six games, Hickey said.

"Bryan Thomas has been hitting well. John Crane has batted 83 times with only 7 strike outs. In general, the Aggies have been hitting the ball, but often right at people," said Hickey.

Rain has thinned the crowd the last few games. "Players appreciate a good crowd," said Hickey. At press time the Aggies were rained out against a tough Oscar Rose team. This Thursday, MSC hosts Eastern.



AGGIE BASEBALLERS wait their turn at bat during their recent game against Paris.



JIM WEAVER launches a strike towards the opposing team's batter.

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## Aye Accepts Contract At Panhandle State

Dennis Aye has resigned as basketball coach and accepted an offer from Panhandle State University to head their men's basketball program.

Subject only to final Regent's approval, Aye will assume his duties in Goodwell on July 1.

Panhandle will be "a challenge," said Aye, "an excellent opportunity." For the last six years, Panhandle has lost over half of their games. Aye Hopes to reverse that trend. "My goal is to break even the first year," he said. The faculty, students and the administration at Panhandle are

"totally committed to athletics, so I am very excited about going," said Aye.

Aye expressed his gratitude to Murray State. "If I hadn't been here, I would not have had the chance to go to Panhandle," said Aye. Citing his reasons for leaving, Aye pointed out that Panhandle is a four year school, coaching there represents a move up professionally and financially.

"I am thankful for the opportunity I was given at Murray, and I wish Murray a lot of luck in the future," said Aye.



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### Review:

## Tolkien's 'Middle Earth'

By Jeff Milligan

"The Silmarillion," "The Hobbit," "The Lord of the Rings," by J.R.R. Tolkien. Available in the MSC library.

In this writer's opinion the three books by J.R.R. Tolkien concerning the history and events of middle earth are the finest examples of fantasy ever written. Tolkien has created an entirely new world populated by hobbits, elves, dwarves, men, orcs, trolls and myriad other lovable and terrifying creatures.

The scope and magnitude of the works is incredible. Beginning with "The Silmarillion," the reader is led through nearly 4,000 fascinating years of the history of middle earth in such detail that the work fills five volumes.

"The Silmarillion," although it was published only a few years ago, is by far the oldest of the three books. It begins with the creation of middle earth by the god Iluvatar and the birth of elves, dwarves and men. It sweeps on through the first and second ages of middle earth, recounting in incredible detail the wars and events of the two ages.

"The Silmarillion" in its style and scope is much like the King James Bible. Even the style of writing is very much alike.

"Now fair and marvelous was that vessel made, and it was filled with a wavering flame, pure and bright; and Earendil the Mariner sat at the helm, glistening with dust of elven-gems, and the Silmaril was bound upon his brow. Far he journeyed in that ship, even into the starless voids; but most often was he seen at morning or at evening, glimmering in sunrise or sunset, as he came back to Valinor from voyages beyond the confines of the world."

"The Hobbit" was the first of the three to be published, having been on the market for many years now. In it we are introduced to the hobbits, a small, jolly folk fond of eating, bright colors and smoking. "The Hobbit" tells the story of Bilbo Baggins who sets out on an adventure with a group of dwarves to recover the dwarves' gold, stolen by the dragon Smaug. During his journey he finds a magic ring, which as far as Bilbo knows only makes its wearer invisible. But in fact the ring is the one ring of power with which the evil lord Sauron can control middle earth.

The saga of the ring is taken up again in the three volumes of "The Lord of the Rings." In volume one, "The Fellowship of the Ring," Frodo Baggins, to whom Bilbo has left the ring, discovers its ominous power. Since the ring is inherently evil it will

corrupt anyone who tries to use it. At the council of Elrond it is decided that the ring should be destroyed, and a group is appointed consisting of representatives from each of the four races of middle earth, hobbits, elves, dwarves and men, to bring the ring to the fires of Mordor, Sauron's empire, where it can be destroyed.

Volume two, "The Two Towers," continues the story of the adventurers as they journey against all odds to Mordor.

Out of the struggle to control the ring with all its ominous power there arises a war comparable in magnitude to the great wars of our own time. In this war, which is described in "The Return of the King," the ring of power is destroyed and Sauron's hopes of controlling middle earth are crushed.

"The Lord of the Rings" is fiction of the romantic genre at its finest. In it can be found kings, knights, beautiful women, heroism and cowardice, battles and, just when all seems lost, the cavalry riding to the rescue:

"Suddenly the king cried to Snowmane and the horse sprang away. Behind him his banner blew in the wind, white horse upon a field of green, but he outpaced it. After him thundered the knights of his house, but he was ever before them. Eomer rode there, the white horsetail on his helm floating in his speed, and the front of the first 'eored' roared like a breaker foaming to the shore, but Theoden could not be overtaken. Fey he seemed, or the battle-fury of his fathers ran like new fire in his veins, and he was borne up on Snowmane like a god of old, even as Orome the Great in the battle of the Valar when the world was young. His golden shield was uncovered and lo! it shone like an image of the Sun, and the grass flamed green about the white feet of his steed. For morning came, morning and a wind from the sea; and darkness was removed, and the hosts of Mordor wailed and terror took them, and they fled, and died, and the hoofs of wrath rode over them. And then all the host of Rohan burst into song, and they sang as they slew, for the joy of battle was on them, and the sound of their singing that was fair and terrible came even to the City."

These three books by J.R.R. Tolkien are excitement beyond your wildest imagination. Tolkien makes middle earth come alive. For the millions of devoted Tolkien fans middle earth is not an imaginary world, it exists and you can go there by simply turning the page.

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## 'Saturday Night Live' Replaces Old Flicks

By Kevin Norrell

Instead of watching old flicks on Saturday nights, more and more people are watching "Saturday Night Live." The success of the comedy show is due primarily to its wide variety of skits.

Saturday Night Live never falls into a rut. You can expect to find something completely different on the show every week, even on the regular skits. This "variety" of the Saturday Night Live show hinges on the versatility of the four main regulars—John Belushi, Dan Akroide, Gilda Radner and Jane Curtain.

John Belushi's humor adds much to the show. His talents range anywhere from singing the blues with Dan Akroide as the Blues Brothers to a suicide-prone, egotistical samurai. On one episode he even played a Pancho Villa, killer bee, revolutionary going from door to door, posing as a trick-or-treater, holding people up for pollen to feed his starving "weemen and children."

Dan Akroide's fast-talking Tom Snyder and other newsmen roles are just a few of his many characters. At first glance, Akroide appears to be serious when telling the news, never smiling. But, if you look a little closer, he is using his seriousness to be funny.

Jane Curtain's acts also plays

on being serious. She does one portion of Saturday Night Live giving the news from Dan Akroide. She takes a lot of verbal abuse on the news show, "Weekend Update," but she still maintains her seriousness.

Curtain and Akroide also play the mother and father figures of an outer-space family. The Coneheads, adjusting to life on earth. The Coneheads have long, bald, cone-shaped heads and talk with robot-like voices. Curtain and Akroide find sexual pleasure in tossing furry "sensor rings" onto each other's cones.

Gilda Radner's main contribution to the show is on the Weekend Update segment where she plays a woman commentator, Rosana Rosanadana, with a Yiddish accent. Gilda's part is to comment on some issue, but she gets rolling along talking and goes far off the subject.

On minute she might be talking about flicking a ball of sweat from the end of Dr. Joyce Brother's nose, and the next minute she'll be talking about picking the lint from her navel. Eventually, she will wind everything up in a totally illogical manner.

These stars by themselves probably could not have made such a popular program. Together, though, they form one of the best comedy shows on television, Saturday Night Live.

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MEMBERS OF one of the many high schools attending the annual MSC Interscholastic Meet take a break between tests.

## Tornados Create Havoc On and Off Campus

By Gail Moore

'Tis the season of the big wind—Spring! The time when we are driven from our beds in the middle of the night by five shrill blasts of the neighborhood storm siren.

The bleary-eyed on-campus student stumbles out of bed and into the basement, while the unfortunate commuter searches frantically for umbrella and car keys before dashing wildly through the driving wind and rain only to discover the window was left down.

Such was the situation Tuesday night when tornados raged across Southern Oklahoma and Northern Texas, taking life and property at random. With this in mind many, myself included, sought refuge in the basement of Murray's Classroom

Building.

Many of MSC's faculty and staff, along with several students, gathered, looking much different from their usual classroom selves. With dripping hair and in various stages of dress, we formed a motley crew.

Relief was the predominant feeling among those who had sought refuge there. However, a few skeptics mingled and good-naturedly teased the others. One senior staff member was heard to say that the only reason he was there was his wife "couldn't get a taxi."

The anticlimax came when it was reported that the twister had lifted and it was now safe to return home. And it was until the siren wails again.

## HS Seniors Treated To Tour, Meal, Show

Senior Day 1979 was observed on Murray Campus Thursday, April 12. The day began with registration and a musical performance by the MSC Entertainers at 9:30 a.m. in Fletcher Auditorium.

After welcoming speeches by Dr. Clyde R. Kindell, president of the college, and Carl Hatley, Student Senate president, instructions for the day's activities were presented by

Randy Robertson, public relations director.

A guided tour of the campus began at 10:50 a.m. Brunch for visiting sponsors and parents was served in the Student Center Lounge at that time.

After a lunch served on the patio area, two sessions of financial aids information were held in the Ballroom.

## Patton Hall Being Used For Day Care Center

A new campus day care center has been put into service in Patton Hall. "These services are for any individual who wishes to place their child in the program," said Mary

Golloway, co-ordinator for the center.

The Day Care Center provides child care from 6:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. and includes lunches and snacks. Rates for the center are \$5 per day with an additional charge of \$1 if the child is to be taken to and from kindergarten or school. There is also an hourly rate of \$1 per hour.

The Day Care Center is equipped to accept children from the ages of 2 months to 12 years. Planned activities for each age group assist not only in physical development but also in cognitive development.

Director for the center is Beryl Morris, who holds a child development certificate and a bachelor's degree in elementary education with a minor in special education.

"We feel most fortunate to have found someone for the position with these qualifications," said Golloway.

Golloway singled out for praise all of the temporary staff and students, some who worked without pay, for their help in getting the project on its feet. The efforts of Floyd West in financial aids, Mrs. Owen in the cafeteria and Mrs. McDonald and her staff are also greatly appreciated.

"I hope this will be a service from which the student body as well as the entire community can benefit," said Mrs. Golloway.

## ★ China

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followed, the couple will be chastised publicly; their place of work may cut their pay, and their street committee (that oversees homelife) may cut their "forward status" as citizens of "good proletarian class origin."

The Chinese legal system has also fallen victim to the cultural revolution. The feared Maoists' courts that damned all but devout Communists are being replaced by a system that will theoretically guarantee fair public trials for all Chinese citizens. It remains to be seen whether the new codes will create an independent judicial system free from the Communist Party of China.

In any case, China does not have the intention of adopting a judiciary system such as the one in the United States. After *Newsweek's* Fay Willey had outlined the role of an American defense lawyer to a law professor during a visit to Peking University recently, he asked: "Why would we need such a system here? If a person is a criminal, there is no need to defend him like that."

The Chinese living conditions still have not improved much. In the cities, five or six families live in one apartment. There is food rationing and scarcity of bathroom supplies. In the country, the members of farm communes cry for the right to return to their families. All Chinese demand better pay, more consumer goods, and more foreign movies and books. The Chinese also ask for pornography, which one poster writer insists "will only excite us, not harm our minds."

The government answers these cries with the promise that "creature comforts" will be given to the masses, but that they will take time. This task is expected to span two decades and cost anywhere from \$350 billion to \$850 billion: half of which will come from foreign imports and western bankers.

The Chinese have gained a great deal in the cultural revolution. But there is still a long walk between China today and what her new leaders would have her to be.



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## 136 Sophomores to Get Diplomas This Thursday

Commencement exercises for 136 sophomores will be held May 10 at Fletcher Auditorium, announced Dr. Clyde Kindell, MSC president.

Bill J. Harris, president and chief operation officer of the Central and South West Corporation, Dallas, Texas, will be the commencement speaker.

Harris is a descendent of Cyrus Harris, the first governor of the Chickasaw Nation after removal from Mississippi. After education at ECU and OSU, Harris taught school before beginning work with electrical utilities. His present position is as head of a utility conglomerate.

Page Lambert, chairman of the

MSC Board of Regents, will confer diplomas.

Awards for the outstanding students in activities and academics will be given by Harold Slack, director of admissions, and by Dr. J. Phillip Traughber, dean of the college.

The Entertainers, directed by Larry Metcalf, will perform, and Margaret Lokey will play the processional and recessional.

Rev. Jimmy Lehew, Baptist Student Union director, will give the invocation and benediction.

After the commencement, a reception for graduates and their families will be held in the Paul J. Park Student Center.



MEMBERS OF Fred Poe's folklore class were entertained by musical groups and parades such as this one at the annual Folklore Festival at Mountain View, Ark. April 20.

## All-Campus Assembly Honors Campus Elite

Approximately 100 students were presented with awards or special recognition in an Honors and Awards Assembly held in Fletcher Auditorium April 24.

Musical entertainment was provided by the Entertainers following a brief introduction by Lewis Parkhill.

Dr. Clyde Kindell then presented the President's Honor Roll. Those listed on the President's Honor Roll were Barbara Barbour, James Donaldson, Rickey Harrill, Carl Hatley, Barbara McDonald, Wanda Talkington, Kevin Norrell, Reubin Edgar, Darrell Hefley and Mel Termini.

Dr. J. Phillip Traughber presented a list of students recommended for Southeastern Oklahoma State University Parson's Scholarships. Those recommended were Lenny Cook, John Higgins, Laveda Jean Higgins, Essie Ladner, Debra McDonald, Kelly Ryan, Nicki Cryer, Sherman Frazier, Linda Jones, Rhonda Gayle Lee, Karen Miller, Randel Sisson, Nancy Spencer and Michael Wells.

Students named to Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges were recognized by Gerald Alloway. Those students were Tammy

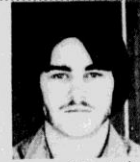
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Phi Theta Kappa National and State Awards were presented by Dr. Marion Wirth. Pam Lee was named to the National Hall of Honor and John Wackler was presented the State Music Award for original composition.

Carl Hatley and Jeannette Eldridge were the recipients of the Student Senate awards as Mr. and Miss MSC, with Arthur Vernon named as Favorite Teacher.

Gary Armstrong was recognized as Outstanding Freshman Scholar and was awarded a \$50 scholarship by the Faculty Fraternity.

Awards in the athletic division were (SEE AWARDS PAGE 8)



## Farewell Wishes

By Carl Hatley  
Student Senate President

I found the position as Student Senate president a challenging—sometimes pressing—job, but also a very rewarding experience. I didn't do as much as I would like to have, but over all I was well pleased with the year for the 1978-79 Student Senate. I think I had a part in some worthwhile endeavors to better the life at Murray State College.

One of our first assignments was to revise the dress code in the cafeteria. Throughout the year our foods committee worked with Lorraine Olin, the food services director, in an effort to improve food services. One program initiated by the foods committee was the "late breakfast" designed to accommodate late sleepers. I was very well pleased with improvement in food services, with the student being offered a much wider variety in foods for the noon meal. Lorraine Olin merits much credit as she strived to please the students.

Last fall we went on a retreat to Lake Texoma at which we were given the opportunity to discuss some of our concerns with the administration.

A policy change, brought about by working through the proper channels of the Student Senate, was made extending the visiting hours in the dorm lobbies by members of the opposite sex.

On the state level, Murray was represented for the first time on the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature.

In the way of entertainment for the students, we sponsored seven dances and 10 movies throughout the year. One of our biggest days was Campus Day, of which we were responsible for the planning and operations. An added interest on Valentine's Day was Student Senate-sponsored "Valegrams." We hosted a student pool tournament and also the first annual Murray State College Karate Tournament.

I would like to have been more successful in getting the gym open more for student recreation. Dr. Kindell is considering hiring a person next year to supervise recreation in the gym at nights and on weekends.

We had a handbook revision committee formed near the end of school which began reviewing the student disciplinary regulations. Next year's senate perhaps can continue where we left off.

We also made an effort to improve our constitution through several proposed amendments.

We haven't quit working yet either. We are on the agenda to appear before the Board of Regents on May 8 to discuss student activity funds, especially pertaining to intramurals.

Like I said, I feel we could have done more and I would like to have been more organized, but I think we had a good year. I want to wish next year's senate officers and members the very best.

## Poe's Class Entertained At Folklore Festival

Members of MSC folklore class traveled to Mountain View, Ark. to attend the annual Folklore Festival held there. The group left the campus at 1 p.m. April 20 and returned 6 p.m. April 22.

The music began as soon as the sun set. The first night of the festival (Friday night), the group of MSC students went to the town square and listened to folk music. A few professional groups played at the festival, but most of the performers were amateurs. The interesting part of the music, according to folklore instructor Fred Poe, was that "it was played by spontaneous groups." That is, most of the groups were formed at the festival. If a person played an instrument, he was lured into a group.

The following day, Murray students attended the annual Folklore Festival Parade. MSC student Nancy Spencer remarked that this was the "best parade" she had ever seen. It consisted of two area high school bands and several floats depicting life in the "good old days" or how "grandma

and grandpa used to do it."

The Ozark Folk Center was on the agenda for the afternoon. The center (SEE FOLKLORE PAGE 8)

## Enrollment Date Set For Summer Session

Students planning to attend summer classes should enroll now. Registration for the summer term will be held on Tuesday, May 29. Students who have not pre-enrolled should report to the Registrar's Office on that date. Students who have pre-enrolled should report to the Business Office to complete fee payment.

Classwork will begin on Wednesday, May 30, and McKee Dormitory will be open on Monday afternoon, May 28.

Community Services is announcing a new Summer Fun Activities Program for Children, ages 3 through high school. Classes offered for children range from swimming to drawing and tropical fish and rocketry. (SEE ENROLLMENT PAGE 8)

## Editorial

By Darel Stokes

It seems like only yesterday that I began my career here at MSC. When I walked into my first class, I experienced an awe: I was finally here. Now, it is time for me to leave.

What kind of an impression did Murray leave on my life? Am I the same person who entered two years ago? Not by a long shot!



Life at Murray has given me a new perspective on life, mine and that of others. When I came here, I was insecure about what I was going to do in life. Now, after many good and bad experiences, I'm sure of my future and how to attain my goals.

During my first year here, several people told me that several of the MSC courses would not transfer to

other colleges. I found this to be untrue. When I pre-enrolled at ECU, all of my courses transferred. I later discovered that those who told me that the courses didn't transfer were students who had no idea what they were majoring in or had changed their major so many times that not even their advisors could figure out what their majors were.

Another myth that was passed to me while I was a freshman was that MSC was a "B" rated college. That is, if you couldn't pass anywhere else, come to Murray. This axiom was also proved wrong. It turns out that Murray is one of the better junior colleges in the state. It also has the advantage of being small so that each student gets broken into college life gradually instead of just being thrown into the masses.

When I look back at my stay at Murray State College, I find that it has been good to me. It is my hope that the next student body of Murray takes advantage of all that is here to be utilized.

I have enjoyed being the editor of The Aggielite, and I hope that the next editor learns as much and enjoys it as much as I have. I would like to leave a special note of thanks to Lewis Parkhill and the rest of the MSC staff for making these two years worth more than I can ever express. Thank you all.

## Student Senate Summary

The election results were tallied and the winning candidates were: Jack Gorzyca for president, John Tyler for vice president, Carrie Lee for secretary, Alan Cowley for treasurer and Dusty Smallwood for parliamentarian. Mr. Vernon received the most votes for outstanding teacher and, after a run-off election, Carl Hatley was voted Mr. MSC and Jeannette Eldridge was elected as Miss MSC.

Winners in the Student Senate sponsored pool tournament were: Randel Sisson, first place; Michele Saraceni, second place; and Sherman Frazier, third place.

Dr. Kindell is considering hiring a

person to supervise recreation for students at nights and on weekends. He requested that the Student Senate determine appropriate hours for this individual to work. The hours decided upon were from 6:30 to 10 Sunday through Thursday, 6:30 to 8 Friday, and 2:30 to 5 Saturday.

"Every Cloud Has a Silver Lining" was chosen as the theme for this year's prom, which was held in the Student Union Thursday, May 3. The banquet began at 6:30 and included an added feature of a program with the reading of wills and prophecies. The dance lasted from 8:30 to 12:30 and featured Disco-Trek as the entertainment.

## China Today: What Now?

By Darel Stokes

The Chinese are well on their way to creating a new style of Communism. This "free" Communism is a form that cannot be matched anywhere in the world. The Chinese government, which for decades has ignored the cry of the people it rules, is finally listening to the masses. The Chinese call it "salvation."

In my journalistic study of the Chinese cultural revolution, I have explored several good and bad points. For the most part, the revolution has been good for China, but there is still a long way to go.

This revolution will do more for the

country of China than it will for the people. It will make Chinese workers happier by increasing their pay and bettering their working conditions. In turn, this will make Chinese industry more productive and increase the nation's prosperity.

China has listened to her factory workers. Now, she needs to hear the cries of her farmers. Farm workers are stripped from their homes and sent to farming communities. If China wishes to be self-sufficient she must find another way to position farm workers. If a way could be instituted where entire families were "transplanted," the cultural shock would be much less and workers would produce more.

Religion is another field that needs to be "re-worked." The Chinese government has allowed foreign missionaries into their country but still suppresses Buddhism, the religion to which most Chinese belong. The government is trying to gain "good standing" with foreign powers by opening China's doors to their missionaries. If the people are to be their most productive, the major religion must be allowed.



Jeanette Holbrook: "Well, the year's passed by pretty quick this year, and I'm going to miss the place. But, I'll be glad to get out and go on to college or get a job."



Crystal Stearns: "It's been a lot of fun this year, a lot of hard work—especially in Mr. Vernon's class. I hope to be back next year, if I get into the nursing program—that's what I'm going for."



Carolyn Wright: "My experience at Murray State has been really educational. And, uh, I have really enjoyed the classes. And, what I'm going to do when I get out is continue my education and, as to where, I am undecided."

## STUDENT POLL

The semester is just about to close. Sophomores are preparing to graduate and freshmen are looking forward to the end of their first year at college. This is a time for students to think and

make decisions about their future. The editors of the Aggielite were interested in what Murray students thought about graduation, the end of a school year and plans for the future.



Anita Johnson: "I'm going to Kansas and take dental assistance. I've enjoyed this semester."



John Bourquin: "My first year has been a good year. I've really enjoyed it and I plan on coming back next year. This summer, I'm going to work in the oil fields. I've enjoyed it and I'll be back."

Diane Burris: "It's been okay. The classes are hard but—and I'm going to Southeastern when I leave here, that is when I graduate."



CARL HATLEY and Jeannette Eldridge were elected Mr. and Miss Murray State College in balloting held last week.

## Murray Instructor Retires

Alma Hogan, long time composition and literature teacher, will be retiring at the end of this semester after 12 years at Murray State College.

Hogan first came to Murray in 1967 after two years at Stratford High School. Over the past dozen years she has taught literature, speech and composition to hundreds of students from many countries. As sponsor of the foreign students at Murray, Hogan helped organize a soccer team that took second place in state competition.

Leaving Murray will be difficult for the veteran teacher.

"I want to leave, but I hate to leave," said Mrs. Hogan. "I'll miss

the school and especially the young people—being around students keeps you young."

After retirement Hogan plans to stay active taking advanced English and literature courses and possibly doing some practice teaching. Said Mrs. Hogan, "I intend to challenge myself." She also hopes to pursue her hobbies of collecting antiques and writing.

Mrs. Hogan will be sorely missed by her students and colleagues. Darel Stokes, Aggielite editor and veteran of three courses under Hogan said, "She is an interesting person. The classes I've had under her have been some of the most enjoyable classes I've had here."



ALMA HOGAN

## Are Required Courses Really a Necessity?

By Gail Moore

A question has arisen in conversation several times during the past weeks as to the need for such required courses as English, history, science and mathematics. Some believe these courses, if outside a student's major field, to be unnecessary.

One of the most important aspects of life is communication. Without language, spoken or written, ideas could not be expressed and progress could not take place. The more clearly we can express our thoughts, the faster we can progress. In everyday life, a basic knowledge of language skills is advantageous no matter what the field of interest.

History is our heritage of the past. By studying events, their causes and their effect upon society, we can learn from our mistakes and from our triumphs. History can be not only a record of the past, but a pathway into the future. In a Democracy such as ours, it is important that we, as citizens, have an interest in the guiding of our country.

In our sophisticated technological society, a basic knowledge of science becomes more and more important. By learning to understand the processes of life and of the universe better, we become better able to deal with current issues such as the energy crisis and problems concerning nuclear power.

## Intramural Softball Championships Due

Intramural softball competition has returned to Murray again this spring with seven teams competing for the championship.

Going into the playoffs last week the Guzzlers, B.S.U., and Basketballers were locked in a three-way tie for first place with records of 5 and 1.

Competition for last place is between B.B.A., Stratford, International and Faculty teams each with a 1 and 5 record.



Mao Tse-Tung was once a librarian.

Numbers play an important part in our lives, and basic math courses can be a big help. A general mathematics background is helpful in saving money during this time of high inflation by comparing prices and interest rates.

All together, these basic courses help prepare college students not only for career positions, but life in general.

## Norrell Named Editor For '79-'80 Aggielite

Kevin Norrell, a pre-med major from Davis, has been selected as editor of the Aggielite for 1979-80 school year, announced Lewis Parkhill, newspaper advisor.

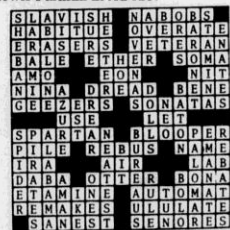
A member of the President's Honor Roll the first semester, Norrell also was a member of Grayson, the winning intramural football team.

The past semester he has worked in the cafeteria and as an English tutor. "The cafeteria was a good place to get to know people, especially the ones who splashed me with their silverware," said Norrell.

"I'm looking forward to being Aggielite editor. I think it will be a demanding job. It will take some sacrifice, but I plan to put out a solid paper," said Norrell.

The Aggielite staff for next year is still being formed. Any student can write for the newspaper. Those who want to earn three hours' credit for news writing can register for Journalism 1113. Aggielite staff members need not be enrolled in a journalism class to write for the paper, Parkhill emphasized.

The editor and the advisor will assist anyone in preparing stories. "The broader the student base," said Parkhill, "the better the Aggielite can represent student views." Anyone wishing to join the staff can contact Kevin Norrell in Haskell-Lucas 203 or Lewis Parkhill in Ad 325.



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### The Year in Pictures

A semester of college life consists of several different factors that intertwine to make it an entire universe of fun, work and excitement. Each college and university around the country has its own universe that is generated by the students and faculty.

The universe at Murray has its own special aura of individuality. It extends from leaping over the side of a cliff, with rope in hand, to throwing your hands into the air in victory on completion of a long assignment. Between these boundaries, there is a vast expanse of talented, peculiar and interesting people that make MSC a fascinating place to be.



JIM DONALDSON steals the show when Alloway is



PAMELA BRUCE spreads her arms in triumph after completing a long and thankless task.



BURL WYLIE and Jody Hamm strum a tune on a spring afternoon.



SOCIAL SCIENCE Department stars, Autt Lovelace, contemplate strategies for their cou



**TOMMY ROUNDTREE** prepares to make the initial jump down a cliff while on a rappelling trip with the Outing Club.

ay isn't around.



**HASKELL LUCAS** Hall dons a white robe during the winter.



Author "Hoot" Vernon and Margaret  
r courses.



**SHERRI DORITY** prepares to begin an experiment in an afternoon chemistry lab.



WENDELL CLAY, Aggie shortstop, is on the receiving end of a successful pickoff play from Jim Weaver.

## Need to Name a Band? Here's Easy Formula

By Kevin Norrell

Got a band? Need a name for it? The best way to find a name is to look at how the "big boys" are named. There are three basic types of rock band names: the "people," the "wordplay" type and the "simple" type.

The "people" names involve the use of someone's name in the title. It may be the leader of the band, like Ted Nugent, Edgar Winter, Bob Dylan or David Bowie.

To get a little more complicated you might have ..... and the ..... such as Eric Burden and the Animals, Bob Seger and the Silver Bullet Band, and David Gates and Bread.

Or, if you don't want to call someone the leader, you can make up somebody's name. Lynyrd Skynyrd, Jethro Tull, Molly Hatchet—they're all nobodys. Some groups may have a leader but not want their group named after him. So, the leader changes his name. What a sacrifice! That's what Alice Cooper, Paul Revere and the Raiders, and Hermans Hermits did.

Maybe your group needs to be a "wordplay" named group. Colors make good names. Deep Purple, Pink Floyd, Black Sabbath—they all proved it. Your group could fall in with the "metal" groups. These have the heavy sound to them—Led Zepplin, Golden Earring and Iron Butterfly.

If neither of these "wordplay" types suit your fancy, you can always throw a couple of noncoinciding words together and sound really original, like Humble Pie, Strawberry Alarmclock and Blood Rock.

Then there are the "simple" names. In the beginning, groups

chose to name themselves after a mascot. Numero Uno is probably the Beatles, soon to be followed by the likes of the Byrds, the Monkees and the Turtles. Another simple way to name your group is to name it after your hometown or area like Kansas, Chicago, Boston or Black Oak Arkansas.

Some rock groups hit it big with simple phrases. Rolling Stones, Guess Who and Grass Roots are all phrases that everyone's heard before. Grand Funk Railroad took their name from the once well-known Grand Trunk Railroad.

The very simplest group name has already been chosen, however. The name of it is simply "The Band."

So, if naming a rock group, just look at your favorites and find your own name. It's easier than you think.



BARBARA HAIRRELL, Tribesman Queen, was chosen by the Tribesman staff for the position last week.

## Aggies Wrap Up Season

Coach Bill Hickey's Aggies ended their spring baseball season last week with losses to Altus and Oscar Rose bringing their season record to 10 wins and 27 losses.

The Aggies suffered the two defeats at the zone playoffs last Sunday and Monday. The Murray team played well against Altus, giving up no earned runs, but a passed ball and an error in the outfield cost them the game. The MSC pitching staff, which has had its problems throughout the spring season, performed well during the Altus game. "Weaver pitched better than he has all year," said Hickey.

In the second game of the zone playoffs the Aggies were pitted against Oscar Rose. Murray played well for the first three innings of the game, with Brian Thomas hitting a triple and David Brady driving him in with a line drive single. Oscar Rose bounced back in the third inning, scoring six runs. In the fourth inning Aggie third baseman Donny Miller hit a home run and catcher Buddy Lackey

scored, bringing the Aggies within striking distance at 6 to 3. But Oscar Rose scored five hits from pitcher Danny Coffee, boosting them to an 11 to 3 victory.

The Aggies fared somewhat better during their double header with the Conners Cowboys the week before, winning the first game 4 to 2 in extra innings. Gary Washington was the winning pitcher for the Aggies in the game which was characterized by good offensive and defensive play by the Murray team.

In the second game of the double header, the Aggies jumped to a 4 to 1 lead early in the game. The tide began to turn in the fourth inning when the Cowboys scored four runs to lead the Aggies 4 to 5. The score remained the same throughout the rest of the game.

Despite the Aggie's less-than-spectacular season record, Coach Bill Hickey was pleased with the effort put forth by the team. "Those kids worked as hard as they could all year," said Hickey.

## Energy Crisis Hits Murray

By Linda Jones

In recent years, the American public has become accustomed to more and more talk about "energy crisis," "energy conservation" and the rising cost of utilities and other petroleum products due to the "energy shortage."

In 1973 the oil cartel known as the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) quadrupled world oil prices. Also in 1973, a number of Arab nations stopped or reduced oil shipments to many Western nations in protest against Western support of Israel. The Arab oil embargo sharply reduced U.S. imports of oil from the Arab nations.

In spite of successive appeals to take the energy crisis seriously and conserve fuel and energy, many people have ignored the problem and gone on turning thermostats up in the winter, down in the summer and burning up gasoline needlessly and thoughtlessly on the highways. This attitude has contributed to the crisis.

As fuels become scarce, their price goes up. Many economists believe that rising prices encourage energy producers to broaden their explorations and dig deeper for fuels. Low grade deposits may become profitable to mine and scientists will investigate more alternative sources of energy.

These economists also say that higher fuel prices cause people to use energy more carefully, but oil prices

directly affect every phase of the American economic system, and higher prices contribute to the upward spiral of inflation. MSC is not an exception to this effect.

The energy shortage has affected the pocketbook of every student at Murray. Utility costs at Murray have increased from \$58,180 in 1974-75 to an estimated \$129,000 in 1978-79 a total increase of 222 percent.

In order to meet the rising costs, room and board, tuition and other fees have had to be increased.

Commuters face the additional dilemma of buying gasoline for travel to and from school. In spite of the fuel-saving national speed limit of 55 m.p.h. gasoline consumption has climbed steadily. The average price for a gallon of gasoline in November, 1975 was 58.2 cents. By November, 1978, it had increased to 66 cents.

In December 1978, we were faced with a sixth price boost by OPEC since 1973, a 14.5 percent increase to be imposed in stages at three month intervals during 1979. The price of a gallon of gasoline has already increased to over 70 cents. Many students who would rather commute are being forced to live in the dorms.

The solution to the energy crisis is not in sight, but it is clearly evident that people are going to have to start taking the problem seriously.

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# 'Tomorrow' Show Spells Relief for Insomniacs

By Gail Moore  
It's late at night. You can't sleep. If tossing and turning for an hour doesn't help, I have a suggestion. Turn on your television set. There, at midnight Monday through Thursday, you can find the insomniac's best friend, Tom Snyder, on NBC's Tomorrow Show.

With a format unlike that of any other program on commercial television, the Tomorrow Show provides a refreshing change of pace from the Mikes, Mervs and Johnnys of conventional talk shows. Snyder's guests are interviewed on a one-to-one basis with no live audiences or machine-produced laughter. If an occasional chuckle or comment is heard, it comes from the technicians and stagehands off-camera.

The casual atmosphere of the show seems to put guests at ease, making

their conversation more a natural exchange than a question and answer period.

One of the greatest assets of the Tomorrow Show is the variety of its guests. They come from all walks of life including, of course, the entertainment industry. While you might, on a given evening, see Hustler magazine's Larry Flynt, the next night could bring a Paulist priest discussing religious programming on television.

Whether the subject is art or alcoholism, show business or the stock exchange, politics or parenthood, Snyder's intelligent questioning and witty comments keep the show fast paced and informative.

So the next time sleep eludes you, try tuning in O' Tom. It may not help you sleep, but it will make your wakefulness more enjoyable.



STUDENTS BASK in the sun while watching intramural softball.

## Sanner Snags Three Trophies at Big Fry

Over 100 people feasted on fried fish, hush puppies and all the trimmings at the seventh annual Social Science Club Fish Fry. In addition to a fish feast, the Social Science Club awarded team and individual trophies the winners of the fishing contest sponsored by the Social Science Club. The team trophy for most fish caught went to Jeff Sanner's team composed of Randy Fowble, Stillwater; Jimmy McGruder, McCloud; Billy Teel, Drummond; and Jerry Chambers, Wanette. Jeff Sanner took home two individual trophies for largest catches, one for his 1 lb. 12 oz. sand bass and another for his 9 lb. 8 oz. catfish. Donald McCurtain landed a trophy black bass which tipped the scales as 10 pounds 7½ ounces.

Kent Vernon, age 8, son of Social Science Club sponsor "Hoot" Vernon, brought in the biggest crappie at 1 lb. 8 oz.

## Changing Face of MSC

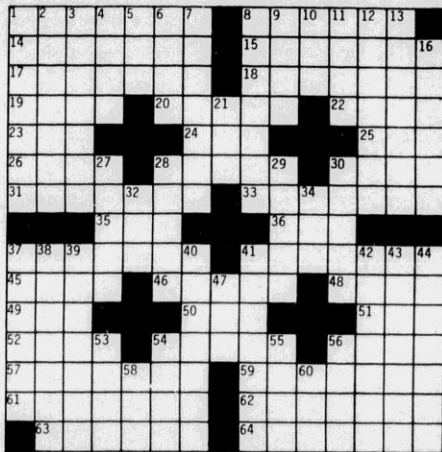
When students return to MSC next semester they may notice the absence of familiar faces. Seven Murray staff members will be leaving at the end of this semester.

Alma Hogan, literature and composition instructor, is taking an early retirement after 12 years at Murray.

Denny Aye, coach of the men's basketball squad this year, has resigned his position and will be taking a coaching position at Panhandle State.

Agriculture instructor Larry Miller and botany-micro-biology instructor Robert Ross were hired on a one-year interim basis. However both have re-applied for their present positions and hopefully will be back next semester.

James Bridgeman resigned his post as metallurgy instructor last semester to take a job in private industry. Also Mark Kelly, bio-learning center coordinator, and counselor Phillip Harjo will be leaving at the end of the semester.



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## collegiate crossword

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| 20 Knockout substance       | 62 Howl                              | 32 Common suffix                  |
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| 48 Designate                | 11 Minerals                          | 58 Past president                 |
| 49 Mr. Gershwin             |                                      | 60 Wine measure                   |

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TENOR BYRON Coats leads the rest of the Entertainers in "Come Go With Me."

## Spring Concert Held

The Murray State College Entertainers held their annual spring concert April 26 before a crowd of several hundred in Fletcher Auditorium.

Highlighted in their last on-campus performance by a spectacular lighting arrangement engineered by director Larry Metcalf, the Entertainers performed more than 20 songs ranging from commercial jingles to popular disco tunes. In addition each member of the group was featured in a solo performance.

Over the past year the Entertainers have performed countless times at area high schools and at many campus functions. The group was recently featured in a television program by PBS.

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## Odd Experiences Arise In Life of Instructors

By Carl Rousey

Teaching at MSC is like Mr. Schammerhorn's chemistry lab; you never know what reaction you may get from a student, or like Mr. Alloway's calculus class; where two and two gives you four more equations to solve.

In physics, any given physical situation gives rise to a predictable set of results. In teaching any set of results will occur in a given situation.

I view teaching as a most challenging and rewarding occupation. The self satisfaction of knowing that you have helped a student learn something new is probably the best reward for a teacher.

The price for this reward, however, is not cheap, as any teacher will tell you. The many hours of hard work and study in graduate school is just the downpayment. The daily installments of work and study are also part of the bargain. To this one must add the interest of "outside the classroom" duties. And let's not forget the miscellaneous costs of frustration, concern, and patience.

Frustration occurs whenever a student makes a -9 on a 10-point quiz. Concern is when a student plugs a delicate piece of apparatus, designed to operate on 12 volts D.C., into a 110 volt A.C. socket. Patience is when you repeat the same statement for the fourth time to half the class, and then realize the other half is asleep.

In addition to these standard frustrations, a teacher must also expect the unexpected from the student. For example, one day in one of my physics classes I asked, "Approximately how far would a person fall in ten seconds?", to which I

There are other rewards to teaching, other than philosophical self-fulfillment. These include, but are not limited to prestige, recognition and even respect. Prestige results from being given the opportunity to serve on a committee. Recognition is exemplified by having your own mail box (name included). Respect occurs when you receive a personal invitation to a faculty meeting.

Other fringe benefits of teaching include short working hours (generally less than 24 hours per day) and monetary compensation. Most faculty members have yearly contracts, rather than hourly wages, (I once tried to figure my own equivalent hourly wage, just for fun, but gave up when my calculator kept dropping the thirteenth digit), but worldly possessions do not a teacher make.

Yes, one may joke and make humor about the life of a teacher, but when all is added up, this teacher would not trade his profession for anything, not even for all the fish which he could carry off on a Wednesday afternoon. He received the response, "he will approximately fall far enough."

On another occasion I asked, "just where does the energy of an atomic bomb go when it explodes?", and obtained the answer, "anywhere it can."

Sometimes, however, the teacher receives responses from students which contain profound philosophical merits. For example, I once asked my physical science class the question, "If the law of gravity between the earth and moon should be repealed, what would the mood do?" Response: "the moon would, of course, acquire legal separation."

### ★ Awards

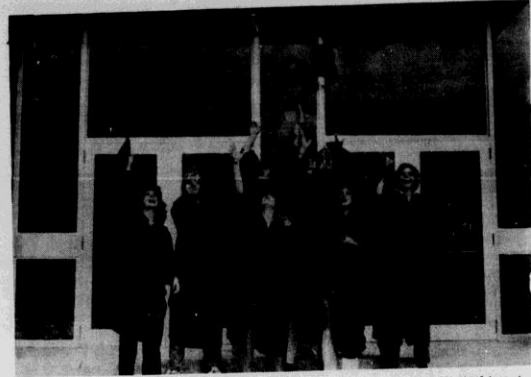
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given to the following: Wanda Jones, All-Conference, All-Region, All-American; and Princess Williams, All-Conference; Bob Wakefield, All-Conference; Ronald Mims and Mel Termini, honorable mention.

Intramural winners recognized were: Grayson, flag football; Faculty and Oreo's, fall basketball; B.M.F., volleyball; Kazumasa Yoshida, table tennis; Randy Fowble, horseshoes; and Lone Grove, spring basketball.

Music awards were presented by Larry Metcalf with John Wackler named as Outstanding Musician of the Year and Carrie Lee as Most Improved Freshman. John Wackler also received a special award in drama.

Other awards presented were to: Jeff Milligan, first place, feature writing in state competition and Aggjelite Writing Award; Darel Stokes, Editorial Merit Award; Karen Miller, accounting; Mary Steel, typing; Brenda Lone, shorthand; Gary Cook, life science; Rickey Shepherd, entomology; Jim Rice, conservation and wildlife management; Gary Utley, physics; Reuben Edgar, chemistry; Tommy Vinson, agriculture economics; Joey Scifres, animal science; Gary Utley, agriculture engineering; Rickey Shepherd, agriculture education; Steve Jolly, farm and ranch management; Charles Black, pre-veterinary medicine.



EVERY MSC sophomore anticipates the moment that he can commit this act.

## Teachers Note Purpose To Final Examinations

As the semester nears its end, students are filled with mixed feelings of anticipation and anxiety—anticipation of the summer months ahead and anxiety over final examinations.

In the past, students have been asked their opinions about final exams and the purpose they serve. This time, several instructors were asked the question "Why do you give finals and what purpose do you think they serve?"

Larry Metcalf: "I think that finals, when treated correctly, serve the purpose of providing me with a synthesis of knowledge attained by the student in the course. It also gives the student an opportunity to review and lodges additional bits and pieces of information in our minds. I think all finals should be comprehensive."

Lewis Parkhill: "I believe in finals. A good final is one which asks students to use the work of the semester rather than just regurgitate it. You can tell when you've had a good final when you come out knowing something you didn't before."

Fred Poe: "I've always thought it was policy. Final exams frequently count more than major tests in my classes. I have real reservations about giving permanent grades based on accumulative averages. I feel that grades should be based on how a student is doing at the end of the term instead of at the first."

Margaret Lovelace: "I don't give comprehensive finals. But I feel that exams give a student an opportunity to organize information and an excuse to review it. Sitting in class and listening to lectures is one thing but knowing you are responsible for the material covered hopefully helps you learn it better."

Jim Schammerhorn: "I give comprehensive final exams and the purpose is to find out whether the student learned anything and if the grade earned in the course is justified by the final."

### ★ Enrollment

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Baseball and basketball clinics are also included in the program. Fees for these classes are from \$8 to \$25 based upon time spent in the class.

For additional information about the program for children, call 371-9445.

### ★ Folklore

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consists of several small buildings that house a folk craft such as basket making, guitar making, pottery and old style photography.

After the folk center, members of the group went to see where Grandpa Jones of Hee Haw lives and works. There they met Ramona Jones and had their picture made with her.

Then, everyone went to see where Jimmy Driftwood lives and they spoke with his wife. After these activities were undertaken, the MSC group returned to the "Old Courthouse Inn." They were very fortunate to stay in this hotel because it is a part of folklore in itself. It was built about 1866 and had two bathrooms for the nine rooms.

When night came, so did the folk music and the Murray folk-hunters were off to listen to the music again.

The next day marked the end of the festival and the weary travelers started homeward. Those who attended were instructor Fred Poe, Darel Stokes, Donna Pope, Mary Steele, Nancy Spencer, Norma Rankin and Rebecca Steele, all of Tishomingo; and Barbara McDonald and Susan McDonald of Mill Creek.

## Hayes, Ross Lead Beaver's Bend Trip

Science lovers, led by Dr. William Hayes and Robert Ross, attended the Oklahoma Academy of Science (OAS) campout held at Beaver's Bend State Park April 27 and 28.

Members of the Science Club and several science classes at Murray attended the campout. There were several tours and lectures planned by the OAS for the campers. The Murray group did such things as collect insects and different species of fauna for various classes. Hayes brought a seine so that he could collect specimens of crayfish at a nearby swamp.

The Murray students who attended were instructor Fred Poe, Linda Fleming, Tishomingo; Cathy Perkins, Tishomingo; Gary Robinson, Tishomingo; Darel Stokes, Tishomingo; Randall Sisson, Bokchito and Lynn Jeffcoat, Isabell.

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## Construction Progresses On Chickasaw Memorial

By LISA RUSHING

"What is this mess?" might have been the question asked by many about the new construction on the south side of Haskell Lucas Hall. This "mess" will soon be the Chickasaw Memorial Garden, which will honor the Chickasaw Nation.

The Chickasaw Memorial Gardens, like the other memorials on our campus, is designed by Forrest Johns, architect. It is being put there for historical purposes, beauty and student use.

The garden is arranged in the formation of the 11 counties that represent the Chickasaw Nation—Grady, McClain, Garvin, Pontotoc, Johnston, Marshall, Love, Carter, Murray, Jefferson and Stephens.

The 51 by 53 foot landscaped area will feature a beautiful fountain and waterfall as a center. Each of the six counties that surround the fountain will contain plants important to the Chickasaw people. Sandstone from Tishomingo, Miss. will face the walls of the entire area.

Bordering the counties will be a concrete wall symbolizing the South Canadian River, located on the north side of the memorial, and the Red River, located on the south portion.

Residents of Pontotoc, Miss. are locating the special plants and sandstone from that area, which is rich in the history and culture of the Chickasaw people.

On the Chickasaw Memorial Gardens at Murray State College, Dr. Clyde R. Kindell said, "To me our (SEE CHICKASAW, PAGE 4)



Dr. Clyde R. Kindell, president of Murray State College, and Overton James, Governor of the Chickasaw Nation, provide first labor during the ground-breaking ceremonies of the Chickasaw Memorial Garden where workers now continue the construction during many hot afternoons.



## Shilling Assumes Duties, Boosts Student Activity

With the addition to the staff of Nancy Shilling in the newly created position of student activities coordinator, the often heard comment "There's nothing to do around here" might soon be obsolete on the Murray State College Campus.

Shilling is organizing and directing a wide variety of intramural sports, supervising individual physical activities in the college gym, swimming pool and armory and acting as one of the Student Senate sponsors.

The new student activities program is being instituted in an effort to take a more positive approach to the student life needs of MSC students.

While intramural sports have always been a part of Murray's extracurricular activities, the creation of a student activities coordinator will allow intramurals a more permanent position in student life and a wider variety of sports activities. For example, for the first time in three years, tennis buffs will have the opportunity to compete in men and women's singles, doubles and mixed doubles.

A portion of the student activity fee that each student is required to pay is being used to help support this program. New sports equipment such as tennis rackets, baseball bats and volleyballs have been purchased and

may be checked out by students at the Student Activity office located in Fletcher Auditorium.

Shilling said that she is very optimistic about the growth potential of the new program and notes that in time intramural sports may have as much or more interest and participation as the varsity athletic program.

She makes her home in Madill and in her spare time operates a horse (SEE ACTIVITIES, PAGE 4)



Nancy Shilling

## President's Welcome



Dr. Clyde Kindell

I greatly appreciate the opportunity to extend greetings to all students through the AggieLite at the beginning of this academic year.

Soon we will be entering the decade of the 80's which, according to predictions, will be most challenging for our society. The challenges are not only to arise from the depletion of fossil fuels, but also from other socio-economic forces which threaten our general life style.

We at Murray State College are striving to provide students opportunities to prepare themselves to cope with the changing times without sacrificing moral, ethical, and other humanitarian principles which have brought us to this time in history. I encourage each of you to pursue your studies seriously, to enter into wholesome pastime activities, and to enter into the new academic year, and the new decade, with the thought of it being the best time of your life.

Clyde R. Kindell, President

## Local Appointees Join MSC Board of Regents

Two Tishomingo residents have been appointed by Gov. George Nigh and confirmed by the Oklahoma Senate as members of the Board of Regents of Murray State College.

Gene Lafitte, 38, was appointed to the seat vacated by Earle Emerson, who resigned recently, and Bob Willard, 41, to the seat vacated by Lonnie Jarman of Tishomingo.

Lafitte is the proprietor of Lafitte's Pharmacy in Tishomingo, which he opened in 1965. He is a member of the Oklahoma Pharmaceutical Association and American Pharmaceutical Association, a life member of the O.U. Alumni Association, active in the O.U. Beef Club Donor Program,

and a past president of the Murray Alumni Association, Tishomingo Quarterback Club and Johnston County Chamber of Commerce.

Willard was born in Emet and was reared in the Tishomingo area until he was about 20 years old. He returned about four years ago after spending the intervening time in Oklahoma City and Dallas, Tex.

A graduate of Tishomingo High School, he attended Murray State College before leaving for Oklahoma City, where he worked as a salesman for Pitney-Bowes for many years. He works out of the Ardmore office of Pitney-Bowes presently.



## Gunsmithing Program Launched This Semester

Fourteen students are now enrolled in the new two-year gunsmithing program under the direction of Charles Bricker.

Bricker says the first semester of the two-year program will introduce all phases of basic gunsmithing. The first course, "elementary gunsmithing theory," will deal with basic theory, design and function of firearms. This will include all types of guns.

The second course, "basic machine and tool operation," will be an introduction to the operation and maintenance of machine shop equipment and tools. Also, welding, soldering, conversion of firearms and accessory installation will be covered in this course. A third course, "bench metal," will cover the basic procedures of handworking, filing, sawing, fitting and making parts. The second semester will build on the first semester's work at a more advanced level.

The second year of the program will concentrate heavily on modern gun repair. It will also cover stock making, gun bluing and handloading.

Bricker is very optimistic about the success of the gunsmithing program. In his past experience with students, he has close to 100 percent retention. He says that student interest is so high that he "can hardly get them to go home!"

There are more job openings than applicants, says Bricker. He gets calls from employers all over the country. Opportunity is greatest for students willing to relocate in some of the larger metropolitan areas. A gunsmith is a versatile job applicant who, besides gunsmithing, is trained to work as a machinist, a welder, and other technical jobs.

Bricker comes to Murray from Trinidad State Junior College, Trinidad, Colo., where he instructed gunsmithing from 1973 to 1979 at the most renowned gunsmithing school in the United States. At Trinidad he developed a three-year gunsmithing certificate program in advanced gun

repair. Murray's two-year program will incorporate all the repair techniques of the three-year program.

Prior to Trinidad, Bricker owned and operated gunsmithing shops throughout the U.S. as well as having managed several large sporting goods stores including the Honolulu Sporting Goods Store in Hawaii.

He received a bachelor of education degree from Colorado State University, Fort Collins, Colo., and is a graduate of the gunsmithing program of the Oregon Technical Institute, Klamath Falls, Ore. He has also attended in-service training at most of the gun factories in the U.S.

A 1975 graduate of Smith and Wesson Armorer's School, he received his first formal training on small arms during World War II, attending the Aviation Ordnanceman School. He then served as an aviation ordnanceman and aerial gunner.

Bricker's hometown is Dinuba, Calif. In his spare time he enjoys hunting, fishing and organic gardening. Bricker, his wife Sally, and two children, Dannette, 17, and Jeff, 15, now reside in Tishomingo.

Students enrolled in the new program are Bruce Baier, Champaign, Ill.; Tom Barth, Cissna Park, Ill.; Clifford Cormier, Topeka, Kans.; Bobby Ray Hudgens, Mill Creek; Scott McMillan, Spiro; Alan Murray, Samuel Ozment, Bobby Dickerson, Tishomingo; Steven Gary Pratt, Ada; Warren Sallach, Sealy, Texas; David Smith, Durant; Kenneth Sullivan, Ardmore; Kenneth Keen, Port Lavaca, Texas; and John Burden, Ringling.

### Hello:

We hope the past four weeks on the campus of Murray State College have made a favorable impression with you. It is our desire to make this one of the most memorable and enthusiastic school years; a time in your life to always cherish. Please remember the Student Senate is here to help with your problems and is anxious to hear any suggestions you may have.

As the various clubs, classes, etc. begin to organize and elect their student representatives the Student Senate will begin to function. In the near future you may for student sponsored dances, movies, games and other fun activities.

With the help of each of you, we can make this the best school year yet.

God be with You,  
Jack Gorczyca  
Student Senate President

### Student Services

#### Library

Monday-Thursday 7:30 a.m.-8:30 p.m.

Friday 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m.  
Sunday 6-9 p.m.

#### Pool

Monday-Saturday 2-7 p.m.

#### Cafeteria

##### Breakfast

Weekdays 7-7:45 a.m.  
Weekends 8-8:30 a.m.

##### Lunch

Weekdays 11:45 a.m.-12:45 p.m.

Weekends Noon-12:30 p.m.

##### Dinner

Weekdays 4:45-5:45 p.m.  
Weekends (Friday included) 5-5:30 p.m.

#### Snack bar

Monday-Friday 7 a.m.-4:30 p.m. and 6-10 p.m.

#### Closed Saturday

Sunday 6-10 p.m.

Grill Monday-Friday 11 a.m.-2 p.m. and 6-9 p.m.

#### Gameroom

Monday-Thursday 12:30-10 p.m.

Friday 12:30-5 p.m.  
Sunday 4:30-10:30 p.m.

## Early Dorm Confusion Brought Under Control

Early turmoil in Haskell Lucas left sophomores and new freshmen wondering if and where they would take up residency while attending Murray State.

With the large number of new freshmen students moving in a week early for orientation, sophomores who reserved rooms at the end of last semester found their rooms taken.

At times, three and four students shared a room. But now after the first couple of weeks, everything begins to fall in place and students take up the role of making it to class.

Mom Black, housemother at H-L, has managed the overflow of students and by the second week most students had been assigned rooms.

Additionally, student proctors have not been hired, but according to sophomores, noise levels have not been higher except for the top floor.

Otherwise, dorm conditions in H-L are reported to be relatively the same as last year. Electrical breakers still trip in the morning under the weight of blow dryers. Bathroom leakage is

still a problem, and cigarette burns from careless smokers dot the hall carpets.

All in all, the H-L family is getting along quite well, living up to the H-L tradition.

## CLUB NEWS

### Phi Theta Kappa

Phi Theta Kappa held its first meeting of this school year in the Annex at 7 p.m. Sept. 6. An aluminum can fund raising project was discussed and officer's meetings are planned to be held at noon each Monday.

Members of the fraternity attended St. Gregory's College at Shawnee Sept. 15 for an annual leadership conference.

### Rodeo

The Rodeo Club met in the Library-Science Building and elected officers for the coming year. They are Adrean Stargess, president; Derrick Michael, vice president; Shelley Michael, secretary; Angie Smith, treasurer; Jack Gorczyca, reporter and Kenneth Click, Student Senate representative. The club's sponsors are David Miller and Buddy Parks.

### Engineering

The Engineering Club held its first meeting of the year to elect officers and discuss fund raising. The new officers are Mike Cameron, president; Don Lee, vice president; Jesse Casey, secretary-treasurer; Keith Panero, reporter; Jeff Chambless, Student Senate representative; and Pat Hoffman, Student Senate representative alternate.

### Gun

The Gun Club has met and elected officers for this school year.

The officers are Gary Pratt, president; Allen Murray, vice president and Venetia Baier, secretary-treasurer. A reporter has not been elected as of yet.

Sponsoring the Gun Club are Charles Bricker and his co-sponsor Bill Malone.

The club discussed plans for the coming year, including finding a shooting range and required membership in the National Rifle Association.

### Aggie

The Aggie Club, sponsored by Mike Grider and Jerry R. Barbee, met and elected officers for the 1979-80 school term.

The new officers are John Bourquin, president; Sam Barrick, vice president; Cieta Townley, secretary-treasurer and Phillip Shepherd, reporter.

The newly elected Student Senate representative is Pat Underwood and the alternate is Lori Muncrief.

The Aggie Club meets every first and third Tuesday at 12:30 p.m. in LS 113.

### Social Science

The Murray State College Social Science Club held its first meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 11 and elected officers for the 1979-80 school year.

New officers are Jeff Hughes, president; Randy Hendrix, vice president; Sherri Sampson, secretary-treasurer; and Dana Raper, Student Senate representative.

Sondra Harrison, Margaret Patton, Gary Webb and Phil Sheppard were appointed to the executive council by Arthur Vernon, club sponsor.

Immediate projects of the Social Science Club are organization of the Nov. 11 Veteran's Day Program, raffle of a shotgun as a fund raiser and a barbecue.

### Journalism

The Journalism Club elected officers at 10 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 6. Those elected were Kevin Norrell, president; Rhidonah Ladner, vice president and reporter; Tony Morrow, secretary and treasurer; and Margaret Patton, Student Senate representative. Lewis Parkhill is the club's sponsor.

## Inflation on the Rise, So Are Student Costs

Going to college costs more this year than last year. The room and board cost for the average student during the 1978-79 school term at Murray State College was \$522 per semester. This \$522 consisted of \$1.10 per meal and \$1.36 daily for room costs.

The room and board cost for this year is \$690, with each meal costing \$1.96 and the daily room fee being \$1.79. The single room is \$790 compared to \$602 one year ago. Tuition is \$161.25 for a student carrying 15 hours. This has remained unchanged from last year.

Mike Chambless, business manager, explained that the room and board increases were necessary because in a time of general inflation the total revenue was low.

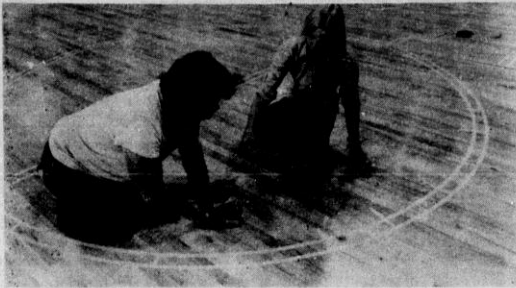
"Over the last three years our occupancy has decreased in small percentages each year from 1976 until

last year," Chambless explained. "That brings in less revenue. And you know it's inflation time—food costs are up, utilities are up. So, we have decreasing revenue and increasing costs. That's another big reason for the room and board rates going up. The present rates are built around just breaking even."

He also stated that the college barely broke even financially last year and that he is doing his best to keep all costs as low as possible.

The students can help to defer costs by being conscientious about turning off lights, not wasting electricity and caring for college property.

Students who registered with Special Services should see Mary Steele in the Special Services office. The eligibility list is in.



FLOOR REFINISHING specialists prepare floor of A. W. Beames Fieldhouse for final painting.

## New Activities at Gym: Sand, Sweep and Brush

A floor refinishing of A. W. Beames Gymnasium is expected to make a "100 percent improvement in the gym's appearance," said Ron Murphree, athletic director.

The project, started in late August, is expected to be completed by mid-September. The floor has been sanded eight times to remove the old finish and rough spots.

After completion, the floor will be painted blue from the walls to the white boundary lines. The lanes, the bottom half of the free throw circles, and the large center circle also will be blue. The top half of the free throw circles and the small tip-off circle will be red.

The Murray State basketball players are practicing in the Tishomingo High School gym until the floor is finished.

Besides the work on the court, turf has been laid in both the men's and women's dressing rooms, and Coach Murphree's office has been carpeted and paneled. Also a table for the time and scorekeepers has been built in the stands to replace the old table on the floor.

All these changes were expected to have been finished by Sept. 12, but the shipment of sealer was delayed. The work is being done by Paul Eadis from the A-1 Floor Finishing Company in Caddo.

## Improved Pitching Keys Fall Baseball Success

Fall baseball wins no trophies. No championships are on the line. But a hectic schedule which has already had the Aggies in six games will let Coach Bill Hickey see a lot of players in a lot of game situations.

Bright spots so far are three wins, two over East Central University and one over tough Seminole. Oscar Rose, which pummeled the Aggies regularly last season squeaked by with a 4-3 victory.

"Pitching is much improved this year," said Hickey. In one game, MSC pitchers threw 70 pitches and 44 were strikes. Other impressive pitching stats include 70 strikes out of 92 pitches.

"We're throwing strikes and not getting behind the hitters," said

Hickey.

Hickey cited Joe Mallott, Big Cabin, Okla. and Gary Bradshaw, Tulsa for their pitching performances against Seminole.

"Our pitching will dominate some people this year," said Hickey with confidence.

Hitting is coming around too. Greg Foreman, Edmond bounced one off the fence in the seventh inning to beat ECU. Greg Neasbeth, Denison, Tex. has hit two home runs and made a great catch to save a home run.

Looking for a turnaround from last year's pattern of near-wins and late inning losses, the Aggies are getting it together.



COACH BILL HICKEY watches with satisfaction as his vastly improved Aggies take two from ECU.

## 50-Mile Bicycle Trip Planned by Fraternity

Murray State College's Fraternity will sponsor a 50-mile bike ride to Fort Washita Saturday, Sept. 22.

For a \$1.50 registration fee, participants will receive a map of the route, "rules of the road," transportation of lunch and "sag wagon" services, says Rex Morrell, Fraternity spokesman. All proceeds will go to the Fraternity Scholarship Fund for outstanding freshmen.

Those under 18 must be accompanied by their parents or have written permission from their parents.

Bikers will assemble in front of Beames Fieldhouse at 8 a.m. Saturday. Following the group will be someone skilled in bicycle repair.

## Tish — Boomtown, USA? More Than You Think

By JULIE McDONALD

Although we may not "have it all" as the saying goes, Tishomingo, small as it is, does have some areas of amusement and entertainment for you to enjoy.

For most of the freshmen new to this area, who are probably at a loss for what to do, here is a quick rundown.

Located about a mile north of town on highway 99 lies the Tishomingo Golf Course. Students are welcome. There is a green fee.

If you're not so much into sports as you are nature, visit the Tishomingo National Wildlife Refuge and walk its Nature Trail. The Nature Trail is about a mile long, taking you through shady woods and pointing out various spots, a very pleasant view of nature at its peaceful best.

After all that you can take the plunge in the Pennington Creek Dam, probably the most popular swimming hole in this area and unquestionably the prettiest. (Note: Let's help keep it that way. Bottles and trash go in the trash can.) The Swinging Bridge is another item of interest on Pennington Creek, our bridge being the only suspension bridge of its type still operating in the state.

Another place to swim, although the water runs a tiny bit colder, is Blue River. It is also a great fishing and camping spot. There's not another place so close for a picnic, swim, bike or horse ride, or just to relax and get away from it all. If you'd really rather not go that far for a swim, though, the college pool is open from 2 to 7 p.m.

We also have a bit of history. The Chickasaw Museum is located on the Courthouse lawn where it is built around the first Chickasaw Nation Council House, a square log cabin first built in 1856.

New to Tishomingo is the little theatre production company. If you

like to act or be involved in any way with putting on a stage production, this is for you, as there are other areas of little theater such as stage craft, directing and even selling tickets. Should you like to be a member, dues are \$5 yearly, but membership is not required for you to be involved in the organization.

Interested? Then contact Beverly Jones, president, who is an attorney with Little, Little, Little and Windell. The office is located just next to the Handi-Shop.

Without doubt the most popular pastime is dragging main. In case you're not familiar with the usual procedures, let's pretend we are here at MSC. We've just driven slowly through the parking lot road and circled the tree by the apartments and we're heading on back again. Driving towards town we'll make a left at the stoplights and cruise on down to the Dairy Queen and circle that. Then we have a choice of turning back left or pulling around at the Handi-Shop and then heading back.

Whichever we choose we'll end up back by the Sonic, where we face more decisions. Back down "the strip," to the college, or out past the IGA store and circle the Pizza Hut? Whatever we decide to do you will ultimately drag Main Street and around a minimum of 50 times, I'm sure.

But if all that bores you still, there is the Gill Theatre—formerly known as the King Theatre. Not the lushest of theatres, granted, but it is one of the few where \$1.50 is all you have to pay. The show usually begins at 7:45 p.m.

So now you know more about what to do here, and if you look around I am sure that there are even more things. If you are still bored, have you thought of jogging or starting your own exercise class? Plant talking is becoming real popular (have you tried getting them to talk back?).

## Active Intramuralists Pass, Serve and Stroke

Under the new direction of Nancy Shilling, the intramural program got underway Sept. 5, beginning with flag football. Men's and women's tennis and swimming are also underway.

Tennis, offered for the first time in years, has drawn 25 entries in men's and women's singles, doubles and mixed doubles. Swimming competition is also underway, with no results available at press time.

New this year are basketball and volleyball activities available in the armory from 6 to 9 p.m. Monday through Saturday. New tennis rackets, footballs and basketballs have been purchased and may be checked out by students who present their student I.D. to the Student Activities Office.

Coming intramural events are men's and women's softball, table tennis, men's and women's volleyball, archery, horseshoes, basketball, free throw contest, one-on-one and a pool tournament. All students who wish to participate in intramurals should contact Nancy Shilling in the Student Activity Office, located in the lobby of the auditorium, from 2:30 to 9:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and 2 to 7 p.m. Saturday.

There are seven teams entered in flag football competition, which will run through most of September.

"We are always getting ready to live but never living."  
Ralph Waldo Emerson



## New AggieLite Staffers: Taking It to the Press

The AggieLite presses are rolling again for the 51st year. A complete rookie staff under the direction of Lewis Parkhill will churn out the bi-monthly paper. In order for the MSC students to get acquainted with the reporters, each is introduced below.

**Kevin Norrell**  
After writing freelance for the newspaper last year, Kevin Norrell will devote his time to the editorship of this year's AggieLite.

Norrell came to Murray State from Davis High School, where he served as his senior class president and reporter for the Student Council. Kevin received an ACT scholarship both semesters of his freshman year and is currently on the AggieLite editor's scholarship.

"The editor's job will definitely be a challenge," says Norrell. "However, the AggieLite staff is loaded with good writers this year. The students can look forward to reading an excellent newspaper."

**Gail Moore**  
After being a contributing reporter to the AggieLite during the spring 1979 semester, Gail Moore is looking forward to working full-time as a member of this year's AggieLite staff. Gail is a freshman history major, but likes to write and hopes the experience gained from working on the AggieLite will improve her writing skills.

Gail has been a student in schools in California, New Mexico, Texas and Oklahoma, but after spending six years in the Tishomingo school system feels as though Tishomingo is her hometown.

Gail is not the first of her family to attend Murray State College. Sister Kathy Perkins is a Murray Alumni and was a 1978-79 editor of the college yearbook, The Tribesman. Both her years as a student in Tishomingo and Cathy's influence played a part in her decision to enroll at Murray State College.

When not busy as a student secretary to instructors Lewis Parkhill and Don Ryan, she spends much of her free time reading. She loves long books and counts James Michener as one of her favorite authors. In addition to her love of books, Gail enjoys macrame and the company of her four cats.

Gail Moore proudly proclaims to the world via her T-shirt that she is a "Lefty." Gail notes that being left-handed presents some special problems, such as desks and spiral notebooks that are geared to the right-handed student but said, "I like to be different."

After graduating from Murray, Gail plans to transfer to East Central State University in Ada. Her ultimate career goal is to teach history at the college level. Who knows, Gail might someday be a member of the faculty right here at good old MSC.

**Clifton Long**  
Clifton Long is a graduate from Stratford High School, where he participated in FFA and Livestock Judging. Clifton's major field of study at Murray is agriculture. He is a member of the livestock judging team.

When asked why he joined the AggieLite staff, Clifton said, "I enjoyed reading the paper last year as a freshman. I think the paper is an important part of student life here at Murray and I hope to be able to help produce as good a paper as the staff did last year."

**Randy Hendrix**  
Remember that cute little blond cheerleader last year? Well, Randy Hendrix is back this year working hard on the AggieLite. Randy came to Murray State from Stratford High School where he quarterbacked his football team and was a member of the Oklahoma Honor Society.

Randy was an ardent participant in MSC activities last year. Besides leading cheers at the Aggie ball games, he represented the Engineering Technology Club in the Student Senate, served as government tutor and helped capture several awards as a livestock judging team member.

Randy really enjoys meeting new people. He cites interviewing as his reason for joining journalism. "I'm looking forward to a very interesting year in journalism because there are so many new faces on campus," says Randy.

**Rhidonah Ladner**  
Rhidonah Ladner is a sophomore business administration major from Turner.

A member of the Murray Aggieletes basketball team, Rhidonah is also Phi Theta Kappa corresponding secretary and enjoys reading, sewing and dorm life.

After leaving Murray, Rhidonah plans to attend Oklahoma State University to continue preparation for a career as an accountant.

Of her reasons for joining the AggieLite staff, Rhidonah says, "I have always thought I'd like to be a reporter." She says she looks forward to seeing her name in print.

**JoAnn Robertson**  
Swimming, skiing and boating are the favorite activities of new AggieLite staff member JoAnn Robertson. JoAnn, whose major is journalism, attended high school at McAlester High School in McAlester. She is now a sophomore at Murray after taking her freshman courses at the Higher Education Center in Ardmore.

JoAnn commutes from west of Marietta. JoAnn's husband, Larry, works as a machinist at Uniroyal.

JoAnn plans to continue her education at Southeastern University in Durant following her sophomore year at MSC. She then hopes to become a free-lance journalist.

About Murray, JoAnn says, "So far I've found it is better equipped and offers more major courses than most general colleges." JoAnn also has a high opinion of her instructors here.

**Joann Galbreath**  
Joann Galbreath is a 17-year-old freshman journalism major from Roff.

At Roff High School, she edited the society section of the school paper, "The Tiger's Growl," and also edited the yearbook. In her spare time Joann enjoys reading, biking and home-making. The latter, she added, "is probably due to the fact that keeping house is a relatively new experience, as I have only been married a short time and the novelty has not worn off yet." Joann and her husband will reside in the married student housing on campus.

Joann plans to take advantage of some of the student activities offered by the various clubs and organizations on campus, although she has not yet settled on anything specific.

After completing two years at MSC, Joann will transfer to East Central State University to continue her education. Joann likes MSC because the classrooms are not overcrowded and all the facilities on campus are easily accessible.



KEVIN NORRELL takes care of some last minute headaches before putting his first AggieLite to bed.

**Margaret Patton**  
After earning her sophomore standing through part-time study, English major Margaret Patton is now a full-time student at Murray.

A native of Stephenville, Texas, Margaret lives in Tishomingo with her husband, John, MSC's business and accounting teacher, and daughters Cathy, 15, and Laura, 1. Margaret believes that working on a newspaper will provide her with valuable experience toward her career goal—teaching English, speech and drama at the high school level. Besides, she jokes, "I want to be another Billie Newman, as on Lou Grant."

Active in community affairs, Margaret serves on the board of directors of the Way-Off Broadway Players, Tishomingo's little theater group, and as treasurer of the local Holisso Club.

**Lisa Rushing**  
Lisa Rushing, sophomore majoring in journalism, says that she is looking forward to working on the AggieLite staff. She says, "I feel that my being a member of the AggieLite staff will bring me in closer contact with the college and its activities."

Lisa was a very active freshman on campus last year. Some of her activities and achievements included cheerleading and participating in the drama, "Come Blow Your Horn," and the musical production, "The Roar of the Greasepaint, The Smell of the Crowd." She was also selected by her fellow students to reign as the '78-79 homecoming queen. She also served as a member of the Student Senate.

Lisa is a graduate of Madill High.

**Tony Morrow**  
He can play five instruments—just for starters—which is good because, Tony says, "I hate to be bored." Tony is an 18-year-old freshman from Lone

### ★ Activities

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ranch specializing in the breaking and training of barrel horses. An active participant in the sport of rodeo, Shilling was named Oklahoma State High School Breakaway Roping Champion. While attending Southeastern Oklahoma State University in Durant on a full rodeo scholarship, she was a member of the runner-up National Women's Champion Rodeo Team and the Central Plains Regional Runner-up Breakaway Roping Champion.

A 1979 graduate of SOSU, Shilling holds a bachelor's degree in health and physical education. She was on the dean's honor roll and a member of Who's Who Among American College Students.

So if you think "There's nothing to do around here," chances are you haven't heard about the new student activities coordinator and the multitude of intramural sports activities that are being planned just for you.

Grove who has come to MSC to study pre-anesthesiology. His minor is journalism.

Last year he was the co-editor of his high school newspaper and the idea of being a free-lance writer sounds okay to Tony. Tony plans on either continuing his education at OSU or at St. Anthony's after graduating from Murray.

Tony's interests include swimming, playing tennis, waterskiing, dancing, listening to all kinds of music, reading and dating. He's been a member of Who's Who for two years, Who's Who in American High School Band Students, received the Marine's Award for American Bandmen and was nominated for the McDonald's All-American Band. Tony considers himself outgoing and likes to meet people—and if there's one thing he does most it's looking forward to Fridays.

**Julie McDonald**  
Julie McDonald is a girl interested in outdoor sports, reading, listening to all types of music and talking with people. She is the adventurous type, having traveled to Mexico as an exchange student her senior year.

Julie came to Murray State College because "It's a good place to get my basics and save money at the same time."

Julie is a freshman from Tishomingo, coming here in 1970 from Visalia, Calif. where she was born.

Julie likes to relax to the music of Neil Young and looks forward to Saturdays because she can sleep late and not have to worry about work.

### ★ Chickasaw

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campus environment is an essential element in our total education process. I'm pleased the memorial is going to be located here. Not only is it going to provide beauty, but be of historical significance in honor of the great Native American tribe of people.

"Reflecting upon the heritage of the Chickasaw people who were forcibly removed from their original homeland to establish a new nation in this area, I think it is essential that the memorial be established in the capital city of the Chickasaw Nation."

The following inscription, written by Ted Key, a Chickasaw and the designer of the memorial, will appear in the garden:

"A Tribute to the Beloved Warriors"  
Time has closed the eye of memory  
Leaving more than distance separated

Winds of change have left a bitter legacy

Paths of your fathers can guide the future

Unveiling more than tradition elevated  
Heirs through hope to a special people's liability



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## Frosh-Soph Voices Blend In Entertainers Sound

Under the direction of Larry Metcalf, the Murray State College Entertainers will present their musical talents all over Oklahoma.

The group sings several types of music, from jazz, pop and classical to

gospel. They perform for schools and civic organizations.

Some Entertainers perform for "enjoyment." Others cite "experience." "Honor" and "privilege" are also two words often used by group members.

They will perform in the ballroom at noon Thursday (Oct. 4) for their first concert of the year. They will also have a performance Oct. 30 in the auditorium. During the school year they will be featured entertainment for various occasions throughout the surrounding area.

There are four returning Entertainers. Byron Coates of Newcastle sings tenor and plays bass guitar. Music is Byron's major. Russell Hagan of Sherman, Texas sings tenor while keeping the beat on the drums. Russell's major is music. Carrie Lee, a soprano vocalist from Lone Grove, is a pre-med major.

Kay Kindell is also a soprano vocalist. Kay's major is elementary education. Mary Howard, a business management major from Oklahoma City, is one of the two pianists singing alto.

Joining the group this year are one sophomore and three freshmen.

The other pianist, a Tishomingo sophomore, is Beth Heffington, who also sings alto. She hopes someday to

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IN THE MIDDLE of rehearsals, the 79-80 Entertainers take time out to smile.

## Nurses Gain Experience, Visit Mental Hospital

By JO ANN ROBERTSON

A trip to Terrell State Mental Hospital at Terrell, Texas highlighted the activities of 23 sophomore students nurses earlier this month.

The students spent a week at the hospital, living in a dorm on the hospital grounds. They were due at the hospital at 7:30 each morning.

The primary objective of the trip was to study psychiatric therapy and to recognize therapies used in mental hospitals. The experience was also valuable in learning to implement theory in evaluating psychiatric therapy and developing skills in functioning as a member of a psychiatric team.

Each student was assigned to a specific ward and was to make contact with one specific patient. They then followed their patient through the entire week. They attended all the activities in which he or she was involved. These included a dance, which is held weekly. They also ate lunch with their patients. They will use the experience gained through the contact with one patient to write their psychiatric term paper.

Nursing student Sidney Patterson said the term paper will consist of a final analysis based on a one-to-one contact with the patient throughout the week.

She said the term paper was quite a challenge, as each student nurse was required to talk to many patients and select the one to do an analysis on.

Patterson said they were then on their own, as they were not given any clue as to what type of mental illness their patient had.

She described the prospect of a one-to-one contact with a mental patient as frightening at first, but added, "you actually get attached to them." Some of the students said they would never go again, although Sidney said she would like to.

Sophomore nursing instructors were Leah Neaves and Freda Pearce. Neaves said the initial response of the students to dealing with mental patients was extreme anxiety, but that the students' discomfort was a natural reaction since working with the mentally ill was an entirely new experience.

She said the anxiety only lasted a day or so, and then students were very excited about their mission.

## Christie's 'Mousetrap' In Production at MSC

Mark DeWeese, Lisa Rushing, Micah Taylor, Kevin Norrell, Terri Miller, Jim Wheatley, Diana Crow and Jesse Casey will share the limelight in the Murray State College Drama Department's forthcoming production of Agatha Christie's record-smashing mystery play, "The Mousetrap."

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SHARING a last minute cram session before jousting with an Alloway calculus exam are John Tyler, Billy Nievar, Homa Toobian, Samandar Darvarnankhast and Jeff Hughes.

## Sound of the Shofar Heard Today on Yom Kippur

By JULIE McDONALD

Today millions of people are celebrating the most solemn of Jewish festivals, Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement. Yom Kippur is to the Jewish faith what Christmas or Easter is to those of the Christian faith.

Yom Kippur is celebrated on the last day of the 10-day celebration of what is known as the "Days of Awe" or the "Days of Judgment." The Days of Awe began on Tishri 1 (Sept. 22), the Jewish New Year (Rosh Hashanah), and ends today, Tishri 10, with Yom Kippur, the holiest day of the Jewish year.

The basic Jewish practices on Yom Kippur include abstaining from food,

drink and sex. Work on this day and wearing of leather shoes are also forbidden. Bathing is only allowed if it is to cleanse. Bathing for the luxury of it is forbidden. A few exceptions to these rules are that girls under 12 and boys under 13 are not allowed to fast, and those with foot problems or recently recovering from childbirth are allowed to wear shoes. Yom Kippur is also marked by the confessions of sins, accompanied by prayer of supplication for forgiveness; friends mutually request and accept forgiveness for offenses, since God's forgiveness is signified by obtaining the forgiveness of one's fellow man. However, if one is reluctant and refuses to

forgive, then he is considered too unworthy to be called a child of Israel.

There are, of course, deviations from this basic traditional procedure. Like the Protestant churches, the Jewish are divided into more than one sect. There are the Orthodox, Conservative and Reform congregations of the Jewish religion. The Orthodox take the scriptures of the Torah literally, and most follow the traditions of Yom Kippur very closely, even to the wearing of white robes and skull caps on this day.

The Conservatives are in between, while those of the Reform congregation take the scriptures not literally, but symbolically. For example, three-

piece suits take the place of the robes and caps and leather shoes may be worn. Nevertheless, one ritual, the sounding of the Shofar (the ram's horn) at the closing of the Yom Kippur services, is carried out by the Orthodox, Conservative and Reform alike.

For the Jews, Yom Kippur is the day of atonement for their sins, falling on the last day of the Days of Judgment where sins and shortcomings are reviewed and recognized. And whether the temple day observances follow strictly Old Testament guides or whether they are modernized, Yom Kippur is still celebrated with deep earnestness and solemnity.

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## McCormick Stresses Common Violations

"Ignorance of the law is no excuse." Even though most students realize this, they still get into trouble.

David McCormick, director of student personnel, handles the disciplinary problems occurring on the MSC campus. McCormick stated that the most common violations of rules are involved with vehicle and traffic violations, possession of alcohol or drugs and visiting in the dorms.

The loading zones on campus are marked "No Parking" with red paint. Parking too close to or in the streets is prohibited to prevent sideswiping. While parking on campus is a problem, there is another parking area available at the Catholic Church right off the north side of the campus.

Fifteen mph is the speed limit, and streets are radar patrolled in the evenings.

Alcohol and drugs are prohibited on any Murray State property for students and everyone else. This includes leaving beer or other items in the parked vehicles. The security guards are qualified policemen with over 120 hours of police school training and may issue tickets or make

arrests on campus.

Visiting in the dorms of the opposite sex is allowed between 1 and 10 p.m. each weekday and until midnight on weekends. Visitors must stay in the lobbies. Students' parents may visit in the rooms if checked in with the dorm mothers.

The theft of books is another potential problem. In order to thwart a thief's attempt to steal books, McCormick suggests that students not leave their books anywhere—but especially, not in the snack bar or game room. Writing a name on a page in a textbook is helpful in recovering stolen books. The bookstore does have a way of checking on which books any student buys from there.

Overall conduct on campus has been very good so far this year. McCormick commended the student body for their conscientiousness in abiding by the rules.

"Our students have more pride in their school this year than ever before," said McCormick. "To me this is evident by fewer violations of rules and regulations at this point."

## Student Poll



Mark DeWeese - "I think the 'F' is a good system because of the fact that the N/C didn't count on your average. So, this will make the student try harder."



Denise Evans - "I think being able to have an 'F' with your grades is good because that way people will be conscious of an 'F' being on their transcript and will think more about it... adding more responsibility."



Carolyn Nye - "I prefer the N/C to the 'F' because the N/C does not transfer on your transcript."



Byron Coates - "It might affect the sophomores because the sophomores are already adjusted to the system here last year. With the new system a person might have difficulty in a course and could result in missing up his grade point or scholarship."

## Grayson - The Weekly Wednesday Migration

By LISA RUSHING

"Grayson County Electric Company," a hot spot for college students located on the outskirts of urban Denison, Texas, is a well known disco for some Murray students. It is a place where students go who like dancing to disco music, companionship and a relaxing atmosphere.

The action really doesn't begin until around 9 p.m. That's when the disc jockey switches on the lights of the dance floor and puts on one of the hottest disco records on the market, such as Donna Summer's "Bad Girls." Everyone hits the floor and boogies down with their favorite dancing partner.

After about an hour of getting down to disco music, the mood is changed to good ole knee-slapping country music. Those who go for this music ease across the dance floor doing such dances as the schottische, two-step or the swing dance. The most enjoyable part of the country music portion is the Cotton-eye-Joe, a dance everyone can participate in who knows the right dance steps. After a half-hour of country the evening comes to a peak with soft, slow and very sad music, such as "Sad Eyes" and "Bluer Than Blue." After a few tear jerkers, the disco beat picks up again and so does the "shaking" start again.

One wall is set aside for the bar, which serves everything from Coke on ice to tequila sunrises. There is also a small game room for those who enjoy playing pool, pinball and foosball. The sitting area consists of round tables with bar stools.

It seems that Grayson's most popular night is Wednesday night. That's when students from Grayson County

College, Southeastern and Murray flock there. Since Grayson is a private club, it is open to members only. Requirement for membership is proof that a person is 18 years of age or older, such as a drivers picture drivers license or birth certificate.

No, Grayson, isn't for everyone. But those who do attend the "Wednesday Night Services" don't seem to mind the long drive down and the aching feet the next day.

Fred Poe, English and speech teacher, says, "I don't care if my students go to Wednesday night services at Grayson as long as they make my Thursday morning speech class."

## Dorm Meetings Draw Residents' Attention

Residents of Haskell Lucas and McKee halls attended recent meetings on dorm regulations and student services.

David McCormick, director of student personnel; Dr. Clyde Kindell, president; and Nancy Shilling, student activities coordinator, addressed the students.

Dr. Kindell emphasized the fact that this year's students have been the most courteous, well-mannered students to attend MSC in a number of years.

Shilling informed students of intramural opportunities for the coming year.

McCormick stressed the need for students' help in holding down utility costs by conserving water and electricity and avoiding damages in the dorms.

## CLUB NEWS

### Phi Theta Kappa

The annual Leadership Conference for Phi Theta Kappans was held at St. Gregory's College in Shawnee Sept. 15.

Nine members from Murray State, along with delegates from five other Oklahoma chapters, attended the one-day conference that was filled with meetings, assemblies and a tour. The assemblies were concerned with planning and forming committees for the Oklahoma State Convention to be held next spring.

Pam Lee, a former Murray State student, spoke during one of the assemblies.

After lunch, the group toured the Gerreur-Mabee Museum on St. Gregory's campus. Later, smaller groups were formed to discuss problems within their chapters and offer suggestions and ideas to help each other.

At the final assembly a skit was performed by members from Carl Albert. After the guest speaker, state Sen. John F. Clifton, spoke everyone went home looking forward to the coming year.

The Alpha Epsilon members from Murray who attended were Denise Evans, Mahlon Meadows, Rhidonah Ladner, Rickey Throneberry, Carrie Lee, Jesse Casey, Debbie Norton, Susan Sexton and Yoichiro Uchi-sheva. Fred Poe and Dr. Marian Wirth sponsored the trip.

### Native American

The Native American Club held an organizational meeting to elect officers for the 1979-80 school year and to discuss plans for selling raffle

tickets as a fund raiser.

New officers are Marilyn Thomas, president; Sandra Holland, vice president; Onita Carnes, treasurer; Teresa Blaine, secretary and reporter; Debbie Thomas, Student Senate representative; and Keith Hook, Student Senate representative alternate.

In addition to officers, Keith Hook was appointed male sports director and Annetta Winton female sports director. Berna Mayes is in charge of raffle tickets.

Sponsors are Roger Young and Floyd West.

Native American Club boasts a membership of over 40.

### Nursing

The Oklahoma Nursing Student Association of Murray State College held its first meeting and elected officers for the 1979-80 term.

They are as follows: Mike Clayborn, president, Ardmore; Pam Gilbert, vice president, Pauls Valley; Sharon Cook, vice president, Coleman; Mary Reynolds, secretary, Tishomingo; Toni Carrell, corresponding secretary, Dickson; Sidney Patterson, treasurer, Tishomingo; Ellen Incho, Student Senate representative, Atoka; and Kim Davis, alternate, Pauls Valley.

The 56 member organization is composed of sophomores and freshmen. Pre-nursing students are invited and encouraged to attend meetings which will be held the first Monday of each month in Ad Room 109.

Sponsors for the group are instructors, Leah Neaves and Carol Johnson.



## Twenty Two-Wheelers Invade Fort Washita

Twenty devoted bicyclists gathered in the gray light of dawn (8 a.m.) Sept. 22 at Murray's Beames Fieldhouse. This hardy bunch came prepared with water bottles, sack lunches and sunscreen to begin a 50-mile trek to Ft. Washita and back.

Along the route rest and refreshment were provided by sag wagon drivers Margaret Lovelace and Fran Morrell and sag wagon hostesses Verena Schammerhorn and Maria Morrell. The midpoint was lunch at Ft. Washita, with time to explore the remnants of that 19th Century fortress.

By 3 p.m. all had made it back to Murray tired, sore and more than a little proud of themselves. Included in the group were four MSC students, Sam Berrick, Jody Davidson, Jerry Lawley and Carol VanWart; a '79

graduate, Marcia Vallee; and four faculty members, Rex Morrell, Lewis Parkhill, Margaret Lovelace and Don Ryan.

Also participating were the Pherigo family from Ada, John Pope of Tishomingo and several under-12's, John Batt, Bret Parkhill, Peter Morrell and Becky Morrell.

"It was a challenge and fun," Jody Davidson said, "I would definitely do it again."

The trip, with its \$1.50 registration fee, was planned by the Fraternity to raise money for its Scholarship Fund for Outstanding Freshmen. About \$23 was collected, with another \$20 expected from the sale of T-shirts commemorating the event.

If sufficient interest is shown, the bike trip to Wapanucka will take place in mid-October.



JERRY LAWLEY keeps a steady pace on his ten speed as he's making his round trip to Ft. Washita.

## Good Pitching Adds Three More Victories

Murray baseball players got revenge with a 3-2 win over East Central Sept. 15 at Ada after losing the first game of the double-header 11-2. Pitching from Larry West, Dwayne Ward, Joe Malott and Rick Sutton sparked the team to victory.

The Aggies added two more wins when they traveled to Paris Junior College for a double-header. David Brady got three RBI's in the first 3-2 win and a homerun in the easier won game of 8-4.

Coach Hickey said they got good pitching from Greg Sullivant and Larry West in the first game and Gary Bradshaw and Dwayne Ward in the second.

The team lost three games at home Sept. 23 to Southeastern. Coach Hickey wasn't too disappointed over the games since his mostly freshman team was playing juniors and seniors. He felt playing really well against that caliber of team was almost as good as a win.



REX MORRELL briefs his troops (L-R: John Pope, Jody Davidson, Sam Berrick) before putting their ten gears toward Ft. Washita.

## Intramurals

### Tennis

Tennis competition continues in singles, doubles and mixed doubles.

Results in men's singles: Schammerhorn def. Hughes; Chambless def. Wheatley; Burrell def. Grider; Tarver def. Hitchcock; Taylor def. Young; Chambless def. Schammerhorn; Grider def. Hitchcock; Tarver def. Burrell.

Results in men's doubles: Weaver and Smith def. Hughes and Schammerhorn; Tarver and Burrell def. Diskell and Byrd;

Grider and Hitchcock def. Chambless and Young.

Results in women's singles: Schammerhorn def. Kub; Lovelace def. Swindell; Trammell def. Burchett; Edge def. Driver; Evans def. McCord; Swindell def. Burchett; Evans def. Edge.

Results in women's doubles: Evans and Edge def. Trammell and McCord.

Results in mixed doubles: Grider and Morrell def. Hitchcock and Shilling; Chambless and Lovelace def. Schammerhorn and Schammerhorn.



WINNERS in intramural swimming: women's 50 yard freestyle, Beth Trammell of Byng; women's 100 yard freestyle, Peggy McMillen of Velma Alma; men's 50 and 100 yard freestyle, Aaron Milligan of Tishomingo.



RUNS DRAW a crowd all aimed for the elusive flag in recent intramural football action.



THIS YEAR'S cheerleaders strike the old pyramid pose in full form. They are R-L Bottom: Margaret Graham, Debbie Dice, Donna Knowles, Marilyn Thomas, Diana Knowles. Middle: Rose Marie Scallion, Cynthia Roberts. Top: Mickey Reed.

### Football

Four teams will qualify for flag football championship play-offs. At press time, the standings were:

Grayson	5-1
Roundballers	5-1
BBA	4-2
South Forty	3-3
Muscle Spasms	3-3
O.U. Rejects	2-4
Redheads	0-6

## Eight Cheerleaders Selected This Year

Pom poms, thrills and cheers will fill Beames gym this year under the direction of eight spirited cheerleaders.

The selection of the eight was made last week in open competition judged by John Loftin, Ron Murphree, Carol Dixon, Robert Young and Sally Bricker.

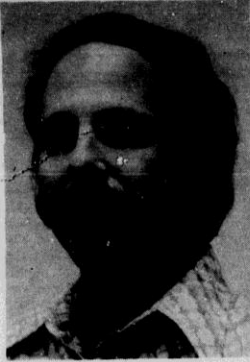
The cheerleaders are Donna Knowles, Wynnewood; Cynthia Harris, Valliant; Margaret Graham, Hugo; Rose Marie Scallion, Hobart; Debbie Dice, Madill; Marilyn Thomas, Allen; Diana Knowles, Oklahoma City and Mickey Reed, Atoka.

"This year we have eight super cheerleaders—and all with experience, talent and taste," head cheerleader Donna Knowles said, "We think spirit at Murray this year will be well above average."

Sally Bricker is cheerleader sponsor.

"It usually takes more than three weeks to prepare a good impromptu speech."  
Mark Twain

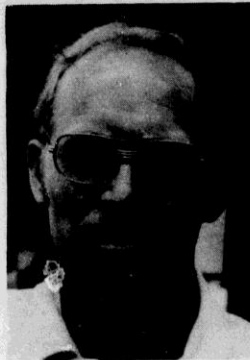




Steve Huston



David Lamb



James Kennedy



Larry Gabbert

## Faculty-Staff Changes Herald '79-80 Year

With the '79-'80 school year already begun, several new faces appear assisting the students. To help familiarize the student body with the new people, the Agglie will feature a few of them in each of the coming issues.

### David Lamb

David Lamb will serve as a new English composition instructor this fall, replacing Alma Hogan, who retired last year. He will also co-sponsor the International Club with Don Ryan.

Formerly the vice-president of his family's cultured marble business, Lamb said he's a "wanderer" and wanted a change of pace. He likes poetry and collects books, being particularly fond of Russian literature.

Lamb is 27 years old. He's been married seven years, and his wife is expecting a "little Lamb." Lamb is a native of Lansing, Mich., where he attended the Lansing Community College. He earned his bachelor of arts in English at Michigan State and received his master of arts in teaching English in the Community College at Central Michigan University.

### Steve Huston

Steve Huston, last name pronounced like Houston, will be teaching botany, biology and microbiology. He is especially interested in field botany, that is finding out what grows where and why. Hunting and fishing are two of his other interests.

Pictures of his children, along with some of their art work, are stuck to his office wall. He and his wife, Judy, have two children. Brenna, their daughter, is 8, and Jon, their son, is 4.

Southern Illinois University is where Huston attended school and received his master's degree. He previously taught at a community college in western New York state.

### Larry Gabbert

The goal of our new co-ordinator of counseling, Larry Gabbert, is "to have the most efficient counseling service to the institution." He was drawn to counseling because he was so impressed with people who were counselors and that impressiveness has led him to Murray State College.

His credentials are impressive, with a bachelor of arts in psychology from Western New England College, a master of arts in counseling and testing from Springfield College, both in Mass., and a doctorate in counseling from the State University of New York in Albany.

When Gabbert isn't behind his desk in the Counseling Center (he describes himself as a "workaholic"), he may be seen with his family or enjoying the outdoors.

### James Kennedy

The new librarian at Murray is James Kennedy. Kennedy comes here from San Diego, Calif., where he gained experience in the San Diego City School System and at San Diego State University.

After only a few weeks on the job, Kennedy has rearranged bookshelves for easier location of books and begun restructuring the card catalog. He plans to upgrade the library's collection of materials, and says, "We hope to serve the students better, to be more available and work with the faculty."

Kennedy received his bachelor's degree from San Diego State University and his master's degree in library science from North Texas State University.

Kennedy and his wife, Geneva, now live in Tishomingo with their sons, Scott and Doug.

## Murray Hosts Seminar On Career Education

Administrators and counselors from area schools attended a career education workshop here last week.

This meeting was the first of three to be held within the next month. The goal is to cover all of the 62 schools in the 10-county Murray service area.

Discussed were career education needs for career goals, two-year programs, and employment opportunities of the next few years in agriculture, business, health and service oriented occupations. BIA financial aid procedures were also discussed, along with general financial aid.

Small group meetings were held to discuss career opportunities in the MSC academic areas.

The need for a career education seminar was expressed at a Board of Regents meeting last June by the school superintendents of the 10 county seats which MSC serves.

Speakers at the seminar were Dr. Weldon Perrin, superintendent of the Ardmore schools; Larry Gabbert, co-ordinator of counseling; Joe R. Reid, director of occupational education; Sally Bricker, acting director of special services; Roger Young, BIA counselor; and Floyd West, financial aids co-ordinator.

Other speakers for the small group sessions were Bill Malone, Patty Wilhite, Doris Townsend, Jerry Barbee, Byron Range, Bill Hayes and Lewis Parkhill.

## OSU Swine Field Day Attracts Ag Majors

By CLIFTON LONG

Returning recently from a swine management field trip hosted by the OSU Swine Department in Stillwater were Larry Willis, Stratford; Bob Baker, Lindsay; Sam Barrick and Kory Reimer, Madill; and Jerald McCurtain, Ada. The trip was sponsored by Jerry Barbee, chairman of the Murray Agriculture Division.

The field day started with a visit to the OSU Specific Pathogen Free (SPF) swine herd. To have a SPF herd a breeder must obtain swine from an established SPF herd, or swine used must have been delivered under controlled conditions by Caesarean section.

SPF swine herds are protected from six major diseases such as Lepto and Atropic Rhinitis, which are major causes of loss to swine breeders.

If all swine were SPF herds these common swine diseases could be controlled.

Next the students participated in tours and lectures held at the OSU Boar Stud Station. The students were able to observe semen collection and were shown demonstrations on artificial insemination. Advantages of these were explained.

Their final visit was to the OSU Boar Testing Station. The purpose of this station is to provide performance information to swine breeders of Oklahoma.

Swine breeders are allowed to enter up to three pigs from their herd,

which will then be cared for by the testing station. At the close of each test, breeders are provided with such information as number of days required for pigs to reach 230 pounds, average backfat, feed efficiency and overall performance ratings. Breeders whose test swine have high performance ratings can expect higher sales and profits from their herds.

## Free Food and Drink Make a Good Party

Three hundred MSC students attended a fish fry and keg party hosted by Eddie Brown, owner of the Handi-Shop.

Students consumed several hundred pounds of deep-fried catfish, gallons of pork and beans, sacks of fried potatoes and more than three kegs of beverages.

Held in an open barn at "Boot Hill," the fish fry also offered a lot of socializing, dancing and just plain old fun. Brown promises to hold another such event in the spring.

## ★ Entertainers

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teach elementary education.

Gary Webb, a Kingston music major, sings tenor as a vocalist. Brian Long from Healdton is the baritone voice of the Entertainers, as well as the guitar and tenor saxophone player. Brian's major is pre-optometry.

Brenda Hairrel of Tishomingo sings soprano and is majoring in music. Gail Michael of Ardmore sings soprano and is a pre-dentistry major.

The Entertainers present 50 to 60 performances each year. All of them say that it is an enlightening experience to perform for people.



Rayon owes its life to the French naturalist Reaumur, who, in 1734, observed, "Silk is only liquid gum. Could not we ourselves make silks with gums and resins?"

## ★ Mousetrap

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Now going into their third week of rehearsals, all members of the cast have been sworn to secrecy as to who-dun-it in this thrilling, suspenseful tale. With so many suspects—and everyone giving guilty glances, gasps or starts—the play defies discovery of the killer's identity before Miss Christie wants you to know.

Fred Poe, MSC language arts instructor and Drama Club sponsor, will direct "The Mousetrap," his 35th production since becoming a speech and drama teacher.

Performances are scheduled for 8 p.m. Oct. 24 and 25 in Fletcher Auditorium. Admission will be free at the door.

"The Mousetrap" is currently playing in London, England for its 27th consecutive year!

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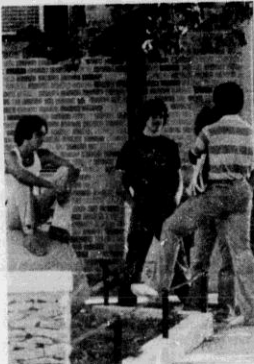
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## 'Mousetrap' Promises Suspense 'til the End

If you think you have been hearing blood-curdling screams in the vicinity of Murray State College Fletcher Auditorium recently and you wondered if someone was being murdered, well, you were exactly right.

Someone was indeed murdered—in the MSC Drama Department's rehearsal of the famous Agatha Christie mystery chiller, "The Mousetrap."

From the time of the first blood-curdling scream, obviously the last sound the poor soul will ever utter, straight through to the final curtain, you will be trapped in your seat by



STUDENTS RELISH last remnants of summer weather while gathering in front of Haskell Lucas.

## Larger Loads Explain Enrollment Figures

Although students are carrying more hours, head count is down slightly from last year's figures. One reason could be the cost of transportation, said Harold Slack, director of admissions.

Last year's head count, each person counted one time, was 1,432. This fall the number dropped to 1,344. Making up this total are 725 freshmen, 359 sophomores and 260 special students, those just taking occasional courses.

However, there is an increase in the full-time equivalency enrollment (F.T.E.). F.T.E. is figured by taking the total of credit hours compiled by every student and dividing it by 15 credit hours, which is considered one full load. This year the F.T.E. figure is 883, compared to last year's 861.

Dormitory occupancy and daytime enrollment is up, according to the F.T.E. count, students are carrying more hours. So how the drop in head count?

The drop is possibly in the night classes, said Slack, and the cost of transportation lately could easily be another factor, especially for commuters who may feel that the high cost of living just isn't worth that one or two night classes a week over their favorite hobby.

"The Mousetrap," the longest running play in the history of the London stage.

"The Mousetrap," according to MSC language arts instructor Fred Poe, who is directing the play, is one of the most gripping and spellbinding plays, as well as one of the most genuinely mystifying, in the present-day theatre. He states that, although Miss Christie plays scrupulously fair with the audience in setting forth her clues for everyone to see and observe, it will take the most ingenious kind of mind to beat her to the conclusion and come up with the identity of the killer before the play's smashing climax.

The cast is an unusually well-balanced one, with each of the parts being almost equally important. Featured in the play are Lisa Rushing, Madill; Micah Taylor, Okemah; Kevin Norrell, Davis; Terri Miller, Kingston; Mahlon Meadows, Tishomingo; Nancy Dollar, Achille; Dianna Crow, Allen; Jesse Casey, Rattan; and Mark Deweese, Kingston.

"The Mousetrap" will be presented in Fletcher Auditorium at 8 p.m. Oct. 24 and 25. Admission will be free at the door.

## Morrell's Classes Try Family History Essay

Murray State College students of History 1483 to 1493 have a unique opportunity to broaden their knowledge of their personal family history and contrast it to the more general history of the society in which they lived by writing their family history as a class project.

Rex Morrell, MSC social sciences instructor, stated that he began the family history essay project as an alternative to term papers about five years ago. He finds that students put an enormous amount of time and effort into this method of earning extra credit, probably because it is so interesting to them personally.

Each student is expected to interview family members of two or three generations, determine family size, activities, and socio-economic data for a period stretching back at least 40



GILES (MICAH TAYLOR) and Paravicini (Jesse Casey) play tug of war with Mollie (Lisa Rushing) during rehearsal of Agatha Christie's "The Mousetrap."

## Credit Can Be Earned By Taking CLEP Test

Many MSC students may not be aware of the fact that they can earn credits toward their degrees by taking a test given by the College Level Examination Program. This test, known as CLEP, is being utilized here at Murray, said Dr. Larry Gabbert, coordinator of counseling.

Students can earn credit for a college course by passing an hour and one-half exam. These tests cover many of the first year courses required by colleges, such as English composition, humanities, natural sciences, mathematics and social sciences. Some students have earned as many as 20 or 30 college credits by taking CLEP test and have shortened the time they needed to acquire their degrees considerably.

Based on the concept that some students have already learned course related material, CLEP gives them the opportunity to demonstrate this knowledge. National studies show that over 250,000 students per year are taking CLEP tests; many with great success. But CLEP is NOT a credit giveaway. These tests are comprehensive, and a student must know the subject thoroughly to pass.

CLEP is not for everyone. Studies show that students with good academic backgrounds have a better chance of gaining CLEP credits. Composite ACT scores of over 21, and high school averages of at least "B" are the minimum credentials a student should have before attempting CLEP. Anyone can take the exam, but these students are usually better prepared.

CLEP may save a student time but not necessarily money. The fees are as follows: \$20 base fee for each exam taken, plus \$5 per credit hour attempted. This means that if a person attempted to test out of a three hour course, he would have to pay a \$35 non-refundable fee.

Because Murray State is authorized as a limited testing center by FTS, only Murray students and prospective students are allowed to take CLEP test here. The College also places other restrictions on CLEP credits. Check in the current college catalog for the policy on credits by advanced standing.

Other information about CLEP testing is available through Gabbert in the Counseling Center. A booklet entitled "CLEP Tests Descriptions" will be available soon in the bookstore for \$1. This booklet describes each CLEP test and provides sample questions.

CLEP tests are administered throughout the year. Check with Gabbert for further information.

## Prizes, Publication Await Artists, Writers

Writers, artists and photographers are invited to submit their work to an art and literature contest sponsored by the Humanities Division, said Larry Milligan, chairman of the division.

Plaques will be awarded for first and second places in the following categories: poetry, short story, photography and art (print and drawings). Additionally, winning entries may be published in a magazine to be printed in the spring semester, said Milligan.

A series of "sandwich seminars" is planned to help students interested in submitting manuscripts or art work.

The first session, on poetry, will be held at 12:15 p.m. Wednesday in Ad 315. David Lamb and Lewis Parkhill, language arts instructor, will discuss ideas for poetry, and poetic technique. Other seminars on the short story, photography and art will be scheduled.

For further information, contact Larry Milligan or Lewis Parkhill.



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## Lokey Wins Contest, Gets Work Published

Margaret Lokey, MSC instructor in piano and voice, was recently notified by Lorenz Music Publishing Co. of Dayton, Ohio, that an anthem she had written was being reprinted by request in the September issue of "The Volunteer Choir," a monthly sacred music publication.

Lokey won the national 75th anniversary competition with the anthem, "Walk With Us, Lord." She wrote both the words and the music. In addition to the winning anthem, Lorenz has also published several choral responses and an anthem en-

titled "Supplication" written by Mrs. Lokey.

Sacred art songs and choral works are her favorite medium of music composition. She generally writes her own words and selects from the Bible or the public domain. Recitals of her art songs have been performed in Oklahoma City, Norman, McAlester, Ardmore and Tishomingo.

Mrs. Lokey is presently writing music for a Christmas program to be presented in December at Oklahoma City. She is a graduate in theory-composition from Oklahoma University.

## A Thought in Passing

By JO ANN ROBERTSON

While hurrying across campus today, quite oblivious to anything except meeting my schedule, a leaf caught my eye. It came into my line of vision from out of nowhere. My pace slowed as I watched the leaf being let down ever so gently by a warm breeze that seemed not to know which way to blow.

As the leaf slowly made its way to the ground I noticed it was surrounded by other leaves. Even as I looked up there were more leaves falling from the trees.

The sunlight shimmered with the

essence of fall as it filtered through the tree's branches and was transformed into rays that sparkled like diamonds as they made patterns on the ground.

As I became aware of the changing season I was caught up in a kind of magic that seemed to encompass all things. The atmosphere was charged with a feeling of suspended animation.

Things past, giving way to things to come. The present as elusive as yesterday. A moment from another time remembered wistfully, giving way to hope and expectation for the future, merging into now....

## Student Poll

If you were drafted would you go? Why, or why not?



Joel Longhorn—"No, because the next war will be decided by 'buttons'."

Darrell Hefley—"Yes, I would go. But only if I could join the Air Force."

Mahlon Meadows—"No, because I think that killing someone because their political values differ from those of my own is a very immoral judgement."



Dana Fricke—"No, because I don't believe I should fight in a war that somebody else started."



Lawrence Adams—"Yes, I'd go and I'd fight for the elderly and the young."

Jay Driskill—"Yes, because I've enjoyed the freedom, and if I must pay for others to enjoy freedom then I'd go."

## Married Student Housing Yes and No....

By JOAN GALBREATH

Everyone seems to know about the life of the average college student who is single and lives in a dormitory, but many do not know about the life of the average college student who is married and lives in the married student housing. Well, I'm one of those married college students and you're about to find out what it's like.

I live in one of those roach-ridden, fly-infested, drafty places known as one of the married student apartments. (In case you're not familiar with these, they're the peeling, rundown white things across from McKee Hall.) I, and all the others who reside there, can't complain too much; after all, they're cheap, conveniently close to campus and all our bills are paid with the exception of telephone and cable-vision.

If you have the determination (and stamina) you are allowed to paint your own apartment and fix it up just the way you want to. My husband and I repainted all six rooms of our apartment during the summer, as well as installing light fixtures, curtain rods and a new front door after we moved in. Since we've moved in we've managed to furnish it well enough that it looks habitable.

I have a few advantages, as well as disadvantages, compared to other students here at MSC. I don't have to eat in the cafeteria; instead I have the option of tolerating my own cooking (I work wonders with TV dinners). Also, I don't have to share my bathroom with all the other dormitory inhabitants, or worry about sneaking my boyfriend into my dorm room.

On the other hand, I'm not able to keep my apartment as clean as I should because homework always comes first, and my job with Dr. Wirth comes second; I don't know very many of my fellow students because of this also. Sometimes I have a hard time doing my physical science homework, balancing our checkbook and mopping the floor all at the same time, but maybe someday I'll manage to get the hang of it.

There are times I regret that I am not able to go to the dances and field trips that most of you single students attend, but when I stop and think about it, I don't think I'd enjoy them half as much as I would enjoy just spending a quiet evening (that is, when our next door neighbors stop yelling and screaming) with my husband in our drafty, roach-ridden, fly-infested and cluttered, yet cozy, apartment that we call home.

## Editorial

By KEVIN NORRELL

How many times have you seen an automobile accident caused by someone who just couldn't drive? One day last week I had three close shaves with such drivers.

One happened as I approached an intersection. An elderly woman was turning the corner and misjudged the angle, almost nosing into my car. Another occurred on Highway 7. A man in his pick-up was travelling about 35 m.p.h. Somebody took a dangerous chance trying to pass him and miss me at the same time. The third time I was downtown on the inside lane when a woman turned left from the right lane without turning her head to look and almost hit me.

I thought, "Why should these people be allowed on the road?" And really, why should they? If a person is physically unable to drive safely, he shouldn't be driving. The situation is the same as a 14-year-old behind the wheel. An accident resulting may be purely unintentional, but an accident is an accident if wrought by someone 14 or 84. They still can't drive physically due to the lack of experience on the part of the 14-year-old and due to the forgotten experience of the 84-year-old—and bad vision, and a setled body and possibly a senile mind.

My grandfather never took a driving test to get his license. He paid his 50 cents back in 1916 and was a qualified driver. I really worry for him every time he sets out on the road.

There was an old man in a very small rural town. He received his drivers license when he was young. Through the course of his years he became completely blind.

With a store located close by his property he had the feel of the road memorized and would occasionally venture there. All the people in this town knew that when he turned to get on the road to the store that he would honk his horn and they would know to stop.

All except some visiting kin who collided with the old farmer. The man still had his drivers license though he was completely blind. A highway patrolman gave him a ticket for "failing to yield the right-of-way."

Many of these cases happen, creating a bad problem which must be eradicated. Perhaps, a driving skills test similar to the one taken at age 16 would help to strain out the potential accident makers and help ensure the safety of road travel. The test could be taken every 10 years of driving until age 66, then every two years. Right now a small fee paid every two years keeps a person on the road.

To some this may seem a bit unfeeling. But driving is not a right. It is a privilege. The privilege of driving must be maintained only by those who are able.

Two elderly couples that I've known have been killed in accidents that were entirely their own fault. Neither of the men driving could see very well and both pulled out in front of big trucks. Funerals are very depressing.

## CLUB NEWS

Aggie Club

On Oct. 2 the Aggie Club held a hamburger cookout at Blue River. Its members and their guests devoured more than 100 hamburgers and hot dogs that were cooked over an open fire.

After everyone had eaten they enjoyed the recreation, which included anything from throwing softballs and footballs to throwing girls into the river.

The club is open to anyone who would like to become a member. The membership dues are \$2 per semester and the meetings are held every first and third Tuesday of each month at 12:30 p.m. in Room 113 of the Library Science Building.

Afro-American

The Afro American Club held its first meeting Sept. 13 and elected officers for the '79-80 year.

They are president, Diana Knowles, Oklahoma City; vice president, Cynthia Harris, Valliant; secretary, Donna Knowles, Wynnewood; treasurer, Delky Godwin, Graham; Student Senate representative, Sandra Harrison, Lawton; sergeant at arms, Juanita Wilson, Ada; and reporter, Danette Rambo, Marietta.

The sponsors this year are Carole Dixon and Mike Chambliss.





RANDY HENDRIX launches an aerial attack as he leads Grayson to another victory.

## Intramurals

**Men's softball**  
Intramural softball games are well on their way in both men's and women's divisions.

In the men's division the results are: Grayson def. No Names, 27-16; BBA def. Murray Alkies, 31-2; South Forty def. Native American Club, 14-12; Men's Faculty def. Murray Alkies, 8-7; No Names def. South Forty, 11-10; BBA def. Men's Faculty, 7-6.

**Women's softball**  
Results: Bad Girls def. The Playmates, 14-13; No Names def. native American Club, 24-8; MSC Dolls def Women's Faculty, 22-4.

The finals in both divisions will be held Wednesday.

**Horseshoes**  
Horseshoe throwing has begun. Results in the men's singles are: John Johnston def. Barry Byrd; Mike Grider def. Dennis Jackson; Elbert Benson def. Jim Jackson; Robert Taylor def. Chris Welcher; Jim Schammerhorn def. Mark Hamilton.

**Pool**  
Pool tournament entries are now being accepted and will close Thursday. There will be both a men's and women's bracket this year. Matches will start Oct. 23.

**Football**  
In intramural football Grayson defeated South Forty 13-6 to meet BBA in the finals. BBA had beaten Roundballers 7-6 in an overtime game in the semifinals.

The final game resulted in Grayson beating BBA 25-13 for the championship.

**Volleyball**  
Entries for volleyball will close Wednesday and games will start Oct. 22 in the men's division and Oct. 23 in the women's division.

## Baseballers Win Two, Lose Three in Fall Play

By RHIDONAH LADNER

Murray baseballers drew Paris Junior College in the opening round of the Southeastern Fall Classic Tournament and lost the game after having beaten Paris twice earlier this year.

"Their pitcher threw well. He kept the ball down and didn't give us anything to hit. Our pitcher, Gary Bradshaw, did an excellent job. He gave up only four hits, but we weren't able to push any runs across the plate," coach Bill Hickey said. The final score was 2-0.

The team's second game was against Seminole.

"It looked like everything was going our way," Hickey said. "We loaded the bases in the first inning but weren't able to score. In the second inning Seminole loaded the bases and hit a grand slam. After that everything seemed to snowball. We made six errors and didn't play any defense."

The final score was 12-2. This was Dwayne Ward's first time to pitch a full game. Hickey said that he threw pretty good stuff. One highlight of the game was David Brady's two run homer in the fourth inning.

Hickey still felt that his team is just as good a ball club as Seminole.

In the third game Murray defeated Eastern, which, according to Hickey, is one of the five best ball clubs in the state. The Aggies got their batting going and played defense well. Joe Malott gave up three hits and shut Eastern out 5-0.

The next day Murray had bad luck with Southeastern University then got

a couple of runs back to back.

"The game stayed 2-0 until the fourth inning," Hickey said. "Then our pitcher, Wes Wilson, simply ran out of gas. Wilson did a real good job in the first three innings and should really do a good job once we get him in shape."

Jim Weaver and Brian Allen threw as relief pitchers. Allen did a good job, but Weaver had control problems.

Bacone was the team to beat that day and Murray did it 9-1. Greg Sulivent got the win. Graig Foreman also hit a homerun in the game.

Murray got outstanding play from Craig Foreman, David Brady and Troy Oglesby as the Southeastern tournament. All three have been hitting well. Brady has been doing an excellent job behind the plate.

"We won two games but I felt like we were playing the best clubs in Oklahoma. And some teams didn't win a game," said Hickey.

## Gym Opens

Work on the A.W. Beames Fieldhouse has been completed, and Murray's Aggies and Aggieettes are practicing on their own floor after holding practices at Tishomingo's high school and middle school gymnasiums for the past five weeks.

An open house will be held at 3 p.m. Oct. 28 to show off the newly re-finished floors and redecorated offices and dressing rooms at the fieldhouse. This will also be press day for newspapers and other news media to talk to the coaches and players.



CHAMPION INTRAMURAL football team Grayson. Kneeling L-R: Jeff Hughes, Stratford; John Johnston, Springer; Randy Hendrix, Stratford; John Tyler, Stratford; Randy Deaville, Newcastle. Standing L-R: Mike Davenport, Davis; Joel Longhorn, Earlsboro; Bobby Garner, Stratford; Sam Berrick, Turner; Mark Savage, Stratford.



OUT! MURRAY baseballer defends second base as opponent bites the dust.

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## More Faculty, Staff Members Introduced

In a continuing series, the AggieLite presents profiles of the new faces in teaching and administration.

### Sally Bricker

"Helping students to realize their full potential through personal contact is one of the most rewarding aspects of counseling," Sally Bricker, whose enthusiasm makes it quite obvious that she enjoys her new job as interim director of special services, said.

In addition to her enthusiasm for her career as a counselor, Bricker's concern for people asserts itself in her many and varied interests. While a resident of Trinidad, Colo., she was a member of the American Association of University Women, served on the board of directors of the Alcoholic Treatment Center and was chairman of the local Easter Seals campaign.

Her hobbies include organic gardening, quilt making and embroidery. She loves to collect and try out new recipes on her family, who she says are most cooperative about sampling unusual dishes.

Prior to coming to Murray State College she held a position in guidance and counseling at Trinidad State Junior College in Trinidad, Colo. for six years. While at Trinidad Junior College, she was active in the recruitment program and was cheerleader sponsor for two years.

Bricker holds a bachelor's degree in elementary education and a master's degree in guidance and counseling from Colorado State University at Fort Collins, Colo. She is married to Charles Bricker, MSC gunsmithing instructor.

She has been named as 1979-80 MSC cheerleader sponsor and is looking forward to working with the new cheerleaders.

### David Miller

The new agronomy instructor, David Miller, hopes to build the agronomy and horticulture programs by giving students chances to work on teams such as crop identification and by planning special field trips for students of agronomy.

Miller came to Murray from Dodge City Community College in Dodge City, Kans. This will be Miller's ninth year as an instructor of agriculture.

Miller attended New Mexico State at Las Cruces, N.M., where he received his bachelor's degree in agriculture education. He received his master's degree in plant science from Texas Tech in Lubbock, Texas.

Miller is married and has two children, 7-year-old boy and a 4-year-old girl. He enjoys the outdoors and says the area surrounding Murray offers big advantages for pursuing his hobbies of hunting and fishing.



Freda Pierce



David Miller



Ron Murphree



Sally Bricker

### Ron Murphree

Ron Murphree is the new men's basketball coach, coming to Murray from Plainview where he coached a very successful high school team. He has been coaching for 12 years at other schools, such as Altus and Western State Junior College. Coach Murphree was a member of the basketball teams at Eastern Junior College and East Central University.

Coach Murphree feels he has had an outstanding recruiting season although almost all his players are inexperienced.

"It's nothing a lot of hard work and determination can't overcome," he said.

He does have a few players returning to the squad, Steve Anderson, Graham; Brad Crow, Kingston; Lawrence Guest, Hugo; Kent Hunter, Fox; and George Ross, Poteau.

"I think Murray is an outstanding college and I am going to try to get our basketball program back to where it used to be," Murphree said. "Recruiting ability plays a major role in college, and you're only as good as the people you recruit."

### Freda Pearce

Freda Pearce of Durant, a registered nurse, has filled the position of Murray State College nursing instructor for sophomore students.

She comes to Murray from Southeastern Oklahoma State University where she served as school nurse in the Health Sciences and Counseling Center.

Mrs. Pearce received an associate of applied science degree from Modesto Junior College, Modesto, Calif. and a bachelor of arts in psychology from Southeastern Oklahoma State University, and had done graduate work at SOSU.

She has 10 years of experience as a working nurse in coronary units and emergency rooms at Bartlesville Memorial Hospital, where she was house supervisor.

"I see this position as very interesting and challenging. Murray State College has a very progressive program, offering the potential graduate an exciting service field. There are so many opportunities in nursing, it's a wide open field," Mrs. Pearce states.

## Livestock Judging Team Plans Successful Year

This year's Murray State livestock judging team, again coached by Jerry Barbee, head of the Agriculture Division, has already begun weekly workouts.

Last year the judging team competed out-of-state in Ft. Worth, Lubbock, San Angelo, Houston and Louisiana, in addition to a number of Oklahoma contests.

Last year's successful team brought back a lot of "hardware winnings" by placing in the top 10 at each event entered.

The returning judges for both semesters will be Randy Hendrix,

John Tyler and Clifton Long from Stratford and Pecos Bridenstine from Perkins.

The new judges will be Jeff Brown and Tammy Lore of Perkins; Kent McLemore of Ninnekah; Dusty Ricks of Alex; Kevin Fore of Ringling; David Wisdom of Asher; Wes Stover of Plano, Texas; Larry West of Krum, Texas and Pam McGlocklin of Tishomingo. All are experienced judges, having placed near the top in state and national FFA and 4-H judging contests.

Returning judges from last year who are still eligible for first semester competition are Dusty Smallwood of Rattan; Kenneth Click of Purcell; Bobby Parks of Tishomingo and Jack Goryczya of Konawa.

Jerry Barbee says that the returning judges will add experience, and he expects good team performance.

Plans for competition include trips to Louisville, Ky.; Houston, Texas; Denver, Colo. and maybe even San Francisco, Calif.

## Off Broadway Players Set Auditions Tonight

The Way-Off Broadway Players, a holding auditions for parts in its production of "Bell, Book, and Candle" at 7:30 p.m. today in the Tishomingo Middle School Auditorium located at the corner of 11th and Maytubby.

Anyone interested in participating in any area of community theatre, whether it be acting, costume and make-up, sets and props, sound and lighting or administrative duties, is invited to attend.

"Bell, Book and Candle," a John Van Druten comedy, will be presented Dec. 1 in Fletcher Auditorium.

## Book Fair a Success

Many MSC students took advantage of the Book Fair sponsored Oct. 1 and 2 by the Murray Fraternity.

The total raised at this year's fair was \$102.89, which is double that of last year.

Spokesman Rex Morrell said the Fraternity's reasons for holding the fair are twofold: to provide a cultural

event for the students and to raise money for the Scholarship Fund for Outstanding Freshmen.

So far this year \$230 has been raised for the fund.

Contributions of books for the next fair, to be held in the spring, will be accepted any time. Most desired subjects are fiction, science fiction and westerns.



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PHI THETA Kappa members Carrie Lee, Debbie Norton, Susan Sexton and Tammy Sisson discuss legislative mechanics with Rep. Jack Kelly and House Speaker Dan Draper.

## Costume Dance Heads Halloween Activities

This year the Student Senate has assumed the duties of sponsoring the Halloween Carnival to be held on the MSC campus Wednesday.

Festivities will begin at 5 p.m. with various clubs setting up their booths around campus. The Afro-American Club will have marriage and divorce; Aggie Club, eight ball; cheerleaders, fortune telling; PTK, royal flush; Nursing Club, haunted house; Engineering Technology Club, balloon throw; Phi Theta Lambda, pie throwing; Social Science Club, bottle pick-up; OSVAT, dunking machine; and the Outing Club, log pillow fight.

The clubs have also chosen their Halloween Queen candidates. Representing the Afro-American Club is Ikimi Hickman, Duncan freshman; Outing Club, Lisa Lackey, Ratliff City freshman; OSVAT, Jeanette Eldridge, Tishomingo sophomore; Phi Theta Kappa, Carrie Lee, Lone Grove sophomore; Rodeo Club, Angie Smith, Sapulpa freshman; Native American Club, Marilyn Thomas, Allen freshman; Aggie Club, Mary Moore, Madill sophomore; and Nursing Club, Jan Lambert, Healdton freshman.

Queen voting boxes set around campus are the means of deciding the Queen. Students will put pennies in their favorite candidates box. The pennies will be tallied at 5 p.m. Oct. 29. The Halloween Queen will be crowned at 8:30 p.m. Halloween. Crown bearers will be Randy Grider

and Bobby Page, chosen from the Day Care Center.

Immediately following the coronation the Ballroom will be set up for a disco dance lasting until midnight.

The dance will be a costume dance. Students do not have to be in costume to attend, but costumes will be judged at 9:30 p.m. and the winners will receive prizes, probably T-shirts from the bookstore.

In addition to these campus Halloween activities, the Student Senate has selected a committee to go to the Day Care Center at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, dressed in costume, to give candy to the children and provide entertainment.



KEEPING A neat bulletin board is just another small task Mom Black does for her "grandchildren."

## Mom Black's Image Grandmotherly

By MARGARET PATTON

During a recent reunion with an old friend that Dottie Black hadn't seen in many years, the friend, after carrying on and on about her numerous grandchildren, was shocked into speechlessness when Mrs. Black proudly proclaimed that she had 2 granddaughters and 184 grandsons.

Although her number of "grandsons" fluctuates from year to year, as housemother of Murray State College Haskell Lucas Hall she does indeed see herself as grandmother to all the young men that live under her care and guidance. Looking years younger than her 75, Mrs. Black said, "Although my young men refer to me

as 'Mom Black,' I'm really a little too old to be their mother, but just right to be their grandmother."

She enjoys her job tremendously, all but the weekly task of room check. Her pet peeve is unmade beds and she wishes her residents would "just spread them up, if they don't have time for proper bed making."

Mom Black does lots of special little things for her young men throughout the year. At Halloween there will be a bowl of apples or candy on the table beside her apartment door and at Easter the bowl will contain candy eggs. She always has 2 trees at Christmas time, one in the main lobby and one in the basement, with a party

## Attentive Crowd Hears House Speaker Draper

Well over 100 students, faculty and local citizens met with Dan Draper, speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives in the Paul J. Park Student Center, Oct. 22.

His visit was arranged by Jack Kelly, state representative for this district, and hosted by Dr. Clyde Kin-dell and Murray State College.

After an opening statement on the effect of a proposed tax cut on roads and education, Draper responded to audience questions.

Questions ranged from state funding for county bridges to the continued existence of Murray State College to the impact of the proposed tax cut on education.

Agreeing that Oklahoma has a serious problem with local bridges, Draper said he favors a bill to make direct funds available for bridge construction and repair.

Draper assured the audience that small colleges remain important and that Murray was in no danger if enrollment levels off or even declines slightly.

On the subject of State Question 539, the proposed tax cut to be voted on Nov. 6, Draper stated his firm opposition. The proposed tax cut could, if passed, reduce state revenues by over 100 million dollars, said Draper. Such a loss of revenue would reduce funding for education, roads and bridges. He also said that people with \$15,000 adjusted gross income would experience no tax relief under the provisions of 539. The proposal would primarily benefit persons with an adjusted gross income of over \$40,000.

A reception followed, and members of the audience continued questioning and visiting with the speaker. Afterwards, Draper toured MSC facilities.

## Murray Receives Grant, \$100,000 for School Use

A one-year \$100,000 Title III grant was awarded to Murray State College for its three proposed activities by the U.S. Department of Health, Education and the Library/LRC, announced.

In the proposal for the grant, entitled "Strengthening Developing Institutions," three activities were suggested. The first was "Clarification of Institutional Programs and Service Goals Through a Needs Assessment." The Needs Assessment will cover the 10-county service area to determine the jobs that will be available in the next three to seven years.

The next proposal was "Improving Student Services Through a Career Education Program." By this, Murray State plans to establish a Career Education Center containing information for students with no career goals and for those who would like more information on their planned career. As 88.9 percent of all students at MSC are from the 10-county area, results of needs assessment will be taken for those students who wish to stay in the 10-county area to live and work to see what kind of jobs will be

available.

The third proposed activity is to "Improve Institutional Viability Through a Developmental Activity." Former students and other persons interested in the institution and solicit their support.

"Private and corporate donors contributed over 5.6 billion dollars to education this year," said Toews, "and MSC is going to attempt to identify some of those organizations which might support the mission of the institute."

## Campus Day Features Rally, Open House

The annual Campus Day open house for Murray State College will be Nov. 8. All parents of MSC students are invited to attend, to tour campus buildings and to visit dormitory rooms.

The Student Senate, host for Campus Day, is still working out a few details. However, some of the already scheduled events for the day will be a

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MOM BLACK takes time out for a snapshot while she sorts out all incoming Haskell Lucas mail.

Just how does this petite, gentle- (SEE GRANDMOTHER, PAGE 4)



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## Calling Home's Just Money Down the Drain

By JO ANN ROBERTSON

As I approached the black apparatus hanging on the wall of the Student Union I subdued a surge of hostility which I have acquired due to a long line of experiences, during which, will pitted against will, the little black device called the pay-telephone is always, inevitably, the victor.

I took the thing off the hook and summoned a conscious effort to relax the strangulation grip. Plink...plink...

I coaxed a response by feeding it some coins. If---yooooo---tennnn---minutes. Someone had activated the juke box nearby....Lets---faall---in---loooooove---

I looked around in desperation to find that the daily lunchtime ritual was well under way. The participants had formed a line which went past me and out of sight in either direction. I summoned the courage to dial "0" for the operator. Mission: to place a collect call to my husband at home. "Number, please," said the little black device, which I was again trying to strangle to death. I gave it my home phone number and told it I wanted to call collect.

I said "you hang up and dial your collect number by dialing such and such numbers." I hung the device up and waited for my coins to return.

The human chain was now growing impatient and rowdy, bursting at the seams, spilling out all over the place, segments lounging against walls, sitting on the floor, propping themselves upon elbows. I was concerned for fear they might never be able to recover from the various contortions and distortions their bodies had assumed.

I checked the coin return slot. \*###!, robbed again\*###! Vibrations from the juke box bouncing off the walls...yooooou---must---haav---cheeeted---, sifting through the accumulation of clutter in my shoulder bag, triumphantly came up with another nickle and dime...all---yooooou---loooove---aaaawaaay---

Coordination severely restricted by external influences caused the coins to slide right through my fingers. I scrambled after them and...wonder of... Strategically placed just under the phone, on the floor, is a grill, 1 1/2' x 2' in diameter. How clever. Definitely contrived. Absolutely sadistic!

Both coins gone down the drain, or the grill. Juke box throbbing---if---yoooooou---got---tennnnn---Live chain segments yelling obscenities good-naturedly at other segments, laughing and jostling each other.

If I had had more coins in my bag I probably wouldn't have been able to find them. Anyway, I had forgotten why I needed to place the call in the first place.

I regard the little black device on the wall with malevolence and cede it another victory. Even if I had made contact with my husband, I would have probably been incoherent in trying to explain all the noise in the Student Union which he probably wouldn't have believed anyway.

Phil Sheppard—"Go to the room, crank up the stereo, and crash out."



Elbert Benson—"Go out, have a good time, running around trying to find some girls."

Lori Muncrief—"I like to party in my room and let people visit me."

## Student Poll

What's your favorite way of wasting time?



Wyndall Cornelison—"I like to just sit around, watch a little T.V., play a little pool and pin-ball over in the gameroom."

Bob Baker—"Watch T.V., play pool...mingle. Pretty soon it'll be fishing and hunting."



Pam Taylor—"Visit with the girls on the hall and wait for David to get out of ball practice."



Marilyn Thomas—"Look for new dirt roads to party on at night."

## Analysis:

# Majors Linked to Sex Roles

By JULIE McDONALD

However much men and women talk about equality these days and the certainty aren't laying a whole lot of groundwork here at Murray State.

According to enrollment figures prepared by the registrar's office, there are no women majoring in gunsmithing, metallurgical technology, construction and building technology and industrial arts technology, fields usually considered "a man's job." Equally, there are no men majoring in

child development, home economics, professional secretary and secretarial administration... fields usually set

Figures indicate, however, that women are doing more stepping out, when they step out, than the men. At least a few brave souls are. For example, in classes made up entirely of men, one woman alone has enrolled in farm and ranch management, another in drafting and design technology and another in electronics technology. Perhaps the reason that

women stray from their traditional roles so much more frequently than men is that there are more men than women. The average earning power of men is also higher.

Men are also choosing majors in traditional women's areas. The second highest field of study by women at MSC is nursing, a job labeled specifically for women since the days of Florence Nightingale. Today, however, 10 men are in the MSC nursing program, breaking a barrier of their own.

In time there may be more breaking of the once unquestioned educational barrier. Since there are still 188 men and 361 women studying general education, who may or may not be undecided on their career goals, who knows if perhaps out of these there will be a woman placed in the Football Hall of Fame or a man become (if he hasn't already) the world's highest paid secretary.

# Short Story Session Held Today at Noon

A noon seminar on writing short stories will be held at 12:15 p.m. today in Ad 315.

English instructors David Lamb and Lewis Parkhill will discuss ideas and possibilities for short stories and short story techniques and will analyze some successful short stories.

Group exercises on developing character and scene will give students

the chance to practice short story techniques.

On Wednesday, a second poetry session at 12:15 p.m. in Ad 315 will discuss poetic technique. Students who attended the first session and have written poems may bring their work to read and to receive audience response.

Future sessions on photography and art are planned.

Sponsored by the Division of Humanities, the art and writing sessions are designed to promote student writing and to encourage participation in the division's art and writing contest.

For further information, contact Larry Milligan, David Lamb or Lewis Parkhill.

Deadline for entries is Nov. 30.

Sophomores! Check with your advisors to make sure you have all basic requirements for graduation.

## Student Senate

The Student Senate has selected 10 movies to be shown next semester, including "Silver Streak," "Which Way is Up," "Death Race 2000," "Think Dirty," "The World's Greatest Lover," "Rabbit Test," "The Dirty Dozen," "Frankenstein Created Woman" and "The Cattle Company."

Also, refrigerators will become available at the beginning of the spring semester. Anyone who wishes to reserve one may contact any Student Senate member.

# Fad Career One Thing, Job Markets Another

Thanks to a tight job market and an uneasy economy, young people today face some tough career-planning decisions. There is no guarantee you will find a job in your chosen field.

Career choices are numerous and varied, but educational requirements are stiff. Serious thought should be given to your career choice. The popularity of a type of job may limit its opportunities, as graduates flock to a fad (law and journalism are recent examples). In such cases, experience proves to be the crucial factor.

By learning the opportunities in

their chosen field and investigating alternatives, college students can avoid disappointment when they enter the job market. One sensible thing to do is check industry projections in several fields. Aptitude tests may help, also.

If you are still uncertain of the career for you, or merely seek to solidify your decision, career counseling is available in the Counseling Center.

Also available in the Counseling Center is the Oklahoma View test, to show where your aptitude lies.

## Softball Standouts Picked for All-Stars

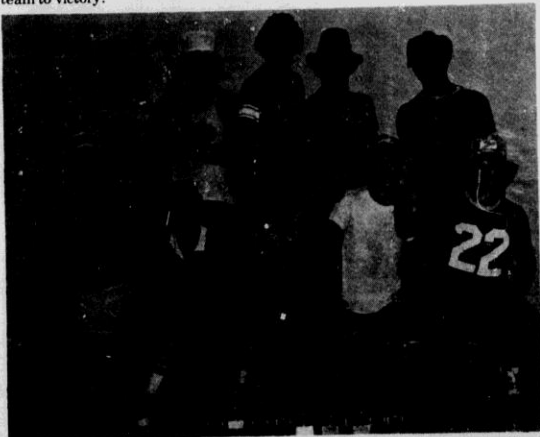
1979 men's intramural All-Star Softball Team as selected by Nancy Shilling, student activities director: John Tyler, Stratford, Grayson; Joel Longhorn, Earlsboro, Grayson; Chris Welcher, Elmore City. No Names; Kenneth Click, McCloud, South Forty; Jerry Bennett, Madill, Native American Club; George Ross, Battiest, Murray Alkies; Mike Grider, Milburn, Men's Faculty and Staff; Mike Chambliss, Tishomingo, Men's Faculty and Staff; Denny Yoakum, Purcell, BBA; and Bob Baker, Lindsay, BBA.

1979 women's intramural All-Star Softball Team: Lisa Lackey, Fox, Playmates; Sherry Eldridge, Atoka, Bad Girls; Marilyn Thomas, Allen, Native American Club; Denise Evans, Byng, Bad News Bears; Eileen Abram, Millwood, No Names; Earlene Abram, Millwood, No Names; Melinda Grider, Milburn, Women's Faculty and Staff; Tammy Lore, Perkins, MSC Dolls; Deeve Swindell, Ardmore, MSC Dolls; Peggy McMillan, Velma-Alma, MSC Dolls.

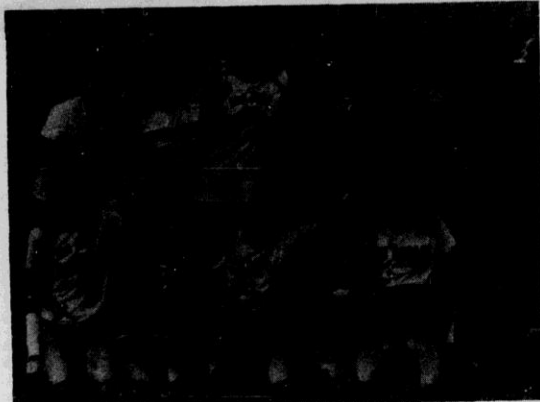
Men's and women's all-star teams were chosen after the finals. Certificates will go to everyone named, and may be picked up from Nancy Shilling in the Student Activities Office.



TERESA DRIVER of the MSC Dolls drives another hit while leading her team to victory.



MEN'S SOFTBALL champions, Grayson. Kneeling L to R: Byron Coats, Newcastle; Clifton Long, Stratford; Randy Hendrix, Stratford; John Johnston, Springer; John Tyler, Stratford. Standing: Reandy Deaville, Newcastle; Joel Longhorn, Earlsboro; Bobby Garner, Stratford; Jeff Hughes, Stratford and Elbert Benson, Soper.



WOMEN'S INTRAMURAL softball champions, MSC Dolls. Kneeling L to R: Lori Sawyer, Teresa Driver, Deevee Swindell, Tammy Lore, Rita Vandeventer. Standing L to R: Ramona McCord, Mary Howard, Beth Trammell, Teresa Whitaker and Peggy McMillan.



KENNETH TAYLOR roots his team on during a women's softball game.

## Intramurals

### Horseshoes

Men's singles—In the first round Bridges def. Deaville; Cameron def. Maynard; Tyler won by default over Weaver; Barbour advanced with a bye.

In the second round Ross def. Johnston; Grider def. Benson; Schammerhorn def. Tayer; Cameron def. Bridges.

George Ross advanced to the finals.

Women's singles—In the first round Beth Trammell def. Teresa Driver.

Men's doubles—In first round matches Schammerhorn-Grider def. Welcher-Jackson; Ross-Cameron def. Johnston-Jackson; Byrd-Bridges def. Barbour-Taylor.

In semi-final matches Ross-Cameron def. Byrd-Bridges and were then def. by Schammerhorn-Grider. Schammerhorn-Grider are in the finals.

### Softball

Grayson, flag football champions, met BBA in finals Oct. 18. Grayson won a close game 3-1.

In the women's finals the undefeated No Names met the undefeated MSC Dolls. The Dolls won the game 16-9.

### Volleyball

Men's volleyball began Oct. 22 and women's began Oct. 23. The men's games will be held on Mondays and Wednesdays. Women's games will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

### Basketball

Basketball entries are now being taken. Besides men's and women's teams there will also be one on one contests and free throw shooting contests.

### Table Tennis

Table tennis will begin Nov. 5. Entries are now being taken.

## CLUB NEWS

### Native American Club

The Native American Club held a meeting and elected a Halloween Queen Candidate, Marilyn Thomas. Her escort will be Jimmy Smith. The members elected a princess and a warrior for the 1979-80 school year. Elected for princess was Annetta Winton and warrior Keith Hook. The princess and warrior will represent the club at various out-of-town meetings, Indian pow-wows and parades.

### Phi Theta Kappa

Phi Theta Kappa members picked up aluminum cans to help raise money so more members can go to the National Convention in Washington, D.C. next spring. After the work was done the group attended a Japanese-style dinner at Dr. Wirth's home. The meal was prepared by Yoichira Uekishiba and Kiyotaka Kamata.

Phi Theta Kappans will be conducting voter registration for persons over 18 years old Nov. 12 in the Student Union.

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## Blaine Makes D.C. Trip

Teresa Blaine, Murray State College freshman from Durant, has a one-of-a-kind book that money can't buy. It's a scrapbook containing mementoes from a trip this past summer to Washington, D.C. where she participated in a National Indian Youth Leadership Conference.

The scrapbook is full of snapshots of places she visited, friends she made and celebrities she met, one of which was President Jimmy Carter. A few of the souvenirs that fill the scrapbook include newspaper clippings, a napkin with the presidential seal embossed on it, maps and tour guides of the city and picture postcards of the Washington Memorial, the Tomb of the Unknowns and the White House.

Teresa was one of three youths selected to represent the Choctaw

Nation from Oklahoma. She was selected as a participant by Lyndy Boyd, coordinator of the Summer Youth Program of the Choctaw Nation in Durant.

While in Washington, Teresa attended speeches, seminars and councils. She participated in hours of discussion that culminated in a stated recommendation that, "We the American Indian youth feel that we must learn about the Indian culture and heritage from our elders. The knowledge gained will give us ground to accept our future roles in the American Indian way of life. This will enable us to accept the leadership and use it in a way to improve the condition of our way of life. This will enable us to use the knowledge to present to the future generations, so that they can fulfill the potential of the American Indian, and that is to survive."



Teresa Blaine

## Apple II Helps Make Computer Available

An Apple II micro-computer was purchased jointly last spring by the Library/LRC and the Science Department. The purchase was made available by a Cause grant, which also provided funds for the Bio-Learning Center.

The Apple II is used for printing mailing labels and will contain programs for library inventory, word processing and the generation of tests.

Because it uses basic language (which is almost like English) instead of machine language like larger computers, the Apple II is easier to operate than most.

The Apple II is available now to students with faculty supervision, but Dr. William Hayes of the Science Department says he hopes student access to the computer will improve. He also hopes to eventually offer a micro-computer course.

## New Faculty, Staff

In a continuing series, the Aggellate presents profiles of the New faces in teaching and administration.

### Delbert Taylor

Delbert Taylor, the new metallurgy teacher, said, "Other than going to the moon, I have nothing to tell the newspaper."

Taylor spent 22 years in the Navy, serving submarine duty in the Korean War. He helped with the research and development of the Deep Submergence Rescue Vehicle. After retiring in 1972 he attended college here at Murray and finished his studies at Southeastern.

He and his wife live in Milburn. His wife, Vern, is presently the Johnston County special education coordinator. He has three children, Jerri and Sheri, who are twins, and Bonnie Sue.

### Kathy McDaniel

The new Bio-learning Center co-ordinator this year at Murray State is Kathy McDaniel. Some of the duties that fall under this title are overseeing lab equipment, preparing tapes and other study guides and assisting the

teachers. Kathy will also teach her own biology class on Monday nights from 6 to 9:30 or 10, trying to fit in those hours what most students will cover during the week.

Kathy, who grew up on a peanut farm outside Coleman, first came to Murray State to study English and minor in science. However, it seems she began to enjoy Mr. Wilson's science classes more than her English classes so she swapped majors. She went on to graduate from Southeastern in Durant and then taught high school science one year at Silo and for four years at Coleman. During those five summers she worked at Lake Texoma as a park ranger, a job she considered "pretty neat."

Kathy is also an animal lover (she raises a goat and has a pet raccoon who lives in a tree in her back yard), plus a lover of amusement parks, talking, rock and roll and bluegrass music, and especially traveling. Kathy McDaniel is a welcome addition to this year's Murray State faculty.

## ★ Grandmother

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spoken lady (she's only 5 feet 1 1/2 inches and 105 pounds) keep order and discipline among the dozens of sometimes rowdy college males that suddenly and happily find themselves away from their parent's supervision for the first time?

"I very seldom have problems with my young men that can't be talked out," said Mom Black. "You see, I believe that you can do a lot if you have patience. I treat them just like I would my own grandsons. I expect them to behave like gentlemen and they most always do."

Her philosophy for success obviously works, as documented by some of the comments made in her collection of autograph books dating back to her first year as housemother at MSC in 1971-72. Perhaps a few excerpts from these autograph books will best describe their feelings for a very unique lady:

"It helped a lot, knowing that you were around whenever I needed help."

"I just want to say that I appreciate the concern and interest you have given me as an individual."

"Living in Haskell Lucas has been a great experience and you were here to make it all the better. You do a fantastic job as housemother and your constant smile and charm brighten the whole dorm."

"No one could ever take my mother's place, but you have been a wonderful substitute. I will never forget you."

## ★ Campus Day

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performance by the Entertainers, a smorgasboard, a pep rally and men's and women's basketball games against Carl Albert.

Other plans include a talent show with cash going to the club sponsoring the winning contestant. Evening activities include the crowning of our Campus Day Queen. Finally, a dance for students and parents alike will be held until 1 a.m. the following day.

## Instructor Attends Satellite Workshop

By JOAN GALBREATH

On Aug. 14 Donnie Williams, electronics instructor, attended a three-day workshop on satellites and TV reception. Held at South Oklahoma City Junior College, this workshop was hosted by Bob Cooper, a noted authority on earth satellites who has written many articles on the subject.

This was the first international workshop for earth TV satellite stations, with over 250 people from the United States, Canada, Costa Rica, South America, the Virgin Islands and the Bahamas there to obtain some background information on how to build a private earth station. There are over 1.5 million people in the United States with no access to television at all. Building an earth station would enable these places to have access to television reception.

Geostationary satellites make this increased access to television possible. Geostationary satellites orbit about 22,300 miles above the equator in the same direction as the earth's rotation and at a speed that keeps them in the same position over the earth.

TV signals are beamed to these satellites from different points in the United States. The satellite can then retransmit many TV signals, beaming them all across the North American continent. Then any earth station in North America could receive these signals.

Besides serving the major TV networks (ABC, CBS and NBC), the satellites also carry signals for such

"pay" TV sources as Home Box Office, Showtime and Fanfare. An earth station could receive over 50 different TV channels, enabling a viewer to watch such diverse programs as a Canadian football game, or a bull fight in Old Mexico.

The cost to build an earth station is around \$4,000 through companies that commercially sell the equipment for private terminals. However, some individuals who attended this workshop constructed their own for around \$500 using surplus equipment.

NBC carried a national news coverage of this three-day workshop.

## Blood Donors Needed!

A bloodmobile clinic will be held today from 1:30 to 6 p.m. at the First Baptist Church of Tishomingo, located on the corner of Main and Byrd.

In view of the constant need for blood donors, the Vet Tech Department plans an all-out participation by its members. In addition they have issued a challenge to all other departments on campus to meet and exceed, on a percentage basis, their donor turn out.

There is no adequate substitute for whole blood when it is required, and blood donated also provides products such as plasma and platelets for other treatments.

So, give blood. The life you save may be your own!

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## 23 Students Named In Who's Who Balloting

Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges for 1979-80 will list 23 MSC students.

The honors and awards committee at MSC has submitted the names of these students in recognition of their outstanding academic achievement, service to the community and leadership in extracurricular activities.

The names of these students will be recorded in the annual directory, which has been published every year since 1966.

The students who are named to Who's Who are selected from more than 700 institutions of higher learning in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico.

Students named this year from

Murray State College are Charlotte Adams, Wynnewood; Georgia Balch, Tishomingo; John Bourquin, Purcell; Pecos Bridenstine, Perkins; Vicki Campbell, Tishomingo; Toni Carrell, Mannsville; Michael Claborn, Ardmore; Bobby Cline, Ardmore; Penny Cline, Ardmore; Clay Combes, Tishomingo; Delores Cosper, Coalgate; Jackie Detamore, Mannsville; Janice Drennan, Ardmore; Jeanette Eldridge, Tishomingo; Denise Evans, Carnegie; Teresa Flint, Milburn; Jack Gorczyca, Konawa; Thelma Harrison, Lane; Kay Kindell, Tishomingo; Rhidonah Ladner, Burneyville; Maxine Magby, Coalgate; Mary Pannell, Sulphur; Dennis Yoakum, Purcell.



KRISTI KREIGER and Joel Longhorn win the costume contest at the Halloween dance incognito.

### Review:

## 'Mousetrap' Mixes Humor, Suspense

By MARGARET PATTON

Playgoers were skillfully kept on the edge of their seats during Murray State College Drama Department's recent production of "The Mousetrap." The mood of the Agatha Christie mystery thriller is set when the house lights begin to dim and the tune of "Three Blind Mice" is heard from off stage. A voice from an, as yet, unseen radio announces that the murder of a woman has just taken place at 24 Culver St. and that the police are looking for a man seen in the vicinity wearing a dark overcoat, light scarf,

and a soft felt hat.

The lights come on to reveal a tastefully done set portraying the once gracious hall of Monkswell Manor. Molly Ralston, a cheerful, bouncy young woman, convincingly played by Lisa Rushing, and Giles Ralston, her slightly arrogant, but attentive husband, portrayed equally well by Micah Taylor, inform the audience through a quaint interchange, of the recent conversion of Monkswell Manor into a guest house and the anticipated arrival of their first guests.

Amidst an ever-worsening snow



STUDENTS EXPRESS themselves at costume dance in such outfits as Frankenstein's monster (Bobby Garner), a vampiress (Beth Heffington) and the mummy (?).

## Costume Dance Makes Halloween Exciting

Halloween brought games of chance, crowning of royalty, a well-attended dance and eerie and elegant costumes to Paul J. Park Student Center.

During the carnival, the Afro American Club found that true love is lasting love as 10 couples were married and none were divorced in their Marriage and Divorce booth.

The Native American Club grab bag and dart throw was very successful as many tried but no one could seem to hit the magic numbers and win the grand prize, a brass clock.

The Outing Club reported no casualties in their Pillow Fight Contest with winners in three divisions. Men's winners were Wes Stover, first, and John Johnson, second. In the women's division it was Lisa Little, first, with Jeanette Eldridge, second. Jimmy Barbee walked away with the kid's division.

With such tragedies as Jerry Barbee, David Miller and Kay Husen, students couldn't wait to try the Rodeo Club's Flour Bag Toss.

The quarter rolled out for 10 people in the Aggie Club's Pool Table with Troy Oglesby being the big money winner of the night, winning five times in a row.

Only two mastered the elusive trick of uprighting the bottle in the Social Science Club's booth.

New royalty was chosen this Halloween night as Jeanette Eldridge was selected as 1979 Halloween Queen, escorted by Rick Sutton. Mary Moore finished a close first runner-up and Jan Lambert was second runner-up.

The lights flashed and speakers roared as the dance fired up. It seemed to call out all the ghosts, goblins and other various strange beings that had remained hidden most of the night. The dance, which had a disco setting, played a variety of music ranging from songs like "Pop Muzik" and "Cottoneye Joe."

In the costume contest the Invisible Man, who was actually Joel Longhorn, took first prize, and Kristi Kreiger took second dressed as a Black Cat.

storm, the guests begin to arrive at Monkswell Manor, providing the audience with bits and pieces of their background, and a sampling of each individual's quirks and oddities of personality that makes each character in turn appear at the very least suspicious.

The first guest to arrive is Christopher Wren, a slightly neurotic, often childish and "very peculiar young man." Kevin Norrell does a superb job in developing the speech and mannerisms of Wren, often innocently upstaging other characters

in the play.

Terri Miller turns in a quite believable performance as the somewhat cynical and coldly deliberate Mrs. Boyle, who continuously finds fault with everything from the lack of staff in the questionably adequate guest house to the questionable caliber of guests residing therein.

Mahlon Meadows, as Major Metcalf, admirably presents a picture of a calm, self-assured gentleman with the inherent discipline of someone who might have spent a majority of his

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## Perils of Commuting

By JO ANN ROBERTSON

Commuting students meet the challenge posed by the open road, perilous curves, flat tires and car troubles in their quest for higher education.

Students commute from as far away as Burneyville, which is approximately 80 miles away and from as close as Tishomingo.

The time and expense doesn't daunt the spirit of the students who have to travel, as many of them have husbands and/or children, and would never have the opportunity to further their education if they were not within commuting distance of MSC.

Car pools help shave expenses for lots of students, although some of them have not as yet been able to locate other persons from their vicinity who are interested in car pooling.

Patsy Overstreet of Wynnewood drives alone. She is a freshman with a long time to go and would like to exchange rides with someone.

Donna Emery, a special education major from Sulphur, will graduate in the spring, then transfer to Southeastern. She said she would rather continue at Murray for two more years in pursuit of her bachelor's degree if Murray were a four-year college. Wishful thinking, of course, but a reflection of the thoughts of many of us here at Murray.

Car trouble seems to be something almost all commuters have in common. And tires seem to have a tendency to go flat at the most inopportune times.

The solutions to mechanical problems are varied and complex. Solving that most perplexing problem we are faced with, a commuter might buy a new car, which is impractical. Take a course in mechanics? Time consuming and expensive. Or we could count someone into riding with us who has superior mechanical ability and loves to demonstrate it. The latter of the three is, in my opinion, the most practical, economical and sensible of the possible solutions.

My own experiences in commuting with my sister 70 plus miles to school and the same back include some very extraordinary episodes.

During the first week of school we got lost on the way home twice, lost three gas caps at help-yourself stations, tore up one gas pump in the process of learning how to operate the thing and nearly got run over by a train, after which my sister discontinued the use of her seat belt in favor of being able to jump out of the car quickly.

The highways enroute from Burneyville to Murray are a series of hills, curves and bridges with very few safe passing zones. This poses a problem when you have a schedule to meet and no one is in a hurry except you. You simply have to pass them, and hope. Now, my sister is usually a very stable person, and not given to hysterics or paranoia, so my driving must be partly to blame for her recent development of a nervous condition—that and her lack of confidence in my proficiency at the wheel.

At any rate, when we first started driving to Murray she would mistakenly assume we were about to crash head-on with an oncoming car, or perhaps I didn't see the curve in

time to slow down for it and took it too fast. Another time she thought we were going off a bluff.

She finally managed to control her impulses to grab the wheel or to yell at me because she doesn't consider such actions all dignified. This has had adverse effects also. The first hazardous situation in which she managed to exercise a commendable degree of control resulted in a spastic muscle in her left cheek which she feared would be permanent.

As a passenger-commuter she thinks in all fairness she should have a brake pedal and a steering wheel on the passenger side of the car. Or in the absence of reasonable compromise, she suggests we install push button ejection type seats and parachutes.

More seriously, all commuters said it would be nice if the commuter lounge were equipped with a payphone and vending machines.

## Editorial

By KEVIN NORRELL

As I walked into the gym for Murray State's first game I could hear nothing but a roar. The bleachers were full. The incredible crowd participation had the team's adrenalin flowing. The game ended in victory.

I don't think we could have lost. Even though Grayson County was a formidable opponent, the Aggies definitely had the home advantage.

Good sportsmanship on the court was also apparent. Lawrence Adams was being harassed by a Mustang and he just turned and smiled in his face. Blue star for Lawrence. Blue star to all the crowd—and to the members of the women's and men's basketball teams for winning our first games of the season.

## Student Poll

What do you think of the cafeteria food? What could improve it?



Clela Townley—"I don't like the cafeteria food. They need to make a different list every week. It shouldn't be the same as the prior week."



Sevie Stephenson—"I think some of their food would be all right if they would have a different variety at dinner and supper instead of the same thing every other week."



Tom Sadoian—"They ought to have something besides bologna sandwiches for dinner on Sundays."



Ahmed Vahed—"The food is very awful."

Bobby England—"It could stand room for improvement. They need to strain some of the grease off. It's too greasy."

## Commentary:

# Voter Registration

By MARGARET PATTON

In a recent Aggielette survey, it was discovered that less than one-third of all Murray State College students are registered voters. Experts in the field of voter trends report that nationwide the lowest percentage (less than 20 percent) of voter turnout is among the 18-to 20-year-old age group.

Several reasons for this low turnout are cited, including voter apathy, lack of clear-cut choices between the two major party candidates, lack of information about the process of voter registration and the fact that historically the 18-year-old's right to vote is fairly recent with the passage of the 26th amendment in June 1971.

While almost no teenager will let their 16th birthday pass without rushing down to take their driver's license examination, the same emphasis is not placed on acquiring their voter registration card as soon as they reach age 18. And, it is not nearly as difficult.

Voter registration requirements for the state of Oklahoma are as follows:

- (1) You must be a citizen of the United States
- (2) You must be a resident of the county in which you register
- (3) You must be a resident of the state of Oklahoma
- (4) You must be 18 years old or older before the date of the next ensuing election
- (5) You may not vote if you have been convicted of a felony, for which the period of time of the original judgment and sentence has not expired, or for which you have not been pardoned
- (6) You may not vote if you are presently committed to a mental institution by judicial order. It should be noted that Murray students are eligible to vote in this county if they live in the dorm or in off-campus housing as long as it is in Johnston County. If you meet all of the above requirements, you are eligible to register to vote.

Before appearing at the county election board to register, you should know that you will be asked by the voter registrar to disclose your political affiliation. In other words, you must decide whether to register as a Democrat, Republican or an independent.

If you have not yet made up your mind which party you will support or do not know the party's platform, you should discuss the matter with someone that is well informed about such matters, such as a teacher of government or political science, that can give

you an unbiased and objective picture of each party and how they are likely to stand on the issues.

The next step is to appear in person at your county election board office. If you do not know the location of this office, look in your phone directory under county offices. In Johnston County, the election board office is located on the first floor of the Johnston County Courthouse. The voter registrar will require such information as name, address, political affiliation, date of birth and whether you are a new voter or have been previously registered in another county or state.

You will be asked to sign an oath swearing that you meet the voter registration requirements of the state of Oklahoma and that the information given to the registrar is true and correct. You will then be issued a voter identification card which shows your name, the precinct in which you reside, your political affiliation, the county in which you reside, the location of the place where you are to go to vote and the date the card was issued. The whole registration process is very simple and usually takes five minutes or less to complete. You may register at any time during the year except 10 days prior to an election date or three days after an election date.

Once you are a registered voter, you should know that you are eligible to vote in school district elections, municipal elections, county elections, state elections and federal elections. If you do not vote in at least one of the county, state or federal elections which are held every even-numbered year, your registration will be cancelled and you must have your registration reinstated before you will be eligible to vote again.

If you change your residence from one place to another in the same county, you must notify the election board and fill out a simple transfer form. This is very important because when you move, your precinct or polling location may change. If you move from one county to another, you must register in the new county.

Ratification of the Salt II Treaty, measures taken to deal with the energy shortage, rising inflation, welfare programs and taxes are just a few of the areas in which decisions are made almost daily that affect almost every aspect of a citizen's life. These decisions and others are made by the men and women that you have put into office by casting your vote.

Is that vote as important as having a driver's license????

## Lovelace Helps Plan Area Health Services

Margaret Lovelace, MSC social science instructor, has recently been nominated to serve as representative on the Southeastern Oklahoma Health Planning Council.

Lovelace, along with citizens from 22 Southeastern Oklahoma counties, will be serving in an attempt to improve the level of health care for area residents. The council, of which 60 percent are consumers, has outlined activities to provide emergency medical services, primary care, disease detection, mental health, health education and health promotion.

Lovelace will work with other council members to establish the health plan. According to Leon Noss, council chairman, the payoff for many hours of volunteer work depends upon community support from concerned citizens, health professionals, business and civic organizations.

# High Salaries, City Locales Await Technology Graduates

By JO ANN ROBERTSON

Undecided majors should consider that MSC's engineering technology program now has a higher demand for graduates than any other major.

The engineering technology department provides four major programs, said Bill Malone, ET instructor. The programs are drafting and design technology, electro-mechanical technology, electronics technology and metallurgy technology.

Malone explained that a technician usually will work in close association with engineers and craftsmen or shopmen. Technicians can expect to use independent thinking to analyze and diagnose technical problems. They might prepare and interpret engineering drawings, sketches or schematics. They might supervise, inspect or assist in the installation of equipment.

Malone said the metallurgical

engineering technology program at Murray is the only one of its kind in a six-state area. In drafting, for example, other schools emphasize drafting for civil engineering. At MSC, drafting emphasizes hydro-mechanics, which prepares graduates to work with mechanical engineers.

Students who complete two years have the option of beginning their careers, or they can transfer and continue in school for a bachelor of science degree. Malone pointed out that it is more difficult to find work in many fields with a bachelor's degree than with an associate degree.

"There is a far greater demand for engineering technicians with a two-year degree than there is for people with four-year degrees," said Malone.

MSC graduates usually start out with higher salaries than many people with bachelor's degrees in general ed-

ucation.

"Last year we placed a young man at a beginning salary of \$16,000 per year. He was 20 years of age and had no previous work experience," said Malone.

The pay and the opportunity is better if students are willing to relocate. MSC graduates have found jobs in Houston, Denver, Kansas City, Tulsa and Oklahoma City. A graduate technician does not have to move far from this area in order to find employment unless he wants to, said Malone. He cited Duncan, Sherman and Denison as fairly good industrial areas.

Since the technology field is a non-traditional career field for women, the opportunities for female graduates are almost indescribable.

"Women can just about write their own ticket wherever they go," said Malone.

A technical background is not necessary, because the program will make its graduates proficient. Thus, any undecided majors might find a profitable career in ET.

## Annex Arrows Point To Sharpened Skills

By JO ANN GALBREATH

When you first enter the room you see a burst of color. Bright yellow, green and orange arrows point to various areas in the room, bearing upon them in huge block letters the words "read," "listen" and "write." A pile of brightly colored bean bags surround a low, round table.

The sounds that greet you are the gentle "whir-r-r" of the various speed reading machines and tape players and the soft quite voices of Dr. Marian Wirth and her assistants Joann Galbreath and Elene Decker, as they help students of discuss tasks among themselves.

Known commonly as the Annex, or the Developmental Learning Center, this place is located in the Library Science Building.

Several students are taking advantage of the Annex's facilities and its pleasant atmosphere in order to improve their basic skills in such areas as writing and reading. Some Annex users already have good basic skills, but want to improve their reading speed and comprehension.

If you saw a word such as "otorhindaryngology" or "gastroenteology" would you know what it meant? Medical and veterinary technology students must know words such as these and many more like

them, so they go to the Developmental Learning Center in order to learn technical and medical vocabulary.

Around the room students wear headsets, listening intently to tapes on vocabulary or spelling. Others intently watch a screen that flashes sentence after sentence for speed reading.

Always busy Dr. Marion Wirth, director of counseling and developmental education, always has time to talk to students. With such a frenzy of activity, it is difficult to see how everything gets done in an orderly fashion.

"Each student has a folder—we write each other notes. They don't all do everything right the first time, but as long as they work independently, they learn how to learn and that's a great big lesson for college students. After mid-term my students tell me what they need to work on," Dr. Wirth said.



According to a legend of the Guatemalan Mayans, the first four men created were made of corn paste.

Greg Idell: "It's fair. They need to serve something besides mashed potatoes."



Angie Akins: "They need to give us our money's worth, and quit serving potatoes every meal."



Randy Deaville: "It's better than what I had in high school. We need a better selection instead of the same old stuff every week."

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well).

## The Mousetrap



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## Cindy Burnside: Truly An 'Old West' Cowgirl

By CLIFTON LONG

Buffalo Bill and Annie Oakley are western legends for most students, bringing up ideas of stampedes, wagon trains and beans by the campfire. Cindy Burnside, MSC veterinary technology student from Sulphur, has done more than dream.

In 1976 she rode horseback on the Bicentennial Wagon Train, traveling from Texas to Pennsylvania in a 2,300 mile trip taking seven months.

"I love the life on the wagon train, and I'll always have many memories of it," said Cindy.

During the trip she served as the Oklahoma Goodwill Ambassador, giving a number of speeches at various gatherings. She also was a drag scout, which in the Old West was the person who brought up the end of the wagon train, keeping everyone in line and watching for ambushes.

"The ones on the train became one huge family, and the trip carried with it all the aspects of life—three marriages and two deaths along the way," said Cindy.

Excitement was another reason for Cindy's joining the train. To keep the 30 mile daily rides from getting boring, she found herself buying unbroken horses and breaking them by riding them along the trail.

Besides adding more fun to the trip, the horses she broke helped finance her seven-month outing. As a horse she was riding began to calm down, Cindy sold it for a marginal profit and bought

another unbroken horse to ride. The trail helped Cindy to continue her rodeo career. She competed in rodeos along the trail's route in such events as bareback and bull riding.

In one rodeo at Oakland, Tenn., Cindy won the bareback bronc riding, winning \$20.00 after paying an entry fee of \$15.00. The 85-pound cowgirl said she was disappointed about her winnings and decided to enter the bull riding. Cindy recalls being strapped down to the bull with both hands, the gate was swung open and the 2,000-pound horned black beast bucked out and immediately went into a spin.

"Losing my balance I was thrown off, my hands still strapped tight to the bull." The clown jumped to the fence out of the raging bull's path, leaving Cindy alone to free and protect herself. The bull proceeded to run around the arena three times, tossing her from side to side with each kick of its hooves.

"I spent the following weeks recovering from a left arm which was broken in three places, several broken ribs and a number of cuts and bruises. Sometimes its hard to keep riding when your winnings aren't enough to pay the doctor bills," says Cindy.

The Bicentennial Wagon Train's 2,300 mile trip ended at Valley Forge, Pa., where it was met by some three million spectators, including President Richard M. Nixon.

Cindy says that the train was a great way to express herself and the type of lifestyle she would have enjoyed living.



CINDY BURNSIDE prepares to mount her horse for some afternoon exercise.

## Humanities Sponsors Art, Photo Seminars

Sponsored by the Humanities Division, two sandwich seminars this week will focus on art and photography.

Artists interested in publication and prizes can learn about technique in a 12:15 p.m. seminar today in the Art Room of the Music Building.

Larry Milligan, art instructor, will discuss plans for publication of student art.

"Reproduction for publication places special demands on artists," said Milligan. He will emphasize how reproduction goals affect artistic technique. On Wednesday Lewis Parkhill, lan-

guage arts/journalism instructor, will discuss "what makes a good photograph" and answer questions about photography. Students may also bring in prints for critique. This session will meet at 12:15 p.m. in Ad 213.

These noon seminars are part of a continuing series to encourage student writing and art work. The Humanities Division is offering prizes and publication for first and second place entries in poetry, short story, photography and art.

The deadline for all entries is Nov. 30. For more details contact Larry Milligan or Lewis Parkhill.

## Beep-Oop, Morning Blues

By KEVIN NORRELL

Every morning at about 7 a.m. it begins—Beep! Beep! Beep! r-r-r-i-i-i-n-g, oop! oop! oop! Beep! r-r-r-i-i-n-g, oop! oop! oop! "Good morning, Oklahoma. It's time for the early morning news." Then, one by one, all alarms turn off—except Jeff Hughes'. He sleeps right through his. Someone else awakened by his alarm gets him up—a dual alarm system.

The doors slowly open as the Haskell Lucas inhabitants grope their way toward the bathrooms, bare feet, clad in towels, washrags, shampoo, soap, razor and shaving cream. Remembering to step around the nastiest looking stains on the carpet. Lots of history in those stains.

After making it to the bathroom, some go the the sinks to shave. Heaven only knows how many different brands of razors are put to use—Trac II, Bic disposables, Atra, Persona double two, Gillette, Schick injector and of course the old double edge. Then there are Trac II's with Schick blades. Gillette blades with Persona handles.

Csshhhh, csshhh. The showers go on and on—unintentionally preventing the shavers from getting a good shave because of the steam they paint on the mirrors.

After the seven o'clockers get themselves together they join the unclean, seven-thirty o'clockers and proceed toward the cafeteria to fill their bellies.


All is again quiet—until about eight. Beep! Beep! Beep! r-r-r-i-i-n-g, oop! oop! oop! the routine begins. Showers are on. The sinks are full and someone is getting Hughes up to go to class. He's fallen back to sleep. A triple alarm system.

## The First Thanksgiving

They began now to gather in the small harvest they had, and to fit up their houses and dwellings against winter, being all well recovered in health and strength and had all things in good plenty. For as some were thus employed in affairs abroad, others were exercised in fishing, about cod and bass and other fish, of which they took good store, of which every family had their portion. All the summer there was no want; and now began to come in store of fowl, as winter approached, of which this place did abound when they came first (but afterward decreased by degrees). And besides waterfowl there was great store of wild turkeys, of which they took many, besides venison, etc. Besides they had about a peck of meal a week to a person, or now since harvest, Indian corn to that portion.

From William Bradford's "Of Plymouth Plantation" [1621]

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## Student Art In Library

Cowboy boots and stumps, tissue paper blotches of color, a cow skull and feathers are just part of the student art now hanging in the Library/LRC.

The exhibit, which consists of the work of Larry Milligan's beginning drawing and design and color classes, contains some surprisingly good works.

Included in the styles of art on display are pencil drawings, tempera paintings and mixed media compositions, which are made of colored tissue paper.

"There are some competent drawings and some visually entertaining things," Milligan said, "None of it is very sophisticated because it is by students, but most of it we're not ashamed of."

Artists contributing to the exhibit are Edna Lenard, Milburn; Rebecca Simpson, Mill Creek; Nell Carter, Madill; Eleanor Miller, Wapanucka; Lori Muncrief, Madill; Debra Vanetzian, Ardmore; Kay Kindell, Tishomingo; Ricky Throneberry, Lone Grove; Billy Robertson, Marietta; Juanita Wilson, Atoka; Robert Hise, Tishomingo; Nathan Meadows, Tishomingo; Barbara Barbour, Wilson and Jimmy Hulbutta, Wewoka.

Another art exhibit, planned for the spring, will be comprised of oil paintings.



# Aggies Open Season With a Winning Note

Headed in the right direction, the Aggies opened with a hard-fought 70-67 win over Grayson County's Vikings. The team played good offensively with five members in double figures. Homer Porter led with 17 points, followed by Gil Williams with 14, Lawrence Adams with 12, Rob Alexander with 11 and Adrian Newton with 10.

After being forced into overtime by the Seminole Trojans at Byng, the Aggies got their second victory. The team traded baskets until Murray got the lead with three minutes left, but with 40 seconds on the clock Seminole came back with a one-point lead, 79-78. On a lose ball foul, with five seconds remaining, Rob Alexander hit one of two freethrows to tie the game.

In overtime play Murray scored well, hitting 12 for 14 freethrows and three

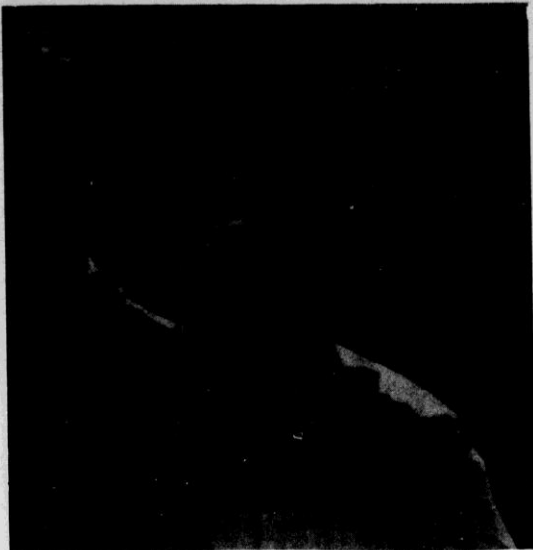
field goals to outscore Seminole 18-10 for a 99-91 victory.

Homer Porter was top scorer in the game with 24 points. Alexander and Newton both had 16, Reggie Hoskins 15 and Kenneth Williams 12.

The Aggies suffered their first defeat last Monday when they met the Weatherford Coyotes here.

"Our ball club didn't quit. I'm very pleased with them," said Coach Ron Murphree. After sitting out for about 10 minutes, Lawrence Adams pulled down 15 rebounds. The team also got good play from Gil Williams, Homer Porter, Rob Alexander and Adrian Newton.

"I'm getting tremendous offensive effort. This week we are going to start working to improve our defensive play," Murphree said after the loss to Weatherford.



OUT-OF-DOORS lecture? A chemical flip? No, just Jim Schammerhorn tossing a horseshoe in intramural competition.

## Aggiettes Win Three, Crack Seminole Belles

"After three games I think we should have one of the best defensive games in the nation," said Coach John Loftin. "Offensively we have a long way to go."

With three games out of the way the Aggiettes have a perfect record. The team beat Grayson, 52-90 here Nov. 1 in their first game. All 16 players scored.

The Aggiettes' second game wasn't quite as easy, but the team beat Seminole 61-62. This was the first time Murray women have beaten Seminole in the last four years, although the games were always close.

Murray got an eight-point lead after being tied at halftime. The eight-point margin was lost after getting into foul trouble, which has been a problem all year, but the Seminole Belles could only get within one point of the Aggiettes.

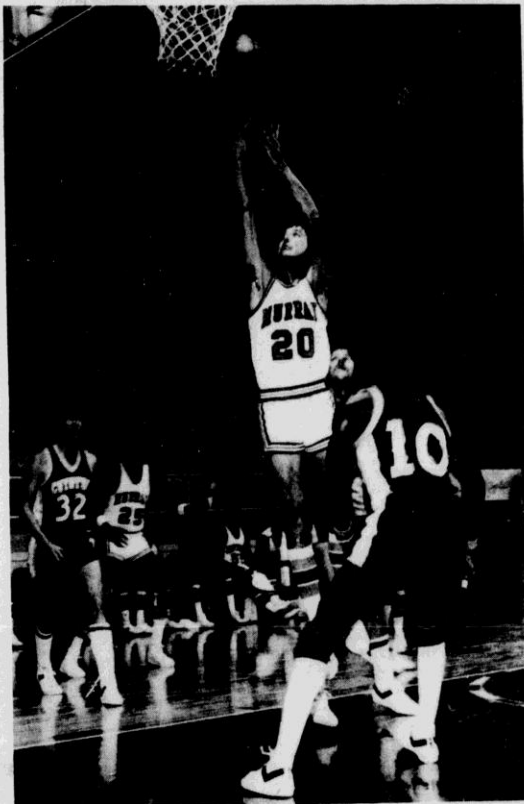
Last Monday's game was easier as Murray's team met Weatherford's lady Coyotes. The final score was 49-86.

Beth Trammell is the leading scorer with a three-game average of 19 points. Shorna Coffee has an 11 point average and Denise Evans is averaging 10 points a game. Coffee is leading in rebounds with 10 a game.

"At this point I think we have more depth than any other junior college team in Oklahoma. Our offense should come around if we get where we can play together. Our problem offensively has been finding the girls that can play together best," said Loftin.



HOLDING ON to her concentration, Beth Trammell, Ada, puts up a jumper against good Weatherford defense.



ROB ALEXANDER, Altus, puts in two but the Aggies still came up short.

## Intramurals

### Horseshoes

In women's singles Teresa Driver will meet Beth Trammell in the finals.

The final pitch in women's doubles will be between Sherry Eldridge-Rhonda Pitts and Beth Trammell-Teresa Driver.

The winner between Cameron and Barbour will meet Schammerhorn in men's singles. That winner will meet George Ross in the finals.

In the semi-finals of men's doubles Ross-Cameron will meet Johnston-Jackson. The winner of that game will meet Grider-Schammerhorn.

### Basketball

Basketball will start Nov. 14 with one-on-one and freethrow competitions besides the team competition.

### Pool Tournament

The champion in the women's division was Pokey King. Lita Rhinehart was second. There were 16 entries in the women's division.

The men's champion hasn't been determined. Richard Shelton, A. H. Vernon and Edwin Alexander are the three left who will compete for the championship. Trophies will be awarded to first and second places. There were 64 entries.

### Table Tennis

Ping pong began Tuesday, Nov. 6. There are 31 entries in men's and women's singles, men's doubles and mixed doubles.

### Volleyball

Volleyball will continue through Tuesday, Nov. 13, when men and women's finals will be played at 5:45 and 6:30 p.m.

The best records in each of the two men's leagues will meet in the finals. Grayson has already cinched league A. League B is still undecided. In the women's division the MSC Dolls will be playing in the finals.

Lost, one pair of women's glasses in a green case. Lost on Nov. 8 in the Clyde Hall Classroom Building. Please return to Mr. McCormick's office.

## ★ Mousetrap

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years in military service.

As the last of the expected guests, Dianna Crow gives credence to the character of Miss Casewell, projecting the image of a no-nonsense, take charge type person in a deep, manly sounding voice.

With the arrival of Mr. Paravicini, played with aplomb by Jesse Casey, the lone unexpected guest claims to have run his Rolls into a snowdrift. Seeking refuge from the storm, Paravicini gives the impression of being seditiously gleeful about the prospect of being cut off from civilization amid the inhabitants of Monkswell Manor.

Monkswell Manor is now overflowing with an assortment of characters, each destined to become suspects, in turn, in the mind of the audience.

During the second scene of Act I, sealed off from the outside world by what is now a blizzard, the plot thickens with the arrival of Sgt. Det. Trotter, played with ease and style by Mark DeWeese. Trotter establishes a connection between the murdered woman in London and the guests of Monkswell Manor by the revelation of a notebook found near the crime.

Each character appears to have a possible motive and clues abound as suspense continues to build. Alerted to the possibility of another murder about to occur by the ominous chords of "Three Blind Mice" in the background, Mrs. Boyle becomes the second victim and the audience is relieved of at least one suspect.

The curtain falls on Act I when Lisa Rushing, as Molly Ralston, discovers the body and emits a couple of blood-curdling screams so realistically done that the audience has near heart failure.

Act II involves in classic mystery fashion as the shadow of guilt flits across the face of each character in turn. The audience is reminded that only two of the mice have died in the trap. Who, then, is to be the third mouse and WHO-DUN-IT???????

The answer comes in typical Agatha Christie style, as the least likely of the characters, Sgt. Detective Trotter, reveals that he is not a policeman to his intended third victim, Molly Ralston. And, also in typical Agatha Christie style, she is saved by the least likely of the characters, Miss Casewell.

Several students and faculty members contributed to the success of the production through their efforts in blocking, sets and costumes, printing of programs, and in technical areas such as sound and lighting, that came off so smoothly, the audience was unaware of their importance.

Russell Hagan, sound and lighting technician, did a superb job in making sure lights dimmed, telephones rang and the radio came on and off on cue.

"The Mousetrap" was directed by speech and drama instructor, Fred Poe, with Kermit Maynard as student director.

At the conclusion of the last performance of the play, the cast presented to Fred Poe a plaque which reads in part: "To our excellent producer as a token of our appreciation for your encouragement, ingenuity and patience in preparing us for our production."



Over 95 percent of all lung cancer patients are smokers.

## Judging Team a Success In Shreveport Venture

Murray's 1979-80 livestock judging team has captured more trophies to add to an already impressive collection.

The Louisiana State Fair at Shreveport was the proving ground for contestants who represented 28 colleges from Oklahoma, Louisiana, Kansas, Colorado, Mississippi, Missouri and many other states.

Tammy Lore was first high individual in breeding beef and second high individual in swine judging. Jeff Brown was fourth high individual in swine judging. Pecos Bridenstine placed as first high individual in the horse judging contest and John Tyler was third high individual in market steers.

The Murray State team was fourth high in horse judging, fifth high in sheep and fifth high team in swine judging. In the over-all contest the Murray team rated fifth.

Fourteen students accompanied the party. Contestants on the senior judging team were Pecos Bridenstine, John Tyler, Clifton Long, Jack Gorczyca and Randy Hendrix.

There were two junior teams, the first being made up of Jeff Brown, Tammy Lore, Kevin Fore, Dusty Ricks and Larry West. Wes Stover, Jim Wheatley, Tandy James and Pam McGlocklin made up the second junior team.

The livestock judging began at 7 a.m. and the contestants had to judge 11 classes of livestock, which consisted of market animals, breeding animals and all divisions of sheep, cattle, swine and horses.

They completed their judging by 11:30 a.m. and, after a short break for lunch, began giving their "reasons." There were five reasons classes and in each a contestant had to explain why he had placed a class the way he did.

There are four animals in each class of livestock animals. If they are market steers there will be four set up in a line, numbered from left to right. In evaluating a class, contestants must place the steers according to their balance, size, skeletal structure, general appearance and breed characteristics. They also

must consider uniformity of finish, type of finish, firmness of finish and whether the animals are heavy or light.

The contestants cannot take notes or keep written records of any kind. They must rely solely on their memories when they present their "reasons" to a reasons taker.

"I used this contest as an individual contest to see how the students are going to perform," said their instructor, Jerry Barbee. "It was more of a practice exercise than anything else. I can take the results of this contest and determine where we need to improve for the future contests."

"I am not so much concerned with the performance of the team as I am with each individual, although we would like to have brought home all the trophies."

"I have a lot of confidence in our sophomore team. We were competing with four-year institutions at Shreveport and Pecos Bridenstine was third high individual in the overall contest. If we can get each member of the team placing this high we will have no problem in winning the contests."

"We will be going to Louisville, Ky and competing in their contests on Nov. 13. We now know what we have to do to go and win, and I feel that all five of the individuals we have going are as good as any students in livestock evaluation anywhere," said Barbee.

## Counselors Available

Do you ever wonder what occupations you might be suited for, or would you like to know what job skills are most in demand?

If your answer to one of these questions is "yes," then you might consider coming into the Counseling Center and letting one of the counselors help you explore career choices.

Sally Bricker, Carole Dixon and Dennis Smith, Special Services counselors, are all involved with programs designed to help students explore various careers.

One of the programs the counselors are using is the OKVIEW (Oklahoma Vital Information for Education and Work). Through this program students answer questions about themselves and then, using computer cards, find out what vocations they might naturally find interesting. There are 523 vocations in the OKVIEW program. Just discovering the wide range of job possibilities is revealing to most students.

But the career advisement program doesn't stop there. It also gives job descriptions, lists qualifications necessary for the job, tells of chances for employment in the area and gives the salary that one might expect.

So when you get a chance, drop by the Counseling Center to explore career choices. It might just be the kind of "drop" that lands you in the right place.

## 'Ma Bell' Program Will Show New Innovations

A telephone you don't have to dial and a satellite communications system are just two of the interesting props and demonstrations Carol Suttles, Southwestern Bell science demonstrator, uses in her new program, "An Adventure in Communications."

Suttles will highlight the key technological innovations during the past 100 years in the communications industry when she addresses the Engineering Club at 9 a.m. Nov. 28 in Ad 213.

The 30-minute program will illustrate

how today's sophisticated communications products and services have evolved.

Using a variety of props and demonstrations Suttles will also give a glimpse of the communications marvels of the future. For example, a telephone that, through verbal instructions, commands a household lamp to turn on and off is not something from science fiction movies, but a typical home communications service projected for the near future.

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## Campus Day Festivities Create Entertainment

Campus Day has to be a favorite at Murray. Parents, friends and students gathered Nov. 8 to join the festivities, ranging from ballgames to a dance.

A high point of the Campus Day activities was the "First Annual Murray State College Gong Show," sponsored by the Student Senate.

Master of ceremonies was Lewis Parkhill, who showed that an English teacher can be a fair comedian and literally wear many hats.

The acts entered were many and varied, including an animal act of semi-trained "dogs," a chorus line that could easily substitute for the Village People, and a mystery man telling jokes from inside a paper bag.

Two faculty members also risked the gong; Larry Metcalf and Bill Hayes enacted a television interview strangely reminiscent of Rudy Dockray's "Twelve Acres."

Mary Howard collected the first prize of \$25 for her version of the song, "I Know I'll Never Fall in Love Again." The second prize of \$15 went to Beth Heffington and Bruce Omohundro.

Judges for the Gong Show were Harold Slack, Janet Reed and David Lamb.

At 3 p.m. in the ballroom the Campus Day activities continued with the opening of the departmental displays, several of which were eye-catching. Probably the more popular displays were those of student accomplish-

ments, such as the art exhibit in the humanities display or the trophies in the agriculture display.

The gunsmithing exhibit held much interest because it is a new program this year. If you weren't too squeamish, the Vet Tech's display of tapeworms, heartworms and roundworms may have held some interest for you, too.

Campus Day activities continued with a 3:30 p.m. concert by the Murray State College Entertainers at Fletcher auditorium.

An estimated audience of 500 parents, students, faculty and staff were treated to a variety of vocal music including such numbers as "Welcome to My World," "On and On" and "Save the Bones for Henry Jones."

At the conclusion of the performance, the individual performers were introduced by Larry Metcalf, director of the group. They are Mary Howard, a sophomore business major from Oklahoma City; Byron Coats, a sophomore music major from Newcastle; Carrie Lee, a sophomore pre-med major from Ardmore; Brenda Hairrel, a freshman music major from Tishomingo; Brian Long, a freshman pre-optometry major from Healdton; Russell Hagan, a sophomore music major from Sherman, Texas; Gary Webb, a freshman general education major from Kingston; Kay Kindell, a sophomore art major from Tishomingo; and Charles Henderson, the group's sound and

equipment manager, a sophomore conservation and wildlife management major from Houston, Texas.

Among all the cheering, clapping and stomping of feet, the candidates were escorted into the gym for the crowning of the 1979-80 Campus Day Queen.

The candidates were selected by various school clubs to represent them in the big event. Representing the Aggie Club was Peggy McMillen, Velma Alma, who was escorted by Danny Driskell, Pauls Valley; Social Science Club, Carrie Lee, Lone Grove, escorted by West Stover, Plano, Texas; Phi Beta Lambda, Christi Burchett, Dickson, escorted by Billy Teel, Drummond.

Representing McKee Hall was LuAnn Landgraft, Madill, escorted by Randy Deaville, Newcastle; Freshman Class, Teresa Whitaker, Roff, escorted by Hershel Williams, Roff; Nursing Club, Mary Monks, Durant, escorted by Floyd Paddock, Durant; Engineering Technology Club, Carolyn Caldwell, Mannsville, escorted by Jesse Casey, Rattan.

Representing the Outing Club was Kay Hodges, Turner, escorted by Larry West, Krum, Texas; Cheerleaders, Rose Marie Scallion, Hobart, escorted by Homer Porter, Enid; Basketball, Denise Evans, Carnegie, escorted by David Taghon, Branson, Mo.; Afro Club, Cynthia Harris, Valliant, escorted by Gil Williams, Albuquerque, N.M.; Sophomore Class, Mary Howard, Oklahoma City, escorted by Bobby Garner, Stratford.

Representing the Rodeo Club was Shelly Michael, Durant, escorted by Derrick Michael, Midland, Texas; Veterinary Technology, Nancy Dollar, Achille, escorted by Michael Zyzak, Midwest City. The crown bearer was Brandon Beaver, and Wanda Jane Alexander was the flower girl.

The queen, selected by majority vote, was Denise Evans. Crowned by escort David Taghon, she also received a royal kiss and a dozen red roses. Carolyn Caldwell was named second runner-up and Mary Monks was first runner-up.

During the ceremonies the meanest teacher award was announced. It went



A REGAL exit is made by Queen Denise Evans and escort David Taghon.

to David Lamb, who won by three votes over Gerald "The Only Way" Alloway. Lamb said, "I worked long and hard to receive this prized award." It seems as if the students felt the same way.

Wiggling bodies and a lot of foot stomping set the tone of the annual Campus Day Dance. "Washita" played both rock and country, featuring new songs from recent recording dates. The dance was well attended and provided the students a chance to get out and socialize.

A Christmas open house for all faculty and staff of Murray State College will be held in the Board of Regents Room from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Dec. 19. Coffee, punch and Christmas "goodies" will be provided by the president's office for this annual event.



GOING, GOING...gong. These participants give it their best shot during the Campus Day Gong Show.

### Christmas Break Calendar

- December 3-21: Pre-enrollment.
- December 18-21: Finals.
- December 21: Grades are due in the registrar's office at 5 p.m.
- December 22: Dormitories will close at noon. Holiday officially begins.
- January 16: Dormitories open at noon.
- January 17-18: Regular enrollment.
- January 21: Spring semester classes begin.

Grades will be mailed out around the end of December or the first of January.

The business office will be open during the holiday from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. except the following days: December 24, 25, 26 and 31 and January 1 and 2.

## College Choir Carols Open Holiday Season

A Murray tradition, the Christmas concert, will bring the spirit of Christmas to campus this week.

Under the direction of instructor Larry Metcalf, the Murray State College Choir will present its annual Christmas concert at 8 p.m. Thursday in Fletcher Auditorium.

Presentations by the College Choir and soloists will include traditional and nontraditional Christmas music.

A special presentation of the "Warsaw Concerto" for two pianos by Richard Addensell will be performed by the piano duo of Dr. Kim Kurvink and Margaret Lokey.

Members of the choir are Byron

Coats, Newcastle; Eva Lee Denny, Houston, Texas; Laura DeHart, Ardmore; Russell Hagen, Sherman, Texas; Charles Henderson, Houston, Texas; Sharon Henderson, Houston, Texas; Mary Howard, Oklahoma City; Brenda Hairrel, Tishomingo; Kristina Jarnigan, Healdton; Cherry Hatfield, Ringling; Kay Kindell, Tishomingo; Carrie Lee, Lone Grove; Brian Long, Healdton; Gail Michael, Ardmore; Rita Vandeventer, Lone Grove; Gary Webb, Kingston; Dee Gonsalves, Ravia; and Beth Heffington as the accompanist.

The public is invited and admission is free.



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## CLUB NEWS

### Nursing Club

Money is being raised for this year's capping and pinning ceremonies. A garage sale with lots of junk and goodies was held at the Baptist Student Union, Nov. 10. Donations are being taken for the opportunity of winning a beautiful queen-size quilt. Tickets can be purchased from a nursing student and drawing for the quilt will be Thursday.

### Gamers

The Murray State Gamers, dedicated to the serious pursuit of games, has recently been recognized by the Student Senate as an official student organization.

Gamers activities for now includes chess, war games and fantasy games. Plans for the future include trips to other campuses for games, tournaments and, possibly, the holding of a games tournament here.

Club officers are Roy Alexander, Ravia, president; Jay Driskill, Temple, vice president; Tommy Essary, Ravia, secretary-treasurer; William Wilcox, Nida, Student Senate representative.

Club sponsors are Dr. Hayes and Dr. Rousey.

For further information, see any of the club officers or Dr. Hayes.

## Student Poll

Should the U.S. send the Shah back to Iran? Why?



Pecos Bridenstine—"No, if we send one back we should send them all back."



Steve Smith—"Send him back. He ain't American, is he?"

Mark Savage—"No, because the U.S.A. is not to be black-mailed."



Jamal Saberali—"Yes, to finish up all this crisis in Iran."

Margaret Patton—"No, it would establish a precedent for other political exiles. That would be in direct contradiction to the principles of freedom upon which our country is based."

# Joy to the World

By MARGARET PATTON

"Where Christmas wishes do come true," (logo for a large department store) "Gift wrap your floors for Christmas," (ad for carpeting)"—you could even say it glows," (ad for cigarette lighters) "Shop where Santa shops," (ad for a large shopping mall) AND "Santa's-faction guaranteed," (ad for clothing store) are all advertisements found in magazines, newspapers and television intended to influence you to buy a certain product or to do your Christmas gift buying at a particular store.

Beginning directly after Thanksgiving, almost all television commercials seen on Saturday mornings (considered as prime time viewing for children) deal exclusively with toys and Christmas.

Commercials for baby dolls that walk, talk, dance, grow hair, burp and even develop diaper rash attempt to appeal to every little girl in their viewing audience.

Electronic games evidently will be in big demand this year as commercials for computerized versions of football, basketball and other sports are seen more frequently than any other type of gift item. One heavily advertised toy is called "the robot with personality." The robot is an electronic toy with eight-track tapes that are inserted into the robot, which

then responds with questions and answers when buttons are pushed.

Judging by dollars spent on television advertising, the toy industry is fiercely competitive. During the Christmas season each company plays for big stakes by spending big money to exert a big influence over children who, in turn, exert a big influence over parents.

Materialism and commercialism so dominate this "season to be jolly" that one often forgets that Christmas is and should be a time of hope, a time of love, a time of prayer for peace, and a time of good will toward men.

The image of Christmas should be that of three wise men following a star toward Bethlehem, a special Child whose birth was a gift to all people for all time from a loving God.

Nowadays, the voice of the spiritual can rarely be heard above the din of the crowd at any large shopping mall. Store windows promising a "winter wonderland of values" are filled to overflowing with clothes, toys, games, books and jewelry which promise to make this his or her "merriest Christmas" ever.

But, real Christmas spirit can not be found at any store or shopping center, nor will any gift that money can buy ever give you a Merry Christmas. Only a belief in the spiritual meaning of Christmas and an unselfish concern and love for one another will ever bring "Joy to the World."



Teri Miller—"No, even though it's causing problems, that would not be the American way."



Ezzatollah Mohseninezhad—"Yes, for two reasons. One, he kept the country undeveloped, and two, he did a lot of crimes such as killing people and taking people's money."

Mario Villar—"No, because they will kill him."

Dana Duke—"No, because it might mean his life."

## Vernon's Class Hears Justice Panel at ECU

By MARGARET PATTON

Fourteen members of Arthur Vernon's government class traveled to East Central State University in Ada Nov. 14 to hear a panel discussion on "The Oklahoma Court System: Is It Justice?"

The panel was made up of Oklahoma State Supreme Court Justice Marian P. Opala, Oklahoma District Judge Ronald Jones, Oklahoma District Attorney Gordon Melson and Ada Police Department Capt. Dennis Smith.

Justice Opala presented an overview of law and how it works within the system. He stated that laws are made and interact from three sources: constitutional law (federal level), which provides stability and is difficult to change; legislative law (statutory) which provides honesty and molds the entire system to the will of the people; and judge-made law

which provides flexibility and allows interpretation of the law by a judge when there is no constitutional or legislative law governing the legal question. According to Opala, 90 per cent of the laws governing citizens today are judge-made laws.

Justice Opala stated that most law is fashioned to be an instrument of social control and is not necessarily intended to be fair in all cases.

The comparison of punishment of petty theft (theft of an item or items costing \$20 or less) and grand larceny (theft of an item or items costing more than \$20) was cited by Justice Opala as an example of a law that is fashioned to be an instrument of social control and is not necessarily fair in all cases. Petty theft is punishable by incarceration in a local jail while grand larceny is punishable by incarceration in the state penitentiary, even though the difference in the value of the stolen item might only be one cent.

Another example of a law that is not necessarily fair in all cases, according to Justice Opala, is the search and seizure law. This law requires a police officer to obtain a search warrant before he can legally enter the private domain of any citizen.

In the instance of a known drug dealer, it appears to be unfair to society to require a police officer to secure a search warrant in order to locate and seize illegal drugs. On the other side of the coin, the same law guarantees the protection of citizens from lawlessness by the police. Therefore, law based on social control is not always just, but is as just as it can be, said Opala.

Judge Ronald Jones contributed to the discussion by noting that the law is changing daily and it becomes the duty of judges to interpret laws of the legislatures, thus making them (the judges) law makers.

District Attorney Gordon Melson

commented that he believed the search and seizure laws should include an exclusionary rule so that a criminal could not be set free because of a mere blunder by a police officer. In Canada and England the law is not so rigid, and our law could be modified and still protect private citizens, said Melson.

Capt. Dennis Smith cited several instances in which the police had difficulty in obtaining a search warrant in time to apprehend an offender while stolen goods or illegal drugs were still in their possession. A modification of the search and seizure law would be of great benefit to the police.

In a question and answer session, several members of the audience posed questions to members of the panel. One question asked was: What is the role of the prison—to rehabilitate the criminal or to keep the criminal?

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# Entertainers 'Stay a Little Bit Longer'

By MARGARET PATTON  
Being a member of the Murray State College Entertainers is not all bright lights, glamour and applause.

It is hours of grueling rehearsal, hours of loading and unloading equipment, hours of traveling, and hours of performing before audiences in all parts of the state.

On this day, the Entertainers will present an afternoon performance at Ardmore Veteran's Hospital in Ardmore, only one of the group's 40 to 60 "on the road" shows scheduled each year.

After attending morning classes and skipping lunch, (performers never eat before a show; especially sweets and milk; it clogs up the throat) members of the group report to the music building to "load up."

The old blue van is backed up to the door and both men and women (obviously equal rights are observed here) begin the job of loading up what looks like tons of equipment into a little blue trailer attached to the old blue van. One wonders if it will ever fit! However, two members of the group, Byron Coats, bass vocalist and Russell Hagan, tenor vocalist and drummer, work a small miracle and everything is finally stowed away.

After checking to make sure all necessary equipment has been loaded, members of the group squeeze into the van, ready once again to go on the road.

Climbing behind the wheel, Larry Metcalf, director of the Entertainers, barks out the order, "Warm your voices up and get psyched up!" From the back of the van, voices began to run up and down the scale, snatches of numbers that are to be presented later in the day are heard, and much good natured jostling and teasing is exchanged, creating a warm and jovial mood of camaraderie.

Kay Kindell, alto vocalist, obviously doubles as navigator (or back seat driver???) as she calls out directions and makes comments on the driving skills of Metcalf. But one must give credit where credit is due; it surely requires a great deal of skill to operate the old blue van which has over 102,000 miles and sounds somewhat like a threshing machine, especially when gaining the speed necessary to pass another vehicle.

There is certainly ample opportunity for the group to "warm their voices up," as one has to practically shout to be heard above the wind noise and rattle

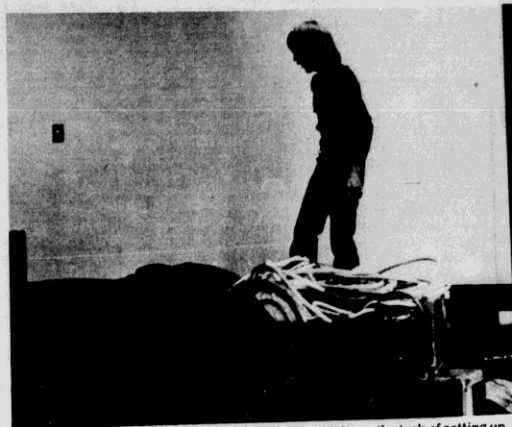
caused by a sliding door on the van's right side that fits none too tightly. But, displaying great ingenuity, Byron Coats sticks the handle of a hair brush into the gap in the door, thus quieting the most distracting of the many rattles.

Brenda Hairrel, soprano vocalist, apparently enjoys warming up her voice and can be heard leading off with "I've Been Working on the Railroad" at each and every railroad crossing. According to Brenda, it is a fact that a performer should arise at least three hours before a performance and start to "get warmed up."

Once the group arrives at their destination, a variety of problems can and do occur with regularity. The first big obstacle to overcome is finding the stage door. Doesn't sound hard?? Directions from one, then another of the group provide invaluable assistance to Metcalf.

"Go back East!" shouts Gary Webb, tenor vocalist, apparently trying to be helpful. "Don't tell me East! growls Metcalf, who seems to have some difficulty detecting points of the compass. Soon, however, the elusive stage door is located and the big job of unloading and setting up the state occupies everyone's attention for the next half hour.

Once all of the group's equipment such as "Vegas" (huge speakers)



DWARFED BY a pile of equipment, Russell Hagan faces the task of setting up.

"mikes," (microphones) drums, guitars, music stands and other paraphernalia are assembled on stage, each member is responsible for setting up his or her instrument and checking it out, according to Carrie Lee, soprano vocalist. That provides each performer

with the confidence that all is in readiness, plus gives him no one to yell at, if it's not.

Another problem that the Entertainers must often solve is "where are the dressing rooms?" Today, they are lucky and there is one dressing room backstage. The women quickly lay claim to that one and the men must make do with an office, whose location is indicated by a hospital staff member as "somewhere over there." Beth Heffington, alto vocalist and pianist, recalled that once she had to change in the cab of a pickup.

If time allows, once the stage is set up, there is a short practice session while Charles "Moose" Henderson, (he is almost that big) the group's sound and equipment manager, adjusts the sound equipment via the "mixer," a big board with all kinds of switches and dials. Attached to the board is a long cord, called a "snake" that runs from the board to the sound equipment on stage. Sometimes problems arise because of the acoustics or size of the room or auditorium where the group is to perform and "Moose" makes the necessary adjustments using the mixer.

Finally, everything and everyone is in readiness and the group file off the stage to await their audience.

"And now, ladies and gentlemen, we are proud to present, from Murray State College in Tishomingo, The Entertainers!" the loudspeaker booms out the introduction, the curtain opens and another show begins.

Obviously, much thought and planning has been put into the group's repertoire, so that there will be numbers that appeal to all ages and all types of audiences. One this day, the audience is made up of mostly men, from young to old, some in wheel chairs. The opening numbers, "Save the Bones for Henry Jones," is pure jazz and a crowd pleaser.

As the performance draws to a close, Mary Howard, alto vocalist and pianist, does a solo called, "Mighty Clouds of Joy," a gospel rock number that appears to be a favorite of the audience.

Another show over, the group begins the job of loading up, as some members of the audience linger behind and make their way down front to voice their appreciation. "Best show we've had in years" and "your group has personality plus," are just a couple of the remarks overheard from some obvious fans. "Did you get that down?" quips Gail Michael, soprano vocalist, as the group climbs into the van.

At last, the group heads home in the bumpy, rattly, old blue van pulling their little blue trailer behind them.



MARY HOWARD and Kay Kindell laugh it up with the rest of the Entertainers while on the road.

Some people used to believe that banging a branch of mistletoe on the ceiling would protect them from harm in general and fire in particular.

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Do you give a final exam?	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
What kind of exam do you usually give for this course? Multiple Choice, Essay, Matching, Problem Solving, Fill in the Blank, Combination?	Combination	Combination plus role playing & re-write false statements	Combination	Essay, fill in the blank & combination	Combination	Essay (short answer) and problem sol
Do you allow exemptions? Specify requirements in order to be exempt.	Yes, student must have 90% average entering final exam	no	no	no	no	no
Are tests comprehensive? Partially comprehensive? Chapter tests?	Chapter test	Comprehensive	Comprehensive	Partially Comprehensive	Partially Comprehensive	Comprehens
Do you furnish study guides or have special study reviews prior to final exam date?	yes	last class session is for review	no special ones-they receive these during semester	yes, special reviews	yes	yes
What per cent of semester grade is determined by final exam grade?	Counts as another hour exam	20% to 25%	10%	11% to 12%	about 10%	15%
Are students allowed to use books and or notes on any part of the exam in this course?	no	no, but different formulas can be utilized	no	no	no	yes, on all grammar and mechanics sections
Will you allow make-up tests if a student misses a final exam in this course?	no	no, unless notified prior to test of reason (illness, etc)	Yes, but must be valid excuse all make-up tests are essay	no	only with academic dean's consent	only for unavoidable absence

"Don't whistle until you're out of the woods."  
American Proverb

## Mix Christmas, Finals for Excedrin Headache

By JO ANN ROBERTSON

Students are now faced with the dilemma of coping with final exams and Christmas at the same time.

This is a fine example of checks and balances in play. Should you become over-anxious in anticipation of Christmas and the holiday vacation just remember that final exams are their immediate predecessor.

Anxiety over the final exams can be dispensed with in a similar manner. Simply remind yourself that Christmas and the holiday vacation follow close behind.

Preparing for them both simultaneously is entirely a different matter. By employing organization and strategy we should be able to overcome most any obstacles.

A well groomed appearance is in order so it would be wise to double check for shoes on the wrong feet and buttons buttoned up in the wrong button holes.

Above all, you must appear at all times to have a solid grasp on reality. This means you should refrain from

using first names so your friends and family won't know you don't remember who they are.

This applies especially to instructors. It could be disastrous to your grade should you address one professor by another's name.

Also, it would be a good idea to stay close to someone when changing classes and so forth. This will serve to dispel any suspicions that you have started talking to yourself. Since the person you've fallen in stride with won't be able to decipher your mumbling he will probably just think his hearing is going bad, so you don't have to worry about him either.

Fingers with the nails bitten off to the quick are a dead giveaway as to a persons mental condition, so you should endeavor, always, to keep both hands in your pockets.

If at all possible you should recruit someone else to do your Xmas shopping for you, or at least solicit their opinions, as your own judgment is not to be trusted. Students of biology should especially take note of this.

In the event you experience difficulty

in deciding what goes under the tree and what goes on the tree, then perhaps you should avoid helping to decorate it altogether.

If the grading system seems to have gone haywire, students should try to keep in mind the fact that instructors are faced with much the same problems as themselves.

Besides meeting routine schedules they also must contend with Xmas and the ending semester.

Add to this, not only the responsibility of teaching what seems like a bunch of infidels, they also are expected to grade our final exams and to give most of us a passing grade.

In spite of the pressures posed by the approaching finals and Xmas so close together, things could be worse.

It seems that in the past finals were scheduled after Xmas. As things stand now we will complete finals on Dec. 21 and still have several days to enjoy the holiday without the burden of studying for final exams.

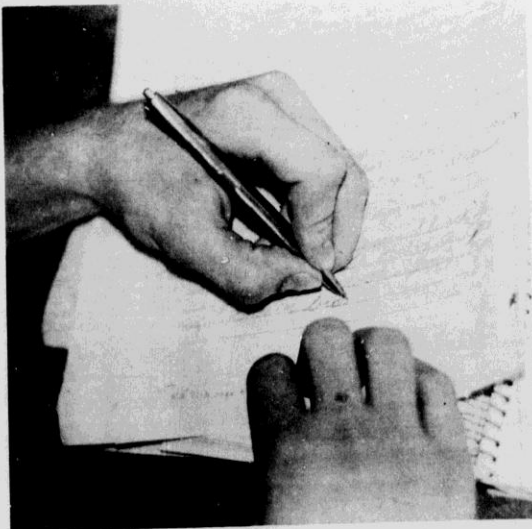
The present arrangement is a much happier one for everyone concerned.





	Larry Milligan Integrated Humanities, 2113	John Patton Principles of Accounting, 2103	Fred Poe Elements of Pub. Speaking, 1113	Rex Morrell American Government, 1113	Arthur Vernon American Government, 1113	Stan Wilson General Biology, 1114
	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
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	no	no	no	no	yes, student must have certain average and absences	no
prehensive	Chapter test	Comprehensive	Comprehensive	Chapter test	Comprehensive	partially comprehensive
	yes	yes	occasionally	yes	given throughout semester	yes
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or dable e	yes--on date specified by registrar	n/a	yes	depends on the circumstances	almost never	yes

"Studies serve for delight,  
for ornament, and for  
ability." Francis Bacon



## Intramurals

The 1979 men's and women's Intramural All-Stars Volleyball Team was named by Nancy Shilling, student activities director.

The members of the women's volleyball team are Carol Johnson, Tishomingo; Fran Morrell, Tishomingo; Debra Thomas, Grant; Diane Mitchell, Hugo; Kay Hodges, Burneyville; Carl Harjo, Sasakwa; Marilyn Thomas, Allen; Mary Howard, Oklahoma City; Diana Crow, Allen; and Peggy McMillan, Velma Alma.

1979 men's team members are Bobby Garner, Stratford; Jeff Hughes, Stratford; Glenn Enloe, Fox; Dean Fuller, Soper; Dave Welchel, Albuquerque, N.M.; Kenneth Taylor, Prague, Kevin Smith, Lone Grove; Randy May, Leon; Rafael Ordaz, Venezuela; Raymond Bueno, Venezuela; Jim Kennedy, Tishomingo; Danny Hitchcock, Mansville; Bob Baker, Lindsay; John Borquin, Purcell; Bud Webster, Paoli and Kenneth Click, McLoud.

Certificates may be picked up in the Student Activities Office.



MEN'S INTRAMURAL volleyball champions, Grayson. Top: Mark Savage, Stratford. Middle: Joel Longhorn, Earlsboro; Bobby Garner, Stratford; Jeff Hughes, Stratford. Bottom: Kevin Norrell, Davis; Byron Coats, Newcastle; Randy Deaville, Newcastle.

### Horseshoes

Horseshoes ended with George Ross defeating Jim Schammerhorn for the men's single championship.

In women's singles Beth Trammell defeated Teresa Driver for the title.

The women's doubles championship went to Beth Trammell and Teresa Driver.

### Tennis

Two tennis championships have been decided. Mide Grider and Fran Morrell defeated Jim and Glenda Schammerhorn for the mixed doubles championship. Duane Burleson defeated Mike Chambliss for the men's singles title.

In men's doubles Mike Tarber and Kenneth Burrell will meet Duane Burleson and Bryan Sparks for the men's doubles championship.

### Pool

The men's title went to Richard Shelton, who defeated A. H. Vernon.



WOMEN'S INTRAMURAL volleyball champions, MSC Dolls. Kneeling from left are Lori Sawyer, Teresa Driver, Tammy Lore and Rita Vandeventer. Standing from left are Ramona McCord, Mary Howard, Beth Trammell, Teresa Whitaker and Peggy McMillan.

### Table Tennis

The women's singles champion will be decided between Earlene Abram and Eileen Abram.

In men's singles Jimmy Langford will meet the winner of the Jimmy Lebew and William Jones match. That winner will play Kenneth Burrell in the finals.

### Basketball

Men's basketball began Monday, Nov. 14, with these results: Grayson def. the Okies 38-33; No Names def. the Aggies 50-40; TTK def. Toal Pushers 61-32.

November 26 results: TTK def. Men's Faculty 60-22; No Names def. Okies 46-43; Aggies def. Grayson 56-53.

Women's games began Nov. 27.

### Volleyball

The MSC Dolls, who were also the softball champs, defeated the Native American Club for the women's championship.

In men's volleyball, Grayson won over the International team. Grayson has been both flag football and softball champions.



KEVIN SMITH'S up for two during intramural basketball action.

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## 15-0 is Aggies' Letter to Santa Claus

Although the Campus Day game against Carl Albert was a 70-58 victory for the Aggies, the team suffered two losses.

Beth Trammell, Murray's leading scorer, twisted her ankle in the first minute of play, and Melanie Matthews, another main bucket maker, suffered a knee injury with five minutes left in the first half.

Matthews isn't expected to return to play until after Christmas break. Trammell only missed two games and was back in the line-up for the Bacone game Nov. 15.

The rest of the team seemed pretty healthy as they went on to defeat St. Gregory 84-49 here on Nov. 10. Shorna Coffee led scoring with 18 points.

In the first of the next three road games the team beat Paris Junior College 65-57. Debra Thomas led with 16 points. The games got easier at Bacone with a 71-40 victory over the Warriorettes.

Coach John Loftin's team met it's toughest match of the year Nov. 19 as

the Aggies traveled to Oklahoma City Southwestern to play the Lady Eagles. The Aggies were behind at half time by two points, but they didn't give up and came out ahead at the buzzer 68-62. Beth Trammell had a hot hand with 26 points, followed by Debra Thomas with 17 points.

Back home again the Aggies didn't give Bacone a chance for revenge with a 71-44 win Nov. 29.

Murray's team got it's tenth win at St. Gregory's Dec. 3 with a good playing effort for a 87-66 game.

"If we beat Cooke County Junior College and Oklahoma City Southwestern at home, I think we will be 15-0 at Christmas," said Loftin. After the Christmas holiday the Aggies will play in the Texas A & M Lady's Classic held Jan. 10, 11 and 12. Included in the tournament are eight of the top junior colleges in Oklahoma and Texas.

"By this time we should be an experienced ball club, ready to play our first conference game against Western on Jan. 14," Loftin said.



FIGHTING FOR two tough ones under the basket is Reggie Hoskins, Lawton.

## Art, Writing Contest Deadline Now Jan. 30

Writers, artists and photographers have until Jan. 30 to submit their work for judging in a contest sponsored by the Humanities Division.

Originally Nov. 30, the deadline was extended to allow more students to participate.

"Several students have told me they plan to get something ready for the contest over the holidays," said Lewis Parkhill, English instructor.

Entries will be accepted in poetry, short stories, photography and art categories.

Prizes will be awarded for first and second place winners in each category with possible publication in a campus magazine.

Contestants must be enrolled in at least 12 semester hours at Murray and may enter as many categories as they desire, but may submit no more

than three entries in any one category.

Short story manuscripts should be typed and double-spaced. Poetry should follow the typography that the writer desires. To submit manuscripts, type your name and the title of the manuscripts submitted on an envelope. Do not put your name on the manuscript itself. Deliver the manuscripts to Lewis Parkhill, Ad 325, or leave them in the communications center.

Photographs should be black and white, unmounted, any size up to 8x10 inches. On the back write your social security number, and then write your name and social security number on the envelope and submit it to Lewis Parkhill.

Art work should be submitted to Larry Milligan in the Music Building.

## String of Seven Losses, Aggies Looking for Win

Six out of the Aggies nine basketball games have been on the road and it certainly hasn't been a joy ride for the squad. The team's record is now 3-9.

Although the Aggies have been losing, there aren't any runaway games on their record. Their biggest loss was by 11 points. Their average loss is by seven points in their last eight games. Murphree's starters, four of them freshmen, have had several two and three point games, with the winner

being decided in the last few seconds.

The leading scoring position has been switching off among Rob Alexander, Gil Williams and Homer Porter. Alexander and Williams are averaging around 17 points a game. Porter has had two 25 point games so far. All five starters are getting into double figures in almost every game.

The next home game will be against Oklahoma City Southwestern Dec. 15. Although a win is not guaranteed, a good game of basketball is.

## Children's Visions No Longer Sugar Plums

By MARGARET PATTON

At this time of year most children's thoughts are filled with visions of Santa Claus sliding down the chimney, Christmas trees loaded with ornaments and lights, and stacks of toys under the tree on Christmas morning.

In a recent interview with several of the children who attend the Murray State College Day Care Center, a question and answer session provided a delightful trip into the world of children's thought about Christmas time.

Randi Grider is 5 years old and is the daughter of Mike and Melinda Grider. Her father is an instructor in the agriculture department and her mother works in the communications center at MSC.

Q: What happens at Christmas time at your house?

A: Santa Claus comes.

Q: Do you help decorate your Christmas tree?

A: I get to put on the balls.

Brandon Beaver is 4 years old and is the son of Earl and Mary Jane Beaver. His father is self-employed and his mother teaches public school.

Q: What do you want for Christmas?

A: A Spiderman and a Zip Zap Race Truck.

Q: Whose birthday do we celebrate at Christmas?

A: Jesus.  
Wanda Jane Alexander is 5 years old and is the daughter of Pat Alexander, who works at the Webb Clinic.

Q: Why do you think we celebrate Christmas?

A: To be thankful.

Q: What do you want for Christmas?

A: A doll, a doll with a bottle.  
Shea Tyson is 3 years old and is the son of Billy and Charlotte Tyson. His father is an electrician and his mother is a secretary at MSC.

Q: What do you want for Christmas? Clothes?

A: I've got clothes, I want some toys cause I like 'em. I want a Star Wars set.

Q: Do you help decorate your Christmas tree?

A: I get to put the star on top.  
Angie Roan is 4 years old and is the daughter of Paul and Betty Roan. Her father is an Oklahoma State Trooper and her mother is a secretary.

Q: Do you get out in the woods and cut your own Christmas tree?

A: We get it at the Christmas Shopping Store.

Q: What do you want for Christmas?

A: Well, I circled some things in the catalogue. I circled a jewelry box.

Mike Lee Eddy is 5 years old and is the son of Alice Miller. His mother works for the INCA Community Services Head Start Program.

Q: What do you want for Christmas?

A: A bike without training wheels and I'd kinda like a racing track.

Q: Do you have a Christmas tree at your house?

A: Not yet, but we're gonna go out in the woods and get one.

Jon Huston is 3 years old and is the son of Steve and Judy Huston. His father is an instructor in the science department and his mother works.

Q: What do you want for Christmas?

A: A real knife so that I can cut down trees with it and throw 'em in the water.

Q: Do you have a Christmas tree at your house?

A: When I get a real knife, I'm going to chop one down.

Q: Whose birthday do we celebrate at Christmas?

A: Randi's.



## Canine's Teeth Gnash in Dog Demonstration

By JO ANN ROBERTSON

An armed villain was attacked by ferocious police dogs in broad daylight during "Campus Day."

Actually there was no cause for alarm as the "attack" was merely a staged demonstration.

The guard dog demonstration was sponsored by the veterinary technology program primarily to give students a live demonstration of animal restraint. And, said Dr. Kay Husen, "these animals exercised the epitome of animal restraint."

The guard dogs and their handlers captivated over 200 spectators as they demonstrated a high degree of skill and training on Murray campus during

Campus Day.

Four dogs, two German shepherds and two doberman pinschers clad in very heavy harnesses, repeatedly attacked the antagonist on command of their owner-handlers.

A man waving or shooting a gun was an automatic target of attack for these animals. A dog would leap atop or through a car to get to the man with the gun.

The dogs were held in check by heavy leashes which were attached to the harnesses. At times it seemed the owners could hardly hold the dogs against the strain they were exerting on the leashes.

On command an animal would revert from a vicious, snarling, attacking animal to a docile pet at his owners feet.

Owners handlers were Andy Pearson, Lexington; Macy Sanders, Moore; and Troy Smith, Oklahoma City.

The dogs and their owner handlers were trained by the AR-Kanine Training Facilities.

Training a guard dog for security purposes is the main objective of most individuals who attend training sessions.

For example, Troy Smith had just moved to the country. His wife suggested they either move back to town or get a guard dog. He acquired a dog and began to attend classes at the facility at Moore.

His intentions were only to train the dog to be a good guard dog. He became so interested in the program that he continued until he now has a dog that is trained well enough to be a police dog. His dog has won top honors in the national guard dog competition.

Dogs and their owners are accepted as student teams by the AR-Kanine Training Facilities. The owners receive as stringent a training program as do the dogs.

They are taught theory and logical sequence. If logical sequence is not applied it is quite possible to ruin an animal.

The AR-Kanine Kennels do not sell trained guard dogs. They train dogs and their owners as a team.

The AR-Kanine Training Facilities were begun by Roger Osburn, who has a facility at Moors. Roger Leforce operates the facility at Shoto. David Norman is the trainer with the facility at Ardmore.

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nal out of society?

Justice Opala responded: "Rehabilitation is forced upon us (the public) as a matter of self-protection for their (the criminal) re-entry into society."

Judge Jones responded: "I don't think you can ignore the punishment aspect—hopefully prison is a deterrent to him and to others."

District Attorney Melson responded: "Our instinctive response to serious crime is retributive in nature and the hardest obstacle to overcome in getting a more sane and rational correctional system."

Capt. Smith responded: "If someone takes a life, he should be sent to the penitentiary, and I don't think he should have a color television and other luxuries that he had at home."

At the close of the discussion, a question was directed to Justice Opala for his views on the passage of the proposed Equal Rights Amendment.

Justice Opala remarked that while he could not discuss his personal views, he would say that he did have some objections to its passage from a purely legal standpoint. He said that the passage of the ERA would mean that it would be federally interpreted (by the Federal Supreme Court Justices), and most people want to prevent allocation of even greater power to the federal legislature and court.

"The power to interpret the constitution is the power to re-write it or give it meaning," said Opala.

Murray State College students attending were Bonnie Rich, Jane Goodman, Kay Kindell, Dan Shaffer, Joyce King, Dewayne Scribner, Cindy Burnside, Pam Bell, Sandra Clark, Carol Eden, Hal Jolly, Craig Newman, Reuben Edgar and Margaret Patton.

## We've Got a Problem!

By BILL HAYES

Mankind as a species causes more problems than any other species on the surface of the earth. Mankind is, also, the most problem-solving species in earth's history.

How does mankind solve problems? Typically, we learn to solve problems through the use of precise analytical methods involving step-by-step procedures which are passed on from generation to generation. We are trained to operate much like a calculator or computer. We are given a required amount of input data, we act upon that data with a programmed procedure, and we output data as a result—Simple, clearcut, straightforward problem solving. Thus, we survive an algebra or physics course. Thus by using the principles of the past, we solve simple problems in an adequate manner in a moderate amount of time.

What happens when the problems are not so simple, when the techniques for solving a particular problem have not been learned, or when the limits of time prevent problem-solving in a traditional manner? Typically, logic and reason fly out the window and we must resort to creative problem solving.

Creativity typically lies outside the bounds of traditional problem-solving patterns. The creative process occurs most readily when the mind is relaxed and the imagination is allowed to roam freely. Traditional problem-

solving is the antithesis of this.

In creative problem-solving, a sudden hunch carries the thinker to a solution with one quantum leap—the "aha!" experience occurs! "Aha!" ability may be defined as our capability to solve problems creatively. "Aha!" ability differs with the individual. Some people have a high level, some moderate and some low. Practically everyone, however, can increase his or her "aha!" ability through practice.

This spring, I will be conducting a course intended to help the individual develop and maximize "aha!" (insight) problem-solving on a day-to-day basis.

To qualify for this course you must have maintained a 3.5 or better grade point average in a minimum of 12 hours during the semester at Murray or have scored 23 or better on the composite portion or 25 or better on the natural science portion of the ACT, or have special permission of the instructor.

This course will allow you to earn one hour credit in a relaxed atmosphere while you expand your mind's capability for insight. The limited enrollment for this course will obviate the need for traditional evaluation tools (tests).

If you are interested in this course, contact me for more information, then see your advisor about enrolling for the spring semester in Sci 2900-1, Honors Science (meets Mondays at 1 p.m.).

It takes Pluto 248 earth years to make one complete orbit of the sun.

## Marietta, Wilburton Stroud Place First

The Murray Invitational Speech Tournament, held Nov. 15, drew more than 300 high school contestants.

The schools participating were divided into Class A, with nine schools competing, and Class B, with 16 competing schools.

The Class A sweepstakes award was a close contest, with Stroud and Wilburton tying for first place honors.

The Class B contest was dominated by the talent of Marietta, coached by Helen Jo Banks.

In 10 categories, Marietta took many of the top individual awards with Cindy Bater and Robin Puckett winning first and second place in women's extemporaneous speaking.

Deidra Cutting took first place in humorous literature and second place in dramatic literature. Marietta's Cindy Bates and Regina Hicks placed first and second in interpretation of prose, and Cynthia McCarrell and Regina Hicks won the top two placings in interpretation of poetry.

## Social Science Club Holds Wild Beast Feast

The call of the wild attracted over 90 people as the Social Science Club held its annual Wild Game Barbeque.

The event was succeeded by a short concert by the Entertainers and committees by club president Jeff Hughes. Hughes drew out the lucky number for Nancy Shilling, who won 50 pounds of steak the club was giving away. After a blessing by Gary Webb, the feast began, with deer, squirrel, turkey, duck, dove and pheasant as the main dishes.

Mrs. Olin, food service manager of the cafeteria, was given a box of chocolates in appreciation of the help and instructions she gave to the workers who helped to prepare the meal.

Behind-the-scenes workers were Jeff Hughes, Mark Savage, Randy Hendrix, John Tyler, Bobby Garner, Kenneth Click, Sherri Simpson, Danny Dodd, Gary Webb, Clay Combes, Denise Evans, Beth Heffington, Eleanor Miller, Brad Ray and Sharon Cook. "The barbeque was very successful," said Jeff Hughes. "We had quite a few people compliment us on the food."

The food was donated by the club members and several people of the community.

## Judging Team Places In National Contest

The Aggie Judging Team participated in the North American International Livestock Exposition at Louisville, Ky.—their first major national contest. Competing with 30 other teams from California to New York, the Aggie judges placed ninth in the two divisions of swine and sheep judging.

The Aggie team members judged a total of 12 livestock classes and gave reasons for their placing in six of these classes.

Coach Jerry Barbee said, "I feel that the Louisville contest was a close contest, and the team did quite well."

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