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Students Warned To Apply Now For '87-88' Funds

By Jon Parker

Students who plan to apply for financial aid for the 1987-88 school year can pick up their ACT family financial statements in the financial aid office, according to Pamela Jordan, financial aid coordinator.

Priority deadline for consideration for some programs, including Tuition Aid Grants (TAG) and Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants (SEOG) is March 1, so students wanting aid from these sources should get their forms mailed as soon as possible. While students who file their financial statements late may still have a chance, the programs are administered on a first-come, first serve basis, as well as by greatest need.

"If students or their parents won't have their tax returns ready by then, they should fill out everything but the income portion of the form ahead of time so they can get it in the mail," Jordan said.

Also, students who want to file as independent students should make plans to meet with financial aid officials right away in order to find out if they meet the revised criteria passed by Congress last year.

Other changes in financial aid affect Guaranteed Student Loans (GSL), and students who are counting on the loans for next year need to make sure that they still qualify.

Another GSL change affects repayment. The eight percent interest charged on GSL will go up to 10 percent on any unpaid balance left after five years.

NOTICE

A public hearing will be held next Wednesday to hear comments from interested individuals on the subject of tuition and fee increases at Oklahoma colleges and universities.

While there are no specific tuition hikes planned for Murray, views will also be heard on a proposed plan to increase tuition to 25% of the instructional cost at all state colleges.

Those wishing to be heard should notify the Chancellors office of the State Regents, 500 Education Bldg., State Capitol Complex, Oklahoma City, Okla., 73105, phone (405) 521-2444 no later than today.

The meeting will be held at 10 a.m. in the State Regent's Conference Room on the Fifth floor of the Education Building.

Students wishing to apply for College Work-Study for summer jobs should contact financial aid in April, while those who desire jobs for next fall should plan to make inquiries in June. Most jobs will be awarded during August.

Last year there was a \$10,000 decrease in the amount of money available for CWS. While no cuts are expected this year, students should still plan to apply early in order to receive priority consideration.

Students should also be prepared for a more complicated ACT form, Jordan said. The form has increased to eight pages from the former four, with students being required to submit more detailed information on family members than previously required. There are also two pages of questions regarding previous student aid awarded.

The ACT report requires students to enclose a \$6 processing fee, along with a \$2 charge to be considered for TAG, and three dollars per school to have the report sent to more than one college.

Students may instead file the free Federal Application for Student Aid,

Financial Aid Outlook Dim on State, National Levels

By Jon Parker

Recent developments on both the state and national levels seem to forecast ever increasing restrictions on the amount of funds available for students to attend higher education institutions.

analysis

The report of the Oklahoma Regents Higher Education Task Force recommends, among other things, that tuition at Oklahoma colleges be raised by 10 percent per year for the next ten years. While part of the money raised from tuition hikes would go toward increased appropriations for tuition aid grants, the hikes would nevertheless mean a tougher time for students and parents in paying college costs.

Nor do things look any brighter on a national level. The Reauthorization of the Higher Education Act of 1965, signed into law by President Reagan last October, tightened up criteria for Guaranteed Student Loans, forcing students to come up with even more money to put themselves through college.

In addition, the proposed budget that President Reagan is submitting to congress would slash federal college funds even more severely.



Financial Aid officials (from left) Sherri King, Pamela Jordan, and Linda Graham. The financial aid office is ready to help with assistance related problems.

although students may not be considered for some grants if they do so.

If students wish to know ahead of time how much financial aid they qualify for, they can ask the financial aid office to run a preliminary need analysis, which will tell them the amounts they can expect to receive based on their income.

Awards for the various programs will be made in June or July, so the sooner

students get busy on next year's application the better chance they have of being considered for all programs.

The amount of money available for financial aid is not expected to decrease, but eligibility standards and verification criteria have tightened, Jordan added.

Students who have questions about their status or other financial aid matters should feel free to contact the financial aid staff, said Jordan.

According to budget director James Miller, the proposed budget would trim the higher ed allotments by 50 percent. Among the programs hurt would be Pell grants, which would be cut by one-third, college work study, which would be eliminated altogether, and reductions in the number of scholarships offered.

Miller also recommends cutting subsidies to banks for loaning money at low interest rates on the Guaranteed Student Loan program, effectively cutting off another form of financial aid for hard pressed students.

Miller proposes replacing the cut programs with an income-contingent loan program, under which loans would still be guaranteed by the federal government, but interest rates would be at the current eight percent for GSL.

But by cutting grants, scholarships, and low-interest loans, and replacing them with loaned money at higher rates, students will be facing the prospect of graduating with huge debts that may take 20 or more years to repay. This may not only keep some students from attending college altogether, but it will also discourage students from pursuing public-service or other low-paying but necessary careers.

make it through, if possibly somewhat revised.

At the December meeting of the Higher Education Alumni Council, state regents task force chairman James Tolbert justified tuition increases by saying that the cap on Pell grants would still be far above the tuition rate. But with federal officials attempting to cut the money available for grants, that may soon no longer be the case.

With state officials attempting to put the responsibility for funding higher education off on the federal government and the students, and the federal government saying that the state and the students are going to have to foot the bill, it's the students who are really going to feel the pinch.

Former Education Secretary Terence Bell said in a report on problems in higher education released last November that federal officials who were considering massive cuts in higher education funding were "unthinkingly abetting a case of national suicide."

The Bell Commission report was dismissed by Bell's successor, William Bennett, as "rhetoric," further evidence that the Reagan administration had federal student aid on the financial chopping block.

In all likelihood the state tuition hikes will make it through, though the

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Task Force Right on Some Items

While we take a dim view of the recommended tuition hikes that the task force appointed by the legislature to study higher education came up with, some of the other ideas in the report deserve close attention.

Among those that we feel to be worthwhile are those of enforcing higher standards for college entry while creating a new class of "provisional" student who would be admitted to regular college courses only when his ability on standardized tests reached a certain level.

Problems created with "teaching down" to the slower students in the public school system are allowing many to graduate high school while functionally illiterate and with little skill in math, science, and other basic subjects. This should not be allowed to happen in the higher education system.

While colleges do have a role in helping those whose public education background did not prepare them for college, lax entrance standards and enrollment-driven funding systems serve to devalue an expensive education for those already able to perform college-level work.

Stricter entrance standards at four-year colleges, a "core curriculum" for undergraduates, and competency testing at the completion of the sophomore year, all recommended by the task force, will strengthen the value of a degree from the Oklahoma higher ed system.

Task force chairman James Tolbert claims that Oklahoma has achieved "victory over access" in the higher ed system, and that it is now time to turn our attention to quality.

Oklahomans would do well to listen.

Hearing Deserves Attention

The public hearing being held next Wednesday at the State Capitol to discuss tuition hikes is of interest to all students who are faced with ever-increasing difficulty in paying for college.

On the agenda for discussion are tuition increases of 10 percent annually for the next ten years, culminating in a cost to students of 30 percent of instructional cost.

With student aid facing likely reductions at both the state and federal level, increases in the cost of education will place an extra burden on the already expensive activity of pursuing higher learning.

Students able to attend should make plans to be there, and those who cannot should write to their elected representatives.

It is only by taking an active stand that students can control their ability to afford to go to college.

Free Press Month Cause for Note

January is Freedom of the College Student Press month, and a recent study indicates that there may be cause for concern.

Out of 17 schools studied, a journalism professor from Central Missouri State found evidence of censorship at every one. Punishments inflicted on student newspapers for printing articles that upset college officials included funding cuts (the University of Montana's *Kaiman* so upset the student senate president that he cut their funding from \$10,000 to one dollar), passing restrictive "publications policies" and demands for prior review of copy.

Whatever abuse of power the media is sometimes charged with, the alternative is much worse. A free exchange of ideas is central to our system of government, and these students should not be hindered in exercising their First Amendment rights.

Other Stuff

Misc: Regents task force chairman James Tolbert, when asked why they didn't recommend placing OU and OSU under one board of regents, as was advised for other colleges, replied, "because we're chicken".A New York State University professor on budget director James Miller's defense of proposed higher ed funding cuts: "he should win an Academy Award."TV evangelist Oral Roberts claims that if his followers don't help him raise \$4.5 million by March that his work on Earth will be over. It's been nice knowing ya, Oral.....

from the editor's desk

Ethics in Society Cause for Concern, Individual Action

By Jon Parker

Current events are continually pointing out the lack of any real set of ethical values for our society. Our government is racked with incompetence, mismanagement and just plain lying and stealing, and the general public follows this example by cheerfully going about the business of suing each other with abandon, cheating on income taxes and stealing millions of dollars each year from their places of work.

During the investigation of the Tweed Ring, which stole an estimated \$60 million from the New York City treasury during the mid-nineteenth century, police chief Alexander was asked why he allowed numerous bordellos to flourish in his neighborhood unmolested. He replied "It seemed like the fashionable thing at the time."

Regrettably, Alexander's attitude still holds true today. In government, in the business community, and among the public, cheating each other has become the real American Way.

The every man for himself attitude of the American people is defended by a bookstore's worth of tired cliches. "Everybody does it," "they all do it, he just got caught," and "if I don't do it, someone else will," all boil down to the same thing, a lack of willingness to be responsible for our own actions and look out for the other guy. In no way do we consider ourselves to be our brothers keeper.

Our government needs money in order to operate. We have the moral obligation to provide food, clothing, shelter and medical care to those who cannot afford it. It is necessary that public education be provided. We need decent roads, national defense, postal service, and police protection, and other services that can only be supplied through taxation.

But the people have a right to expect their tax dollars to be spent wisely. When budget cuts in governmental agencies are made, administrators make the decision about which programs and

employees get the axe. Naturally, lower-level jobs (i.e. those actually working) go first, and the resulting oversupply of management has led to a monstrously expensive bureaucratic juggernaut that threatens to destroy our national economy. Examples of welfare fraud, massive overcharging on military expenditures, bribe-taking and other instances of dishonesty throughout all levels of the government have contributed to the feeling that the public is being lied to and cheated by those entrusted with responsibility for sensibly spending their tax dollars.

The business community has much to answer for in setting the trend of dishonesty also. From selling sugar water as apple juice for babies to insider trading on Wall Street, the corporations of America have continually shown that anything goes when it comes to making a profit. They complain of an excess of governmental regulation, but refuse to prove that they can be trusted to conduct the nation's business on their own without compromising the health and safety of consumers.

The disillusionment and distrust bred by the government and the business community manifests itself on an individual level too. The courts are packed with lawsuits, with the general public evidently believing that if there is money there for the taking it makes no difference if they get their share. Cheating on income taxes is de rigeur, for high tax rates and monumental mismanagement in government spending have led the public to attempt to keep the money that they feel will only be wasted anyway.

The only solution to the malignant distrust that grips the nation begins on an individual level. The American people, one at a time, are going to have to decide to follow standards of behavior that show respect for their fellow citizens.

If we keep going the way we have been, dishonesty may soon cease to be a fact of life. It may become a way of life.

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Livestock Clinic to be Held Saturday

A Livestock Judging Clinic will be held at Murray State Saturday, with 4-H and FFA members from several area high schools attending.

Cost for the clinic is \$15, which will start off at 8:30 a.m. with the MSC Livestock Judging Team giving pointers to the students.

The afternoon will feature a contest, with plaques and trophies awarded to the winners.

The last clinic held attracted 59 students from various schools.

Spring Graduates Must Register Now

Students planning to graduate this spring must fill out a diploma application in the Registrar's Office by Feb. 2, according to Jay Caldwell, associate dean for student services.

Students who fail to register may have problems getting their diplomas on time, Caldwell said.

Students will also have to pay a \$15 graduation fee in the Business Office.

Both offices are located in the Administration building.

State Scholarships Total \$2.8 Million

State Regents Fee Waiver scholarships amounting to \$2.8 million were awarded to 12,000 Oklahoma students during the 1986 fall semester, according to an Oklahoma Regents report.

Almost 60 percent of the students received scholarships based on financial need, while the remainder were academic excellence awards. Freshman received the largest number of awards by class, with arts and sciences students getting the largest share when the awards were broken down by major.

Over \$9 million is available for scholarships for the 1986-87 school year.

Vets May Qualify For School Aid

More than 269,000 post-Vietnam veterans who are eligible for educational assistance are failing to take advantage of it, according to Veterans Administration officials.

Veterans paid up to \$2700 each into the Veterans Educational Assistance Fund, and are eligible for more than \$8000 in benefits.

Veterans must sign up for the program within ten years of being discharged from active service.

Prizes Offered For Student Opinions

The Institute for Humane Studies is offering prizes of up to \$2500 for editorials, columns, and essays that reflect an interest in the tradition of private property and free exchange.

Articles must be published in student or other publications during the 1986-87 school year.

Persons interested in information on applications, or in submitting articles for possible publication, should contact the Aggelitte office in AD 325 or at ext.126.

campus opinion

Q. Do you think President Reagan's plan to replace College Work Study and many Pell Grants with full interest loans is a good one?



Kristi Wade, Sulphur sophomore- "No, I would not be at school if it were not for financial aid. I would have to work full time and support a family and try to go at night."



Pamela Jordan, financial aid coordinator- "No, we need all the money we can have available for financial aid. The government needs to be finding ways of helping more rather than less."



Debra Wilkins, Durant sophomore- "No, the people who need it will be the ones' that suffer."



Leah Wood, Ardmore freshman- "No, I don't. If they want to find a way to save taxpayers money it should be through other ways than cutting funds for education."



Peggy Page, Madill freshman- "No, I really don't. It will be harder on the students, and they need all the breaks they can get to get a good education."



Bruce Stewart, science instructor- "I feel like work-study is one of the best ways that a student can gain experience in a subject area. A grant doesn't teach responsibility."

Board of Regents Studies Catfish Farming, OK's Personnel Changes, Travel Plans

The Murray State College Board of Regents received a short lesson in catfish farming Tuesday evening.

A representative of the RedArk Development Authority presented the regents with information on starting and operating a catfish farm. Johnston County had been in the running to host a RedArk venture catfish processing plant late last year, according to college officials.

RedArk plans to establish a catfish processing plant at Holdenville, according to RedArk official Tony Kaai. In support of the potential for economic development in the surrounding area, Murray will host a catfish farming seminar at 7 p.m. Jan. 27 in the Paul J. Park Student Center Ballroom for all interested parties, college officials said.

In other action, the regents approved the re-employment of J. Phillip Traugher, academic dean; Toews; Raymond Johnson, director of fiscal affairs, and Jane Johnson, president's secretary. Employment was also approved for Joe Beck, Jr., interim special services counselor; Michael Cathey, interim computer science instructor; Shirley Eldridge, interim language arts instructor, and Hannelore G.L. Rice, interim machine tool lab assistant.

Resignations of Rita Hart, planning and development secretary; David Lamb, language arts instructor; Kevin Ludwick, computer science instructor, and N. Carolyn Waddell, special services counselor, were accepted by the regents.

The regents adopted a budgetary policy

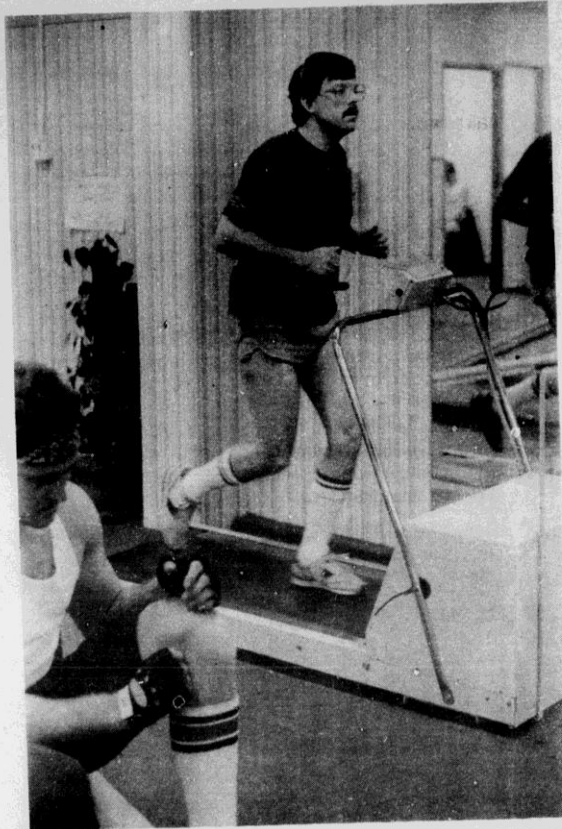
to go into effect in the event of a severe shortfall in state funding.

Out-of-state travel for science instructor Bruce Stewart to take part in a ornithological tour in conjunction with OU to be conducted in the Gulf lowlands of Mexico, Feb. 4-18, was approved by the regents. The trip will be made without cost to the college.

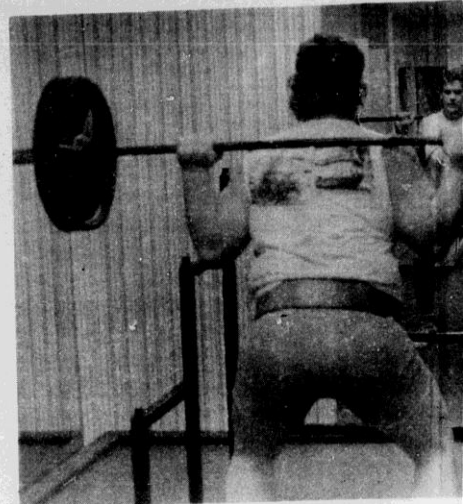
Also, a trip for Jan Lorentz, nursing program chairman, to attend the Federation of Association of Regulatory Boards meeting in San Francisco, Calif., on Feb. 5-10 at no cost to the college, and a trip for Susan Walker, veterinary technology instructor, to attend the Western Veterinarians' Conference and Seminar for Veterinary Technicians in

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features



Tishomingo dentist Dr. Ron Austin isn't worried about hearing traffic as he runs on the treadmill.



Kevin Green watches himself work out.

Story by Jon Parker
Photos By Bill Morris



Ty Eason grimaces as he works



Kevin Lynch is intent on his leg presses.

Getting in Shape

Getting in shape is one of the new American pastimes. Pushing, pulling, lifting, stretching, it makes your body look great, makes you feel stronger, younger, more alive. John Travolta went to the fitness center as a reporter in *Perfect*, and he found Jamie Lee Curtis.

I have to confess to some slight disappointment when I arrived at the Murray Fitness Center and Jamie Lee wasn't there.

What I did find was a clean facility with modern workout equipment and a professional staff willing to give each member of the fitness center the personal attention they need to get their body in shape.

Fitness Center members come in all shapes and sizes. There's a guy big enough to use this reporter for a toothpick over there pressing iron.

There's the local dentist running on the treadmill. There's four or five middle-aged ladies lounging in the pool.

"Anyone can join the Fitness Center, even if they're not a student at MSC," said Nancy Schilling, center director. "We want anyone to come from Tishomingo or the surrounding communities."

The center charges \$55 per quarter for a family membership, with a \$55 discount for an annual membership, Schilling said. That works out to about \$13 per month, considerably less than many fitness centers. Murray students can use the facilities free of charge.

In return, the center supplies individual attention to each member. New members fill out a medical history, and by working with each member on their own the center's staff can tailor an exercise program to that person's specific needs, Schilling said.

"We set up a program for each person, and we follow through with that by keeping records of each person's exercise and evaluating them periodically," Schilling said. "Of course, a person can use their own program if they want to, but the staff is available for any member who wants to use them."

Members receive use of the bikes, treadmills, free weights, whirlpool and steam boxes in the center, along with an 11 station circuit training machine. They are also free to take advantage of the Olympic-size swimming pool, which is indoors and heated for year-round use.

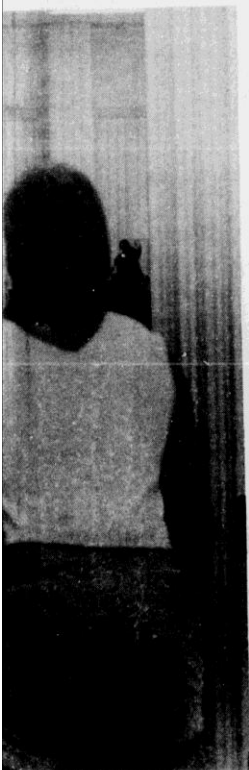
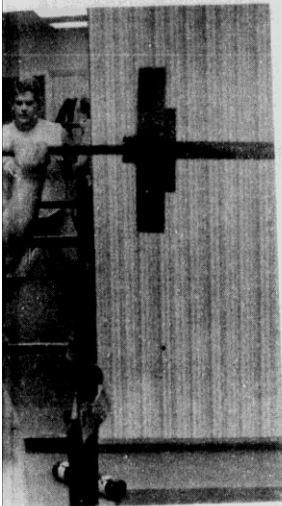
They may also participate in an aerobics class, which is taught every Tuesday and Thursday from 6-7 p.m. The class is taught by Kim West, a Vet-Tech student at Murray.

Also on the Fitness Center staff is Maria Upton, staff assistant, who is available Monday through Thursday to assist members. The center also employs 10 student workers.

The Fitness Center is located in Beames Hall on the north side of the campus. It is open 6-8 a.m. Monday through Friday, and 4-8 p.m. Monday through Thursday. Weekend hours are 4-8 p.m. on Friday, and 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. on Saturday.

A trial membership of \$20 for one month is available, which applies toward the quarterly fee, Schilling said. Payment terms can be arranged for those who cannot afford the quarterly fee all at once.

The Fitness Center wants to help you get in shape and keep in shape. I know I'll keep going, if only on the off chance that I might find Jamie Lee...



orks out with the dumbbells.

news briefs

MSC Pre-School
Has Openings

There are still openings left in both the morning and afternoon sessions of the MSC Pre-school, according to director Becky Wyatt.

The pre-school is for children ages one through five, and is held on Tuesday and Thursday of each week.

The cost to enroll a child is \$40 per month.

For more information, contact Mrs. Wyatt at 371-2371, ext. 250 or 222.

OU Scholarships
Now Available

Sophomores who have completed four full semesters and combine a strong academic record with a history of activities and service to the school and the community are eligible to apply for membership in the University of Oklahoma's Junior College Merit Council.

Membership includes a \$750 scholarship for the 1987-88 academic year. Members also attend seminars and events that will strengthen their leadership ability.

Applications are available in the College President's office (AD 205), and must be returned to OU by March 1. Final selection will be made by April 15.

Taxes, Tin Soldiers
Top Course List

Courses in the new tax laws, casting tin soldiers, executive manners and archaeology are just some of the offerings on the list of community service courses for spring.

Cost of the courses ranges from nothing for adult education and issues in government, to \$1052 for a tour of Hawaii. In between are beginning photography, word processing, pistolcraft, calligraphy, country and western dancing, and many others as well.

Also scheduled are summer courses, which include a law enforcement armorer's school and a horse management camp for 10-15 year olds.

A full list of courses offered and their cost can be obtained from the community services office in the student union, by writing to Mary I. Golloway, Community Services Officer, Murray State College, Tishomingo, OK 73460, or by phoning 371-9445.

Colleges Spend
\$8.1 Million for '85

State universities spent \$8.1 million through their various budget areas during the 1985-86 school year, according to a report released by the Oklahoma State Regents.

Half of that amount came from state-appropriated funds, with the remainder coming from student fees, federal grants, private donations and other revenue generating sources.

Colleges spent 58.7 percent of the money on instructional costs, with 4.5 percent on administrative costs.

Video News Being Made By
Public Information Officer

No, it's not the 60 Minutes crew you see walking around campus with the lights and video camera, it's just Scott Dewbre, and he's not here to bury Murray, but to praise it.

Dewbre is public information officer for the school, and the video equipment is just part of his job in making people aware of what's going on at Murray.

The video clips are shown on K TEN, Channel 10 as part of the news broadcast. Dewbre tapes the clips using the school's video camera, and edits them into brief segments of four or five different shots using the editing board in the school's TV studio. He also writes the scripts for the segments, carefully timing them to match the length of the video.

He matches the audio and video portions on the editing board, and takes the finished tapes to the television studio in Ada.

"There was all this video equipment owned by the school, but there wasn't a whole lot being done with it," Dewbre said. "Learning how to use it has been fun, and it adds a new dimension to my public information job."

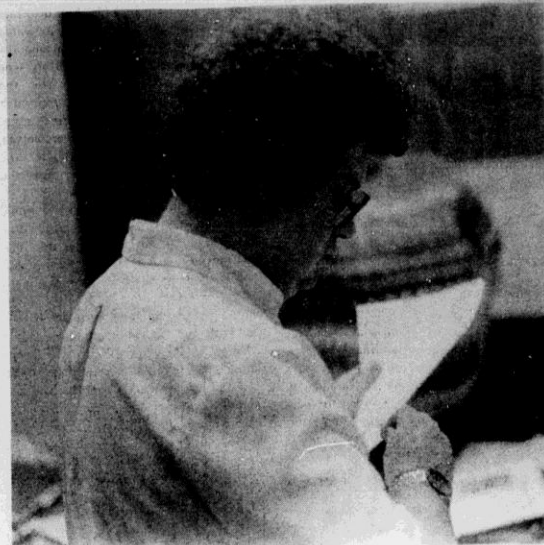
It was hard for the TV people to send a crew to Tishomingo to cover everything that happened here at Murray, because of their limited staff and the large area that they had to cover, Dewbre said.

Dewbre is also the school's journalism instructor, and he functions as staff advisor to the *Aggelite*, keeping an eye on the production of the newspaper and helping the staff overcome their inexperience.

He is a Murray graduate and was once the editor of the paper himself, so he is able to aid the staff knowing the pitfalls of student journalism.

An OU graduate, he was city editor at the *McAlester News-Capital* before coming to Murray.

One can expect to see him around campus carrying his video camera or maybe just snapping pictures and asking questions. So look your best, you may be showing up on the news.



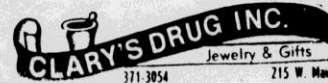
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'Search for Tomorrow' Ends 35 Year Run

By Jon Parker

I'm going to break with tradition here, and write an entire column about a show that I didn't watch regularly and didn't like the two times I did catch it while I was laid up with the flu last year. I nevertheless think it worthy of note in this column and in the public mind.

Search for Tomorrow is off the air. It was, to my knowledge, the longest running show on television. It premiered on September 3, 1951, on the CBS network, and it remained there for thirty-five years. Mary Stuart was the star, and she remained with the show for the entire time it was on the air.

I'm not a big fan of soap operas, but neither am I going to take the hard line of some media critics, who watch a soap once or twice and dismiss it as garbage without even understanding what was going on. You've got to watch soaps day after day to get the full amount of enjoyment from them. You get to know the characters, and enjoy the little nuances of conversation, knowing as you do the most intimate aspects of their lives.

I also have real respect for the actors involved. They get up and go to work day after day, just like real people with jobs do. They don't spend two months out of the year making movies and the rest laying around the house watching the soaps like Jack Nicholson or Meryl Streep. They are the soaps, and they're on the air Monday through Friday every week of the year, no reruns.

My own experience with soaps has been pretty much limited. I used to race home from school every day to watch *Dark Shadows*, a horror soap about a vampire named Barnabas Collins who traveled back and forth to the seventeenth century trying to stop witch burnings and become a normal man. This bizarre soap featured werewolves, zombies, and assorted ghosts and definitely takes the prize for the strangest soap ever aired.

If I got home early enough I would also watch *The Edge of Night*, a crime oriented serial with competent storylines by mystery writer Henry Slesar. But *Dark Shadows* has been gone for many years, and *The Edge of Night* is barely holding on after being dropped by the network and picked up by USA cable channel. I don't have the time to spend an hour every day watching soaps, anyway. I don't know the characters or their situations, and I generally don't pay them much attention.

Search for Tomorrow didn't have the longest continuing story on the air, that honor goes to *The Guiding Light*, which started as a radio drama in 1937, switched to TV in 1956, and is still on the air today.

When *Search for Tomorrow* went on the air, television soaps were just beginning to take over from radio. The idea of a 15 minute drama, accompanied by commercials for various cleaning agents and household goods, came along

in the early thirties. Hit afternoon serials such as *The Romance Of Helen Trent* and the *Mary Worth* - like *Ma Perkins* vied for attention with lesser dramas like *Marie*, *the Little French Princess*, *Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch*, *Marriage for Two* and *Bachelors Children*.

Each episode was concluded with a cliffhanger and an overbearing narrator gleefully urging the listener to tune in the next day for further developments.

The basic formula has changed very little since those early radio soaps, but peoples' lives haven't changed much either. Even with the changes in our style of living over the past 50 years, we're still human beings. And the day to day lives of the inhabitants of Pine View, Henderson, or wherever reflect our own lives. There is something in the problems of these fictional characters that gives us release from our own problems.

I only watched *Search for Tomorrow* twice, and I couldn't tell you anything about the characters. I can't say for sure if it was the longest running show on television when it went off, although if there is a more durable one it's probably one of those boring things with a moderator that nobody watches even on those dismal Sunday afternoons between the Super Bowl and baseball season.

But we live in a time when tradition is a flexible thing. Everything about our lives seems to be disposable, everything has to be new.

Kids used to be raised with maybe three books, *McGuffey's Reader*, the Bible, and Shakespeare's plays and sonnets. Literature endured for a while back in the dark ages before modern mass communication.

I guess that's what got to me about *Search for Tomorrow's* demise. I'm not going to call it literature, but our society is in such a state of flux that thirty-five years is a long time for a cultural phenomenon to exist. Years before I was born, Mary Stuart showed up at CBS studio in New York to begin work, and she stayed there until two weeks ago.

I never watched it, but something inside me is sad that it's gone.

films

Aggillite Staff Picks Year's Top Movies

The year was a fair one in the motion picture industry. Those films which were targeted to become hits did, and there were few surprises.

We took a random poll of the Aggillite staff to see what they liked at the box office last year. Here, for what it's worth, are the results.

1. **Crocodile Dundee**- There is still hope for adventure films, as Australian tourism ad star Paul Hogan wins American audiences with this humorous and action packed movie.

2. **Star Trek IV**-No surprises, but Trekkies and the general public made this the most financially successful so far in the series.

3. **Aliens**-Sequels were in this year, and the gorgeous Sigourney Weaver reteamed with more monsters to scare summer audiences in a worthy successor to the classic original.

4. **Stand By Me**- Received raves from the only member of the staff to see it. He praised it for being "well-acted and directed, true to the original Stephen King story, and all around well-done."

5. **The Three Amigos**- There are some funny moments in this Steve Martin, Chevy Chase, and Martin Short team-up, but not as many as there should have been. Well worth waiting for it to come on HBO.

music

Gabriel has Year's Top Video

By Larry Standridge

Music videos have become one of the major forms of entertainment to emerge during the 80's. Not since the invention of magnetic tape has there been such a revolution in the music industry.

Channels like MTV and VH-1 bombard television sets all over the country with 24 hour a day videos. Also, videos appear regularly on shows like *Night Tracks* on WTBS, *Night Flight* on USA, *Friday Night Videos* on NBC, and *Video Jukebox* on HBO.

Most videos are filled with the same old cliches, girls dancing in tight, skimpy outfits, expensive cars and slow-motion leaps. Even worse are the groups that use live in-concert footage of screaming girls and guitarists pouting for the camera.

Fortunately, there are always a few unique videos each year, and 1986 was no exception. In spite of the many unimpressive videos there were a few that managed to stand out above the rest. A few even managed to draw out some controversy.

My personal favorite of the year was Peter Gabriel's *Sledgehammer*. The use of stop-action animation made this one of the most creative and imaginative videos of the year.

The best scene is the one where Gabriel's face is surrounded by a large collection of dancing fruit while he sings. A banana flies into his right ear and emerges from his his left ear completely peeled (get the picture?).

Another humorous video is *Land of Confusion* by Genesis. No humans appear in this one, instead, puppet

replicas of the band and many other famous people are used.

The plot of the video revolves around a puppet of President Reagan, also appearing are other star puppets such as Tina Turner, George Burns, Prince Charles and Lady Di. The comical appearance of the Phil Collins puppet reminds me of one of those apple-head dolls that you buy at Dogpatch, U.S.A. or Silver Dollar City.

David Lee Roth has always been known for his outrageous antics, and his recent videos reflect his unusual style and wit.

The actual music portion of the videos are nothing more than concert footage with Roth sticking his face and other portions of his anatomy up to the camera. What makes these videos so special are the short skits before and after the song.

They feature a newlywed couple meeting such zany characters as a headhunter, an immigrant convenience store clerk and a 400 pound record producer. Except for the skits, the videos are otherwise forgettable.

Madonna has always been a controversial figure, and her video *Open Arms* has helped fuel the debate.

It begins with a young boy of around nine who is attempting to get into a porn shop to watch Madonna dance.

Madonna meanwhile wiggles and jiggles before a group of men and the camera for the rest of the song. In the final scene she is shown dancing off into the sunset with the kid.

The suggestiveness of this video drew fire from parents and religious groups,

but that's to be expected from Madonna.

There were other noteworthy videos this year. Heart won several awards for *These Dreams*, and Cyndi Lauper returned to show off her unusual style in *True Colors* (you won't be able to forget Cyndi's newspaper dress).

All in all, 1986 had more than it's share of hits, along with quite a few misses. With new advancements in video technology being made every day, there's probably quite a bit to look forward to in 1987.

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news briefs

MSC Grad Enters
OU Dental School

Murray graduate Kenny Duff has been accepted as a student by the OU School of Dentistry for the 1987-88 academic year.

Duff graduated from Murray in May of 1986, and has attended OU since that time.

ACT Test to be
Given at Higher Ed

The ACT test will be given at the Ardmore Higher Education Center Saturday morning at 8 a.m.

Beginning freshmen are required to take the test as part of the enrollment procedure.

The test will cost \$15, which must be brought to the testing place.

The test will be given again April 25 on the MSC campus, so students who have not yet taken it may do so then.

Student scores on the ACT will not affect their enrollment at Murray.

Regents

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Las Vegas, Nev., Feb. 14-19, were approved by the regents.

Sale of approximately 30 market hogs, two Hereford cows, a Hereford heifer, a Belted Galloway, a Gurnsey cow, five dairy bull calves and an Angus bull was approved by the regents, along with the college livestock report, which showed that the college farm swine herd decreased during December with the sale of 21 head to 54 total, while the college dairy cattle herd increased by four to 34 and the beef cattle herd increased by six to 70.

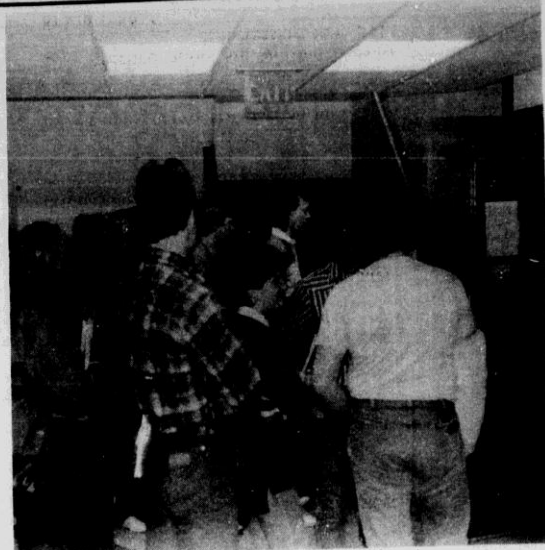
Financial Aid

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prospects for the cuts proposed by Reagan are far more uncertain.

Washington analysts claim that the Republican defeat in the November elections and general public disillusionment with the Reagan administration bode ill for the President's budget proposal.

It is, however, almost certain that students and parents need to prepare for the possibility of future increases in college costs, and decreases in the amount of money available to pay for them.



Students line up outside the Business Office to pay tuition and fees for the spring semester, which began Jan. 12. Dormitories opened on Jan. 8 for early arriving students.

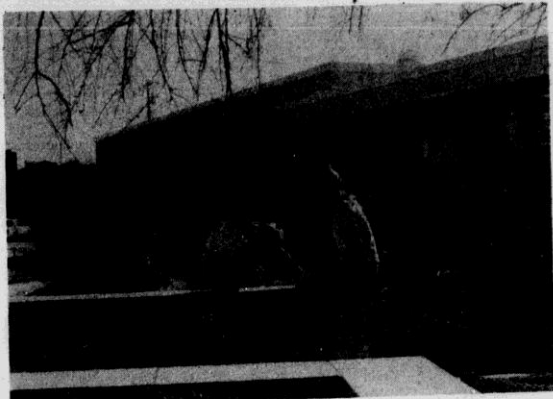
LIBRARY

Answers for this week's quiz may be found by consulting the January 12 issue of *Time*. Entries must be turned in at the library circulation desk by 3:00 p.m., Wednesday, January 21. Three winners will each receive a cheeseburger, fries, and large soft drink at the Snack Bar. In case of a tie, winners are determined by date and time entries are submitted--PROMPTNESS COUNTS. Winners in the last Challenge were Terry Carroll, Janet Bartosh, and Scott Estep.

1. Dick Rutan and Jeana Yeager were awarded Presidential Medals for their record-breaking nine-day flight around the world in the _____.
2. President Reagan has just submitted a _____ dollar budget to Congress for their approval.
3. The Soviet government is concerned about the growing number of people in the U.S.S.R. who are members of the _____ faith.
4. The declining baby-boom enrollments have affected jobs at the _____ level, forcing candidates to seek part-time positions.
5. *Bandits* is the 23rd novel by the popular author _____. Writes one reviewer, the book "should fill the land with the sound of pages turning."
6. Both college teams were undefeated going into the Sunkist Fiesta Bowl. Only one emerged the winner: _____.
7. _____ of the airlines has resulted in what some critics see as a dangerous increase in air traffic.
8. Hiring a _____ consultant is the latest trendy way for people who are overly conscious about their bodies to get help.
9. Former Prime Minister of Great Britain _____ died last week at the age of 92.

CHALLENGE

10. To movie purists, the application of _____ to old films is offensive. But to a younger generation, the appeal may translate into greater profits.
11. A combination of astronomical forces, including _____, an alignment of the Earth, sun, and moon, resulted in high tides along the East Coast.
12. Youthful protesters in South Africa may be forbidden from wearing political slogans on their _____.
13. In fiscal 1986, the budget deficit rang in a record _____ billion dollars.
14. Finally, a device that will warn pilots of the danger of a _____ is nearing the testing stage.
15. Television celebrity _____ is enjoying a rising popularity in recent weeks; an autobiography-beauty book is planned, maybe even her own show.
16. The Reagan Administration announced plans to levy tariffs on products imported into this country as a means of reducing the _____ deficit.
17. Iran has vowed to launch a counter-offensive against _____ before the end of March.
18. Students in _____ defied a ban on demonstrations and risked arrest when they marched *en masse* calling for freedom and democracy.
19. The government of _____ is becoming increasingly nervous about the presence of contras in its country.
20. Airline pilots are worried because the number of _____ is increasing, from 311 in 1982 to at least 812 in 1986.



Students relaxing between classes take advantage of the mild winter weather to bask in the sun. The average temperature for the past two weeks has been in the sixties, and shorts, t-shirts, and sunglasses were already evident.

Black History Week Events Include Discussion, Singing

Gospel singing, a dinner, film screening and a panel discussion are planned to commemorate Black History Week through Friday at Murray State College.

Jay Caldwell, associate dean for student services, said the purpose of the week's events is to call our attention to who we are in relation to our fellow human beings, both personally and as a society.

The events are being sponsored by the campus Afro-American Club, and club members will participate in the activities, Caldwell said. Caldwell is sponsor for the organization.

The week, whose theme is "The Dilemma -- Past, Present and Future," will begin Monday with a soul food dinner in the dining room of the Paul J. Park Student Center, from 4:15 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. The cost of the dinner is \$3.25 to the public.

On Tuesday, a gospel singing will be held at the First Baptist Church in Tishomingo, Sixth Street and Burriss Avenue, beginning at 7:30 p.m. After the singing, a time of fellowship is planned, and refreshments will be served.

A movie will be shown

Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in the audio-visual room of the Administration Building. The title of the film will be announced later, according to Caldwell.

The Black History Week events will end Thursday with a panel discussion beginning at 7 p.m. in the student center ballroom. Panelists will be John Earl Thompson and Mary Johnson, Ardmore educators, and the Rev. Fred Elkins, a Baptist minister from Marietta.

Following the panel discussion, at 9 p.m. a dance will be held in the ballroom sponsored by the Afro-American Club. Admission to the dance is one dollar for MSC students with valid identification and \$2 otherwise.

All the week's events are open to the public, and Caldwell said the public is invited to participate in as many of the events as possible.

Members of the club include Sonya Lee, Janise McCarthey, Tyron Cyrus and Sandra King. The club is sponsoring the week's events in order to make people more aware of the role of blacks in history and society.

REGENTS OK 3% MEAL HIKE

The Murray State Board of Regents approved a 3 percent increase in meal plan rates at the college cafeteria during their regular session Tuesday.

The rate hike would increase the rate charged students by 8 to 10 cents a day during the spring semester and 17 cents a day during the summer term. The amount Premier Food Services, the firm which operates the cafeteria, would receive would increase from \$3.14 per day to \$3.23 for students purchasing 19 meals per week during the regular semester. The amount received for students on the 14 meal per week plan would be raised to \$2.90 per day, up from \$2.82. PMS requested the increase to insure the quality of food being served Murray students.

The regents deferred action on a plan to cut five programs and temporarily suspend five others pending updating of the course content. The regents decided not to act until the March meeting in order to allow time for public comment.

The proposed cuts were the result of a program review authorized by the regents in June, and presented to the board by the college during the session. The review was part of a statewide directive from the Oklahoma State Board of Regents.

While five of the programs to be cut would be permanently discontinued, five others would be suspended until their courses were restructured or additional money became available to upgrade the content and methodology.

Programs recommended for discontinuance are: Agricultural Meat Processing and Marketing, Indian Studies, Industrial Arts, Wildlife Ecology and General Technology.

Programs recommended for suspension are: Electromechanical Technology, Metallurgical Technology, Drafting and Design Technology and Home Economics.

The Child Development Program was recommended for suspension in the event of a drastic budget cut.

Fewer than fifteen freshman would be affected by the cuts, Clyde

Kindell, college president told the regents.

The regents also moved to allow the college to apply for a U.S. Department of Education program that would give them a 27 percent discount on college housing loans if the loans were paid early. The application is due February

27, and the college would have until June 30 to find alternative financing, which could result in long-term savings to the college.

Re-employment was approved for several college personnel, including Ann Brown, academic dean's secretary; James Caldwell, associate dean for student services; Mary Golloway, community services director; Jim Kennedy, librarian; Lewis Parkhill, liberal arts division chairman; Joe Reid, occupational education division chairman; Dr. Dennis Smith, business division chairman; Dr. Tony Smith, agriculture division chairman, and Stan Wilson, science division chairman.

Employment of Margaret Long as child development field supervisor and Terry L. Dupree as part-time campus security was approved by the regents, along with the salary payment of several part-time instructors, including Norine Harden, Ed Jones, Jim Kennedy, Lynn Reinhart, Teresa Bowles, Judy Brown, Michael Carr, Lavonna Dodd, George Douglas, Melinda Dudley and Shirley Eldridge.

Also, Ron Faulk, Willa Dean Freeman, Mary Golloway, John Hoefler, Lorna Holloway, Linda Johnson, Rick Lane, Anita McDonald, Virginia Orr, George Otey, Chloe Sartin, Carol Saylor, Kaye Steele and Charles Tate.

Meanwhile, a bid from Doyle Greenway of Ardmore on the lease of the college Blue River farm was approved by the regents.

A trade of three registered Hereford heifer cattle, owned by James Jack of Tishomingo, for three of the college's cows was approved by the regents. The college-owned cattle to be traded are of a lesser quality and will be taken to the stockyards, officials said.

Club Sponsoring Fishing Contest

The Social Sciences Club is sponsoring a fishing tournament, with entries being accepted through May 4, according to club sponsor Arthur Vernon.

Anyone wishing to enter may do so by contacting Vernon, or club members. John Nichols, President, Joe Lail, Vice-President, Michelle Lien, Secretary-Treasurer, and Leah Wood, Queen Candidate.

The tournament is open to anyone who likes to fish. Entry fee is \$1 for individuals and teams. Teams are limited to five members per team. "Fees must be paid before you catch the fish," said

Vernon.

The fishing tournament will end on May 4. Trophies will be awarded in each of the following species; catfish, crappie, sandbass, blackbass, and striped. Also, to the individual and team who catch the most pounds of fish.

Those who are turning in one fish must have the date the fish was caught, the place where it was caught, person weighing the fish, that persons signature and phone number.

The reason behind the tournament is to catch enough fish to have the annual fish fry, which was started by a few of Mr. Vernon's former students. Lynn and

Glenn Richards, Jerry Pickard, Gary Cero, and Ina Daniels thought the fish fry would be a good way for the American History Students to get together at the end of the spring semester.

Later classes thought it would be a good idea to include anyone who would like to attend, according to Mr. Vernon.

Mr. Vernon said that he "will be happy to tell the people where the fish are biting." To contact him call his office at 371-2371 ext. 252, or at his home 371-2246.

The fish fry will be May 4 at the Refugee Pavilion in Tishomingo.

Serving will start at 6:30 p.m., with a menu consisting of fish, hushpuppies, fried potatoes; cole slaw, relishes, tea and coffee. The cost of the dinner will be about \$3 per person, and anyone can attend.

For those who catch their fish ahead of time and have it fileted and frozen, there will be no charge for the dinner.

Mr. Vernon, who is retiring in May said "this could possibly be my last one and I want all my former students to attend." It's a good way for people to get together and have fun, join in fellowship, and visit with each other.

editorials

Student Loans a Big Gamble

Students who are preparing for traditionally low-paying careers will find that the reduction in scholarships and grants may force them to rethink their career plans.

Social workers, journalists, teachers, and other necessary but low paying jobs may face a serious shortage of graduates, who will opt to prepare for higher paying careers in order to pay back college loans.

While school teachers can have part of their loan debts forgiven, other jobs that pay as little or even less can't be considered for those attempting to plan for the future. According to the Washington Journalism Review, a graduate reporter makes an average of \$1000 a month, and a Department of Human Services spokesman claims that a recent grad will start at \$1365.

The amount of Guaranteed Student Loans was recently raised to \$2625 per school year, meaning many students will graduate with debts of more than \$10,000 for a four year education. These students will spend their initial years in the workplace paying off their educational expenses, while plans to buy houses, cars, and other basics will have to be set aside.

Governor Bellmon, when asked about his plan to institute yet another loan program, showed his lack of knowledge by claiming that both journalists and social workers make well over \$2000 a month. Yet a DHS worker must stay on the job for four years to even apply for a position earning that much, and only a handful of star reporters ever manage to bring home amounts anywhere close to that.

Not only will the indentured students suffer, but the national economy will bear its share of the burden as well. Students will have to pay back the money whether or not there are positions available in their chosen fields, and will not be using their paychecks for either saving or spending.

Either scholarships and grants must be increased, or employers will have to bring salaries up to a reasonable level. The alternative is a sagging economy and millions of debt-ridden students.

Weekend Dances A Good Idea

Something needs to be done about finding activities to amuse students who stay at Murray during the weekends. After 5 p.m. on Friday, the school pretty much shuts down. The snack bar and game room are closed, the library and gym are open only briefly, and the students don't have access to the computer labs for homework.

The Student Senate has spent under \$600 from its budget this year, with over \$2000 left. While they may be commended for their frugality, the money was paid by students and they should be able to benefit from it.

While it may not prove profitable for campus organizations to sponsor fund-raising dances on the weekends, they could be sponsored with Senate funds for the express purpose of giving the local and the out-of-town students something to do on the weekends.

Nickles Right On Speed Limit

We are somewhat amazed at actually finding ourselves in agreement with Sen. Nickles about something, but his proposal to repeal the 55 mile per hour speed limit is a good one.

The law is unpopular with the people, and virtually no good reasons other than the raising of state funds have been postulated in defense of it.

We find Sen. Nickles stance encouraging, and feel that the country would be better off if he would restrict himself to issues of similar importance.

from the editor's desk

Baby Boomer Remembers TV

By Jon Parker

Coming around the corner onto the block where I lived after a hard day toiling at first grade, I saw a large green truck (as big as the U-Haul my dad had driven when we moved) with bright yellow block letters that read "GIBSON'S - WE SELL FOR LESS" parked in front of my house. There were men milling about, and I flew down the sidewalk to see what was happening. I was half-worried, as a six-year old is when something big is going on that they don't understand, and I ran into the house just as the truck outside started the engine and pulled away. I looked frantically about for my mom, desperately curious to find out what was happening.

And there it was.

It was a solid wood cabinet, 25-inch screen, color zenith television.

To a six-year old boy in the fall of 1965, it was sheer heaven.

I was born in the fifties by six months, just at the tail end of the baby boom. We were the first generation to really grow up on TV, to have it an everpresent force in the living room. We who were born in the late fifties and early sixties saw what was a recent miracle to our elders as an absolute necessity, one of those staples of life like Hershey bars and Batman comics that were as necessary as air.

Television has, for better or worse, affected the way of thinking for me and those born after its establishment as the major communications force in the world. More people watch a single episode of *The Cosby Show* than were capable of reading the Bible in all of Europe during the sixth century.

I fell in love with television as a small child, and I still love it today. The development of cable TV, VCRs, and stereo high resolution video monitors was like a godsend to one hooked on the little green screen.

I watched *Ed Sullivan*, *Star Trek*, *Lost in Space*, and *The Beverly Hillsbillies*. My mom forbid my brother

and I to watch Batman after we kept tearing around the house with towels around our necks yelling "BAM" and "KAPOW" while leaping off the furniture. I watched the Vietnam war, but the bodies on the screen were on different than the ones on Rat Patrol, which was a better show from the standpoint of a six-year old. Likewise, the deaths of Martin Luther King and Bobby Kennedy were just another episode.

The wonderful new Zenith, which replaced a 19" black and white Magnavox with an intermittent picture, has long since followed its predecessor onto the trash dump. But TV marches on, growing bigger and more omnipotent all the time.

My critical judgement has hopefully improved since 1965. I know in my heart that "My Three Sons" or "Green Acres" are just as bad if not worse, that "Who's the Boss" or "The Golden Girls." The fog of nostalgia for my own childhood just makes them seem better.

As I've grown older, I prefer to watch old movies and PBS documentaries over sitcoms and cop shows. I will sponess to having seen every episode of "Leave it to Beaver" and "Adam-12" at least twice though.

I hope, although I doubt, that television will begin to accept its responsibility as the bond that ties America together. It is a powerful force that does much to influence our thinking, and while I have no way to prove it, I sometimes wonder if "All in the Family" didn't do more to make the civil rights dream a reality in the average American household than all the marches, sit-ins and freedom ridges put together.

Sometimes I detest it, sometimes I love it. I am offended and amused, entertained and (all too rarely) challenged.

I have seen the twenty-third century, the old west, operating rooms, jail cells, and countless living rooms modeled after my own. I've been a TV fan since I was a child, and I probably always will be.

At least until I'm cancelled.

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news briefs

McKee Hall Elects Officers, Plans Sale

The McKee Hall Dorm Council elected new officers to fill vacant positions during their first meeting of the spring semester, according to club reporter Monica Disheroon.

Lesa Jolly was elected Vice President, and Disheroon was elected Reporter for the Council.

Also discussed were plans for fund raisers to help purchase an ice machine for the dorm. Tentative plans to hold a garage sale were discussed, although no date was set.

NAC Schedules Indian Supper

An Indian supper was scheduled for Feb. 24 by the Native American Club, according to club sponsor Rex Morrell.

The dinner will be held in the Home Economics department, and will cost \$3.00 per person, Morrell said.

On the menu will be Indian tacos and pashofa, a dish made from crushed hominy and pork, Morrell said.

The club also made plans for a spring pow-wow, which was tentatively scheduled for April.

The NAC plans to field two teams in the Cupid Caper College Bowl Competition. Team names will be the Red Land Clan and Res according to Morrell.

Senate Requests Budget, Estimates

The Student Senate asked the prom committee to submit a proposed budget for the event during their regularly scheduled meeting Monday.

The subject of organizations sponsoring more than one dance per semester was discussed, and the senate voted to allow groups who wish to sponsor extra dances to schedule them for the weekends.

The purchase of fans for the student senate ballroom was discussed, and three Senate members agreed to get estimates on the fans and submit them at the next meeting. The Senate gave tentative approval for purchase of the fans.

The Senate also discussed the food and housing committees. The food service committee was to meet Thursday, and dorm representatives were to be asked to serve on the housing committee.

Honors Students To Visit Omniplex

The Murray State President's Honors Seminar will meet Feb. 28 for a presentation on "Aesthetics and Science", followed by a visit to the Omniplex in Oklahoma City.

The morning presentation will be by Dr. William J. Radke, a Professor of Biology at Central State University. The presentation will consist of slides shown on two slide projectors.

In the afternoon the group will visit the Omniplex Science Museum, which features "hands on" exhibits illustrating various scientific principles.

The group will go to dinner after visiting the museum.

The students will leave for Oklahoma City at 7 a.m.

campus opinion

Q. WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE AVAILABLE FOR STUDENTS TO DO ON THE WEEKENDS?



Denise Crockett, Sulphur sophomore - "We need a place where we can go dance and have fun."



Dale Parker, Oklahoma City sophomore - "It would be nice if some of the facilities like the gym, swimming pool and library were open."



Ramona Everett, Lone Grove sophomore - "It would be nice to have a place to have fun and not get into trouble. Anything with a roof over our heads would be nice."

Baseball Begins Feb. 24

The Murray State Aggies are scheduled to kick off regular season play Feb. 24 with two games against Brooklawn in Dallas, according to coach Rick Ridling.

"We're working out the kinks in our scrimmage games, and we'll be ready to play ball," Ridling said. "We've had some defensive problems, and we need to be hitting better."

Nevertheless, the Aggies have got some good players, with 13 returning sophomores from last year's conference champion team, Ridling said.

"We've got some experience coming back," Ridling said. "We've got some good players coming back, and we plan to defend the conference title."

The team has a good deal of pitching talent, with sophomore Daren Brown as anchor pitcher, said Ridling.

Sophomore Steve Ramharter is also pitching a good game, with left-handed starters Dan Taylor and Kenneth Patterson also expected to throw well.

The Aggies are also looking to hit the ball, with Steve McDonald, who was hitting .400 throughout most of last season expected to lead the way. Ramharter, who hit 21 doubles for a college record last year, should again bat well this season, said Ridling.

"Ramharter is a major college talent," said Ridling.

Ridling is also looking for major batting contributions from Elliot Santiago, freshman, along with sophomore power hitters Peter Nesseralla and Robert Spencer.

Ridling credits the weather with allowing the team to get out and practice more than usual before the season.

"We're working out the bugs, and we're planning a big year," Ridling said. (continued on page 4)

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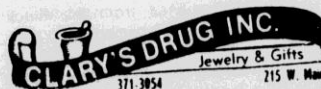
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Slots Still Available For Intramural Teams

By Elizabeth Parker

The 1987 Spring Season Intramural competitions are going into their second month, but students may still compete in several sports, according to Nancy Schilling, student activities coordinator.

Information about signing up for the remaining Intramural activities can be obtained from Schilling's office in the

lobby of the auditorium. Information can also be found on campus bulletin boards.

This season started with intramural volleyball competitions. There were 14 teams that entered the competition.

"That means with an average of eight to ten individual players on each team close to 120 were involved," said Schilling.

The competitions are held within the

school and anyone can compete as long as the final games have not been determined.

The season's final volleyball competitions for individual teams in their categories were played Thursday in the National Guard Armory. The deciding finals dates will be posted. The winning teams will receive trophies for intramural volleyball.

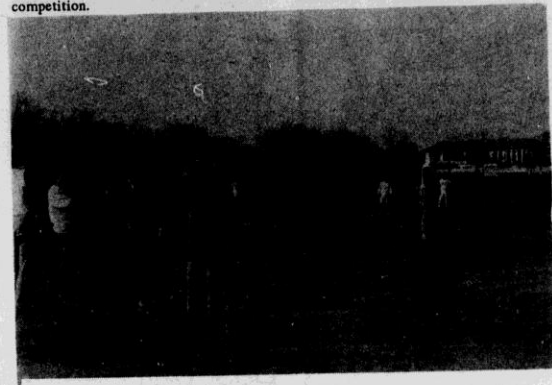
The basketball entries began last Thursday and the games will begin today. Teams are being formed to compete in mens, womens, or coed intramural basketball games. There will also be a basketball free throw competition.

Baseball

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"Murray won the conference title for the first time in history last year, and we're looking to keep that and win 60 or 70 games."

Sophomore Aggies include: Robert Spencer, Durant; Sammy Rambo, Stuart; Steve Ramharter, Sioux Falls, SD; Bruce Holmes, Bellevue, NE; Tony Schroer, Omaha, NE; Steve McDonald Grand Prairie, TX; Tim Ellison, Gould; Daren Brown, Holdenville; Tommy Julian, Valliant; Kenny Paterson, Bellevue, NE; Dan Taylor, Denver, CO; Chris Robertson, Durant; Kevin Jones, Madill and Peter Nesseralla, Baintree, Mass.



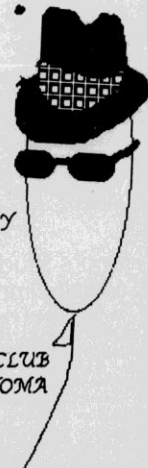
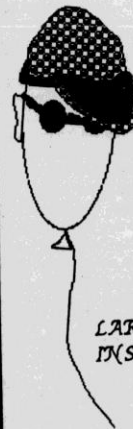
Baseball season starts in one week, and the Aggies have been taking advantage of the warm weather to hone their skills before entering regular play. The Aggies will be defending last years' conference championship.

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CHALLENGE

- Haile Selassie was what nation's leader who repulsed the Italian invasion of his country in 1936? a) Egypt b) Somalia c) Ethiopia d) Sudan
- What is the name of the African nation founded by Blacks of the American Colonization Society in 1822?
- What is the name of the Black township, outside Johannesburg, S. Africa, that experienced bloody rioting in 1976?
- Name the revolutionary leader who led the only successful slave revolt in western history?
a) Papa Doc b) Marurice Bishop c) Toussaint L'Ouverture d) Marcus Garvey
- What is the title of the novel written by Harriet Beecher Stowe, which won over countless thousands of sympathizers to the abolitionist cause?
- In 1863, President Abraham Lincoln issued an important document that declared that all slaves in rebellious areas be free. What was this document called?
- In 1976, Carl Stokes became the first Black mayor of a major American city. Name the city.
- Who was the first Black appointed as an American Justice of the Supreme Court in 1967, by President Johnson?
- In 1964, Malcolm X resigned from the Black Muslim Movement to form a new organization named _____
- Dr. Percy Julian was the renowned Black chemist who, in 1935 developed a drug for the treatment of what dreaded eye disease? a) astigmatism b) color blindness c) glaucoma
- Name the Black inventor from whom the expression "The Real McCoy" originated.
- Who was the free-born inventor who laid out the plans for the city of Washington D.C.?
- Name the famous agricultural chemist who discovered a multitude of products and uses for the soybean, peanut and sweet potato.
- This Black physician and scientist was the pioneer in Blood Plasma Research.
- This arctic explorer, for years lost in the shadows of Admiral Peary, was in actuality the first man to discover the North Pole.

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'Constitution 200' Activities Scheduled

The 200th anniversary of the signing of the U.S. Constitution will be celebrated at Murray State College with a variety of student contests and a program on campus Sept. 17.

Margaret Lovelace, sociology instructor in the MSC Liberal Arts Division, said the events are designed to get as many people as possible involved in the commemoration of one of the most important events in our nation's history. The Liberal Arts Division, along with the Phi Theta Kappa honor society and the Social Sciences Club are sponsoring the contests and program.

"The Constitution was signed

on this day (Sept. 17) in 1787, and though it took about three years for the required number of states to ratify the document before it took effect, this day is considered the birthday of the U.S. Constitution," said Ken Ellinger, government instructor.

Essay contests are underway for middle school through high school students in Johnston County, and elementary students across the county have been invited to participate in coloring and poster contests, according to Lovelace. In the essay contests, students can participate in one of two divisions, one for grades nine through 12 and a second for grades six through

eight.

While kindergarten and first grade students will be given a Constitution-related scene to color, second through fifth grade students will be invited to create a poster focusing on a Constitutional issue, said Dana Glencross, history and composition instructor. Grades six through eight students will address the topic of "What the Constitution means to me" in their essays, while high school students will explore "The Constitution in everyday life" in their essays, she added.

Prizes to the top three essays in the middle and high school divisions and to the coloring and poster contest

winners will be awarded during a program Sept. 17 in the Student Center ballroom, with medals awarded to the essay winners and ribbons to the coloring contest winners, Lovelace said. Also during the program, portions of the gold medal essays will be read to the audience, she added.

Murray State students will have the chance to participate in a separate essay contest, also addressing the Constitution, according to Glencross. MSC students wishing to enter the contest should drop by the social sciences office to get information about the essay topic, she said.

A \$100 scholarship will be awarded for the top essay by an MSC student, and the second place essay writer will receive a \$50 scholarship, Glencross added.

All entries should be mailed to the Constitution Essay Contest, Murray State College, Tishomingo, OK 73460, or delivered to the social sciences office on campus, Lovelace said. Deadline for entries in all contests is Friday, Sept. 11, and finalists in the essay contests will be announced the week of the 17th.

Essay contest entries should have a title page that includes the title of the essay, the author's name, grade, school and number of words in the essay, according to Ellinger. Grades six through eight essays should range from 250 to 500 words, and high school essays should be between 500 and 750 words.

High school essays must be submitted typed and double-spaced, but grades six through eight essays may either be typed double-spaced or neatly hand written in ink and skipping every other line, he added.

Aside from the contest, Murray State social sciences instructors will be distributing copies of the Constitution to all Johnston County schools, Ellinger said.

The contests are leading up to the Constitution birthday celebration itself on Sept. 17, which will include a noontime program on campus and an evening discussion on the Constitution, Glencross said. Plans for the evening program are being finalized and will be announced at a later date, she said.

More information on the Constitution birthday celebration is available by telephoning the social sciences office at 371-2371 ext. 253 or through dropping by the office on the first floor of the Clyde Hall Classroom Building.

A Message From the President

Dear Students:

One of my favorite popular songs has throughout the lyrics a question: "Who will answer?" As we contemplate the 1987-88 academic year and how it might relate to your individual needs as well as the needs of society as a whole, that question resounds in my mind like a drum beat.

As you enter the new academic year, many for the first time, our society is saying to you that it is expecting you to prepare yourself to answer many questions confronting us today and which will confront us in the future. You will be expected to not only answer technical and professional questions, but you will also be expected to address many socially sensitive questions. If you as the emerging generation of leaders do not respond, who will answer? The uneducated? Those whose minds are perpetually affected by controlled substance abuse? Those whose character is highly questionable?

All of us at Murry State College are ready and willing to assist you in being "answerable." We hope, through our professional efforts and the way we conduct our own personal lives, that both the students and those who staff the College can respond to the call, "Who will answer?" -- "We will answer."

May each of you have a successful year.

Most sincerely,
Clyde R. Kindell
President



Dr. Clyde Kindell



Professional Business Club members spent a week standing on the beach in Hawaii. The group spent the week going on tours, outings, and staring at the sea.

NOTICE

Students who are enrolled in individual and team sports, and who did not attend the meetings on the 26th or 27th, must contact Nancy Schilling in the student activities center regarding class requirements.

Editor Welcomes New Students, Staff

By Jon Daris Parker

Here we are with the first issue of the new year. For those readers who are new to Murray, we are a bi-weekly newspaper reporting on the campus community and other areas of interest to the students and alumni of Murray State College.

We have some new reporters this year, as well as a new regular staff. They all work hard to bring the paper to you, and their work is more than appreciated.

I would like to take some space to introduce you to the staff. Our assistant editor, Rhonda Bartlett, is new to the staff this year. She's done a

wonderful job helping with this issue, and I'm very pleased to welcome her aboard.

Our photographer, Elizabeth Parker, was a reporter for us last year, and has returned to do the excellent photos you will find in the paper. Her help in putting the paper together goes far beyond that, however, and she has always been willing to assist wherever she was needed.

We have a new columnist this year, who just happens to be related to me. My brother, Dale Parker, will be reporting on science news and views. It should be interesting.

We like to hear from our readers in just about any fashion, be it letters, phone calls, or dropping by the office to say hi. If you are particularly fond of something in the agglie, let us know. If you don't like something, let

us know. If there's something you would like to see in the paper...well, you get the idea.

We are a student newspaper, and we welcome submissions of articles or story ideas from anyone. If you have the urge to write movie or record reviews, cover basketball games, or write anything else of interest to our readers, contact us and we'll try to get you some space.

If something has you worried or concerned, feel free to write a letter airing your complaints. We won't print letters containing libel, obscenity, or personal attacks on people, but we will try to print everything else.

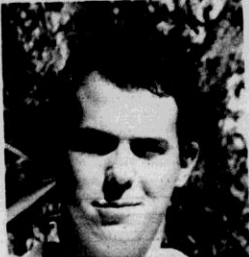
The student paper is paid for by the students, and your input is not only welcome but necessary. With your help, this can be one of the best years the agglie, and MSC, has ever had.

student quotes

Q. Why did you choose Murray State as your college?



Tina Brandhorst, Staplehurst, Neb. Horse Management. "I had shown horses in Nebraska and I chose Murray because I had heard they have a very good placement program."



Chris Barnhill, Eagletown, OK. Vet-Tech Major. "I think Murray is a fine institute, my decision was based on the quality of the school and the Vet-Tech program."



Day Sordahl, Ada, OK. Horse Management Major. "I received a scholarship, Murray is also very close to home."



Gerri Paulin, Velma, OK. Vet-Tech Major. "My brothers graduated from Murray and they encouraged me to attend. I find the Vet-Tech has good facilities and teaching staff."

PTK Members Plan Busy Week

A new slate of officers took charge as the Phi Theta Kappa honor society had their first meeting of the year Wednesday, planning several activities for the upcoming year.

New officers are: Kevin Lane, president; Jeff Stoker, vice-president; Rose Moss, treasurer; Tricia Hatridge,

reporter; Carolin Wright, secretary and Cheryl Hoover, historian.

The group plans a PTK vs. Faculty softball game Thursday, before leaving for a symposium on freedom Friday in Oklahoma City. The symposium, which will be held at Oklahoma City University, will address

the topic "Involvement and Responsibility: The Pursuit of Freedom."

Saturday the group will attend a regional leadership conference for PTK at Claremore Junior College.

PTK is also involved in community service projects, with members making phone calls to remind citizens of the Red Cross blood drive, paying for coloring materials on "Constitution 200" to be distributed to area grammar schools, and reading to the elderly.

The group is also making plans for a canoe trip to be held in the latter part of September.

news briefs

PBC Elects Officers

The Professional Business Club has elected officers for the 1987-88 school year.

Officers are: Scotty Gibbs, president; Jeff Stoker, vice president; Rose Moss, secretary; Kevin Lane, treasurer; Robby Hitchcock, historian; Devonda (Duck) Sartor, photographer; Pat Davis, reporter and John Tahsuda, student senate representative.

Senate Meeting

There will be a Student Senate meeting Monday in room 211 of the Administration Bldg. All clubs should plan to send representatives.

Cheerleading Team To Hold Tryouts

Cheerleader tryouts will be held Friday at 1:30 p.m. at the soccer field, according to Linda Graham, co-sponsor.

Interested students should contact Graham in the Financial Aid department by 5 p.m. Wednesday. There are some scholarships available for cheerleaders, who must live on campus or be local residents.

Both male and female applicants will be accepted, Graham said.

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Letters will be accepted, however, they must be typed or neatly written in ink and be legibly signed by the author or authors. We reserve the right to edit letters for libel and/or obscenity.

Letters and questions should be sent to agglie, c/o Murray State College, Tishomingo, OK 73460. Phone (405) 371-2371 ext. 126.

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College Bowl To Begin Sept. 17

The first College Bowl competition scheduled for the fall semester will begin Sept. 17, according to Larry Milligan, College Bowl director. The competition, dubbed the College Bowl Constitutional Classics, is being held in conjunction with Constitution Day. The meet will be held during the noon hour in the lobby of the student union.

The regular season College Bowl Scrimages will start Sept. 23rd, and will be held at noon in the small auditorium on the second floor of the Administration Bldg.

College Bowl gives students a chance to compete in areas of knowledge ranging from math to

current events to sports, said Milligan, who compared it to the board game *Trivial Pursuit*.

Students may organize their own teams, or play for teams organized by an instructor. Teams should contact Milligan in the Fine Arts Bldg., or Ken Ellinger, Social Sciences instructor, in order to be scheduled.

MSC Fitness Center Open to Students

The Murray State Fitness Center would like to welcome students to come and check out the facility. The hours are; 6 a.m. to 8 a.m. Monday-Friday, 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Friday, and 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Saturday. The center is closed on Sunday.

Book Discussions Scheduled

A series of book discussions has been scheduled at the Chickasaw Library System headquarters in Ardmore, beginning tonight with Dr. Lewis Parkhill discussing *Rite of Encounter* by Russell Bates and *Ranson's Folly* by Richard Harding Davis.

Scholars from the University of Oklahoma, Southeastern Oklahoma State University and the University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma will be conducting the remaining sessions.

Books for the series may be purchased or checked out from the library. For more information contact the Chickasaw Library System headquarters at (405) 223-3164, or by contacting Dr. Parkhill at (405) 371-2371 ext. 122.

McKee Hall Elects New Officers

McKee Hall residents held their first meeting of the year Sept. 1, electing new officers and discussing dorm rules.

New officers for the year are: Pam Watkins, president; Rhonda Barnes, vice-president; Carla Dawson, secretary; Monica Disheroon, treasurer; Stacy Tolbert, reporter; Erica Peterson, student senate representative and Sharon Yelavich, parliamentarian.

Instructor Chosen

Science instructor Bruce Stewart has been accepted to the Ph.D program at the University of Oklahoma. Stewart will continue to teach at Murray while he completes his degree requirements.

science update

Lenses May Be Harmful

By Dale Parker

To lend further support to the statement "Life is hazardous to your health," researchers at the Emory School of Medicine have discovered that even contact lenses can be harmful. It seems that in the extended wear lenses fungi can grow that can eventually affect the eye beneath, causing corneal ulcers. The good news is, once diagnosed they can easily be treated with antibiotic eye drops.

Don't think you are out of the woods just because you wear daily use lenses rather than the extended wear kind. Other research has found that due to improper or poor maintenance an amoebic infection can occur also forming corneal ulcers. The bottom line? If you wear either kind of contact lenses have checkups often and rigidly follow the care instructions for your type of lens.

As if the current list of sexually transmitted diseases weren't enough, new evidence suggests that an obscure sexually transmitted virus called papilloma is linked to ovoid cancer. The virus is difficult to detect because in many cases it causes no outward sign of infection though it can cause flat lesions on the genitals of both men and women. As of yet there is no real treatment for the disease other than the normal precautions against other venereal diseases: condoms, few

partners, or abstinence.

On a more upbeat note, Physicists Richard Sonnenfeld and Paul Hansma of UC have developed a technique for atom tracing under water. Using a scanning tunneling microscope which can discern details a billionth of an inch across, they have figured out a way to eliminate the interference water produces in the picture. This advance has wide ranging implications, not the least of which is that one day soon biologists will be able to see structures and processes in a living cell, atom by atom.

In the world of astronomy, microbiologists have discovered an important clue to the position and speed of the earth, moon, and sun millions of years ago. Some tiny micro organisms that lived on rocks were photosynthetic and grew in relation to the position of the sun. By studying growth traces on rocks near the equator, scientists were able to determine the average length of summer and winter even before the first mammals appeared on earth. They found that the year used to be 435 days long. The moon's gravitational fields accounts for the slowing to our 365 day year. As they continue to study these tiny ancient astronomers, scientists hope to discover more about life on earth millions of years ago.



New baseball coach Johnny Corff checks out his players for the year.

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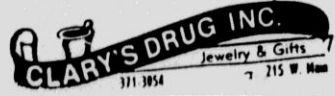
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Drug Awareness Program Slated

By Joyce Stevenson

A Chemical Dependency Awareness and Assistance Program is being instituted for the fall semester, according to Jim Utterback, counselor.

The program is supposed to supply information and offer referrals rather than act as a treatment center, Utterback said. The program will consist of five programs designed to inform students on various topics relating to Chemical Dependency.

Students with drug or alcohol problems can contact the counseling center, with conversations between student and counselor kept in complete confidence, Utterback said.

The first program in the series, "Fighting Drunk," was held Wednesday.

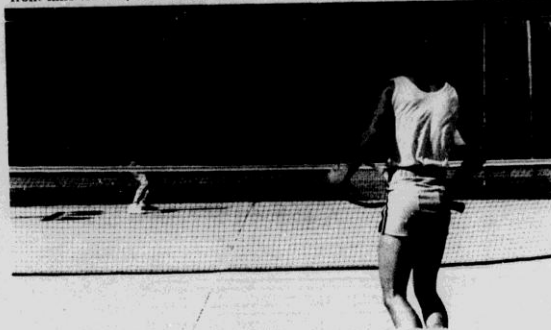
Dates for the remaining programs are: Drugs in Society, Sept. 22; AIDS

Forum, Oct. 8; American Vice, Nov. 5; and Chemical Abuse and Suicide, Dec. 1.

Other programs may be announced from time to time, said Utterback, who

developed the program over the summer along with Jan Lorentz, nursing department chairman.

All programs will be held Room 211 of the Administration Building.



Students enjoy tennis as the fall intramural schedule gets underway. Games will last until Sept. 21.

Intramural Sports Scheduled

By Elizabeth Parker

Murray State Fall Intramural tennis and softball competitions have begun, and are scheduled to continue until Sept. 21st. Winning teams and individuals will be announced as competitions are completed.

This fall there are 9 softball teams entered to compete. In tennis there will be two mixed doubles teams, four entries in the women's division, four men's doubles, and 12 men entered in the singles. All games will be based on double elimination tournaments.

Any student interested may compete as long as entry deadlines are not over. Students enrolled in individual sports are reminded to check posted areas for entry and tournament deadlines, as well as for schedules of games being played. Those wishing to sign-up or obtain further information can contact, Nancy Schilling, Student Activities Director located in the lobby of the auditorium from 1:30 p.m.- 8 p.m.

New Student Loans Available

Dr. E.T. Dunlap, consultant and executive officer of the Oklahoma Student Loan Authority, and other Authority officials held a news conference today, August 6, 1987, at the state capitol to announce the operation of the new Supplemental Student Loan Program.

"We are pleased to have Dr. Dunlap present the program," Gov. Henry Bellmon has said, "as it will help many students go to college who otherwise might not have gone."

Dr. Dunlap said that the arrangements have been made for funding the program and beginning operation with the fall semester of 1987.

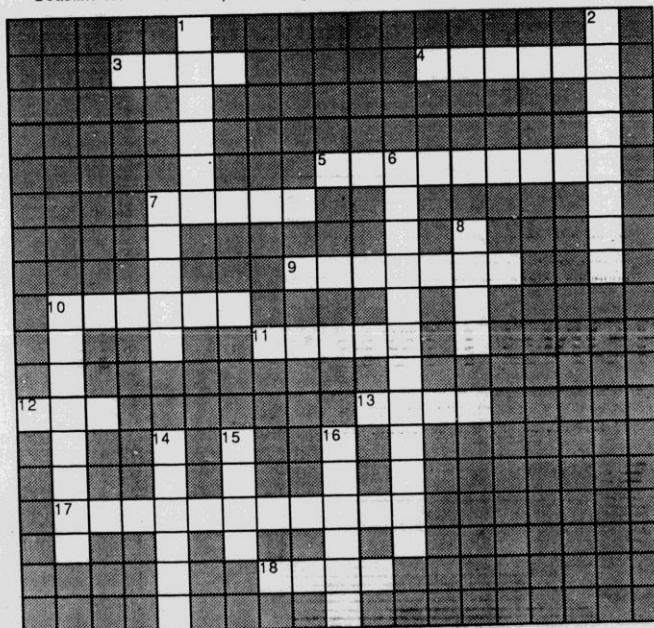
Senate Bill 179, signed by the governor on May 12, 1987, authorized the Oklahoma Student Loan Authority to establish and operate a Supplemental Student Loan Program.

It is designed to benefit students who became ineligible for Guaranteed Student Loans by changes in the Federal Higher Education Act by Congress in October 1986.

Students wishing to apply for the loans should contact the financial aid office for complete information and application forms.

LIBRARY CHALLENGE

Test your knowledge of current events. Try your hand at the Library Challenge which will appear in each issue of the Aggie-lite. Three winners will each receive a burger, fries and a soft drink at the Snack Bar. Names of winners will be posted on the Library bulletin board. Deadline for entries is 4 p.m., Friday, Sept. 11th.



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Regents Approve Budget Increase, Purchases

The Murray State College Board of Regents Tuesday evening approved a revision in the college budget, the purchase of a computer for the student newspaper and commended a former regent for dedicated service.

The budget revision, which would increase the college budget for the 1987-88 fiscal year by \$249,856, will be submitted to the state Regents for Higher Education for final approval, college officials said.

If approved by state Regents, the revision would be designated for teaching salaries, supplies, equipment, utilities and maintenance and would bring the total college budget for 1987-88 to \$3,060,107, college officials said.

In other action, the regents signed a resolution commending former regent Russell Noble of Ardmore, stating in the document that Noble has "shown great dedication to the cause of providing a quality higher education for Murray State College's 10-county service area." Gov. Henry Bellmon has not as yet nominated a candidate to fill the vacated seat.

The regents also granted approval for the purchase of an Apple Macintosh SE, along with the required software for the Aggieelite. The computer will be paid for out of the newspaper budget.

The regents approved several requests for personnel action, including the interim hirings of John Christy, mens residence hall director, and Billy Jack Stowe, mens residence hall custodian. Approval was granted to the employment of Sandra Brown, child development lab teacher's aide; Joe Gunter, interim custodian; Virginia Orr, special services tutor; Hannelore Rice, interim machine tool lab assistant, and Lisa Wright, special services tutor.

The part-time instructor list for both on-campus courses and for Murray State courses offered through the Ardmore Higher Education Center was also approved, including: Stan Anderson, American history; Willa Dean Freeman, accounting; Jim Kennedy, computer literacy; Mary McCreary, computer literacy and promotions; Lynn Reinhart, computer applications packages; Lisa Wright, basic English, and Jill Clark, biology.

Also, Linda Clark, law office practices; Mike DeSpain, computer concepts; Melinda Dudley, accounting; Charlotte Estep, English composition; Ron Faulk, psychology; Jerold Hanson, computer applications packages; Lorna Holloway, American government and history; Steve Huston, botany; Linda Johnson, English composition; Larry Keith, real estate; Rick Lane, economics; Anita McDonald, business communications; Cheryl Marris, English composition; Charles Milor, American history; Dennis Mitchell, bank investments; Jenna Orr, math and algebra; Floy Parkhill, business; David Risinger, English composition; Carol

Saylor, English composition and literature; Bill Smith, chemistry and Charles Wheeler, BASIC programming.

Meanwhile, a bid from Champion Products of Broken Arrow was accepted on uniforms for the mens and womens basketball teams.

A logo for the MSC Rodeo Association, a new campus organization, was accepted by the regents, as was the monthly livestock report, which showed that during August, the college farm swine herd remained stable at 190 head, while the dairy cattle herd increased by one to 32 and the beef cattle herd remained stable at 72.

Constitution Events Draw Crowd

Essay judging, a panel discussion, a short play and a birthday cake highlighted Murray State College's celebration of the 200th anniversary of the signing of the U.S. Constitution Thursday, playing to a packed house.

Ceremonies began with a welcome from Kevin Lane, president of the Phi Theta Kappa honor society, and Dr. Clyde Kindell, college president.

The MSC drama department presented a short skit on the writing of the Preamble to the Constitution. Starring were Tracy Hood as James Madison, Peter Morrell as Constitution framer #1 and Denise Crockett as Constitution framer #2. The skit was directed by Kathryn Tooman, language arts instructor, and written by Dana Glencross, language arts instructor, Tooman, Morrell, Hood and Crockett.

Presentation of awards in the coloring contest held by Phi Theta Kappa followed. Winners in the contest were: Mindy Williams, Tara Whitmire and Charee Riddle in the

Rodeo Club Approved As New Campus Organization

The M.S.C. Rodeo Association met for their first official meeting on Sept. 2, having just been given interim approval by the Student Senate Executive Committee as MSC's newest campus organization.

The association has elected officers for the 1987-88 school year. Officers are: Wes Saxon, president; Shawn Howard, vice-president; Kelli O'Neil, secretary; Carla Rorex, treasurer; Victoria Albersson, reporter and Doyle Bacon, student senate representative. Faculty sponsor for the club is Dr. Tony Smith, agriculture division chairman. Meetings are scheduled for first and third Wednesday of each month, Rm. LS 108 at 7 p.m.

The purpose of the MSC Rodeo Association is to provide students who enjoy the sport of rodeo and horsemanship the opportunity to continue to enjoy the fellowship and



Students participated in a special Constitution College Bowl Thursday as part of the Constitution 200th celebration.

kindergarten division; Teresa Miller, Michael Miller and Anna Attebury in the first grade division and James Cooper, Brandie Hunt and Misty Harrell in the second grade competition.

Also winners were Lynn Traugber, Anne Cooper and Tonya Whitmire in the third grade division; Brian Shelton, Nicki McBrayer and Clint Beaver in the fourth grade division, Christine Hughes, Misti Wyatt and Christina Varnell in the fifth grade division and Arla Mullins, John May and Julie Black winning the sixth grade competition. Posters were judged by Fine Arts Instructor Larry Milligan.

Awards were also presented in the essay contest, with Ryan Austin, June Webb and David Barron winning the middle school division and Janet Hensley, Wesley Davidson and Kathy Savage taking honors in the high school division.

Winners of the college essay contest were Sunday Kurtz, Brenda Hicks and John Tahsuda.

recreation in a competitive and non-competitive manner. The association is affiliated with the National InterCollegiate Rodeo Association (N.I.R.A.). In addition realizing that there are a great number of students who enjoy the sport but are unable to compete in the N.I.R.A., the MSC Rodeo Association is designed also on an intramural basis. The association welcomes members who wish to compete as well as those who just want to "help out" anyway they can.

At this time they have seven members that are N.I.R.A. approved. They will be competing in their first rodeo of the 87-88 school year in Colby, Kansas, Sept. 18, 19 & 20. These contestants will represent MSC and will compete against other Collegiate Rodeo teams throughout the 87-88 school year.

Following the awards presentation was a constitutional forum moderated by Ken Ellinger, social sciences instructor. Participating in the discussion were Lynn Wendell, attorney; Ken Delashaw, attorney, Charles Miller, associate district judge and Gary Lumpkin, district judge.

After joining in a reading of the Preamble to the Constitution, the audience heard a presentation by the MSC Entertainers, who performed *A Greater Nation*, written by Entertainers sponsor Jamie Inman.

The event was produced by a committee consisting of Margaret Lovelace and Rex Morrell, social sciences instructors, Lewis Parkhill, Don Ryan and Fred Poe, liberal arts instructors, as well as Glencross, Tooman, Ellinger and Inman.

Entertainers Begin New Season

By Dallas Gibbs

The Murray State Entertainers are gearing up for a new year of music in the fall of 1987, with five new members joining three returning musicians. The stage band representing MSC plays mainly music from the pop and pop-country fields. The group has planned a schedule filled not only with concerts for MSC, but an on-the-road tour where they will play at area high schools and special events.

The Entertainers, sponsored by Jamie Inman, was formed to provide an outlet for MSC students to exhibit their musical talent. This year's group consists of three students who have been Entertainers for two years. They are Daren Flanagan, who plays rhythm and bass guitar; Sherri Fouse and Miyuki Marks, who both sing. Also included in the group are Larry Standridge, lead and bass guitar; Vickie Lorio, electronic keyboard; Dallas Gibbs, drums; Michelle Dollar, Crystal Groomer, and Shannon O'Neal, who all sing.

The Entertainers' first concert for MSC will be on Business Day, October 14th.

Foundation Receives Gift of Ranch

The Murray State College Foundation received the largest single gift in its seven-year history this summer -- a cattle ranch.

J.C. Cobb of Tishomingo, chairman of the MSC Foundation Board of Directors, announced today that Dr. Joseph B. and Neva Shearer have donated their 870-acre ranch southwest of Wapanucka to the Foundation.

The property value of the gift makes it the largest single donation to the Foundation in its seven-year history, Cobb said.

The Shearers have a long history of service to the Murray State College community through the Foundation. Mrs. Shearer has been a member of the MSCF Board of Directors since 1980, serving one year as chairman of the board in 1983 and serving as secretary of the board for a total of four years.

In 1985, Mrs. Shearer was awarded the MSCF Distinguished Service Award, which is given annually to recognize outstanding achievements of individuals or families who demonstrate through their service a commitment to Murray State College. In addition, the Shearers annually fund the Shearer Scholarship given to a Native American MSC student.

Cobb thanked the Shearers on behalf of the Foundation membership, saying that their gift was a "tremendous boost" to the Foundation's efforts in building private support for the college's educational goals. "It is days like this that make all our efforts worthwhile," Cobb said.

The Shearers, who purchased the ranch in 1964 and moved onto the land in 1977, told the Foundation board of directors that the donation had been a dream of theirs. "We have no children, so ... this will be our gift to several children," Mrs. Shearer said. "We just hope that you'll love our ranch and take care of our ranch like we love it."

Since donating the ranch to the Foundation, the Shearers have retired to the Enid area, where they are originally from. Mr. Shearer, an M.D., operated an obstetrician practice in Denver, Colo., for several years before the couple moved to Wapanucka. Mrs. Shearer is a retired schoolteacher.

Mrs. Shearer, who has served on the Foundation Board of Directors since 1980, said that the decision to donate the ranch was a hard one to make. "We hope this will do a lot of good for students in more ways than one," she said.

"Plans currently call for students in the Agricultural and Business Divisions to become directly involved with the Shearer Ranch," Cobb said. Some Business Division students will, as part of a class project, be responsible for keeping accurate records of ranch operations under the direct supervision of Dr. Dennis Smith, chairman of the Business Division.

"I believe it will be an excellent opportunity for students to learn in an actual business situation first hand," said Dr. Smith. "We appreciate the opportunity that this has given to the Business Division."

Kevin Lane, a Business Administration major from Marietta, said that as a business student, "This is a golden opportunity to achieve hands-on experience in business affairs."

Students in the agriculture and farm and ranch management programs will have a chance to deal with the real-life situation of a working cattle ranch, and will be able to give their own recommendations for management decisions that are to be made on the Shearer Ranch, Cobb said.

"Students in all branches of the agriculture program are going to benefit immensely from this," said Dr. Tony Smith, chairman of the Agriculture Division. "After all, what could be better for a farm and ranch management student, for example, than to be gaining experience on a working cattle ranch?"

Veterinary Technology students will also benefit from the Shearer Ranch operations, as they will have the chance to monitor and maintain the health of the cattle herd on the ranch, Cobb said.

The Shearer Ranch will be operated by the Foundation through an advisory committee composed of board of directors members Gene Boyd, manager of the Meinecke-Boyd Ranch north of Tishomingo, and Fred A.

Chapman, Jr., Ardmore rancher and businessman.

Mr. and Mrs. J.B. Smith serve as resident managers for the Shearer Ranch, and some Murray State students will be employed to work on the ranch, the Foundation chairman said.

Plans are being made to hire two or three students sometime in the near future to work on the ranch, Cobb said, adding that the students hired to work on the ranch will reside there as well, giving them a taste of the

working and living environment of a cattle ranch.

The most recent Foundation progress includes the Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Chapman, Sr. 4-H and FFA Pavilion and Show Pens, the renovation of the Business Division and addition of state-of-the-art business computers and computerized information systems, and equipment purchases for the library and other college programs.

student quotes

Q. Where do you go to get away from it all?



DUSTY BROUGHTON, ARDMORE, OK. GEN. ED. MAJOR "I like riding horses in the mountains near Blue River."



CASEY SMITHERS, ARDMORE, GEN. ED. MAJOR "I go fishing at the Housetops."



MARSHA SPANGLER, CANTON, VET-TECH MAJOR "I head to Stillwater on Friday night, and forget all about school."



PAT DAVIS, TISHOMINGO, BUSINESS MAJOR "Home sweet home, where I can be alone."

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Instructor Revives Murray Theater

By Elizabeth Parker

After three years without producing a play, the Murray State drama department is again active, producing a skit for the Constitution 200 celebration and planning a three-act play to be produced in November, said Kathryn Tooman, language arts and drama instructor.

The department had their debut performance last Thursday during the 'Constitutional 200' celebration, presenting a short skit on Madison's writing of the preamble to the U. S. Constitution. The skit was performed by scholarship students, Denise Crockett, Tracy Hood, and Peter Morrell.

"The three did a superb job, and I would like to see them and other students involved in future performances that will be put on for the community and surrounding schools," Tooman said.

"I am very excited about the program, and would like to involve not only the students and faculty, but the community as well," said Tooman. My main goal is to develop and establish a living, working theater structured with the needs and interest of the community."

Tooman is currently planning the first major production, John Patrick's

Everybody Loves Opal. Auditions for the comedy will be held Thursday, Oct. 1 from 3 to 5 p.m. and Friday, Oct. 2 from 3 to 7 p.m. at Fletcher Auditorium. Four men and two women are needed for the play. Auditions are open to everyone. Production dates are set for Nov. 4 and 5 at 8 p.m. People are also needed to help with set construction, costumes, lighting, makeup, and sound.

In addition to her work with the

theater group, Tooman is also teaching the drama course offered at Murray. The course stresses all of the different aspects within the theater. This course is designed to offer an understanding of the theater through class lectures, written essays, required readings, and discussions over the various divisions within the business, Tooman said.

"I am planning a major show like *Everybody Loves Opal* for each semester, along with a smaller project,"



Drama Students (L to R) Denise Crockett, Tracy Hood and Peter Morrell perform a skit for 'Constitution 200'.

science update

Sea Holds Key To Glue

By Dale Parker

Life on earth has always been thought to be totally dependent on the sun, either directly or indirectly. Plants take the sun's energy and, along with components from the air, make glucose. Every non-photosynthetic creature depends on this ability to get the energy they need to survive by eating the plants or animals that have eaten the plants.

But now a team of oceanographers from the University of California at Santa Barbara have discovered an ecosystem that depends not on the sun, but on the tremendous amount of heat generated in the Earth's core.

Deep in the Galapagos Rift, a trench in the bottom of the Pacific Ocean, there are clams, mussels, and tube worms that live symbiotically with a form of bacteria. This bacteria takes compounds of sulfur and oxygen that are released from a vent in the floor

of the trench and breaks them down, using the resultant energy to form carbohydrates, proteins, and lipids which are then leaked to the host animal.

Mussels could hold the key for a medical breakthrough. It seems that mussels secrete a glue that is not only tough and fast hardening but works under water. This allows the animal to glue itself to rocks to keep from being thrown around in the surf. Gemex, a biotech firm, is taking a hard look at the glue to see if it can be adapted for medical uses. Presently, there is no glue that works very well under water, and most medical applications are in a wet environment. If Gemex can make the glue commercially feasible, doctors could use it to glue broken bones back together, and dentists could use it to repair broken teeth without air drying.

Tooman said. "Because of the activities during the beginning and end of each semester, the full length drama will be held mid-semester. Right now I am looking ahead, and would like to do a (continued on page four)

news briefs

ETC Elections Held

The Engineering Technology Club has elected officers for the 87-88 school year.

New Officers are: Don Smith, president; Monica Disheroon vice-president; Mike Gross, secretary / treasurer and Mike Rice, student senate representative.

Student Senate Officers Available

Student Senate officers will be available to talk to students on campus related issues from 1 - 2 p.m. Wednesdays and Thursdays in the Senate office, located in the lobby of Fletcher Auditorium, according to Scott Gibbs, Senate president.

NAC Elects Officers

Native American Club members held their first meeting of the year August 31, electing new officers and discussing upcoming activities.

New Officers for the year are: Victoria Alberson, president, Choctaw, Chickasaw, Mississippi Choctaw Tribe; Kay Hodshire, vice president, Pawnee Tribe; Tricia Graham, secretary/treasurer, Cherokee Tribe; Letha Taylor, Choctaw Tribe and Margie Taylor, Student Senate Representative, Choctaw Tribe.

The club also welcomes two new sponsors: Ken Ellinger, Citizens Band Pottowattomie Tribe, and Dana Glencross.

The club will be sponsoring a student dance from 9-12 Thursday. Admission will be \$1.

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Cure, Waters Head Summer Records

By Jon Daris Parker

We're going to start off this year taking a quick look at a few of the albums that have been collecting on my desk over the last three months. Here's

the scoop on the summer of '87: **The Cure** / *Kiss Me, Kiss Me, Kiss Me* (Elektra) Robert Smith and company return with a double album containing some of the finest and most mature work yet from the English

new-wavers. Gone (almost) is their image as the prophets of gloom and doom, and the songs on *Kiss Me* are generally upbeat, optimistic tunes with a more relaxed attitude than they've ever achieved before. Particularly worth attention are the dance hit *Why Can't I Be You?* and the introspective *How Beautiful You Are*. *Kiss Me* is sure to cinch the Cure's reputation with the new fans attracted by last year's greatest hits compilation *Standing On the Beach*, as well as leaving plenty for older fans to sink their teeth into. Buy it, buy it buy it.

The Cult / *Electric* (Sire) The band with the shrinking name (having been known as Southern Death Cult and just Death Cult before arriving at their current moniker) returns with a power-packed package of hard hitting sixties styled rock and roll in the tradition of Steppenwolf and AC/DC. Song titles have names like *Peace Dog* and *Aphrodisiac Jacket*, and there's even a cover version of Steppenwolf's *Born To Be Wild* adding to the retro atmosphere. **The party album of '87. Roger Waters** / *Radio K.A.O.S.* (Columbia) The ex-Pink Floyd singer, songwriter and bassist returns with his best work since *The Wall* came out back in '79. Like all of Water's recent work, this one has a concept, this time revolving around Billy, a paraplegic who communicates with the outside world through means of a cordless phone. Unlike *The Pros and Cons of Hitchhiking*, his first solo

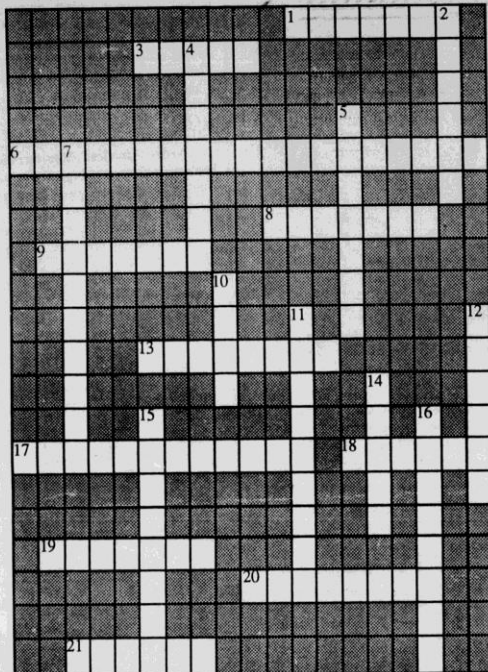
album, this one works. Waters at his best has managed to make challenging material accessible, and *Radio K.A.O.S.*, while not as grandly staged as *The Wall*, is still a satisfying piece of work. The biggest surprise, and the album's best moment, comes at the end of the album on *The Tide is Turning* when the unwaveringly pessimistic Waters looks hopefully to the future.

There have been recent legal troubles between Waters and his former bandmates, who are currently touring as Pink Floyd without him. With *Radio K.A.O.S.*, Waters has proved himself as his own artist. Sure, it lacks David Gilmour's scorching guitar, but even without it, Roger Waters is again in the Pink.

Microdisney / *Crooked Mile* (Virgin) This English band has been knocking around the underbelly of the new music scene for quite a while, and with *Crooked Mile* they appear to be making a bid for stardom, at least on the college circuit. Unfortunately, these songs, despite cute song titles like *And He Descended Into Hell*, are so inoffensive and boring they would put Lionel Richie to sleep. Even worse is the introduction of steel guitars and country trappings on a couple of songs, most notably *Armadillo Man*. If it's supposed to be funny, why isn't it? And if they're serious, why are they still signed to a record label? *Crooked Mile* is a sad attempt by Microdisney to dabble in musical forms they know nothing about.

LIBRARY CHALLENGE

Deadline for entries in this week's challenge is 4:00 p.m., Friday, Sept. 25th. Three winners will each receive a free lunch. Names of winners will be posted on the Library bulletin board.



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Drama

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Christmas play, presenting something the whole community can enjoy, while adding to the Christmas spirit." As a long term goal Tooman intends to work on a presentation that will combine the Theater group with the Murray State Entertainers.

Tooman obtained a Bachelor of Arts in Education from Southwestern Oklahoma State University and holds a Master of the Arts in Speech, Drama, and English from Oklahoma State University. Through her teaching and extensive experience in every phase of the theater, she feels qualified to get the job done. "The theater is demanding and requires self discipline and hard work," she said. "It is also extremely fun and very rewarding."

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Bird Society to Meet On MSC Campus

An internationally known author of books on birds in the wild will be the featured speaker at the fall meeting of the Oklahoma Ornithological Society to be held at Murray State on Saturday, Oct. 17.

Dr. Paul A. Johnsgard, foundation professor of the University of Nebraska, will address the audience at an evening banquet during the meeting, according to Murray State science instructor Bruce Stewart, coordinator of the meeting.

"Dr. Johnsgard has written numerous books about game birds in various regions of the nation, waterfowl, cranes, hummingbirds ... even bird decoys," Stewart said. "He's a very entertaining speaker, and I think the audience will really enjoy his presentation."

Though the banquet and featured speaker will cap off the meeting, ornithological society members will spend the day attending a series of presentations highlighting the latest research being done by wildlife experts in Oklahoma and the Southwest.

But, Stewart said that there is something at the meeting for anyone who has an interest in wildlife. "Really, anyone who is interested in the outdoors should find this meeting interesting," he said. "These are experts that are delivering papers, but their presentations are written for anyone to understand, not just for other scientists."

Topics to be discussed during the meeting include: radio tracking of bald eagles released in Oklahoma, bottomland hardwood forests of Eastern Oklahoma, and studies of birds in north central Texas, the Oklahoma Panhandle

and Eastern and Western Oklahoma.

Also on the speaker's list for the meeting are David O. Dillon, president of the Oklahoma Ornithological Society, William A. Carter, East Central University, Alan Jenkins, Sutton Raptor Research Center, Robert M. Short, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Melinda Droege, Bartlesville Audubon Society, Jack Tyler, Cameron University, Warren M. Pulich, University of Dallas, John E. Skeen, Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation, Dana L. Base, California Department of Game and Fish, Joseph A. Grzybowski, Central State University.

Breakfast will be served by Phi Theta Kappa from 6:30 a.m. to 8 a.m. at a charge of \$2.50 per person, with

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Murray Enrollment Rises

Enrollment in Murray State College courses for the Fall 1987 term posted a 2 percent increase over enrollment during the same term last year, college officials announced today.

While the total number of credit hours being taken by students this fall is up from last year, the number of students enrolled has declined slightly, according to college president Dr. Clyde Kindell. "We have a few less students, but overall, the students we have this year are taking heavier course loads than in the previous year," he said.

Kindell said that the number of credit hours being taken by students is important to Murray State, because state funding for Oklahoma colleges and



Professional Business Club president Scotty Gibbs hams it up at the Gong Show sponsored by the PBC Monday. This was the third year for the Gong Show.

Exchange Student Visits

A visitor from Scotland spent a week at Murray State College Sept. 21-25, touring the college's agricultural facilities and getting to know a bit about the Sooner State.

Callum Harvey, a delegate of the Scottish Association of Young Farmers Clubs, stayed as a guest of Murray State College. The visit was part of an international exchange program sponsored by the Future Farmers of America.

During the week, Harvey toured the college farm, veterinary technology and horse management and training facilities, as well as giving several talks

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Natural History Museum Opens At MSC

By Dallas Gibbs

After two years of planning, the Axolotl Museum of Natural History on the MSC campus has opened, providing members of the faculty, student body and community with a glimpse of the history of area wildlife.

The museum features displays of preserved wildlife from the surrounding area, much of it collected by the MSC science department. In addition, there is also a collection of living snakes which includes rattlesnakes, cottonmouth snakes, and a King snake. The snakes were collected by Bruce Stewart, science instructor and the man responsible for making the museum a reality. Some of the specimens are currently being used in his research, Stewart said.

One of the more interesting displays, Stewart said, is a Gila Monster that was once the pet of

Dr. Paul Parks, a former MSC science instructor.

The museum relied heavily on volunteer work for its completion, Stewart said. Dennis Toews, head of planning and development and Gary Cook, print shop coordinator were responsible for finding the display case and fixing it up.

Stewart would like to schedule regular hours for leaving the museum open, but that would require a heavy volunteer commitment, he said. The museum is currently open only by appointment.

Stewart plans to use the museum to give talks to grade school groups, scout troops and others interested in the natural sciences.

Those interested in viewing the collection may contact Stewart in his office in room 102 of the Library/Science building or by calling 371-2371 ext. 225.



Science instructor Bruce Stewart shows off one of the snakes on exhibit at the recently opened Axolotl Museum of Natural History. The museum is open by appointment.

editorial Disruptive Behavior Embarrassing

Okay, so part of the reason why you have an event like the Gong Show held by the Professional Business Club is so the audience can participate in cheering the good acts and booing the bad ones.

But the conduct of a small group of students at the once-annual event went way beyond what was appropriate. Their profanity, loudness and disruption ruined the event for others in the audience, as well as embarrassing the performers.

Part of the problem lies in a lack of security. There should be a security officer present at all public events held on campus, in case of emergency if nothing else.

But the main fault lies with the disruptive students. Students should demand a higher level of behavior from their peers at campus activities.

Aggies, Aggiettes Preparing For Season

By Rhonda Bartlett

The 1987-88 basketball season for the Aggies is scheduled to begin November 6 & 7 at the men's Hutchinson Classic in Hutchinson, Kansas, said team coach Jan Handley.

The team is expected to have an exceptional season this year, Handley said, with four sophomores returning and four transfer students.

Among the transfers is Andy Anderson, a 6'7" sophomore

transferring from Oklahoma Christian College, and Brian Garrett a 6'1" transfer from U.S.A.O. Doug Grissom and Phil Lansom are formerly students of Kilgore. A full list of team members was not available.

Handley expressed optimism about this year's team. Not only did they have a good recruiting year, but all the team members are talented and have good floor experience, Handley said.

campus opinion

Q. What class do you enjoy the most and why?



Mary Branscum, Ravla, General education
"Science- Mr. Stewart enjoys what he is teaching and makes the material interesting."



Tim Rogers, Purcell, Agricultural Education
"Livestock Feeding- I think that Mr. Coffey is a good instructor and makes an important part of my major interesting."



Tricia Hatridge, Klowa, Business Administration
"Music Appreciation- I like listening to the different types of music that I have never been exposed to before."



Tim Ellison, Gould, Business Administration
"Economics - Its a hard class and a challenge to make a good grade. Dr. Smith keeps you on your toes."

news briefs

Drawing Scheduled

The MSC Gunsmithing Club is holding a raffle for a custom rifle, with the drawing scheduled for Dec. 18.

The winner will receive a rifle equipped with a commercial Mauser action, Shilen barrel in a choice of standard calibers, Reinhart-Fajen stock and a Tasco 3-9x scope.

Tickets for the drawing are \$1 and may be purchased from any Gunsmithing Club member.

Item Donations Solicited for Drama

The Murray State Drama Department is currently accepting

donations of clothing, household items, used furniture, books, etc.

For information contact Kathryn Tooman, drama instructor, at 371-2371 ext. 127, or stop by the drama department on the third floor of the AD building.

ACT Rescheduled

The ACT test originally scheduled for Saturday, October 24, has been rescheduled for Saturday, October 17. The test will be held in room 102 of the classroom building.

There will be a charge of \$15 for the test, which must be paid at the time the test is taken. Attendance is mandatory for all freshmen who have not yet been tested.

Enrollment

(continued from page one) increase of any state in the region," Kindell said.

The number of students living on campus this fall is down slightly from a year ago, enrollment statistics showed. Kindell said that indicates that more students are commuting to Murray State than at the same time last year.

Enrollment figures also indicate there is an increase in the number of students classified as freshmen this fall. Currently, 730 students are enrolled as freshmen, compared to 690 in the Fall term of 1986.

Society

(continued from page one) registration open from 7:30 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. A lunch of Indian tacos will be served by the Native American Club at a charge of \$3.50 per person.

There is a registration fee of \$8 per person to attend the daytime sessions, and tickets to the evening banquet are available for \$7 per person for those registered or \$10 per person for non-registrants.

The meeting is open to the public, and the public is invited to attend. For more information about the meeting or to pre-register, contact Stewart at the MSC Science Division, 371-2371 ext. 255.

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science update Weapons Now Active

By Dale Parker

The Pentagon has recalled from inactive duty one of its most potent weapons-the H-bomb. The H-bomb blast is equivalent to 9 million tons of TNT, 750 Little Boys (A-bombs such as the one used on Hiroshima) or 30 MX missiles. It is by far the most dangerous weapon ever devised by man.

No explanation for the recall has been given by the Pentagon, but it is theorized that they will be used to strike deeply buried and fortified command centers.

There is growing evidence that black holes are at the center of galaxies and could possibly be essential to the forming of them. There are signs of a black hole weighing 70 million solar masses at the center of the Andromeda galaxy and one weighing 10 million solar masses at the center of M32, another neighboring galaxy. Stay tuned for further updates over the next billion years.

Scientists are getting close in the search for a room temperature super-conductor. Jagdish Narayan reports a ceramic compound of $YBa_2Cu_3O_x$ which superconducts below 290° Kelvin, an increase of 200° over the previously established barrier of 95° The Kelvin temperature scale begins at 0° (no molecular movement) and goes up. There is no reading below 0°, because that is as cold as matter can possibly be.

Business Day Scheduled

High school students and instructors from across Southern Oklahoma are invited to participate in the sixth annual Murray State College Business Day, Wednesday, Oct. 14.

The students will have the chance to participate in a number of business-related seminars discussing the latest trends in management, computer-related careers in business and industry, accounting, secretarial careers and finance, according to Dr. Dennis Smith, chairman of the business division.

"All schools in a 10-county area have been invited, and we're expecting the best turnout ever," Smith said. Last year, some 250 high school students attended the event.

Intramural Softball Ends, Volleyball Begins

By Elizabeth Parker

The 1987 Fall Season Intramural Competitions are going into their second month, but students may compete in several sports events still to come, according to Nancy Shilling, student activities coordinator.

Information about signing up for the remaining Intramural games can be obtained from Shilling's office in the lobby of the auditorium. Information can also be found on campus bulletin boards.

This season started with intramural softball competitions. This fall there were 9 teams competing with over 90 individual players.

In the womens division the Rehabs beat Kams, winning team members are- Tara Choate, Donna Allison, Vicky Gant, Marsha Spangler, Debbie Cagle, and Lisa Rorick, Kevin Hughes, Devonda Sartor, Missy King, Michelle Lien, and Kim Von Dran.

The BSU won over the Faculty in the men's division, winning team members are- Doug Pryor, Hank Haines, Mike Tarron, Gerald Wisdom, Casey Smithers, and James Wallace, Chris Snowden, Kevin Hayes, Joe Suh, and Jay Yearby.

Last but not least, the All Stars defeated the Faculty, all star members are- Mike Tarron, Hank Haines, Doug Pryor, Casey Smithers, and Kevin Hayes, Chris Snowden, Tara Choate, Lora Nichols, Carla Fuss, and Andrea Spencer.

In other intramural news, volleyball competitions will start

today, games are being played in the National Guard Armory Bldg. and anyone is welcome to come and watch, said Shilling. Games underway are, tennis, flag football and horse shoes. Winners of each division will be posted as competitions are finalized.

Entries for the pool and archery tournament start today, and students are advised to sign up for these events in Shilling's office before the deadline this Friday.

These competitions are held within the school, and anyone can compete as long as the final games have not been determined, however, in order to receive physical education credit you must sign up before the entry deadline, said Shilling.

The student activities office is also planning a trip to the State Fair of Texas.

Students interested in participating should see Shilling in the student activities office



Kelli McKay of the Kams knocks one in during the recent intramural softball competition. Entries are currently being taken for the volleyball, pool and archery tournaments.

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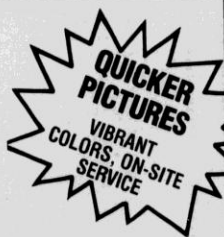
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country. He stayed in the mens residence hall with Leon Hicks, a Blanchard sophomore majoring in agriculture education, and who visited Great Britan last year through the same program.

Harvey said that he had noticed many differences between agriculture in Oklahoma and Scotland, not the least of which is the variety of crops suited to Oklahoma's soil and climate. "There are a lot of crops like corn, milo, cotton, alfalfa, and peanuts that you grow here that we just cannot grow," he said.

"What do grow well in Scotland are grasses ... surprisingly well, in fact. "What we can grow, we grow well. Because of the climate in

Scotland, the grasses are dense enough that you can generally graze more livestock per acre than here."

Wheat and barley also do well in portions of Scotland.

"The world record for wheat production per acre was set on a farm about 10 miles from where I live. The average per acre production of wheat and barley on our farm was about 142 bushels per acre last year."

Harvey lives on the Buxley farm on the east coast of Scotland near the village of Tranient, which is about 15 miles east of the capitol city of Edinburgh.

"It's not really an animal farm," Harvey said. "We have a few animals, but we mostly grow crops -- wheat, barley, oilseed rape, peas and potatoes."

Oilseed rape, he explained, is

grown to be converted into vegetable oil. Many crops, such as corn and peanuts, that are commonly used to make vegetable oil are not suited for the cooler Scottish climate.

Since arriving in the United States six weeks ago, Harvey said he has noticed a large number of part-time farmers here, which he said is unusual in Scotland. "Most of the farmers at home are doing that full-time; I'm not really sure why it would be that way, but it is."

The farmers in Scotland, whether full or part-time, are handicapped by a shortage of suitable land for raising crops, though. The Buxley farm is unusual for Scotland because, being on the coast, there is enough flat land for cultivation.

"Especially in the northern regions of Scotland, it's all rocky and steep, not at all like it is here in Oklahoma," Harvey said. "You find a lot of cattle and sheep up there, because it's about all they can do."

Studying agriculture is why he came, but Harvey has also had a chance to get out a bit and sample other facets of American life ... but he did not find everything to his liking.

What Harvey did like, and very much so, was the hospitality shown him by the people he met. "I was very impressed with the friendliness of the

people here in Oklahoma," Harvey said. "There's not any real difference between the people here and in Scotland. I don't think that would be true in the rest of the United States."

When people travel, there are always things they expect to see at their destination. In London, for example, people expect to see Buckingham Palace and perhaps even bump into the Queen. In Paris, tourists make a point to visit the Eifel Tower.

Harvey was no exception.

"The thing I most wanted to see while I was here in Oklahoma was a tornado. That would really impress me."

Number two on his list of things to see were rattlesnakes. A Murray State instructor could oblige him in that area, but there was little anyone could do -- or wanted to do -- about showing Harvey a tornado.

Science instructor Bruce Stewart guided Harvey on a tour of the Axolotl Natural History Collection, a museum on campus established to display wildlife native to the Southwest. Among the collection's exhibits are several live snakes, including a diamondback rattlesnake.

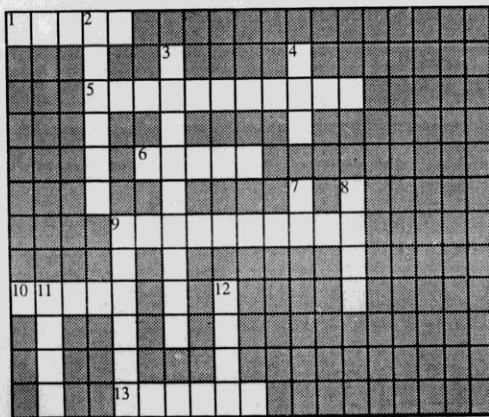
"It was really good to see real live rattlesnakes and cottonmouths," Harvey said. "I'd always heard about them but never got to see them."



Members of the winning College Bowl team pose with their trophy. The team was (l to r) Jon Parker, Bill Keller, Rose Moss, Dale Parker and (not pictured) Peter Morell.

LIBRARY CHALLENGE

Deadline for entries in this week's challenge is 4:00 p.m., Friday, Oct. 9th.



ACROSS CLUES

1. Between India & Thailand
5. Wimbledon winner
6. Tennis star Ivan _____
9. Location of MSC
10. Huey & Louie's brother
13. Road _____

DOWN CLUES

2. Mickey's girl
3. Federal Reserve Chairman
4. Republican Party
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8. Supreme Court nominee
9. Husker's QB
11. Prestigious British prep school
12. Sells explosives to Wylie

Fall 1987 Basketball Schedule

Nov. 6-7.....	Hutchinson Classic (M) (TBA)
10.....	Eastern State College*
12.....	South Plains, Texas(W) (7 p.m.)*
14.....	Richland*
17.....	Westark*
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23-28.....	Barton County Classic (M)
Dec. 1.....	Connors*
3.....	Carl Albert*
5.....	Eastern
7.....	Grayson
9.....	Richland (M) (TBA)

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Regents Approve Athletic Budget, Employment

The Murray State College Board of Regents approved the athletic program budget for the academic year during a routine session Tuesday evening.

Athletic Director Jan Handley presented to the regents his budget proposal, which will fund the men's and women's basketball programs and the baseball program, and it was accepted by the regents after a review.

In personnel action, the regents approved the transfer of Joe Beck from special services career counselor to engineering technology instructor and approved the employment of Delcia Maurice Gudel as special services career counselor.

The regents also accepted the resignation of Billy Jack Stowe, part-time night watchman, and approved the employment of Margaret R. Long as child development supervisor and lab evaluator, and ratified interim approval for the employment of Samuel H. Haines, advanced

lifesaving instructor; Lisa Wright, part-time instructor; Robert W. Loring, temporary part-time night watchman, and Robert L. Lorentz, special services senior counselor.

In other action during their monthly session, the regents approved a contract for gunsmithing instructor Charles Bricker to conduct a two-week law enforcement officer armorer's school, July 4-15.

Out-of-state travel for Dennis Toews, director of planning and development, to attend the National Title III Workshop in Washington D.C. was also approved by the regents.

The sale of 47 hogs and 10 head of cattle from the college farm was approved by the regents, along with the monthly livestock report, which showed that the college farm swine herd decreased by nine during September to 181, while the dairy cattle herd decreased by one to 31 and the beef cattle herd remained stable at 72.

Ex-instructor Dies At 77

Funeral services for long-time MSC chemistry instructor Beulah Annabelle Zimmerman were held Thursday at the First United Methodist Church in Tishomingo with the Reverend Wayne Parker presiding.

Zimmerman died Oct. 11 at Johnston Memorial Hospital.

Zimmerman taught chemistry at MSC for 29 years, joining the faculty in 1946 and retiring in

1975. The Zimmerman Library-Science building on campus was named in her honor.

Zimmerman graduated from Lamont High School in 1926. She taught high school for nine years, received her doctorate from Oklahoma A&M (now Oklahoma State University) during the mid 1960's while teaching at MSC.

Commenting on Zimmerman's (continued on page two)



New cheerleaders show their stuff while preparing for the opening of basketball season.

New Cheerleaders Chosen

By Rhonda Bartlett

A complete roster of new cheerleaders and a new sponsor highlight the 1987-88 cheerleading squad at Murray State College.

New sponsor for the group is Linda Graham. Graham is employed by the college as secretary to the Financial Aid Director.

"We really would like to see some support from the student body this year," Graham said. "We have more cheerleaders than we have had in past years, and we would really like to see the students get out to the pep rallies and games."

New captain for the squad is Pam Watkins. Watkins is a

sophomore from Tishomingo majoring in Child Development.

Co-captain is Carol Dexter, a freshman from Marietta majoring in General Education.

Also on this year's team are Tracy Estes, a Healdton freshman majoring in business, and Selene Huff, a Tishomingo freshman majoring in Professional Secretary.

Also, Rhonda Bartlett, a Mill Creek freshman majoring in Mid-Management, and Lisa Hudson, a Davis freshman majoring in art.

The only male member of the squad is Eric Kicinski, a Le High freshman majoring in General Education.

Inspiring Student Appreciation Music Instructor's Goal

By Dallas Gibbs

Teaching students to appreciate music is the job of Jamie Inman, music instructor, who was most influenced by an FFA teacher who "couldn't carry a tune in a bucket."

"He taught me that what matters most, or what is most important is not how much material is covered but how much students are inspired to learn more about the materials themselves."

Inman tries to teach his Music Appreciation students to become aware of the major stylistic periods of music history. Students are taught to recognize the major composers, as well as the styles such as Baroque, Classical and Romantic. He tries to choose the best appreciated music from over several centuries while pointing out the qualities that make each piece timeless.

Inman is probably best known for



Music instructor and Entertainers sponsor Jamie Inman spends a quiet moment with his guitar.

his work with the MSC Entertainers. "Like all the Entertainers, I had hoped to become rich and famous, but if I knew how to teach them to do it, I'd have done it long ago," Inman said.

As a realistic goal, Inman said that he wants them to gain good experience in music working as a team, and to learn responsibility and showmanship while working under pressure.

Inman worked at a variety of jobs before coming to MSC, including commercial fishing, working on an oil pipeline and three years in Germany as a military intelligence agent, which is "really just a glorified paper pusher," Inman said.

He received his bachelors degree in music from the University of Oklahoma before doing graduate work at the University of Colorado.

Inman received his masters from (continued on page two)

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educational career, Dr. Clyde Kindell, college president said, "Dr. Zimmerman devoted her whole life to serving others. Remaining unmarried, the time she would have spent with her family was directed to teaching, professional organizations and her church. We



Dr. Beulah Zimmerman shall most certainly miss her presence, but her positive influence

will live forever."

Zimmerman held memberships in Delta Kappa Gamma Society International; American Chemical Society and Business and Professional Women.

science update

Native Birds Interesting

By Dale Parker

This issue Science Update begins a look at the common birds of Oklahoma. This entire piece will be devoted to surveying the habitats, lifestyles and identifying markings of two birds, and future articles will contain the regular fare along with one or two brief surveys. And now the birds.

A good place to start is with the Oklahoma state bird, the Scissor-tailed Flycatcher (*Muscivora forficata*). Scissor-tails are highly territorial except in the spring when they come together in roosting groups. The males, identifiable by the scarlet patch on their heads, tend to take a

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chauvinistic outlook toward the process of nesting and raising a family. They usually sit around as the female picks a site and gathers material to build the nest. They continue to watch as the female incubates the eggs, feeds the young and cares for them at night.

However, to be fair, the males do lend an occasional hand in feeding the young, and they ferociously guard the nesting site while the female is out gathering food.

One of my favorite birds is the Yellow-bellied Sapsucker (*Sphyrapicus varius*). The Sapsucker, as the name implies, drinks the sap from trees by drilling a small hole in the trunk and letting the sap gather. Insects also gather to drink the sap and are eaten by the birds, balancing its diet.

is the sweet or black bird (*Betula lenta*). The sapsuckers only arrive in Oklahoma during migration and winter, arriving in late September and staying until the last week of April.

They are fond of the sap of the sweet or black birch (*Betula lenta*), which does not grow in Oklahoma) The juice of the birch ferments a little, giving the birds a buzz along with their meal.

They can be easily identified by their call, a sort of "mew" not at all like a woodpecker. They are also identifiable by the white patches on their wings.

MSC Horse Team Wins Awards

The MSC Horse Judging Team attended the 1987 Grand National and Horse Judging Championship Morgan Horse Show at the Oklahoma City fairgrounds Oct. 11.

Two MSC teams competed, with one winning first in Halter division and seventh place overall.

The team consisted of Tammy Wade, Sulphur; Dale Willis, Atoka; Tina Brandhorst, Staplehurst, Neb. and Butch Smith, Cushing.

The other team took ninth place overall. Members were Brad Buckmaster, Nicoma Park; Denise Buschman, OKC; Butch Christian, Kingston and Jerri Gilmore, OKC.

Intramural Sports Continue

By Elizabeth Parker

The intramural flag football competitions were played last week and the winners were determined. In the men's division the Running Rebels beat the Keggars and in the womens division the T&As won over the M&Ms.

This fall there were 24 individuals who competed in the tennis tournament. The intramural Tennis winners are: Tracy Hood took the title in the mens division; Jo Suh and Jim Huddleston won in the mens doubles division; Tonya Winters cleaned up in the womens division, and in the mixed doubles the winners are Jo Suh and Bobby Rucker.

Still underway are the intramural horseshoe, volleyball and pool competitions. Tomorrow intramural archery competitions will begin. Intramural swimming competition will be held next Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the gym. Students should check posted areas or in the Student Activities office for further information.

Correction: on the location of the volleyball games; these games are being played in the gym.

campus opinion

Q. What would you like to see in the *Aggielitte*?



MICHAEL KINDELL, TISHOMINGO, SCIENCE
"A calendar of campus events."



LISA LARKIN, OKC, PRE-VETERINARY
"Calendar of programs and special events."



ROSE MOSS, TISHOMINGO, BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
"Student writings, essays or editorials would make the paper more interesting."



MARY MARCARA, TISHOMINGO, ELEMENTARY EDUCATION
"I would like to see more information on campus clubs."

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Midterm Grade a 'Benchmark'

By Patricia Castleberry

Mid-term grades were scheduled to come out during the final part of last week, and students should be able to use them to judge their progress in a class so that they can identify problems before it is too late, according to Mary Golloway, associate dean for student services.

While no formal record is being kept of the grades, they can serve as a "benchmark" to evaluate progress, Golloway said.

"The grades were meant to offer students a chance to improve or alter their approach to certain areas of study," Golloway said. "If students aren't satisfied they can take steps to improve their performance."

One step to better grades lies in the test taking process, said Linda Taylor, testing counselor. "It is important to budget your time and schedule a regular study period," Taylor said. "Two hours of study time is usually required for every hour spent in class."

This means that six hours of study is required for a three hour class, although some subjects require more study than others, Taylor said.

Also, it is important to get a good night's sleep before a test, Taylor said. Eating a light breakfast is also helpful, although a big meal may make you drowsy.

Another key to improved grades lies in better note-taking, Taylor said. Doing a daily review, then a weekly review will keep them fresh in your mind.

Keeping up with reading assignments is also a good idea, and it's wise to take notes with your reading. "This is also a good way to eliminate cramming," Taylor said.

"Above all, be realistic," Taylor said. "All work and no play won't work. Take short breaks during study time. This is better than studying for long stretches without a break."

Students needing further aid with developing study skills can get help from Taylor. She is available in the counseling center from 8-10 a.m., 11-12 p.m. and 2-5 p.m. on Monday and Wednesday, as well as all day Thursday and Friday.

news briefs

Cast Selected For Roles in Comedy

Cast members have been selected for the MSC Drama Department's production of "Everybody Loves Opal", the first play produced by the department in three years, according to Kathryn Tooman, drama instructor.

The comedy, written by John Patrick, will be directed by Tooman. Cast members include

Sue Woods as Opal, Mary Branscum as Gloria, Tracy Hood as Bradford and Tommy Morris as Solomon.

Scott Kennedy will play the doctor, while David Qualls will appear as the officer.

Performances of the play will be November 4-5 at 8 p.m. in Fletcher Auditorium. Admission will be \$2 for adults and \$1 for children, with MSC students and faculty admitted free with a college ID.

Stress, Strain to Be Examined

A program on "Understanding Stress and Strain" will be presented at noon today by N. Johnson of the Johnston County Health Dept.

The program will be held in room 100 of the Library Science building.

The program is being sponsored Special Services.

Library Goes Beyond Just Books

There's a reason why the Learning Resources Center at MSC isn't just called the library anymore, for the materials available to aid students in study go far beyond just books.

Besides the collection of books, the library also has audio and video tapes, computer assisted study guides, and a small computer lab for students working on assignments for computer courses.

For students needing a hand with research, the LRC contains a CD-ROM player (Compact Disc Read-Only Memory). The player allows a computer to use compact discs, just like

"If you were looking in the encyclopedia for information on journalism, you could type in the word 'journalism' and get a listing of every entry where the word 'journalism' appears," Kennedy said. "If one of them looked interesting you could then access that entry directly."

The library also features a collection of videotapes, from "King Lear" to Marx Brothers classics, with some available to be checked out. If a student doesn't have access to a VCR, they can find one in the LRC that they can use.

Students can also turn to

getting that composition ready, along with a stapler and a hole punch to get it ready to turn in.

And yes, there are books, thousands of volumes on subjects ranging from advertising to zoology. There is fiction, poetry, and collections of songs to sing around the campfire. There are paperback bestsellers and great novels. There is a reference section with atlases, dictionaries, law books and other useful volumes.

If, by some chance, the information you need isn't available in what's on hand here, the LRC can request books through inter-library loan, and can usually place the book in your hands in a week.

Any way you look at it, the LRC is your best bet to find out just what you need to know.



A student takes advantage of the new CD-ROM player in the Learning Resources Center

the ones used for music, to access large amounts of data, said librarian Jim Kennedy.

One compact disc can store as much information as 250 books or 1500 floppy discs, Kennedy said.

Currently the library has an encyclopedia available on the disc, which allows students to look up all entries on a subject electronically.

periodicals for information, with a collection of magazines, both on microfiche and in bound volumes, on such diverse subjects as computers, movies, history and horse breeding.

The LRC also contains a collection of audio tapes and film strips for use in studying, and machines are available for their use as well.

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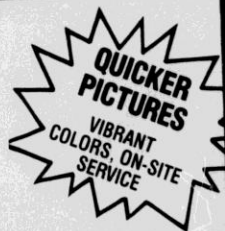
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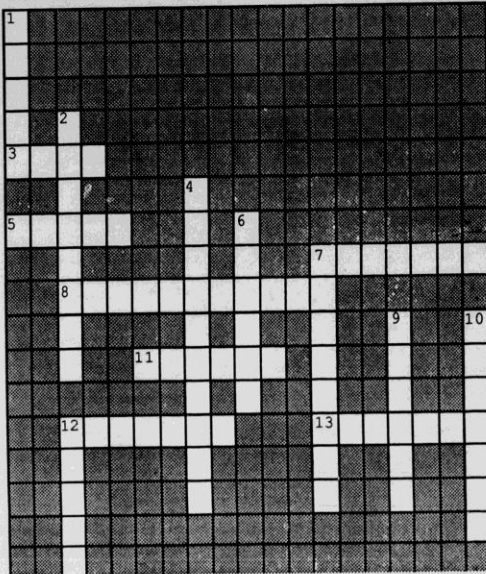
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Governor Bellmon Visits MSC for Lunch Address

A bright job future in Oklahoma for students pursuing high-tech careers was predicted by Governor Henry Bellmon during a luncheon address in the student center dining hall Thursday.

Bellmon encouraged students look to the future and train for fields such as communications, transportation and computers in order to prepare for employment in an increasingly diverse state economy.

The governor appeared optimistic about the economic outlook for the state, saying that the situation had improved over the last year and predicting that no new tax measures would be necessary.

"We have adequate revenue," he said, "and we intend for education to get the lion's share."

Bellmon also discussed higher education in the state, saying that there were no plans to close any Oklahoma colleges. "We have a commitment to excellence in education in

Oklahoma," he said. "We want to place the emphasis on quality."

The governor also discussed the super-conductor. Oklahoma is one of thirty states being considered for the conductor, which is expected to cost \$4.5 billion and provide 7500 jobs during the construction phase and 2500 jobs after opening. "We think our site is the best in the nation," Bellmon said. "This would place Oklahoma among the top states for scientific research."

The governor arrived on campus at 12:30 p.m., making the stop as part of his "On the Road to Excellence" tour of southeastern Oklahoma.

The governor's address was introduced by Dr. Clyde Kindell, college president, who briefly recapped Bellmon's 40 year history in state politics.

After lunch, the governor took time to tour the Business Division classrooms before leaving for Ardmore.



Governor Bellmon visited the MSC campus for a luncheon address Thursday as part of a tour of southeastern Oklahoma.

Comedy To Start Wednesday

The Murray State College Drama Department will present "Everybody Loves Opal," Nov. 4-5 in Fletcher Auditorium.

The play is a comedy written by John Patrick and directed by Kathryn Tooman, Murray State drama instructor.

Producing the play has been exciting, Tooman said. "We've had a lot of students get involved with the production," she said. "It takes a lot of time and effort to put on a play, but things are going well. I'm excited to be a part of this."

The production is the beginning of a concentrated effort to expand live theater at Murray State, the drama instructor said. "The cast and crew

have put in a lot of hard work, and we're hoping the student body, faculty, staff and community will lend their support by coming to see this play," she said.

Cast in the role of the title character is Sue Woods, while the male lead character, Bradford, is portrayed by Jon Daris Parker. Supporting cast members are Mary Branscum as Gloria; Tracy Hood, as Solomon, Scott Kennedy as the doctor and David Qualls as the officer.

Working on the production crew are: Denise Crockett, assistant director; Leanne Baker, makeup; Jim King, lighting; Greg Tooman,

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Change in Coordinators, Policies Causes Aid Delays

A change in financial aid coordinators has created problems and back-ups in getting aid to students, but students will receive their checks as soon as the financial aid office can get caught up, said Larry Curry, who took over the post from Pamela Jordan in August.

"Mrs. Jordan left at a crucial time in the funding process, during



Larry Curry

the time when this office has to do most of its work," Curry said. "We're working hard to catch up, and most students facing delays should receive their checks shortly,"

The delay has affected students receiving Pell grants as well as student loans, he added.

In addition to catching up on getting checks out to students, financial aid workers are having to review files to make sure that students weren't over-awarded aid that they would have to repay. "There have been changes in some of the aid procedures since last year," Curry said, "particularly with regard to GSL (Guaranteed Student Loans). Some of the federal regulations have changed, and some students who were eligible last year may not be eligible this year."

The changes were made last October when President Reagan signed the Re-authorization of the Higher Education Act of 1967.

Curry said the necessary adjustments were being made, and urged students who wanted to discuss their aid package to contact his office.

"We don't want anyone to worry," Curry said. "We're here to give people money, not take it away."

Campus Day to Feature Tours, Basketball Opening

By Rhonda Bartlett

Parents, alumni and visitors from the community are scheduled to visit the MSC campus for the opening games of the 1987-88 basketball season and a concert by the Entertainers at the college's annual Campus Day November 14.

Also among the activities planned for the students and their parents are an open house in the dorms and tours of many of the facilities on campus.

Registration for visitors will begin at 1:30 p.m. in the lobby of the Paul J. Park Student Center, and the registration booth will remain open until 5:30 p.m. Student co-ed volleyball games will begin at 2 p.m. in the Beames Hall gymnasium, and will last until 4 p.m.

Visitors will be offered tours of the Business Division and the Axolotl Natural History Collection from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m., while bus tours of the Veterinary Technology, Horse Management and farm areas will also be available. Busses are scheduled to leave at 2 and 3 p.m. from the Student Center.

Also at 2 will be an open house

in the residence halls, giving students a chance to show their rooms to their parents and friends.

Dinner will be held in the student center dining hall at 4:30 p.m. Reservations are necessary except for students possessing a meal ticket. The charge for the meal is \$3.25 per person and can be paid at the door.

Parents will have a chance to visit with faculty members in the snack bar area in the student center from 5:30 to 6 p.m. before a concert by the MSC Entertainers at 6 p.m. in Fletcher Auditorium.

The MSC Aggies will begin their basketball season at 7 with a game against Eastern State College in the gymnasium, with the coronation of the Campus Day Queen scheduled for halftime.

A dance will follow the game from 9-12 p.m. in the student center ballroom. Guest name tags will admit them to the basketball game and dance without charge. Name tags can be obtained at the registration office.

For more information on activities contact Nancy Shilling in the Student Activity office, located in the lobby of Fletcher Auditorium.

Horse Clinic Shows Value of Proper Training

By Charlotte Estep

Basic horsemanship. The phrase is deceptively painless and simple. But for the 18 riders recently involved in a Sam Smith clinic October 24 at the Horse Management facility, the phrase "Basic horsemanship" has a new meaning.

The program was to start at 9 a.m. Saturday morning, but the weather had other plans. It appeared the Clinic would be canceled, but by twelve o'clock the skies had ceased to drench the arena and Bill Brown's efforts at "drying in" the ground paid off. The freshly plowed, disked, and packed sandy soil was solid below a few inches and the clinic was to begin at 1:00 pm.

Many of the riders already had their mounts at the barn or had them there by 12:45. By one o'clock the arena had several horses and riders circling the fence and more were loosening up in the grassy field to the north of the barns.

Sam Smith rode into the arena on a perfectly groomed palomino filly with manners and carriage attesting to Smith's expertise. He introduced himself and the filly, Tuffy, to the mounted riders and explained what Basic Horsemanship means: achieving a flexibility in the horse through

supplying exercises and maneuvers; teaching the rider when and how to use their hands and when and how to use their legs and feet.

Riding and training a horse is much more than climbing on and managing to stay on. A horse performs best and gives the rider the best ride when collected, and collection is a technique obvious only to a trained rider, schooled horse, and astute observers. But its importance is critical.

Before a horse can do any of the specialized maneuvers required of ropers, barrel racers, or performance competitors there are certain basic skills which must be taught. Teaching a horse is an encouragement or discouragement exercise. The rider asks the horse to do a thing, trot in a thirty foot circle. The horse does the thing, the rider lets the horse know it has "done good". If the horse fails to do the thing, maybe it won't stay in a trot, the rider lets the horse know it has "done messed up".

Smith put the riders "on the rail": all riders going in the same direction, around the arena's perimeter. The riders were to post and trot, circle, reverse, roll over, canter, or one-eighty over the hocks according to Smith's shouted directions.

After many circuits around the fence the riders gathered at mid-arena while each rider rode their horse up to the fence, at a trot posting on the correct diagonal, put the horse in a canter with the horse on the correct lead, turned the horse into a circle keeping it in a canter, and came out of the circle still on the horse with feet in stirrups, reins in correct hands, and lunch still in stomach.

At nine-thirty Sunday morning the horses and riders were there to learn more and were joined by several who had not made the Saturday ride.

Several riders' horses seemed to have to requirements down pat, but even these horses picked up and put forth more when Smith climbed atop them to show others how to motivate a horse to do it "right".

Basics are boring, for the rider and the horse. Smith suggested that riders create an obstacle course for the horse to do the things they ask of him. This course will help the horse see the reason for doing the thing and keep the horse from getting sour (so tired of doing a thing that they refuse to do it).

"If horses were any smarter," he said, "they wouldn't let people ride them. We have to learn how the horse thinks and work within that area."

Many of the riders in the clinic had been riding for years, and some plan to make horses their livelihood. Some of the riders had forgotten more than some of the others will ever know. But, "the horse industry is at the best now as it ever has been. The big boys, those winning at the National level, have turned this into a science," Smith told the participants. If any rider wants a horse to do more than just walk down the road, they better get the basic skills down and polish them, for they are the means to the end, whatever end that may be.

The author was editor of the aggie-lite during the 1982-83 school year, and is currently a masters candidate at the University of Oklahoma.

MSC Volleyball All-Stars Chosen

By Elizabeth Parker

The 1987 fall season intramural competitions are now into their third month, but students may still compete in several sports events still to come, according to Nancy Shilling, student activities coordinator.

Information about signing up for the remaining intramural games can be obtained from Shilling's office in the lobby of the auditorium. Information can also be found on campus bulletin boards for both intramurals and other student activities.

Members of the volleyball All-Star teams were selected last week. Members of the womens team are Lisa Rorick, Carla Fuss, LaDonna Miklaucic, Sis McDonald and Kevyn Hughes.

Members of the men's team are Hank Haines, Bryan Garrett, Bryan Jennings, Tim Ellis, Scott Harper, (continued on page four)

letter to the editor

To the Editor:

The Murray State Cheerleaders would like to take an opportunity to thank the following people for their support: Reed Chevrolet for the use of the pick-up truck in the Tishomingo Homecoming parade, Paula Alford for making our suits and Danny Hitchcock and Pam Atinip for all their help and support.

It is the goal of the 1987-88 cheerleaders to gain the support of our student body and fans this season. We want to promote school spirit to the fullest for the best school and team in the state of Oklahoma.

We hope to see each student at all games participating with spirit and enthusiasm.

The MSC Cheerleaders (Pam, Carol, Selene, Lisa, Rhonda, Tracey, Eric and Linda Graham, sponsor)

campus opinion

What are your plans for Campus Day?



PAM TACKETT, TUSKAHOMA, VET-TECH
"I'm sure that I will be on campus and my parents will be here if they can make it."



LINDA SISSON, MANNFORD, VET-TECH
"I will be here to enjoy the day's activities, but my folks won't be able to make it."



TERSA CRAIG, ADA, HORSE MANAGEMENT
"I think these kind of activities are good, because it gives your parents a chance to see the campus and meet your friends."



CAROL DEXTER, ENVILL, SPECIAL ED
"Sounds good to me. I'll be here and my parents will be here too."

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Animal Majors Offer Good Opportunities

By Joyce Stevenson

The Veterinary Technology and Horse Management programs at MSC offer the student who enjoys working with animals a chance to choose a career that offers not only financial rewards, but more intangible ones as well.

The Vet-Tech program has graduated 108 students since beginning in 1980, according to program chairman Dr. Kay Helms. The primary goal of the program is to train students to assist veterinarians in surgery and other veterinary duties, Helms said.

Students can train for jobs as lab technicians, X-ray technicians or dental hygienists, Helms said. The field is a difficult but rewarding one, and graduates can find work in both feedlot and private practice.

Students gain experience working with dairy cattle, sheep, pigs and horses, as well as domestic pets such as cats and dogs. Occasionally the students gain the chance to work with more exotic animals, usually brought by a game ranger from the nearby Tishomingo National Wildlife



Dr. Kay Helms conferring with a patient. Dr. Helms is in charge of both the Horse Management and Veterinary Technology programs.

Refuge. Among the more interesting animals were a pair of nesting hawks brought to the facility last year, which were raised to maturity before being released back into the wild, Helms said.

The Horse Management program is in its sixth year of operation, having graduated four classes. The program accepts about thirty new students every year, according to Kyle Dundon, horse management instructor.

The students are assigned two to four colts during their first semester. The colts are wild, and have to be broken, halted, brushed, wormed and vaccinated, Dundon said. The horses come to the program from private owners, who are responsible for paying for the horse's feed and stable, Dundon said.

Second semester students are assigned two to three year olds that need to be broken. The horses are kept for three months, Dundon said. Students finish their training by serving an eight week preceptorship, where they receive on-the-job training.

The students follow a strict, seven day a week schedule, starting as early as 6 a.m. on some mornings, Dundon said.

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science update

'Plant Pollution' Latest Threat to Air

By Dale Parker

Scientists in California came up with some bad news for ecologists this summer when an experiment aimed at verifying the nuclear winter theory turned up more pollution than had been expected.

Several fires were deliberately started north of Los Angeles in an attempt to create an immense cloud of thick smoke to simulate the dust kicked up by a nuclear explosion. According to theory, the dust will block the sunlight reaching the earth, causing widespread crop failure and killing by starvation all those who manage to survive a nuclear war.

The scientists performing the experiment got more than they bargained for when the smoke was found to contain enormous amounts of pollutants that could only have come from auto exhaust. It seems that during the decades of auto pollution in L.A. huge clouds of exhaust fumes have settled over a

wide area, entering the soil and being drawn up into plants. When the plants are burned these chemicals are re-released into the atmosphere, polluting the air not once but twice.

For those of you who have quit eating chicken after watching the Sixty Minutes segment on Salmonella, there is a new test out for the home consumer. The old lab test took from 18 hours to 5 days, but the new test gives results in just 15 minutes and is so accurate that the U.S. Department of Agriculture is considering distribution to field inspectors.

The killdeer (*Charadrius vociferous*) is one of the more easily identifiable Oklahoma birds. It's white belly is crossed by two black bands, and its distinctive *kill-dee* cry is also a good field mark.

Killdeers nest on flat, open ground, often with little or no cover from weather or predators. Nests have

been found in the middle of a dirt road, on a highway shoulder within inches of the pavement, and even on a bare spot close to third base on a baseball diamond.

In order to divert predators from the unprotected nest, the parent runs off at the approach of an unwanted visitor, wings spread and bright rump-patch gleaming. Once attention is diverted from the nest, it limps as if badly crippled, dragging one wing and crying pathetically. The predator then pursues the "wounded bird and is lured far from the nestlings.

Comedy

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lighting designer; Woods, costumes, and Hood, props.


Seating for both evenings is general admission, and admission \$2 for adults and \$1 for children under 12. MSC students, faculty and staff will be admitted free.

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Volleyball

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 John Kicinski and Shermont Stoughtenborough.

The next competitions to be played are Ping Pong, which starts today, and Basketball which is scheduled to start tomorrow. Basketball free-throw competitions will be played sometime next week.

In other intramural news, the Pool tournament is going strong with 61 individuals competing for the title. There are five brackets with players competing in each. After the winners of each bracket have been determined a tournament will be held between bracket-winners to find out the Murray State Pool Champion.

The swimming meet was held in the gym pool Tuesday and Wednesday. Winner of that competition was William Quick.

The games that are still underway are pool and archery, the winners of each division will be posted as competitions are finalized.

Entries for the intramural football and badminton tournaments will begin sometime this month and will be played as the other

competitions are finalized.

Students are reminded that the student activities office was created for the purpose to give students the chance to get involved and take time out from studying and do something fun and enjoyable. Last week the student activities office sponsored a free movie for Murray State students at the local theater. "There was a good turnout with 120 students who attended," said Shilling. The movies are available in the cold months of the school year to give students something to do that is entertaining and indoors.

"This Friday we will be playing bingo in the snack bar at 5:30 p.m., with no entry fee and cash winnings," said Shilling.

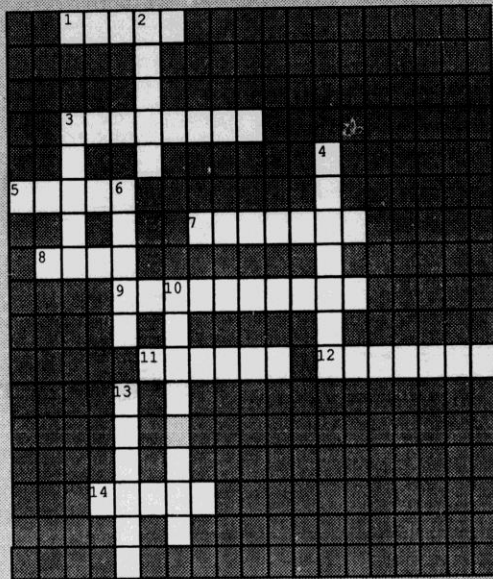
Animal

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Some of the students participate in the Horse Judging Team, Dundon said. Members learn to show and judge horses. This year the team members include two sophomores and eight freshmen. The team has already attended one competition this year.

LIBRARY CHALLENGE

DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES IS 4:30 P.M., NOV. 5TH.



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Regents Accept Audit, Plan Capital Improvements

The Murray State College Board of Regents Tuesday evening received an audit report, revised retirement policies and set a list of priorities for capital improvements.

The audit report, presented by representatives of the CPA firm Finley and Cook of Shawnee, showed that the college's financial records were in order.

A revision was approved by the regents in policy statements on retirement to eliminate any unfunded liability by Murray State for future retirees under the supplemental retirement program. A second change in retirement policy transferred liability for supplemental retirement benefits from the college to the Oklahoma Teacher Retirement System.

In personnel action, the regents accepted the resignation of Mrs. Doris I. Townsend, professional secretary

program chairperson, effective Jan. 1.

The regents adopted a list of capital improvement project priorities, which will be used should special capital improvement funding become available. The list, which has been submitted to the State Regents for Higher Education, includes: repairing the Library-Science Building roof, a wastewater disposal system, maintenance to several academic buildings, maintenance building construction and telecommunications system equipment.

In other action, the regents approved the sale of 28 market hogs and one Angus-Limousine cross-bred cow, along with the monthly livestock report, which showed that the swine herd on the college farm decreased by 30 to 151 during October, while the dairy cattle herd increased by one to 32 and the beef cattle herd decreased by five to 67.

Pre-Enrollment For Spring Term Begins Today

Pre-enrollment for the Spring 1988 term at Murray State College begins today and continues through Jan. 8.

Enrollment begins with Sophomore students, moving in descending order to currently enrolled Freshmen and first-time incoming students, according to Mary Golloway, registrar.

Sophomores whose last names begin with "M" through "Z" may pre-enroll Nov. 16, while sophomores with last names starting with "A" through "L" may pre-enroll on Nov. 17.

Freshmen can pre-enroll on either Nov. 18 or 19, with students M-Z enrolling on the 18th and A-L enrolling on the 19th.

Open enrollment runs Nov. 20-Jan. 8, which is for students who are enrolling at Murray State for the first time, whether a first-time college student or transferring from another institution, and for current MSC students who miss their pre-enrollment date.

Enrollment fees can be paid in the Business Office, on the second floor of the Administration Building, at any time during the enrollment period, but must be paid prior to the first day of Spring term classes, Jan. 11. Students who have not paid their fees by Jan. 7 may do so Jan. 7-8, with students M-Z the first day and students A-L the second day.

To enroll, new students should report to the Admissions and Registration Office, on the first floor of the Administration Building, while returning students should report to their academic advisor, Golloway said.

Students should prepare a schedule of classes with the aid of their aca-

demetic advisors or counselors, and all enrollment forms must be approved by the Admissions and Registration Office, the registrar said.

Students enrolling at Murray State for the first time should bring with them copies of their high school transcripts and ACT scores; also, if they have completed any work at other colleges or universities, the students should bring copies of those transcripts as well.

After enrolling, students wishing to make schedule changes can do so Nov. 30-Dec. 18 and Jan. 4-15.

Veterans Day Ceremony Held

Veteran's Day was observed on the Murray State College campus with a ceremony at the Smokey Tolbert Memorial at 11 a.m. Wednesday.

Gary Maynard, interim director of the state Department of Corrections and a Lieutenant Colonel in the Oklahoma Army National Guard, will deliver the address. Maynard, a Purcell native, is Commander of the 2nd Battalion 180th Infantry.

The memorial, dedicated to MSC alumni who lost their lives in service of their country, is named for an MSC former student who flew with the Navy's elite Blue Angels squadron and who flew several missions during the Vietnam War before being declared missing in action on Nov. 6, 1972.

Opening remarks at the open-air ceremony were delivered by MSC Regent Judy Burch of Tishomingo and E.J. Tolbert of Tishomingo. Tolbert is



Carolyn Wright is told of her induction into the Phi Theta kappa Hall of Honor. Wright was inducted into the Hall of Honor Nov. 6.

Students Receive Regional PTK Office, Honors

MSC student Lisa Larkin was elected regional secretary for the Oklahoma-Arkansas region of Phi Theta Kappa honor society when three members of the local chapter attended a conference in Muskogee Nov. 6-7, according to PTK sponsor Margaret Lovelace.

In addition, PTK member Carolyn Wright was inducted into the PTK Hall of Honor for outstanding commitment to the organization. Lovelace was inducted into the Advisor Hall of Honor for her work with the local chapter.

Wright, who did not attend

the conference, was told of her award during a PTK meeting Wednesday.

Attending the conference were Larkin; Kevin Lane, local president and Michael Kindell, along with Lovelace. The conference was held at the Connors-Northeastern extension center.

The group also took won the Creative Award-Acting category for a skit on the signing of the Constitution.

The conference was attended by National PTK director Rod Risley, and lead speaker for the event was Julie Lendgraff.

Student Art On Display

The work of two MSC art students is currently on display through Dec. 1 in the Margaret Lokey Fine Arts Building on campus, college officials said today.

Barbara Dickson of Ardmore and Gale Holt of Marietta will be featured in the multi-media display, which will include paintings by Holt and pottery by Dickson, according to MSC art instructor Larry Milligan.

The art exhibit, sponsored by the MSC Liberal Arts Division, can be viewed by the public Monday through Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. and on weekends by appointment. Admission is free.

Milligan said the art exhibit was organized to showcase the talents of two outstanding art students. "We are happy to have these two talented individuals as students and want to share their skills with the public," he said.

guest essay

Prison Trip Teaches Lessons to Students

By Michael Kindell

As the MSC honors students rode in the vans destined for the McAlester Penitentiary on Wednesday, October 14, there was a general air of festivity. Excused absences from class are always grounds for joy. Prison riot jokes abounded and the topic of gays in prison was mentioned. If one could change the topics of discussion to lions and elephants, it would have seemed that we were going to the zoo in Oklahoma City. That is what we expected. We were going to see Bruno the human gorilla, and others like him. Bruno was the guy that killed forty-two people with a thumb tack at a Safeway in Moore. We wanted to see him in real life, and thought that he might jump around in his cage and scream obscenities at us; just like in the movies. As the vans parked beside the whitewashed, 45 foot tall walls that surrounded the prison, we were still fairly festive. Some expressed doubts about the safety of the expedition at this point and nobody laughed at them because we were all equally as tense. We kidded around to hide the apprehension.

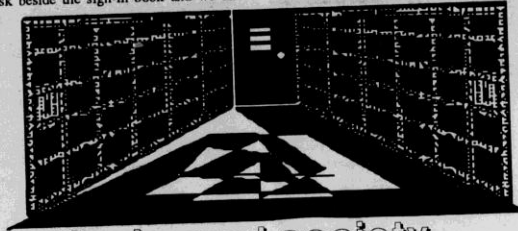
We walked into the reception

room at entrance of the prison where a tired looking secretary met us and had everybody sign a registration book. We noticed a stack of coupons for tickets at Six Flags on the desk beside the sign-in book and we all

with her droll attitude toward life with the prisoners as she showed us weapons that the prisoners had made themselves: a blowgun, with darts made of guitar strings; a .22 caliber pistol made with a Pepsi can, a bible,

empty so I bravely followed the group out.

We stood outside as the guide pointed out various features such as the 12 foot high fences that encircled us. The chainlink fence was topped by razor sharp strip metal that would severely mangle anyone that was agile enough to climb the fence. As the guide was pointing out the highlights of the yard some prisoners under guarded escort walked past pushing trolleys of lunch trays. We started moving to see more sights and once behind us, one of the prisoners pushing a trolley turned and yelled "Boo!" Several in the group visibly jumped and the tour group picked up the walking pace and almost passed the guide. (continued on page four)



the barred society

laughed when someone mentioned handing them out to the prisoners. The group was then taken up a flight of stairs to a meeting room where the pretty, but tired looking woman explained life in the prison. There, we were surprised to learn that the tired looking secretary, our tour guide, was not really a secretary but was second only to the warden in authority. She gained our respect

and some tape; a shotgun made with two regular pieces of pipe; a knife made out of two plastic forks melted together and then sharpened and more knives made out of light fixtures. She quietly stated that they were always confiscating weapons from the prisoners. The zoo-like atmosphere still reigned, though a little more restrained after the display of weapons. An elephant rarely shoots at a tour group with a pistol made of a Pepsi can, a bible, and some tape!

All fun and games stopped when we emptied all of our pockets for a body search before entering the cell blocks where the prisoners were kept. The guards were deadly serious about what was taken into the prison. I forgot to take a bottle cap out of my shirt pocket and was reprimanded by the guard searching me. I wasn't embarrassed, but I didn't mess up again! When the tour officially got started, we were taken to an empty cell block and shown the size and make of the cells. The cell size was about five feet wide and ten feet long. They were cramped, for their small size had to accommodate a bed, a sink, a toilet, and sometimes up to three people! The guide then took us out into the yard when the prisoners spent their one hour of the day exercising. There were no prisoners out, and if there were, there was no way that I was going to mingle and socialize with them. The yard was

letter to the editor

To the editor:

I was saddened to read in your Oct. 19 issue of the death of Dr. Beulah Zimmerman, long-time chemistry instructor at Murray State College.

Like many others who were on the Murray faculty from 1961-63 when I was a student, Dr. Zimmerman taught us, not only the information we needed to complete undergraduate degrees successfully, but they also taught us by example how to cope in the world on a daily basis.

Although I did not have her as a teacher, I enjoyed our visits in the library where journalism was taught in those days under the able instruction of Murrelle Mahoney, who also served as librarian.

I appreciate being kept on the mailing list all these years.

Sincerely,
W.B. Daugherty
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campus opinion

Q. What are you planning to do during the Thanksgiving holiday?



Jenni Huddleston,
Gracemont, Physical
Education
"Go home and see my family and eat some good food."



Rose Grillo, Atoka,
General Education
"I'm going to Austin, Tx. to visit my son, check out the galleries and have a good time."



Jennifer Muirhead,
Valiant, Chemistry
"I'm going to Dallas to see my grandmother and friends and have a grand time watching other people play basketball."



Vonda Tidwell,
Wilkesboro, Cal.,
Professional Secretary
"I'm going home to spend the holiday with my family."

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Three criminals make a toast with Opal just before beginning several attempts to take her life in the MSC Drama Department's production of "Everybody Loves Opal" Nov. 6. From left, Tracy Hood as Sol, Sue Woods as Opal, Mary Branscum as Gloria and Jon Parker as Brad. Not pictured are David Qualls as Joe Jankee and Scott Kennedy as the doctor. Directed by MSC drama instructor Kathryn Tooman, the production was the first in three years for the school.

Intramural Basketball Tournament Underway

Bare legs are all the rave this season as basketball competition goes into its second week. Ten teams are entered to play, with scheduled games to be played tonight at 5:40 in the gym. Heading up tonight's games are the Cowgirls vs BSU, then the Runnin Rebels will take on the SOB's in the mens division, and the co-ed Bernetts Bombers going up against the All Stars. The Basketball competitions will be held until the slated playoff and finals on Dec. 15th.

In the horseshoe throw LaDonna Miklaucic, after tough competitions, holds the title in the womens division.

In the womens division pool tournament Johnnie Isaac showed her stuff to take the championship in a final playoff with Adonica Smith. The mens division had fierce competitions in the bracket games, and the winners are: Kelly Coplen (black), Kevin Emery (orange), Mark Woerz (red), James Higdon (green), and Donald Smith (brown). These bracket winners played one another and Mark Woerz walked away the

tournament champion.

Last week members of the All Stars volleyball team went to meet in OKC to compete against other Junior Colleges. Murray won against OCC to take the consolation award. All Stars who attended are: Hank Haines-Mill Creek, Kevyn Hughes-OKC, Lisa Ronick-OKC, Marsha Spangler-Southard, and Andrea Spencer-Temple. Shermont Toughtenborough-Ardmore, John Tahsuda-Carney, and Myung Kwan (Joe) Suh-Tishomingo, along with team sponsor and student activities director, Nancy Shilling.

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science update Uranus Discoveries Stun Scientists

By Dale Parker

For 250 years since its discovery little has been known about the seventh planet, Uranus, other than the fact that it is a long way off. With the bypass of the planet by Voyager much has been learned, but none of it fits.

To start with the planet is tipped over on its side (which we already knew). The south pole faces the sun and the north pole points into outer space. What we didn't know is that it has a remarkable magnetic field; one skewed wildly away from its rotation axis.

Uranus' atmosphere is composed mainly of hydrogen, helium and methane. Voyager's infra-red detectors told us that the temperature in the upper regions of the atmosphere is about 360 degrees Fahrenheit below zero. With this information (and a lot of other stuff), climatologists were led to believe that prevailing winds should blow from east to west, the opposite of Earth's. But radar tracked clouds were shown to be moving at almost 200 miles per hour in the opposite direction.

The neighborhood of Uranus is almost as strange as the planet itself. Voyager was able to get a good look at

the five big moons surrounding the planet. Oberon, the outermost moon, revealed a tall mountain with craters filled with a dark fluid that has now solidified. Ariel has possible glacier tracks. On Titania light frostlike patterns run next to huge tracks, suggesting that something sprayed out, froze, then fell back. An unknown, doughnut shaped object is on Umbriel. But strangest of all is Miranda with deep grooves, concentric "racetrack" patterns, surfaces covered with ropelike imprints and long faults with cliffs rising higher than the walls of the Grand Canyon, all on a satellite less than 300 miles in diameter. All these features point to massive internal heat and pressure, something thought not to occur in small satellites.

I'm taking a break from Oklahoma birds this issue to tell you about the ant-shrike (*Thamnomanes schistogynus*) of the Peruvian rain forests. The ant-shrike stands guard on the tops of the forest for the birds on the branches below. When a hawk or other predator appears, the ant-shrike shrieks

Scientists

a warning.

According to Charles Munn of Wildlife Conservation International, about half the time there isn't really a predator in sight. The ant-shrike merely gives the other birds time to scrape up bugs, then shrieks his warning, scaring the other birds off. The wily ant-shrike then proceeds to eat the fruit of their labors.

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Prison

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That "Boo!" was the entire conversation we had with any of the prisoners during the tour.

I noticed how clean everything was. Nothing looked new, but nothing was dirty. Inside, dirt was not to be seen and outside in the yard there were no cigarette butts, candy wrappers, or anything except fence. The prisoners pushing the trolleys in the yard were shaven and clean. They wore light blue shirts and pants and black shoes. Even though it was clean, it was all morbid. There was no feeling of hope radiating from the prison. Even the tour guide was morbid. The prison was full of people waiting to die and yet grimly living and it gave me the same feeling as a nursing home does. It was clean, but it reeked with no hope. There were not any bright colors. Red, yellow, or orange, were not to be seen, but grey prevailed with somber blue as highlight.

Our last stop of the tour was death row. These were the only prisoners that we saw behind bars. We stopped at the end of the corridor behind a large, barred door and the guide began speaking about death row. The prisoners could not see us directly for we did not walk in front of the cells, but stood at one end of the cell block. The prisoners held mirrors out through the bars to see who we were and what we were doing. I lost what the guide was saying at that point for I caught the gaze of a caged animal then you know how a prisoner's

eyes look. It looks as if the body is still alive but has no reason to live; no drive. It was pretty unnerving. I glanced away. To see human beings caged was a strange experience, and the feelings I got were not expected. I felt sorry for the murderers and I felt pity for these criminals who had lost their rights in society. There was such deep longing expressed by those eyes! It was pretty strange to be stared at like that. It was a very short tour and I was glad when it was quickly over. I had seen all that I wanted.

I can't tell you everything I saw and felt, you need to go and see for yourself. I can tell you that the prison is a sad, boring place and it will probably be sometime before I go back. If you haven't ever been to a prison, then I recommend that you go, for it has a lesson in its walls. It sort of makes you think about how much we are able to move about in our world when you see a man that is stuck for 23 hours a day in a small cubicle. If ever I visit the prison again, I pray that I will still be on this side of the bars.

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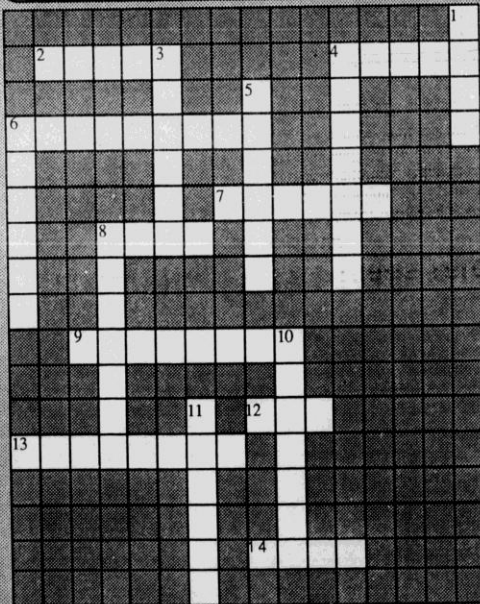
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Campus Day Activities Draw Crowd

Monica Disheroon, Allen sophomore was crowned Campus Day Queen by Tupelo freshman Mark Parker to highlight the school's annual Campus Day Nov. 14.

Disheroon and Parker were representing the Engineering Technology Club.

The annual event gives Murray State students a chance to play host to their families, and for the visitors to become better acquainted with the college and its faculty and staff, according to Nancy Shilling, student activities director.

"I'd like to say how much we appreciate those who turned out and were with us for the day, many of whom stayed for the dance and enjoyed themselves visiting with their children and their children's' friends," Shilling said.

An afternoon volleyball tournament featuring student and some faculty teams drew a large audience, with the Spikers beating the BSU in the co-ed volleyball game, Shilling said.

Other Campus Day events which drew a crowd included a tour of the Axolotl Natural History Collection, according to Mary Golloway, registrar. "A lot of people toured the collection

and listened to science instructor Bruce Stewart tell about the Axolotl and its habitat," she said.

A total of 69 parents had pre-registered for dinner, served in the Student Center dining hall, and many complements were heard of the meal served by the manager Rhonda Russell and the DM Premier Management staff, Golloway said.

Other Campus Day activities received complements as well.

"The people I visited with showed a lot of interest in the Business Division and in seeing the MSC Entertainers perform in concert," said Christine Burke, college outreach coordinator.

Representatives of the Veterinary Technology program and the Horse Training and Management programs were on hand to give tours of those areas, and did a fine job, Burke said.

Also during halftime, Neal and Dorothy Whittington, parents of student Micah Whittington, of Butler were recognized as having traveled the farthest distance to attend Campus Day, approximately 225 miles. Whittington is a freshman General Educa-



Byers sophomore David Qualls joins his parents on a tour of the Axolotl Museum during Campus Day.

tion major.

Dr. Lewis Parkhill of Tishomingo was recognized during the halftime ceremony as the oldest MSC graduate attending Campus Day. Dr. Parkhill is a member of the Class of 1964.

Drawings were also held during halftime, with attending students, parents and alumni receiving tickets for the drawing as they registered. Dawn

Cook, a visitor from Purcell won the jam box that was given away by the student senate, while Tishomingo student Doug Pryor won the \$50 IGA certificate given by the Aggiettes.

Student senate members that helped with tours and the registering of parents are: Tricia Hatridge, Kevin Lane, Dallas Gibbs, Jeff Stoker, Monica Disheroon, Michelle Yow, Scott Gibbs, and Gab Jacob.

Dog Show Held by Vet-Tech

By Elizabeth Parker

An all-breed dog show, sponsored by the Veterinary Technology Department was held Sat., Nov. 14th in the National Guard Armory Bldg.

While other students and faculty were busy getting ready for Campus Day, Kim Von Dran, Moore and Stacy Tolbert, Cement, both freshman Vet-Tech majors watched as their labors in coordinating the event paid off. With the help of other Vet-Tech students, entries in the Obedience and Fun classes were judged.

Ribbons were presented for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners in each class, and the entry fees of each of the classes were awarded to the owner of the dog who placed first. Billie McCarty of Milburn, called the exercises that were performed for the judges in the Obedience class, and gave advice on the structure of the show itself.

The events started with owners 8 years and younger showing their dogs in the Pee Wee class; first place went to owner Katie Helmes and "Karen", the family Irish Wolf Hound. The Junior class owners, ages 9-12 years, had a number of entries, but owner Harrell Derringer won first place with "Walker", his cocker spaniel. Stacy Tolbert showed "Sugar", her golden retriever and received first place in the Senior class ages 13 years and above.

Many owners entered their
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Even dogs need a rest from the rigors of competition, as Mr. MSC, Spuds, shows owner Amy Tolbert at the dog show Nov. 14. The dog show, sponsored by the Veterinary Technology department is planned for each semester.

Students Vie For Speech Honors

Marietta and Wilburton High Schools took sweepstakes honors at the annual Murray State College Inter-scholastic Speech Tournament, held Thursday, Nov. 12.

Approximately 250 students from 14 southern Oklahoma schools attended the meet, and the quality of the competition was surprisingly high, according to Fred Poe, MSC speech instructor. "Overall, the quality of entries was very high, evidenced by the fact that almost every school qualified at least one person for regional competition," he said.

A student must finish first, second or third in a category to qualify for regional competition, and those placing first through third at regional meets qualify to compete in the state championships, Poe explained.

Marietta High School took home the sweepstakes in Class A, competing against Stratford, Pemell, Empire, Davis, Calera, Elmore City and Silo.

Wilburton High School took home the sweepstakes in Class 2A, competing against Lone Grove, Hartshorne, Comanche, Meeker and Grove.

Sweepstakes placings were based upon the number of first, second and third place finishers each school had in all contest categories, according to Poe.

After the meet, Poe expressed appreciation for the college faculty.
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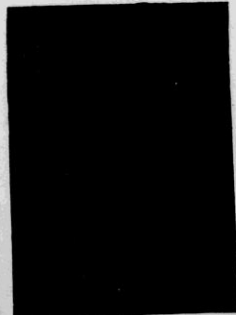
What campus policy would you like to see changed?



Sam Dishmon, Jr., Madill, Computer Science
 "Classes that are required for a major should be offered in the same time frame that enables you to graduate."



Vickie Sullivan, Tishomingo, Business Education
 "The library should have longer hours during the week and especially the weekend for those who have families and who commute."



Darrell Morris, Tishomongo, Business Administration
 "The computer lab needs to be open longer or even on the weekend. There is not enough lab time allotted to get programs done."



Harry Harkins, Madill, General Education
 "The facilities in the physics lab need to be updated and a laser program started so that MSC students can pursue this field."

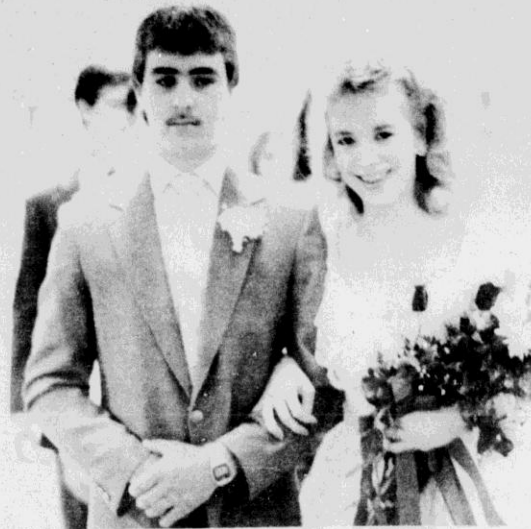
Dog Show (from page one)

pets in the Fun classes which proved to be most entertaining. In the Look Alike class first place went to owner, Chawncey Derringer and "Penny", his 3 month old cocker spaniel. Best Wagger was "Sam", Marsha Spangler's basset hound. The Saddest Eyes, were the puppy eyes of "Penny", owned by Chawncey Derringer. Most Unusual Trick proved to be a very tough competition with pets doing everything from riding on the back of a motor bike to doing circles non stop, but "Spud" a cocker spaniel shown by Allen Miller won the hearts of the judges by playing soccer with a

balloon.

The days events ended with a competition called Mr. and Mrs. MSC Vet-Tech of America in which the pets are judged on an over all basis. The winners were : Mr. "Spud", shown by Amy Tolbert and Mrs. "Penny", owned by Chawncey Derringer.

The Veterinary Technology Department plans on having at least one show each semester. Individuals interested in showing off what their pet can do, but that don't have a pet can find a variety of breeds, that have their shots and need a home, at the MSC farm in the Veterinary Technology Bldg.



Allen sophomore Monica Disheroon was crowned Campus Day Queen by Tupelo freshman Mark Parker Nov. 14.

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New Instructor Takes 'Hands On' Approach

By Joyce Stevenson

Taking a 'hands on' approach to government instruction is Ken Ellinger, new social sciences instructor at Murray State.

In addition to instructing students in the governmental process, he also teaches his students on current events and world issues. Ken said he likes for his students to write letters to politicians, such as congressmen or senators.

In addition, he is active in helping sponsor the intramural College bowl competitions.

Ellinger's popularity extends to his students. "He's the best looking teacher on campus, said student Michelle Dollar. "He's a really good government teacher, and his classes are



Ken Ellinger prepares for classes. The government instructor began his first year at MSC this fall.

interesting.

"He has a good way of teaching, he keeps his students informed," said Andy McClure.

Besides his classes at Murray, Ellinger also teaches at the Ardmore higher Education Center, where he teaches World Civics. He enjoys teaching, but prefers to teach college students instead of high school.

When asked about his activities outside of school, Ken said he liked to play intramural sports, because it makes him feel closer to his students. His favorite sport is tennis. He was the Tennis coach in Ardmore for one year, and his team won the State Championship.

Ken is from the Ada area and attended East Central University for one year. His practice teaching was done at Ada High School. He also attended graduate school at Vanderbilt for four years, which is located in Nashville.

science update

Blood Substitute Found

By Dale Parker

There is good news for emergency personnel across the world; researchers at Technion, the Israel Institute of Technology in Haifa, Israel have invented a blood substitute. For use when real blood is unavailable or matching blood types is inconvenient, as in a mass injury tragedy, the "fake" blood can carry oxygen and is compatible with all blood types. Though it lasts for just 12 hours, that should be enough time to transport the patient to a medical facility for more extensive treatment.

As demand for exotic animals increases for furs, leather, hunting or even food, many ranchers hard hit by the drop in the demand for beef are turning to raising bison, elk, deer, jaguars and even ostrich. Ostrich skin boots remain an expensive necessity for the rich, and hunters with a thirst for something more exciting than mallard or rabbit will pay up to 1000 dollars for the privilege of shooting a jaguar. In addition, aside from the initial cost for breeding stock, pens, handling equip-

ment and other necessities, the cost of raising exotic critters is usually far below that of beef.

Bad news for all you avid sunbathers out there. The United States, for some unknown reason is getting cloudier. Analysis of National weather service data for 45 cities over two 30 year periods showed a substantial decrease in sunny days from 1900-1936 to 1950-1982. Only one city had more sunny days: FT. Worth, Texas. Are you listening Zonker?

The Brown-headed Cowbird (*Molothrus ater*) is the bird Oklahoma birdwatcher's love to hate. This hatred seems quite justifiable as we watch a pair of Cardinals wear themselves out to feed a brood of voracious Cowbird, or an Orioles nest filled with cowbird eggs, or the gradual disappearance of a Bells Virea family as generation after generation raises more and more cowbirds and less and less Vireas.

On the other hand, who can blame the cowbirds who, alone of all other bird's are shorn of the responsibility of building a nest, feeding the


young, and rearing them until old enough to fly. The cowbird lives only for eating and mating, leaving the care worn parents of other species to shoulder the responsibility of their young. Perhaps our hate is mingled and exacerbated by a touch of jealousy for the carefree lifestyle of the cowbird.

Speech (from page one)

staff and students who volunteered to work as judges, timekeepers and scorers during the tournament, as well as to the speech coaches from competing high schools, who helped keep the event running smoothly.

"Without all the help, this would not have been possible," Poe said, "and it is their help that keeps the tournament going year after year."

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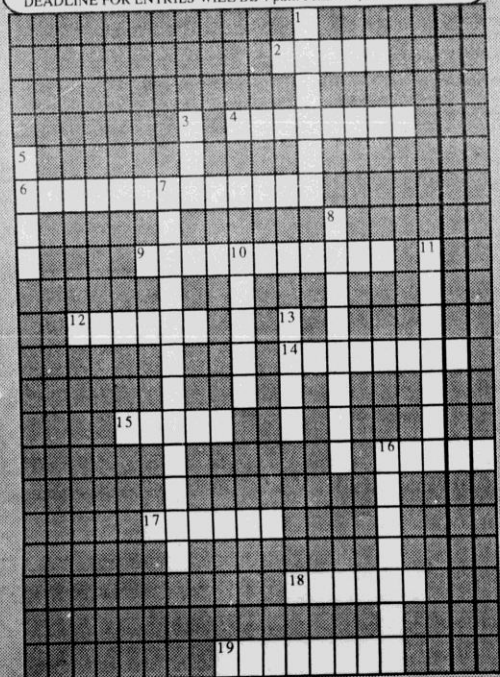
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Regents Approve Personnel Action, Equipment Purchases

The Murray State College Board of Regents voted Tuesday evening to renew the college president's contract and approve the purchase of equipment for an updated educational program.

During their monthly meeting, the regents voted unanimously to renew the contract of Dr. Clyde Kindell, college president, for the 1988-89 academic year.

Meanwhile, in support of the revised Engineering Technology program, the college will purchase a total of \$121,126 in computerized manufacturing and design equipment after the regents took action on bids for computer hardware, software and peripherals.

Scientific Labs was awarded a bid by the regents on software for two new courses, unified technical concepts and principles of technology. Midland Machine Tools was selected from bidders for the purchase of computer numerically controlled equipment, including a mill and lathe, and operational software.

The regents selected Teaching Systems among bidders on a digitizer and computer assisted design software, and Microage was

awarded a bid on a computer-driven plotter. Also, the regents approved the purchase of three printers from IBM and three computers from Master Systems after reviewing bids.

The purchases, funded through a federal Title III grant, are the first in a series of equipment upgrades designed to modernize the engineering technology instruction offered at Murray State, college officials said.

Beginning with the Fall, 1988 term, plans are for the new Engineering Technology program to begin admitting freshman students, only a year after the instructional program review process supported the need for course improvements, college officials said.

In other personnel action, the regents accepted the resignation of Shirley Teafattiller, planning and development secretary, effective Dec. 7 and approved the employment of Sherry Carver Reimer, part-time secretary for agriculture and physical education, and Brenda D. Reinhart, interim planning and development secretary.

Bids were also accepted on the printing of the college catalog. A bid from Gilliland

Printing of Arkansas City, Kan., was accepted by the regents for production of 7,000 copies of the 1988-89 catalog.

Community Services courses slated by the regents for the Spring 1988 schedule include: Pond Management, Special Problems in Business Management, Sunday School Teaching, Pistolcraft, Country and Western Dance, Fundamentals of Watercolor, Quilting, Calligraphy, Aerobics, Backyard Astronomy, Taxidermy, Senior Surfers, Karate for Kids, Rockhound Express, Fabric Painting, Government Contracting, You and Your Taxes, Dealing with the Media for Non-Profit Organizations, Color Me a Season, Management Seminar, Estate Planning, Gas Contracting, Woodcarving, General Safety, Colored Pencil Art, Managing Your Finances, Adult Basic Education, Hunter Safety, Alzheimer's and You, and Issues in Government.

In other action, the regents approved a three percent increase in payments by the college to Premiere Food Service for food services during the 1988 Spring term. The increase will not be passed along to the students.



Hank Haines shows a program designed for the MSC bookstore to instructor Hayden Mathews. The program was designed by members of the Systems Analysis class.

Spring Enrollment Begins as Fall Semester Ends

With the end of the Fall 1987 term at Murray State College this week college officials are preparing for the Spring 1988 term as students hit the books in preparation for final exams.

The final day of classes will be Monday, Dec. 14, with final exams beginning on Tuesday, Dec. 15 and running through the semester's end on Friday, Dec. 18, according to the registrar's office.

The men's and women's residence halls will close at Noon, Saturday, Dec. 19, and all residents must have removed all their belongings from the rooms and checked out by then. The dining hall

will close after the evening meal Dec. 18. The semester break will run from Dec. 21 through Jan. 6.

Meanwhile, enrollment remains open for the Spring term, with student registration scheduled for Thursday, Jan. 7, and Friday, Jan. 8. Spring classes begin Monday, Jan. 11.

Those students enrolling at Murray State for the first time should bring with them copies of their high school transcripts and ACT scores; also, if they have completed any work at other colleges or universities, students should bring copies of those (continued on page three)

NASA Lecture, Demonstration to Feature Models of Space Shuttle, Satellites

The latest in aerospace technology will be the focus of a National Aeronautics and Space Administration lecture and demonstration program on Monday, Dec. 14, at Murray State College in Fletcher Auditorium, college officials announced today.

A representative of the Johnson Space Center in Houston, Tex., will be on campus for two sessions that day, one to be held at 9:30 a.m. for elementary school children and the second at 1 p.m. for high school students, college students, faculty and staff, as well as the general public, according to MSC electronics instructor Donnie Williams.

Currently, students from Tishomingo Elementary School and Oak Hall School in

Ardmore are scheduled to attend the 9:30 a.m. session, while students from Ardmore High School, Lone Grove High School, Tishomingo High School and Murray State are slated to attend the 1 p.m. session.

Dr. Doris Grigsby, science specialist with the Oklahoma State Department of Education, described the NASA program as designed to update young people and the general public on NASA's latest activities. "The lecture and demonstration cover NASA's role in the development of new technology and the way NASA is using those new technologies," she said. "Also, it provides students a chance to learn about career

opportunities in the space program."

The demonstration will include models of a NASA-designed space station, the space shuttle and satellites, Dr. Grigsby said. "The space station is included because that is one of NASA's areas of main focus today, and the demonstration may also include an overview of the history of the U.S. space program, tracing its beginnings through the Mercury, Gemini and Apollo programs," she said.

The NASA program may also look at some of the deep space probes, such as the Voyager missions, which have been sent to examine other planets and areas beyond our solar system, Dr. Grigsby said.

The lecturer for the program is Charles Ray Anderson, an adjunct assistant professor with the College of Education at Oklahoma State University. Anderson is also an aerospace education specialist with NASA.

The lecture and demonstration program is part of NASA's nation-wide Aerospace Education Services Project, based at OSU in Stillwater.

The program is extremely popular with those who have seen it, and it is constantly being upgraded to provide the latest developments being made by NASA scientists, Dr. Grigsby said. "The comments that I have heard have all been

good," she said. "The program is so popular, in fact, that visits such as the one scheduled for Murray State have to be reserved almost a year in advance."

Both sessions are open to the public free of charge; however, people could learn more by waiting for the 1 p.m. session, Dr. Grigsby said. "Each session is different and is tailored to the age level of the audience," she said. "The program can go into much more detail with the college-level audience."

Williams, representing Murray State in hosting the NASA aerospace program, invited anyone interested in science or the space program to attend.

Aggies 7-8 in Non-Conference Games for Fall

By Elizabeth Parker

The MSC Aggies are ranked 7-8 in the non conference games, and looking to next semester with confidence, according to coach Jan Handley.

This season the Murray State wins were: 76-71 against Panola; 70-69 in a close game with Eastern; El Centro lost to Murray 113-74; another 1 point win against Lamar at 86-85; Murray beat Cowley 82-73; at a home game Carl Albert didn't have a chance with a 103-89 final score; closing this semester with a 91-67 win against El Centro. In the Barton County Coca-Cola Classic's which were held Nov. 23-28th for men only, Murray won the consolation bracket in a 82-73 victory over Cowley.

All team members will be returning for the spring season, the roster includes sophomores Brian Garrett, Doug Grissom, Jeff Haynes, Bryan Jennings, and Calvin Jones, Phillip Lamson and Tim Norris; and freshmen Andy Anderson, Lara

Jenkins, Eric Murray, Steve Perigo, and Mark Smith, Marty Teakell, Thomas Wendell, and Micah Whittington.

"The main problem this season has been the sporadic wins, and this shows me there is room for improvement. I feel the players need to be ready to win and go into a game with a prepared mental attitude that they will," said Handley.

The team looks good with 8 sophomores and 8 freshmen, "If we can hustle and keep the ball moving we will have a chance at the Bi-State Tournament," said Handley.

The first game of the spring semester will be an away conference match against Rose State College on Jan. 11th, and on Jan. 16th the first home game will be a conference match between Murray and Northern State College. All other home games are as follows:

Jan. 25th, El Reno Junior College; Feb. 1st, Western State College; Feb. 8th, Seminole Junior College; Feb. 15th, St.

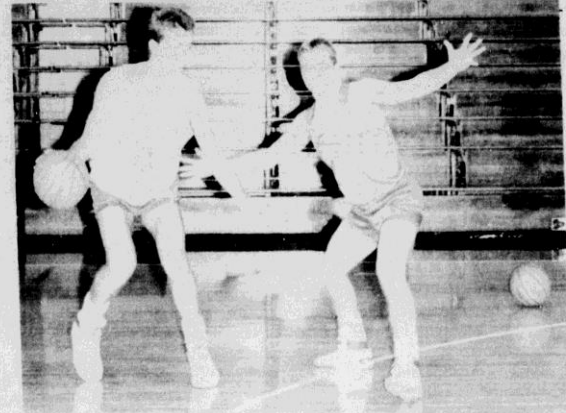
Gregory College; and on Feb. 22nd, Rose State Junior College. Womens games start at 6:00, while the mens games will start at 8:00p.m..

This season the womens basketball team is ranked at 0-9 in the non conference games. The team has 4 members who have injuries and can not play in the games. With only 9 playing team members the girls often have to work twice as hard. The team members are: Jenni Huddleston, Cindy Hutchenson and Jennifer Muirhead, all sophomores, along with freshmen Khini Byerly, Misty Clough, Tracy Drinkard, and Toni Hollowell, Tracy

Lee, Kelly McKay, Gina Monetathchi, and Tonya Winters.

"This semester has really been hard on everybody, because of the injuries team members have had. The pressure is high and with the losses it makes it that much harder. The freshmen have been pushed into a situation that I really don't think they were ready for," said Coach Randy Bowen.

The girls team will play in the South Plains Classic on January 6-7-8th in Loveland, Tx. "We will be working toward improvements and showing the capabilities of determined players who want to win," said Bowen.



MSC Aggies are practicing and getting ready for the Bi-State tournament. The team is 7-8 so far in non-conference games.

MSC Presents Christmas Concert

Murray State College presented its annual Christmas Concert Thursday, in Fletcher Auditorium.

The program featured songs performed by the MSC Entertainers musical group along with dramatic readings performed by the MSC Drama department.

The MSC Entertainers presented "The Wondrous Child," "What Child is This?," "Winder Wonderland," "Frosty the Snowman," "Jingle Bell

Rock," and a new version of "Silent Night".

Also, the Entertainers led the audience in a sing-a-long of "White Christmas" at the end of the program.

The drama department presented in reader's theatre four selections, including "Gift of the Magi," "Twelve the Night Before Christmas," "That Night in Judea," and "Jest Fore Christmas".

campus opinion

What was the best thing at MSC this semester?



ROWDY LINDESMITH, HORSE MANAGEMENT, WAURIKA

"The fact that its finally over and I don't have to come back for three weeks."



ANN PFEFFER, HORSE MANAGEMENT, MENITOWOE, WI.

"Independence is great, but I'm ready to respect and enjoy the comforts of home."



DONNA ALLISON, VET-TECH, LONE GROVE

"The field trips were the best ever, and I felt like I got a lot out of them."



LISA RORICK, VET-TECH OK

"The experiences I had in my training and with my friends."

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Season's Intramurals End This Week

By Elizabeth Parker

Even with the pressures of tying up loose ends and taking care of messy grades, students are finding time to finish out the remaining intramural competitions.

Tomorrow night, three women's and seven men's intramural basketball teams will hold the play-offs and the finals of each division in the gym. The men's play-offs will open the court at 5:40 p.m.; then the women will play their division finals at 6:15. At 6:45 there will be more men's playoffs, with the finals starting at 7:20 p.m.

Freethrow competitions had 30 individuals shooting for the championship. In the women's division Jennifer Muirhead won over Tracy Drinkard, and in the mens competitions Darron Oliphant beat out

Buck Jennings.

The weight lifting tournament was held in the Physical Fitness Center where competitors have all the equipment they need. In the light weight division, Robert Marshall holds the muscle wars award; Scotty Gibbs holds the title in the medium weight division; Scott Girod took the heavy weight division; and in the extra heavy weight division Rick Thompson powered his way to the champion title. "This sport gets more popular every year," said Nancy Shilling Sudent Activities Director.

In other competition, table tennis has very few games still yet to be played, as does the archery tournament. In badminton 27 compete for titles.

"I fell that most everyone that signed up for the competitions did play

and I hope that everyone that played this semester will enter in the spring intramurals. More people means more competition, more competition makes for a really good game," said Shilling.

'Snak and Study' Tonight

The Special Services Department will be sponsoring a 'Snak n' Study' tonight from 6:30 until 11 p.m. in the student union cafeteria. Snacks will be available from 6:30 until 9:30, and a breakfast will be served at 10.

While there is no charge for the snacks or breakfast, students should bring books, notes and a study partner and be prepared to study.

Enrollment

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transcripts as well.

The residence and dining halls will re-open on Thursday, Jan. 7, with the residence halls to open at 2 p.m. and the dining hall to begin serving with the evening meal at 4:30 p.m.

The MSC Bookstore will be closed from Dec. 18 through the semester break, but will re-open Jan. 7 to allow students time to obtain textbooks and other course materials before classes begin. Deadline for paying enrollment fees at the Business Office is Jan. 11.

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science update

Companies Using High Tech to Monitor Employees Work Habits

By Dale Parker

Big brother could be watching all white collar workers out there. Many companies (including AT&T, and the American express) are taking advantage of the computer age to monitor their employee work performance. Programs are available to companies allowing them to tell how many keys per hour are typed on a word processor, or how many sales are made per phone call. Naturally the unions are taking a hard line on all this and it remains to be seen on whose side Congress will be.

Members of the Soviet Antarctic Expeditions have greatly expanded mans ability to judge future effects of growing CO2 levels caused by the burning of fossil fuels. It seems that air bubbles trapped in the ice over millions of years give tiny samples of the atmosphere from long ago. The Soviets managed to take a core sample 2,083 meters deep; an unprecedented depth that reaches back 160,000 years ago. By analyzing the air bubbles throughout the sample they were able to determine exact atmospheric make-up for that entire time, and by measuring co2 levels and comparing

them with what they know of the climate at that period, they can judge what, if any effec fluctuating co2 levels have had on warming or cooling the earth.

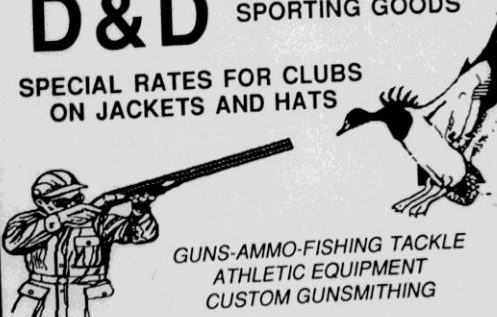
The Roadrunner (Geococcyx californianus) is much more widely spread in Oklahoma than many people realize. It is also slowly spreading into Missouri and Arkansas.

Roadrunners kill and eat a wide variety of prey including; rats, snakes, lizards but most often small insects. Roadrunners kill snakes by grabbing them in their beaks and slamming them into the ground repeatedly until dead. If the snake is too large to swallow all at once, they simply swallow what they can and leave the rest dangling from their mouth until digestion has progressed enough for them to swallow it. (Don't ask me how they breathe during this faintly disgusting process.) One of the few creatures who even up the score with the vociferous Roadrunner is the coach-whip snake, who can eat an entire nest of young roadrunners at one sitting. Even hawks can have a rough time eating

roadrunners for dinner as evidenced by one that was seen diving repeatedly at a roadrunner concealed in a thicket. The roadrunner simply hid inside, occasionally using its terrific speed to dodge when the hawks became hopelessly entangled in the thicket whereupon the roadrunner ran to safety, probably smirking a little bit.

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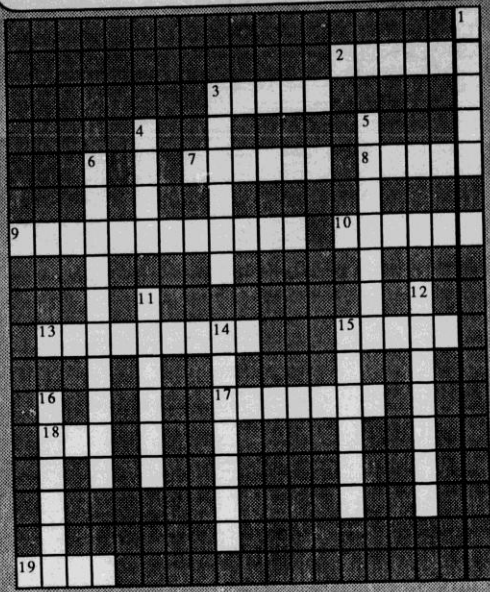
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