

## Red Cross bloodmobile set to make campus visit

Giving the McPherson College community the opportunity to donate blood since 1967, the Red Cross Bloodmobile will continue its campus drive on Sept. 29, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Friendship Hall. This fall's quota is 115 pints, but with enrollment up, McPherson is expected to donate over 120 pints.

There again will be competition to see which class donates the most of this life-giving substance.

Although the bloodmobile will be at the McPherson Town Hall in October, all city residents are encouraged to donate at the college.

The "masterminds" behind the project are Joan Cunnick, Sr., McPherson and Joanne Hamlin. Joanne agrees that Friendship Hall seems to be the ideal place to set up for the bloodmobile, both for donors and the equipment. "Joan and I know where everything goes so it's just a matter of setting it up," she commented.

Those who can give blood must be between the ages of 17 and 65

and weigh at least 110 pounds. The "donor belt line" starts with the taking of each potential donor's pulse, medical history, and blood pressure.

A small sample of blood is taken from the earlobe to check hemoglobin, test for anemia, and determine bloodtype for first time donors. The whole process, including 15 minutes in the canteen area where light refreshments are served takes an hour.

If you absolutely can't give blood but want to help out, you can donate your services as a registration typist, juice and candy distributor, bag labeler, donor escort, schedule checker, or volunteer to unload the bloodmobile at 8:30 a.m. After you donate, you'll receive a Red Cross blood donor card which includes name, age social security number, and blood type.

Registration will begin Sept. 25 during the lunch hour.

Only four out of every 10 people give blood, but donor Franchiel Spencer, Jr, Kansas City, sees it this way. "If people need it, we should give it."

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For three students

## Year of study abroad begins

While students on the McPherson College campus have endured sweltering heat and monsoon weather conditions, Lorie Shepard, Rick Judy and Allan van Asselt have spent their first few weeks of school discovering another country.

These students are participating in the Brethren Colleges Abroad program which began in 1961. It allows students attending any of the six Church of the Brethren Colleges to study at universities in other countries.

"We have had an outstanding group of people who have gone

abroad," says Dr. Jan van Asselt. He encourages those interested in the program to contact him. He points out that the planning involved in such trips is extensive and that it takes a good deal of time to get things organized.

The three McPherson students currently involved in the program are attending Philipps University in Marburg, West Germany.

Rick left the U.S. in late June and lived in the small village of Hoerste. According to Dr. van Asselt, the equivalency of two years of college German is necessary before students should

attempt to study at a foreign university.

Rick went to Germany for the summer to increase his knowledge of the language. He had taken only one year of college German.

Currently, all three students are involved in an intensive language and orientation program.

The actual school year will begin in mid-October. The Mac students will attend classes through February then enjoy a break until April when another short session of classes begins.

In mid-July, classes adjourn and the students will return to the states.

## Computer system available to ACCK students, faculty

Computer Services provides academic and administrative computing services to the ACCK colleges by operating a Harris System 210 time sharing system connected to terminals on each campus and by maintaining an operations and programming staff at the computer center in McPherson.

The system provides interactive access to the BASIC, FORTRAN, COBOL, Assembler, RPGII, AND SNOBOL programming languages.

Each user of the computer must be issued an account number by the computer center. Individuals who desire to use the system should obtain application forms from the center. Monthly reports of computer use by each account are distributed to the campus computer coordinators.

The computer system is normally left running 24 hours a day.

There is an operator at the computer center during the hours of 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday. Friday afternoons from 2-6 p.m. the system will be out of service for maintenance and file back-up.

Since the computer center is financed by annual college assessments and federal Title III grants, no charge is made for the use of the computer or for programming services.

Glen Weibe serves as director of computer services, and Chris Miller, a 1977 business administration-computer science graduate of Tabor College will be the new program analyst for the ACCK computer system.

This fall, the operation and nature of computing services being provided to McPherson and the other ACCK schools will be carefully analyzed.

Dr. Edward Butler, Vice President of Student Services, talks with Dr. Merlin Frantz in the student union. Dr. Butler's office is directly involved with what matters to McPherson students. Learn more about him in related story on page 3.



## SPECTATOR SIDELINES / Bark deadline 'Godot' premier ACCK Director

IN ORDER TO publish items more currently, the Bark will need to have all items by 5 p.m. in Mohler 116 the day before the item is to be published. The Bark will be delivered at 8 a.m. of the day following publication. It will be published as often as is warranted.

THE LITTLE THEATRE, with the help of a thousand pounds of sand, has been transformed into a desert setting for Samuel Beckett's "Waiting for Godot." Show time is 8 p.m. Friday, Saturday and Sunday. The two-act tragicomedy is being directed by Debbie Stong as her senior project. Admission for faculty and students is free.

DR. TIMOTHY C. Adams of Jamestown, N.D., has been named executive director of the Associated Colleges of Central Kansas. As executive director, Adams' responsibilities will include carrying into effect policies approved by the board of directors, proposal development and writing, and fund raising. He and his family, including three children, live in McPherson.

Look out guys!

## Prepare for Sadie Hawkins Days

by Anita Grosbach

Shine up your sneakers and dust off the old corn cob pipe, Sadie Hawkins Day is only a week away.

Sadie Hawkins Day was brought into life in 1938 by the creator of the comic strip, "Li'l Abner" Al Capp took this opportunity to give all the maidens and spinsters of Dogpatch a chance to "marry up."

Soon, McPherson College will be offering this very same opportunity. The weekend's festivities will get underway at 8:00 p.m. Wednesday evening with a disco dance in the Student Union. Taking place throughout the evening will be a variety of special events, including a "best dressed"

contest, the crowning of "Li'l Abner and Daisy Mae" and of course some other surprise, excitement-filled activities.

Entrance to the dance will require a small admission fee. Girls will be paying 1 cent for each inch their date is tall.

Thursday evening, all the necessary ingredients for the making of your own personal ice cream sundae will be found in the Student Union basement. This will not cost anything but a few calories.

A Hoedown Dinner will be served Friday evening. Topping the menu will be fried chicken and corn on the cob. The juke box will be moved upstairs during this time to add music to the meal.

Just when you thought it was safe to go back to the movies the Pink Panther returns to Brown Auditorium. If you save your wash money this week you will have the quarter for the admission fee.

All these activities lead up to Saturday, a pep rally and the first home football game.

According to social committee spokesman, Leanne Royer, sr., Lincoln, Neb., all activities are open to everyone, regardless if you have a date or not, so ya'll come!

If you have any ideas or comments concerning campus activities, be sure to attend social committee meetings Tuesday evenings at 9 p.m.



# Euthanasia: a good death?

by Becky Baile

The term euthanasia comes from the Greek language. Euthanasia means good and thanatos is interpreted as death, thus euthanasia means a good death.

For many people, including the publicized case of Karen Ann Quinlan, it seems to be too late to have a good death. They did not leave any type of statement which could relieve their friends and relatives of the wearisome task of watching a body kept alive by machines and drugs. They slowly hang on to life for weeks unending.

The statutes pertaining to the "right to die" are different in every state. Twenty-two of the fifty states have some type of provision for individuals wishing to execute a document directing that no machines can be used to prolong their lives when suffering from a terminal illness. Kansas is not among those states with statutes.

One member of the Euthanasia Education Council shared of this experience concerning his wife's terminal illness and how she

refused to allow the use of prolonging methods.

She had a brain tumor, but opted to not risk an operation, and simply live out her days at home with family and friends, taking only the medication necessary to relieve the pain.

type of a living will, the doctors were not liable, no life prolonging practices were used.

Thousands of Americans have chosen to die without the use of artificial mechanisms and have signed legal documents such as

**'Thousands of Americans have chosen to die without the use of artificial mechanisms . . .'**

"Live as if every day was the last, and learn as if you would live forever," were the words of a professor she had had in college. She did just that until it was time to return to the hospital once more.

Before entering the hospital, the woman, her husband, the doctors, and their lawyers signed a modified admissions agreement in which only treatment which would lessen the pain of the patient could be administered. By making this

the living will discussed previously. For more information on this subject contact the Euthanasia Education Council, 250 West 57th Street, New York, New York 10019.

The choice is entirely up to each individual, but the time to decide is now, while it's not too late. The trend in America seems to be toward this view expressed by Stewart Alsop—"A dying man needs to die, as a sleepy man needs to sleep."

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### Russell for pope

# Carswell dreams of Vatican City

Editor's note: In this exclusive interview, Russell Carswell, soph., Quenemo, reveals the story behind his recent quest for papal authority.

by Smita Nirula

Q: Russell, how is it that we did not hear about your candidacy when the rest of the candidates were going haywire trying to get press interviews?

A: Well, the wire services did try to corner me, but I wanted to save my interview for the old college paper, and I was counting on a longer conclave.

Q: Did you campaign at all?

A: Yes. I handed out handmade cards around my hometown and did a lot of first-hand campaigning at the restaurant where I worked this summer. My two ADCs and me rode through town in a car decked with posters proclaiming my role of papal candidate while I waved and smiled at the crowds lining the streets.

Q: How were you received by the public?

A: Very well for the most part. But a lot of times I got the distinct impression that they weren't taking me seriously. But I think I was wrong. My ADCs assured me they weren't laughing at me.

Q: I noticed you campaigning when college started. What induced you to campaign at the old alma mater?

A: I thought I had more chance in an area where I was known.

Q: What were your campaigning methods on campus?

A: I kissed quite a few hands and shook a few babies. I put up a poster in Fanny stating the reasons why I should be elected Pope. A few of them are—experience in infallibility, the fact that I haven't raised taxes in the past nineteen years, and that I am an ex-monk. Well—to be honest, I am not really an ex-monk—that's stretching the truth some—but I have gone to church before.

Q: What did you think your chances were of winning the election?

A: Well, not being a Catholic was the major factor against me, but I thought my charm would win the public over to my side. Also, not being Italian was another biggie. But still, I was optimistic about my chances.

Q: How do you feel now that the elections are over and someone else sits on the Papal throne?

A: When I first found out, I was totally shocked and hurt. However, I have grown accustomed to the idea. Also, I realize other elections will be coming up.

Q: What are your plans for the future?

A: Maybe I should set my goals a little lower next time. Maybe I should be a bishop or a high-ranking cardinal. If worse comes to worst, I'll run for mayor of McPherson.

Q: Thank you, Russell. The Spectator wishes you the best in all your future endeavors. If we can be of any help, call us up about our advertising rates

## Opinions voiced on euthanasia issue

The following comments are those of McPherson College students, faculty and staff concerning the topic of euthanasia. The term is defined in the second edition of "Webster's International Dictionary" as 1) an easy death or means of inducing one. 2) Act or practice of painlessly putting to death persons suffering from incurable and distressing disease. This touchy subject is one of much controversy, not only among humanitarians and scientists, but also among everyday people.

"I believe there should be a law passed that after a certain amount of time on a respiratory machine, if it seems that there is no hope for an individual, it (euthanasia) would be proper."

Helen Reynolds, Jr., Lawrence

"I guess I look at human life as a sacred gift from God and I don't have the power to give it and I don't have the right to take it away. If it were myself, and I had a terminal illness, I wouldn't want extreme measures to be taken to keep me alive. I would respect someone else's wishes in the same manner."

Paul Miller, campus minister

"I definitely think that if a person is able to say whether or not he or she wants to live on a machine, they should have that right."

Candi Witmer, Jr., Mt. Morris, Ill.

"This is a controversial question that would depend on the situation. But generally speaking, I'd say I don't believe in euthanasia. I haven't really put much thought into the topic. The reasoning behind my opinion would be because God created life and didn't leave it up to man to take it away."

Albert Zavala, Sr., Rocky Ford, Colo.

"I believe in the right of allowing the person to die. I'm not in favor of prolonging life when the body is functionally dead."

Kathleen McNamee, director of financial aids

"I'm definitely for it. Why should a person be on a machine if they're just going to be a vegetable anyway. In reality, I think a person, when given the choice, would rather die than be a vegetable."

Bruce Lewallen, Sr., Bisbee, N.D.

"I think every case has to be considered individually. With someterminal cases, I don't think that people should be put on machines to keep them existing. If there is life, okay. But if not, I can see no reason for keeping them on a machine when there is no hope."

Monroe Hughbanks, professor of education

"In general I favor the concept of euthanasia under circumstances where mechanical means and drugs are used to prolong the physical body's life, but where the mental life is seemingly zero. The main reason is that we ought to be more concerned about the quality of life rather than the length of life."

Dr. Wesley DeCoursey, professor of chemistry

## EDITORIAL

### A reality of our times

Talking about death is not an easy thing to do. But today, people seem to approach the subject more openly. We can sign a card and donate our eyes and other organs, in the event of an accident, to be transplanted into another person's body.

During our lifetimes we are exposed to many changes. Changes in attitude. Radically differing views concerning sexual morals, political behavior, conservation of natural resources, etc. have been directed at us from the media and the people around us.

It is easy to choose not to think about things; not to think about what will happen when there is no more oil, or about when babies are born in test tubes, or when some nation decides to detonate its most devastating nuclear weapon.

Not to consider death is ignoring the inevitable. In these times of change, of increasing technology and scientific wonder, the issue of euthanasia is a reality. A reality that hopefully will not have to be faced, but certainly one to think about.

## Zeigler urges involvement, plans council revision

by Gregory Fenno

For freshmen and other new students at McPherson College, Student Council President Don Ziegler has two words of advice: "Get involved!" Some major changes in the Student Council will be taking place within the 1978-79 school year.

Student Council and overhauling the Student Council constitution, which Ziegler says is quite vague.

The major problems which Student Council will face include the "I don't care" attitude expressed by many students and the over-expectations of students toward Student Council. Ziegler feels that Student Council progress can be helped by student involvement.

Student Council does enjoy a good relationship with the McPherson College administration, and Ziegler anticipates a good relationship with Dr. Edward Butler, Vice President of Student Services.

One of these changes includes planning more activities which will entice students to remain on campus during the weekends, instead of going home. The recent Hawaiian Luau was one of these endeavors, the first of its kind, and according to Ziegler, it was quite effective. Ziegler would also like to see Student Council's reputation bolstered in the eyes of students.

The major goals for Student Council this year will center around getting students involved in school activities, the organization of the mechanics of

Ziegler encourages students to attend Student Council meetings and express their view on student body problems. Finally, he urges all students to become involved in as many activities as possible.





These smiling faces belong to McPherson College seniors Janell Baldner, Dallas Center, Iowa; and Tracy Ikenberry, Quinter, who attended the National Institute of Health this past summer.

photo by Irle

## NIH-a summer home

Janell Baldner, Sr., Dallas Center, Iowa, and Tracy Ikenberry, sr., Quinter, spent their summer at the National Institute of Health, a research hospital near Washington D.C.

Janell and Tracy were involved in the Normal Volunteer Program there. "It's a reciprocal thing - they use our bodies and in turn we're allowed to work with really good top researchers," noted Janell.

An NIH representative came to the campus last spring and interviewed interested students. "They need people who are really healthy, in perfect health."

The studies both students were involved in didn't take up much of their time. Janell worked 9 a.m. to 4p.m. in labs helping a doctor do studies and working with a computer, entering data, correlating, etc.

Tracy was in a pharmacological lab working with hypertension. "It got kind of tedious sometimes doing the same thing," he remarked.

They were able to pick what lab assignment they wanted but were assigned to the studies. Tracy was involved in sleep studies concerned with mental health. Janell was in three minor studies concerning health and human development.

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# Butler returns to McPherson

by Smita Nirula

"It wasn't easy for me to break my ties at Bowling Green, but I'm glad I took the step and came to McPherson. In a way, it was like coming home. I graduated from here and apart from the physical changes that have taken place on campus, McPherson is much the same it has always been. To me, Mac means stability, security with a touch of nostalgia. It is a very good place to be."

Dr. Edward Butler is one of the recent newcomers to the McPherson College community. The coordinator of the graduate guidance program and an associate professor of counseling at Bowling Green State University, Dr. Butler is the new Vice-President of Student Services here.

He is the middle man, the king—pin between the students and the administration. His is not an enviable position, yet the quiet air of authority that cloaks him makes you think—"he can do it."

"One of the reasons I decided to come to McPherson was the fact that McPherson is a small, private liberal arts college. It will give me job satisfaction, I am sure. Another more personal reason is that my wife and I both have an interest in the 'real mid-west'."

As I have said before, his is not an enviable position. He has to find a happy medium between the students' demands and the

policies of the administration. He has no extravagant promises to make, but he has taken the situation in hand.

"I feel positive about the

students I've come in contact with. Students here have a lot of things going for them and with all of their potential, I'm sure they'll make the most of it!"

## 'Where's Charley?' to be Homecoming musical comedy

by Susie Bucher

McPherson College's music and theater departments are combining talents for this year's Homecoming production. "Where's Charley?", a musical comedy, will be presented October 12 and 14 in Brown Auditorium.

The comedy is set during the 1890's in Oxford. Two college students, Charley and Jack, invite two coeds, Amy and Kitty, over for dinner. The dinner is to be chaperoned by Charley's Aunt, Donna Lucia. When she doesn't show up on time by train, Charley puts on a costume and poses as the aunt.

The mistaken identity that results leads to marriage proposals and other mix-ups, but in the end everything is resolved.

The show consists of nine principal characters and a 16 member chorus. Jeff Gumm, Jr., Prarie City, Iowa, will play Charley; Harold Brisco, soph., Kansas City, Mo., Jack; Pattie Lusk, fr., Rocky Ford, Colo., Amy; Mary Beth Snyder, sr.,

Liberty Nebr., Kitty, and Kathy Frantz, soph., Windsor, Colo., Donna Lucia.

The backstage crews are making plans to begin work. A different approach is being taken this year in the construction of the set. The sets will be painted to look three-dimensional instead of being constructed that way. The costume crew will be busy making 22 gowns and articles of underwear for the chorus.

"There's nothing that can offend anybody in it. It's really fun and I like the show," was the reaction of co-director Rick Tyler to the upcoming play.

David Mollhagen will play the part of Spettigue; Chris Whitacre, Sir Francis, Richard Patton, Brasslet and Russell Carswell, Wilkinson.

Joan Cunnick is in charge of house management and Smita Nirula will perform the duties of stage manager.

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# Girls volleyball season promising

by Suzette Christian

The volleyball season is underway once again and it looks like McPherson College is really ready for it. The coach of this year's volleyball team, Gaylord Gillette, is optimistic about having a good season, as are the team members.

"I think we're going to do really well this year. There are a lot of freshmen on the team, and they're all pretty good so that'll help a lot," commented Wendy Rayno, fr., Mountain Grove, Mo.

There are many new faces on this year's volleyball squad, along with a few returning players. The team members are Diane Lytle, Peggy Davis, Patti Brenneman, Kristen Goodfellow, Kay Ann Porter, Terri Enos, Pam Tucker, Bonnie King, Tammy Roesch, Joni Redmond, Pam Higgins, Wendy Rayno, Rhonda Wise, and Sandy Lang.

Kristen Goodfellow, a newcomer to Mac, says, "The coach is real encouraged. He thinks this will be a good year."

Kristen believes the team shows a lot of talent.

The McPherson volleyball team began their season last Tuesday here at Mac in a triangular meet. Results were unavailable at press time. Cloud County and Central College were their scheduled opponents.

Yesterday, the squad went up against Hutchinson Junior College and Kansas Newman. Next Tuesday they travel to Concordia for a triangular at Cloud County.

The tightly scheduled team will see action again Thursday when they meet Central and Cowley County in another triangular.

## Season opens at Wichita, runners compete tomorrow

by Keith Hunter

McPherson College's cross country team opened their season last Friday in Wichita. They competed in the W.S.U. Invitational.

The Bulldogs five man squad, made up of two freshmen, one sophomore, one junior, and one senior fared well against the stiff competition.

Jim Kitson, jr., Hutchinson, finished 69th out of 130 tracksters. Finishing next was Lyle Grosbach fr., Enders, Neb., in 74th place. Harold Spencer soph., Kansas City, finished 80th and John Moyer, fr., Leoti, finished 86th.

Coach Don Rominger feels that with the return of Albert Zavala, sr., Rocky Ford, Colo., who finished sixth in the KCAC last season, the Bulldogs should make a strong bid for the KCAC title.

"I feel we have a very talented team this season," said Harold Spencer.

Tomorrow, the squad will travel to the Mid-America Nazarene Invitational. The meet starts at 11 a.m. and it should provide a good, competitive opportunity for the 'Dogs.

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Diane Miller, soph., McPherson grimaces in deep concentration as she practices her swing. Tuesday's match was rained out, but the women will be in action against Tabor at home tomorrow at 2 p.m.

(photo by Irle)

## Bulldogs scalp Sterling, 27-20

by Don Stinette

McPherson's Bulldogs came away from Sterling with a season opening win over the Warriors Saturday night, with a final score of 27-20. After watching a 20 point lead shrivel to a tie late in the game, the determined 'Dogs regained some poise and drove the winning touchdown across the goal line with just seconds left.

Taking control of the game early, the Bulldogs rolled offensively, scoring first on a 2-yard keeper by quarterback John "T.O." Rutledge in the first quarter. They hit paydirt twice in the second period, on a 21-yard ramble by Mickey Reed, and a 6-yard pass by Rutledge to Odell Crawford at the edge of the end zone.

A tough defense held the Warriors scoreless during the first half, allowing McPherson to carry a 20-0 lead to the locker room at half-time.

But the Warriors were not finished yet; capitalizing on a fumbled punt return, they scored a touchdown of their own from in close. Later in the third period, Sterling added another touchdown.

Then, with less than five minutes remaining in the game, the Warriors scored again, knotting the game at 20 all. However, the conversion attempt was unsuccessful as a heavy Bulldog rush forced a high kick which fell short, leaving the score tied and the 'Dogs with the ball.

Marching steadily up the field during the time remaining, the Bulldogs with less than a minute remaining, captured the victory on a 28-yard touchdown run by Darren Staton.

McPherson's offensive rushing yardage total of 338-yards was

	McPherson	Sterling
First Downs	16	14
Yards Rushing	338	178
Yards Passing	41	70
Total offense	379	248
Passing	3-5-0	9-16-1
Punting	7-31yd.	7-41.8yd.
Penalties	11-1-5yd.	3-25yd.

Scoring — McPherson — John Rutledge, 2 yd. run (kick good); Mickey Reed, 21 yd. run (kick failed); Odell Crawford, 6 yd. pass from John Rutledge (kick good); Sterling — 22 yd. run (kick good); 2 yd. run (kick good); 3 yd. run (kick failed); McPherson — Darren Staton, 28 yd. run (kick good)

enough to place them fourth in the nation in that category for small colleges.

About the game, Coach Johnnie Gragg stated that the team "made few mistakes and executed better than might be expected" for a first game.

Although the Bulldogs were charged with 11 penalties for 135-yards, Coach Gragg said that after studying the game film he concluded that "many of the penalties were not valid," and that most were due to "aggressive" mistakes, not mental errors.

Coach Gragg was especially pleased about the many option plays run without a turnover. He said the quarterback Rutledge "handled the option exceptionally

well."

Tomorrow, the Bulldogs challenge the Ottawa University Braves, a team which sports a record of two wins and no losses on the season.

Coach Gragg calls Ottawa a "fine football team," and points out that they played powerful Bethany very well in a close game and beat Southwestern, which is the team picked in pre-season polls to finish second in the KCAC, by a 20-7 score.

It appears that the Braves will offer a stiff test to the young, inexperienced McPherson team. A good game against this strong opponent will set the tempo for a fine football season.

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