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Alex Haley is to speak at the annual Mohler Lecture Series on Thursday, November, 5, at 8:00 pm in Brown Auditorium. Mr. Haley is the author of *Roots*; a saga of Haley's search to find his African ancestors through his fourth great grandfather, Kunta Kinte, and is also author of the autobiography of Malcolm X with Malcolm X. Haley is winner of the Pulitzer prize and national book award. He is also winner of 17 honorary academic doctorates.

## Kassebaum discusses political issues

by Becky Hockman  
Staff Writer

On October 9, McPherson College was featured in the Kansas media. Our Centennial was tied in with one of this year's political controversies. It was known that Senator Kassebaum supported the Robert Bork nomination to the U.S. Supreme Court.

Sen. Kassebaum said she believed Bork to possess intellect, integrity and vitality — qualities that he would bring to the Supreme Court. She felt he had all the necessary qualifications and that he has a respect for legal precedents. Sen. Kassebaum, during the press conference in Miller Library predicted that Bork would withdraw his name — but in an ironic move, Robert Bork announced he would stay in the race. This decision was unexpected by Sen. Kassebaum who feels it would be wrong to make a political issue out of Bork's nomination.

Another political issue discussed during the press conference was Contra Aid, an issue that will be debated in November. Sen. Kassebaum's position on Contra Aid seems borderline. She expressed support for the regional peace plan. "We stand at the crossroads of peace and development or war and poverty" she said.

The Persian Gulf issue is another issue that the Senator feels needs to be delicately handled. We are not at war, she said: "skirmishes" will always be present because it is a "risky business in there."

Senator Kassebaum is the daughter of former governor Alfred Landon and his wife Theo. She received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science from the University of Kansas and a Master of Arts degree from the University of Michigan in diplomatic history in 1956.

Sen. Kassebaum was elected to the Senate in 1978, and re-elected in 1984. The committees in which she is involved are: the Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation, the Aviation Committee, the Committee on Foreign Relations, the African Affairs Committee, the Committee on the Budget, and the Select Ethics Committee.

Her presence at the Honors Convocation commemorated McPherson College's Centennial celebration and also honors her father, who participated in the festivities of McPherson College, fifty years ago.



Senator Nancy Kassebaum sits patiently awaiting another question during her press conference on October 9. The press conference preceded Honor's Convocation where she was awarded an honorary doctorate, and also addressed the assembly.  
Jack Patino/Spectator

## Student Council busy with a number of items

by Carol Mack  
StuCo Secretary

Since the September report, the Student Council has been busy with a number of different items.

Student directories were started at the beginning of the school year and were completed, after a number of long hours, by the end of September. This is the first time in many years that they have been finished so early in the school year. A special thanks goes to Diana Suiter, (Soph., Corrairie) for fine typing and Bruce Vine, (Jr., Imperial, NE) Krista Bell, (Sr., Bremen, IN.) and Jason Barrows, (Jr., Westfield, IN.) for resigning the new computer program. Students may purchase directories from the dorm representatives for \$2.

The council worked hard on various Homecoming events. The collections for the King and Queen were completed smoothly this year with good participation from the student body. The decision to allocate prize money for the homecoming fair booths was passed and all organizations and dorms were encouraged to join in the activities.

A number of new appointments have been made since last year. Anne Kletchka, (Soph., Lawrence) Penny Williams, (Sr., Mt. Morris, L.) and Nancy Butler (Sr., McPherson) joined the Quadrangle staff while Jack Patino (Jr., Fair-

mersville, CA.) and Maurese Jenkins (Jr., Aurora, CO.) joined the Spectator staff as Feature Editor and Advertising Manager respectively. On Sept. 24, the council welcomed some new members to the meeting. Nick Ward (Fr., Hoyt) and Brent Atwater (Fr., Goodland) are the new freshmen representatives, and Lindell Franz, (McPherson) is the new Director of Student Activities. Also, Brent Atwater was appointed to fill the Board of Publications position.

Another item of business that StuCo has been busy with is the issue of budget allocations. On Oct. 8 the proposed budgets for campus organizations were reviewed and after discussion and alterations, were passed.

SAB raised the concern that the new StuCo-SAB sound system has been used a number of times this year without approval. Organizations are required to pay a \$30 service charge when using the equipment.

For anyone interested in a more detailed rundown, the complete minutes explaining the actions and issues that the Student Council conducts are posted on the information board in the basement of the Student Union.

## \$2 million awarded to students

by Tokuko Kiriguchi  
Staff Writer

Almost \$2 million in financial aid is being awarded to McPherson college students this academic year, according to Glenn Gayer, Director of Financial Aid. 384 students are receiving \$1,966,688, an average of \$5,122.

Every full-time student is eligible to apply for Financial Aid, though some awards have qualifications such as the prestigious "Centennial Scholar" which only four incoming freshmen are named.

To apply for aid, a student must complete and submit a "Family Financial Statement" and a "Student Data Form" to ACT using some information for the prior tax year. Forms are available after Jan. 1 from high school guidance counselors or the Admissions Office. If a student is a non-Kansas resident, he/she needs to use the "CSS Financial Aid Form".

After applying, a student will be allowed to get the aid in six to eight weeks.

All awards are reviewed annually and the college helps each student annually. The college makes every effort to enable all students to attend regardless of financial resources.

Not only students, but also their parents are given a chance to ask Mr. Glenn Gayer, Director of Financial Aid, any questions about financial aid.

The college also encourages them to visit campus to talk about the student's financial plan.

The list of Financial Aid is as follows:

- McPherson College Aid
- Christian Service Dependent Grants
- Volunteer Service Grants
- Special Grants and Scholarships
- International Grants for foreign students
- State of Kansas Aid
- Kansas Tuition Grants
- State of Kansas Scholarships
- Federal Government Aid
- Pell Grants
- Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants
- Guaranteed Student Loans
- The Higher Education Act
- Program of Kansas
- Parent Loan for Undergraduate Student
- Work Opportunities
- Student Employment
- College Work Study Program
- Others
- Monthly Payment
- Hidden Subsidy
- Centennial Scholarship

## New campus minister to arrive November 1

by Alecia Cobb  
Staff Writer

The Reverend Kim Hill Smith, from Ankeny, Iowa, will begin her new position as campus minister at McPherson College on Nov. 1.

Mrs. Hill Smith has been employed as Coordinator of the Iowa Peace Network in Des Moines, Iowa. She admits her decision to come to McPherson was a difficult one. "I really enjoyed my job, but the small community atmosphere at McPherson College is what drew me to it," says the new campus minister.

Mrs. Hill Smith comes to our campus well-qualified. She

graduated (magna cum laude) in 1982 from Juanita College, in Huntington, Pa., with a Bachelor of Arts Degree. Later in 1985, she received a Master of Arts in Theology (Peace Studies) from Bethany Theological Seminary, Oak Brook, Ill. Mrs. Hill Smith is a licensed minister in the Church of the Brethren. She has held various positions for the Northern Plains District. She has also held positions as a library assistant, an optical dispenser and camp counselor.

When Mrs. Hill Smith's duties begin, she will have a busy schedule.

Her desire is to become a "facilitator for students," meaning

she would like to make college life as easy as possible for the majority of students here at McPherson. This includes counseling, both personal and career, organizing clubs to fit students' needs, coordinating church-related activities, and organizing college representation at the Church of the Brethren summer camp.

Mrs. Hill Smith's outside interests include clowning, liturgical dance, swimming, volleyball and, of course, her husband, Phil. Mr. Hill Smith has been an elementary teacher and is currently working on a degree in physics. Mrs. Hill Smith will begin her position on Nov. 1 and will post her office hours at that time.



Phil Hofen (sr., Dallas Center, IA) and Carol Mack (jr., Dallas Center, IA) pose for the annual King/Queen picture during the halftime coronation of the homecoming game.

Phil has been active in Christian Vocations Club, Brethren Identity Group, the Campus Planning Committee, and the McPherson College trombones.

Carol has held offices in Student Council, Psych-so's, Brethren Identity Group and Business Club, and has been a staff writer for the Spectator.

Matt Scoggins/Spectator

## Early Childhood Handicapped degree to be offered

The Associated Colleges of Central Kansas has received approval from the Kansas State Department of Education to start an undergraduate program for teachers of preschool aged handicapped children. Coursework leading to teacher certification in Early Childhood Handicapped will begin in September, 1987.

The ACKK colleges offer the only undergraduate education programs in Kansas leading to teacher certification in Learning Disabilities, Behavior Disorders, and Early Childhood Education for the Handicapped. The ACKK consortium has provided teacher education in Mental Retardation since 1972. Because of the severe special education teacher shortage both in Kansas and nationally, ACKK has received \$180,000 in federal support

since 1986 to begin new programs in Learning Disabilities and Behavior Disorders. New federal legislation aimed at meeting the educational needs of infants and young children with handicaps has led State and federal officials to predict a dire teacher shortage for teachers of preschool handicapped children as well. In fact, the Kansas State Department of Education predicts that 50 new Early Childhood Handicapped teachers per year will be needed through 1990.

As the program has expanded, several new faculty members have been added to the ACKK staff. Donna Zenger serves as instructor and special education librarian. Sharon Rosenkoetter is assistant professor of special education and has primary responsibility for teaching courses in the new Early Childhood

Handicapped program. Dr. Deborah Bailey, assistant professor, will join the program this year to teach courses leading to certification in Behavior Disorders. Dr. Jeannie Kleinhammer-Tramill, associate professor, coordinates the special education program and teaches coursework leading to certification in Learning Disabilities.

The ACKK special education program is based in McPherson. All students enroll through one of the six member colleges and attend classes in McPherson. For student convenience, all special education classes are held at night. The ACKK offices in McPherson house both the faculty and a special education library which is operated through a collaborative effort with the McPherson County Special Education Cooperative.

Enrollment in the program has more than doubled since the 1980's to approximately 80 students for the 1987-88 school year, based on pre-enrollment estimates. ACKK graduates are employed as special education teachers throughout Kansas and surrounding states. This year, Diane Jost, an ACKK special education student who graduated from Tabor College, was named outstanding new teacher of the year for her work in Behavior Disorders for USD 259, Wichita Public Schools.

Persons who are interested in seeking certification to teach in special education should contact Dr. Jeannie Kleinhammer-Tramill, Coordinator of Special Education, by calling 316-241-5150 or by writing c-o Associated Colleges of Central Kansas, 105 E. Kansas, McPherson, KS. 67460.



# Are ferrets lovable pets or toe-nibblers? Ask them!

by Jack Patino  
Feature Editor

(Editors note: I informed my higher-ups that I was going to do a story on the ferrets seen about campus. They suggested that I should do an overall story of pets here at McPherson College, but I, being the arrogant, stubborn upstart that I am, now go back to my original plan. I hope you enjoy it as I (yawn) have.)

**FERRET**, n: a partially domesticated usu. albino European polecat sometimes treated as a separate species (*Mustela furo*) used especially for hunting rodents.

It is 4 a.m., and roommates Mike Henson (soph, Tulare, CA) and Jeff Hulse (soph, Visalia, CA) are fast asleep — except . . . Henson's body is covered by a blanket excluding one foot. In the still of the night, a small, brownish animal climbs upon Henson's bed and begins nibbling at his toes. Comments are made before returning to sleep as the creature scurries away. Kujo has struck again!

Hulse is the proud owner of Kujo, a four-month old female ferret who shares the room with Henson. He bought Kujo from Phil Hofen (sr.,

Dallas Center, IA), who raises ferrets. Hofen had two of his own here last year, but they are now residing back at his home.

There was a special reason as to why Hulse gave Kujo her name. "When I first got her, she bit just about everyone who came near her," Hulse said. "She's more tame now."

**"I don't like it when the ferret nibbles on certain protruding body parts at four in the morning."**

—Henson

Some of Kujos hobbies are attacking feet (Henson's included), running towards people's voices, slinking into basketball shoes, and sleeping in Hulse's broken clothes drawer. At first, Hulse had to feed Kujo catfood (which she enjoys) until she began eating it on her own.

But Hulse isn't the only person with a ferret. Eric Tracy (jr., Colorado Springs, CO) has two that he got from his parents. Chris Young (fr., Lasalle, CO) has one that he got from his parents, also.

Every so often, either of these

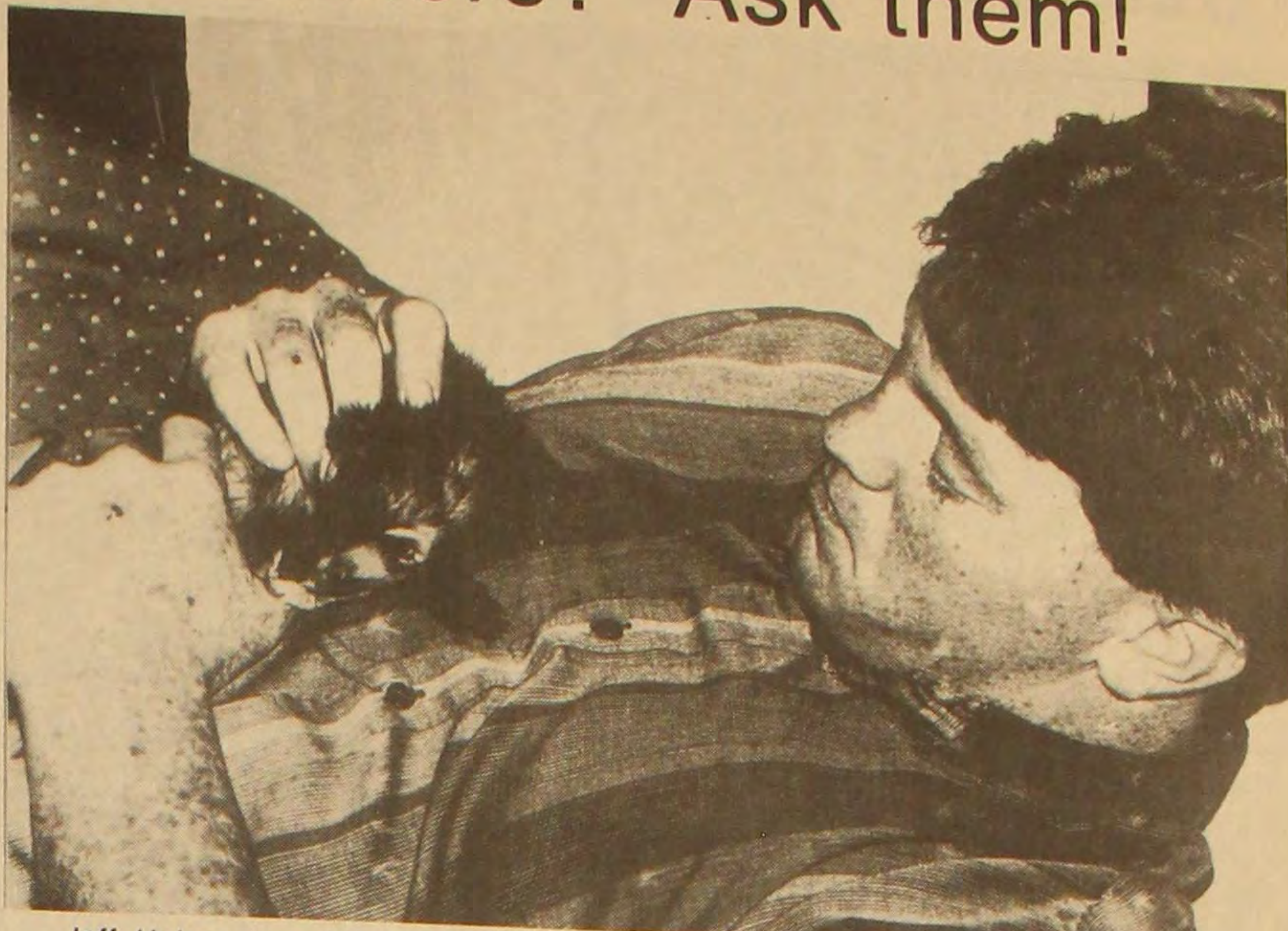
three men can be seen in the hallways playing with their ferrets: a handball makes a good ferret-toy. At first thought, a ferret may be considered as an illegal pet to have. But according to "The Growl" the animals may be kept as long as they are kept in their cage.

"I have no problems with the ferrets here in the dorms," Metzler Hall Resident Director Terri Franz said, "as long as they are confined to their cages or are carried outside."

"I like them, but sometimes they smell," Franz said. "We have a large rat in our house, so a ferret isn't too bad."

The ferret is a very adorable pet (to most people) and is also very cuddly. Don't be fooled, because they do have sharp claws to compare to its 38 small sharp teeth. While they are kept as pets here in America, they are used for rabbit hunting in England.

Nets are strung over rabbit holes after a ferret is let loose in them. It will chase the rabbits out, but will slip through the net to its owner. Don't hold your breath waiting to see Hulse, Tracy, and Young out near Harnly Hall surrounding holes. But just in case, watch your toes at night.



Jeff Hulse (so., Visalia, Ca.), a transfer student from the College of the Sequoias manages to keep a hold on his new pet, "Kujo" (Dallas Center, IA) is a four month old female ferret who enjoys romping around Hulse's room during the night.  
Jack Patino/Spectator

## Very fond memories begin after D.C. trip

by Anthony Phan  
Guest Writer

On the postcard of Washington D.C. is a picture of Ronald and Nancy Reagan. For some reason, it fails to impress me. And through them, I had a very pessimistic outlook on my summer. I did not want to stay in a hospital for three months as a normal Volunteer — not in Washington D.C. — not in the "land of Cockroaches."

I was unprepared though for a rather pleasant surprise. The Lincoln Memorial is larger, more holy like, steeper, and whiter than you would expect, and the Potomac River is longer and more romantic. On the south side of the river is a place where you could rent boats that would take you down the river toward Virginia. I had a picnic basket in my boat; when heated by

the sun the french bread tasted sweeter and chilled "Wild Berry" cooler became more habitual.

In order to understand D.C., the people said, it was necessary to understand Georgetown — to understand that Georgetown is the hub around which D.C. revolves. Georgetown is downtown for college students. Everybody goes to Georgetown: all races, types, misfits and classes. The French cafe is next to the 24-hr-take-out-Indian-Curried-Chicken Restaurant and clubs are lined together like beads on a string. The ritual there is to go club hopping.

I remember going to the National Park. There is this place where I sat. Around me lay endless, delicate little yellow and white daisies. The only patch without this wonderful mass was the spot where a friend

and I interrupted it with ourselves. We were planted by the young silver-birch tree, which was trying quietly to grow up. It was so peaceful, so natural, so organic. The white and the silver, vivid, though not loud, the shrill chirping of the swallows swooped down over our heads. Next to us was the old, beaten up radio, which still ran like a charm. Barely visible, as if hiding itself away, resting in silent delight, the early morning sun peaks its way through the clouds. It struggles to watch the world awakening, to get its fair share of peace. The sun warms the morning dew.

Here we sat together in this neverending bliss. In our minds we wished to stay forever. We were away from everything. It was the best feeling of all to have absolutely nothing to do. We stared dreamily

into each other's eyes. Hers were dark brown. They were the deepest, warmest, brown eyes one ever saw. They smile at me when they sparkled with stars and fireworks on some dark mystical night and they light up like magic with excitement. I stared forever.

Gazing upward every now and then, all there was to see was endless trees swaying along with the gentle breeze. It picked up speed, preparing itself for the day ahead. Time shuffled along too fast and the sun crept stealthily through the sky. Sleep drowned me, soaking my limbs and brain. I reached the summit of all happiness. Back down to earth I looked at the deep brown eyes and lost myself.

I think I fell in love with Washington D.C. despite Ronald Reagan.



"There she is... Miss Bulldog?" Strutting for the camera in his self-designed outfit is Carlos Williams (fr., Oklahoma City, OK.). Too lovely!  
Jack Patino/Spectator

## OK, you keypunchers Stucky's the new guy

by David Clayton  
Staff Writer

If the name sounds familiar, don't be surprised. Toby Stucky, McPherson College's new face in the Math and Computer Science Departments, is no stranger to McPherson. His parents, Albert and Edith Stucky, are Mac graduates, and he was raised on a farm just outside of town.

He has recently worked as Assistant Director at McPherson Court Services, and his wife, Jan, is a therapist and substance abuse counselor at McPherson Mental Health. They have two daughters, ages 13 and 10.

Stucky attended Bethel College in Newton for two years before moving on to Topeka and Washburn University, where he received his BA in psychology in 1973. He is currently working towards his Masters degree in computer science at Wichita State.

It was his two years at Bethel that Stucky got an appreciation for a college such as Mac's atmosphere.

"I viewed the small, private college as a very positive alternative to the large state institutions," he said. "It is a place where students can have a 'community experience' that goes far beyond lectures and studies."

Stucky urges all students to take some sort of introductory computer course, such as computer fundamentals. He also recommends an application course, such as word processing, so that students will be able to "transfer their knowledge to future applications."

Though he admits to being overwhelmed at times by the amount of his work, Stucky enjoys his new job, especially working with the students. Because of his own small-college experience, he realizes that at times there is more to teaching at Mac than giving lectures or tests, and he gladly accepts the added responsibility.

"The small-college experience was extremely impactful upon my life," Stucky said, "and I feel that I can facilitate a positive experience for our students."



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If beauty is in the eye of the beholder, these guys should have their eyes checked. Left to right are Carlos Williams, David Corns, Ozell Littleton, Doug Baker, Craig Bell, and Bobby Holland.

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