



## Largest Class Graduates In Outdoor Ceremonies

The 1971 commencement exercises of McLennan Community College will be held Saturday, May 15. College officials plan to hold the ceremonies outdoors on the MCC campus, but in the event of rain the exercises will be held in the campus gymnasium.

Dr. Herbert H. Reynolds, executive vice president of Baylor University, will deliver the keynote address. The invocation and benediction will be given by clergymen from the Waco area.

The Graduation Committee has been planning the May commencement since early this year. Harvey F. Spross, registrar, is chairman of the committee. Each year, new decisions concerning graduation must be made in order to insure that the commencement ceremonies are as well prepared as possible.

Graduates achieving an overall 2.8 or better out of a possible 3.0 in their sixty-four hours of work will graduate "with highest honors." Students having a 2.5-2.7 average will graduate "with honors." These two groups of students

will be listed separately in the program, and the respective notations will be stamped on both their degrees and their permanent records.

Graduates who are members of Phi Theta Kappa, the national honorary scholastic society, will wear gold honor cords during the commencement ceremonies. To achieve the distinction of being a Phi Theta Kappa graduate, a student must rank in the upper two per cent of the total MCC enrollment, carry a full-time course load, and be a member of the honor fraternity.

Following the graduation exercises, a reception for the graduates and their guests will be held in the Student Center. Betty Meachum, counselor, is planning the reception.

This is the largest MCC graduating class, with about three hundred students taking degrees or one-year certificates. Most of the graduates will receive either an Associate in Arts (A.A.) or Associate in Applied Science (A.A.S.) degree.

Students receiving degrees and ranking highest in the 1971 class are: Linda Ellison,

Leighanne Gartner, James Hilliard, Gary Don Hooper, Denise Mosley, Jean Peebles, Jerry Ramage, Al Roznovsky, Pam Todd, Laura Tynes, and Barbara Ray Wiethorn. These students are graduating "with highest honors."

Graduating "with honors" are: Darlene Cervenka, Francis Francis, Eileen Garrett, Margaret Graham, Elaine Hoelscher, Bettye Ingram, Marie Jerry, Monica Jurek, Clea Kendrick, Gladys McDow, Alan Radle, Nila Ruff, Pam Stokes, Jean Taylor, and Debbie Webb.

## Don Tatum Is Recipient Of Science Grant

Don Tatum, chairman of the Physical Sciences Department at McLennan Community College, has been awarded a National Science Foundation grant to work with development of self-paced instructional modules for the instruction of physics in junior colleges.

The NSF Institute will be held at Sam Houston State University in Huntsville July 12 - August 20.

Institute participants, physics instructors from community junior colleges in Texas, will create modules of materials that will include many instructional media for student use.

This is the sixth NSF grant for Tatum who has studied on three different occasions at Texas A&M and at Oak Ridge Institute of Nuclear Studies in Tennessee and at Mankato State University in Minnesota.

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## Wales Chief Constable Tells of British Justice

BY BARBARA MILLS

Melbourne Thomas, Chief Constable for South Wales England, spoke to police training classes and distinguished members of the Waco Police Department May 4, concerning law enforcement in Great Britain. He and his wife are in the U.S. on a nationwide speaking tour. Thomas' career began as a "bobby" in 1928 with the Metropolitan Police Force of London. He advanced in a short time to position of superintendent, which is comparable to the American Chief of Police. He was liaison officer for the Bristol Channel Ports for both British and U.S. forces during World War II. Since attaining his present position in 1960, he is head of one of the largest Wales' police forces, which is equivalent to a head of state police here.

Thomas acknowledged that both countries are presently faced with the problems of "increasing crime, violent demonstrations, and drugs." He referred to a foundation composed of British and American people

who receive education on relevant major issues in today's world. Through this foundation, a divergence of opinion was detected relating to police role in the community. It was found that Britain focused greatly on prevention and detection of crime, while the U.S. law officers' lean heavily toward social services.

The British method of dealing with a juvenile having committed a first offense goes before the superintendent of a local court instead of the American custom of a youth appearing before a local court. Thomas notes that a growing trend in Britain is the allowing of law officers in the home, when approved by parents and youth. This "opening of the door" to the policeman brings forth a stronger trust between youth and police.

Thomas stated that "a break in family life leads to a break in the community." He notes that community conformity has a large part to do with juvenile behavior. Breaking away from a youth organization, a religious

group or moving from one place to another can contribute to a youth straying from law and order. Thomas points out that the motivating force for a person having broken away from an or-



MELBOURNE THOMAS, Chief Constable for South Wales, England answers questions during the author's interview concerning his job as an English policeman. Thomas spoke to the law enforcement classes May 4 in the Lecture Hall.



NOAH COBB has his registration packet checked at the registrar's window by Ann Nicosla as preregistration for summer school gets underway.

## Fall Registration Procedures Outlined

Registration for the fall semester at MCC will be held August 25 and 26. Registration for day classes will be between the hours 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. and evening registration will be from 6:30 p.m. and 8 p.m.

Time still remains for students to register for summer school which will be May 31 with classes starting June 1.

Graduating seniors wishing to attend MCC who have not made prior arrangements to do so should obtain an application from the registrar's office. After all high school work is completed a copy of the transcripts should be sent to the registrar's office as soon as possible.

If students have not taken the A.C.T. test they must make arrangements to take the test on campus before the fall semester begins. Those arrangements can be made with the counseling office. The date for the test will be July 17 at 8 a.m.

Prospective students should submit their transcripts and applications as soon as possible before registration dates. Details about obtaining numbers and pre-registration can be

### Notice To H.S. Grads

Graduates of high schools in the Waco Independent School District who want to enter MCC for the first term of summer school may think they have a scheduling problem. The MCC summer term begins before graduation exercises are held at some Waco high schools!

Details for registration of seniors graduating after May 31 have been worked out and may be obtained by visiting or calling the MCC Counseling Office, telephone 756-6551.

## Looking At The Year In Retrospect

Once again another year comes to a close. Once again emotions are mixed as to its closing. Some will welcome graduation as the release that will enable them to go on to a big school like Texas where they can 'really have fun'. Others no doubt will hold back a few-tears - some may not. And of course there will be that share that will begin 'post graduate' work at MCC and return next year in attempting to be a professional student.

Regardless of who is leaving and who is staying it has been quite a year. MCC has seen a few changes arrive as happens every year. Plans are being made for the expansion of the campus and the ever-popular carillon is still 'pumping out the hits' and serenading area residents.

The drama department produced two fine plays and the McLennan Singers are still here - somewhere. Someone decided that something should be done about speeders. Something was done. Irate drivers haven't caught him yet.

The Supreme Court began to exercise its strength - sometimes firmly and fairly; sometimes one wondered. The new conduct code may make it yet; the election code will have to wait a year because a couple of wise guys brought suit against the student government.

Student Government has seen it all-resignations, flunk outs, victories, and ridicule. It has been shot at, kicked at, yelled at, and spit on; still no one bothers to come to its meetings.

The athletic department has had its bright and cloudy moments and they're hoping for a better season next year. The freshmen got their first taste of a term paper. The sophomores learned the real meaning of sex and violence in Masterpieces of the Western World. The science department has been swamped with awards and Sandee Scharfschwerdt has yet to miss getting her name in the Highland Herald along with James Johnson, Ray Atkinson, and Gary Jinks.

Which brings to mind that MCC went to Paris.

The clubs? Some were organized, some weren't, and some just 'kept on truckin'. Some had competition as to who controlled the water tower and some were attacked by a couple of midnight phantoms.

Even the journalism department had its problems with criticisms, slaps, cuts, no copy, no pictures, and no writers - but we all made it.

It's going to be lonely next year without all the familiar faces, but new people will be coming--wild-eyed and wondering what will happen next. If 1971-72 is half as good as 1970-71 it will be a good one.

Congratulations graduates and farewell. Welcome freshmen and be prepared.

Everyone have a nice summer.

R. Spencer Gross

## Radiologic Technicians Course To Be Offered

McLennan Community College will offer a radiologic technician program for the first time this fall. Dr. Chester Hastings, academic vice-president, announced. William Edward Bailey will serve as director of the program.

The program, leading to an associate in applied science degree, will train students to become X-ray technicians after successful completion of the 24 month program and meeting requirements of the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists.

Representatives from the Waco Radiological Group, MCC, and Providence and Hillcrest Hospitals cooperated in the establishment of the program.

Bailey will direct all aspects of the program, with theory and general education courses to be taught at MCC and clinical practice to be held at the hospitals.

Bailey is an Arkansas native known to many Wacoans since he served as X-ray instructor in Hillcrest Hospital's radiologic program in 1969-70. He

left to accept a graduate fellowship at the University of Cincinnati from which he will receive an M. S. in Radiology Administration this summer.

Prior to coming to Waco Bailey received a B.S. in biology from Arkansas A & M in 1968. He was X-ray technician for the University of Arkansas Medical Center from 1964 through 1968.

Both Providence and Hillcrest Hospitals are phasing out their radiologic programs. "I am pleased that the college is going more into health programs, because the area can have a more comprehensive health education program and improve the quality of the medical personnel working locally. The programs function better when they are coordinated with health agencies that serve as laboratories for clinical training. With community college instead of hospitals training personnel, cost of the programs is shared by the taxpayers who in turn receive better care," Mack Hardin, assistant administrator of Hillcrest, stated.

# Financial Aids Can Be Big Help For Students

BY LARRY FUQUA

The office of Student Financial Aids at MCC has given the student the opportunity to help himself through financial aid. A student signing up for courses may not be in the position to pay for his schooling so the office can give the student aid in paying for the cost of education.

Most of the aid is awarded on the basis of financial need or academic merit. If student applying for aid is found to be independent of family support or his family is unable to provide such support, the student is applicable for financial aid. The office studies the student's need and finds out if the student should receive this aid.

The student files one general application to which he may be considered for an Educational Opportunity Grant, Nursing Grant, College Work-Study job and any scholarship administered through the Financial Aids office. The type and amount of aid a student may qualify for depends upon three things:

1. The need of the student compared with other applicants
2. The availability of funds
3. The student's academic record.

"We must perform a need analysis on all applicants," Willie Hobbs, Director of Financial Aid, said.

MCC offers two long-term loan programs and a short term loan for emergencies of registration. The first long term loan is the Texas Opportunity Plan Loan Program. To receive this the student may borrow up to \$1000 for the nine month academic period and \$333 during the summer sessions. The repayment may extend over a 5 year period; however, a minimum payment of \$15 a month is required. The interest on this loan is 7 percent, but if the student's family income is less than \$15,000 a year the federal government will pay the interest while the student is in school.

The second long term loan

is the Federally Insured Student Loan program. This is for students whose families may be in the upper income bracket yet the cost of college would prove to be a strain upon them financially. In this program banks and financial institutions make the loans to the student at 7 percent interest. Here again, the interest is paid by the federal government while the student goes to school if his family makes less than \$15,000 a year.

In the short term loan, a student may borrow up to \$75 for 90 days. This is a great help in covering the cost of registration. There is also a small service charge attached to the loan.

For students planning to study areas directly related to law enforcement, a law enforcement loan enables the student to receive up to \$1800 each academic year with interest of only 3 percent. These notes are available for a ten-year period. These loans may also be cancelled at the rate of 25 percentum for each year of full-time employment in a public, state, local, or federal law enforcement agency.

The college work-study program has made it possible for students to work on or off campus. On campus employment pays \$1.60 an hour to the full-time student who needs extra money for college expenses. Students may also be qualified for special employment in certain departments of MCC. The Office of Student Financial Aid also acts as a referral service to Waco businesses who are interested in student employees. In this way, MCC does not set the wage or hours of a student with an off-campus job.

Grants may also be given to

the student through different programs where there is an exceptional financial need present. The Educational Opportunity grant supplements other money programs given to the student and may be from \$200 to \$1000 per year. The student must be registered at MCC on a full-time basis to be qualified for this grant.

Students employed by a public law enforcement agency are qualified for a Law Enforcement grant not to exceed \$300 per academic semester. This is given to the part-time as well as full-time student.

A Nursing Scholarship program is a grant for students enrolled in a course of study leading to an Associate Degree in Nursing.

A program funded by the City of Waco Model Cities Program provides financial assistance to deserving Model Neighborhood residents. The grant covers the cost of tuition, fees, and books for qualified students.

Veterans, children of veterans, and the wife of a veteran should file applications with the Veterans Administration if they need a loan for schooling. MCC is qualified under the GI Bill for training veterans so the student seeking these services should register early with the Veterans Administration.

To be considered for a renewal of financial aid, new applications, and supporting documents must be turned in each academic year.

Any new or old student registering for classes at MCC, considering the need for a loan or grant, should go by the Office of Student Financial Aids and see which program suits him best. Education does not come cheap but the financial aids office will make it a lot lighter on a student's pocket.

## Drama Classes For High School Students Offered

For the first time this summer, the MCC drama department will sponsor a Drama Workshop for area high school students. This will be a non-college credit course and is open only to high school students. James Henderson, head of the drama department, said the purpose of the workshop is to better the acting ability of high drama participants and give those with no previous experience a chance to learn to act.

The four week course will begin on June 7 and continue through July with classes meeting from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. each day. The total fee is \$20. Registration will begin on the first day of classes, but if anyone wants to make reservations to register in order to be sure of place he can write to James Henderson of the MCC drama department on the MCC campus.



WHEN SPRING comes it seems such a shame to waste all that sunshine. A couple of students take advantage of the sunlight and shade while they brush up on some of those studies that pile up around exam time.

McLENNAN COMMUNITY COLLEGE
SCHEDULE OF CLASSES FOR SUMMER SCHOOL, 1971

FIRST TERM
Registration May 31
Classes June 1-July 9

Table with columns: Course, No/Sect, Description, Time, Room, Instructor. Lists various classes such as Art, Biology, Business, Chemistry, etc.

EVENING DIVISION

Registration May 31
Classes June 1-July 30
Nine Weeks

Classes will be held 2 1/2 hours two nights per week. A student could take 2 evening courses by taking one on Monday & Wednesday and another on Tuesday & Thursday. Classes from 6:40-9:00.

Table with columns: Course, No/Sect, Description, Evening Time, Room, Instructor. Lists evening classes like Business, Data Processing, Economics, etc.

All Classes Contingent On A Minimum Enrollment Of 12

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Ernest Uptmore Is New Student Body President

Ernest Uptmore, currently a student representative, is the new student government president for the 1971-72 school year.

Uptmore said he decided to run because the leadership of student government was at stake due to the loss of Ray Atkinson as president.

Uptmore's main objective is to reduce apathy within student government and in the student body.

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Photographer . . Tommy Birkes

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can be done to alleviate the apathy problem.

The new president said the only definite idea so far is to give more responsibility to more people in student government.

"There is too much concentrated power in student government, and I think it should be spread out among the representatives to give them more responsibility and encourage them to influence the students," Uptmore said.

When asked about what he would like to see changed he said he hoped that the Inter-Club Council could be given some authority in deciding who

speakers would be on campus. "As it is now, the council is powerless and falling apart," he said.

Uptmore hopes he can be able to run things on his own but said he would go to this year's president Ray Atkinson, if necessary, for advice.

He didn't foresee any problems that might arise next year on the election of representatives because of the recent Student Supreme Court decision which struck down the proposed constitutional amendments that governs the holding of elections.



OUTGOING PRESIDENT Ray Atkinson (right) introduces to the students at the Spring Formal the new student government secretary, Marilyn Butler, and president-elect Ernest Uptmore.

Concert Band Just Completes Busy Performance Schedule

The week of April 26-30 proved a busy one for the music department, with the band not only performing for the college in the Student Center, but also as local high schools including Connally, Richfield, Waco, and West High Schools.

The same week MCC was host to Dallas' new Eastfield Junior College concert band on Wednesday in the Fine Arts Building during the 10:00 hour.

Members of the concert band of 1970-71 which also contains stage (lab) band members include Gilberto Alcala, Ricky Altum, Kevin Barnes, Charles Barnett, Gary Burkott, Mike Clynch, Robert Chapman, Carey Cobb, Phil Evans, Michael Fagerous, Marting Grove, Benny Gustafson, Carter Illioke, Don Jones, Patrick Kori, Susan Koon, Daryl Lusk, Carl Kirkpatrick, Jerry Mitchell, Donise Mosley, John Oliver, Conrad Polton, Clarence Sanders, Linda Schmidt, Steve Sulak, George Vanston, Larry Walker, and Carol White.

They will be performing along with The McLennan Singers at the graduation ceremonies to be held May 15.

Cruz Mondoza, a music instructor who has been at MCC this year will be leaving in order to work on his doctorate at the University of Kansas at Lawrence beginning this summer.

work in the Navy School of Music, and an M.A. in music at Eastern New Mexico University.

Mendoza expressed his thanks to members of the lab band who, he says, made his year at MCC especially enjoyable and worthwhile. William Haskett will return from a year's leave of absence to assume the duties which Mendoza has had this year.



THE MCC concert band gave one of their performances in the Student Center April 30. On the trombone is Benny Gustafson, along with Rick Altum and Carl Kirkpatrick on the baritone.

# Tommy Birkes Discovers His Career At Early Age

BY BARBARA MILLS

Tommy Birkes is one of few lucky people--at the age of only 21 he has chosen his profession. His bag is PHOTOGRAPHY!

As a child, his creativity was revealed by the things he enjoyed doing. Tearing down a bright, new, shiny bicycle to change its looks or the way it rode was only one of many "hobbies" he undertook.

His first encounter with camera equipment of any sort came about when he, as a Cub Scout, went to a local children's television show. The studio's electronic gear fascinated him.

When he was a freshman at University High School, he interviewed a man working with video-tape for KWTX television station as an assignment to find someone in the field he was to pursue in the future.

University High School was looking for an experienced photographer replacement in the journalism department. When word got around about this job, Tommy jumped at the chance to be a photographer for the school. The one and only problem he had at this stage was no experience whatsoever. So, to be prepared for the interview with a member of the journalism staff the following Monday, he read as many books as he could lay his hands on dealing with photography during the weekend.

Birkes must have 'faked' it well, for he got the three-year position and replaced photographer Robert Rutherford, a former MCC student. As a photographer, he thought that the experience he could pick up would serve to further his television interests.

But his attention on TV was soon replaced when Tommy began the actual work---shooting the pictures, developing, printing, and overall working with chemicals. The darkroom was his Utopia.

After his sophomore year as a school photographer in 1967, University High paid his way to Trinity University in San Antonio to take courses in photography during the summer. Beginning his junior year he was named head photographer for University's newspaper, the Wooden Horse, and the yearbook, Spirit, for two years.

In 1968, Tommy won first place award and in 1969 won second place in sports photography in statewide competition at the Texas High School Press Association's Annual Seminar which is sponsored by the Baylor journalism department.

By his junior year, he knew definitely what he wanted for his future --- more PHOTOGRAPHY. While Birkes was in high school, Richard Jackson, a professional photographer, saw his photos, and Birkes started working for his studio in 1968.

Through his working for Jackson, he learned the valuable phase of photography (which largely includes handling people during the actual picture-taking

process.)

During these high school years, Birkes began freelance photography, which is shooting a series of pictures the way the photographer feels at the time, and trying to sell them to a magazine picture agency. The agency then acts as a distributor to book and magazine companies that need photographs.

After viewing his work, Bill Stone, the journalism instructor at MCC, chose Birkes as the college's photographer in the fall of 1969.

A turning point in his career came when he became acquainted with Robert Wade, a former MCC art instructor. Through his exposure to the world of modern art, Tommy began to change his type of photography from strictly conventional to a more artistic style. More important, a personal influence was beginning to reveal itself in his work.

When Birkes found that photography was a mode of self-expression along with being a means of income, he was pleased. He then began developing his own style.

Along with Jackson, the photographer, and Wade, the art instructor, being strong influences on Birkes' method of photography, he found that a course in philosophy allowed him to look more deeply into things.

He has chosen to specialize in photo-journalism (including advertising), which will entail traveling from place to place. After MCC, Tommy plans to go to the highly-acclaimed Brooks Institute of Photography in Santa Barbara, Calif. Bachelor and master degree plans in photography are offered at the institute.

Since the summer at Trinity University represents the total of his professional training, he tries to read at least one book or magazine a week to broaden his knowledge.

When it comes to giving advice to anyone interested in becoming a photographer, Tommy says "it can be a very absorbing field; such a grind that only a real interested person would go into photography. It can override other important areas in life, such as a social life and going to school". He stresses that photography is a 16 hour daily job and can be lonely. But the field has its glamorous aspects, too. An example of this would be when he worked at the Miss Texas Beauty Pageants during the last three summers.

Birkes would like to see MCC offer courses in photography in the future. He also says "many people believe to be a photographer, all you have to do is click the shutter; but to be successful, you have to be an artist, a chemist, a businessman, and especially, a hard worker".



HIGHLAND HERALD photographer Tommy Birkes, right, discusses some picture possibilities with editor, Spencer Gross. Tommy is quite an asset to the Herald with his award winning skill in news and feature photography.

# Don't Say Sir To Mickey Ferguson; He's A She!

BY CHARLES MOONEY

Please don't say "Sir" to Mickey Ferguson, MCC's director of Public Information. Mickey is a she.

Mrs. Mary (Mickey) Ferguson at age 14 was given her nickname from her grandfather. He thought it was more lively than just plain Mary. The nickname has caused Mrs. Ferguson some minor problems in her job at MCC in that she receives many letters addressed to "Mr." or "Dear Sir." And people sometime are surprised to find she is an attractive young mother. She doesn't really mind, though.

Mrs. Ferguson was born in Arizona and moved to Ft. Worth when she was 13 years old. She attended R.L. Paschall High School where she got her first

taste of journalism her junior year.

Richard, her husband, works at a local bakery. They have two daughters--Melinda and Charlotte.

Mrs. Ferguson majored in English education and minored in journalism at Texas Wesleyan College. She edited "The Rambler," the campus newspaper of TWC. After obtaining her Masters degree from North Texas State University, Mrs. Ferguson came to MCC. First she was a part-time English teacher, and in November 1969 she began her public relations work.

Generally, her duties include developing and carrying out public information for the college. This includes the presentation through releases the activities, programs, and purposes of the college. She also assists in the preparation of college promotional materials, advertising, brochures, and other special publications. She establishes and maintains the institutional archives, which includes articles, photographs, publications and other items of historical significance. She encourages, cooperates with, assists, and coordinates various administrative units of the institution in discharging their responsibilities in the area of public information.

When asked what she enjoyed most about her job, she replied, "I enjoy the freedom it gives me to be all over the campus; not only does it give me this freedom, it demands it."

Mrs. Ferguson said she has had several interesting experiences but one that seemed to stand out in her mind was when she and a couple of other ladies took 75 first graders on a tour of the campus. They took the children through the Fine Arts Building, and the Applied Science Building. The computers, located in the Applied

Science Building, attracted the most attention. Mrs. Ferguson, with a smile, added "We start young in trying to sell the college to future students."

Mrs. Ferguson acknowledges the help she has received from students acting as part-time helpers. MarySue Kilgore helps with typing news releases, clipping articles, and stuffing envelopes. Paul Gardner, Jr. gives MCC news program each day on WACO radio at 2:15 p.m., and Louis Williams and Tommy Birkes take care of the photography.

The PI director's advice for young ladies who are considering the public relations field is to be flexible and willing to learn.

For example, a typical day might start by interviewing someone and writing the story, then duplicating and mailing it to all the county media. She may then talk to some editors of surrounding papers, either by visiting or phoning. Conferring with students and faculty members who bring in information may also find its way into her schedule, as well as working on news releases to keep people informed. Clipping from 20 newspapers a week for the archives, and writing an occasional article for the TAJC magazine, "The Messenger" are other possibilities.

Mrs. Ferguson admits she could use more staff help in reporting more activities to the students to their hometown newspapers.

Before coming to MCC, Mrs. Ferguson had a varied experience. She wrote department store advertising for Leonard's in Ft. Worth, and she taught English, history, and civics at two high schools in Ft. Worth.

She took time out to have two children but returned to North Texas for her Masters degree in 1969 before coming to work at MCC.



PUBLIC INFORMATION Director Mickey Ferguson looks over some photographs that will be sent out to local newspapers. She is in charge of disseminating newsworthy items that originate on campus.

# Mardi Gras Theme Of Spring Formal

Members of student government organized and arranged the annual Spring Formal held Saturday, April 24 in the Student Center.

Committee chairman Marilyn Butler and members Carey Cobb, Kathi Lampe, Dale Vinson, and Butch Ward began planning in late February or early March. About this time, Ernest Uptmore attended the Mardi Gras in New Orleans where he took pictures and brought back to the committee ideas which led to the theme of the event.

Student government appropriated \$600 for the formal event. The decorations were made by committee members and other student government members including Debbie Jones, Pam Todd, and Ernest Uptmore. Colorful masks that were placed on the walls were borrowed from a local senior cotillion. People were assigned to various tasks such as making the numerous decorations, having the library make city limit signs which were placed outdoors at the end of the side-

walks, and hanging orange, green and pink streamers.

Music was provided by Little Roy and The Echoes. The highlight of the evening was the crowning of this year's Heather King and Queen, Gary Jinks and Donna Dickey. Nominees named on the ballot were: KING-Ray Atkinson, Ben Gorham, David Hymen, Gary Jinks, Richard Lopez, John Snow, Lester Taylor, Jimmy Ward, and John Wood; QUEEN-Marilyn Butler, Donna Dickey, Linda Ellison, Pam Gardner, Jennifer Jennings, Melody Robinson, Susie Thames, Pam Todd, and Donna Wedemeyer.

Gifts of sequin-covered, gold and black masks were presented to Queen Donna Dickey and King Gary Jinks.

The new 1971-72 student government officers Ernest Uptmore-president, Marilyn Butler-secretary, Mike Cassaway-treasurer, and Ray Atkinson-parliamentarian were sworn in by Supreme Court Chief Justice James Johnson.



STUDENTS DANCE to one of the more snappy tunes that were played at the Spring Formal April 24 in the Student Center. The dance was sponsored by student government and music was provided by Little Roy and Echos.

## Winners Of Art Contest Announced By Fine Arts

The winners of the annual Spring Art Competition have

### Elaine Hoelscher Receives Honors

Elaine Hoelscher, MCC Fine Arts student, was recently honored by the BERAC, (Better Employee Relations and Communications) Corp., for her entries in a contest sponsored by the firm. For her efforts she was presented a \$25 prize by Dan Douglas, BERAC president, and Steve Brady, BERAC regional director.

In addition Miss Hoelscher also prepared a series of cartoons for the Waco firm and has subsequently been hired by the BERAC Corp.

The contest was sponsored to seek creative ability useful in the employment services field. Miss Hoelscher's initial entries consisted of sketches of the Fine Arts Building at MCC and a front view of a man's head,

been announced by the Fine Arts Department. The categories were in sculpture, paintings, and drawings. The top three winners in each category are--sculpture: Diane Francis, Bernice Walters, and Lucille Brookerson; drawings: Deborah Mathis, Maynie Cole, and David Ritchey; paintings: Bernice Walters, David Ritchey, and Bernice Walters again.

The entries were judged back in March by Gary Stevens, assistant professor of art at Baylor University. All students of MCC were eligible to submit a maximum of five entries to be judged.

Works of art were selected from about 100 entries to be exhibited in the Fine Arts Building and then from those selections the first, second, and third place winners were chosen. These winners will be in the Clan magazine which will be published this week.



ELAINE HOELSCHER is presented with a check for \$25 by the president of the BERAC Corp., Dan Douglas, while Steve Brady, BERAC regional director looks on. Miss Hoelscher was winner of a contest sponsored by BERAC.

## Honor Society Installs New Members, Plans Graduation

Members of Phi Theta Kappa, the national honor fraternity, have initiated new members and completed plans for graduation this month.

James Hilliard, president of the MCC chapter, presided over candle - light initiation ceremonies in the Lecture Hall on campus, Monday, April 26. Linda Ellison, vice president, and Denise Mosley, secretary, aided in the initiation. Margaret Graham, a sophomore member, was hostess.

The new members of the honor society include Anita Ander-

son, Joan Bordovsky, Jo Ellen Fulbright, Eileen Garrett, Linda Heitmiller, Karon Jackson, Sherry Kelinske, Eric Knapp, Don Lemon, Pam Pinto, Gary Praesel, Nila Ruff, Linda Schmidt, Linda Seward, Vickie Stark, Pam Stokes, Donna Tadlock, Debby Tierney, Donna Woodliff, Jo Ann Yett, David Yount, and Jann Loveless.

At the initiation, the officers presented Dr. Michael White, chapter sponsor, with honorary membership in the Phi Theta Kappa society. He was awarded an honorary membership certificate and an official Phi Theta Kappa key.

To achieve membership in the honor society, students must rank in the upper two per cent of the enrollment and must

maintain a 2.5 out of a possible 3.0 grade average. Faculty approval of all candidates is also necessary. All members must be full-time students.

In completing plans for graduation, the Executive Committee of Phi Theta Kappa, composed of the officers and one appointed representative, received official approval to allow members of the organization to wear gold honor cords during graduation.

Phi Theta Kappa has submitted recommendations to the Graduation Committee for final approval.

Dr. Choster R. Hastings, MCC's academic vice-president, spoke on the major factors which influence an education.

## Five Books Donated To Library

The gift of two books by the McLennan Community College Women's Club to the MCC Library grew, bringing with it three more books.

The club, guided by Mrs. Robert J. Trout, president, and Mrs. Michael White, project chairman, chose to give two books on Texas history to the library. They are "Early Homes of Waco" by Lavonia Jenkins Barnes and "Flavors of Texas" by James Frank Dobie.

Mrs. Trout and her husband, teacher of economics at MCC, gave "Capitols of Texas" by Dorman Winfrey and others. Mrs. Ruby Sanders will give an autographed copy of "Texas Drawings and Paintings" by W.M. Schwitz; and Mrs. Ola Freeman has given "Hood's Texas Brigade" by Col. Harold B. Simpson. Mrs. Sanders teaches reading at MCC, and Mrs. Freeman teaches Spanish.

Club members chose books from a list compiled by the Library staff that collected, will compose a basic selection of books on Texas history and Waco.



HISTORY INSTRUCTOR Scott Adams is presented with a plaque of appreciation by Chief Justice of the Student Supreme Court James Johnson. He was given the plaque for his outstanding dedication in sponsoring the Supreme Court of MCC. The award was given to Adams in the Conference Room of the Student Center April 30.

# Highland Games Always Loads Of Fun

Competition and fun--loads of both were on the line at the annual MCC Highland Games May 30 afternoon.

It was an afternoon for both students and some teachers to blow off spring steam and pre-final-exam tension.

Contests consisted of everything from pie eating to frisbee throwing, with egg-throwing, two kinds of sack races, and balloon throwing in between.

Winning contestants were Dub Cunningham in the pie eating contest; Butch Ward and Barbara Becker in the water balloon toss; Larry Patton and Carla Shehorn in the egg toss; Harry Harrington and Bill Skinner in the frisbee throwing contest. Two different sack races were held with Joyce Marshall and David Hyman winning the first one and Donna Dickey and Harry Harrington winning the second one.

Highlighting the events of the day was the caber toss. The caber, a long, slender piece of wood, weighs 80 pounds. David Phythian won the event by tossing it 40 feet 9 inches. The record is 42 feet.

Other events that took place were the tug-of-war and the egg throwing massacre. The first tug of war contest took place between the fraternity and the sorority. The girls gave it all they had, but finally slid across the shaving cream in defeat. The fraternity then took on another club of boys and won again. MCC's fraternity, in the third match, was finally defeated by two combined clubs.

An egg throwing massacre also occurred when Lonnie Baugh of the science department, stepped behind a screen of chickenwire. Each student who purchased eggs got a shot at the teacher. Accuracy seemed to be the rule as the students zeroed in on the target. Three other students from MCC decided to give Baugh a break after awhile and took his place behind the egg-dripping wire.

Overall, the Highland Games seemed to be highly successful.



DAVID PHYTHIAN was the winner of the Caber toss by throwing the 80 pound piece of wood 40 feet 9 inches.



THE SACK race, a delicate sport, is usually more fun than a sack full of monkeys to watch. Running in this race is from left to right Ray Murray, Mrs. Carolyn Nance, Beverly Adkins, Mike Bates, Trip Jacks with his unseen partner, Phyllis Wedemeyer, Sam Gresham, and Wally Vonner.

Photos By Tommy Birkes



HERE WE see the strong men of Sigma Delta Phi led by Tom Knudson pull and tug on the rope trying to pull the sorority across the shaving cream.



CARLA SHEHORN uses delicate technique in catching her egg in the egg-throwing contest.



WHILE THE fraternity attempts to pull the sorority across the shaving cream the sorority girls of Delta Phi Delta tries to do the same to the fraternity. Debbie Jones and Barbara Becker give it everything they have to defeat their opponents.



## Gary Goes To Paris

Waco Delegation Gets No Tea,  
Some Sympathy, Many Sights

BY SPENCER GROSS

The skies were overcast as the 747 gently set down in Paris Sunday morning at about 8 a.m. As the 12 members of the Waco delegation to Paris Peace Talks stepped from the giant plane, they noticed the weather was brisk and looked as if it may rain but never did.

Gary Jinks, the tall blonde representative from MCC, pinched himself to make sure he wasn't dreaming. "I'd always kind of made long-range plans to get here but not when I was 19," he thought.

The group would have left the airport for the hotel right away, but Gary's luggage had been put on another plane altogether.

They finally found the missing luggage in the lost and found department.

Time to go to the Paris Hilton! Here the group made their first mistake - they caught a Paris taxi cab. The group had been told of the New York cab drivers, but these guys made them look like babes in toyland. As they made their way through the streets of Paris knocking down pedestrians, driving on the wrong side of the street, and playing 'chicken' with other cabs, Gary attempted to take in the scenery of the intricate workings on the buildings. Each structure has its own story; its own history.

By some stroke of luck the delegates arrived in one piece at the Paris Hilton. Feeling a bit like tourists and a bit like patriots, they went inside. Suddenly their luggage was devoured by bellboys who put the bags in the storage room. "What is this?" they asked.

As it turned out the rooms were not yet ready and the luggage was being stored temporarily. So to kill time the 12 went on a quick sight seeing tour of their own. The main attraction was the Eiffel Tower. They milled around the area until it was time to return to the hotel.

When they got back they decided it was time to eat. As many 'tourists' do they didn't want the waiters to know they couldn't read French, so like most of the others Gary ordered something. It wasn't the most tasty thing he had ever eaten but it was bearable. To his dismay he found the English translation on the back of the menu and learned he had been eating snails.

After lunch the group got down to business. They set up an appointment with David Bruce, the U.S. delegate to the talks. Bruce was pessimistic; not much of a chance of getting in, he said.

All they could do was try. Keep calling the North Vietnamese and don't let up. Keep calling. Still no luck. Hopes are running low. Now the North Vietnamese say 'don't call us, we'll call you.' Hopes really sag now. "They're going to stall until we have to leave," was the feeling going through everyone.

Three o'clock Tuesday afternoon the phone rings. Hearts jump. Cullen Smith, chairman of the group grabs the receiver, "Hello?" They speak in French. "Hold on." Somebody got the interpreter. After a few anxious seconds the interpreter says, "They'll see three of you at 6:30 this afternoon."

A cheer went up that shook the hotel. It was like Baylor had just won the Southwest Conference.

The next two hours was spent planning what to do and say. The three chosen to go were Cullen Smith, Harry Provence editor-in-chief of the Waco paper, and newly elected mayor of Waco Karl May.

To relieve the tension the 12 went to the Luxembourg Gardens. The three men went off

to themselves to discuss their diplomatic strategy. The others stayed together for awhile after the three went into the North Vietnamese Embassy. Restlessness grew as the minutes ticked by, and everybody began to mill around the park.

Finally the three returned. They reported the delegation was very polite and listened to everything they had to say. They reported that the North Vietnamese wanted to meet the others, but they didn't have time, and it would be rude not to have tea and talk awhile.

Perhaps nothing revolutionary was accomplished but, at least they gained an audience--quite a feat in itself. They felt they had done what could be done by them for humanity.

The rest of the week was spent touring the city in which they saw the Lourve, the Arc de Triumphant, and Palace at Versailles, and an artist district near the Cafe Moul'n Rouge.

Gary did a little James Bonding by snapping from the hip a picture of the North Vietnamese Embassy (which is prohibited).

On Thursday they watched all the delegates arrive for the regular session at the Majestic Hotel. Xuan Thuy, the North Vietnamese delegate, had just ended a two week boycott of the talks.

Then the time came to return home. They hated to leave, but as the plane neared the States they became more anxious to get home.

And then to put the icing on the cake, the plane was greeted at Municipal airport in Waco by about 200 citizens. That alone all else made them feel great.



"We would have left the airport right away but they put my luggage in the lost and found."



"They explained they wouldn't see us because it would be rude not to have tea and talk awhile."

The Waco Twelve were tired, but happy because they thought it was well worth it all.

Amendments Struck  
Down In Court Case

The Student Supreme Court has ruled the recently adopted constitutional amendments unconstitutional. In a unanimous decision the Court declared the amendments which concerned the proper methods of holding elections null and void.

The 4-0 vote (one justice was not present) was the result of two students charging the student government of illegally adopting the amendments even though they passed the student body by a three to one margin.

According to the Constitution of the Student Assembly any amendments to the constitution are to be voted on separately and not in groups of two or more. The amendments were presented to the voters on April 29-30 and voted as a block and in groups of three.

The students, Nick Connor and Spencer Gross, both MCC sophomores, contended this was a direct violation of the constitution and the Supreme Court should throw them out. The student government realized too late before election time that

the amendments were presented wrong but decided that because of such a favorable vote they would be approved and added to the constitution.

Gross argued before the Court that if the student government is allowed to violate its own constitution, such action could leave the door open to violation of individual rights. The Court had little choice but to strike down the amendments even though Chief Justice James Johnson said the reason for the amendments being presented as they were and not changed was the fact that if one failed the others could not function.

Before the amendments can be put to the voters again a new set of representatives will have to be elected next year under the old election code. Then the proposed amendments must be rewritten so one will not be dependent on the others, be approved by a new student government, and approved by the student body. Chief Justice Johnson was the main author and supporter of the amendments.

LVN Program Begun To  
Meet Forecast Needs

The first licensed vocational program at McLennan Community College has been established to meet the forecast need for licensed vocational nurses in this vicinity. After the last Hillcrest Baptist Hospital L.V.N. class graduates May 14, the class in progress at MCC will be the only one in the county.

It is a cooperative effort on the part of the college, the Concentrated Employment Program personnel surveyed hospitals and health agencies that employ L.V.N.'s. Especially since both Waco hospitals are expanding their facilities and services, health officials forecast a definite shortage of personnel unless training programs began soon.

As a community college with the declared purpose of meeting community needs, MCC responded to the request to offer the class. Hospitals and health agencies in the county will contract to provide training stations for clinical training of the students.

Mrs. Nelda Grunden is coordinator-instructor of the program. She graduated from the Hillcrest School of Nursing, worked a year in the newborn nursery there, and instructed in the School of Nursing from 1960 until this year. She has taken special nursing classes in various universities during this time. She is married to Orvil Grunden, an engineer at Central Texas Iron Works. They have a daughter, Nolva Kay, 7,

## Constable

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ganized group to come back to the community will be the person's own will, intent, and purpose. Hopefully, he then will return to better behavior.

In regard to the use of fire arms in Britain, only when necessary do policemen (which are trained for such duties) bear arms. Also, private ownership of firearms is restricted unless a person applies to the chief officer of police to 'hold' a type of gun.

When Thomas returns to Wales, he will resume his responsibilities including maintenance of law and order, treatment of offenders, and security of the Queen and her family when they are within his territory.



INTRAMURAL DIRECTOR Ray Murray, left, presents the school basketball championship trophy to the coach of the Circle K team, Jimmy Knox, during the annual awards day ceremonies.

# Reduced Basketball Scholarship May Result In Leaner Talent?

BY CHARLES MOONEY

Disappointment that MCC has decided to restrict basketball scholarships to books, fees, and tuition runs deep with Coach James Burroughs.

"We have worked night and day to bring a winning basketball program to the college," the charter mentor of the Highlanders said. "It's going to be very difficult to recruit talented players under the new limited scholarships."

He believes that recruiting would be restricted to McLennan and adjoining counties, because players would have to live at home. He is also of the opinion that there is not sufficient basketball talent in this area to feed a winning program under these conditions. He said in the last five years only five or six graduating seniors in this county have been college prospects.

"Even though I'm disappointed in the scholarship decision," Coach Burroughs reasons, "I will do the best I can as long as I am coach to make it work."

Although he will have some seasoned sophomores next year around whom to build his team, he believes the caliber of the freshmen players he is able to recruit will be reduced. These new sophs, who currently have room-and-board scholarships, will continue to receive the same benefits next year. He

believes he will have a winner next year, but after that the program is going to be in trouble.

"Being quite honest," the intense but personable mentor said, "I believe as does the Southern Association of Colleges and Universities that inter-collegiate athletics is a total part of the educational program."

Burroughs emphasizes he believes athletics is as important as math, English, or any other subject offered on the campus. "If it's not that important," he reasoned, "I question whether we should have a basketball program at all." He said it was difficult to understand how junior colleges such as Temple, Hill, and Navarro are able to afford full basketball scholarships when MCC has decided that it cannot.

"I have always been taught to believe that any type program worth having should be the best possible program," Burroughs declared.

Another concern of the coach is that students and the community will not support a team of inferior quality.

Coach Burroughs remembers with pride the two years that the Highlanders were in the playoffs, and he recalls that attendance was great. "This sort of thing builds morale and spirit," he believes. "I do not know of anyone who does not like to be associated with a winner or

success."

"I feel that the basketball program has been one of the few programs all students from the fraternity, sorority, clubs, and student body can unify and support together, again building a team spirit of cooperation which our land and country needs," Burroughs emphasized.

He admitted that attendance this year was a case in point. The Highlanders were young and had a losing season -- and attendance fell. It was that simple.

Coach Burroughs said he was told the reason for the decision to slice room and board from scholarships was expense.

"I have always been proud to represent MCC, and although I know it's going to be hard, we are going to do our best to recruit the finest players we can obtain," the coach promised.

Asked about MCC getting into a league with the same scholarship regulations, Coach Burroughs said it would be fine as far as the league was concerned. He cited distance of travel and the inability to compete nationwide as drawbacks.

"Maybe this is what the students and community want," he observed. "If it is, fine-- this is what we'll have. We'll all be interested to know what the students and community think."



TENNIS' FIRST YEAR at MCC is given big boost by Lee McCleary, who recently won his first match at the state JC meet in Pasadena. Later, he and the team were eliminated. In all, the Highlanders gained a 3-3 record in intercollegiate match play against Navarro, Mary-Hardin-Baylor, Temple, and Weatherford. McCleary will be returning to the squad next season.

## Growth Of Intramurals Predicted

Ray Murray, intramural director, suggests that more sports will be offered next year because of the good response in participation received from the students at MCC this year.

"Participation has increased about one-third as compared to last year," Murray emphasized. "We plan to have a growing program with more students participating each

### Medalist Honors Go To Greer At State Meet

The MCC golf team finished its season at the Texaco Country Club in Pasadena Tuesday, April 27, with Randy Greer winning medalist honors in the Texas Junior College Athletic Conference.

Greer had already taken medalist honors in three of the four conference tournaments. Trailing by five strokes with nine holes to go in this final 54 hole tournament, he rallied with a par, two birdies, and an eagle on the closing holes to win by a three stroke margin.

In the team division, Greer and Wesley Kirkland finished ninth among 22 teams entered in the tournament.

Greer is the leading conference golfer with a current tournament average of 70 and a season average of 75.

Other members of the golf team are Charlie Grisham, Mike Sholtis, and Ralph Turner. Jimmy Clayton is coach.

year," Murray added.

Most popular sport for the men was basketball; however, the girls seemed to enjoy volleyball. Intramural sports were much more popular with the boys in all areas.

Murray said that flag football and softball, two probable sports for next year, will probably increase activity in intramurals. Murray also stated that an increase in individual sports would be offered, such as badminton, tennis, and archery.

"We want feedback from participating students so we will know what to correct and what to keep," Murray said. Murray concluded by saying that an Intramural Council would be formed by next year in order to solve problems that might arise.

Basketball team winners include the Black Panthers in the independent league and Circle

### Corley Signs To Play Basketball

Tom Corley, a senior on the powerful Midway High School basketball team coached by Reggie Davis, has signed to play basketball with the McLennan Community College Highlanders this fall, Coach James Burroughs has announced.

Corley aided the Midway team as it won 32 and lost 2 games in 1970-71 by compiling 544 points, 70 per cent free throw and 40 per cent field goal averages, as he averaged 16 rebounds and 16 points per game.

K in the club league. Circle K is the school basketball intramural champion.

Black Panther team members are Cordell Johnson, Ronald Bell, James McDaniel, Sam Jones, Walter Smith, Wally Vonner, Carl Kirkpatrick, Charles Jones, and Noah Cobb.

Circle K team members include Jay Knox, Maurice Robert, Bill Skinner, Kurt Slaughter, Brian McCutcheon, Gary Herring, Aaron Price, Harry Harrington, Ken Sorley, Pat Millar, and Mike Ferguson.

Volleyball team winner in the women's league was the Missfits: Marsha Moran, Gilda Leno, Lou Ann Lowe, Jan Nunn, Karen Curlee, Barbara Smith, Phyllis Adams, Donna Dickey, and Anne Cummings.

In the men's competition, the club league winner was the Sigma Delta Phi team comprised of David Berry, Tommy Wills, Milton Matus, Mike Reasing, Joe Ed Terry, Tommy Finley, Steve Canuteson and Butch Ward.

Mrs. Post's Prodiges of the independent league were school champions. They include Ralph Mogridge, Bobby Devordy, Smokey Kubacek, Harry Schrader, Kerry Hansen, George Tickell, Robert Calderon, and Bill Helton.

In badminton Johnny Tabor captured first place in men's singles with David Tenberg in second place. Men's doubles found Dan Barnett and Frank Lyle in first place with Michael Barr and Robert Thomas placing second.

### 12th In Nation

## Moundsmen Rank High In National Hitting

Although the Highlander baseball team has had a so-so season this year with a 13-13-1 record, the team has accumulated several high places in the nation.

Maurice Robert has become the first athlete from MCC to be nominated for All-America honors. And Robert's honors are quite impressive -- fourth leading hitter in the nation with a .500 average behind averages of .523, .522, and .510; fourth leading pitcher in the nation, having a 4-1 record and a 1.56 earned run average. He is tied for first in home runs with seven and second in runs batted in with 28.

The Highlanders are currently 12th in the nation in hitting with a .286 average. However, since the records were taken, MCC has finished with a .301 average. The MCC win record of .500 per cent places them 28th.

Woody Faulk with a .366, Sam Jones with a .346, and Kurt Slaughter with a .333 batting average have placed fourth, fifth, and sixth respectively across the nation for hitters with more than 25 at bats. Earl Broadway is fifth in the nation with a .401 batting average for less than 25 and more than ten at bats.

The Highlanders, coached by Rick Butler, have three of the

22 top home run leaders in the nation. Mike Ferguson is tied for sixth place at four and Sam Jones is tied for 14th place at three home runs.

Thirty-one strike outs in 30 innings for thirty-seventh place in the nation, goes to Woody Faulk. Places for runs batted in go to Sam Jones, 27th place with 16 runs, and Kurt Slaughter, thirty-fifth place with 15 runs.

Here is a list of the final batting averages of the MCC team, with the seasonal average followed by the conference average -- Brown Smith, .220, .261; Woody Faulk, .366, .333; Maurice Robert, .450, .527; Kurt Slaughter, .355, .320; Elvin Sowell, .400, .157; Bill Goss, .444, .288; Sam Jones, .333, .321; Bob Baker, .333, .138; Mike Ferguson, .375, .280; Ken Jones, .202, .237; Earl Broadway, .455, .500; David Burns, .455, .260; Jimmy Reich, .250, .333; Larry Honnig, .273, .182.

A complete pitching summary of the win loss record in seasonal and conference play is -- Robert, 4-2 for the season, 3-1 for the conference; Faulk, 2-5 season, 1-2 conference; Reich, 2-0 season, 1-0 conference; Burns, 2-3 season, 0-1 conference; Goss, 0-2 season, 0-1 conference; Slaughter, 1-0 season, 1-0 conference.