



STEVE ASHLEY, former MCC student works on a painting for his exhibit at MCC campus. Ashley attended the University of Texas at Austin after MCC and received his degree.

## Ashley Exhibits Art Collection On Campus

BY GALEN STRICKLAND

Steve Ashley, who attended MCC during its first year, presently has a one-man art exhibit at the school.

The exhibit opened Sunday, Feb. 8, in the Fine Arts Building, and will run through Feb. 20.

The show is varied, illustrating Ashley's ability to produce works ranging from figurative paintings to abstract statements, according to Robert Wade, art instructor at MCC who arranged the show.

In addition to those pieces which are art for arts sake, the show also features commercial art work.

Ashley is a graduate of the University of Texas at Austin,

where he received his Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in painting. He also studied art at MCC and the University of Nevada.

His first professional art job was as a free lance art director for television shows in Austin, and recently served as the art director for Advertising-Marketing Associates of Waco. Currently, Steve works in the art department of Success Motivation Institute, a worldwide corporation with headquarters in Waco.

Steve has exhibited his works at the UT Art Museum, John Carter Gallery in Austin, and the Collectors Gallery in Waco. He has also had showings in Los Angeles and London.

## No Classes Friday

No bells will ring, and no teachers will walk the halls at McLennan Community College Friday, Feb. 20.

The college will close, and the faculty and administrative staff will attend the 23rd Annual Texas Junior College Association-Texas Junior College Teachers Association Convention in Austin that day and the next.

Dr. Wilbur Ball, president of MCC, said the convention gives the faculty and staff an important opportunity to exchange ideas with personnel from other junior colleges and to keep up-to-date on new developments in junior college education.

Several persons from MCC

have worked in developing the convention.

Vernon Cole, athletic director, and Betty P. Smith, instructor of business, have served on planning committees, while three other persons have planned the program for the session of the convention dealing with their school positions.

These are Mrs. Sarah Moore, chairman of the Department of Nursing; William J. Stone, journalism instructor; and Larry Gilliam, dean of student services.

Preston Smith, governor of Texas, will address the first general session of the conference Friday evening.

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## Student Government To Hold Elections For Four Members

By DAVID WALLINGSFORD

The MCC Student Government will be holding another special election on Feb. 18 and 19 to replace four retiring members of the Congress. This is the second special election of this sort this school year.

The election is being held to replace retiring members Jim Martin, David Smith, Dan Oats and Dennis Clark. David Smith is the only one of the four who did not leave MCC at mid-term.

Nine people have filed for office at deadline time. Those nine are, Janet Turner, Sandra Scharfswert, Mike Bates, Gary Jinx, Holly Henningsen, Helen Davis, Debbie Jones, Tommy Koonsman and Carolyn Carliles.

The first special election of the school year was to elect

a replacement for representative Galen Strickland. Strickland resigned in November.

Strickland, when questioned why he left the Student Government, said, "I do not feel that the Student Government is fulfilling its potential as a mediator between the students and the administration."

David Smith said, "They've had too many good ideas, but they haven't done anything about them." Smith mentioned for examples the never-completed projects for the school mascot, a paint job for the water tower, and painted pedestrian crosswalks.

In explaining other reasons for resignations, Mike Alford, secretary for the Student Government, said, "Apathy on the

part of the student body as a whole is the main reason for people quitting the student government. When the students won't listen to what you're saying, there is a lack of communication and the main role of the Student Government is to be a communicator."

Student body president Clint Lewis said that he felt that people quit the student Government because they left the school. Lewis said that the majority of representatives who tendered their resignations are no longer at MCC. He also stated a conflict in work schedule as the reason for one resignation.

No other offices other than representative are being voted on in the upcoming special election. The ballot box will be in the student center.

All students are urged to vote.

## McClenney Resigns Dean Position

By JAMES HILLIARD

Dr. Byron N. McClenney recently announced his resignation as dean of instruction.

"I have enjoyed working with the students and faculty at MCC," said McClenney. "MCC is a growing school, and the future of the college looks very promising." He resigned his position in order to accept a post as dean of Eastfield Junior College in Dallas County.

A successor for the office has not yet been named, but McClenney's resignation will not take effect until March 1. As dean of instruction at MCC, he has been active in the academic program, the curriculum, and other instructional programs of the college.

"I feel that my position here will always be an important part of my career," continued McClenney, "and I also feel that MCC is a dynamic institution." His new position will include work in the occupational fields of the Dallas Junior College District.

"Dr. McClenney's resignation is accepted with deep regret," said Academic Vice President Chester R. Hastings. He added, "Dr. McClenney has made outstanding contributions to MCC in his role as chief administrator of the instructional program."

Aside from his duties at MCC, McClenney has been an active member of the community. He is superintendent of the Lako

Shore Baptist Church Sunday school and has served as chaplain for the Waco Junior Chamber of Commerce.

## Drama Play Cast Announced

Tryouts for the Drama Department's spring production, "The Farce of the Worthy Master, Pierre Patelin," were held Monday, February 2. Fourteen people tried out for the play, which has five parts.

James Henderson, drama instructor and director of the production, recently announced the cast for the play.

The lead role of Pierre will be played by Glen Hendrix, with Linda Cupp playing his wife, John Butler will portray the Judge, Buddy Smith, a draper, and Sandra Scharfswert, a shepherdess.

The play is a 14th century

farce, and the author is unknown.

Henderson's schedule calls for five weeks of rehearsals, and he feels the production is coming along faster than he had hoped for. He said that this can be attributed to the fact that three of the cast have participated in previous productions by the department.

Hendrix was cast in the award-winning production of "Androcles and the Lion" last Spring, and Sandra Scharfswert played in the fall presentation of "Oh! Dad, Poor! Dad", while Buddy Smith appeared in both presentations.

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## Pollution -- Is Mr. Nixon's Can-Do Administration Enough

The destruction of the environment, the erosion of the "Quality of life," has become the foremost issue of the day. Making "our peace with nature," said President Nixon in his State of the Union Message, is "the great question of the '70s."

"We came only late," he said, "to a recognition of how precious and how vulnerable our resources of land, water, and air really are."

But are we too late?

Nixon has recently tried to start a new kind of revolution in America--a rebellion against pollution. He also came up with several ideas about what can be done. It's a start.

But is it enough?

The administration has called for pollution-free cars to be developed within five years. They have issued new standards that can cut auto exhaust emission by 50 per cent before 1975.

But what do we do until then?

Nixon has a \$10 billion, five year program to curb water pollution. This is a federal-state effort to counter-act "generations of neglect of the country's once seemingly endless natural resources."

Government officials have just recently started looking up the meaning of the word "Ecology" in their Funk & Wagnall's. (I'm not saying they're alone; I just did it recently, too.) But it should have been done 15 years ago.

I am NOT saying that the administration is wrong in what it is trying to do. What I AM saying is that they are not doing enough and not fast enough.

I am also saying the EVERYONE should take an interest in what is going on. After all, you need to breathe, too.

DAVID WALLINGSFORD

## Campus Happenings

Student directories compiled by members of Delta Phi Beta will go on sale near the end of February. The directories will contain the names of all MCC students who gave their permission during registration and will be sold for 50¢ by sorority members. Delta Phi Beta members are also selling MCC key chains.

Thirteen Baptist Student Union members and director Rollin DeLap attended the mid-winter retreat in Lathan Springs, Jan. 20 and 30.

"Pass It On," which dealt with witnessing the Word of God, was the theme of the retreat attended by over 50 students from junior colleges in the surrounding areas.

BSU members from MCC performed an original musical drama composed and written by Bill Wood to serve as the dramatic interpretation of the theme of the retreat.

Peter McLeod, pastor of First Baptist Church in Waco, gave a speech entitled "God's Will for My Life," and Jim Miller, a student at Baylor University, sang folk songs and also spoke on witnessing the Christian life.

Students from MCC who went to the retreat were Billy Wood, Teresa Troup, David Lanier, Bill Doford, Robert Latta, Bonnie Vasser, Margo Arledge, Robert Bibb, Linda Williams, Larry Schultz, Cordell Johnson, Steve Harvey, and Bill Faulkner.

On Feb. 16 Larry Gilliam, MCC Dean of Student Services, will have the devotionals at the BSU meeting which will be held in the Baptist Student Center on campus.

Twenty-one students from McLennan Community College achieved membership in Phi Theta Kappa, the national junior college honorary scholastic organization, for the fall semester.

New members are Patricia Blederman, Jane Bushnell, Darryl Godfrey, Sally Gonzales, Jeannine Ingraham, Beverly Neal, Vicki Miller, Judy Smith, Diane Tomplon, John Uecl, Susan Walker, Beverly Watson, Joe Barnett, Cynthia Blackburn, Elaine Burt, Lann Shivers, Robert Reid, Margaret Graham, Dorothy Peebles, Madeline Boles, and Jerri Utz.

Initiation will be held during the spring semester for both fall and spring initiation into Phi Theta Kappa.

Pat Culpepper, assistant football coach at Baylor University, was guest speaker at a recent banquet held in the MCC Student Center to honor members of the Mart High School football team who were Class A State Football Champions this year.



DALE HUGHES

### Clan Published

Anyone needing a copy of the Clan may pick it up in the Student Publications office, Room 211 of the Science Building during the 10 o'clock hour on MWF.

### Modern Dance Club Forming For Spring

A new club is being formed for the Spring semester. It will be a Modern Dance Club. The club will be composed of anyone who is interested. Fall semester Modern Dance Classes and the Spring Modern Dance Classes will make up most of the club.

A Spring program has already been planned for the last part of April. Mrs. Long, Physical Education teacher at MCC will sponsor the program. She states that the club will have more jazz routine than the actual modern dance.

For those who do not know what modern dance is, it may be defined as a kind of activity using the body as the instrument and movements as the medium. This is only one of several definitions used to describe the dance.

Jan Bushnell, member of the Modern Dance Class, gave her views of what she thinks of modern dance. She said, "Modern dance really helps one to lose her inhibitions and appreciate other dancers. It's a great way to express your feelings and really create."

The date and place of the first meeting will be given at a later date.



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## Religion And The Matador

By Diane Tomplon

Engulfed by splashy bullfighting posters on the walls, theology books on the shelves, and papers and magazines on the desk, the spry figure sat in contemplation.

"I teach to influence world events, he said. I teach religion because I consider it to be a vital element in man's existence."

Meet Dale Hughes, McLennan Community College instructor of biblical studies.

Moses, Isalah, David and Dallah are only a few of the roles Hughes portrays during his lectures. And to keep class interesting, a few bullfighting techniques are thrown in too.

"I've read about every book in town on bullfighting," Hughes said. He became interested in the sport after watching it on television. Would he like to be a matador?

"I'd like to try bullfighting," he said. I'd like to think I have a flare for it."

A good game of golf is just as challenging to Hughes as the "toros bravos" are to the picadors and banderilleros in the bullfighting arena.

Having two daughters, Hughes is concerned about youth. "I'm not pessimistic about the younger generation," he said. "I have

great hope in youth and great confidence in them."

Hughes feels that drugs are an "escape mechanism." But he also thinks that the majority of youth are more interested in reformation than escape.

A candidate for a Ph.D. in religion at Baylor University, Hughes recently had a book review of a work on synoptic gospels published in the "Journal of the American Academy of Religion." Hughes received his B.A. and M.A. degrees in speech from the Tulsa University and a Bachelor of Divinity degree from Southern Baptist Theology Seminary in Fort Worth. Before coming to MCC, Hughes taught at the University of Texas at Arlington, Texas Christian University, and Baylor University.

How are you to recognize Dale Hughes on campus when he is not in his office surrounded by bullfighters and books? That is easy. Sporting a full beard, Mr. Hughes resembles a monk, or even a slender Jesus to some students.

"I grew the beard because I don't like to shave," he said. The beard might disappear in a few weeks, however.

"I told my wife I'm going to give it up for Lent!"

## "Hello Dolly" Very Light

By JAMES HILLIARD

Ernest Lehman's masterful film production of Broadway's "Hello, Dolly!" is a theatrical extravaganza--a light, capricious musical rendition of Thornton Wilder's "The Matchmaker."

With the musical comedy talent of Barbra Streisand and the dramatic expertise of Walter Matthau, "Hello, Dolly!" blazes across the theatre screen as a skillful combination of music, comedy, and even occasional dramatic relief scenes. The film benefits from its Todd-Ao wide-screen process and its vivid color.

The nineteenth century sets used in the film were designed by John DeCuir, noted production designer who was instrumental in creation of the huge, elaborate sets in the 1963 Academy Award-winning film "Cleopatra." The sets in "Hello, Dolly!" are remarkably complete and seem quite real. They add both color and majesty to the show's overall quality.

The plot of "Hello, Dolly!" is conventional, but the treatment of the story is unique. A lonely widow in search of a husband, Dolly Levi (Barbra Streisand) has her eye on one of the richest men in nineteenth century New York--a certain Mr. Horace Vandergelder (Walter Matthau). And though he is a cranky, grumpy, middle age entrepreneur, Dolly is certain that she will one day become Mrs. Dolly Vandergelder.

Comedy is high in the film, especially in sequences with Miss Streisand and Matthau. When the two are together on the screen, they deliver comic performances which cause the supporting cast to suffer by comparison. In the splendor of

Harmonia Gardens, for example, Mrs. Levi paradoxically declares that "I won't marry you, Horace--get that idea right out of your head!" And all of this is to the utter dismay of poor Mr. Vandergelder who had no intentions of asking anyone to marry him--much less Dolly Levi. Director Gene Kelly did a good job of using the comic talents of both stars.

Moreover, Miss Streisand's performance as the conniving Mrs. Levi is nothing less than excellent. Her sly, witty expressions give life to the character. More important, perhaps, is that Miss Streisand's highly flexible voice adds to the musical apex of the film. Through such songs as "So Long, Dearie," "Before the Parade Passes By," and, of course,

"Hello, Dolly!" she presents a complete picture of the true Dolly, avoiding a cursory, improbable characterization.

Matthau's shifty, humorous portrait of Vandergelder is also excellent. His urbane, polished Horace is strengthened by the good supporting cast--Marlanno McAndrew, E.J. Parker, Michael Crawford, and Danny Lockin. Both Matthau and the supporting cast inject an exuberance into "Hello, Dolly!" which makes the show a hit.

Overall, "Hello, Dolly!" suffers only from long (much too long, in my opinion) parade and dance sequences. Yet, the show still ranks among the best of movie musicals. It has the vigor of "Oliver," the strength of "The Sound of Music," the grandeur of "Molly Brown," and the dramatic impact of "My Fair Lady." Yet it is a show with a vitality all its own.

# Nurses, Computers, Dancers Make "Applied Science" Tick



Nursing Students



Computer Operator



These pictures represent only a few of the different kinds of classes conducted at various times under the single roof of that never-availing, split-level haven for just about every course--the Applied Science Building.

This building is like the calm eye of a hurricane with a whirlwind of activity going on inside of it. Outwardly, it appears to be a placid and stately structure while inwardly it is a bustle of students attending classes ranging from law enforcement to folk dancing.

With the involvement going on within the Applied Science Building, one may stop to wonder how it continues to survive. But it does, and it serves as a functioning asset to the MCC campus.

## Students, Students, Everywhere

By DONNA PICK

Just how much can one building take?

The structure in question is the Applied Science Building which houses such a wide variety of courses that it is amazing the building still exists.

Downstairs are rooms of typewriters and business machines all lined in a row waiting for studious secretarial and business students to invade the corridors and overtake them while the students prepare for the business world.

Also located in the general vicinity of the bottom layer of the Applied Science Building are the computers which know all and do all with remarkable ease in a minimum amount of time.

Endlessly they feed problems to the computer, hoping secretly that one day they will outsmart the creature and baffle it with their knowledge of the mysterious language of punched cards.

Venturing upstairs, the casual onlooker may convince himself that he is viewing a series of classrooms set aside for business instruction when actually he is also peering at a dance studio, a miniature hospital and a police-training room.

At various hours of the day, girls taking modern dancing or folk dancing lurk across campus from the gym to the Applied Science Building to a vacant room which has been designated for their purposes.

Adjacent to the dance studio is a room containing hospital beds for the nursing students

and across the hall are the instruction rooms for those enrolled in the law enforcement program.

Is it really fair that one building should have the grave responsibility of housing the

future policemen, nurses, businessmen, and secretaries under its single framework?

How much one building can take is well demonstrated in the many "faces" of the Applied Science Building.



Stenographers



Folk Dancers

# Former MCC Star Making Plans To Improve Himself and Baylor

By TONY PEDERSON

The Baylor Bears are after the Southwest Conference championship, that is. And Keith Curlee, MCC's former guard, is after it also, along with something else.

Curlee started the first several games for the Bears, but hasn't been playing much since. Even so, he's not feeling badly about it.

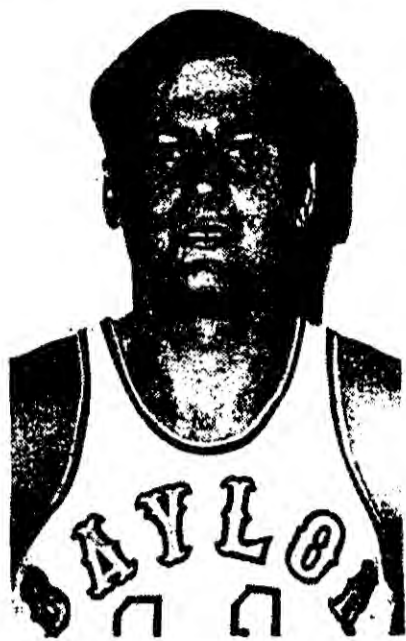
"I'm just real happy," said Curlee last week. "I haven't been getting to play much lately, but I'm glad to just get to be a part of the team."

And well he might be glad. Even though Baylor is no longer leading the Southwest Conference, the Bears have scored several big wins and have an outside chance of taking the conference.

Curlee, a 6-1 junior who transferred to Baylor after starting for the Highlanders for two years, was averaging just over 10 points while starting for the Bears. Since he hasn't been playing, he's been trying to make some of the adjustments necessary for major college basketball.

"I've had to learn a whole new system here at Baylor," said Curlee. "Defense is the big difference."

"While I was at MCC, we played a running type offense, without a whole lot of stress on defense. Here, the emphasis is on defense, and I just haven't done all that I should and that's



KEITH CURLEE

the reason I haven't been playing much lately."

But Curlee is a junior, and he's got another year to play for the Bears. In that year, he plans to finish making the adjustments and do some playing.

"Of course, we still have a lot of the season to look forward to," he said, "but I'm really going to work and try to make it. I know I have a lot to learn, but I like it here and we have a winning team, so it makes it a lot easier to work harder."

And it seems like everyone on the Baylor squad is working hard and enjoying it. Curlee also said the main reason he didn't mind not getting to play was

because he was proud to be part of a winner.

"I'd rather not play and be a part of a winning team than play for a loser," he said. "Anybody can play for a loser, but I think we have a real fine club, and we all feel it takes something special to be a part of it."

"We have some great shooters and rebounders, and of course we have a couple of coaches who know what they're doing--and when you have that, that's all it takes."

The ingredients seem to be part of the right recipe for the Bears, and one of that ingredients is another junior college transfer who is a regular starter for the Bears with a 23.1 point average.

William Chatmon transferred to Baylor this year from Tyler Junior College, and he has noticed the same changes as Curlee about playing major college basketball.

"The defense is the key," he said. "The entire form of the defense is different from that we used in junior college."

Both Curlee and Chatmon have confidence that Baylor is capable of taking the conference, and each agrees that the Bears are playing much better now than in the first of the season.

Perhaps one of the big surprises for the Bears was the score in the Texas game. Texas was picked by many to take the conference in the early going, but when the Horns came to town, the Bears romped 81-50.

"I was really surprised," said Curlee. "I thought Texas would play us a close game, and then we just seemed to walk away with it."

The Texas A&M game wasn't so close, however. The Bears had to rely on their free throw shooting in the closing minutes of the game, and as Chatmon put it, "It got kinda shakey."

There will probably be some more shakey games for the bears, and there may be some more shakey moments for Curlee, but the two-year starter at MCC will be in there, just as he was at his high school at Ft. Worth Paschal and at MCC.

"I share the pride of all the team," he said, "and if I keep working, that's 90 per cent of the battle."

## Visual Department Gets 'Fixed Up'

The visual aids department at MCC recently received enough extra equipment to, in the words of director Dr. M.A. White, "round out our needs," insofar as video-audio requirements.

Around \$1200 originally intended for a building project was made available to Dr. White, who purchased two new 1000-watt overhead projectors for lecture and other large room work, six projector stands, a new Portasound P.A. unit, and a new 16 mm projector to be used in the Fine Arts Building. With the addition of this new equipment, as Dr. White said, "We're really fixed up fine."



HIGHLANDER STANDOUT SIMPSON DeGRATE goes up for two point in last week's game with the San Antonio College Rangers. De-Grate went on to score 40 points in leading MCC to a 120-106 win.

## Counselors Combine Efforts To Write Orientation Guide

By JAMES HILLIARD

Writing the pamphlet "College Orientation" required the combined effort of MCC's Dean Larry Gilliam and Counselor Fred Scott.

"We began the booklet last summer," said Gilliam, "after a long study of the freshman class. The book deals with the problems that a freshman might encounter upon his arrival at college."

He explained that the purpose of the book is to help freshmen adapt to college life. "Most books on orientation," he continued, "are designed for the senior college; we need a book designed for the junior college."

Not being able to find a book relating to orientation of the junior college student, Gilliam and Scott began research on a book of their own. They surveyed a number of books which dealt with orientation, psychology, and student interaction. From the books examined, they formulated a plan for their book.

"By examining a variety of sources," said Gilliam, "we were able to gather a more complete set of data upon which to base our conclusions. We selected only that information which would be essential to the junior college student's understanding of college life." For

example, information relating to dorms was omitted.

Book surveys, however, were not the only methods by which Scott and Gilliam researched the book. "We used the results of feedback from students," said Scott, "as well as comments and other helpful information from a North Texas psychologist, Charles Hager."

Last year, Scott distributed questionnaires to freshmen. The results of the questions were used as a basis for more complete research, and Scott said that the freshmen "gave comments which greatly broadened the possibilities of the book itself."

The result of the hours spent in research was a short, concise pamphlet called "College Orientation." The booklet covers such topics as choosing clubs, participating in college activities, and enjoying campus life. Included in the book are suggestions for improving study habits, reading speed, and comprehension.

"The comments, suggestions, and sections in the book," said Scott, "were designed for the MCC student." He added, "If the freshman will really put our book to use, I feel that he will benefit greatly from having been exposed to the experience of others."

## Highlanders Still Hoping For Division Championship

The MCC Highlanders are still hoping for a turn of events that will give them a division crown and a berth in the playoffs.

Even though the hopes are slim, the Highlanders blew open last Saturday night to rout the San Antonio College Rangers, 120-106. It was MCC's most explosive offensive display in its three-year history.

Friday, the night before, the Highlanders knocked off St. Phillips, 80-83.

The victory was largely due to the efforts of Simpson DeGrate and Harry Johnson. DeGrate had one of his finest nights as a Highlander and put through 40 points.

Johnson, 6-6 freshman from Teague hit a career high of 35 points.

The Highlanders finished the night hitting 54 of 90 shots for a 60 per cent average while outrebounding the Rangers, 58-20.

Another Highlander who enjoyed one of his finest nights was guard Jimmy Knox. Knox hit seven long field goals for a total of 14 points, Dennis

Edwards hit 22 points to help round out the Highlander scoring.

The Highlanders are still not out of the division race with a 7-4 record, although coach James Burroughs admits it's "only an outside chance."

## Scholarship Founded For Ruby Robinson

Peeler Williams, Jr. has established a scholarship fund at McLennan Community College honoring his cousin, the late Ruby Reid Robinson. Williams' sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Estes, added another \$1,500 to the fund.

The \$3,500 gift creates a permanent endowment, the income from which will be used as the Ruby Reid Robinson Scholarship.

Williams says of his cousin, she was the "talented descendant of two pioneer central Texas families. One of her main interests was the furthering of education of youth of this area."

Williams is a member of the Waco law firm of Sleeper, Boynton, Purleson, Williams, and Johnston.