

## SGA President an Optimist, expects involvement

by W. Charles Brown, SGA President  
 Burris Student involvement will increase as time goes by.

It gives me great pleasure at this time to welcome all new and returning students to St. Andrews. It gives me an even greater pleasure to welcome you as President of the Student Government Association.

As we begin a new year, we begin a new experience. To be honest with you, I really do not know what the future holds for us this year, but I am an optimist. With the departure of President Perkinson in December, the year could turn in to one of starting over or it could be a year of continuing advancements. Issues such as our gathering place, our phone system and other residential articles are still priority issues and will remain priority issues. We will hopefully see more campus-wide involvement in not only recreational events, but also national and world issues which affect us all. Hopes still exist that new Commuter Student and

Through the use of presidentially appointed committees, the students will be given the opportunity to help make things happen on our campus. As a matter of fact, a students' advisory committee has been selected to aid in the selection of our new college president. This committee was nominated by Dean Loftus and those chosen for the committee have been accepted.

Thus far, we have not run into any problems and optimistically speaking, I think this will be a great year. If problems arise, I am honored to say I have a great group of people to work with, both in the SGA and in the larger college community.

If you have any questions or suggestions, feel free to speak up. All advice is welcome advice. Let's make this year a real college year of people getting involved.

## Poems by Molly Hartsell

### The Savior

Screaming, fighting off  
 The dark enemy  
 Panic grips.  
 Like Bombs,  
 breaths pound in  
 The chest.  
 Like butterflies, the wings of the heart  
 Flutter double-time.  
 Light explodes from every  
 Corner of the mind's universe.  
 Hands reach out, gently grasp,  
 Transporting to salvation.

### Just Recycle

You shouldn't worry about my  
 Aching heart. It always happens this  
 time  
 Every year.  
 It must be something in the Water.  
 Just step over my  
 Fragile emotions as you would  
 A bad luck crack on the sidewalk.  
 I will recover and take cover again.  
 As soon as my heart is ready.  
 And when, you'll know.  
 All you will have to do with me  
 Is Just recycle.

### Haiku

As we walked alone,  
 The birds danced above the lake.  
 A ballet of larks.

Trees bowed to the wind.  
 Nature was puffing her cheeks  
 To blow off the leaves.

## Writers Forum on Track for Fall

### McGuinn, Deal, Pargas to read tonight

by Steven Skinner

After two well attended fall readings and an unusually strong summer season, the St. Andrews Fortner Writer's Forum is on track for the fall semester. An exciting line-up is coordinated and anticipation is running high for a new series of writers and poets scheduled to entertain the forum this season.

Scheduled for this semester are Rex McGuinn, Wallace Fowlie, Charleen Whisnant Swansea, John Casteen, Joseph Bathanti and Jonathan Williams.

Fowlie, of Duke University, will talk on the Doors. His speech "Rimbaud and Jim Morrison: The Hero is a Rebel," might well spark interest with those who love the rebels of the '60s.

October will bring Oktoberfest and the forum will present German writing for the occasion. Also in October, Charleen Whisnant Swansea, director of Mind Works, Inc., will entertain the audience with the story behind her success as well as her new novel, "False Teeth," from which she will read her Ezra Pound chapter. St. Andrews director of Alumni Relations Rob Martin will

read from his new book in October as well.

For November, St. Andrews will welcome John Casteen, President of the University of Connecticut. On November 12, the forum will hold its annual Sam Ragan Awards Night with a host of special readers. The forum will also present Jonathan Williams, Litt. D., and his colleagues originating from Black Mountain College in November.

The forum will also offer students and faculty an opportunity to speak at Open Mike. Several will be held, including one this evening, to allow those in the audience to share their works.

This evening's writers include soccer star Kris Deal and *Lance* creative writer Jon Pargas. The first annual Strictly Open Mike Night will be held December 3, and will prove to be interesting at the least.

All students, faculty and the general public are welcome to attend at no charge. The Fortner Writer's Forum is held each Thursday evening at 8:00 pm in the Mecklenburg Dorm Lounge.

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