

# On Campus

## Edgerton Reads at Writers' Forum Tonight

Fiction writer Clyde Edgerton will read from his works at the St. Andrew's Writer's Forum, Thursday, March 3 at 8 p.m.

Edgerton, associate professor of education and English at St. Andrews Presbyterian College, is the author of "Raney" and "Walking Across Egypt."

He is currently writing a book which will include stories about some of his experiences during the Vietnam War. This novel will span about 100 years and will also include a tale about an old well

Edgerton found under his kitchen floor in Apex, NC.

Edgerton and his wife Susan also play folk music. He is a member of the Red Clay Ramblers Band and writes music to accompany his books.

Both of Edgerton's books have been successful, with "Walking Across Egypt" selling 30,000 copies in two months.

The Writer's Forum will be held in the main lounge of Mecklenburg Hall.

## Radio Silence: "A Real Loss For the Campus"

Laura Rose

Broadcasting by WSAP, St. Andrews campus radio station, ended in a puff of smoke when lightning shorted the soundboard last term, two weeks before Thanksgiving vacation. Since then, students and administration have tried to restore the station to the air, but have not found ways to get the necessary equipment.

Lee Huber, manager of the alternative music radio station and senior at St. Andrews, explained the need. "Over the past two years, we've had a lot of problems with different parts of the board short circuiting because of its age," Huber said. "About 90 percent of the equipment needs to be replaced, but many parts are unavailable; the equipment is outdated."

Bryce Wilson, chief engineer at WEWO, helped find parts and repair malfunctions in the past, but since a similar storm last July, his efforts have proven unsuccessful.

Huber also said, "There are a couple of levels of fixing and replacing the equipment. The basic thing WSAP needs to get back on the air is a new board—used boards run about \$1,000. A new, medium quality, durable board would cost around \$4,500."

Students who have worked at the station know what it needs, but they do not know how to get it. At present, it has only a club budget from Student Life of \$1,200, which takes care of mailings, phone bills to record labels, and other minor bills. Huber and WSAP Secretary/Party Consultant Jo Frost met with Dean

Tom Benson and Communications Professor David Rigsbee during Christmas break to try and map out the future of the station.

"It's a real loss to the campus," Dean Benson said. "I personally want to see WSAP back as soon as possible."

Right now, avenues which hold the best chance for help are being explored, with the help of other administrators such as Rob Martin, Dan Mohn, and June Milby.

Milby, WSAP's advisor, emphasized the importance of trying to restore the station. "It's really important in efforts with communications majors. WSAP would provide a tremendous training ground for the students in their chosen professions."

Dean Benson also shows an interest in plans to bring the station closer to these academic concerns.

"I want to water the young plant of the mass communications program," Dean Benson said.

Huber said he hopes the station will soon hook up with the community cable system which reaches Laurinburg and most of Scotland county, and possibly employ a professional manager. But until the station is repaired or replaced, he is basically working to get in-house organization, so the station will be ready when the time comes, he said.

Due to increased recognition by record labels, the station now receives 1,200 percent more records than last year.

"It's depressing," Huber said, "being at the best point we have been in terms of getting new records and student participation, to be off the air."

## Senate Report

Julie Norem

The Gathering Place is in progress, but help from St. Andrew students is needed on the workdays scheduled during the weekends. The grand opening is scheduled for the last week of April. Many special activities are planned.

A mural is planned for the wall behind the stage. Students interested in helping design and/or paint should contact David Perkinson or their senator. Proposals for the mural are due by May 15.

Under the direction of Jeff Callahan, the handbook committee is revising the Saltire. Any comments, suggestions, or questions should be directed to the committee or a senator.

New senate officers are Beth Powell, the president of Orange Dorm, and Janda Canalis, commuter student representative.

The spring budget was approved by the senate on Sunday, February 28. Nathan West and the budget committee reviewed each club's proposal from the beginning of the year. West said clubs that did not use their allotted money Fall Term or had enough money to cover projected expenses for Spring Term were not given any extra money. West added that if a club needed extra money, they would have to petition the committee for a review.

The SAGA committee has installed a spice rack beside the microwave.

**COMMUTER STUDENTS:** There will be a meeting every Thursday at 11:30 a.m. in the Commuter Student Lounge.

Senate meetings are held every other Sunday night at 8:00 p.m. in the Heritage Room. All students are welcomed to attend. If a student has an issue to address, they are to contact Senate President David Perkinson.

## Education Update

Brian Rodgers

Those who can, teach! What exactly does this phrase mean. I don't claim to have the definitive answer, but I would like express my opinion. It is my feeling that "good" teachers are born with certain characteristics that help them with being effective as a teacher. I feel that one such characteristic is being able to communicate with others. This doesn't mean just having a lot to say, but rather showing people (students) that what you have to say is important to them.

I also feel that good teachers have the ability to set up a positive rapport with others. With this, I mean that the teacher has the ability to get along with people. I feel that this is important, at least for me it is. Others may argue that a teacher can

be effective without being liked by his students. I think that as a teacher you are serving as a positive role-model for your students. Part of this responsibility entails your interactions with students, as well as the other teachers. If you don't respect the feelings and opinions of other people, what kind of example are you setting for your students?

A good teacher, obviously, has to be able to instill a love of learning in students. Along with this, the teacher has to love teaching and learning, as well. A good teacher must be able to organize and plan lessons that make the students an active part in the learning process. It is important to get the students involved in each lesson, so they will keep interested in what is being discussed. In finalization, there are many facets to being a good teacher, some of which you can learn and some of which are innate!

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