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Gustafson holds recital

The McPherson College Department of Music will present Professor Steven Gustafson in a faculty organ recital Thursday evening, October 11, at 8:00 p.m. in the Church of the Brethren, Euclid and Carrie streets.

Mr. Gustafson holds the Bachelor of Music degree from Bethany College and the Master of Music from the University of Colorado at Boulder, where he is currently pursuing doctoral studies. His teachers include Robert Edwards, Lambert

Dahlsten, Everett Jay Hilty, and Don A. Vollstedt.

Prior to joining McPherson College faculty as an instructor in piano, organ and music theory, Professor Gustafson was Minister of Music and Religious Education at Grace Lutheran Church, Glen Ellyn, Illinois. He has served numerous churches in the music ministry and for a number of years had his own teaching studio in the Chicago area.

In addition to his responsibilities at McPherson College,

he currently is Director of Music at McPherson's First Presbyterian Church.

Included on his program are John Walther's "Concerto del Sigr. Tomasco Albinoni," Johann Sebastian Bach's "Partite Diverse Sopra," Louis-Nicolas Clerambault's "Suite du Deuxime Ton," and Nicholaus Bruhns' "Praeludium und Fuge G-dur."

Professor Gustafson will be performing on a Reuter pipe organ. The public is invited to attend.



TICKLING THE IVORY — Prof. Steve Gustafson, preparing for his recital.

Photo by Michael Kravets

Water water everywhere — but not for long

Take a shower this morning? How long did it take? Was it one of those nice, hot, half-hour showers that chase away the dorm-room chill? Or was it a short, five-minute spit to get it over with and go to class? That short little shower used somewhere between forty and sixty gallons. Not really concerned?

Well, you should be. Kansas is now on the brink of a water shortage. If Kansans keep using water at the rate they have been, in about thirty-five years, many of the cities and towns in the state will be virtually without drinkable water.

In 1980, 2.38 trillion gallons of water was used in this fair state. In that same year, Mother Nature graciously replaced only 1.4 trillion gallons. This 980 billion gallon deficit is the reason Kansas is heading for a long dry spell.

Although these figures represent only one year, the only part of this equation which is variable is that part that man takes out. Mama Nature's limit is the 1.4 trillion. So Kansas has been running on a deficit for a while.

That deficit has been increasing year by year, and unless something is done soon to correct it, Kansas could literally run dry.

Although increased consumption is a major reason for concern, diminishing supply is

another point of worry. Through various processes, both man-made and natural, the supply of drinkable water is diminishing.

Streams running through natural salt deposits render water undrinkable, and natural silting of Kansas lakes and reservoirs (in some cases faster than expected) is cutting down on the volume of available water.

Man hasn't been helping matters either. Contamination from abandoned coal mines as well as oil fields has rendered several sources of water hazardous to one's health. Also, the area's major aquifer — the Ogallala Aquifer — has been depleted so far in some areas that it is impractical to reach what little water remains with existing technology.

In some areas of the state residents are feeling the effects of the events right now. Many small towns are feeling the pinch as current sources dry up or become contaminated. They are even worse off, as they cannot afford to improve their situation, either by building pipelines to bring in water from neighboring communities or drilling new wells, due to their small populations.

Water planners suggest that these problems, though they sound far-off, really aren't. Twenty years is about the time

it takes to design and construct a new reservoir.

The solution to this problem will be expensive, not only now, but in the future as interest rates and inflation drive up the cost. But not just money is needed to solve this problem. — action, swift action, is needed to stem the ebbing tide of Kansas' available water supply and to ensure an adequate supply for future generations.

(This article was prepared from material in the Sunday, September 30 edition of the Wichita Eagle-Beacon.)

Say 'Amigo'

Perhaps foreign sounds from the private dining room have peeked your curiosity.

A new organization known as Spanish Circle is now meeting every Thursday from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Their purpose is to practice Spanish. Meetings are held over dinner, and everything from slide shows to foreign affairs enters the discussions — all in Spanish of course!

If you have always wanted to practice what you learned in those two semesters of Spanish, then this group is for you. All levels from fluent to first semester Spanish are represented.

Bring your sack lunch and join in!

News shorts

Music Students, Professors
Attend Conference

Dr. Stephanie Graber and Professor Larry Kitzel, along with music students Sarah Baile, Victor Williams and Rosie Grove attended the Kansas Council on Music Teacher Education Programs at the Rock Springs Ranch September 20 and 21.

Dr. Graber, representing the small private colleges in Kansas, was a member of the program committee for the conference. The KCOMTEP is instrumental in guiding and setting standards for music teacher preparation throughout Kansas.

Lengel to Speak

The regular meeting of the McPherson County Historical Society will be on October 6th, 2:00 p.m. at the McPherson Museum. Dr. Leland Lengel of the McPherson College History Department will lead a discussion on automobiles. All are welcome to attend.

Wright Publishes

Professor Richard Wright recently published two book reviews in "Quarterly Journal of Ideology." The reviews examine Zelma Weston Henriques' "Imprisoned Mothers and Their Children" and Edwin Schir's "Labeling Women Deviant."

Students' Works

An Exhibition of Student Work and Design will be shown in the McPherson College Friendship Hall October 1 through 18. Items on display will be products of the Graphic Design class taught by Professor Gary Mahoney, and ceramics courses taught by Professor Wayne Conyers. The public is invited to enjoy the display.

Campus Editor

The "Midland Bard," the college literary magazine, is in need of a campus editor by October 9th. Anyone who is interested in this job should contact Bruce Clary for more information.

Convo: there are two sides to every story

by Kerri Snell

It's time again, for an editorial probe into the one issue that never goes away, no matter how often it's treated—Convocation.

The reasons why convo is compulsory haven't changed from last year and neither have the reasons why some (many?) students hate to go.

So, in an attempt to bring two opposite poles together, I propose to take a positive look at both sides of the issue. "The shoe goes on the other foot," so to speak.

First, to the hostile students, here are some reasons why being forced to go to convo can be a positive experience:

1. **COMPLAINING PRIVILEGES.** Dissatisfaction is the essential student emotion. Consider complaining about food service, dorm restrictions, and mandatory convocations a pep exercise from which you can go on to bigger and better things. Look at Andy Rooney. He makes a living making fun and complaining.

2. No one can force you to like it. Take a stroll down memory lane, back to the days when your mother forced you to eat cabbage.

3. **CONVO—AN ENVIRONMENT FOR SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH:** Can we learn by osmosis?

4. **CONVO CAN BE PRODUCTIVE:** A great place to hold hands with your girlfriend or boyfriend. Also, as an added luxury, the lights are usually left on so that one can cram for his 10:30 class.

These are a few reasons why convocation can be fun. Now, as promised, a few thoughts on why the faculty and administration might enjoy legalizing convo skipping.

1. No more brain-racking convo committee meetings trying to think of an appetizing way to forcefeed students with "knowledge." An

attentive audience of 10 is better than a snoring audience of 100.

2. No more feeling apologetic to a guest speaker whom no one asks a question to after his "moving lecture."

3. Longer coffee breaks.

4. No more editorials in the Spec about mandatory convocations.

There you have it—equal representation of both sides of the issue— which I henceforth will to the archives of Spectator literature on the subject. As for my own opinion:

If there must be a mandatory convocation, there are several ways in which the situation could be improved. The internally rigorized seating chart (you know, the seats in the front left of the auditorium) should be abolished. At least 3/4 of the Convo Eggs are in the faculty's basket because they are the ones who have voted this requirement in. Democrats don't expect Republicans to do their public relations and the faculty and administration shouldn't expect students to be the first ones to start initiating one of the major goals of convo—a sense of community.

I challenge faculty members to begin integrating into the "community." It may make us all uncomfortable at first, but at least students will be able to see an active interest by the convo pushers in building the sense of community in convocation that, as of now, is really only a few words in the college catalogue that sound nice.

And, no lectures please! Give us slides, music, films, mime, jokes, silence, anything but a lecture. There's a difference between a speech and a lecture. We are supposed to be exposed to something novel, that we otherwise would not be exposed to, in convocation. This goal should apply to the means of the presentation as well as to the subject that is entertained.

Convo goals made clear

The convocation requirement at McPherson College was not some cruel and inhumane torture dreamed up by Dr. Norma Tucker to punish students. While Dr. Tucker heads the convo committee, she is an overseer and enforcer of the convo requirement, she acknowledges that "mandatory convocations is a result of a full faculty vote on the issue."

The faculty doesn't vote on the convo issue annually; a vote only comes about if there is a warranted need for change.

The purposes behind convocation are (as stated in the college catalogue): to build a sense of community, to provide opportunities for recognition of student achievement, to promote college activities and events, to highlight quality and strength of academic departments, to build loyalty to the college, and to provide a broad range of cultural and intellectual experiences.

Attendance is required at McPherson College convocations and 1/2 hour of credit is given each semester for satisfactory attendance. The credit is a graduation requirement for graduates; however, trans students are not responsible for the semester spent at other colleges.

For those students who fail convo in the future, a research paper is required to take the place of the missed convocations. The subject of the student's research must be in an area outside of his or her selective field of study and must be approved by Norma Tucker, Vice President of Academic Services.

This year's convo schedule centers around politics in an attempt to get students involved in the November elections. Dr. Doris Cope and Dr. Herb Smith head the convocations committee.

Stuco announces fall budget

STUCO BUDGET PROPOSALS 1984-85 Fall

Club	Request	Allocation
Alpha Psi	550.00	500.00
Behavioral Science	440.00	250.00
Business Club	132.59	125.00
Cheerleaders	1250.33	850.00
B.I.G.	510.00	450.00
FCA	860.00	650.00
G-Clef	656.00	400.00
Intercultural Forum	710.00	500.00
SAB	3800.00	3800.00
Soccer Club	325.00	1575.00
Spectator	1625.00	1575.00
Spirit Kickers	220.00	175.00
Quadrangle	2983.50	2930.00
Stuco Allocation	14,709.00	13,005.00
Remaining Balance	331.84	
Total		
Less Salaries (Fall)		15040.84
		1752.00
Less Proposed Allocations		13,288.84
		13,005.00
Add balance from Salaries		283.84
		336.54
		620.38

Convo schedule . . .

Monday, Oct. 8	Faculty Homecoming Follies
Thursday, Oct. 12	Honors Convocation (honoring alumni, faculty, etc.)
Monday, Oct. 15	Open
Thursday, Oct. 18	Open
Monday, Oct. 23	Mohler Lecture featuring Dr. Ed. Wolf, Cornell University, 7 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 25	Kansas State Univ. Dance Workshop
Friday, Oct. 26	Mr. Steve Gipson, cartoonist
Monday, Oct. 29	Dr. John Rutter, Organist
Thursday, Nov. 1	Student Political Debate
Monday, Nov. 5	Open
Thursday, Nov. 8	Open
Monday, Nov. 12	Open
Thursday, Nov. 15	Open
Monday, Nov. 19	Thanksgiving theme
Thursday, Nov. 22	Open
Monday, Nov. 26	Open
Thursday, Nov. 29	Open
Monday, Dec. 3	Dr. Paul Hoffman, President, McPherson College
Thursday, Dec. 6	Christmas Theme

More personals . . .

Hey,
How about them Broncos?!
Dag

Kevin,
Your time is coming!
Kerri

L.R.,
Poor Huskers! We knew they'd lose sooner or later . . .
The True Big Red

Rita,
Thanks for making the Spec picturesque.
Editors

"Attack of the Killer Penguins"

Attack of the killer Penguins is on
Look to the one side, then to the other
You better watch your step, their swords are drawn
Sister like sister, brother like brother

And if they find out you speak your own mind
And vary from the penguinistic Law
Their speech to you will no longer be kind
Because it seems, alas, you have a flaw

They never have an original thought
Or plan or notion or anything else
It is simply not the way they are taught
So buddy you better protect yourself

For a defense against a Penguin fake
Say, "I know about you" and watch them quake

by Kevin Burton

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McPherson at festival

by Anthonia Ekwensi

The McPherson College Trombones and Madrigal Singers participated in the Renaissance Festival in Kansas City, Sept. 21-23.

The Renaissance Festival is a celebration of the cultures and traditions of the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries in England. The festival includes six weekends of different themes.

The McPherson College group participated in the weekend of the Hamleteur players. The participants live for a weekend the way the Renaissance people did in costume, speech and cuisine.

Professor Larry Kitzel said, "McPherson College students

worked hard and did a good job at the festival with about 30,000 people attending the show. We were very successful and received honors."

Those from McPherson attending in the Trombones group were Rosalea Grove, Jeff Keck, Phil Hofen, Wendy Ashton and Larry Kitzel as director.

Those in Singers attending were Sarah Baile, Mary Coffman, Kathy Moore, Lori Anderson, Deb Holderread, Leigh Richardson, Joan Mullen, Jenny Williams, Duane Hunn, Francis Dutton, David Steele, Dave Koehler, Dave Boyer, Vic Williams, Vince Spradling, John Lauver and Dr. Stephanie Graber as director.

Shear to speak

by Guest Writer

Valarie Long

On October 11, 1984, at 6:30 p.m., Gary Shear will present a business-oriented lecture in Miller Library on the McPherson College Campus. The lecture will be the kickoff event of the new academic year, and is to introduce people to the club and its purpose. The purposes of the club are:

- 1.) To provide a forum of interaction between students and the business community.
- 2.) To participate in the growth of the McPherson College Business Department.
- 3.) To stimulate and promote student and faculty interest in international business studies.
- 4.) To recognize outstanding scholastic achievement in the field of business studies.

The first lecture is open to everyone, but all other activities will require a Business Club membership. To inquire more about the Business Club or the lecture, contact Professor Norman Hope or Professor David O'Dell. You may also contact one of the club's officers. They are: President-Todd Rich, Vice President-Deb Garvey, Assistant Vice President-Dean Stubbs, Secretary-Joy Flora, Corres. Secretary-Annette Taylor, Historian-Caroline Konicek.

The business club members encourage all those interested in business to attend the lecture and learn more about our club and the business world.



(TIME) WARPED FOR A WEEKEND — The Sackbuts traveled to Kansas City to celebrate the culture of the Renaissance. Pictured above are Jeff Keck, Phil Hofen, Roselea Grove and Wendy Ashton. Photo, courtesy of Publicity

Computer revolution at Mac

by Dawn German

Technology is rapidly changing the speed and ease in which we do every day tasks. A constant reminder of this technical wizardry is the small home and office computer.

The computer has now revolutionized learning by aiding the students as well as the instructors. Here at McPherson College many students and professors use computers to help them do their work. A few of the professors at Mac are using the computers to keep up with attendance and grades.

Also they are doing word processing, which is in simple terms, the ability to create, edit, and print text by being able to go back and correct mistakes long after they have been made. They are even making up learning exercises to be used by students to aid in the learning process.

The students at Mac are using the computer to their advantage by taking courses offered in computer. There are a wide variety of useful things students can learn from computers. There are many tutorial learning programs printed on disks to aid in the learning of new material. There are even games used to

teach, which make learning seem more simple.

Since the use of computers is so wide spread, and the use of one can be as easy as using a typewriter, wouldn't it be advantageous for most to learn now to use the computer? Well one professor at Mac thinks so. Professor van Asselt commented, "All have a lot to learn from the use of computers, and every faculty member should have one in his or her office. And students should have ready access to them at their convenience."

Many say this is the computer age and there are many courses offered to aid the beginner who wishes to learn and understand the computer. The knowledge is there for everyone and the possibilities are endless.

Mac welcomes faculty

by Deanie Holloway

There are several new faculty members on campus this year.

Rodney Custer received his B.A. from McPherson College, his M. Div. from Bethany Seminary, his B.S. in industrial education from Fort Hays State University, and his M.S. also from Fort Hays. Custer is assistant professor of industrial education.

Mary Flagg is the assistant professor in math this fall and will teach computer science in the spring. Mary is a graduate of the University of La Verne (McPherson's sister college) and has a master's degree from Texas A-M University. Her husband, Raymond Flagg, will begin teaching here in January. He is presently teaching at East Texas Baptist College. His degrees include a B.A. from La Verne and M.S. from Texas A-M.

Instructing in English and speech will be Kevin Haddock who earned his A.G.S. at Central College, his bachelor's degree at McPherson College and is working toward his master's at Baylor University.

Although head football coach, Steve Phipps, started last spring, this is his first full year with the Bulldogs. He also works as an admissions counselor. Phipps

graduated from William Jewell College and received a master in science from Pennsylvania State University.

Also working in the admissions office as a counselor is Cindy Dell. Cindy graduated from McPherson College in 1983.

Six instructors are working part-time this year.

Jan Schroeder is the director of careers and life planning services. She is a graduate of Tabor College.

James Caldwell is instructing stringed instruments. He received a B.S. from Pittsburg State University in Pittsburg, Kan.

Elaine Farres is instructing in home economics. She is a 1983 graduate of McPherson College.

Betsy Hardinger is an instructor in the English department. She graduated from McPherson and is a graduate teaching assistant at Wichita State University.

Instructor in education is Gary Johnson who has a bachelor degree in special education from Emporia State University and a master of science from there also. He is a school psychologist at McPherson public schools.

Virginia Mininger is an instructor in music. She graduated from Goshen College and holds a master of arts from the University of Oregon.

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AMERICAN GREETINGS



ENDING THE COYOTES — DeWayne Jackson makes a hit on a Coyote runner as the Bulldogs dominate Kansas Wesleyan, 20-6.

Photo by Jan Powell

Making progress

Bulldogs defeat Kansas Wesleyan

by Kevin Burton
Let's talk progress. Almost every coach talks about it, so much so that the word has lost much of its meaning. But you can't talk about the '84 Bulldogs without talking about progress.

"We're beginning to catch on to the system," said first-year head coach Steve Phipps, after his team defeated the Kansas Wesleyan Coyotes 20-6.

The Bulldogs have come a long way in a short time on the strength of hard work and increased confidence.

"There's a lot more confidence," says Phipps. "We see the success, and it breeds more confidence, and we play more inspired ball. This time, we went at it with a little gusto."

Then Phipps adds characteristically, "We will be continuing to work hard. We will not let up. Our objective is not to sit back and rest."

You could say the Coyotes dropped this game, literally. They dropped the football nine

times, losing fumbles five times. In all, the Bulldogs were favored with six Wesleyan turnovers.

The Coyote offense looked impressive early, but the Bulldog defense rose to the occasion and stopped them on a goal line series.

Mac then drove the length of the field, with a big assist from the visitors, who committed the first of their many turnovers on a Mike Brown punt.

Randy Tucker hit Tony Tranbarger for thirty yards, setting up Robert Taylor's five-yard touchdown run. The Bulldogs never lost that lead.

K.W. has a terrific pair of runners in Steve Rivers and Terrance Phox. Neither of them made much of a dent in the proceedings, as the McPherson defense held them to just 32 yards each. Still, they might have passed their way back into the game, had they not turned the ball over.

Wesleyan fumbled inside their own ten early in the second half,

and the 'Dogs did not miss opportunity. Greg Grant scored from one yard, and with 10 showing Mac led 14-0.

As the third quarter drew to close, the Bulldogs again turned a fumble into points. Robert Taylor scored his second touchdown on a nifty seven-yard run to make the score 20-0.

The Bulldog defense played inspired ball on this Saturday and they would have had a shutout were it not for a hole in the call which gave new life to a stalled Wesleyan drive.

With 12:38 to go in the game, Steve Rivers scored from three yards out to close the score to 20-6.

Unable to run, the Coyotes turned to the air, and threatened briefly. With just over five minutes to go in the game, Bob O'Neil made an interception in the end zone, and they never closed again.

Tomorrow night the Bulldogs try to improve on their 1-2 record in a 7:30 game at Hillsdale against Tabor College.

Mac hosts Fort Hays Monday

by Brenda Blevins

The Lady Red tennis team will challenge Fort Hays in their last home meet Monday, October 8. The team participated in the Emporia Tournament Sept. 20-21. In singles Jean Rowland defeated Katie McEnany of Benedictine in the semi-finals consolation bracket. Julie Oltman defeated Diane Pluta of Bethany 6-3, 6-2 in the quarter finals and Ona Cavassa of Emporia 6-3, 6-2 in the semi-finals. Susan Joyce of Benedictine defeated Oltman in the finals competition.

Oltman and Kelly Hein defeated their opponents in singles at the Sterling meet Sept. 25. Cindy Griffis and Lisa Jarrett defeated Paula Carr and Kathy Giles 9-5.

"The girls are improving in every game and they are a great bunch to work with," said Doris Coppock, coach of the Lady Red.

In doubles, with Lisa Jarrett and Cindy Griffis, Mac defeated Bethany 6-2, 6-4 in semi-finals and also defeated Emporia in the finals. Mac advanced to the finals in consolation in No. 2 doubles. At Washburn Sept. 15, Mac had one victory in singles with Julie Oltman defeating Teresa Griffith 7-5, 6-1. Oltman had Mac's only win at the Southwestern meet in singles defeating Candy Black 6-2, 3-6, 6-4.

Runners to compete at Bethany today

by Roy Grosbach

The Emporia Invitational featured great weather (55, sunny and a slight breeze). The course at Emporia is very difficult. It includes large cracks in the ground (large enough to lose a foot in), a result of a lack of rain.

It also includes a very narrow and winding forest trail (at least one runner ran into a tree), hills, rough ground, and a drainage ditch. The District 10 meet will also be held on this course November 10.

For the men, Roy Grosbach was the only runner, finishing 34th in a field of 80, with a time of 27:39.

Tim Warren, Terry Stucky and Craig Githens did not compete. Warren and Stucky, having sore knees, and Githens with continued stomach problems.

On the women's side of the team, Deanna Koehler and Cindy Trimmer's inexperience showed on the difficult course, and with the high level of competition. Both women ran well though, considering this. Shiela Collins did not run because of achilles tendonitis.

Today the team will take part in the Bethany Invitational at the Lindsborg Country Club. This is a good course for the runner. The footing is good, and there is plenty of space to run.

For the fan, this is a very good course. Most of the race can be seen from the hill where the race is started and finished. "Country is a lot of fun to watch. I was surprised!" said Mike Ullom, who has been to several meets.

Students are greatly encouraged to come watch. Lindsborg action is the chief thing Mac has to a home meet this season. The meet is expected to be very competitive. Teams from Nebraska, Missouri and Kansas will be there.

The action begins at 4:00 today.

Equal time for Kerri . . .

What can I say about the blitzing I got last week, except that it's obvious — Kevin and the NFL are out to get me. He must have offered the Raiders his "enormous" SPEC salary to blow Sunday's game.

The way I figure it, I can only get better, right? Maybe I should see an astrologer, buy a ouija board, or sabotage Kevin's predictions, but no true blue fan of America's team would do that!
— Kerri Snell

	(last week)	Win	Loss	PCT.
Kevin	12	2	.857	
Kerri	9	5	.642	
	(overall)			
Kevin	21	7	.750	
Kerri	17	11	.607	

THIS WEEK'S PICKS

N.Y. Jets	B
Kansas City	S
Denver	S
Detroit	B
Miami	B
Pittsburgh	SB
Minnesota	B
Tampa Bay	S
New England	SB
Cleveland	SB
New Orleans	SB
Chicago	SB
Philadelphia	SB
Buffalo	SB
St. Louis	SB
Dallas	SB
Washington	SB
Indianapolis	SB
Atlanta	B
L.A. Rams	S
Houston	SB
Cincinnati	SB
San Diego	SB
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Optimism reigns despite loss

by Terri Vinson

The Mac volleyball team opened conference play on Wednesday, September 26, hosting Bethany and Bethel.

Although Mac lost (7-15 and 12-15) to Bethany, and (9-15 and 6-15) to Bethel, the contests were hard fought and coach Dan Hoffman still feels that his team will finish in the upper division of the conference.

The team was up to potential the following Saturday when they hosted Greenville, Illinois, taking them to a decisive fifth game before losing 12-15.

Team members are optimistic about this year's season. Peggy Sanders (sr., Longview, Colo.) feels that this year's team has more experience than last year's, stating "As soon as we work out some loose ends, we should be able to compete with a lot of teams."

Sandy Nichols (jr., Oberlin) reiterated her teammate's enthusiasm. "I think we're playing better each game. I felt good about Saturday's game."

Next action for the Lady Red will be today, as Mac travels to Hesston for a 11:00 game.