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Anonymous source pays for recent vandalism in Dotzour

By Dan Noyes

Spectator Staff

Residents of Dotzour Hall are finally relieved of the possibility of having to pay for damages to the dorm that occurred on Nov. 22.

An anonymous letter arrived claiming responsibility for the incident. Enclosed in the letter was

a one-hundred dollar bill for the payment of damages. Along with the letter was an apology for the actions in Dotzour.

The bathrooms and hallway mirrors were tampered with sometime during the night.

All but one of the six bathrooms were defaced in one way or another. Some of the toilet seats were completely torn off and found

scattered about the campus the following week. Other toilet seats were covered with a black, paint-like substance.

Mirrors were also marked with this substance reading "FLA," which was believed to mean "Fanny Liberation Army".

For a short time it was a mystery as to who actually committed the crime. It is certain that there were

at least two people involved in the incident. Neither of them has been revealed.

"Some of the girls were really upset about what happened," said resident director Karen Walter.

"The thing that was most frustrating was the fact that we did not know who did it for quite some time," said Walter.

"During that time we thought the money for the damages was going

to have to come from the girls instead of the culprit," added Walter.

"Another problem that was also upsetting was the cleanup process," said Walter. "Maintenance was not able to clean the toilets with their supplies which left it up to the girls to clean."

"It (black paint) was there for at least a few days," said freshman Callie Press.

News Briefs

Winter Rendezvous. Tonight is the date of the semi-formal winter dance sponsored by the Student Activities Board.

The evening will begin at 9:30 p.m. and last until 1:30 a.m. Those still wishing to attend may purchase tickets at the door at \$4 for a single person and \$6 for a couple.

The dance is semi-formal. At the dance there will be an eight foot video screen and party pictures will also be available.

Band Concert. Tonight at 8:00 p.m. music students will perform an instrumental concert in Brown Auditorium. Admission is free.

Current Events. Dr. Reyad Al-Agha, president of the College of Science and Technology in Kahan-Younis in the Gaza Strip and Mr. Hussein Elaydi, vice-president for administrative and financial affairs, were on campus yesterday. They met with various faculty to learn about the college's science and technology curriculum. Under consideration now is the possibility of establishing a student and faculty exchange program between the two institutions.

Dates to remember. The residence halls will officially close on Dec. 19 at 8 p.m. and will reopen on Jan. 5 at noon. Interterm classes will begin on Jan. 6.

Students experience challenge, thrill of directing 'An Evening of One Acts'

By Adeola Grillo

Spectator Staff

"An Evening of One Acts" was performed on Dec. 5, 6, and 7. The evening consisted of four plays all dealing with relationships, but in different ways.

The first play, "The Jealous Husband," was a comedy based on broadly humorous situations. This act was directed by Shane Kirchner, senior.

The second, "Adam and Eve's Diary," directed by Brian Kruschwitz, senior, was a performance in which the story was conveyed through the use of movements and gestures without words.

Directed by sophomore Eric Ratzloff, "Detective Story" was a stage play depending on its effect on strong, emotion-bound situations rather than character development.

The fourth play, 'A Slight Ache,' directed by junior Stephanie Stephens was based upon the philosophy that man exists in an irrational and meaningless universe in which man's life has no meaning outside his own existence.

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Brian Kruschwitz

Among the directors only Kirchner had previous experience directing plays. The plays were directed by students to give them experience in the details involved in productions.

For Kirchner, the experience was fun, yet, challenging. Kruschwitz also had the same opinion.

"People relied on me for decisions and I am not very decisive," said Kruschwitz. "I think it will make me a better actor."

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Rick Tyler

Ratzloff commented that he had to think a lot about deciding what images and feelings he wanted the show to portray.

"I learned nothing else is as important as inspecting costumes before they are presented in public," said Ratzloff.

Stephens found it time consuming and difficult, but enjoyable. "Working with really great people helped a lot," she added.

Tom Suiter, who played the part of the jealous husband commented that it was fun.

"Working with other students was enjoyable," he added.

Rudy Gallardo Jr. (Adam in Adam and Eve's Diary) had his first acting experience in this play. He thought the play was "superfluous."

"It wasn't much different from working with Rick," said Ishmael Kimbrough who played the part of Jim McLeod in Detective Story. "They (the student directors) had the same style. There was a bit more relaxation and not as much



Photo by Barry McMillan

Melia Dell and Ishmael Kimbrough play Mary and Jim McLeod in an emotionally intense moment of "Detective Story." This was one of four student directed performances.

pressure."

"It was a lot of fun with this different kind of role," said Erika Woltrich (Eve in Adam and Eve's Diary).

Rick Tyler, drama professor, was very pleased with what the student directors had done. Tyler stayed

away on purpose to make the directors come up with answers and details on their own.

"I was pleasantly surprised when I saw them perform for the first time on the Tuesday before the first performance," he said.

Summing it up

Listen, Do you hear what I hear?

Some final thoughts on this semester...Tributes should be given out to the pioneering soccer teams; to the Quadrangle staff, who are in the process of producing a fantastic yearbook; to this year's Student Council, whose commitment to the students is strong; and to all students who, in some way, contribute their energies for the betterment of themselves and the college. It is obvious that the students of McPherson College have strong beliefs, and the people who are hearing those beliefs had better listen up.

Some final thoughts on the paper...This is my last issue as editorial editor. It's difficult to be in touch with campus issues when one doesn't live on campus. In leaving the paper, I'd like to share one last experience: last week members of the

faculty commented to me on an article I had written in the last edition of the Spec. Most of the comments were positive, some being negative. Ironically though, the most positive comment came from an English professor, while the most negative comment came from a P.E. teacher who criticized my use of the English language. It is my sincere hope that the entire administration and faculty of this college will look beyond superficial flaws in the voices of student opinions, and take to heart the messages that are being communicated. There is a strong voice amongst the student body, but one has to wonder if that voice is going in one ear, and out the other.

Happy Holidays.

Ted Bray

Letter to the editor

Students must look closer at opportunities

Sitting in the Doghouse, I hear a lot of comments like: "There's nothing to do around here," or "I would have never come here if I would have known it were this boring here." They say they were deceived into coming to McPherson College. Their reasons — "I was told of the abundance of student activities," or "I was told the S.U. basement was where everyone hung out."

"StuCo and SAB put in unaccountable amounts of time planning dances, and movie and game nights. How many of you go to all of these?"

I ask how many of these students take part in the opportunities they do have. What opportunities, you say? Here are just a few activities that are not taken advantage of that I know about, and I'm not even a student here:

About 80 students showed up for the pig roast and activities during the Hawaiian luau in August. A lot of work went into this, not to mention money. I know of the efforts of Leann Johnson, and other StuCo members.

Now let's discuss the football homecoming. Sure, a lot of the students came to the picnic at Lakeside Park, but only about a dozen people stayed for the games and events afterwards. I'm

sure Gwen McClenton had other things she could have been doing. A lot of planning went into this too.

The Student Union comes to mind now. Sure, it's used during meal times, but is it really a "student union"? StuCo and SAB have put in unaccountable amounts of time planning dances and movie and game nights. How many of you go to all of these? I hear students complain about not having the Doghouse open at night and on the weekends. Have they ever asked themselves why? Well, Richard and I decided to give it a try. I opened the Doghouse three nights a week for two weeks. During that time we made \$8 in sales. The last three nights not a single person came into the S.U. basement.

SAB spends hard-earned money on pool and ping pong equipment. The equipment is abused and misused, not to mention purposely ruined. After listening to students whine about the lack of good equipment, someone has to pay to replace or repair the dilapidated equipment on hand. Students also moan about the shape the S.U. television is in. How often do they notice MTV is blaring, with no one watching? Do they turn it off? No. It's amazing what turning off the TV would do for its life span.

Now to ponder the sports and other activities on campus. How many students here can honestly say that they support the teams whole heartedly? I have probably been to as many games as some of you, and I haven't been to many. Those of you who have been complaining about the win-

loss ratio, how many soccer games did you attend? How about girls sports like tennis, golf or track? Did you attend those events either? If these teams were given the support and respect they have earned, I believe the scores would show it.

"How many students here can honestly say they support the teams whole-heartedly?"

The same goes for music and drama productions. These groups don't get the acknowledgement they so richly deserve. Do you realize the countless hours put into designing and making the sets? When was the last time you took a walk through Friendship Hall and took a real interest in the amazing art work on display? Most of it is of a level of pieces in the finer art galleries.

Next time you are "bored," ask yourself if there is a girls basketball game, an intramural game, or maybe a concert or recital. There should be no reason for anyone saying they were deceived. There is almost always something exciting or maybe even culturally broadening to do on campus. Who knows, you might even enjoy yourself. These are supposed to be the things college memories are made of. What are your memories going to be — how many tiles are on your dorm room floor?

Sincerely,
Carol Sabatos

Letter to the editor

Mr. O'Dell solidifies position

This article is not only in reply to Brad Watson's article in the last Spectator, but also to further clarify my frame of reference, to question, and to initiate other social issue topics. Mr. Watson has inferred that I might be considered a zealot for Christ. In seeking truth many years ago as a junior at McPherson College, I chose to accept Christ as truth. The Bible has become a basis for my beliefs. Through many years of growing as a Christian, I have formed many opinions after much study and prayer. These opinions have become the essence of me.

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Since my editorial letter in the Spectator, I have had two or three professors/students who agree with me relating to "pro-life." Now, I assume many others are not "pro-life," but "pro-choice." I mistakenly thought that more discussion would occur. Each person has decided how we believe concerning this issue. I wonder: What is the Biblical support for "pro-choice?" What is the policy regarding abortion counseling and advice that students at McPherson College receive? What is the stance of the Church of the Brethren concerning abortion?

I wanted to raise the issue not for "heated" debate, but to let someone know that at least one professor agreed with Emmanuel Samci. Also, I supported my beliefs with a medical doctor's quotes and Biblical scripture references.

Abortion is only one area of bioethics. Other areas include birth control, active euthanasia, passive euthanasia, behavior control, (or the alteration of a person's behavior artificially by mind distorting drugs such as marijuana, L.S.D., electrodes in the brain, etc.), and scarce medical resources.

Other social issues that should be addressed could be suicide, capital punishment, AIDS, etc. The list could be extended indefinitely. As a reasonable community we should study and learn about these issues. Perhaps the convo committee could have speakers debate the pros and cons from each issue from a Christian context.

Relating to Brad Watson's reference to the "antichrist," I offer one observation. Love, life, holiness, forgiveness, and other fruits of the Holy Spirit can only come from God, Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit. The "antichrist" is of satan. Only evil comes from satan.

David O'Dell

Letter to the editor

Public forum on athletic issue set by Student Council

The Student Council has been paying close attention to the editorials written on the subject of athletics.

The Council values student opinion, and in response has called a public forum for Jan. 9, 1992. The topic of discussion will be concerns with the athletic

programs at McPherson College. All students are encouraged to attend, as well as college administration and faculty.

Watch for posters detailing this meeting when you get back from Christmas break.

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Letter to the editor

Student says college is the time to really express yourself

What is your "justification for higher education?" In an article in a previous edition of the Spectator, someone mentioned the "purpose" of college.

I had to speculate on that one. I am one of those who doesn't want to walk down the pathway of life and rear back and look down upon my life with regret. So what about this college experience deal?

A lot of colorful, dramatic events have been occurring on college campuses nation-wide. From students speaking out on behalf the people against government, to students aggressively debating mere words and racial issues. Did you hear about the

K.U. student body president? (It builds character.) Or about how U.S. historians haven't been quite tactful in reporting "U.S. history" (Time Magazine, "Is Cleopatra Back?"). How about the issues on date rape or spouse abuse? (Is William Kennedy Smith a criminal or a victim?) Remember, a spouse is being abused every fifteen minutes. And of course, we can't forget the "immorality" of drugs, promiscuity, homosexuality, and Clarence Thomas' favorite, harassment! Oh yes, and the little David Dukes running around some campuses — come on guys, give the man a break, he's changed — he has?

So with all these juicy, burning

issues, what is the college experience all about? (That is after you rule out money for some people, probably most people.) I personally feel that the college experience and purpose is about expression. "Express yourself! (Thank you, Madonna!) It's about willing to look stupid and different. It's about being a toddler once again — taking those few shaky steps and falling, probably gashing your face or chipping a tooth. It's about an environment that allows you to be inquisitive and curious, like Curious George. A setting that allows you to make mistakes, and to learn from those mistakes. A place where you are not too shel-

tered or too molded, but rather, are given alternatives and discretion in making positive decisions. Yes, it's a time one should not be bashful to express both "politically correct" and "politically incorrect" views. It's about rocking the boat a little bit. In the words of Thomas Jefferson, "I hold that a little rebellion, now and then, is a good thing."

Students should and will express themselves. Administrators should not and will not snuff out or disregard student expressions. We're in this dingy together, so we might as well row together. EXPRESS YOURSELF!

Emmanuel Samci

Letter to the editor

Senior speaks out on college education

Mr. Rothrock, I don't believe that Mr. Pendleton's letter was read carefully when you wrote your response. Nowhere in Mr. Pendleton's letter is the quality of education on this campus questioned. What was stated in his letter was that this college is guilty of misrepresentation by promising athletic recruits that they would be able to play on a competitive team in a competitive conference. Instead, when the athlete arrives on campus, they are subjected to poorly funded athletic programs, poor training and equipment facilities, and an administration who seems to "forget" the athlete once the tuition bill has been paid. In addition to this, the athlete soon learns that other similar sized schools in the ACCK pay substantially higher scholarships to athletes to do the exact same things they are recruited to do at this college.

Mr. Rothrock, I feel that the real purpose of a college education is learning how to communicate and deal effectively with people in a group situation. This can not be learned sitting in a classroom listening to a professor lecture day after day. Although a classroom education is also important, it alone can not prepare a persons to deal effectively in everyday situations. Athletics are excellent ways in which these needed skills can be learned. By not supporting these athletes, we are depriving many students of a wonderful education experience they can carry with them past the graduation ceremony in May

Julie Gillaspie
Senior Class President

Letter to the editor

Concerned student directs letter to college administration

I am writing this letter to you in concern with Jason Pendleton's article. I want to start right off and say that I fully stand by Mr. Pendleton's view on this subject.

"I don't understand why it has to take a public editorial . . . to be heard."

I would also add that I believe strongly in the McPherson College goal of academic achievement. But let's not cloud the issue with academics. The problem is lack of administrative support. Through my three years at McPherson College, I have heard this subject come up every year. It has been brought before the trustees, but still nothing seems to change. I don't understand why it has to take a public editorial to be given the opportunity to be heard. That in itself is a problem.

We are now being asked what is meant by being given no support.

There are four areas that a group of student athletes would like to discuss: 1. Below standard weight facilities; 2. Outdated training room; 3. No support at events; 4. Scholarships.

What is wrong with the weight room? First of all, it is not a weight room. It is a racquetball court with below standard equipment tossed in. That is until football is over; then some of the equipment is moved over into the men's locker room. A weight room should never be moved. This brings up an interesting point. During football season the weight room can SAFELY be used by ten people. It is extremely cramped and unsafe. That fact alone should be a concern of the administration. Students should always be provided with a safe environment. What's wrong with the equipment? As far as equipment goes, it is not up to standards. I would write more about the equipment, but I would need much more space to explain. Finally, if we are to compete in a conference with teams whose

weight facilities greatly exceed ours, then the chances of our competitiveness is decreased and an increase in injuries is a greater possibility.

The training room is also outdated. There is no certified trainer on hand at anytime during any game unless the other team brings theirs. We do have one ultra sound machine; however, if it worked no one would know how to use it. The training room does have its good points. We do have two good whirlpools and two good stationary bikes and good volunteers to do tape jobs. But without a trainer, they will never be properly used.

Granted, there are a few administrators who do show an interest in the events. I say events because I believe that it is happening to other campus organizations other than athletics. And this support is greatly appreciated. But it can get better. These people are doing this for the school as well as for themselves.

Scholarships are the last issue. It's no secret that tuition has in-

creased every year for the last six years and that scholarships haven't. People would play here for nothing if there was a supported athletic program. But the fact is that the students want

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something back from the school for their efforts and dedication, and they aren't seeing it anywhere else.

These ideas are written by one person but are shared by many concerned others. Things need to start happening. I hope that some of these ideas are looked at and not passed on like ideas in the past. The time are changing and whether you like it or not, this campus needs to consider a few alterations to meet those changes.

Harold L. Chaney

Letter to the editor

Campus employer voices his support for international worker and friend

Food service surveys were given out recently. Some very disturbing comments were found. No, this isn't an article defending the quality of food or service in the cafeteria, although I think one should be written.

How many of you actually know Samuel Dali? Do you know the circumstances that brought him to McPherson College? Are you aware that he left five children, one of which was two weeks old when Samuel came to this country? How about his wife? Do you think he wanted to leave her for three years? How many of you would sacrifice this

much for the betterment of other people?

If you went to Nigeria, would you be able to immediately conform to their customs? I think not, and I don't think it would be expected of you, though many of you expect this of Samuel and other international students here. Some very rude comments were made on the food surveys concerning this. Try putting yourself in Samuel's shoes.

Can you speak Nigerian as well as he speaks English? Have you ever tried to learn all of the different pronunciations for food items in a different country, or

tried to get your body used to a totally different menu? Many international students experience stomach distress shortly after coming to the United States because of the tremendous change of diet.

How would you feel if you didn't see your parents, girlfriends/boyfriends, or children for three years? Many of you can't even make it alone for a month without going home or calling your parents. The international students don't see their families for years at a time. Would you do this for others? Would you even sacrifice this

much for yourself?

Samuel works in the cafeteria five to six days a week to earn money for the bare necessities he needs here. He sends a large portion of his small paycheck home to his wife and family. He does the best job he knows how. This is more than I can say for many of the American work study students I have seen come and go in this cafeteria. He does his work without a single word of complaint or disrespect. Could you do that in his country?

The next time you see Samuel or any other international student, why don't you welcome them to

this country? Get to know them, instead of making condescending statements. Maybe you might learn something about them besides the fact that they were not born in the U.S.A. Why should their birth place be the deciding factor for like or dislike of a person?

Samuel is a teacher at the bible college in his community. Why don't you let him teach you the meaning of the golden rule: Do unto others as you would have them do unto you.

Sincerely,
Richard Sabatos

Friendships and busy schedules to blame for less participation?

By Dan Noyes
Spectator Staff

Back in the month of September many people were anxiously awaiting the beginning of yet another school year. Many students looked favorably upon the hustling and bustling of meeting new people and sharing summer-time stories with old friends. For these first few weeks of school the Student Activities Board planned a number of different events to kick off the year.

Junior and president of SAB, Kristi McReynolds said, "I think we had the best start of any school year that I have been here." The formation of Students in Brotherhood was planned, attendance was high for the first few football games, and the luau at Lake Wassy was a big success. It seems now that the school year is in full swing the participation at some of these events has dropped off. "The last time we had a bowling night the number of people that

showed up was significantly lower than the first one," said McReynolds. "I think what we are experiencing this year is a type of pattern," said McReynolds. "I think every school year starts strong and gradually declines as far as participation is concerned. "I expected all of this to happen once students started classes and made more friends," McReynolds added. Freshman Nate Brubaker said, "At the first of the year no one

really knows each other and the activities are depended on by students. Once people begin to make friends the activities are ignored." Sophomore Chris Rundell said, "There is a great deal of excitement at the beginning of the year, but it seems that nobody carries out their intentions." "I think the different clubs and organizations are not publicized enough," said sophomore Bob Frankmore. "Signs are always posted in the windows, but that is not enough.

Active members of these clubs need to be more aggressive when it comes to gaining the interest of other students," added Frankmore. The next entertainment planned by SAB will be during interterm. A man will be performing country and western music during the dinner hour. If anyone has any suggestions or ideas for the new semester please attend the next SAB meeting and bring them up for discussion on Thursday, Dec. 19 at 10 a.m.

Alumni Office recruits students to call for February phonathon

By Melissa Holderreed
Editor-in-chief

Not all students are aware how McPherson College keeps going and pays its bills. On the average, a student's tuition pays only 42% of the cost of their education. Have you ever wondered where the other 58% comes from?

Students get paid by the hour when working the phonathon, but get far more out of the experience than only money. Senior Dee Ann German has worked on the phonathon two years and said, "It's a great experience. It's fun. You get to talk to all sorts of people."

Junior Ron Engler agreed. He said, "It was fun. You get to talk to some interesting people and hear some interesting things."

"It's really great when you call up and there's a party going on. It isn't so great to talk to people who are ailing. You really sympathize with them."

Senior Donnella Merkey also thought there were fun parts and not so easy parts.

"I'm not sure if I want to do it again or not," she said. "It was a good experience. Sometimes it was hard to call and ask for money."

"It was fun to talk to the alumni, though. Most were really enthusiastic about the college and their memories of McPherson."

Well it comes from many places, but one very important group of contributors is McPherson College alumni and friends.

Each spring semester there is a phonathon. Students now attending McPherson College are recruited by the Alumni Office to contact people and ask for their contributions.

Bruce Clary, director of publicity and associate director of development, who headed up this big fund raiser last year said that, "The students do a good job and their success is our success. Although the figures may not exactly show it, last year we got the best results ever."

Sophomores Tahnee Carlson, Myron Stine, and Janey Shafer called alumni and friends of the college on the 1991 phonathon. The Alumni Office is again recruiting students to help out with this year's phonathon in February.

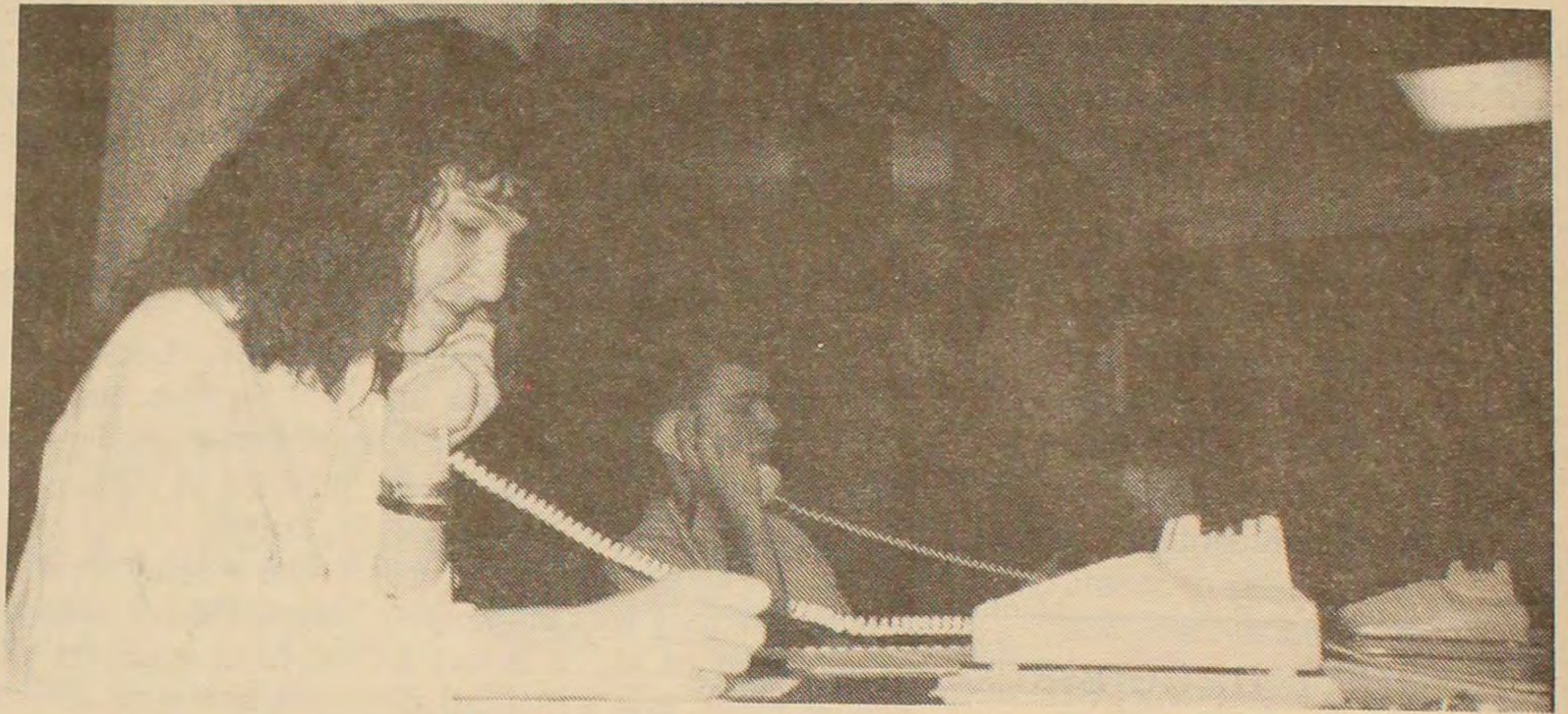


Photo by Barry McMillan

This year Sandra Eisele, coordinator of alumni services and community relations, will be organizing the phonathon.

She would like to encourage student participation.

"The purpose, as I see it, is not just to call and ask for money, but to contact people and enhance public relations.

"I think it is a good experience for students because it gives them telemarketing and public relation skills, as well as increasing their involvement in keeping this college going."

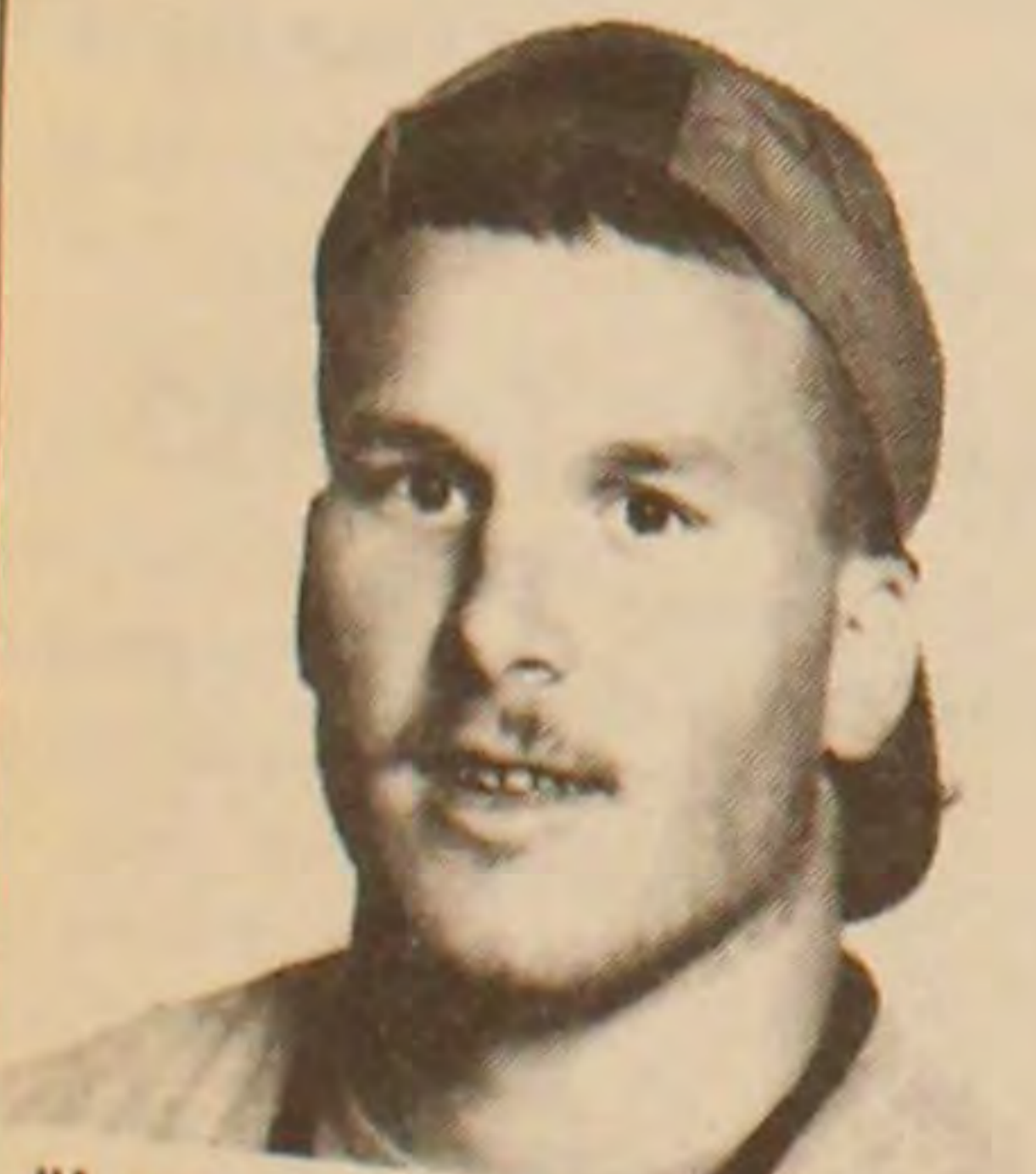
Clary added to this by saying, "It gives students a better understanding of where the money actually comes from, and of the

generosity of persons who care. "It is a good lesson in charity," he continued.

The phonathon will begin Feb. 22, and student applications should be in by Jan. 21.

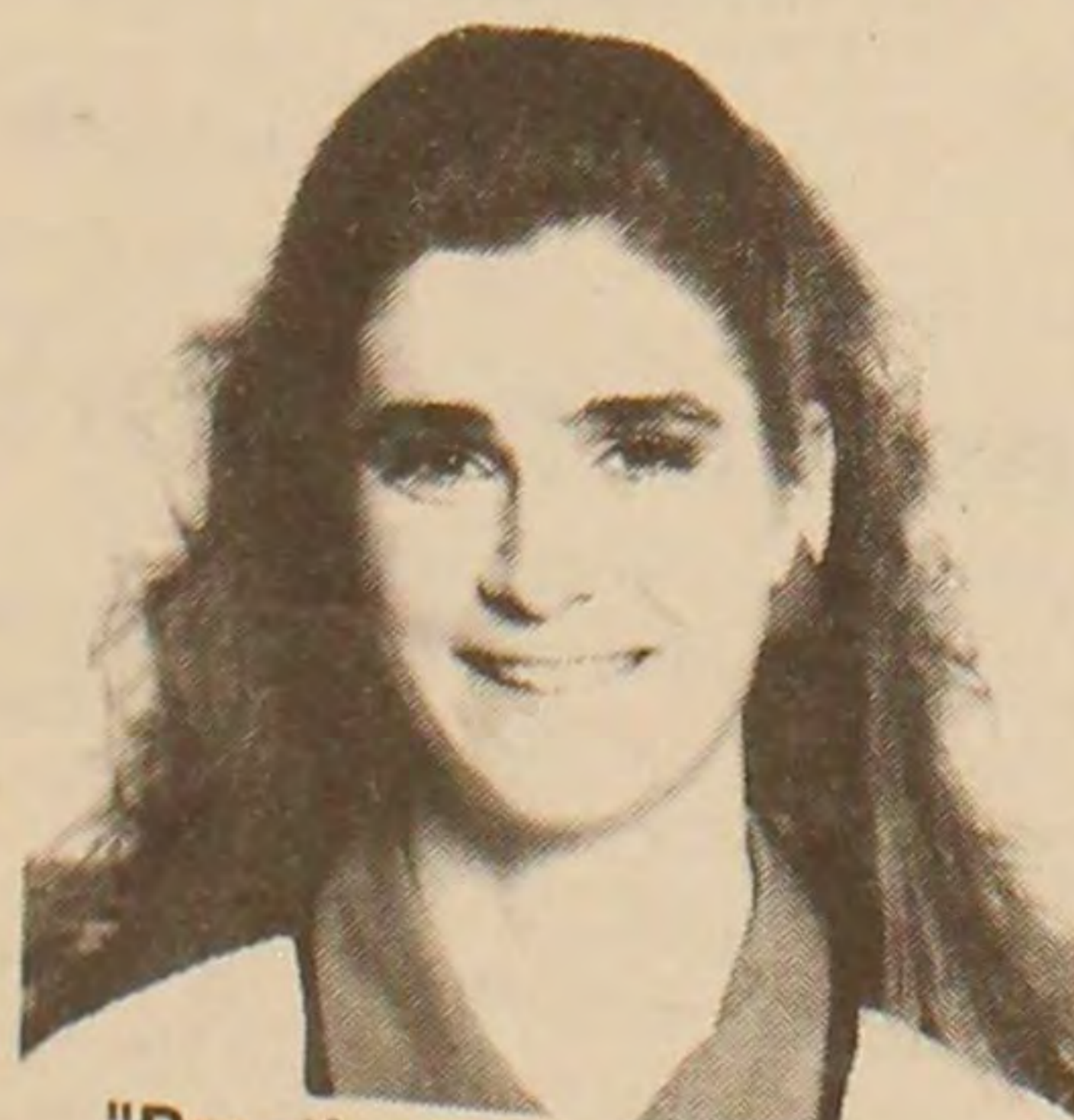
Students are encouraged to participate and gain a valuable college experience.

Where is the line to be drawn between a good practical joke and destructive behavior?



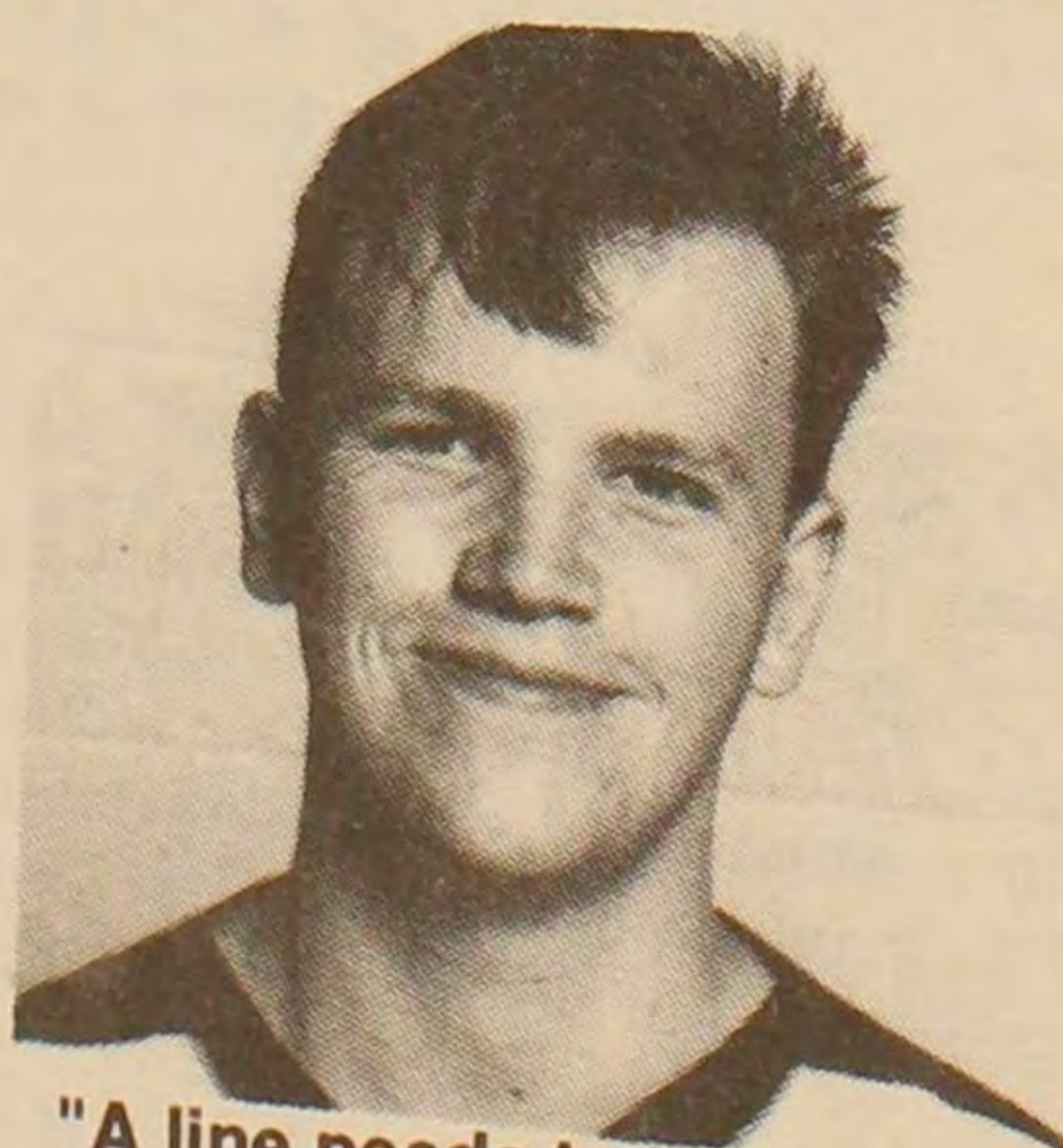
"I guess when it comes to the point where someone is doing physical damage or mental damage to someone else or to property, it is no longer a good practical joke, but destructive behavior."

Terry Bruton



"Practical jokes are good when they don't physically or emotionally hurt an individual or property. When doing practical jokes, you need to always take into consideration the feelings of others."

Anne Kletchka



"A line needs to be drawn when individual's feelings are suppressed and destruction occurs. Also if property is severely damaged and can't be replaced without monetary funds."

Jamey Gentry



"It is a good practical joke when both parties can sit down afterwards and laugh about it. It becomes destructive when it creates an inconvenience or someone or something gets hurt."

Merrin Godfrey



"I feel that one of the key things when determining if it's a practical joke or destructive behavior is the intention. If the intention is not to destroy, then it is still serious, but not a life and death situation."

Raché Schmalzried

Fasting gives students opportunity to aid those in need

By Heather Williams
Spectator Staff

Starvation: What is it? In this country most Americans are unaware of the actual feeling of being hungry. The expression, "I'm starved" is definitely used way too often.

Ox-Fam America is a national fast to fight world hunger that stu-

dents from Mac were invited to participate in.

Paula Worley, one of the organizers of the Ox-Fam fast, comments, "I did fast and I feel it's good to fast and actually have the feeling of being hungry. This wakes us up and makes us realize what these people feel everyday."

The largest difference between the hungry and the people who par-

ticipated in the fast at McPherson is that the students know that they will be eating again within days or hours.

Students are even able to go out and eat during the fast, just as long as they don't eat in the cafeteria.

Other students who participated see the fast as a way to help others in need.

Anita Huber, a participant in the

fast, says, "The choice was all ours. We all skip meals here and there. Why not skip and share them with someone?"

The principle of helping someone in need gives a great feeling. With this function, an awareness is found in being conscious of what is happening in the world around us.

If you weren't involved in the

fast this year, then consider giving up a few meals next year for the good of someone else in need.

The money earned by the fast will go directly to Ox-Fam America to be used in ways to feed the hungry.

"It is always nice to know that you are helping for the sake of others that are less fortunate," comments freshman Patricia Triana.

Foreign students plan for holidays

By Adeola Grillo
Spectator Staff

The Christmas break will soon be here and a lot of students are getting ready to go home. Few international students, on the other hand, will be spending the break at home. Here are the plans of some of the international students.

Freshman Yolanda Santiago, Puerto Rico, will be staying with her grandmother in Manchester, In. She wishes she could go home, but going home is expensive. Ellen Ho, Taiwan, will be spending her break with Santiago.

Tomoko Matsushima, Japan, will be going to Philadelphia to stay with her former English professors. She intends to enjoy the American Christmas as this is going to be her first Christmas in the United States.

Junior Emmanuel Samci, Nigeria, will be staying in McPherson during the break and intends to work and read. "I will lead a simple life, and have time to reflect on my past, present, future, and all of humanity," he commented.

Junior Maria Rivera Tolo, Spain, intends to stay with a friend in McPherson. She originally intended to go home, but changed her mind because of the short duration of the break.

Jasmine Chen, Taiwan, will be going to California with Regina Tsai, also from Taiwan. They plan to visit Disneyland.

Peggy Chien, Taiwan, will be going home for the break and will not be coming back to McPherson. She is happy about going home, but also sad because she will be leaving her friends.

"I'll miss McPherson and all my friends," she said. However, she will come back to the United States in January and will be going to school in California.

Guy Brown, England, will also be going home and will not be coming back.

For him, staying in the United States has been a good experience. He is excited about going home and seeing his family and friends.

"I thank everyone for being friendly and making my stay an enjoyable one," he concluded.

"I will miss McPherson and all my friends."
Peggy Chien

Junior Yoko Shintani, Japan, will be staying with her host family in McPherson. She intends to spend the break resting. Nobuko Katayama will also stay with the same family. During the break, she intends to make cookies, go to Christmas parties, and learn how to make country crafts.

Senior Jorge Fiz, Spain, will be going to Washington D.C for the break. He will be staying with an American family, and he is particularly interested in knowing about the traditional American Christmas.

He got acquainted with his host family through the Christmas International House, which is a program that places International students with American families during Christmas.

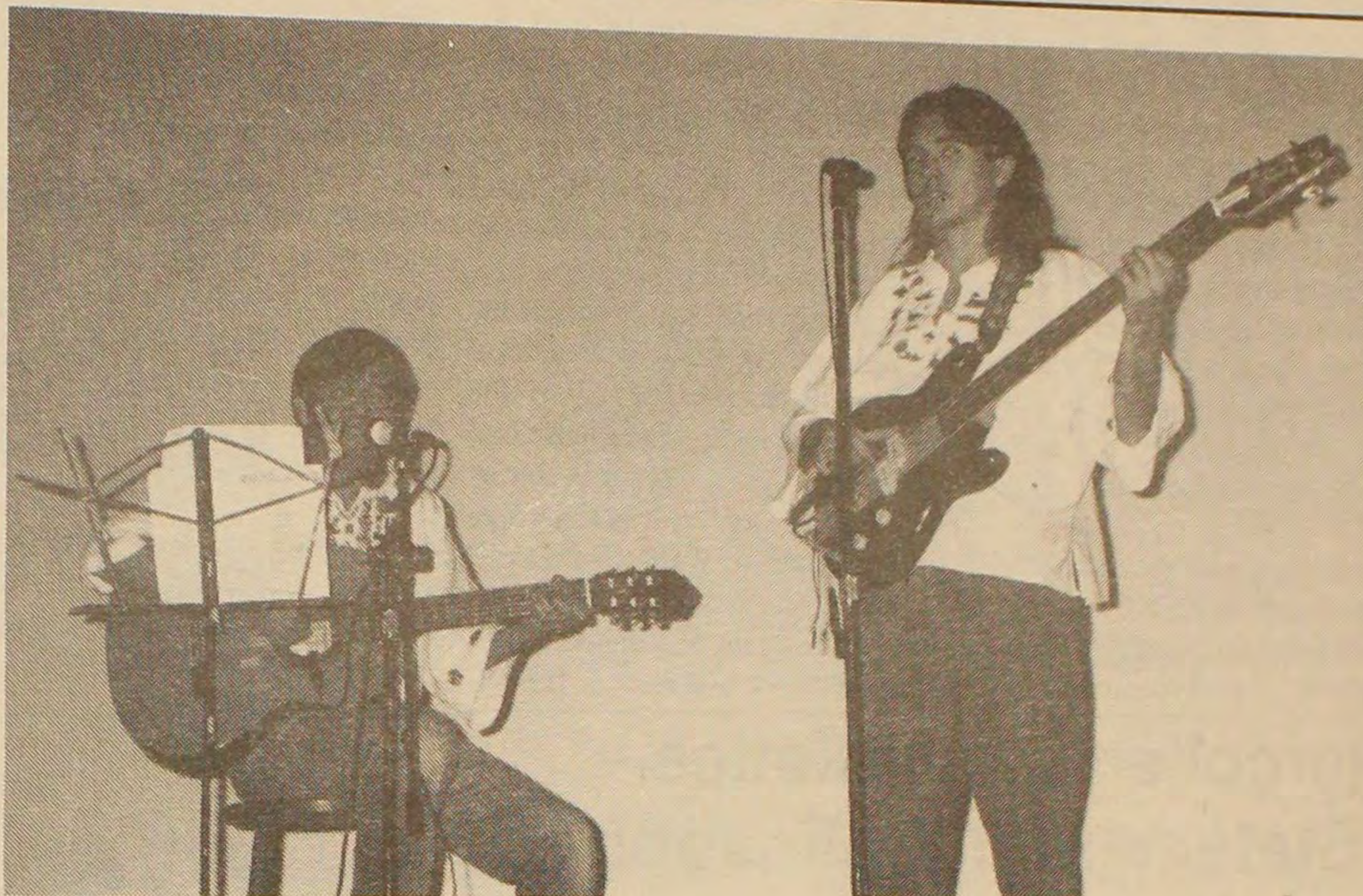


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People from the group, Building with the Voiceless of El Salvador (BVES), performed a concert at Convocations in November. The group is a non-profit organization that promotes disarmament and democracy in El Salvador. They entertained with songs concerning problems in their country in order to increase awareness all over the world.

Students discover huge poverty situation in Chicago

By Christy Eller
Spectator Staff

Some people spend their entire lives working with poor and homeless people in Chicago and other cities around the United States.

Over Thanksgiving, ten McPherson College students had this opportunity. On Nov. 28-30, they traveled to Chicago for a Young Adult Conference.

It was a Church of the Brethren conference, and there were over 135 young adults there from all over the United States, in addition

to a group from Central America in attendance.

The activities included worship, workshops, work projects, and some free time.

There were many different topics that were discussed during the workshops including urban ministry, peacemaking, religion and poverty, AIDS and minorities.

On Friday, Nov. 24, different groups traveled to work projects around the city. The groups did things like serving meals to homeless people, cleaning shelters, talking with the homeless and playing

with children.

The conference ended on Saturday afternoon but there was an opportunity for students to stay on Saturday night instead of leave.

For those that did stay, there was a wide variety of things to do ranging from plays to the Sears tower or a Grateful Dead concert, depending upon interests.

The people who went to the conference had a good time overall and a lot of new friendships were made along with some learning about the city and it's homeless situation.

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Bulldogs tied for first going into the Tabor game

By Brent W. Zamora
Sports Information Director

All coach Roger Trimmell wants for Christmas is a win over Tabor in Hillsboro Saturday night.

A victory over the Blue Jays would send his Bulldogs, picked seventh in the pre-season KCAC poll, into Christmas break with a 4-0 KCAC mark and a 6-3 overall record.

The Bulldogs began their rise to the top with an impressive 95-69 win over intra-county rival Bethany as sharpshooters Chris Starks and Robb Collins filled it up for 20 points apiece.

Mac utilized its team strengths against the outmatched Swedes who seemed content to sit back in a zone as the Dogs rained trey after trey from behind the three point arc.

James Nelson, perhaps one of the shortest centers in KCAC history, proved to be one of the most effective as the 6'3" sophomore had 15

points against the much taller Bethany defenders. Freshman Jonathan Coachman cashed in 10 points in his first league contest and Darren Crumrine enjoyed perhaps his finest game in a Bulldog uniform as he had nine points and seven assists.

On Saturday Dec. 7, the Bulldogs held their home opener against the St. Mary's of the Plains Cavaliers. The Bulldogs eliminated St. Mary's from playoff contention a year ago and the Cavaliers came in hungry for revenge. When scoring leaders Starks and Collins got in early foul trouble, it looked like the Cavaliers were in good shape.

Enter the Bulldog bench. Mac got outstanding play from several Bulldog performers to keep the game close. Senior Ted Busse had nine points in just three minutes of work to help key the attack. Defensive specialist Willie Marshall picked up the team on the defensive side while Coachman and James Harris combined for 10

points in limited action. That lift was all the Dogs needed as they took over in the second half.

Nelson again had 15 points and Collins hit eight straight clutch free throws to finish with 15 as well. Starks closed out the game with 11 including a key three-pointer late in the game.

The Bulldogs entered Wednesday's game with Ottawa tied for first with the Braves and Sterling. It proved to be a tough road test.

Collins was hampered by an in-

jured arch and it wasn't known how much he could play if at all.

That left the defensive responsibilities to the athletic Marshall, who was responsible for shutting down Braves scoring leader Rodney White. Marshall, celebrating a birthday Wednesday, blanketed White all night holding him to just four points.

Nelson was nearly unstoppable inside scoring 19 points and pulling down 11 boards. Collins, slowed by the injury but spurred on by heart, played well for Coach

Trimmell knocking down 13 points including three treys. Starks again had 11 and played strong defense.

Mac also got big games from Andy Tanking with seven and Brian Holloway had six and as many rebounds. Daniel Johns, who scored four points, also was a force on the boards.

The Bulldogs tip-off against Tabor at 8 p.m. Saturday in Hillsboro.

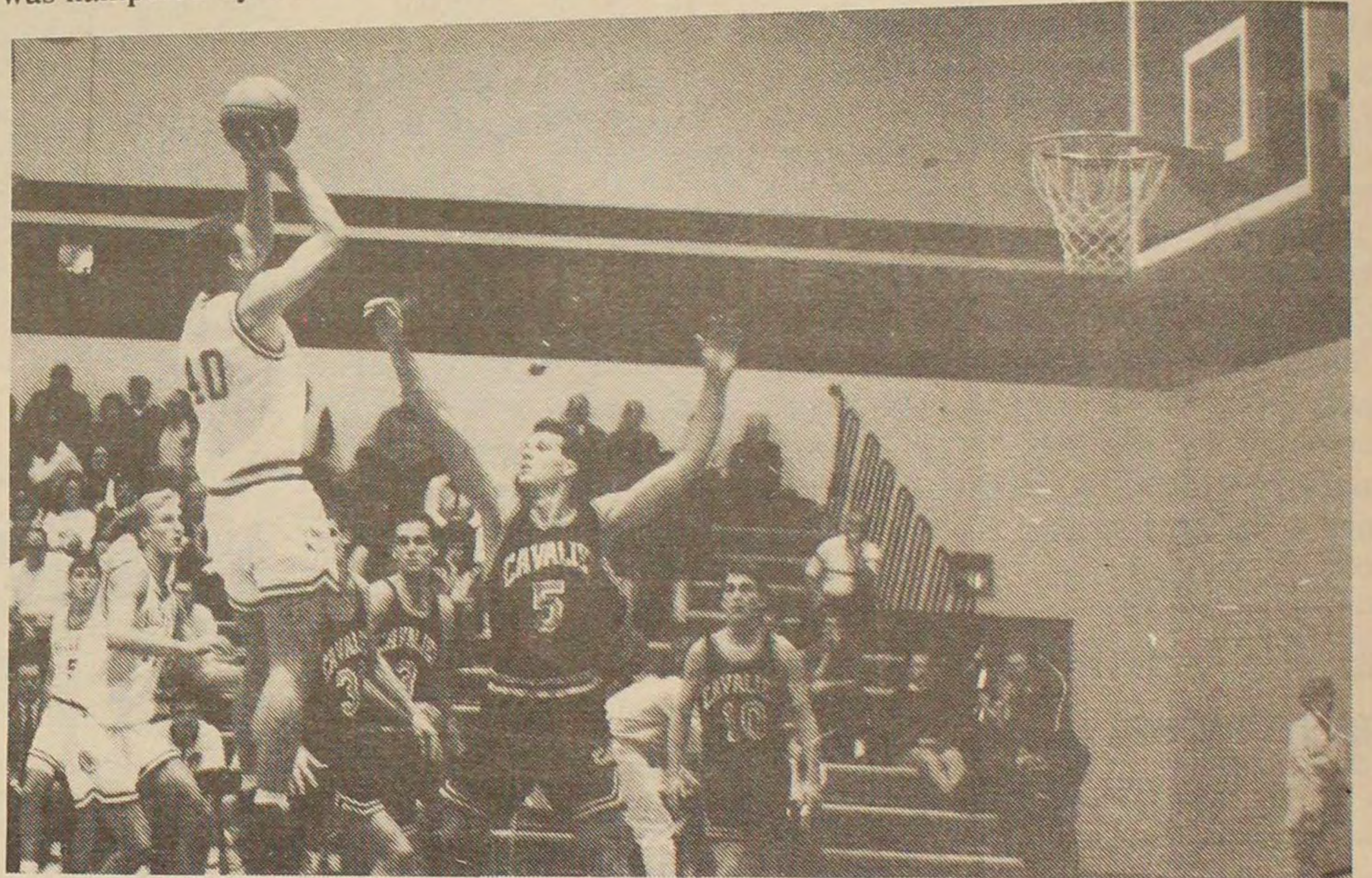


Photo by Scott Bowman

James Nelson, a 6'3" center for the Bulldogs, goes up strong with his patented jumpshot for two of his 15 points against St. Mary's. McPherson won the game and is tied for first with Sterling in KCAC play.

Intercollegiate Athletics-- A Statement of Philosophy

This statement of philosophy, along with the college's statement of mission and the appropriate faculty committee and the president, provide the context and direction for intercollegiate athletics.

The Intercollegiate Athletic Statement of Philosophy at McPherson College is as follows:

It is our intention that the intercollegiate athletic program at McPherson College be an integral part of the total educational program and be subject to the faculty and president in all aspects. The primary governing principle in the area of athletics, as in every area of campus and educational life, is the Mission Statement of the College.

Through athletic activity, student athletes find one more avenue to experience and understand themselves, their fellow students, and the world in which they live. Athletics help foster campus community, develop the individual potential of each student participant, and provide disciplined channels for appropriately expressing oneself within the community. The college seeks to maintain equity between male and female athletes and programs, as well as a balance between athletics and other facets of college life.

In the act of competition, the emphasis is on commitment, cooperation, contribution, high achievement, understanding, and control and mastery of self. As an institution which attempts to respond to the needs of a pluralist society, athletics provide another avenue for achievement, discipline, and structure for students. In all things, it is the goal of McPherson College to develop an understanding of life in a wholistic, healthful, and integrated manner.

(Approved, Fall 1987) (Revised, Fall 1990)

Letter to the Sports Editor

Student voices opinion on the quality of McPherson College athletics

I am writing to the Spectator to voice my opinion on the campus-wide question: What is wrong with McPherson College athletics?

I recently went to a barber shop where I heard a joke. A ten year old boy was in a custody battle and the judge asked him whether he wanted to live with his mother or father to which the boy responded, "Neither, because they beat me. I want to live with Mac College athletics because they don't beat anyone."

This is not only a campus problem, but a community problem. A problem to be embarrassed about.

I would think our administration would want a quality athletic program to go along with the quality education, and overall quality of this fine institution. But, I guess athletics is so far from the minds of our administration that they forget about quality.

Recently, I was reading a book by Joe Paterno, head football coach at Penn State University. Here is a paragraph from that book.

"I would think our administration would want a quality athletic program to go along with the quality education, and overall quality of this fine institution."

"I believe that sports are not merely entertainment, but are rooted in necessities and aspirations of the human spirit. They provide an ennobling quality, a joy, that can lift us out of our own lives and put us in touch with the highest

standards of excellence. They can inspire us to stretch our bodies and our spirits. Sports must be treated with all the intelligence and care and love that the human spirit can bring to bear. Sports at their heart are a special kind of reality, a spiritual activity, a kind of naturalistic religion, a tribute to grace and beauty and excellence. Sports help the athlete and spectator alike to keep the streams of the spirit running clean and strong."

It is my belief that McPherson College either needs to commit to excellence in the athletic program, like they do in all other aspects of the college experience, or drop the program all together. But please, I beg of you, do not let things go on at this glorified intramural level.

Jon Andrews



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Lady Bulldogs look to get back on track against Tabor

Glenn Gayer
Guest Writer

The lady Bulldogs close out the pre-Christmas schedule Saturday at Tabor. Tabor is one of the co-leaders of the KCAC race and is ranked in the top twelve of the NAIA division II. After a 3-2 beginning, the women have lost four consecutive games. Saturday's game is very important for the Bulldogs as they attempt to get back in the win column and stay in position for a playoff position.

The lady Bulldogs placed four players in double figures in a victory over Mid America Nazarene before their losing skid. Michelle Wondra led the way with 16 points. Also in double figures were Tammy Bunk with 12, Roxy Hofer with 11 and Trudy Case poured in 10. Case and Camille Base were the top rebounders with six apiece. The final score was 70-52.

After the Thanksgiving break the Bulldogs were involved in a 94-91 loss to Kansas Newman in Wichita. Newman's three pointers were the difference in the game as the Lady Jets scored 11 to McPherson's four. Roxy Hofer

scored a career high 20 points with Bunk and Wondra scoring 19. Case added 16 and pulled down nine boards. They played a good game against a full-court press and gained valuable experience in handling the ball.

In the KCAC opener McPherson lost a heart-breaker to Bethany 57-53. The Bulldogs had won three of the last four contests over the Swedes but came up short. They did have a pair of chances to tie the game or even take the lead in the final 30 seconds, but failed. Wondra was the only player in double figures with 17 and Hofer had six rebounds.

Against the lady Saints, the inside trio of Hofer, Wondra, and Case was held to a combined 22 points as McPherson dropped the decision 69-55. Bunk led the way with 19 and Karla Van Donge played her best game of the year as she added 12. St. Mary's led by 14 with 2:17 to go, but Mac never quit, scoring seven points in just over a minute to slice the lead in half. The lady Saints pulled away to win by a deceiving margin. Case had 10 rebounds.

The lady Bulldogs were never in

the Ottawa game as the Braves jumped out to an 8-0 lead and never looked back. Mac was never able to get untracked and trailed 41-21 at half. Ottawa totally dominated play as they out shot, out rebounded, and out played the Bulldogs. Case led the way with 17 and Wondra followed with 15. Bunk added 10. The Bulldogs lost the services of Cindy Ewy as she went down with a knee injury. Cindy has provided depth on the bench and played a key role.

Coach Glenn Gayer is not satisfied with the progress of the team and the standings. "The women must improve and play more consistently on both ends of the floor. The lack of offense, defense, and rebounding has made the difference in several of our games won or lost," stated Gayer.

"I have been happy with the overall attitude of the team and appreciate their hard work and willingness to work harder," added Coach Gayer.

Game time Saturday is 6 p.m. at Hillsboro.

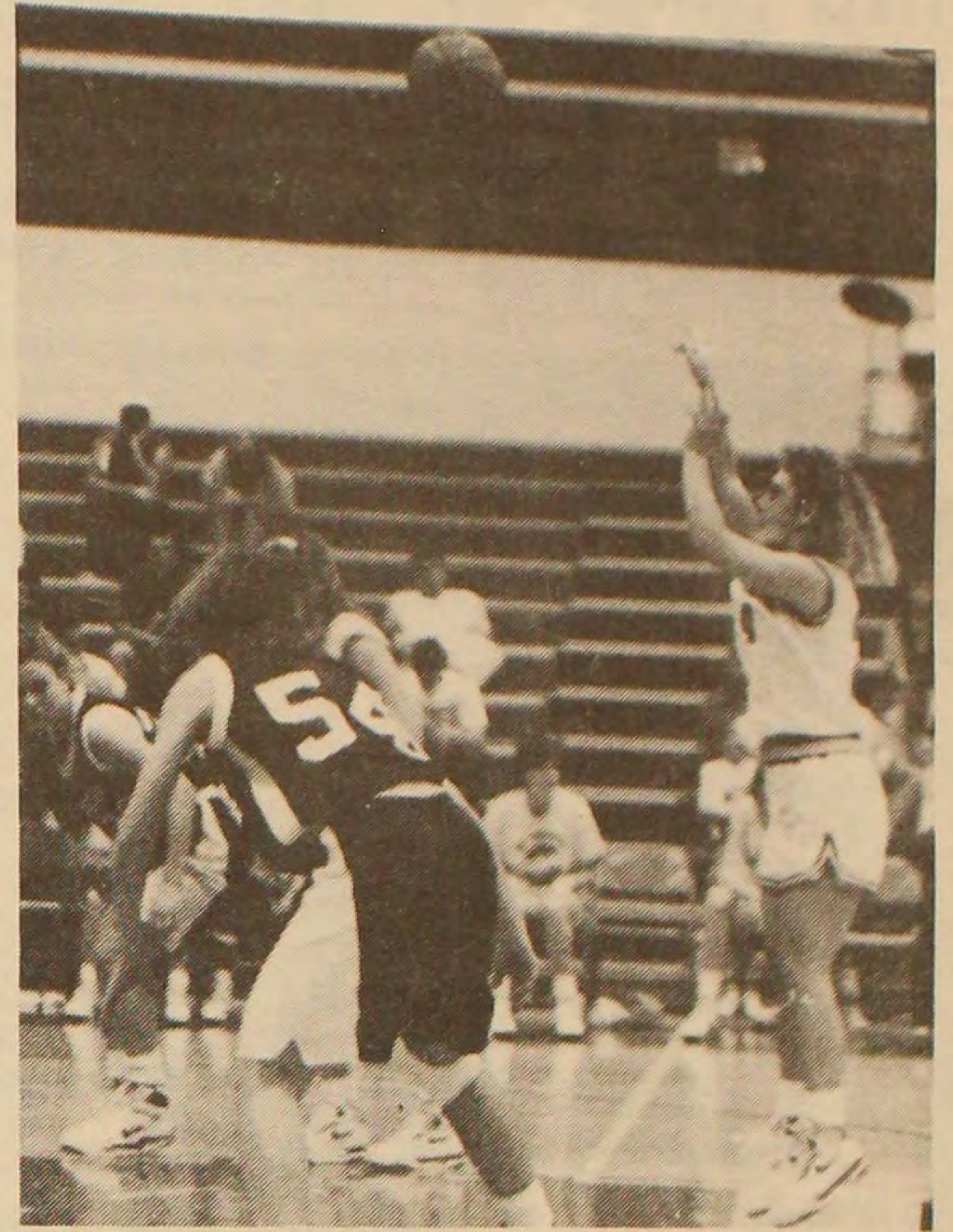


Photo by Scott Bowman

Senior point guard Tammy Bunk shoots from the free throw line in last Saturday's game against the St. Mary's lady Saints. Bunk led the way with 19 points but McPherson couldn't stay close as St. Mary's won the game, 69-55.

Holliman and Brown given District 10 honors

By Tim Woodcock
Sports Editor

Tadd Holliman and Gary Brown were recently selected to the second team District 10 for football.

Holliman had an unforgettable season at the free safety position. His eight interceptions on the season ranked him fifth in the nation. Three of those interceptions were taken in for touchdowns and a fourth was returned 102 yards for a two-point conversion against Kansa Wesleyan. He led the team

in fumble recoveries with six and was second on the team in tackles with 104.

When asked about his honors Holliman stated, "I appreciate all the awards, but I would trade all of them for a winning season."

Brown, just a junior this season, received his award at the running

back position in which he gradually got better as the year went along. In his last game against Tabor he racked up 192 yards in the rain-soaked conditions. That brought his season total to 742 yards with average of 82.4 yards a game. He looks to break the 1,000 yard mark next year.

Green given all-district recognition

By Tim Woodcock
Sports Editor

Garrick Green received honorable-mention in District 10 honors recently. Green, a freshman from LaHabra Heights, Calif., was an important part of the first year soccer program headed by Jerry Malone.

The team held a banquet two weeks ago and gave out several other honors voted on by team members. Dan Marchewka and Guy Brown were given co-most

valuable player awards. Brian Kruschwitz received the most improved player award and Joe McClean received most inspirational player. Also recognized at the banquet with a large round of applause was this year's manager, Callie Press.

When asked about next year's team Green said, "We did a lot of calling and got ahold of a lot of good players. We definitely won't be 0-15-1 if I or my teammates have anything to say about it."

Three on three starts at interterm

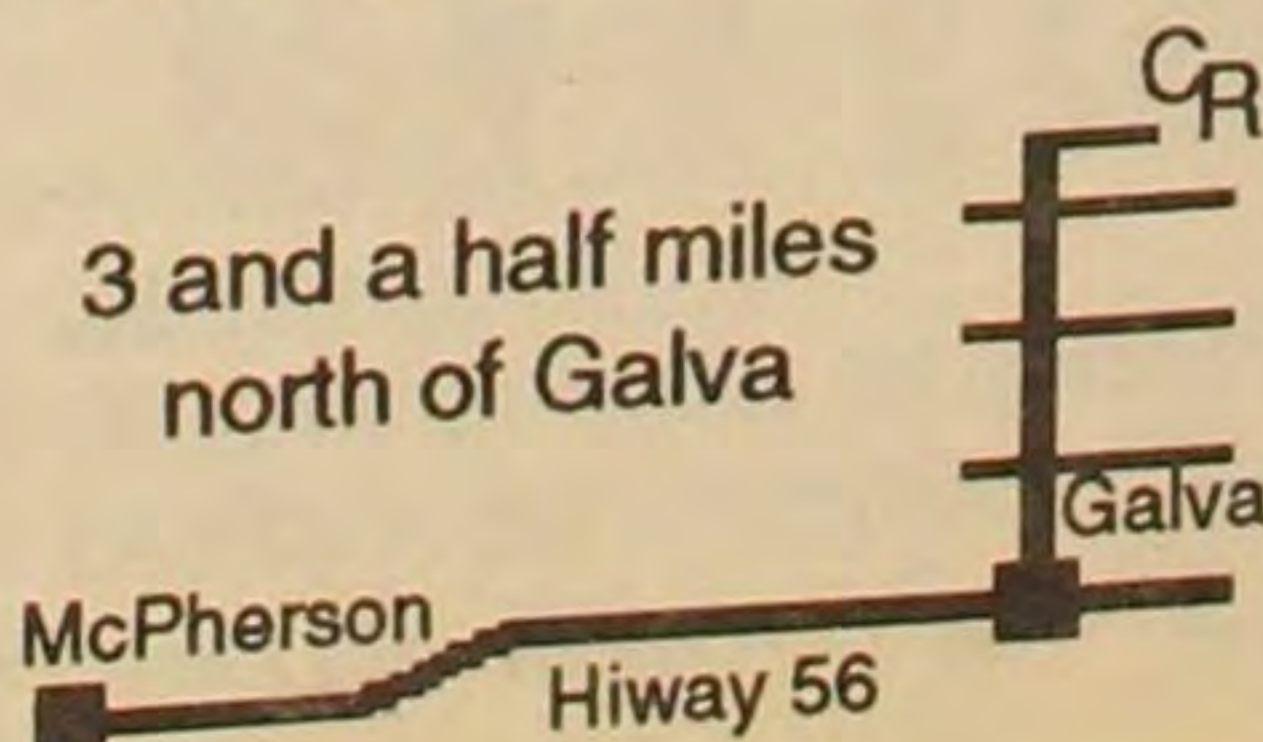
Get your teams ready for what we've all been waiting for--three on three action during interterm. The season runs from Jan.7-28. There will be a men's division and women's division, but no coed teams this year. Sign ups will be from Dec. 11-19.

Intramural volleyball finished up its season recently with Team 2 winning its last game to go undefeated with a record of 7-0. Members of the team were: captain Dan Hall, Judy Hake, Rahilla Miller, Kevin Sebes, Gary Brown, Richard Oliver, Sean Lux, Bruce Lolling, Travis Van Goethem, and Kevin Neel.



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Indoor track starts in January

By Tim Woodcock
Sports Editor

This year's indoor track team headed up by Deb Moore may be low in numbers, but is rich in experience. "We are working with a real small group but have some quality people, especially in the women," said Moore.

Returning on the women's side are seniors Karme Clark, sprints; Judy Hake, sprints and jumps; Denise Kelly, distance; Patty Gesch, sprints; and Marce Clark, jumps and sprints.

On the men's side returning is senior Ishmael Kimbrough who specializes in long jump and triple

jump. Newcomers include Gary Brown, sprints; Joe Marble, sprints; Wallace Moore, sprints and jumps; Luke Lefever, distance; Darin Marshall, weights; and James Chaney, weights. "I'm excited about working with the newcomers to see what kind of talent we are going to have," stated Moore.

The first official practice begins Tuesday, Jan. 7, at 4 p.m. "We are going to work on a lot of technique, but keep a relaxed attitude out there," said Moore.

If anyone is interested in still going out for indoor track contact Deb Moore as soon as possible.



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College choir celebrates season with third concert of Christmas classics

By Amy Call
Spectator Staff

The choir started off the Christmas season with their performance of the "Messiah" by G.F. Handel on Dec. 8.

The performance was part of the choir's Third Concert of Christmas Classics. The concert was directed by Katherine Baker. According to choir members, it was a great success.

"The 'Messiah' performance was a good one. It was a difficult piece, but we practiced a lot and the end result was great," said Beth Kiestler, freshman.

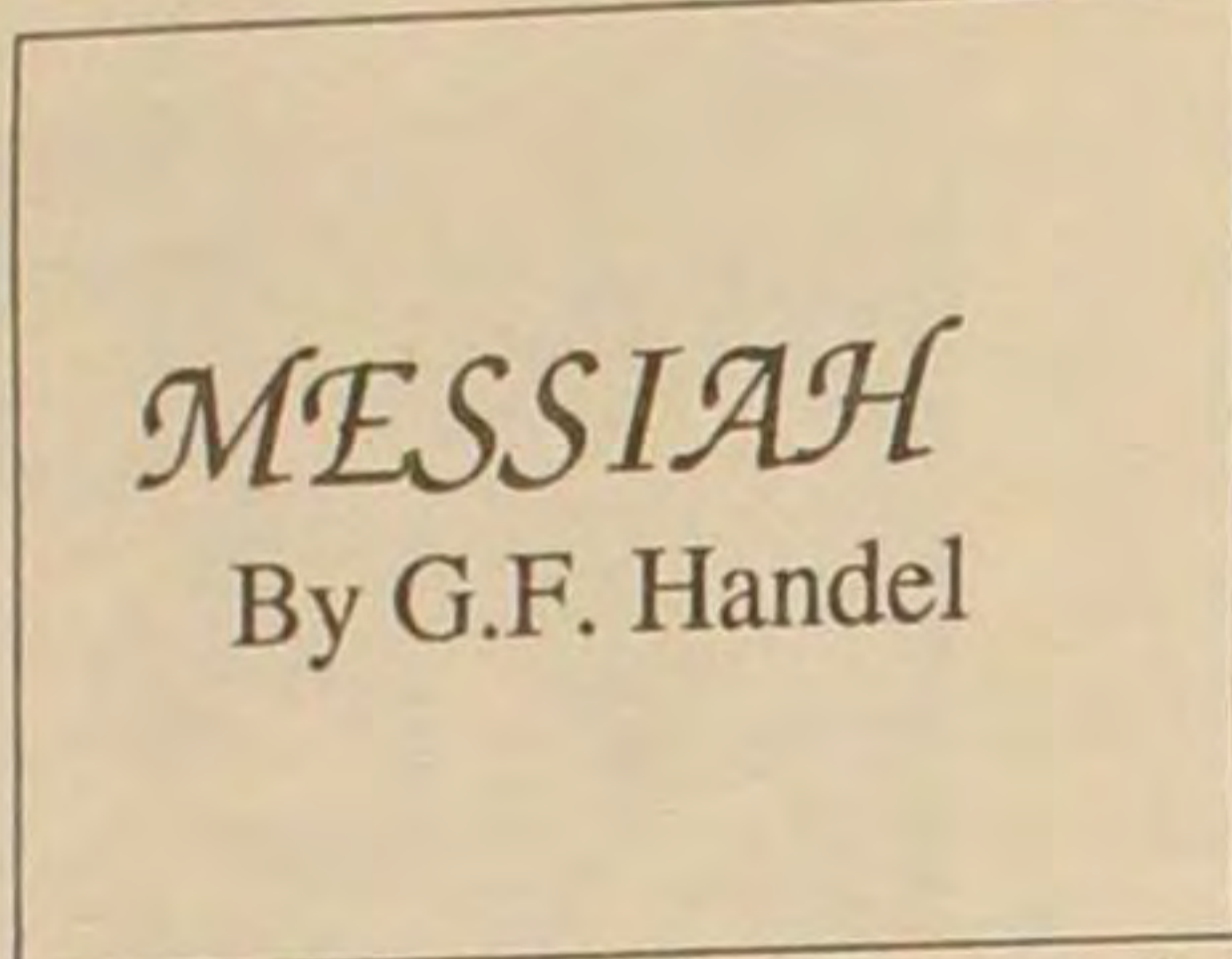
"I think we did really good even though it was a lot of hard work," Adeola Grillo, sophomore.

The performance featured McPherson Symphony members and

soloists Kristin Ivers (soprano), Deborah Baxter (mezzo-soprano), Vernon Yenne (tenor), and Theodore Sipes (bass).

"It was a very moving Christmas concert," said Heidi Stone, freshman.

The concert was funded by



grants from the McPherson Arts and Education Council as well as the McPherson College Music Department and was performed with free admission to the public. There will be a rebroadcast of the concert on the local radio station Christmas day.

Various choir members will be involved in several upcoming events.

Baker will be giving lessons on "Messiah" to fourth and fifth graders at Lincoln Elementary

School and various choral singers will be performing traditional Christmas carols in public schools and at the Cedars' Courts.

The McPherson College choir has also been selected to sing at the Kansas Educators Association convention.

Singing and instrumental groups at each level of education (elementary, secondary, and college) are selected as models of high performance standards.

According to Katherine Baker, McPherson College Director of Choral Activities, this is the first time McPherson College's choir has been chosen for such an honor.



Photo by Barry McMillan

Bruce Wagoner and vice-president Dale Goldsmith were part of the orchestra that accompanied the choir's third concert of Christmas classics on Dec. 8.

FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE

TIME	Saturday Dec. 14	Monday Dec. 16	Tuesday Dec. 17	Wednesday Dec. 18	Thursday Dec. 19
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Speakers Bureau

New program promotes community relations

By Erika Wottrich

Spectator Staff

The McPherson College Speakers Bureau is a new program that gives clubs and organizations in the community the opportunity to invite professors of McPherson College to their meetings and to talk about a specific topic.

For most professors, speaking at various functions is nothing new. They have spoken many times for local groups.

Now pamphlets will be sent out to different clubs and organizations in the community.

Included in this pamphlet are all the names of the professors who have volunteered for the Speakers Bureau and the areas or topics they want to discuss. This gives the organization an opportunity to decide who they would like to invite and call these specific people.

The pamphlet is not yet out but should be with in the next week.

The idea for the speakers bureau came from the publicity office.

"This was something I decided to try to do when I became director of publicity this summer," said Bruce Clary, director of publicity and associate director of development.

"The college receives a great deal from the people in this community, and sometimes the community feels it doesn't get much in

return from the college. I wanted to do something that might make people say, 'Isn't this a good idea?' or 'Isn't this nice of the college to do this? even if they never invite one of our faculty to speak to their group," added Clary.

"It gives faculty members an outlet of sharing some of his or her expertise."

Corinne Hughbanks

"It is a good idea," said Corinne Hughbanks, professor of language and literature. "It is a way of promoting good public relations with the general public. It gives the faculty members an outlet of sharing some of his or her expertise."

Rick Tyler, assistant professor of speech and theater, thinks that it is a "wonderful opportunity for the professors at McPherson College to talk about things they are particularly interested in, in addition to those things they talk about in class, maybe something that students do not know about them."

"It helps people know some of the skills that faculty have to share," said campus minister David Valeta.

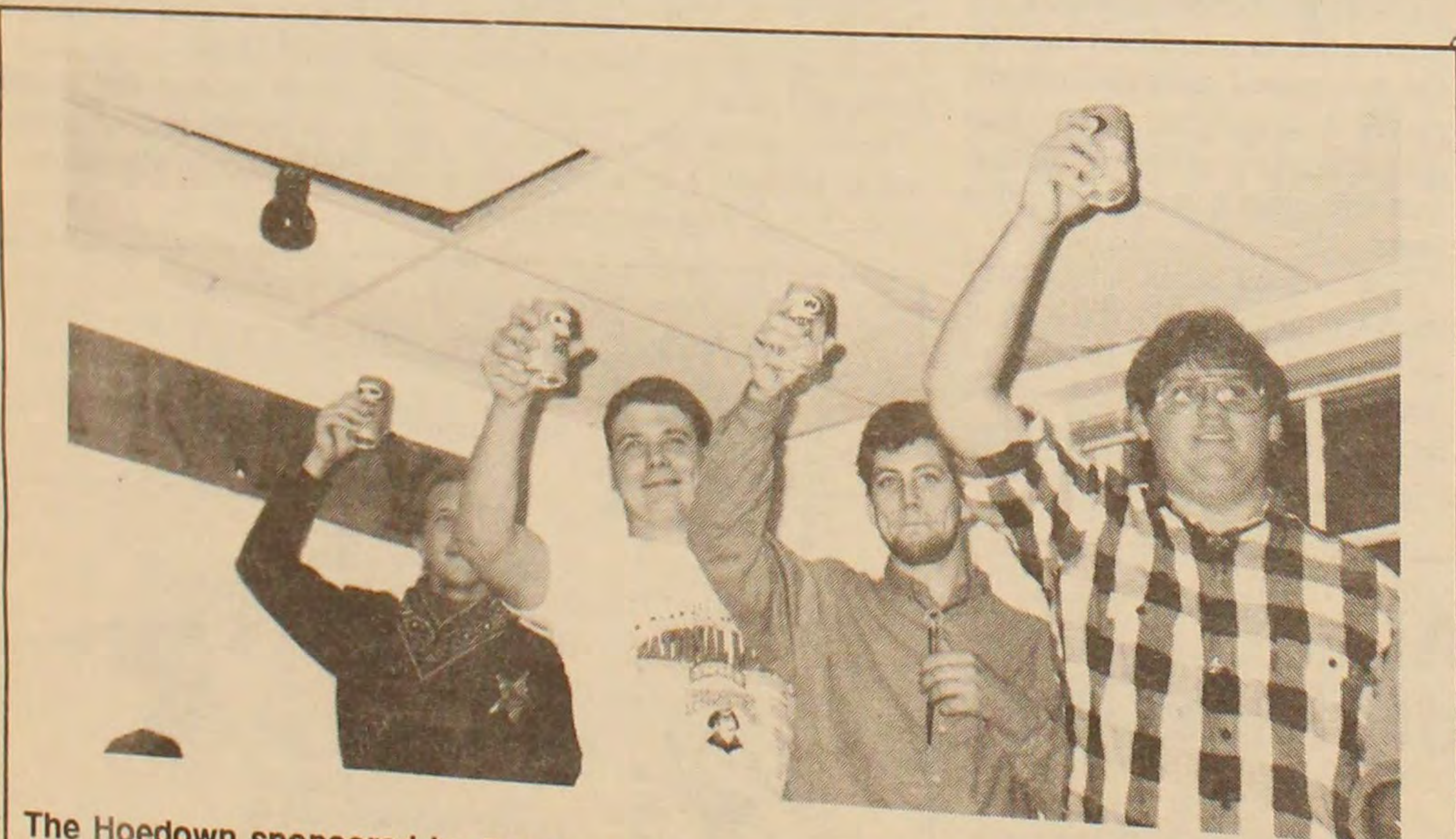


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The Hoedown sponsored by Fanny on Nov. 23 provided an evening of country music, dancing and plenty of fun. Several daring participants, juniors David Kerkove and Richard Fowler, senior Kevin Davidson and sophomore John Hulce took part in a root beer guzzling contest.