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## Casino night a good bet



Photo by Beverly Yeager

Students and faculty enjoy the festivities at the recent Casino Night sponsored by Student Activities Board. The annual event, sponsored by SAB was well attended and may be an activity for the second semester as well.

## Stuco announces award recipients

By Eric Escudero  
Spectator Staff

Student Council announced its Persons of the Month awards for December. Michele McMillan, Bill Orr and Marlys Gwaltney were all honored.

Beginning this month, Stuco is recognizing three persons--one student, one faculty member, and one staff member--instead of one person on campus. The new procedure is to select three winners.

McMillan, a senior representing the students, was selected for her work on The Spectator. McMillan is in her third year as the paper's editor-in-chief. In addition to accomplishments with The Spec-

tator, McMillan was also chosen by the faculty as one of this year's Who's Who Among College Students candidates.

The staff member of the month is Bill Orr, a member of the maintenance staff. Orr's primary responsibility is the Sport Center. A main reason the Sport Center is head and shoulders above any other facility among ACCK schools is the outstanding job Orr and his staff do to maintain the building.

Orr was not only selected for his job performance, but was nominated by several Stuco members for his friendliness.

The winner in the faculty

category was Marlys Gwaltney, a newcomer to the faculty this year. Besides teaching courses in Care and Treatment of Athletic Injuries and Personal and Community Health, Gwaltney also dedicates many hours as the head coach of the women's basketball team and as athletic trainer.

Now that Stuco has decided to recognize three individuals each month, a new nominating process is also being constructed.

A committee of at least five students outside of Stuco will meet each month to nominate the candidates, however, the way in which the voting will occur has not yet been decided.

## Speaker stresses impact of AIDS

By Dan Noyes  
News Editor

By the year 2000, one out of every 25 people may be victims of AIDS, Dr. Donna Sweet told McPherson College students in convocation Monday, Nov. 29.

Dr. Sweet, from the University of Kansas School of Medicine in Wichita, has been nationally recognized for her work with AIDS patients.

Dr. Sweet reiterated that there are only three ways a person can contract the disease: 1) sexual contact, 2) blood transfusions, and 3) intravenous drug use.

Sweet emphasized that the only

sure way to avoid contracting the virus is to abstain from all risky behavior, but she advocated the use of condoms by those who choose to have sex to control the spread of AIDS.

Sweet provided several staggering statistics throughout the program including that she signs an average of two death certificates a week for people who have died from the disease in Wichita.

We live in a society that indulges in highly risky behavior, Sweet said. "The good thing about this disease is that it is behavior-related. The bad thing is that it is a behavior no one wants to change."

In her convocation address, Dr. Donna Sweet may have raised concerns in the minds of students about AIDS but not explained how to put those concerns at rest.

Finding out if you have the virus is a good place to start. You can be tested here in McPherson.

The McPherson County Health Department offers AIDS testing on Monday and Friday by appointment only. The cost of the test is \$5.

People thinking about being tested need to plan to spend approximately 45 minutes.

A brief counseling session with a nurse is the first step. The nurse asks a series of questions to find out if you are in a high-risk category. If you do not fall into the proper category, you will be released without being tested.

If the questions suggest you run the risk of carrying the virus, you will be tested. Results are available between a week and 10 days. Regardless of the results, persons who are tested must pick up the results in person in order to undergo additional counseling.

People being tested have the choice of keeping the results of their test anonymous. Everything is kept confidential. The actual records will be assigned a number if you choose.

The Health Department estimates that between 15 and 20 people a week are tested in McPherson, but this number is not considered to be an accurate indicator of how many people in McPherson are actually tested. The number is more than likely much higher. The fact that McPherson is a small community encourages people to go elsewhere to be tested.

## Possibility of combining freshman courses being considered

By Sue Werner  
Spectator Staff

Plans are currently underway to develop a freshman course that would combine College Life, Written Communications, and Public Speaking into an eight

credit-hour block taking during the first two semesters.

The freshman block, as it is currently be called, may be offered to new students as early as next fall.

The course is being designed to insure that freshmen are competent writers and speakers at the begin-

ning of their college career and to give them time to work together as a class and to establish unity.

"It would be good for all freshman to have a common experience," said Dr. Kim Stanley, professor of English and literature. "It gives a sense of themselves as a

class."

Unlike the current composition and public speaking courses, the freshman block would have a content. Writing and speaking assignments would deal with the course content, which has not yet been determined. A yearly theme or a

general course requirement are being discussed as possibilities.

"I like the idea," Jaime Tavarez, fr., said. "You would meet more requirements in less time."

A final proposal for the course is due to Educational Policies Committee by February 1, 1994.

## EDITORIAL

## Awareness is critical in battle against AIDS

DURING CONVOCATIONS ON MONDAY Dr. Donna Sweet, from Wichita, spoke haunting words about AIDS. She rattled off facts and figures dealing with who gets it, how to prevent it and what to do if you think you have it.

Her program was also filled with insight. She talked about some of her patients and what they go through. One such patient was a twenty-six year old woman. Dr. Sweet explained that just by looking at the patient you would never guess that she had AIDS. She was married, had children and grew up in a small town. This patient didn't sound typical, but anymore there aren't any typical AIDS victims.

AIDS is spreading rapidly and due to its long incubation period, signs of the virus may not show up for ten years. So on the outside a person may appear healthy, but on the inside . . . you never can tell.

Until this convocation the thought of AIDS had slipped my mind. On Monday I was reminded. I left Brown Auditorium feeling sick. The thought of this dreaded disease was racing through my mind. What if I ever got it or what if I have it? I've never been tested and I don't know anyone who has for that matter. What if someone I know has AIDS? These are questions I'm sure we were all asking ourselves. We hear so many things about this disease that we stop listening. We seem to accept it and forget the bottom line, which is once we get it we die from it. AIDS is 100% lethal.

Dr. Sweet gave us all a wake up call Monday morning at convo, but she is gone and now we are left to deal with the truth about AIDS.

We all know the facts, and we know how to prevent it, but what is our responsibility as a campus community to stop its spreading?

The key is not to forget about it. We need to keep the subject out in the air. All of us must feel the devastation of AIDS. For some this may not be possible unless they are emotionally attached to someone who is stricken with this disease. If emotional attachment is what it takes, then I suggest that you go out and meet those who are afflicted.

Take a closer look at the people you frequently forget about. These people could just as easily be you someday. Do what the few brave McPherson College students, who spent a weekend homeless, did and experience the pain first-hand. Students have been provided with the facts, now opportunities should be made available by the college for students to become better aware of the agony of AIDS.

You can say and listen to everything about AIDS, hand out free condoms and watch people die from it, but when it comes right down to it the dagger is in your hands.

Communication will help, but take personal responsibility. Be haunted by the words of Dr. Donna Sweet and don't forget how serious AIDS really is.

**Michael P. Schneider**  
for the Editorial Staff

## Current rules limit students' education

By Kerry S. Lacock

Guest Writer

Students learn a lot going to college. They learn to write, solve calculus problems and apply the theory of supply and demand. More importantly, they learn about themselves. They learn to live in a new community with new people. It is chance for a person to be in charge of their own lives.

At least, that is what I believed when I came to college. McPherson College doesn't let students take charge of their lives. I know that the school could not tell recruits "You will not get a full education here. We will overload you with rules and decide for you what is right and wrong." Instead of misleading incoming students, why couldn't we change the rules?

For example, one rule states "No members of the opposite sex are allowed in the halls between 11 p.m. and 12 p.m. on weekdays and between 2 a.m. and 12 p.m. on weekends." We wouldn't want

guys sleeping in girl's rooms, even though they could do more than just sleep before 11 p.m.

Maybe we could have students check in guests staying after hours, with each host or hostess escorting their guest to and from the door. Then there wouldn't be girls just casually walking around the guy's dorm. They could yell "women on floor" just in case Michael P. Schneider gets the urge to run to the bathroom in his skivvies.

Another rule states that "alcohol is not allowed on campus or at any college function." I'm no advocate for alcohol, but the rule is overbearing. If I'm of legal age, I should be able to decide for myself. If students want to drink in the privacy of their own dorm room, the college should allow it. The rule influences some students to drink more when they get the chance and travel to do it. Why should we force students who do wish to drink to drive afterwards?

Another change would be to allow students of legal age to keep

small amounts of alcohol in their rooms. Emporia State University currently allows students of age to have a six pack in their rooms. The rules for disturbing behavior must be harsher and enforced.

Don't get me wrong I want to thank the administration for all their hard work. They do a great job of running the old McPherson College machine, but it is an old machine. Maybe we should replace some of those old worn out rules with new ones.

McPherson College is not my ideal institution, but it could be. This college educates its students in its own ways. These rules cut your education short by not allowing you to assume your own responsibility.

The education you receive from McPherson College will be useful to you for the rest of your life. Make sure you get all of yours. Educations are for a lifetime. Life is its own education. So let the students get their own life and let them get their own education.

## Writer extends Christmas wishes

Throughout my life I've noticed that I am blessed with an extraordinary amount of, well . . . luck. I felt lucky as a child when I realized that, of all people in the world, the moon chose to follow me during late-night drives with the family.

The luck didn't end there. At the age of five I was lucky enough to meet an invisible boy. He wanted to be my friend and wouldn't even speak to others. All those kids to choose from and he chose me!

In recent years, Ed McMan has recognized me as one of the few who may have already won ten million dollars. The luck just seems to grow with age.

Why, you might ask, do I bring this up now? Well it all came back to me the other day at the mall. I was walking around a corner when, there he was . . . Santa Claus.

The luck was incomprehensible. Every December, Santa has just happened to be at the same mall, on the same day as me. Hundreds of thousands of malls to visit, and Santa and I end up at the same mall on the same day.

I know some of you are skeptical, but believe me there hasn't been a December go by when I haven't seen Santa.

And, as in Decembers past, I climbed onto Santa's lap and talked with him about the upcoming holiday. I left personal wants off of my wish list, and instead, told Santa what I wanted for others.

My Christmas wishes go to:

■ Senior fall athletes who never gave up and commanded respect in the face of defeat.

■ Bruce Grose and Marlys

## Garth's Two Cents



Garth Werner

Staff Writer

Gwaltney for being everything everyone expected.

■ President Hoffman for once again learning everyone's name before Thanksgiving.

■ The residence life staff for hours and hours of time so we would have someone to say "hi" to as we walked into the dorms.

■ Stuco, SAB, and McPherson College for taking bigger steps toward total improvement than I've seen taken in four years.

Lumps of coal go to:

■ All of the cockroaches in Crumrine's apartment who never learned to pick on someone their own size.

■ The idiot who pulled the Metzler's fire alarm for whom I am now blaming my cold.

■ Joe Montana . . . for breaking Griz's heart.

■ The Tabor football team and Bethany in general.

■ Finally Michael P. Schneider, who edits all of my cuss words.

Of course, I wish you all a Merry Christmas and my forgiveness for the New Year! God Bless.

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Wally's World

by Wallace Moore



Gun control law will help to save lives

When President Clinton signed the Brady Bill into law on Nov. 30, America took an initial step toward curbing this country's gun problem. However, by no means is this bill an end-all solution. Many gun proponents do not see the advantages of the bill and feel that their Constitutional right to bear arms is being played with.

However, this is not the purpose of the bill. The bill will not take away the guns hunters use, although that might be a good idea as well. All the bill introduces is some basic requirements and protection to assure that guns do not get into dangerous hands.

There are two main features in the bill. First and foremost, there will now be a five-day waiting period and a background check before a hand-gun can be legally sold anywhere in the U.S. Sure, if someone really wanted a gun, they could go to the black market and pick one up that instant. However, many people do not know about these outlets.

Some opponents also argue that the waiting period should be replaced with an instant check system. But the waiting period gives

Around the World



Dan Marchewka

Staff Writer

a person a chance to "cool down" before the gun gets into their hands. Heat of passion crimes should decline in number.

In addition, the bill now acts as a minimum in states and communities that do not require background checks. States and communities that now have longer waiting periods will be able to retain them provided they have the background check. The same goes for those states with shorter waiting periods. They can keep their waiting period if they check the backgrounds of potential buyers.

This bill now requires local law enforcement officials to research state, local and national records to

check whether the would-be buyer is legally eligible to buy a handgun. Among those prohibited are convicted felons, fugitives, minors, illegal aliens and those judged as mentally incompetent and as drug or alcohol addicts.

The local police must now do all the searching unless they have the capability to use a now intact, but inadequate, computer system. Congress also noticed this problem and authorized spending \$200 million per year to help states update or improve computerization of criminal records for use in a national instant check system. This means all criminal records will be within a fingers reach in any police station.

All of this will begin 90 days from last Tuesday and be in effect for five years. This is a solid piece of legislation and will help eliminate some gun problems. A little inconvenience for something as petty as waiting five days to receive a new gun will be worth it even if it only saves one life. How can one put a price tag on lives?

CAMPUS FORUM

Cafeteria is as good as Mom's cooking

A few days before fall break, I was conversing with some students in the cafeteria. They were looking forward to the break, but especially Mom's home cooking.

Friday afternoon I was sitting in my favorite chair trying to decide what I wanted for lunch. I got up to see what was in the fridge. Boy, was I disappointed. All I had to choose from was old pizza and stale muffins. After a sigh and a small chuckle, I wondered if any of the students were in the same situation. That's when I came up with this scenario...

Thursday after classes Joe College set out for Hometown, U.S.A. After eight hours of driving, he arrives home at one o'clock only to find Mom and Dad in bed. So, he hits the sack with an empty stomach.

Friday he woke up to find a note from his mom on the counter which explained that she would be out and that he would have to fend for himself. So, he gagged down a stale bowl of cereal and went out to find his friends.

For lunch he and his buds ate a greasy pepperoni pizza at the Pizza Barn down town. Supper consisted of a burger, fries, and coke classic at McDonald's.

Saturday, after another full day with his friends, Joe was ready for some home cooking his mom had promised for dinner. Well, his mom burned the roast and scorched the carrots. The gravy was lumpy, but he ate it all anyway. Some home cooking it turned out

to be. Dinner was a disaster.

Sunday morning before church Joe scarfed down a couple of day old doughnuts. After church was the traditional family BBQ. I'm sure the food would have tasted better if Joe had not been choking on the smoke from the grill. Still recovering from the smoke inhalation, Joe ate lightly while watching a late movie.

Monday morning Joe had to head back to school. He decided to pack a lunch for the trip back. He threw some bologna, crackers and a pop into a sack and headed down the road. When he arrived he grabbed a candy bar before going to night class.

Tuesday morning Joe was greeted in the cafeteria by Marilyn. The biscuits and gravy looked good as did the pancakes, but Joe decided to have Patty fix him an omelote. In five minutes he had a ham and cheese omelote.

For lunch Joe filled up on pizza, tater tot casserole and ice cream. This made Joe think that even though this is not Mom's food, it is still always here and hot.

Our Morrison's staff tries to put out the best meals possible in spite of our occasional mishaps. We take pride in what we do and try to send you back to class full and content. If it would help some of you to call one of the cooks "Mom," then by all means do so!

Richard Sabatos  
Food Service Manager

(Due to lack of space in the last issue this letter was held back for this issue)

Look to future with hope during finals

Here we are, with two weeks remaining until finals. This semester has blown by us all as we frantically hurry to get last minute make-up work done and research papers typed.

The campus is abuzz for the upcoming Christmas Dance and the residence halls are getting decked out for Christmas. Students are counting down the days to Christmas Break and hope we don't have a snow storm on the last day of finals. People are rushing out to buy Christmas gifts and get plane tickets to go home. Students are busy cramming in last minute reading and getting together for study groups in preparation for a very stressful week ahead.

Yet, as we are preparing to wind down this year, we should take a few moments to reflect back on this year and look ahead to the next one.

It has been a turbulent year in the United States and the world. The Midwest has seen its worst flooding ever, which has affected many students that go to our school. At the college, we have seen many changes, like the fitness room, changes in the College Life program, a new football coach and a new phone system.

We have made many new friends, some of whom will be leaving at semester to return to their native countries. Also, we will be greeting our friends who are returning from travelling abroad.

Campus Comments



Christine Hauschildt

Staff Writer

As we look back on 1993, what will we remember most? For some, they will be relieved to have the year over, but for others, they are anxious to see what lies ahead.

While we are trudging through our finals, let's try to remember what lies ahead in the new year for us. Let's be open to the world and what the future will bring. One way to look at it is through hope.

Hope comes in many ways for many people. For many, hope comes every year as a little child born of poor parents in a place called Bethlehem. For others, hope is getting home to see family and old friends and being in a familiar place. And still for others, hope is finding food to eat and a dry, warm place to lie their heads at night.

Without hope, we walk aimlessly through life, seeking things that confuse and disillusion us. Without hope, we become strangers to ourselves and to others.

Gustavo Gutierrez, author of "A Theology of Liberation", com-

ments on hope: "To hope does not mean to know the future, but rather to be open, in an attitude of spiritual childhood, to accepting it as a gift. But this gift is accepted in the negation of injustice, in the protest against trampled human rights, and in the struggle for peace."

As we wind down our fall semester, let's take time to reflect back on 1993 and then look toward the new year with hope. Let's try not to get lost in the hustle and bustle of our own little worlds. I wish everyone a great rest of the year and remember to look to 1994 with hope.

MEDITATION MOMENT

The true meaning of Christmas is expressed in the sharing of one's graces in a world in which it is so easy to become callous, insensitive and hard.

-Howard Thurman

PROVOCATIVE WORDS

For every action, there is an equal and opposite reaction. If you push hard on the world, the world pushes back on you. If you touch the world gently, the world will touch you gently in return.

-Paul G. Hewitt

# Students teaching students

*Students experience frustrations, joys of being in the classroom*

By Shannon Peters  
Spectator Staff

Have you noticed that a handful of seniors have almost disappeared from campus this semester? Or that when you do see them they have a dazed, bewildered look on their faces?

These seniors are more than likely student teachers this fall. Ask them about their experiences, and they will have an assortment of adventurous stories to tell you.

Senior student teaching is an eight-hour credit that starts in the middle of August and lasts until the end of fall finals.

For the first half of the semester, student teachers observe in their assigned classrooms on Wednesdays. Then they switch to all day, every day for the duration, assuming more teaching responsibilities each week. They assume complete control of teacher responsibilities for at least two weeks.

Student teachers start their days around 7:30 and finish their school day around 4 p.m. This, of course, doesn't include time spent on planning lesson and grading papers at night.

Other responsibilities include attending parent-teacher conferences, board meetings and in-service programs.

Many student teachers said they knew student teaching would be

time-consuming, but they didn't realize how much preparation time there would be. Some of them spend up to four hours a night preparing for the next day's lesson.

Some of them said that they didn't feel prepared for teaching in the classroom because they didn't know what to expect.

"It's hard to just jump into someone's classroom and take over," said Amy Diaz. "I've learned more these last three months than I have in the courses preparing me to teach."

Jeff Griffith commented, "When I first began I wasn't well prepared, but it's getting easier."

Student teachers agreed that nothing could totally prepare them for all the situations that they would be dealing with on a day-to-day basis.

Students expect their teachers to fulfill a lot of roles throughout the day. Teachers-to-be must consider not only what they will teach (content), but how they will teach it and how they will control the class for a good learning situation.

After looking back on her two-week experience, Jenny Gutsch concluded, "I felt really strung-out, yet that I had accomplished something."

Diaz added that the conferences were rewarding to her because one particular mother kept thanking



Photos by Jan Fairchild

**Kimber McCune, heading for her senior year teaching assignment in an English classroom at an area high school.**

her and her cooperating teacher for being there for the kids.

Current student teachers are: Trista Bridges, Valdine Brower, Amy Diaz, Cindy Erickson, Michon Fast, Jeff Griffith, Jenny Gutsch, Jane Ledell, Kimber McCune, Barry McMillan, James Nelson, Wendy Noyes, Kim O'Brien, Shannon Peters, Dyane Potter and Dorine Schultz.

The student teachers are placed at McPherson Elementary Schools, McPherson Middle School, McPherson High School, Canton-Galva Elementary, Inman Elementary and a Hutchinson Elementary School.



Photo by Jan Fairchild

**Jenny Gutsch, a senior and elementary education major, spends her free time in the evening preparing for classes the following day. Some students spend as much as four hours a night working on lesson plans.**

## What do you want Santa to bring you for Christmas?



"I want for some mysterious man in a red suit to come and pay my tuition."

Joe Marable



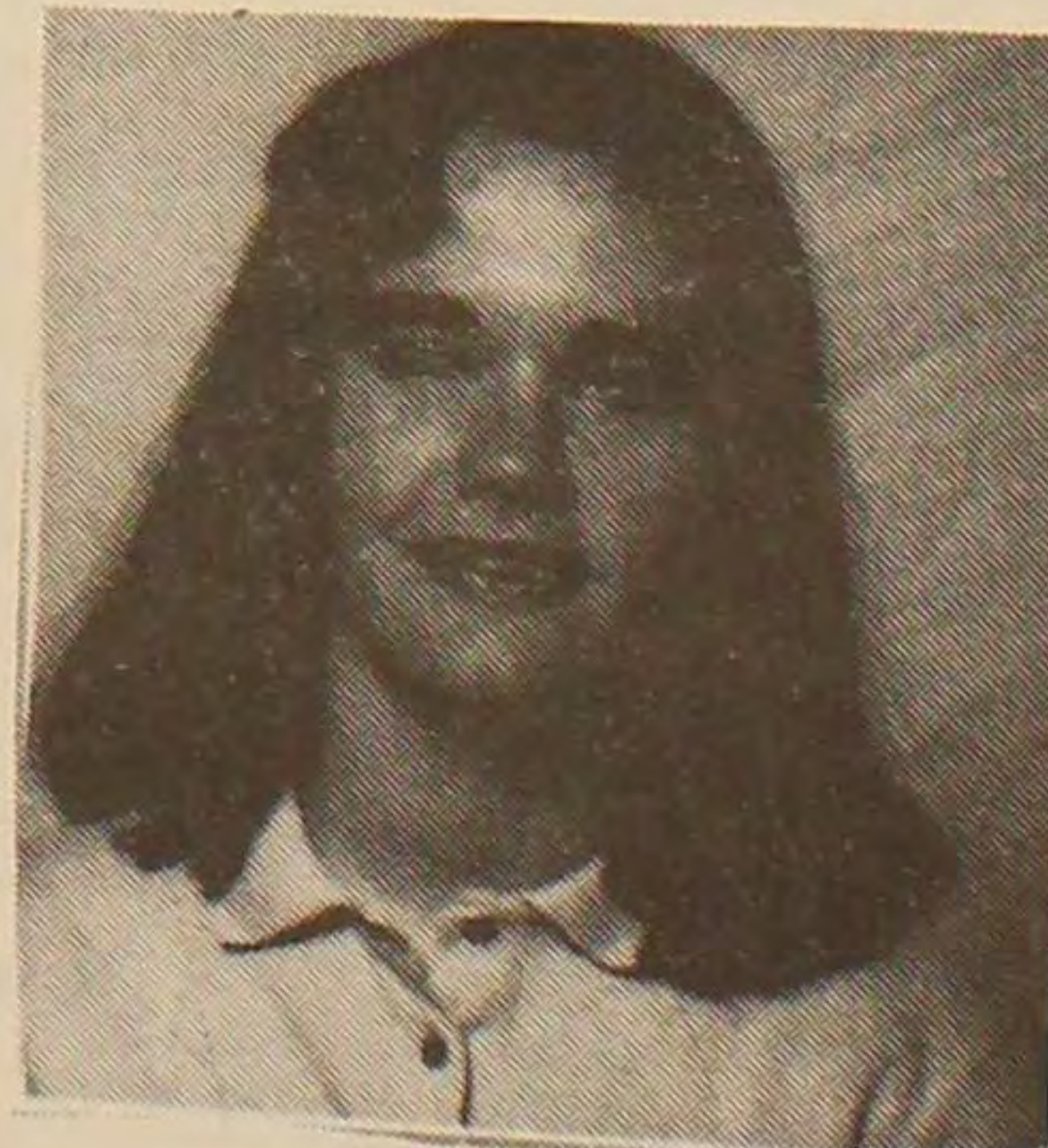
"For one day I'd like to have a normal back."

Carolyn Martin



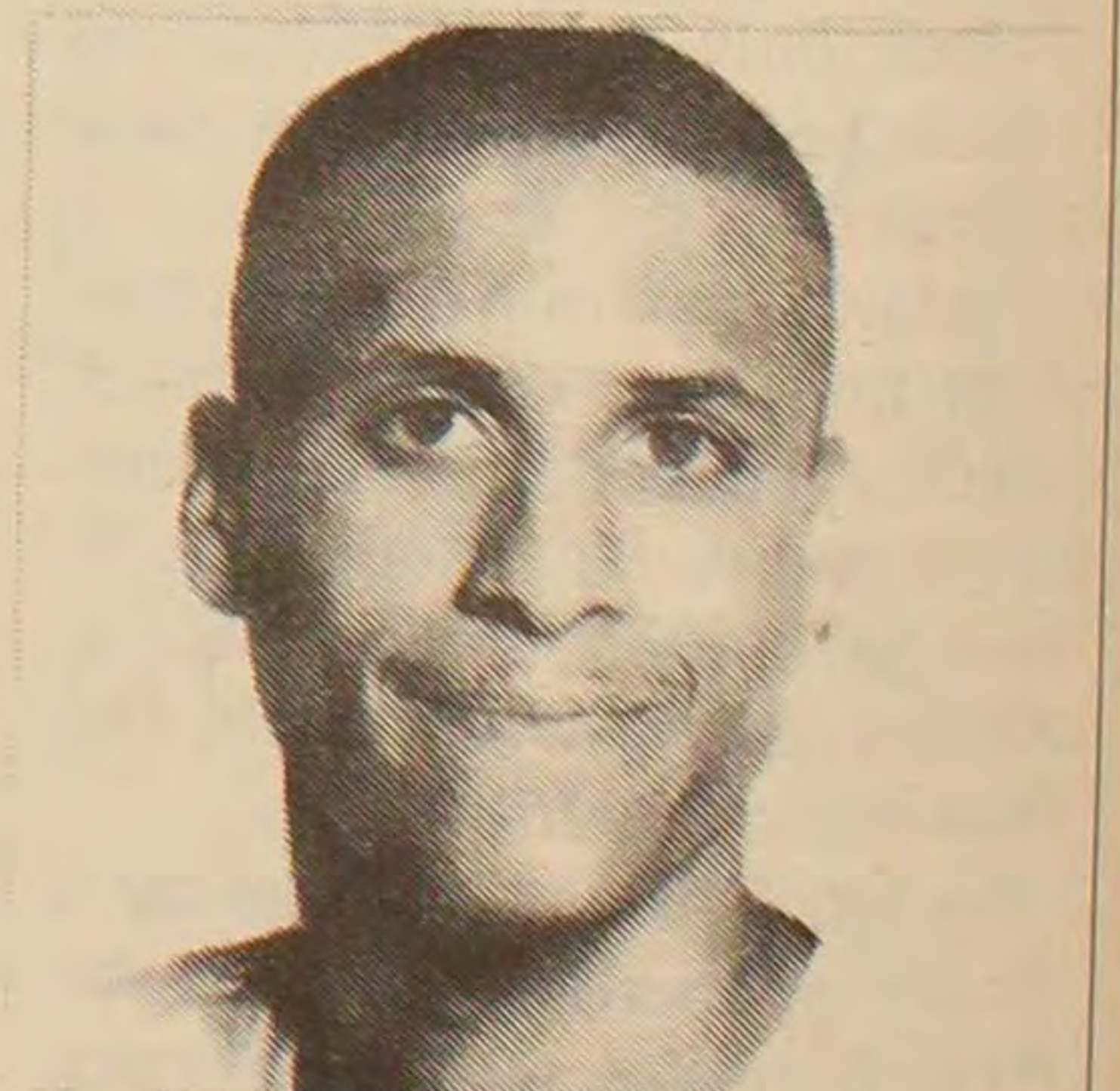
"I would like to receive ten short notes of joy and I will send ten."

John Burden



"A new car."

Sylvia Hays



"Any thing that has to do with Micheal Jordan."

Willie Marshall

# TAKING the PLUNGE

College students spend a weekend gaining awareness by living homeless on the Wichita streets

By Emilita L. Huston

Feature Editor

"See, all words are images, all images are fiction, all fiction is lies. Therefore everything I say is a lie." Phill, a homeless man, told Bruno. Phill's philosophy holds true for this story as well. Words do not translate emotion well and being homeless was a giant emotion.

I sat, shivering and scared, at a table with a bright flowered tablecloth, reality seeping in. I was spending Nov. 20 and 21 on the streets, homeless, a member of the Urban Plunge.

We were at Inter-Faith Inn, which provides transitional housing. Six men who had spent varying amounts of time on the streets, formed a semi-circle around us, telling seven Mac students and six Tabor students how to survive on the streets.

"Don't go down South Broadway, you'll get shot."

"Don't sleep with your shoes on, your feet'll get frostbitten."

"Don't go to the McDonald's over there, go to the McDonald's that way. The coffee refills are free. At the other place they charge."

We stayed at Inter-Faith that night, talking with the people there. Only they would know our true identity. To the rest of the world we would be homeless.

The next morning at breakfast, Bruno and I teamed up. Micheal, the man who coordinated the Plunge, told us about a dinner being served on South Topeka at noon. Then we were off.

We were free to do whatever we wanted except get arrested. We walked around, window-shopping, and eventually crashed on the lawn of the Century II. While Bruno slept, I watched a Boy Scout celebration and smoked.

During the weekend I met many homeless people who smoked as well as drank, and I think I know why. I never had anything else to do. Like that evening.



Picture by Jessica Boothe

McPherson and Tabor students were looking homeless in the Mac parking lot before leaving for the Urban Plunge.

At the Rescue Mission, which serves supper and provides beds for 30 men, we had to wait for three hours and be preached at before getting anything to eat. So to kill time, we smoked and talked. We talked about Boston winning the football game, who the mayor of Wichita was and what the weather was going to be (a very big concern when you have to sleep in it).

We slept on heating grates at the public library, then separated the next morning to visit local churches to see how they might treat a homeless person.

As we were leaving St. Mary's Episcopal Church, we met Junior sitting on the curb across the street with an old man. Junior was young and well-dressed while the old man was shriveled and worn.

I was lighting a cigarette and the old man asked for one. Without a thought, I headed across the street. Bruno's pause reminded me to be careful, but they were in the same boat as us. I shared my cigarettes, and we stood and talked.

Junior told us how we could get off the streets, about his own experiences that dumped him there, about temp services and who to ask for. He said he kept his clothes in

storage. That way he could look nice when he went in for a job.

Later that afternoon, we met an avenging angel, Benito. He swooped down on us in the park where we were resting. He spoke and smoked. His black hair stuck out like a halo and he always seemed to be moving.

"People look at you like you're dirt. Who cares what those motha---s think! They ain't out here, trying to survive. I'm right with the man upstairs, --- these motha---s!"

He talked of love and finding a good woman. We laughed, and he accused us of thinking him crazy. Finally, four o'clock rolled around and we headed back to Inter-Faith Inn and then home.

Forty-eight hours on the street changed me. It took a vacation before I could re-adjust to not having people look at me like I was nothing.

I was lucky. I chose to be homeless for a brief time, but I knew when those 48 hours were up, I would return to a warm dorm and loving friends. The rest of the people we met are still on the street, living from meal to meal, praying they get a bed, trying to survive.

## Homelessness used to be a label, now it's an experience

It's tough to single out one story. The first surprise of the weekend was the kindness of the people in the city. I expected to feel like the lowest of the low. Yet tiny happinesses like receiving a free cup of hot chocolate, warm sleeping bags with extra socks stuffed inside, or a couple extra bucks tucked away inside a free Bible brightened my day.

It opened up an entire world of awareness for me. The homeless people of America have a bond that I can hardly begin to imagine. Every person is for themselves, but all work together and help the others out. This is a type of community I could never find in the hectic world I live in. At the same time, I never want to find myself homeless.

Marc Rittle, soph.

Sunday afternoon I was looking very tired because I didn't sleep the night before due to the cold, when Tony, a homeless man, came up to me and giving me a dollar, said, "Bruno, go get yourself a cup of coffee." For a second I couldn't react, then I told him that I really didn't need the dollar and gave it back. He felt ashamed when I returned his dollar, but he needed it more than I did. Tony was one of our guides and he knew that I was a student and that in a couple of hours I was going back. Even so he still wanted to share with me what he had.

The people I met during the Plunge were probably some of the poorest people I've ever met, economically speaking, but some of the richest people in spirit.

Bruno Enrich, sr.

John, homeless at age 22, walked eight blocks from the Rescue Mission to wake us up so that we could catch the bus by 7:30 for breakfast at a church. Cold and shivering from the night outside, we listened as John told us what a beautiful morning it was. We slowed John up, for by the time we arrived at the Mission, the bus had come and gone. John, our newfound, caring friend, felt guilty for not having awakened us earlier and took us on a long walk to the Plasma Center. We waited, warm, for an hour while John donated blood, walked some more, and then waited for John to return from Dillons with the cash from his check. Surprising us, he also returned with a large box of fried chicken. We did not go hungry that day, thanks to a homeless person.

Adam Smith, sr., Paula Worley, sr., Erin Cassidente, fr., Carrie Foster, fr.

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# Bulldogs too strong for Coyotes

By Tim Woodcock  
Sports Editor

It didn't take long for the Bulldogs to get fired up Wednesday night in their season opener against Kansas Wesleyan as they won 103-74.

Midway into the first half, the Dogs were up by five and by the end of the first, the score stood 52-29.

The big lead was mostly the doings of reserves Dan Noyes, sr., and Matt Richardson, soph., who came in off the bench and combined for five treys to break it wide open for the Dogs. Noyes finished with a career-high 16 points on the night and was 5-8 from three-point land.

Noyes and Richardson, along with Andy Hett, sr., and Robb Collins, sr., set a school record 12 three-pointers on the game which took the Bulldogs record to 3-3 on the season.

"I was very pleased with our depth tonight," head coach Roger Trimmell said. "It didn't matter who we put on the floor, they did the job. This was a great way to open the conference season. We have played very well in our conference opener the past few years."

In the second half, Wesleyan got as close as 17, but Mac went on a 25-10 run to put it away. Jonathan Coachman led the team with 17 points and eight rebounds. Also in

double figures were Noyes (16), Richardson (11), Hett (11) and Collins (11).

Two weeks ago at the Fort Hays Classic, the Bulldogs went 1-1. The second night of the tournament the Dogs played a nationally ranked NCAA Division II Missouri Western team. The Bulldogs kept it close in the first and were down just 49-43 at the half.

In the second, Mac got as close as four points before Missouri Western exploded winning 98-78. Nelson led the team with 14 and Holloway had 10 with a team-leading 11 rebounds.

The first game of the tournament against Clarke College was sealed when Collins sank two free throws with 1:30 left to put the Bulldogs on top for good 64-62. Mac had to fend off Clarke three times before the buzzer sounded. Nelson led the team with 19. Coachman had 12 and Collins 10.

In their first action of the year in the McPherson Big Mac Classic, the Dogs dropped their first two games to Mid-America Nazarene and Central Methodist of Missouri before beating a tough Baker team 97-74. It was the Dogs' first win on the season and against a team they will face later in the year.

The Bulldogs are off for the St. Mary-Leavenworth tournament. They play the host school tonight at 8 p.m. and face Avila College Saturday night at 6 p.m.

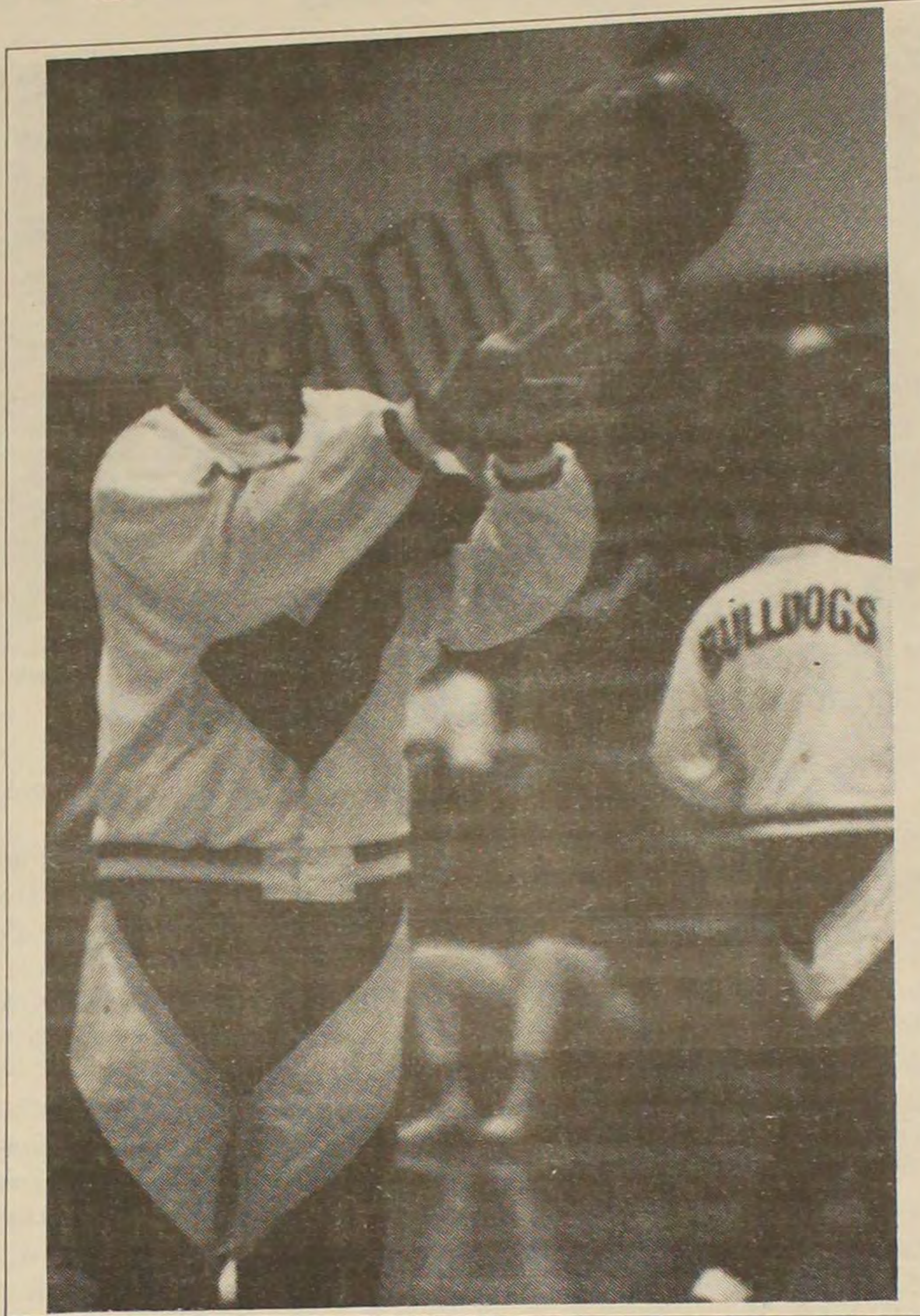


Photo by Tim Woodcock

Jarrod Miller, jr., gets warmed up before a game earlier in the season. The Bulldogs have a record of 3-3 on the season.

## Junior Varsity defense shines against Wesleyan

The Bulldog junior varsity got its second win of the season Wednesday night defeating Kansas Wesleyan 98-72.

The Dogs started out cold down 23-13 at one point in the first half before stepping up the defense to take a 41-33 half time lead.

"We turned up the screws defensively and got in some passing lanes," J.V. coach Dave Barrett said. "For us to be successful it's going to take 12 guy playing well all the time."

Anthony Minor had a great game scoring 22 points with 18 of them in the second half. Darin Christiansen had 14 and Jason Dingman added 11.

On Monday night, the Dogs won a thriller in overtime as Brett Brauer hit two free throws with three seconds left to defeat Brown Mackie of Salina 115-114.

The high-scoring J.V. was tied 48-48 at half time and was close all the way.

Chad Bledsoe, fr., had 24 points, Christiansen had 19, Doug Delay added 15 and Orlando Alfaro was also in double figures with 14.

The J.V.'s next action is Tuesday at Bethel College in North Newton. Tipoff is at 4 p.m.

## Coach plays Santa and gives gifts to the needy and not so needy

It is now officially the Christmas season. A time for giving to those in need so that their lives may be made a little better. I will keep in the tradition by distributing my Christmas gifts to those who need a gift the most.

■ My first gift goes to the Dallas Mavericks. I give them some wins with patience as a stocking stuffer. Anyone who can sit through that many losses either really likes the game or doesn't want to get a real

job. I hope they start winning soon because if they don't by April, they will all have a different job.

■ My second gift goes to Philadelphia rookie Shawn Bradley. I give to Shawn 60 pounds and a sign that reads "Don't put me on your Rotisserie basketball squad." Shawn should have spent his two years off eating instead of traveling and then maybe he could be earning his money.

■ My third gift goes to Bobby

### Coach's Corner

Jonathan Coachman

Staff Writer



Bowden and the Florida State Seminoles. To them I give their first national championship. No team or coach has ever been more deserving of a reward such as this. This championship as alluded them for so long that it is time they

had an extremely Happy New Year.

■ To Larry Johnson goes a special gift. Larry is a great player and role model who loves the game and is in it just for that. He's the type of player that wants to win more than anyone and will take a pay cut down to \$7 million a year in order to get the maximum talent on his team to win. Wait a minute! Buy yourself a present Larry, no one has any money left. We gave it all to you and your teammates.

■ To ESPN, I simply give my heart felt gratitude. You have made my world a greater place. You have made me set my goals high to achieve greatness in the field of

broadcasting such as you do daily. I someday hope to be there right along side all of your great talented people. That's my Sportscenter fantasy. Da da Dat, da da dat.

■ To Joe Montana, I give a huge dose of healthiness. Unfortunately, I don't know if there is enough left for Joe and the Chiefs to salvage this season. When Joe is in the game, they do nothing but win. However, more often than not, Joe is not in the game and they lose. So for your sake, Joe, stay healthy and the Chiefs will stay in business.

■ My final gift goes to the students, faculty, and staff at McPherson College. To you I give thanks. You have made this year at McPherson College an enjoyable one not only for me, but everyone around us. I personally thank you for all the words of encouragement both on the court and off and hope that the Christmas season brings you happiness and joy, but more importantly, brings you closer to the ones you love. Have a safe and happy holiday season. Merry Christmas!

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# Football players receive KCAC honors

By Eric Escudero

Spectator Staff

Five Mac College football players were named to the honorable-mention All-KCAC team. They were: Mike Voth, soph., punter; Hubert Freeman, fr., running back; Kerry Lacock, jr., running back; Curtis Banks, fr., slot back; and Josh Watson, fr., linebacker.

The Bulldogs wrapped things up Nov. 13 at Newton against the Bethel College Threshers. Despite not winning a game all season, the Bulldogs went in with a winning attitude. It almost paid off, but due to a number of abnormal circumstances, the Dogs dropped their last game of the season 14-7 finishing the year at 0-8.

The first half was mainly a defensive one. Both teams buckled down with each team allowing just one touchdown apiece. The Bulldogs only penetration into the Thresher defense came when Lacock broke into the open and ran for 28 of his

team-leading 143 for the touchdown.

In the second half, the Bulldogs squandered an opportunity when they drove to the Thresher one-yard line and had troubles with the snap on fourth down, turning the ball over to Bethel.

The rest was all rather controversial. It began when the Threshers decided to kick a field goal with just seven minutes left in the game. The Bulldogs blocked the attempt and then mayhem broke loose.

Bethel tried to run with it and fumbled, then Mac tried to pick it up and run and fumbled. It all ended up with Bethel recovering on the one-yard line with a first down and the ball. The Bulldog coaching staff felt it should of been the Mac's ball where Bethel first touched it, but the officials thought otherwise.

The Threshers immediately took advantage by scoring to take a 14-7 lead. Controversy reappeared when the Bulldogs had the ball with about a minute to go in the

game. The Dogs had a fourth down on the Thresher 30 yard-line when a pass intended for Curtis Banks in the end zone was broken up. The Bulldog players and coaches felt there should have been a pass interference call. However, the call didn't go their way and the Threshers pulled out the 14-7 win.

Bulldog head coach Bruce Grose was pleased with all the effort the Bulldogs put out this season. "We survived the season without an overabundance of injuries and the kids sacrificed themselves for the benefit of the team while not being concerned about themselves," he said. With the return of these players and most the team, Coach Grose is excited about next year. "I expect a lot of improvement next year with a squad size of 60-70," he said.

The Bulldogs lose just five seniors off this year's team. They are: Garth Werner, Tim Tubbs, Harold Chaney, Frank Clinage and Tim Woodcock.

## SPORTS BRIEFS

### Volleyball team gives team awards

The Mac volleyball team had its annual season-ending banquet Nov. 21 and gave out several team awards voted on by the players.

Those awards are: Most Improved-Renate Hirning, fr.; Most Versatile-Tiffany Hall, soph.; Most Valuable-Jenny Gutsch, sr., and Sarah Adams, soph.; Most Inspirational-Gutsch; Best Attitude- Kerri Kobbeman, fr.; All-KCAC Academic-Shannon Peters.

There were eight letter winners off this year's team. The three seniors Lisa Sturgeon, Gutsch and Peters will all be missed next year. The other five were: Adams, Hall, Sandra Strode, jr., Jenny Buschbom, fr., and Amy Schroeder, fr.

Others returning are Tonya Schriener, soph., Hirning, fr., Trish Young, fr., and Ali Stufflebean, fr. Transfer Jennifer Williams from Texas will be coming in at interterm.

### Intramural volleyball to have tourney

The intramural volleyball season wrapped things up last night with make-up games. All that remains is the final tournament.

The top eight teams will advance to the single elimination showdown on Dec. 5. With the t-shirts on the line, the action should really heat up. The first games are at 6 p.m. Sunday. Don't forget that three-on-three basketball begins over interterm so start getting your teams together.

# Mac women show improvement against Wesleyan



Photo by Beverly Yeager

Tiffany Hall, soph., goes down hard as she is surrounded by three Kansas Wesleyan players. The women lost Wednesday night's game and play tonight in the Sport Center.

By Tim Woodcock

Sports Editor

The McPherson women played the kind of basketball coach Marlys Gwaltney knows they are capable of for much of the first half Wednesday night against Kansas Wesleyan.

The women were up 15-11 at one point in the first, but turnovers plagued the Bulldogs as they lost the game 65-46.

"The end of the first half was the key," head coach Marlys Gwaltney said. "They turned up the intensity on their press and we didn't adapt very well."

Mac, which fell to 0-5 on the season could have kept things closer if it could have made more than 11 of 35 free throw attempts.

"Free throw shooting really hurt us," Gwaltney said. "We gave away a lot of points at the line."

Camille Base, sr., led the women with 23 points on 9 of 18 shooting

and had six boards. The rest of the Bulldogs had a good shot selection, but just couldn't get anything to fall.

"We played much better against them than last time," Gwaltney said. "We're a young team and we kind of got rattled and lost our confidence. But I was pleased with the effort."

Right before the Thanksgiving break, the women faced Kansas Newman hoping to keep improving as they did in each of the Bethany Classic games. It just wasn't meant to be as Mac dropped the hearbreaker 58-51.

Mac was down just 35-30 at halftime and made runs at Newman, but could never get over the hump. Jenny Buschbom, fr., led the Dogs with 14 points. Kimber McCune, sr., had 13 and Kerri Kobbeman, fr., chipped in 11.

It was Janelle Oakley of Newman who killed Mac with 23 points and 3 of 6 shooting from behind the three-point stripe.

The women's next game is tonight against St. Mary-Leavenworth here in the Sport Center. Tip-off is at 7:30p.m.



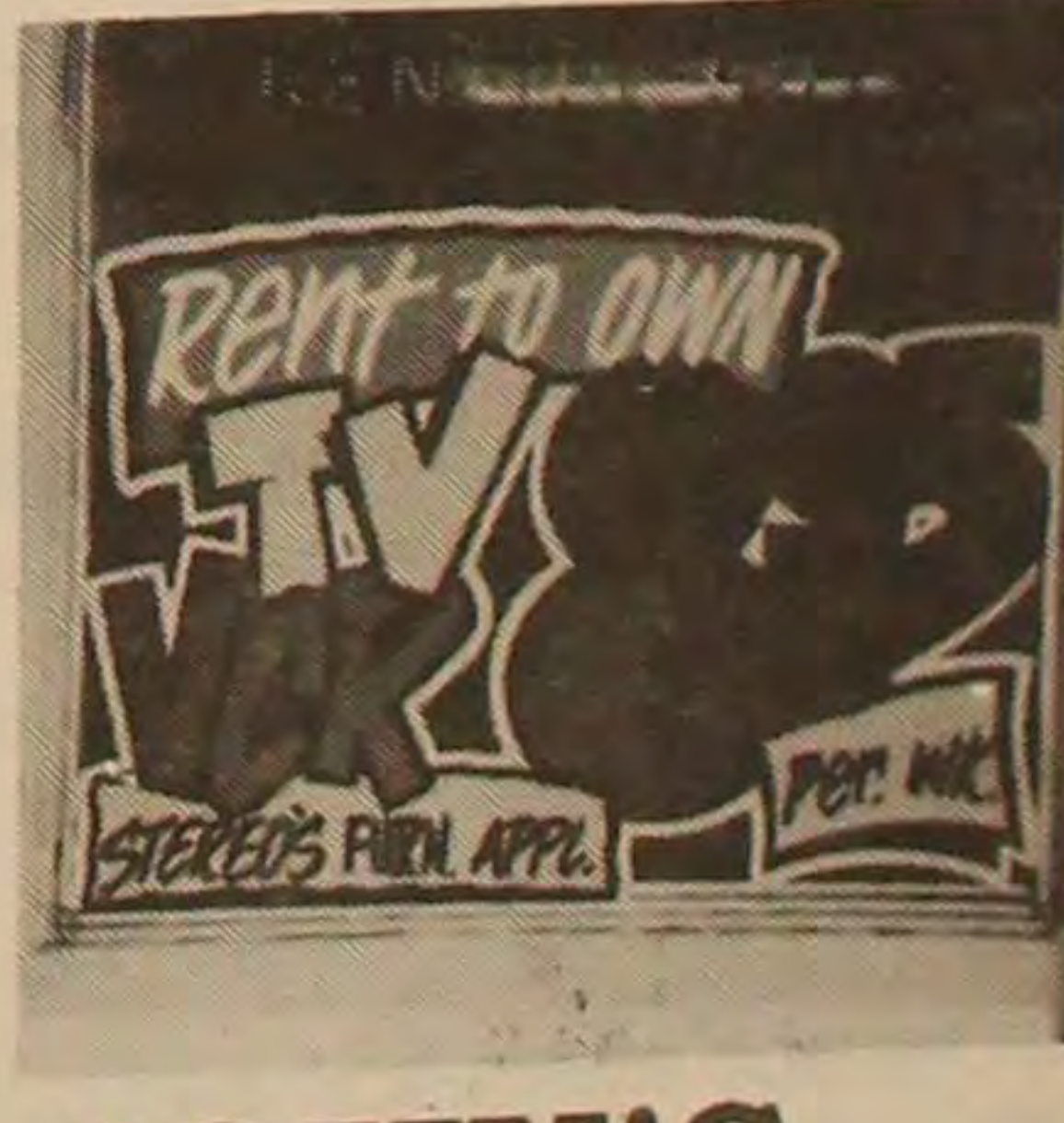
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# Teacher education faces reaccreditation

*Administrative turnover on State Board of Education forces college to get ready on short notice*

By Shannon Peters  
Spectator Staff

Instead of teaching an interterm class this January, Dr. Marilyn Kimbrell, head of the Department of Education, will be preparing for an accreditation visit from the State Board of Education.

It wasn't supposed to work out that way.

Two years ago, the college's teacher education program was authorized by the state board to develop an outcomes-based teacher certification program that would serve as a pilot for future teacher education programs across the state.

In agreeing to develop a pilot,

outcomes-based certification program, the college requested and received a postponement of its regularly scheduled accreditation visit in the fall of 1994.

In the fall of 1993, however, the State Board of Education experienced heavy turnover, hiring a new director of certification, Ken Bungert, and a new coordinator of teacher education, Phillip Bennett.

Apparently, Bungert's and Bennett's predecessors did not adequately document and administer the agreement with McPherson College. No specific person in Topeka was ever appointed to oversee the college's pilot program, and Bungert and

Bennett said no official approval of the pilot program or the postponement of the accreditation visit was on file.

Even though Kimbrell had a letter of involvement from the state, the new directors could not accept the letter as official approval. In June of this year, the college learned it would need to be reaccredited as originally scheduled next fall.

Even though the college will be reaccredited according to traditional criteria, Kimbrell is sticking with the college's developing outcomes-based certification process.

"We're not doing anything any differently because we still feel like it's the right thing to do," Kimbrell said.

Outcomes education promotes the "shift from process to out-

comes" in evaluating student competencies, Kimbrell said. For example, state certification requirements are currently process-oriented. Competency is certified by taking the required hours of coursework and completing the student-teaching experience.

"Our model emphasizes proving teaching competency, providing concrete evidence of a student's abilities," Kimbrell explained. "Our goal is to have students develop a portfolio that will document their knowledge base, their performance skills and attitudes."

Kimbrell admits to being a bit frustrated with the mix-up at the state level, but added, "We certainly haven't been hurt (by the program). We've been aware and had the mindset to prepare us for the future of education."

# Convocation provides insight to real life situations

By Christine Hauschildt  
Spectator Staff

Taking Care of Business, a drama group from Kansas Wesleyan University, presented a special evening convocation Nov. 17 in Brown Auditorium.

T.C.O.B. presents plays and skits to colleges and high schools on topics such as drug and alcohol abuse, AIDS, pregnancy, and date rape.

The actors presented eleven skits, all dealing with situations pertaining to high school and college life experiences. After the

"For those who were willing to listen to what the group had to say, I think it had a positive impact."

Barbi Harris  
Resident Director

skits, the group fielded questions in a brief question and answer session. The residence life staff then broke the students up into groups for discussions.

The convo, hosted by McPherson

College's residence life staff, was intended to educate students on the college experiences they are going through with each other.

"The program was very informative," said Steve Zerkel, jr., resident assistant at Metzler Hall. "It hit all the current topics that affect the students."

What he liked the most of the program was that in this case they just didn't focus on one topic, instead they covered more areas and targeted a larger audience.

Many of the R.A.'s remarked that the group discussions were lively

and the feedback from the students was good. Many R.A.s and students also said it would be good to have this as a regular convocation.

Barbi Harris, Resident Director of Dotzour Hall commented, "For those who were willing to listen to what the group had to say, I think it had a positive impact."

The group is directed by Cindy Wunder and the group has a cast of nine students. T.C.O.B. was here for the Student Leadership Conference this November, which was held at McPherson College.

# Keys to success during finals week

By Jessica A. Boothe  
Spectator Staff

December has arrived and so have final exams. By following the tips below, you may find that you breeze through finals with less effort and better results.

Find out what topics will be covered on the test.

Find out what type of questions and how many.

Collect materials for studying.

Organize materials in a logical order.

Review in advance...START NOW!

Predict test questions. Use your own notes and notes from books. Use old exams or former students

for clues on the test.

Use learning tricks. (Make up silly sentences or use "catch words.")

Make flash-cards if needed.

Drill until you overlearn the material.

Make sure to get a good night's sleep and eat well the morning of the exam!

Ken Queen, Director of the Learning Skills Center, adds to these tips by saying, "If people want to do well on tests, they must prepare ahead and start studying now."

"If they wait until the last minute, it will be more stressful, which will make them learn less and remember less," Queen said.

## FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE 1993 Fall Semester

TIME	Saturday Dec. 11	Monday Dec. 13	Tuesday Dec. 14	Wednesday Dec. 15	Thursday Dec. 16
9 a.m.	All Written Communications Basic English/ Expository Writing Classes	8:30 MTRF MTF TF MWF MRF WF MTR TRF M R	1:30 MTRF MTR MW MWF MRF WF MTF TRF M T TR TF	9:30 MTRF MTR MW MWF MRF WF MTF TRF M T TR TF	10:30 MTRF MTR MW MWF MRF WF R MTF TRF M
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7 p.m.		Monday Night Courses	Tuesday Night Courses	Wednesday and Thursday Night Courses	

## NEWS BRIEFS

### Art Sale.

McPherson College students will be selling their works today and tomorrow in Friendship Hall from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

### Student Recital.

Steve Hoover will perform his senior recital on Dec. 5 at 2 p.m. in Brown Auditorium. Hoover's performance will consist of several vocal and organ pieces. The recital is open to the public and free of charge.

### Habitat News.

Tomorrow is another work day at the site of the habitat house in McPherson at 614 N. Oak. Anyone interested is welcome to attend between 8:30 and 3:30 p.m.

An open house and dedication is scheduled for the habitat house on Dec. 12.

### Josten visit.

A Jostens representative will be on campus to take ring orders on Dec. 9 in the campus bookstore between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. A \$20 deposit will be required at this time.

### Christmas Dance.

The semi-formal dance "Far Away Wonders" is tomorrow night between 10:30 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. The cost is \$3 per person and \$5 per couple.

### Metzler Hall.

Dan Davis, resident director of Metzler Hall was relieved of his duties on Nov. 15. Gwen McClenton, director of residence life said, "I hope we have the position filled by the first of the year."