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March Madness



Photo by Tim Woodcock

Anna Johnson participates in the "Pop-A-Shot" competition in the cafeteria as Travis Van Goethem cheers her on. The field of contestants has been reduced to 16 and will conclude next week. SAB is sponsoring the event which will award \$50 to the winner.

Election results are final

Burger to be new president

By Sarah Adams

Spectator Staff



Jenny Burger

Results from the Student Council elections are in. The new executive council, which will take over April 24, is president Jenny Burger, vice president Kristen Cossaart, treasurer Nathan Brubaker and secretary Pat Crowdis.

President Mysty Rusk-Clinage did an exceptional job raising school spirit, said Burger, and she hopes to carry on the excellence.

"This year I hope to continue with a lot of the strong programs established by this year's council. The student body needs to have

trust in its student council and have confidence that Stuco will do their best job for the students," said Burger, who is a biology/education major.

Cossaart is an elementary education major. "One of my goals is to see the meetings run using the rules of parliamentary procedure. I expect the the enthusiasm to continue on," she said. Cossaart has shown her leadership abilities through residence life and Stuco.

Brubaker, a double major in accounting and finances, is looking forward to the new job of treasurer. "I haven't ever been a member of Stuco and I wanted to make that commitment. This year's Stuco really seemed to make a difference and I wanted to be a part of that," Brubaker said.

"I want to concentrate on the needs of the students," Crowdis said. He would like to see Stuco become more a part of daily life for students. Crowdis is a sports psychology major.

EPC passes freshman course for new curriculum

By Michele McMillan

Editor in Chief

Education Policy Committee approved a new, required freshman course in the most recent revision made to the new curriculum that will be implemented at McPherson College next fall.

Next year's freshmen will be required to take Communication Studies for three hours in both the fall and spring semesters.

The new course is a combination of current classes: Written Communications, Oral Communications and College Life. It is designed to help students meet several of the new general education competencies, including writing, oral communication, information literacy and computer literacy.

In addition to passing the class, freshmen will be expected to pass competency tests at the end of the course.

"Getting to work with the freshmen for a whole year is an advantage, especially for working with writing," said Dr. Susan Taylor, member of the task force

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Susan Taylor

that developed the new course.

Freshmen will meet three days a week—one day with a seminar group and two days in class. One day of lab a week will also be available for students who need extra help in meeting the competency requirements.

In the fall, the course will focus on "Self and Society," encouraging students to look at who they are, how they fit in and relate to other members of society. The spring course will look at how students relate on a global/intercultural basis.

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A proposal is under considera-

tion that would allow the second semester of Communication Studies to also satisfy a new global education requirement of the new curriculum.

"We felt we didn't have a detailed enough proposal for that yet, and feel we have to work with the staff on how they would teach that since it's a new area for most teachers," Taylor said.

"We eventually hope to make it possible that the second semester is also the global introduction course," said Dr. Dale Goldsmith, vice president of academic services.

Under the new general education program, students will not be required to take courses under certain departments. Instead they will fulfill requirements under several rubrics that categorize the qualities McPherson College expects its students to exhibit and to demonstrate college-level competency in basic skills areas.

The rubrics are: Social Dimension, Aesthetics, Historical Perspectives, Natural Science, Technology and Culture, Wholeness/ Health and Fitness,

Philosophy and Religion and Global/Intercultural. The competency areas are writing, oral communication, information literacy, computer literacy and math.

The new curriculum will also require students to take two interdisciplinary seminars, which are team-taught classes involving professors from different disciplines.

"This (the new curriculum) is a major, major work," Dr. Goldsmith said. "It's like redoing your house. The last revisions to the curriculum were made in 1970 or 1971. The faculty have been working very hard at it."

Only incoming freshmen will be affected by the new curriculum. Written Communications and Oral Communications will be offered next year for current students who need these courses to fulfill the current general education requirements.

"We may need to make substitutions during the phasing in of the new curriculum, but it shouldn't

create problems for students," Taylor said.

The General Education Review committee has been meeting every Tuesday to look at new course proposals. An approximate 35-40 new courses will be available for next year's freshmen that will allow them to meet the new curriculum requirements.

"The next thing to do is assess how we are doing," Goldsmith said.

One of the areas of the new curriculum still being discussed is the possibility of requiring students, faculty and staff to complete so many hours of community service per semester.

"There seems to be a genuine interest on the part of the faculty in emphasizing service as an important part of the McPherson College experience," Goldsmith said.

Details of the math competency also remain to be resolved, but the competency will eventually be approved as part of the new general education program.

EDITORIAL

Stanley Hauerwas leaves Mac students with mixed feelings

STUDENTS LEFT CONVOCATION ON MONDAY with mixed feelings about the speaker, Dr. Stanley Hauerwas.

Dr. Hauerwas, professor of theological ethics at Duke University, gave the annual Religious Heritage Lecture at McPherson College.

According to Dr. Hauerwas, people between the ages of 17 and 22 don't think for themselves. People were stirring in their seats after that statement. He went on to ask why anyone would ever want to get married or have children.

Those were awfully bold statements for the ears of the student body, because after all most of us believe we think for ourselves and many of us want to get married and have kids some day.

The point he was making is that we are not individuals. Not only are college students not individuals, but Dr. Stanley Hauerwas is not an individual. After all he bases his beliefs on the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, a belief which has been around awhile.

I don't really think that Dr. Hauerwas was picking on college students in general, but rather on our society as a whole. According to Dr. Hauerwas no person can be an individual because we depend on other people for our ideas.

We are molded so tightly into our culture that it is unclear if any of us think for ourselves. Take for example our government. We are Americans, thus we believe in democracy. So much in fact that we are willing to fight so others can share the same belief. The list goes on and on from politics to religion as well as our ideas about marriage and children. There is not one thing we believe that someone else does not believe too.

Dr. Hauerwas stated his criticisms, but left us with no clear solutions. Must we believe that human beings have no part in manifesting God's will in the world?

Although Dr. Hauerwas at times came across as arrogant and controversial, he did put important issues such as abortion, euthanasia and violence on the table.

Whether you think Dr. Hauerwas was right or wrong in what he said at convocation is not important. The fact is that he made us all think and stirred up some new ideas to discuss.

Michael P. Schneider for the Editorial Staff

Spring break traveler brings advice back for those who may travel soon

I still can't believe spring break has come and gone already. I spent a lot of time getting ready for the momentous occasion, making sure I had saved up plenty of spending money and clean clothes.

Four brave souls set out on a great adventure that led us to Dallas, Texas Mar. 17. When we left McPherson, we did not anticipate what was waiting ahead for us. We didn't get very far before our adventure began to unfold.

Our wonderful experiences left me with some advice to anyone who anticipates traveling in the near future. Here it goes:

Always check your tires before you leave on a road trip. We made two swell stops because of flat tires. We stopped first in Kechi and next in Oklahoma City. I recommend getting your tires changed in Oklahoma City unless you enjoy spending a lot of money for one tire.

When looking at the directions to your hotel, make sure you understand what "Frontage Road" really means. (It is the access road that

Campus Comments



Christine Hauschildt

Staff Writer

runs along the highway.) We spent a good 45 minutes looking for this road, but we never found it. By the way, we did get a great tour of downtown Dallas.

Once you've checked into your hotel room, do not, I repeat, do not believe front desk clerks when they say, "He's on his way." They lie everytime.

Case in point: We called our hotel and asked for the shuttle service to pick us up in the West End Marketplace. After an invigorating run through a deserted train station, (see next tip) we waited over an hour for our shuttle to arrive. We called the hotel four times and

heard "He's on his way."

When our driver did arrive, he told us the front desk clerk never called him. However, while waiting, we did learn how to direct traffic from a Dallas cop.

One last tip. Always follow the crowd out of Reunion Arena, especially if you are not familiar with downtown Dallas. You never know when strangers may pull up to you in their car and ask for directions to the Convention Center, which happens to be directly in front of them.

Make sure you have on comfortable running shoes because you never know when you may have to run through an empty train depot to avoid being mugged.

Of course I could list many more helpful tips, but space just won't allow. All in all, I had a blast over spring break. The weather was great, the food was even better, and I got to spend it with my friends.

I hope everyone had a great time and just remember: only eight weeks until school's out for summer.

The good column comes next issue

A black hole is a sort of void in space with absolutely no light. The Dead Sea is a large lake so full of salt and other minerals that not a single living organism makes its home in its dark waters. Kansas is a state, flat as a pancake with no hills, valleys or any other contour.

Black hole, Dead Sea and Kansas. I use them as adjectives to describe my brain as of late when it comes to thinking up a subject for this week's column. I just can't come up with... What?

Easter? I really don't think it offers enough for an entire column. Okay, I'll give it a try.

May the Cadbury Bunny bless one and all this weekend, may you find every egg you seek and may everyone have a wonderful holiday.

You see? Not enough. I had thought about mentioning the fact that, anymore, Metzler has no hot water in the evenings. This only took a few lines to explain, however, the explanation being that maintenance was told grass grows twice as fast if watered with hot water. This of course would allow for twice as much mowing time and might even require a brand new mower! This issue just didn't have the potential.

The only other thing I could think of was the hiring of a new R.A.

Garth's Two Cents



Garth Werner

Staff Writer

staff for the next year. Now, being a third year R.A., I had a lot to write on this subject, but it had to be

something that could be published.

I really was out of ideas. Desk duty is a dead issue. No matter how ridiculous, desk duty is here to stay. Just think, if Rikki Tikki Tavi had been on desk duty instead of roaming the house, that little kid and his parents would snake food.

Well, with nothing to write on, I suppose I'll just not do a column this week. Deepest apologies to those who wanted a good column to read. I'll try not to let you down again.

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Wally's World

by Wallace Moore



American education will improve if bill is signed by President Clinton

Surrounded by the Whitewater scandal and North Korean nuclear crisis, Congress passed an education bill that will help our schools strive for high goals. The Senate voted for its passage, 63-22, as did the House of Representatives, 307-120. The next step is for President Clinton to sign it. If signed into law the bill will establish national academic standards, which may become the turning point for American schools.

The bill, Goals 2000, also sets up

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*Richard Riley
Secretary of Education*

a committee, the National Education Standards and Improvement Council, to oversee the implementation of the academic standards by the states. Along with the Council, it would provide money to help states create and carry out plans for students to meet these standards.

Oddly enough in today's highly partisan atmosphere on Capitol Hill, Goals 2000 may write into law the national education goals first proposed in 1989 by the nations governors and the Bush administration, indicating that party lines can be crossed and should not

Around the World



Dan Marchewka

Staff Writer

be used as a barrier blocking the good of the nation.

As for the funding of Goals 2000, the Clinton administration has asked for \$700 million for 1995 and \$1 billion for the next three years. The funding will assist states in setting up the standards and with training aimed at carrying out these standards.

"They will be guides for parents and teachers and communities to judge the quality of their schools," according to the Education Secretary, Richard Riley.

However, some states think the national standards will not help, but create complications in the American public school system. They are angry because the national government has stepped into the school system, which has always been the dominion of the states. These states want a hands-off policy, like former President Reagan's policy towards business. They think that their school districts are already engaged in their own reforms.

Yet other states are concerned that the national standards will not be met by their students, who are poor and can only speak broken-English, if any. These type of students are already having a difficult time with the current minimum standards.

However, Riley believes that the standards will likely "erase low expectations, which have too often held our children hostage and restrained our nation from achieving its full potential."

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Even though it may not erase all the negatives of our school system, it will reassure educators and parents alike that students will learn what they need to from subjects such as: English, history, mathematics and science.

Of greatest importance, the bill now has all 50 states working toward one set of goals, and not 50 states going in separate directions. This legislation is a step in the right direction to achieving equality in our national public school system!

CAMPUS FORUM

Residents extend birthday wishes to their namesake

Who ever said that God has no sense of humor?

How else can you explain that the man whom Fahnestock Hall is named after was so appropriately born 140 years ago on April Fools Day?

head of the Drawing, Pen Art and Commercial Department, as well as Secretary and Treasurer of the college, and Vice-President of the Board of Directors for 16 years. It wasn't until after his death that the term "Fanny" was used. More than any of his awards, titles and accomplishments, this would have made him the proudest.

All of the traditions of Fanny were here long before any of us were (including Mark Petrie). They are all done to honor and respect Mr. S. B. Fahnestock. The next Fanny run, snow sculpture or ultimate frisbee game you see, remember our mentor and maybe give a salute that would make Fanny proud.

It isn't very often that residents care so much about the name of their dorm, but then again, this is Fanny--we care about everything.

Fanny Residents

There is no other way to explain the antics that have been tried and continued for many decades by Fahnestock residents. It's all in the roots.

On S.B.'s 125th birthday, the residents of Fanny tried to honorarily change the name of McPherson College to Fahnestock College. Of course the college didn't share the same enthusiasm for S.B.'s birthday that the residents did, but the thought was a good one. It isn't very often that residents care so much about the name of their dorm, but then again, this is Fanny--we care about everything.

The man who was born on April Fools Day had many accomplishments throughout his life. He was

Letter Policy

The Spectator's editorial pages provide a public forum for the campus community.

The following policy guides the publication of all letters to the editor:

- All letters must be signed. Unless sufficient reason is given, the signature must accompany the letter when it is published.
- Everything will be published within the limits of space, good taste, and the laws of libel.
- To submit a letter to the Spectator, drop it in campus mail. The final deadline is Monday before the Friday on which a paper is published.

Payday is inconvenient for students

Jim Garrison
Spectator Staff

I have quite a few friends who are employed by the college and every month around now they all begin to gripe about the same thing--paychecks that only come out around mid-month.

So what's the big problem?

Most students' bills are due before they get their pay. Resicom, cable, college court rent, spring break vacations--everything is usually due by the 11th.

That leaves a four- or five-day cash flow problem.

The most important of these could be spring break. If not for loans or generous parents, I know quite a few people who would have spent their break out behind Brown Auditorium in tents because they were counting on that check to get them home. What's the big idea of not paying them until after break? It can't be that hard to do, can it?

It just seems simpler to be able to pay off all the bills at the first of the month than to have to penny pinch during the last half.

Now, the economist on campus will say that I am whining because my friends and I can't budget well.

Sorry, but this whole thing is about convenience, and in an age of convenience, this seems a little out of place.

MEDITATION MOMENT

This sacrifice of God that we find in the Cross isn't just about doing good, but about relieving the world of its necessity to violence. Christian non-violence is built on the presumption not that there is nothing worth dying for, but rather that God alone has the right to command our lives.

-Stanley Hauerwas

I know that there is a good reason for the present system. At the time of conception, every idea sounds good. That's why somebody made the Salad Shooter.

I would welcome an explanation why students are subjected to this inconvenience. Perhaps someone can write us a letter. Perhaps they could just make payday the first of every month and get this whole thing straightened out.

PROVOCATIVE WORDS

It is not easy nowadays to remember anything so contrary to all appearances as that officials are the servants of the public; and the official must try not to foster the illusion that it is the other way round.

-Sir Ernest Gowers

Breaking the Spring Break Myth

Six McPherson students spend an atypical spring break helping others on two of the four KCAC workcamps

Church renovation in Mexico exposes group to whole new world

Sarah Adams

Spectator Staff

During spring break not many people stop and take time to help others, but four McPherson College students did. Nathan Brubaker, Amy Diaz, Luis Jimenez and Jason Sumpter drove to a small Presbyterian church in Mexico in two vans with 25 people from Tabor College, Sterling College and Bethany College.

"It was very crowded," Brubaker said.

Brubaker, jr., and Sumpter, soph., did hard labor, which included repairing a ceiling and picking up pigeon droppings. Diaz, sr., was the McPherson leader which involved getting together every night with the other group leaders and discussing plans for the next day. And Jimenez, sr., was a translator between the construction engineers

and the workers. Everyone had to sleep on the thin carpeted floor in the sanctuary or on table tops.

"The first day we got there they took us to a mall where little kids, eight or nine years old, worked until 10 at night and were only paid \$40 a week. Most of those kids didn't even go to school because they were so poor," Jimenez said.

After visiting the mall, the students went to a barrio, a slum.

"The people that lived in the barrio probably had the most pride because they didn't receive any government aid. What you saw was all theirs," Sumpter said.

Becoming involved with the community surrounding the church wasn't hard.

"The first night, we played basketball with the kids in the area. It was fun because we couldn't even communicate and we still had a great time," Brubaker said. The basketball games were an every

night occurrence, with an occasional soccer game.

"The soccer was interesting because we literally played in a sand pit," Diaz said.

The church they repaired was decrepit. The roof was there, but the ceiling was so decayed that the sky showed through.

"We used Styrofoam to build a new ceiling, which was difficult because we had to be careful not to leave fingerprints," said Diaz.

The working conditions were hot, the water undrinkable, and the daily sadness tough, but each student left with a feeling of accomplishment.

What made the whole trip memorable? "Playing basketball every night with the Mexican guys," Jimenez said. "Listening to Brubaker tell jokes for two hours," said Sumpter. "Getting to know the other students," Brubaker said. "Interacting with the community," said Diaz.

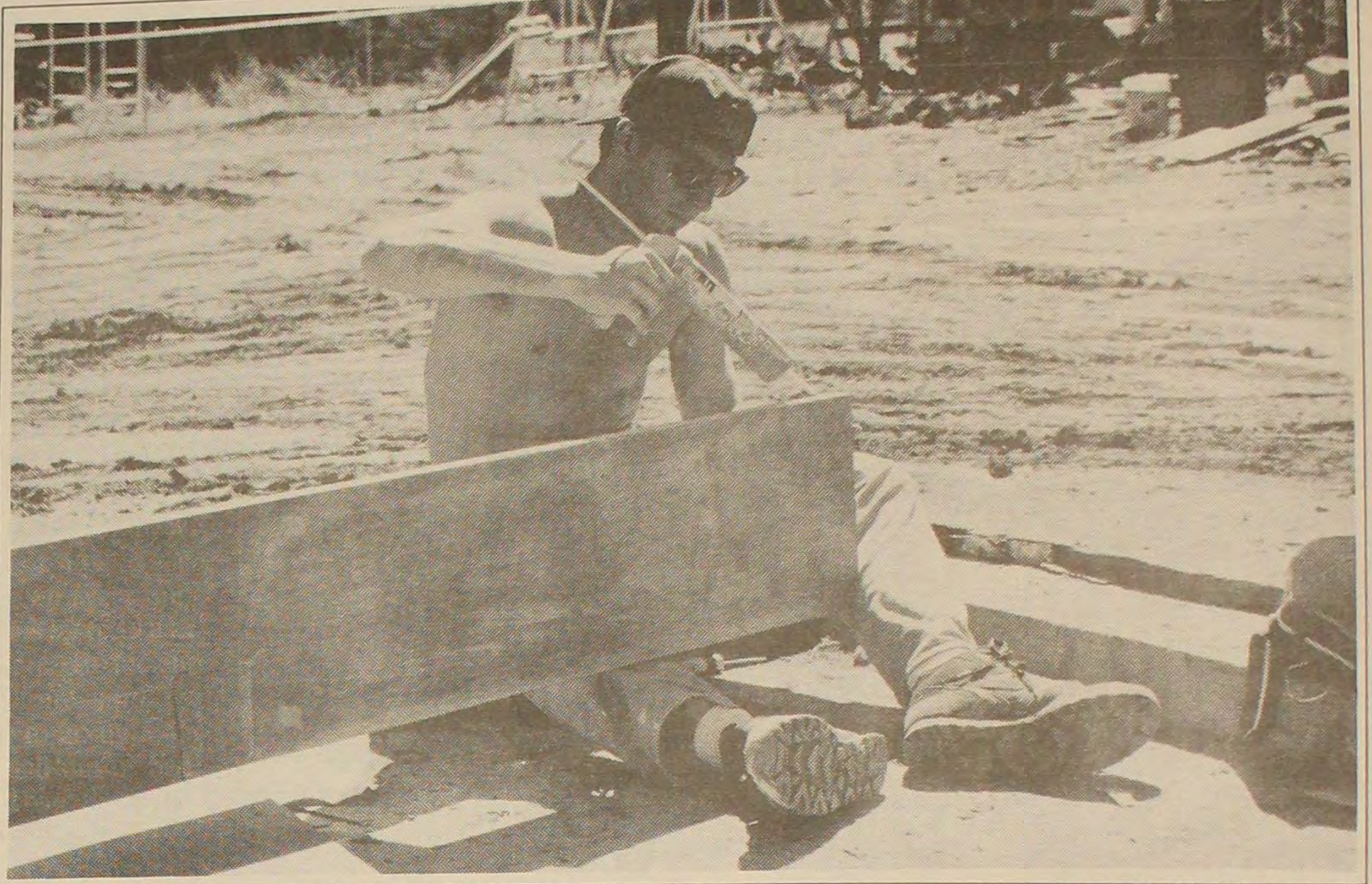


Photo courtesy of Bruno Enrich

Bruno Enrich, a senior from Barcelona, Spain, spent his spring break helping build a Habitat for Humanity house in Las Vegas, New Mexico.

Students spend break building Habitat home

Sue Werner

Spectator Staff

Spring break. To many, these two little words mean nothing but fun and relaxation. We spend it on the beach or on the slopes, or maybe just sleeping in and relaxing. For two students, however, spring break was a time to work hard, help others, and have a great time doing it.

While some of us were partying at Padre, or hanging out at home, Steve Weed, jr., Bruno Enrich, sr., and Bruno's cousin Maria were in New Mexico, absorbing the cul-

ture while helping to build a house for a family in need.

"We wanted to share and to give," Bruno said. "We have always received through our lives, so it is good to give sometimes."

The three worked from 9 to 5 all but two days. The project was part of Habitat for Humanity and was sponsored by the Presbyterian Church.

"Even the work was fun," Bruno said. "You don't usually expect to have fun working, but we really did."

The group had two free days in which they got to experience the

country and the culture. They went to Santa Fe and shopped in the Plaza. While Steve tried out the ski slopes, Bruno and Maria explored the city of Taos.

"I loved Taos," said Maria. "The houses were beautiful and the people were so relaxed. It's all art."

"I liked getting to know people and experiencing different cultures," said Steve. Bruno and Maria were surprised at how different life in the small town was. Steve says that he often heard Bruno exclaim, "This is just like National Geographic!"



Photo courtesy of Luis Jimenez

Nate Brubaker, jr., Jason Sumpter, soph., Amy Diaz, sr., and Luis Jimenez, sr., joke with a friend after a basketball game.

Choir spends spring break exploring East

Emilita L. Huston
Feature Editor

Even in the middle of choir tour, when everybody was exhausted and Katherine kept telling us to open our throats more, it seemed unanimous that choir tour was fun.

It was the longest tour in years: 3,175 miles in 11 days. It began Friday night in Kansas City, then headed east. Saturday night we sang in Indianapolis.

Sunday morning we were supposed to be at the bus by 6:30 a.m. The lady who had agreed to pick up Kim Merkey and me said we needed to be ready to go by 5:45. At 5:30, as I crawled out of bed, someone knocked on the front door!

As we drove to Goshen, Ind., Anita Huber eagerly anticipated seeing her family. We sang for the church service. The concert was as good as the potluck afterwards. Then it was back on the bus for an evening concert in Dayton, Ohio.

Monday it was my turn to fly high. We were singing at my father's church in Westernport, Maryland. The last 20 miles are state roads and not in the best of conditions, so some of us "surfed" the potholes in the back of the bus.

The church is at the top of a hill (or mountain, depending on where you're from). During the climb, I worked my way forward. My mom was waiting with a huge bear hug when I stepped off the bus.

It was a good concert. The acoustics were nice, the piano was in tune and had no broken strings (a first). Six people stayed with me. We had enchiladas and played on the Nordic Track, my dad's new toy. I got to bed by 3 a.m.

Mike Epps got to bed by four but 10 minutes later woke up to the hissing of whipped cream as Kim and my sister Sara got him.

We didn't have to get up until 7 a.m. Tuesday. That evening, we sang in Hyattsville, a Washington, D.C., suburb. Wednesday we spent about four hours touring the city.

It was a wonderful break from



Photo by Emilita Huston

Outside Ed Debevic's, Jessie Miller, fr., Marc Rittle, soph., Kim Merkey, sr., and Jenny Stover, fr., (left to right) wait to be called for lunch during their afternoon in Chicago.

the daily boredom of riding. Groups went to Arlington Cemetery, the Washington Monument, the Vietnam Wall, and the Capitol. At noon, a group went to the Holocaust Museum. It was like walking through "Schindler's List."

Due to traffic and my tardy return to the bus, we arrived in Annville, Pa., late. It wasn't our best concert. D.C. had been cold and windy, and we were tired. One person lost her voice totally and several others lost theirs partially. But we did our best and we still sounded good. Best of all, I got to stay with my aunt and uncle.

Thursday was a mellow day. We went to Hershey and Marc Rittle showed us where he used to live. We went to Hershey's Chocolate Factory, and saw how Hershey's chocolates are made. We drove to Gettysburg, where we had lunch and toured the battlefield. Finally we arrived in Johnstown.

Acoustically this church was the best. We complemented each other well.

After the concert, our hostess took us to the Inclined Plane. As I understand it, this is supposed to be the steepest slope in the world, but I've climbed steeper canyon walls.

In the morning, it started to snow. Again. The average annual snowfall for the area is supposed to be about 80 inches. This year they've received over twice that. Our hostess said they hadn't seen the ground since November.

It was a hard drive Friday. The snowstorm put us behind and we

got to Fort Wayne, Ind., late.

Saturday we were set loose on Chicago. We checked out Rock-n-Roll McDonald's, and then five of us went to Ed Debevic's, a 50's style short order restaurant, with signs that read: If you can find bet-

ter food anywhere else, eat there.

After a terrific lunch, we started working our way back to the bus. On the way, we passed the Chicago Cultural Center. We wandered in and up to the second floor, a circular room with a stained glass dome. The marble floor was interspersed with glass squares. Light shone from underneath the squares. Kim and Marc were lying on the floor, looking at the dome and checking out the sound.

We decided to sing a song. It was so beautiful, we couldn't stop. We sang our entire repertoire at least once. It was the most spiritual experience I had on tour.

After our evening concert, we went to Marc's house. We munched on pistachios and told stories about our experiences.

As usual, there were two concerts on Sunday. In the morning we sang in Elgin, Ill. Then drove almost six hours and sang in Panora, Iowa. That was our last concert on tour. We sang with joy.

We spent our last night with Kim's parents. Kim stayed up all night talking to a friend.

Next day, excitement mounted. Everyone was anxious to see boyfriends, girlfriends, or just friends. Despite the fatigue, there was a feeling that we had done a good job and we were proud of it.

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Tennis team hitting it hard

Ecic Escudero
Spectator Staff

Power is the key word for this year's McPherson College men's tennis team.

"This is probably the strongest team in the past five years as far as putting strength behind the ball," head coach Dave Barrett said. "If we use this to our advantage and improve our weak points, which include our shot making and net play, we can accomplish our goal of finishing in the top half of the league and competing against Southwestern, Tabor and Bethany, who have been the dominant teams recently in the KCAC."

For Mac this year, the singles players are: Bruno Enrich, sr., No. 1; Mark Boyer, fr., No. 2; Roger Burton, sr., No. 3; Pascal Reber, soph., No. 4; Dan Marchewka, jr., No. 5; Sean Dell, soph., No. 6.

The doubles teams are Enrich and Burton, No. 1; Reber and Mar-

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Coach Dave Barrett

chewka, No. 2; Mark Frazier, soph., and Brandon Cusick, soph., No. 3.

The Bulldogs got their season into full swing March 8 at a meet with Southwestern. They struggled and dropped all their matches to the Moundbuilders.

The Bulldogs looked to rebound from the loss March 25 against Seward County, but once again came up short, this time losing by a final score of eight matches to one.

Frazier and Cusick came up with the Bulldogs' only victory of the

day by a final score of 0-6, 7-5, 6-4. "We played passive the first set and then the second two, we turned it up a notch," Cusick said.

The Bulldogs continued to look for improvement March 26, against Rockhurst College. However, once again they came up short losing 5 matches to 4.

Three of the wins were by forfeit since Rockhurst passed up on the doubles matches. Boyer got the Bulldogs' only singles win by a score of 2-6, 6-1, 7-5.

The Bulldogs will look to pick up a victory at their next match against Sterling on April 6. Marchewka is optimistic about their next match.

"We haven't gotten as much practice time as we have wanted due to bad weather which has hurt our play early," Marchewka said. "However, with the amount of work we have gotten in lately, our level of play should improve."

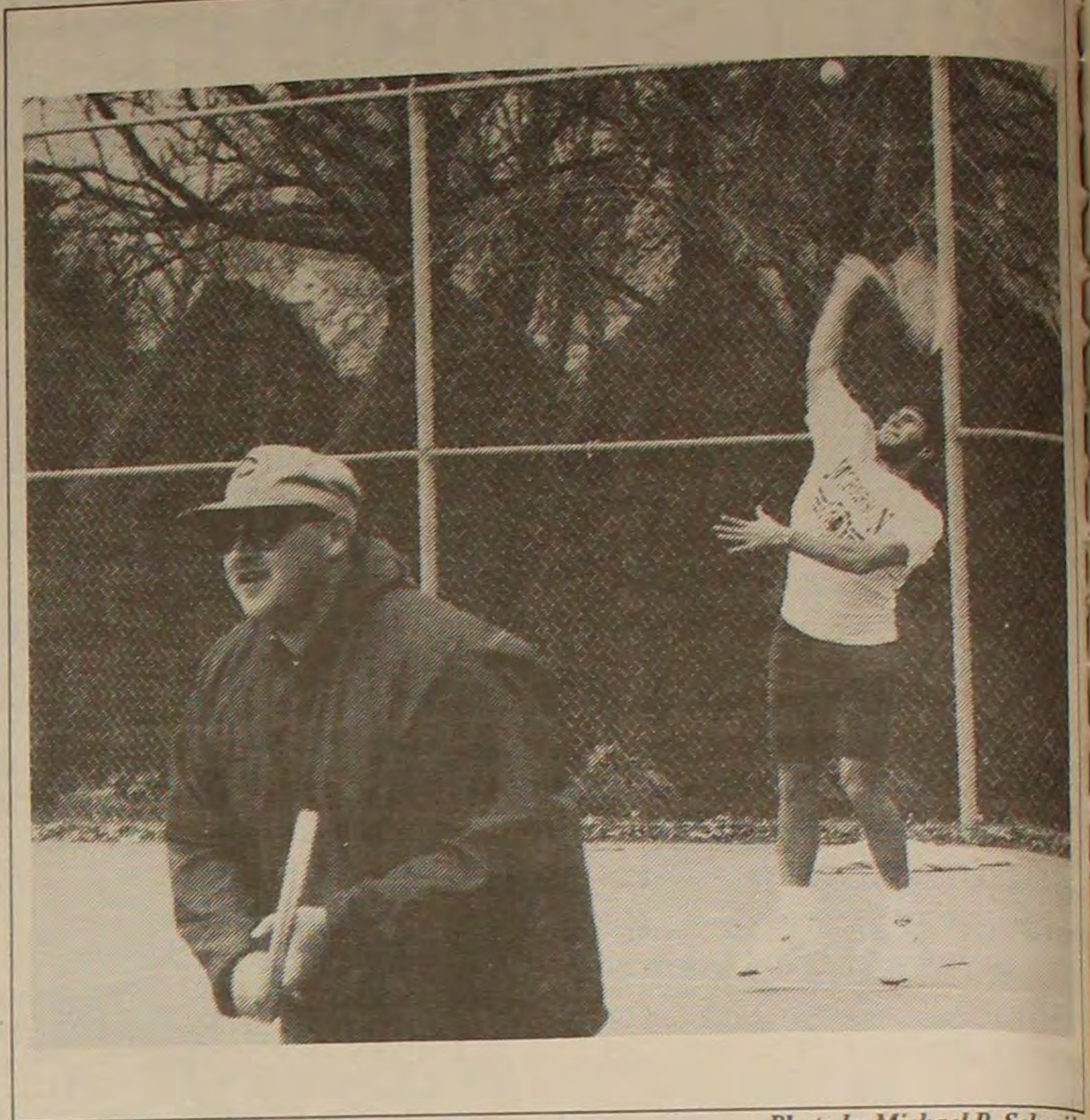


Photo by Michael P. Schneider

Senior Bruno Enrich serves the ball and Roger Burton, sr., waits for the return in doubles action last Friday.

Springtime brings about resignations, baseball and even poetry

Springtime has arrived with a blaze of sunshine. Spring is a time to let your hair down and have a good time. In college, it means that the end of the year is coming so you must split your time between studying and enjoying the weather. It is a time of new beginnings and also endings. Here are a few thoughts on the events of this spring.

■ Is there something in the air I'm not smelling or are Jerry Jones and Jimmy Johnson of the Dallas Cowboys living in another world? Jimmy Johnson, who had guided the Cowboys to consecutive Super Bowl titles and was staring a sure dynasty in the face for the next five or six years, stepped down as head coach on Tuesday.

The reason for the separation was that Jones and Johnson couldn't get along. What is there to fight about? I guess none of us will ever understand situations like this. If money and power can ruin

Coach's Corner



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relationships and take away from the love of the game, then maybe fame and fortune isn't all that it is cracked up to be. I think that Jerry Jones and Jimmy Johnson should go buy two football teams and fight it out amongst themselves so that the rest of the real football world can enjoy themselves after winning two Super Bowls.

■ Baseball is back, but does anyone know it? With the success of the NCAA tournament this year, Major League Baseball has been

put on the backburner. But this could be a record-breaking year for the big leagues with the altering of the leagues. New rivalries are sure to start and should bring a new excitement to the games.

So many players have changed teams that it will be like watching a whole new league. Barry Bonds has a chance to win his unprecedented fourth MVP award that would surely solidify him as baseball's premier player.

The Atlanta Braves will try again to win that elusive World Series crown, but the Toronto Blue Jays will have something to say about that. It is tough to call, but I finally think that this is the Braves' year. With their solid pitching and timely hitting, they should prevail. Write it down. I'm never wrong.

■ Magic's back. The Los Angeles Lakers have finally found a way to put some excitement back in the league even if they didn't put it on the court. Magic Johnson is now the new head coach for the Lakers for the remainder of this season.

In his first game back against the Milwaukee Bucks, he had his team playing the way he used to play: intense defense, fundamentally

sound offense, and a look of enjoyment while playing the game. He may not be the best coach, but sometimes effort can beat talent. This was a great move by the Lakers, whose franchise has steadily declined since the retirement of Magic. This should be the kickstart that they need.

■ Finally, I have a personal story that may help some of you in the future. Two weeks ago three friends and I went to the most exciting city in the world to have the most exciting time of our lives. This spring break trip had been planned for a whole year. However while planning the trip we failed to include in the itinerary a visit from the friendly Las Vegas police department.

Upon arrival in Las Vegas, we were immediately spotted by police as four young men with an out-of-state tag that did not register in their computer. After waiting for backup, the two policecars, (five policemen) pulled us over for potential "grand theft auto." Needless to say that after twenty minutes of investigation, we were convinced that being a criminal was not our career choice. It turned out to be a simple computer error in

Topeka, so we were eventually allowed to continue our vacation in peace. However, I have a simple message for the policemen who pulled us over:

We pulled to the curb, you had five this is true,

But I want you to know, we weren't scared of you.

You sounded so rough, like you were in a bad mood,

If you would've been nicer, we wouldn't have been so rude.

I understand that you were only doing your job,

But really, did we look like we could've robbed?

You said, "Get your hands up, now, who's car is this, son?"

"It's my father's officer, we're only here to have a little fun.

We came this far, just to do some high rollin',

I promise you sir, this car isn't stolen."

We've had it, let us go, this has gone far enough,

We don't have to stand here and listen to this guff.

I know that we shouldn't have mouthed off to cops,

But hey, all we had in the cooler was soda pops.

I don't mean to sound bitter, I don't mean to sound crass,

But next time officers, I expect a little more class.

This is the end of my rhyme, this is the end of my song,

Next time though, could we just please get along.

When you go on Easter break be careful. You never know what is going to happen. But if you didn't do anything wrong, you have nothing to worry about. See ya.

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Coaches begin recruiting for the future

By Tim Woodcock
Sports Editor

Now that we're into the full swing of spring athletics, one might think that the volleyball, football and basketball coaches sit at home and watch the grass grow. Wrong! Not only do all the coaches have a spring sport they are either a head coach or assistant for, but they also must recruit for next season.

Volleyball

Head coach Deb Moore returns nine players from this year's squad, but gone are seniors Shannon Peters, Jenny Gutsch and Lisa Sturgeon. Besides her head track coach responsibilities, she has been busy trying to find players to round out next year's team.

"Right now we're going after a lot of talented people, usually talented enough to be a dual-sport athlete," Moore said. "They should not only be athletes, but also very good students, outstanding in their classes."

Merri Greene, Marion, recently signed to play volleyball. She is a junior transfer student from Fort Hays State University. Jennifer Williams is the second transfer student already signed. Williams, who is already on campus this semester, is from Fort Worth, Texas. She will be a junior also and transferred from Tarrant County Juco in Fort Worth.

Moore has also signed Melissa Sharp from Ellinwood and has a verbal commitment from Amy Ross, who attended Southeast of Saline High School. All of these women will be competing in volleyball and basketball next year at McPherson.

"There's quite a few kids that are waiting and in the next few weeks will sign," Moore said. "There may also be some transfer students still signing."

Football

Head coach Bruce Grose says recruitment is "slow but steady." He and his staff are taking their time and screening their applicants to make sure they will fit into the new scheme at McPherson Col-



Photo by Tim Woodcock

Merri Greene, a transfer from Fort Hays, signs her letter of intent with coaches Marlys Gwaltney and Deb Moore.

lege.

Grose has signed Mike Hunter as a tailback in the now familiar single-wing offense. Hunter threw for 2,100 yards last year at Vermilion Ely Junior College and is a great runner and scrambler.

Another signee is Tim Schoepflion from Coffeyville Junior College. Schoepflion is being recruited as a nose guard. David Rose, a freshman from Mesquite, Texas has been signed as a defensive back. Chad Clark, a freshman from Fruin, Ala., has also been signed to play offensive lineman.

Joshua Mooney, a linebacker recruit from T.K. Goreman High School in Tyler, Texas, will be at Mac next year, as will Spencer Taylor of Brewer High School in Fort Worth, Texas. Trevor Carney is the last of the new signees. He is from Kapaun Mt. Carmel in Wichita and will play receiver next year. Already on campus is Eugene Grimes from North Dallas High School. He has been recruited as a linebacker.

"We've gotten verbal commitments from five kids and are close on another eight," Coach Grose said.

His goals for the Bulldogs this year are to strengthen the defense and have a two-platoon system. Diversity is another objective Coach Grose is after. He wants a wide range of kids from all around the county and looks to be well on his way to achieving that.

"We should also see some of the returners getting put back into positions they were recruited for," Grose said. "With the nucleus coming back, we should be strong."

Women's basketball

Marlys Gwaltney will be in her second year as head coach. She loses senior Camille Base and returns just seven, so recruitment is a top priority.

So far, she has three officially signed. Greene and Sharp, also playing volleyball, have signed to play basketball as well. Ross is verbally committed to do the same.

"One good thing about dual-sport

athletes is that they find out what it's like to be on a team and how to get along with the coaches," Gwaltney said. "Conditioning in one sport also carries over to the other sport."

Another signee is McPherson High School product Paige Watkins, who helped lead her team to the state championship two years ago. Coach Gwaltney also has several quality players on the verge of signing.

"Things are looking better," Gwaltney said. "One good thing about next year is that the KCAC will not be quite as strong. I feel a lot more confident as far as talent."

"Our new players will really help our program as well as the returners from last year, who will come in more confident in their play."

Men's basketball

"With eight seniors on last year's squad, we definitely have some holes to fill," head coach Roger Trimmell said.

He is talking about rebuilding for next season after this year's successful one. So far, Trimmell has signed Brandon Rice from Barton County Community College. Rice is a good ball handler and excellent three-point shooter. Also signed earlier in the year was Chris Owens from Emporia. Owens is a solid player who transferred in Saint Mary's in San Antonio, Texas.

He has also signed Eric Vogle, McPherson, who helped lead the Bullpups to the 5A state championship this season. "I think it's always good to have a good recruiting base on a local level," Trimmell said.

Trimmell has had many prospective players in every week the past month.

Schneider leads Bulldog golfers in season's first meet

By Tim Woodcock
Sports Editor

The McPherson College golf team got the ball rolling Tuesday in the Friends Invitational, at Pawnee Prairie Golf Course in Wichita.

Michael Schneider, soph., was the top scorer for the Bulldogs with a 39-39=78, good enough for second place. Schneider was defeated by his playing partner, Preston Speece, from Hastings College in Nebraska. Speece shot a 40 for his first nine and then came back with a one under par 35 for a score of 75.

"We both started out rough, but came around to play good," Schneider said. "It was pretty competitive. I'd birdie a hole and then he'd come right back and do the same on the next hole. It was a lot of fun, though."

As a team, Mac finished in second place with a 348, behind Hasting's A-team, which had a 336. Hasting's B-team was in third place with a 350 and Friends had a 359.

The Bulldogs, playing in their first meet of the year, fared well considering the cold and windy conditions. Other scores were: Bryce Brewer, soph., 84; Doug Delay, fr., 89; Tim Woodcock, sr., 97; and Ryan Schmid, fr., 98.

The next meet for the team is April 6 for the Bethany Invitational. It will be held at Turkey Creek Public Golf Course here in McPherson. The meet will start at 11 a.m. Most of the KCAC schools will be present.

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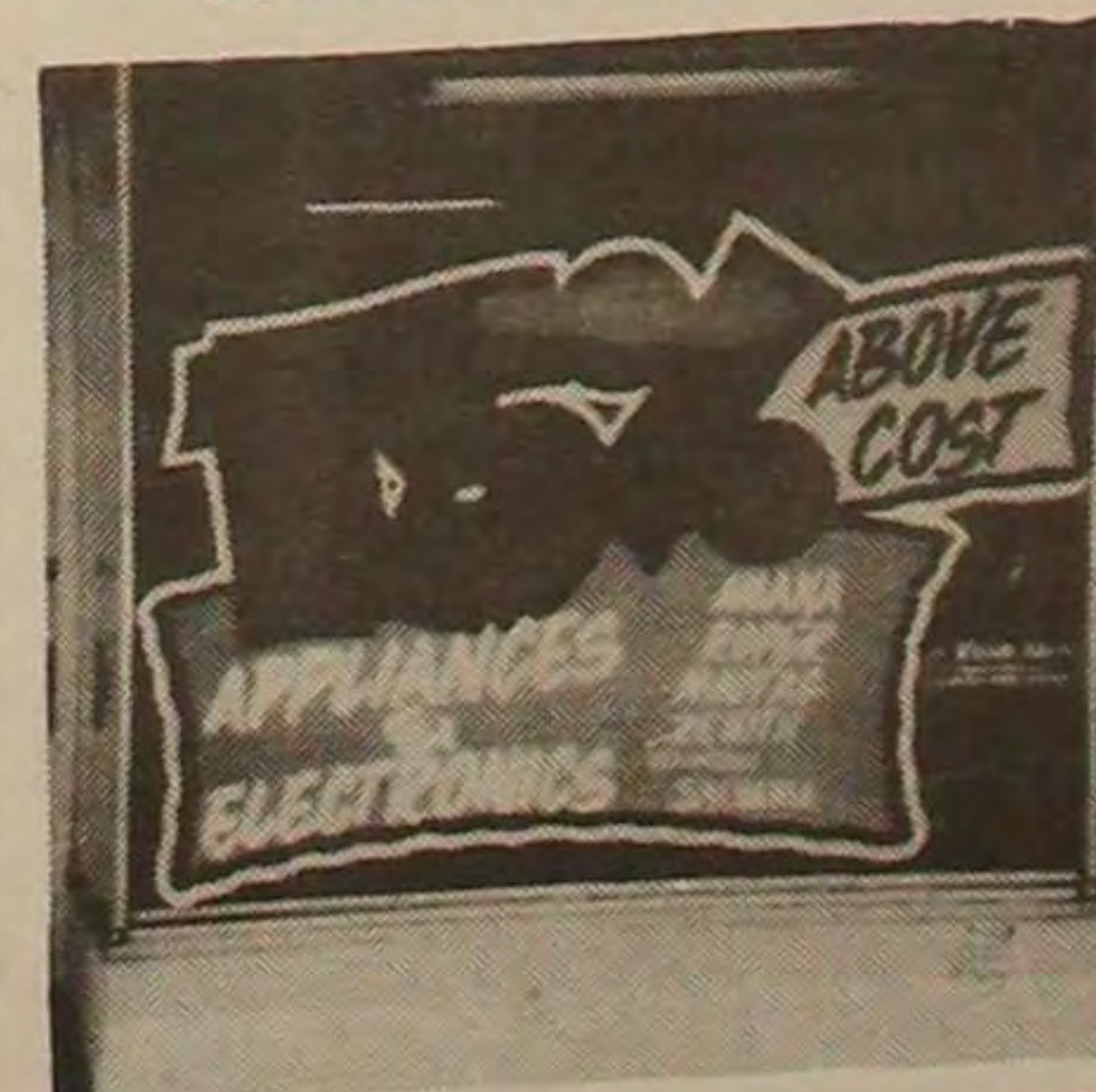
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ESL certification may be offered soon

By Christine Hauschildt
Spectator Staff

As early as fall 1994, McPherson College could be offering certification in English as a Second Language. ESL is a growing field in education in the United States, which teaches non-native speakers to speak English.

Certification in ESL will be offered through the education department for kindergarten through ninth grade and seventh through twelfth grades.

Based on its proposal to the state, McPherson College passed 16 of the 19 requirements which would allow the college to certify in ESL.

Two key players in getting this idea started were Dr. Kim Stanley, chair of the English department and Terri Grooms, director and instructor of ESL.

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ESL Instructor

In Kansas, the larger cities like Wichita, Salina and Hutchinson have a big need for ESL teachers. Right now, most ESL teachers aren't certified or trained in ESL," Grooms said.

Methods of Teaching English as a Second Language has been added to the 1994 spring schedule. This class is not yet part of the certification for ESL, but will be beneficial for those who have taken it because of the growing demand for ESL teachers.

"The methods of teaching class shows us problems that any student would have learning English. It [the class] encourages me to try new concepts in teaching English,"

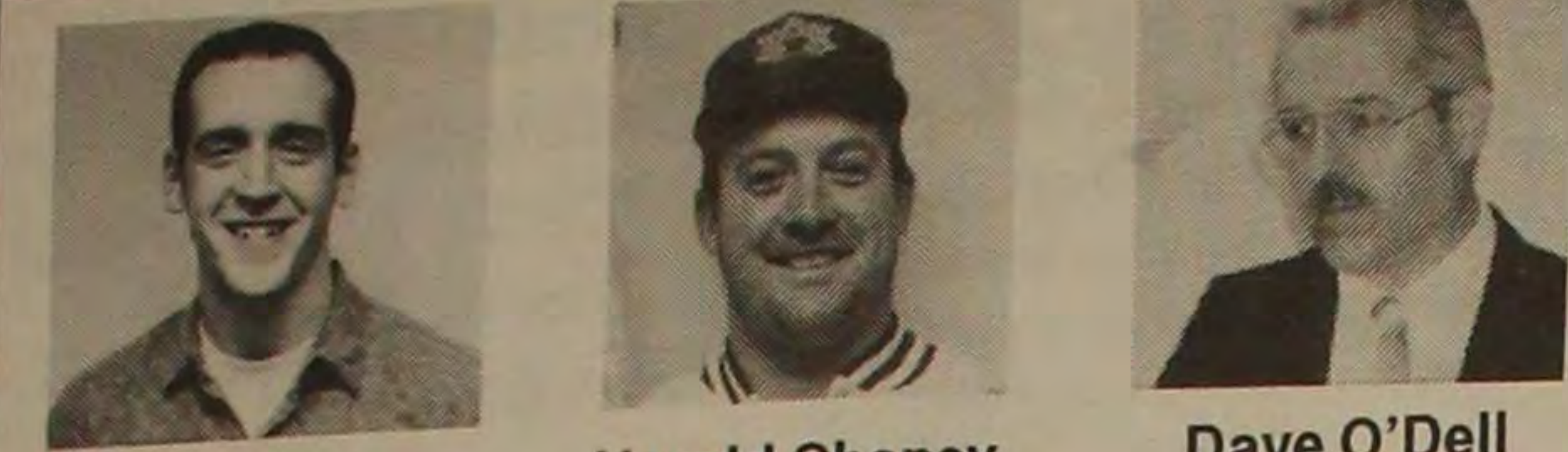
said Renate Hirning who is currently enrolled in the course.

Once certification is available the college expects the certified ESL teacher to have a thorough background in linguistic theory, understand classroom methodology, be a good model of the English language and have a good understanding of multicultural issues.

Having a background in a foreign language is helpful because it will help the ESL teacher empathize with students learning English for the first time, as the teachers will have gone through a similar experience in learning a new language.

ESL is not limited to non-native speakers of English. It is also effective for American dialects. However, ESL is not remedial.

"One of the biggest problems our society has is to socialize the lower class. ESL is an effort to bring the classes together," Stanley said.



Dan Noyes

Harold Chaney

Dave O'Dell

Persons of Month named

Student Council selected the Persons of the Month for March.

Receiving the honor for the Student of the Month is senior Dan Noyes. Noyes is a business management/marketing major planning to enter the hotel industry upon graduation. Noyes' selection is due to his involvement in many campus activities and organizations.

Noyes serves as Student Council Treasurer, business club president, news editor of The Spectator, a resident assistant, and was a member of the basketball team.

Selected as the staff Person of the Month is Harold Chaney. Chaney is the current resident

director in Metzler Hall as well as serving as an assistant track and football coach.

Dave O'Dell receives the honor of faculty Person of the Month. O'Dell is a McPherson College graduate teaching several classes in the business department.

O'Dell is known among his business students for providing a comfortable learning atmosphere as well as leaving room for humor in his classroom. "I look forward to Dave's classes because you never know what to expect besides learning," said Michael Schneider, one of his pupils.

Should it stay or should it go?



Photo by Tim Woodcock

The fate of Harnly Hall was a main topic of discussion at the recent trustee meeting. At the core of the issue was whether to renovate the building or construct a new facility. The trustees recommended that the administration continue to pursue options to renovate.

Resident assistant positions receive large response

By Jan Fairchild
Spectator Staff

During the past month, students have been filing in and out of the CIC hoping for a job next year. These students have been picking up resident assistant applications, filling them out and waiting for an interview.

This year 39 students filled out applications for an R.A. position. After returning the applications, students who still wanted to try for a job interview with Residence Life Director Gwen McClenton and other Residence Life staff. Of the 39 applicants, 36 were interviewed during the past week.

"The group of applicants were good, quality people who will be able to step in and do a good job," said Barbi Harris, Dotzour Hall resident director.

The Residence Life Committee spent a day trying to narrow the competition, discussing the ap-

plicants, their interviews and qualifications.

"It's a tough decision," McClenton said. Selecting R.A.'s may be difficult, but McClenton said she enjoys the interviews.

"It's fun. The interviews give me an opportunity to learn about people," McClenton said.

There are 22 positions open, including seven in Dotzour, three in Fahnestock, nine in Metzler and alternate in each building. Many current R.A.'s are reapplying for next year.

"It's a good job. I enjoy working with people," said Chad Cargill, current Metzler R.A.

The Residence Life Committee strives to find the best possible people for each building and for the Residence Life program as a whole.

The final decisions and contracts offers will be announced next week.

Proposal to place writing lab in Miller Library is submitted

By Jim Garrison
Spectator Staff

To prepare for the newly approved Language Across the Curriculum program next fall, a writing lab in Miller Library using the existing Mohler lab computers has been proposed.

The proposal, given to the Computer Policies Committee by Bruce Clary and Susan Taylor, co-coor-

dinators of the Language Across the Curriculum program, consists of using 15 of the existing 8086 computers plus nine new ones in a networked environment to create a virtual classroom for communication studies and as a resource for all other students.

The new writing Lab will replace PC Write as the college word processor with Textra Connect. "It's an extraordinarily easy to use

word processor, yet sophisticated," Clary said. The networking capabilities are specifically for instruction.

"Most writing lab software is for 'generating' writing," Clary said. Textra Connect is different, he said.

It allows students to pass documents to the teacher electronically, and provides an on-line chat mode, where the teacher can watch what

students write and make suggestions on screen. The assignments can be posted to students in composition studies class on-line he said.

This means big changes for the Mohler computer lab. Although not determined what will replace the old machines, the computer department is in favor of the new writing lab proposal.

"It is good to separate [the writers

form the computer, math, science and business computer users]," said Dr. Robert Neufeld.

The Language Across the Curriculum program has been approved for next fall, so whatever changes are made in the current labs must be done soon, said Neufeld.