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College Courts residents continue fight for cats

The Campus Life Board recently passed a proposal that would allow cats as pets.

Science Symposium held on campus

Science alumni gather to share research and honor past science faculty.

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McPherson prepares for All Schools Day events

All Schools Day activities begin today at 7 p.m. with May Fete at Lakeside Park Bandshell.

Faculty members leave McPherson College

Wes Pauls, Glen Snell, Terri Grooms and Susan Dodson announce plans to leave college.

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Team preparing for NAIA championships Saturday.

Brewer named Athlete of the Issue

Bryce Brewer leads golf team with a 242 three round total at KCAC meet.



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Activities set for alumni

Commencement weekend activities set for May 17-19

By Melissa Crowdis
Spectator Staff

McPherson College alumni will gather on the campus for activities surrounding the 108th Commencement and Alumni Weekend May 17-19.

Coordinator of alumni and community relations, Cyril Russell, is excited about the events centered around commencement.

"I think it is important to bring alumni together, and commencement is a good time to celebrate and focus on relationships that have been formed within each class that has attended McPherson College," Russell said.

Russell has organized the communication and events with the help of the reunion class' class agents.

"It is amazing to me the closeness of the classes, and we are offering them the opportunity to come together and renew relationships," Russell said.

Friday's activities include the McPherson College Golf Classic at Turkey Creek Golf Course, the Heritage Roll of Honor Banquet, and some informal class gatherings.

Saturday will consist of class photos and campus tours, as well as reunion luncheons. The President's reception and alumni banquet and awards ceremony will also be held Saturday.

Another part of the Alumni Weekend and Commencement exercises is the senior's banquet given by the Alumni and Development office. This is its way of recognizing the graduating seniors as alumni.

"I am overwhelmed with the response of seniors who would like to be their class agents," Russell said. "I look forward to working with these people who have such a strong commitment and love for their school."

Campus members honored

By Melissa Crowdis
Spectator Staff

Drs. Dale and Katy Goldsmith were named Professors of the Year by the Who's Who students at McPherson College's Awards Convocation last Monday.

Dale Goldsmith, religion, has taught at McPherson College for 27 years, and served as vice president for academic services from 1986 to 1994.

"I am highly gratified by the fact that the honor is a student originated idea," Dale said.

Katy also found it meaningful that the recognition came from the students.

"I am delighted, and I think it is very special that Dale and I received it together," Katy said.

The Goldsmiths have resigned and will be moving to Oklahoma's Panhandle State University.

The Student Council Outstanding Service Award went to Michael P. Schneider, sr., and Zandra Wagoner, Campus Minister.

Schneider is a senior communications major from Rossville. He has served as editor-in-chief of the Spectator for two years

Commencement 1996 Alumni Weekend Activities

Friday, May 17

Golf Classic	11:15 a.m.	Turkey Creek Golf Course
Open House - Class of 1956	6 p.m.	The Lengels' home, 321 N. Olivette
Informal Gathering - Class of 1961	evening	Red Coach Motel, 2111 E. Kansas

Alumni Day Saturday, May 18

Registration	8:30 - 11:30 a.m.	Friendship Hall
Continental Breakfast - Class of 1946	8:30 a.m.	Student Union, Quiet Room
Campus Tours	9:30 a.m.	Campus
Class Photos	10 - 11:45 a.m.	Friendship Hall
Open House - Class of 1946	2 p.m.	The Cedars, 9 1/2 Cedars Drive
Tour of McPherson - Class of 1951	3 - 4 p.m.	Meet in circle drive
President's Reception	3 - 4 p.m.	President's home, 1000 E. Euclid
Alumni Hospitality Center Open	3:15 - 5 p.m.	Friendship Hall
Alumni Banquet and Awards Ceremony	5:30 p.m.	Student Union
Informal Gathering - Class of 1961	evening	The Edigers' home, 1325 Highland

Commencement Day Sunday, May 19

Church of the Brethren Worship	10 a.m.	Church of the Brethren
108th Commencement Ceremony	2 p.m.	Brown Auditorium

Senior Activities

Thursday, May 16

Senior Recognition Banquet	6 p.m.	Pear Tree Restaurant, Navajo Room
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Saturday, May 18

Class Photograph	9:15 a.m.	In front of arch
Rehearsal for Graduation	10 a.m.	Brown Auditorium

Sunday, May 19

Senior Reception and Banquet	8 - 9:30 a.m.	Student Union
Commencement Ceremony	2 p.m.	Brown Auditorium

and was awarded second Runner-up in the 1996 Kansas Journalist of the Year contest. Schneider has served on Student Council, Habitat for Humanity, Board of Publications and various campus committees.

Zandra Wagoner will resign this year after serving the college as campus minister for two years. She is advisor to the four minister groups: Peace Awareness, Brethren Identity Group, Habitat for Humanity and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, with Kevin Pettis. Wagoner was instrumental in the showing of the four panels from the AIDS Memorial Quilt in Friendship Hall last fall.

Senior Donna Richey received the Model Educator Award for 1995-96, recognizing her excellence in the classroom both as a student and as a teacher.

Jennifer Ball, sr., was selected the Outstanding Business and Accounting Student. The award recognizes a student's classroom performance and leadership in extra-curricular activities.

Seniors Chris Owens, Wes Sechler and Stasi Zerfel received Natural Science Awards, recognizing excellence in senior research.

Shelly Hendricks, fr., received the Fresh-

man Chemistry Award, which recognizes her achievement in chemistry at the first-year level.

Tiffany Hall, sr., was recognized as the Outstanding Physical Education Major of the Year. The award is based on academic achievements, community involvement, and understanding of the role of physical education in society.

Jennifer Williams, sr., was selected Female Athlete of the Year for the second consecutive year. She has participated in basketball and volleyball, is an Academic All-American, and was named to the 1995 and 1996 Kansas Collegiate Athletic Conference (KCAC) second teams in volleyball.

Seniors Matt Richardson and Gilbert Moore were selected as Male Athletes of the Year. Richardson, forward for the men's basketball team, was selected a KCAC Player of the Week and was named to the All-KCAC team during the 1996 season.

Moore was the starting goalie for the men's soccer team. He was named to the All-KCAC first team, after having 207 saves, including two shut-outs, and allowing only 39 goals in 20 games.

EDITORIAL

Mac connections
will last forever

WE'RE ALL CONNECTED.

Even as we graduate, we remain linked to McPherson College.

Our link started nearly four years ago when we entered college life class and began meeting classmates, faculty and staff.

Each of us was greeted by Kim Stanley grins and Herb Smith chuckles. The campus was still recovering from a tornado that heaved \$600,000 in damages onto the college. Fanny entered co-ed territory, opening its hall to both men and women.

We've survived Professor Flory's macro-economics and Dr. Tyler's public speaking. Dr. Lengel challenged our political mindset, while Dr. Kajinami ignited our aspirations to become Nobel-winning chemists.

We learned to drop the Dr., Professor, Mr., Mrs. or Ms. from their names and call them Lowell, Shingo, Rick, Wayne, Fred, Sharon, Zandra, Bruce, Del, Roger, Merrin, Wes, Raymond, Larry, Dale, Katy, Susan, Glen, Marita, Karlene, Herb, Charlotte, Vikki, Marcia, Jonathan, Carl, Mary, Judy, Dan, Al, Monica, Doug, Jim, Donna, Jan, Jill, Paul and all the other faculty and staff.

Some of those names haven't always sat favorably on our lips, but we've learned to respect our differences and work at serving the same cause—McPherson College.

Along the way the class of '96 has dwindled, but those who stayed have provided diversified leadership by combining skills from many areas of study. We are connected by a liberal arts education, which is reflected in the high quality of organizations and student participation on campus.

Each organization is represented with members who study in different fields. For example, Spectator staffers range from business to art to philosophy majors. These members share information and enhance the connectedness of Mac College.

In two weeks seniors will toss their tassels to the other side and leave McPherson College. We won't be leaving anything behind, rather we'll be eternally linked through the connections we've made.

We're all binded by our experiences and responsible to each other for the prosperity of McPherson College.

Michael P. Schneider
for the Editorial Staff

The McPherson College

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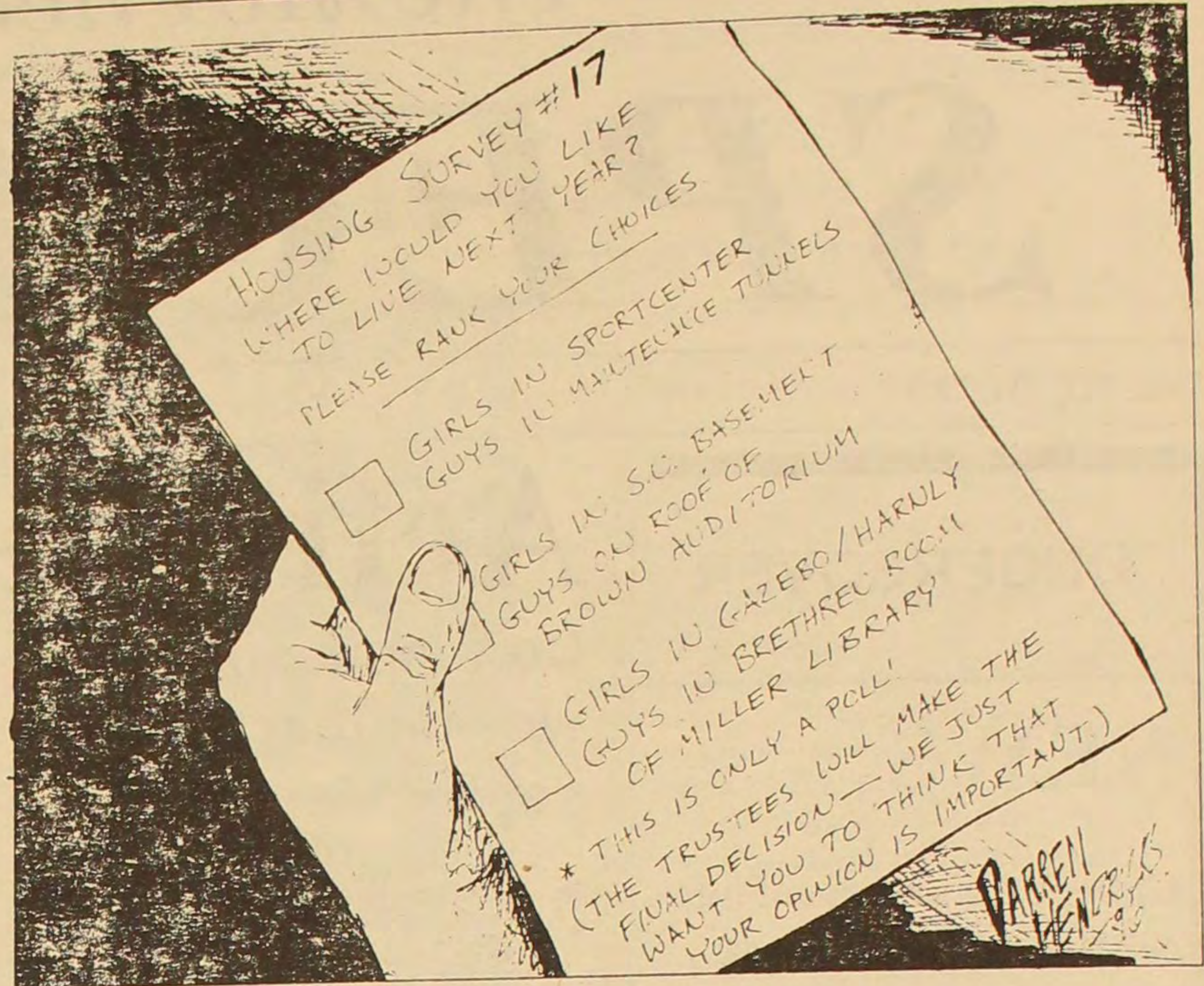
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Exodus begins for many

By Darren Hendricks

Layout Editor

The exodus has begun! What's with everyone, anyway? Not only will about 70 seniors be graduating this year, but the faculty and staff seem to have decided that they are as ready to leave the college as I am.

A popular president decides to retire, and everyone else on the payroll seems to have visions of places better than McPherson College. It seems that every week someone new announces their resignation. Soon, nobody will be left to teach the hordes of students expected to enroll in the fall.

If I'm correct, with the recent addition of Susan Dodson to the list, there are now eight faculty and staff leaving. Maybe the college needs to spend more effort on the retention of its staff, let alone its students.

I think it will be good for the college to start fresh next year with a new president and other new faces to replace the ones that will be gone. A fresh outlook is needed, and hopefully with some new blood will come new ideas and new creativity.

I don't think the majority of people are leaving because they are mad at the college. It's simply because the time to leave is now. They can trail out behind Dr. Hoffman, forever remembered as members of this famous group of quitters.

Actually, I hope the college works hard to replace these people, because it is losing some good ones. I owe much of my good art education to Susan Dodson, and President

Hoffman has been an enlightening person, always ready with a story about how he knew me as a child.

The limited contact I've had with the other people leaving has always been good, and I owe them a debt of gratitude, if for nothing other than being an influential part of this institution.

These people have helped make McPherson College what it is, and I will miss them. There are some things about college that I will not miss (chicken wings in the stairwells and vomit in the bathroom, to name a couple), but I will definitely miss the people who have made my experience here a good one.

I owe much to the friends that I have had the privilege of knowing here, and to the students who came before me for starting the traditions. Also, I will be forever grateful to the faculty and staff who have chosen to spend at least part of their lives at a small school, sacrificing pay and paying in time to help me learn.

So as this mass exodus takes place, people will be hot-footing their way out of town, but I am confident that the college will survive, and maybe even thrive, with some new leadership to boost it into the next century.

Those who will be leaving will most certainly be looking back over their shoulders to see what happens. I will be. And to those graduating, who say they're never coming back...Why didn't you leave with the other half of our class after our freshman year?

Advice given to grads

It seems like it was just yesterday that I was writing my first Ol' Crone column. I can't believe this year is almost over.

The editor-in-chief asked if I might have some words of advice to give those that were leaving the hallowed halls of McPherson College so that they might be assured of someday becoming an old crone, too.

Advice is something most young people don't take seriously. After all, why should they? They've got their whole life ahead of them. They've been going to classes for sixteen years now to prepare themselves just for this moment. I'm not so old that I don't remember that wonderful feeling of optimism and enthusiasm for life.

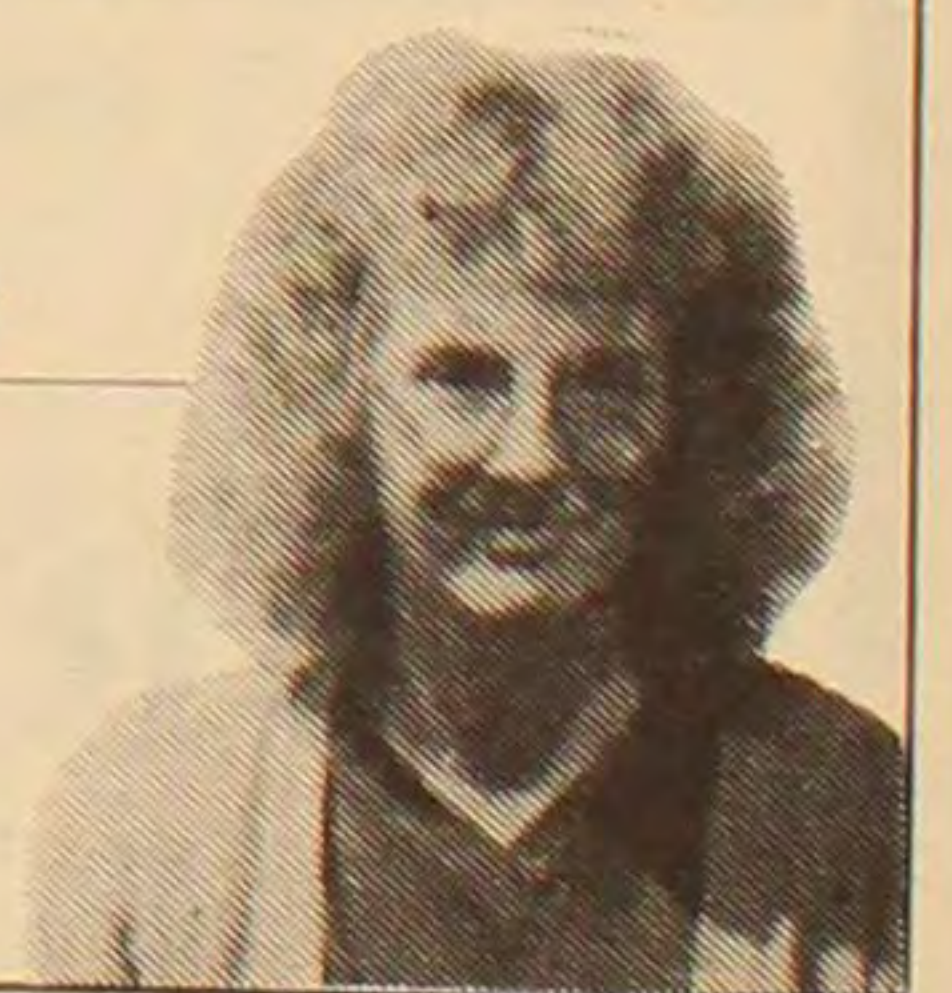
I have been trying to think of all the things I have learned over the years that I could pass on just in case there might be one person out there who might benefit from my mistakes. Mind you, not all of my esteemed knowledge comes from personal mistakes but merely from living day to day.

The most important thing to take with you as you leave the academic world is a sense of humor. If you feel that you are missing this important quality, you must search and find it quickly because existence in this world today is impossible without it.

■ Fantasies are okay.

Ol' Crone

By Jill Brax



- Read! Read! Read!
- Listen to the rain on the roof.
- Don't bite your fingernails. It's hard to pick things up (or pick your nose).
- Take the stairs— not the elevator.
- Solitude once in awhile is good for the soul.
- Exercise aerobically. It's so important for your physical as well as mental health.
- Visit a museum once in a while.
- Take lots of pictures.

See, I've learned lots just living day to day. I figure that I still have maybe half my life yet to live. Just think of all the things I will know when I am 80! Ellen Kort wrote in her poem Advice to Beginners...Begin. Keep on beginning. Nibble on everything...Run naked in the rain. I've decided that's my new goal. Someday I want to run naked in the rain.

CAMPUS FORUM

Administration cooperation needed

Probably all of us students have at one point had a conversation with alumni of McPherson College, whether it was on music tour, phonathon, with relatives, or with one of the MANY faculty, staff or administration who are alumni of McPherson College.

I can't count the times that I have heard some of these graduates fondly reminisce about their college days. Themes that continually pop up are spirit, unity, respect, family, community, change, and fun. Don't these sound nice?

When I was being recruited by McPherson College, these were characteristics I was told I would experience. I guess I have on a small scale, but it is nowhere near what I expected, nor is it even close to the stories our professors can tell! I think this is unfortunate.

There have been countless letters to the editor about the students' lack of community, spirit, respect and change. But, I would like to take this opportunity to say, "It's not all our fault!"

Sadly, I see FRUSTRATION as the most unifying aspect of being a student at McPherson College. Students are frustrated with rising costs without explanation. Students are irritated with all the red-tape the administration provides every time they try to do something as simple and necessary as recycling or planting flowers. Students are frustrated with administration, staff, and occasionally a few faculty members who merely HEAR our words instead of really LISTENING to what we are saying.

I appreciate and recognize the need for change at this school, but it seems that the administration seems to be biting off more than it can chew with all of the building, curriculum, housing, admissions, staff and athletic changes happening all at once. If they don't start working with and listening to the current students, there is going to be chaos.

If you want to advertise McPherson College as a family, then be careful not to become so absorbed in your own personal agendas that you forget you are human beings—WE are human beings.

I applaud Fanny for maintaining some sense of unity with the Fanny Run, Ultimate, and other fun and harmless antics.

I applaud the Metzler residents for trying to ignite the flame of school spirit that has long been burning out.

I applaud the cheerleaders for consistently supporting football and basketball.

I applaud the parents and faculty who can and do attend the music, theatrical and sporting events.

I applaud Student Government for trying to change things, despite all the trouble they've encountered this year.

I applaud S.A.B. for creating opportunities for student involvement and cohesion. I applaud the various clubs that have been active.

There are many others who have done their part, too. Thank you! Keep up the good work!

If the administration, staff, and faculty would truly work with us, someday, when we are future alumni, employees, benefac-

tors, or music tour hosts of McPherson College, we too will be able to speak of spirit, unity, respect, family, community, change and fun.

Melissa Crowdis

Student extends thanks and advice

Nothing remains forever, only in the memories kept by the heart. These words came from a song by S. Mendive, who is both a friend and one of my favorite Spanish composers. And they are so true. I can't believe that I have spent nine months in Mac. As I look back on the path I have walked, I can see so many moments, so many faces... it has been a great experience just living like you, but being myself.

Coming from a big city, it was a challenge for me to live in such a small town for a year. Everything was new for me, the structure of the college, the classes, the dorm. But, after the first few months of integration, soccer, first tests... I realized that what makes this school unique and special is not the place itself, but most of the people who live, work and take part in this small world.

However, there are several things that are deeply damaging the society that has been around me all this year. The worst? A wild lack of loyalty in all kinds of relationships. It is tough to find real friendships, and two-faced positions are corrupting the ties between persons, like the termites on the old trees.

I see in Mac a great human potential to do whatever the student body dreams to do, but the people need to get more involved. It is necessary to break the wall of the apathetic indifference before the most exciting keys of the University people around the world: the capacity to challenge the established structures, of taking part in worldwide fights for more just, and equal societies around the globe. We have the responsibility to switch some of the stupid decisions made by the older generations in power during the past 40 years. And McPherson College student body has to carry its part of load.

Finally, I would like to thank everyone who played a part in making these months just unforgettable. I will cherish this experience for the rest of my life.

Alfredo Ingelmo

Visitation hours should apply to all

The visiting hours for Metzler dorm is from 12 p.m. to 11 p.m. on weekdays, and 12 p.m. to 2 a.m. on weekends. With this in mind I recall a morning last year at about 5 a.m. I woke up to the sound of a fire alarm and a loud knock at my door. I jumped up to answer not even considering who it was.

Much to my surprise stood Kathryn Whitacre. All I could do was stand there in my underwear and bid her a good morning. This year, on May 1 at 11:30 p.m., there was a knock on my friend Mike's door and once again, in came Kathryn. This time I decided to ask why she was there after hours and her reply was as follows: "I had to speak to a

resident about an incident." Well, I'm thinking that when other women come to visit, we are called down to the after hours meeting spot (first floor lounge).

If my mother flies in after hours, she is not allowed in the dorm until 12 p.m. the next day. And I tell ya, I'd much rather my mother see me walking around in my undies than Kathryn. What makes the rules for her so different than any other woman? I'm sure it doesn't say anywhere in the Resident Director's job description to walk in the opposite sex's dorm after hours and look at the new spring fashion underwear collection.

I can guarantee this: if the Resident Director was male and continually went into the women's dorm after hours, it would hit the fan. I can only offer this advice to the faculty: when you plan to visit Metzler dorm after hours, check your gender and obey the rules.

Clayton J. Tarpley

Local alumnus tells his side of the story

First of all, congratulations to the Spectator staff for the numerous accolades they received at the recent Kansas Associated Collegiate Press spring conference. You have done a great job in maintaining the tradition of a high class college newspaper.

Secondly, I would like to apologize on behalf of the Cedars residents who caused a delay in the student lunch. (See "Food service needs immediate changes in cafeteria policies," April 26 issue.) We were there at the appointed time, and most of us ahead of time. But, many were not familiar with cafeteria procedure, plus senior citizens tend to move a bit slower than college students. So, it may require a little patience on your part.

It was a social and informational experience which was greatly appreciated. Most all were amazed at the variety and quality of the food available. You might be interested in knowing that a number of your guests have grandchildren in McPherson College whom they help support directly or indirectly. In addition, this event was one which can benefit the community relations of the college about which the Spectator has recently written.

Third, negative comments about college food service are as old as the college itself. Over fifty years ago when I was a student at Mac, my food "service" was at the college Coop located where Miller Library now stands. We took turns setting the table, washing the dishes, sweeping the floor, and coloring the margarine. Breakfast five days a week consisted of wholesome oatmeal, toast, and juice. Those who were around on weekends could have corn flakes. (They were too expensive to serve daily!) Can you imagine the protestations that would be raised today if you had such a menu?

I have the privilege of eating breakfast in your cafeteria about once a week. The choices of hot food, breakfast cereals, fruit, juices, waffles, yogurt, hot drinks and pastries boggle

my mind, not to mention my stomach. And still students gripe and complain because they might have to pour their own waffle (How else can you get a hot one?) or toast their own toast! What do you expect, a gourmet breakfast for \$2?

No doubt college food will continue to be fodder for the Spectator and student conversation. But, wait a couple years when you begin cooking for yourselves, eat in the company lunch room, or the local restaurant, and you, like us, will probably look forward to a meal in the college cafeteria and discover this "mandatory meal plan" was not so bad after all.

D. Eugene Lichty '44

Food service retorts

I felt I should respond to Joe Bravo's letter in the last issue of the Spectator.

There are ways to vent your anger towards food service. First and foremost, there is a food committee with a chairperson. Did you make an effort to look into that aspect? Secondly, there is my office. I have always had an open door policy towards complaints or requests. I try my best to achieve what people ask of me. I have been here for seven years and never said no when a student needed to talk.

I would like to respond to the comments in Joe's letter. We are not here to freelance. Almost all catering events held on campus involve the college. Whether it be math department, science department, or Trustees, we are here to provide a service to the students and the college. We do our best to provide the best service possible.

When we cater, we do our best to net inconvenience the students, but there are times I have no choice. I do not plan the times for these events. I'm open to suggestions on what I should do when I'm asked to cater a party for a group on campus.

Referring to your "Easter Fiasco," what we did was approved through the administration. Last year the whole cafeteria was closed from Friday till Tuesday.

The "fat loaded cheesy pizza" we make here has less fat than other pizza places in town. We use a low-fat Pam on the pans and a lower fat cheese.

When we do steak night, because of the cost of shrimp and steak, we limit the servings. That's why we offer other entrees and pizza.

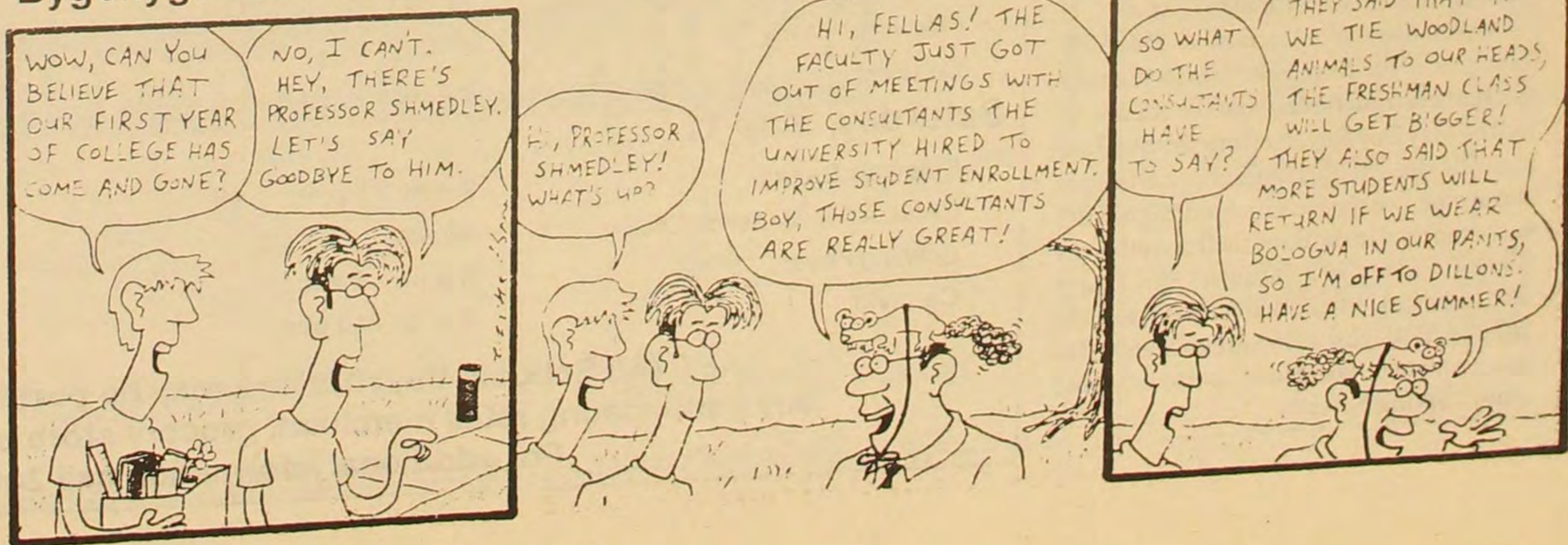
Breakfast hours are from 7 to 8 a.m. (and have always been that time) with a continental breakfast from 8 to 8:30 a.m. I ask you, what are powdered eggs? I have never seen them and would never use them. We use real eggs.

Our meat is USDA. In my opinion you get a lot for the money I charge the school for your meals. You could not eat 14 or 19 meals at a restaurant and eat as much as you eat here. I do not mind letters that downgrade the cafeteria, but next time get your facts straight beforehand.

Hope you all have a safe summer and see you next year.

Richard Sabatos

Bygollygee U.



By Mike Horner

The Loud-Mouth

"Temptations, unlike opportunities, will always give you second chances."

-O.A. Battista



"Spring Fever" hits McPherson

By Sarah Wagoner and
Shelly Hendricks

Spectator Staff

What are the Clan of the Four Winds, Caprine & Dairy Goat Show and the Chalk Art & Slapstick Circus? They aren't movies. They aren't books. And they aren't virtual reality games. But they are events being held during the 1996 McPherson County All Schools Day (ASD) festivities.

All Schools Day is an annual event held in the city of McPherson which celebrates school children and their accomplishments. It began in 1913 to honor the graduating eighth gradestudents in McPherson County.

I.C. Meyer, superintendent of schools in 1913, had the responsibility of attending the eighth grade graduation ceremonies of 120 elementary schools. Mr. Meyer felt it would be good recognition for the graduates to consolidate all celebrations into one county-wide event—All Schools Day.

Part of the celebrations of the first ASD was a parade featuring school children marching, some carrying balloons. This parade was eight blocks long with approximately 3,000 excited spectators lining the city streets.

In 1914, the winning float entry was a depiction of the Windom School mounted on top of an automobile. It received the grand cash prize of \$15.

Students throughout the county received the day off and enjoyed the many festivities celebrating their accomplishments.

This tradition has continued in McPherson County as the celebration approaches its 83rd anniversary. This year's parade will be held Friday, May 10, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Main Street. Pre-parade activities begin at 9 a.m. at the same location. The parade still features school children on floats, as well as marching bands, clowns, cars, horses and many other attractions. This annual event attracts approximately 30,000 people.

"McPherson College has had a history of participating in the ASD parade," said Cyril Russell, coordinator of alumni services/community relations. Competition among the dorms, classes and clubs for best float was an integral part of the festivities." In recent years, this tradition has ceased to exist, but "one of the goals of the alumni/development office is to increase the college's visibility by evoking this tradition again," Russell said.

McPherson College will exhibit this year's ASD theme, "Spring Fever," through the inventive minds creating the 1996 float. The float will represent what spring is on the McPherson College campus. One of the attractions featured on the float is a replica of the McPherson College arch, under which President and Mrs. Hoffman will stand.

Another popular attraction of the ASD festivities is the May Fete, which features entertainers from throughout the county, as well as May Day Royalty from surrounding high schools. McPherson College art major and senior, Darren Hendricks, designed the backdrop used in the Bandshell and other art students assisted in painting it. May Fete is held at the Lakeside Park Bandshell, tonight at 7 p.m. College students are encouraged to bring a blanket, some food, and to relax and enjoy "Spring Fever."



Photo By Jon Henrikson

Rick Tyler pauses from painting the McPherson College float to put his work into perspective. The float will be in the All Schools Day Parade tomorrow at 10:30 a.m. on Main Street.

McPherson County All Schools Day 1996 Schedule of Events

Thursday, May 9

May Fete	7 p.m.	Lakeside Park Bandshell, ASD button
Carnival	evening	300 E. Kansas, tickets vary

Friday, May 10

YMCA Fun Run	8 a.m. - 10 a.m.	Wall Park, \$2
83rd Annual Parade	10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.	Main Street, none
Madathon & Baby Crawl	1:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.	Linnea Park, ASD button
Hospice Golf Tournament	1:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.	Turkey Creek Golf Course, \$35
Bank IV Tennis Carnival	6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.	Challengers Park, ASD button
Barbeque Dinner	4:30 p.m. - 6 p.m.	4H building, varies
Clan of the Four Winds	1 p.m., 3 p.m., 5 p.m.	Linnea Park, ASD button
Caprine & Dairy Goat Show	2 p.m. - 5 p.m.	4H grounds, none
McPherson Opera House Tours	12:30 p.m. - 4 p.m.	Opera House, donation
Fireworks Show	at dark	Wall Park, ASD button
Carnival	8 a.m. - 10 p.m.	300 E. Kansas, tickets vary

Saturday, May 11

Sidewalk Bazaar	9 a.m. - 5 p.m.	Main Street, none
Chalk Art & Slapstick Circus	10 a.m. - 12 p.m.	Bank IV Plaza, none
Bowling Fever	8 p.m. - 1 a.m.	Starlite Lanes, \$10
Carnival	8 a.m. - 10 p.m.	300 E. Kansas, tickets vary

ASD (All Schools Day) buttons may be purchased for \$1 from any participating retail merchant, grocery store or financial institution. For additional information call 241-4081

Migration continues

Emilita Huston
Feature Editor

This year seven faculty and staff are leaving McPherson College. In the last issue of the Spectator Drs. Dale and Katy Goldsmith and Zandra Wagoner were featured. In this issue Wes Pauls, Glen Snell, Terri Grooms, and Susan Dodson are featured.

One is retiring, one is changing jobs, two are moving, two are doing postgraduate work, and one will be an ornithologist. As the year closes and Dr. Hoffman retires, some professors have taken the opportunity to change vocations, or at least, a change of scenery and pace.

Wes Pauls

Wes Pauls, associate professor of technology, is the only professor to retire this year. A life-long teacher, he has taught at McPherson for the last 18 years. Prior to that, he worked in industry for three years, taught at Bethel for six years, and at a parochial high school in California for 10 years.

"I enjoy working with young people. Particularly in electricity and drafting when all of a sudden they understand a concept. They struggle and struggle and all of a sudden the light comes on," Prof. Pauls said.

He graduated from Tabor College with a B.A. in social science. He received his training in the industrial arts from Fresno State University. For all his teaching jobs he has taught industrial arts, now commonly called technology.

During his one professional break from teaching, he worked for a company that built all wood furniture for businesses.

"Actually my first job was building Pizza Hut furniture. I probably had at least five different positions. The one I had the longest was being crew chief and I probably enjoyed that the most since it was the most like

teaching," Prof. Pauls said.

His plans for retirement are varied. "I plan to get involved with a variety of volunteer activities. Several years ago I started working on the loom weaving rugs," Prof. Pauls said.

Glen Snell

Glen Snell, assistant professor of accounting, is leaving the college, but not the town of McPherson. He is becoming a financial advisor.

"I have been tentatively hired, because I still have three exams to take, and then I have a series of training sessions, and then I will have a pre-appointment with American Express IDS Financial Services," Glen said.

The final appointment is set for late September or early October.

"So I get to continue wearing suits and working with people," Glen joked.

He hopes to stay in close contact with the college.

"I'll continue to support [McPherson College] in many ways," the alum said.

He will miss some aspects of teaching more than others.

"You can almost see the understanding take place. The committees pale in comparison," Glen said.

"I've given this last semester as much attention as I could. The job is important, it's just not where I want to be at this point," Glen said.

Terri Grooms

In the fall, Terri Grooms will be going back to school with her students, but she will be finishing her master's. Grooms has served as director of English as a second language.

"I'll be going to Wichita State full-time. I have about 10 or 12 more hours on my master's and then I'm going to start on my doctorate," Ms. Grooms said.

Her master's is an interdisciplinary combination of English as a Second Language (ESL), Spanish, and multi-cultural studies.

She will be returning to McPherson two nights a week to teach ESL and Spanish methods classes for the ACCK. Along with directing and teaching the ESL program, she is also the faculty athletic representative (FAR). One of her duties is making sure athletes are eligible to play. The college has not hired a new FAR yet but they are looking.

The administration has also not yet decided whether to continue the ESL program for foreign students.

"We as a college need to decide how actively we want to recruit in the international arena. If we make a decision that this is an area of emphasis that we want to pursue, then we need to staff that position," said Dr. Steve Gustafson, vice president for academic services.

They will continue ESL endorsement for teachers.

Where Terri will be going after WSU is still up in the air.

"I'll stay in teaching I assume. I'd like to get some more experience teaching ESL in some other country before I go back to teaching it here," Grooms said.

Susan Dodson

Susan Dodson is the only professor who will be leaving the state. A native of Kentucky, she and her husband, Jim, will be returning to Lexington. She is currently working on her doctorate in art education through the University of Missouri.

"I've done everything but the dissertation and my proposal has been approved," Susan Dodson, associate professor of art/interior design, said.

If freshmen aren't sure who she is, it's because she's been on leave this semester.

"My life right now is my dissertation and it

will be until I finish," Dodson said.

Jim Dodson, executive vice president and treasurer of McPherson College, has accepted a job as senior consultant with Howard Braren and Associates in Davenport, Iowa. Dodson said that they would probably rent an apartment there as well as keep a house in Lexington.

"We have a five acre lot there [Lexington] and there's a possibility that we'll build a house on it," Dodson said.

But for right now the main thought is that doctorate.

"Right now my main goal is to finish the dissertation and after that we'll see," Dodson said.

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Track reaches peak

By Wes Balun
Spectator Staff

McPherson College track and field athletes are just now hitting their stride as the 1996 season rounds the corner and heads down the stretch.

"Team cohesion has grown steadily over the year and just reached its peak at the league meet, enabling us to achieve so many personal records," said head track coach John McNamara. "Everyone encouraged one another and was very supportive helping people reach new levels of performance."

This Saturday the regular season concludes at Baker University with the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) Mid State Track and Field Championships.

"I expect Rick Coleman to break his PR in javelin and come close to matching the national standard," McNamara said. "Jason Barta and Brett Johnson should also establish new PRs in the 100 meters."

On May 3 and 4 at the KCAC meet at Southwestern, Coleman won the league championship in the javelin with a throw of 168'2". This effort shattered his old PR by more than 12 feet.

"Rick has worked very hard on his technique," McNamara said. "Perfecting his run up, and the nice warm day we had for the meet were two main contributors to his improvement."

Coleman also brought home a third place medal in the discus, tossing it 140'9".

Although he did not medal, Barta also had an impressive day in two events, setting new PR in the triple jump, 41'10", better than a foot over his previous best attempt and good enough for sixth place. Barta also set a new PR of 11.3 seconds in the 100 meters.

"Jason has been a surprise," says McNamara, because he has experienced some hip problems, and yet has been able to perform very well."

Phelica Claiborne was the final athlete to set a new PR in Winfield, beating her old record in the shot put by two feet (32').

"Phelica has progressed slowly but surely over the season, consistently setting new PRs by a couple inches," McNamara said. "Then on her last throw at the conference meet she beat her old PR two feet. I guess she was just saving it for the end."

Another notable performance last Saturday was the sixth place finish of the men's 4/100 meter relay team of Pat Crowdis, Johnson Barta, Brett Johnson and Matt Friessen.

"They had their fastest time (44.1 seconds) at the McPherson Invitational. But



Photo By Jon Henrikson

Tiffany Hall, sr., soars into the long jump pit at Bethany College.

potentially the team could have gone much faster than that," McNamara said. "We've worked hard on changes, but the varying weather conditions have kept us from getting it down and achieving that faster time."

One auspicious absence from this list of fine showings at the KCAC championships is that of Brett Johnson. Johnson has consistently been competitive in the 100 meters, but a pulled hamstring sustained during the 4/100 relay kept him from competing in the finals of the 100.

"Brett would have placed very high in the 100 without the injury," McNamara said. "It's nothing severe, though. Just a slight pull, and he'll be back competing this weekend."

A week before the big KCAC get together, Johnson took fourth at the meet in Sterling with a 100 time of 11.4 seconds. Barta placed fourth and fifth in the long and triple

jumps with efforts 19'6 1/2" and 39'6" respectively, as well as a 100 time of 11.9 seconds. Coleman led the Dogs with a fifth in the shot put (42'6 1/4"), fourth in the javelin (155'), and fifth in the discus (129'2").

And, back on April 20 at the Tabor Relays in Hillsboro the men's 4/100 relay came home with a third place showing and Barta placed sixth in the hundred.

With the 1996 track season about ready to break the tape Coach McNamara already has an eye on '97.

"We've signed two athletes: Nikki Unrue, a distance runner from Carney, Iowa, and Frank Diaz, who will throw the shot put, discus, and javelin. We're working hard on recruiting women because our team was really small and, hopefully, we can build on the men we already have as well."

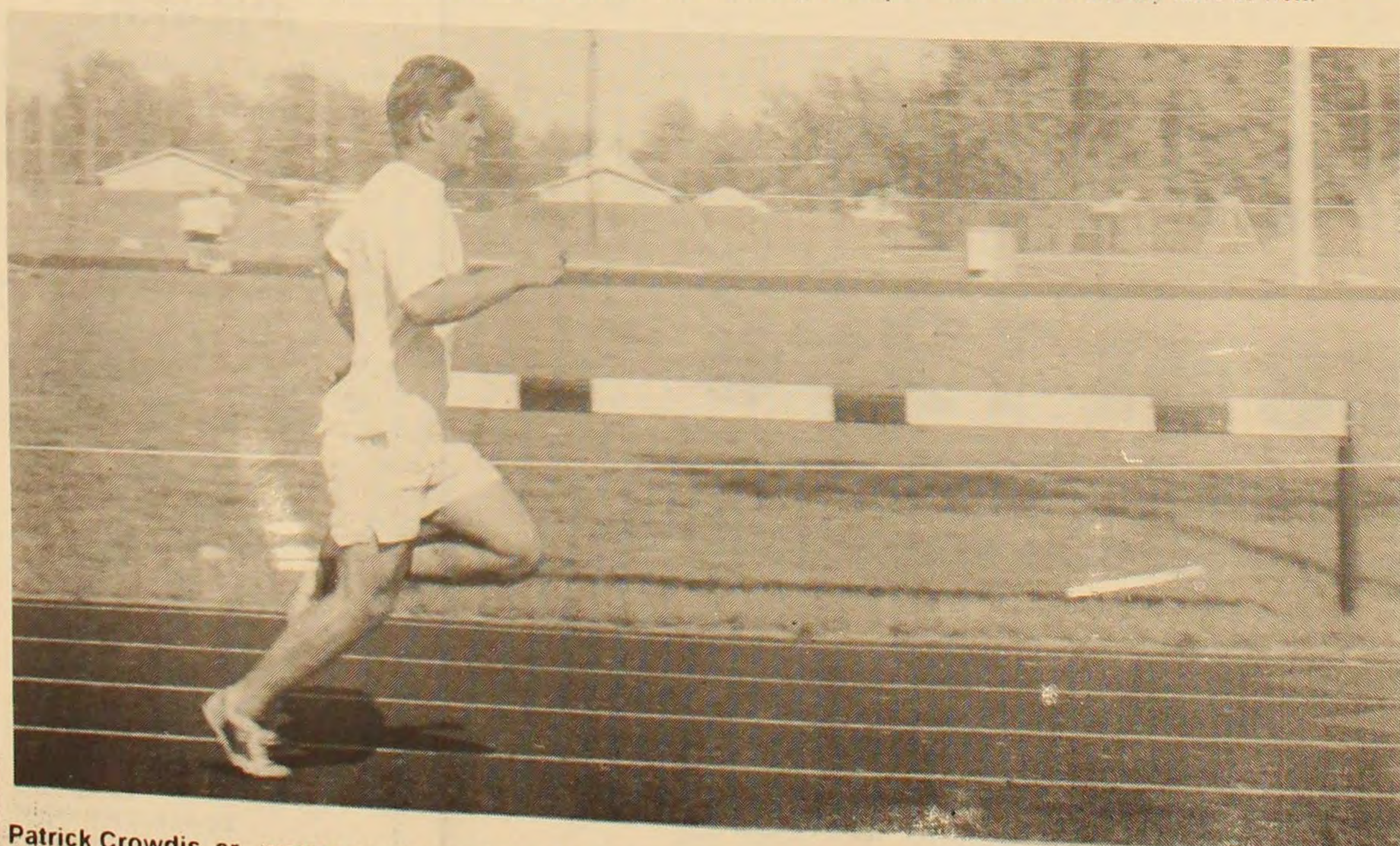


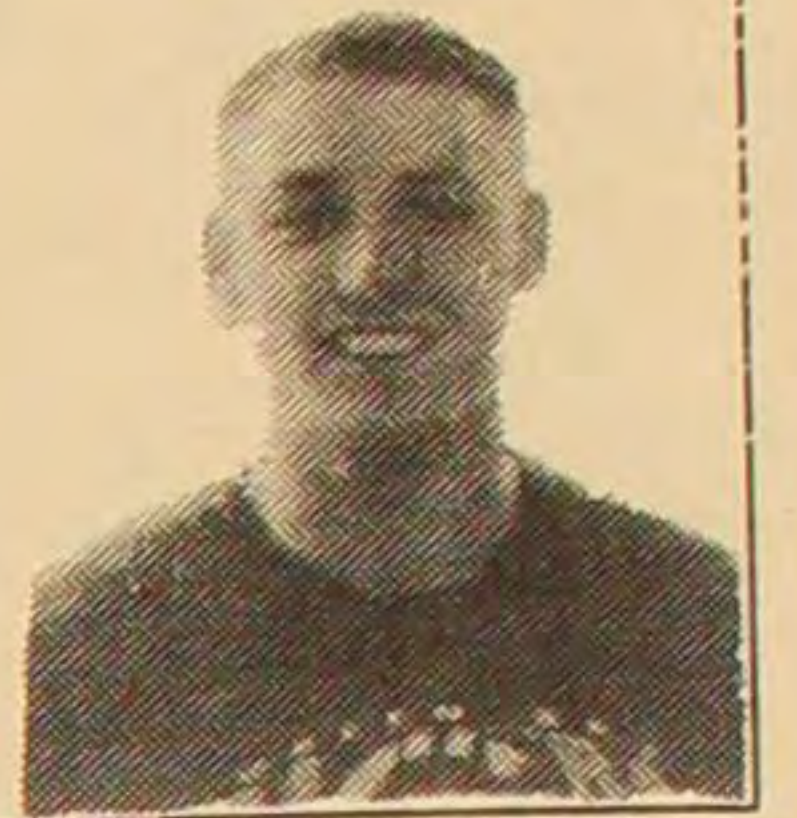
Photo By Becki Dille

Patrick Crowdis, sr., warms up at practice in preparation for the KCAC track meet that was held May 3 and 4 at Southwestern. Patrick was a member of the 4/100 meter relay team that placed sixth.

Crystal ball predicts all

En Vogue

By Erik Vogel



As we depart for our three-month scholastic hiatus, I thought it only appropriate to peer inside my crystal ball and reveal to my readers winning trifecta picks at the Wichita Greyhound Park, as well as answers to what the future holds in the sporting spectrum.

With newspaper writing's version of free agency—graduation—rocking the Spectator staff, I do know that the highly qualified seniors of this paper will no doubt achieve success in whatever they do. And I don't need a crystal ball for that prediction.

So, after consulting my sports psychic, I've been granted omnipotence over all sporting events. Here is just an appetizer.

■ Cal Ripken will start yet another game at shortstop for the Baltimore Orioles—no brainer.

■ The Chicago Bulls will defeat the San Antonio Spurs in the NBA Finals, garnering their fourth title in six years.

■ "Juiced" baseballs will continue to fly out of ball parks faster than Boeing 747's leaving Chicago's O'Hare Airport.

■ Atlanta will not only serve as host to the Summer Olympics, but also another World Series champion.

■ The poor Kansas City Royals will lose 90 games; but groundskeeper George Thoma will have the grass as green as ever.

■ Michael Irvin will weezle his way out of a conviction.

■ Jimmy Johnson's hair will not move during a single Miami Dolphin summer football practice.

■ The Milwaukee Bucks will once again be proud recipients of an NBA Lottery draft selection. Winners of the number one positioned ping-pong ball and top pick two years ago, the Bucks have realized losing has its privileges.

■ For the first time in Major League Baseball history, 10 players will hit 50 or more home runs in one season.

■ All fans attending a Montreal Expos home game will get the opportunity to sit in the team's dugout, next to their favorite player.

■ The Minnesota Twins will score 30 runs in one game, or more likely, in one inning.

■ Did I mention that Cal Ripken will start another game as the Orioles' shortstop?

■ Michael Jordan might win the NBA MVP award.

■ The Baltimore Ravens will get uniforms; Cleveland Brown fans will learn to love the Indians.

■ Every Canadian hockey team will migrate to the United States and take residence in such puck paradises as Phoenix, Arizona. Sand hockey anyone?

■ Chicago Cubs announcer Harry Caray will mispronounce the name of L.A. Dodger pitchers Chan Ho Park and Hideo Nomo at least once during a broadcast.

■ Jacque Vaughn will return to the University of Kansas next fall and lead the Jayhawks to their first national title since the Danny Manning Miracles of 1988.

■ Mac College Bulldog soccer and football fans will be treated to a new, luxury sky box, equipped with cushioned seating, climate control and a capacity of more than five people. One can always dream, can't they?

■ In the greatest upset in cycling history, McPherson College music teacher Larry Kitzel will race past Miguel Indurain to win the Tour de France.

■ The world's greatest editor-in-chief, Michael P. Schneider, will get a job writing—which is what he does best.

Netters surprise many in KCAC

Team places fourth at KCAC conference

By Jenni Richardson
Sports Editor

The McPherson College men's tennis team had one of the most surprising and impressive showings at the KCAC tournament on May 3 and 4. The men finished fourth in the seven team field with a total of 43 points. Bethel finished first with 111 total points.

Coach Becky Sankner was extremely pleased with her teams performance and the progress it made during the season.

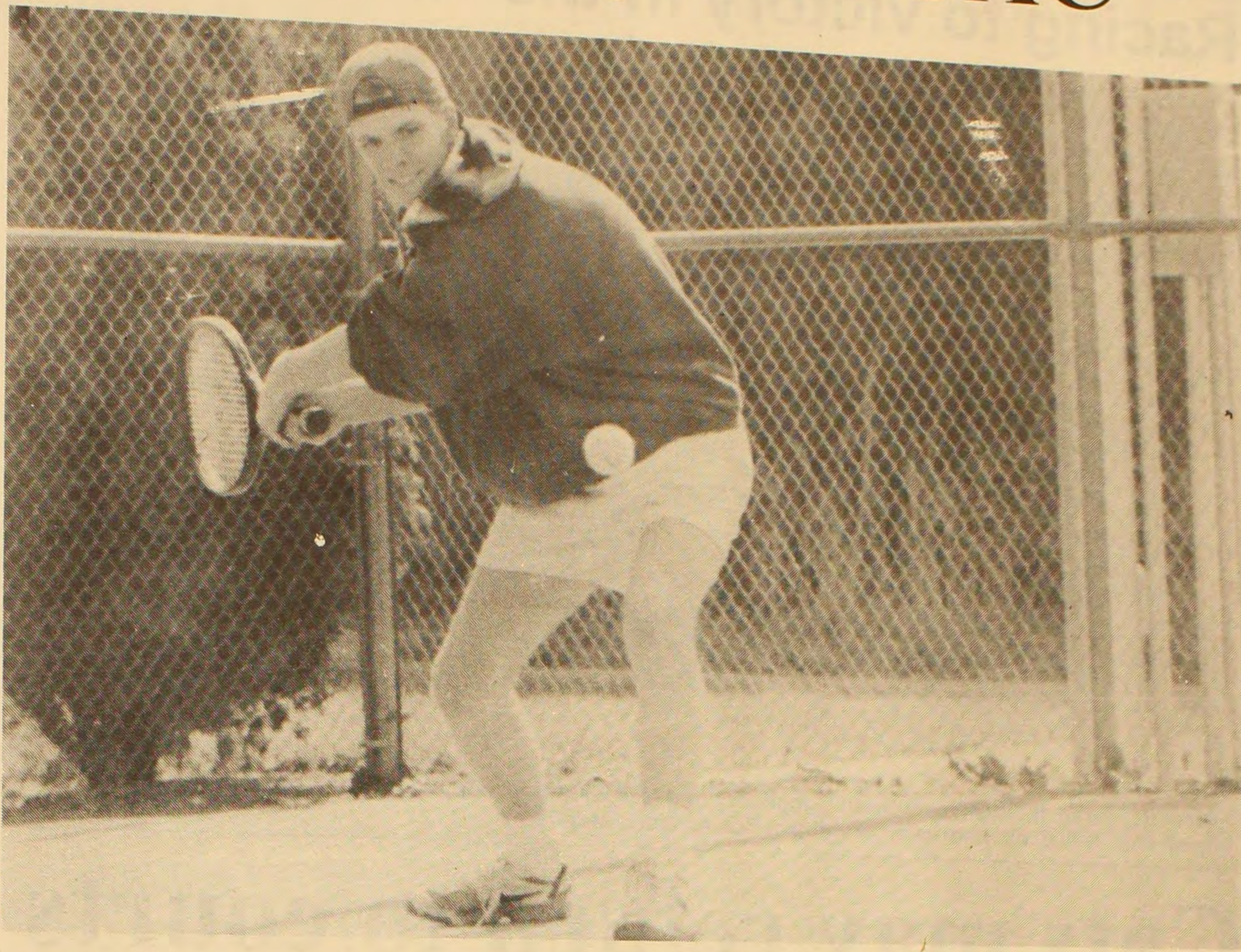
"Many coaches, including myself, were impressed with the entire team's performance," Sankner said. "Everyone expected us to be at the bottom. We came into the season in the middle of the conference and we held that position through the tournament. The men just had good, solid tournament play."

Mark Frazier and Mark Boyer led the team singles finishes with a third place in the 5th and 6th flights respectively.

Joey House placed fourth in the 3rd flight, while David Weins and Pascal Reber finished fifth in the 2nd and 4th flights respectively.

Frazier and Brandon Cusick teamed up in the doubles division to finish third in the 3rd flight. House and Weins also competed in the 2nd flight of doubles competition and placed fifth.

Sankner will be looking forward to next season as much of the team returns, and it can begin to build on the base that was formed this season.



Mark Boyer, jr., swats a back hand across the net at practice. Boyer finished third in the 5th flight at the KCAC conference tournament in Wichita.

Photo By Jon Harrison

Ward wins tough man

By Jenni Richardson
Sports Editor

Four years ago Brian Ward's boxing career was called to a sudden halt, when his trainer, role model and mentor, his father, died. This decision came after his being invited to participate in the 1992 Western Olympic Trials.

At the time he was invited to the Trials, Ward was ranked 6th in the nation in the 156lb weight class. When Ward was notified of his chance to participate, he went on a strict diet, trying to cut his current weight by twenty pounds in three weeks. Ward was unable to loose enough weight, and consequently could not compete in the trials.

Ward has not competed in any boxing matches, amateur or otherwise for over four years. Recently though, Ward heard an advertisement on the radio for the Kansas Tough Man Competition that was going to be held in Wichita March 1-2.

With the encouragement of a few friends,

and the spark of Ward's own curiosity, he decided to participate.

"I wanted to see if I'd lost any of the skills that I had when I was heavily into boxing," Ward said. "I was competing strictly for fun."

Although Ward may claim the competition was for fun only, he was all business when it came down to his matches. The contest was set up like a tournament, where the competitors moved up a bracket. Ward competed in five bouts and brought home a gold medal and leather jacket to show for his efforts. He didn't loose a match.

Ward also received the privledge to compete in the National Tough Man Competition which is going to be held in Las Vegas at the end of the month, and the chance to win \$50,000. Ward has decided to decline this opportunity.

"With finals going on, and really having no place to train, I've decided to concentrate on my classes and be satisfied to know I can still compete in the boxing arena," Ward said.

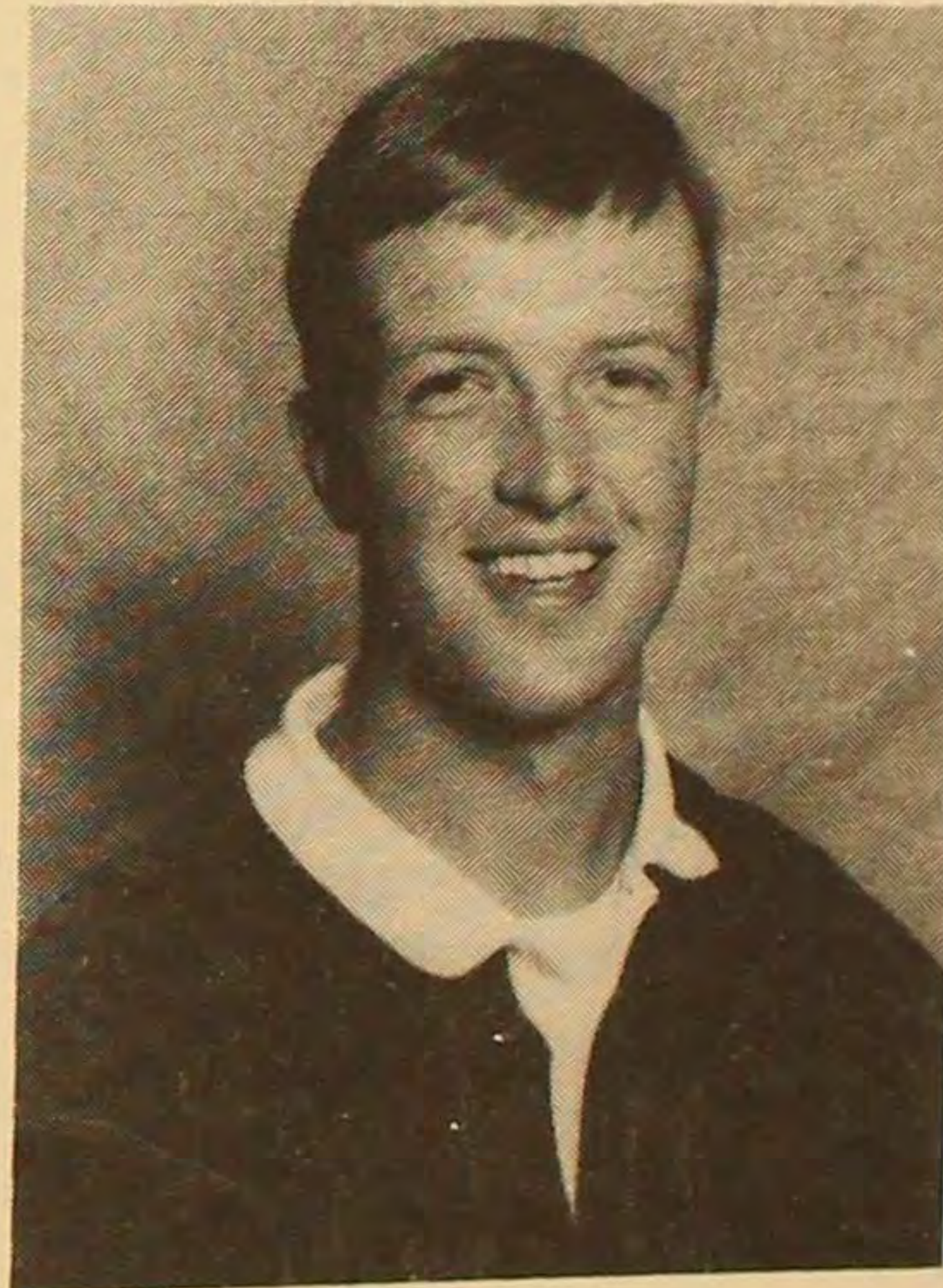
ATHLETE OF THE ISSUE

Bryce Brewer is this week's Athlete of the Issue. Brewer led the McPherson College golf team with a three round score of 242 at the KCAC tournament April 23-24.

"Bryce did an excellent job of demonstrating his experience and leadership in the final meet of his college career," Coach Roger Trimmell said. "He helped to build a strong foundation from which we can grow for next year."

This was Brewer's third year as team captain. Brewer has consistently been one of the conference's top golfers.

"It's been a fun couple of years, and I will greatly miss the friends I've made—both from McPherson and the other school's teams," Brewer said. "I think the team has alot of potential for next year."



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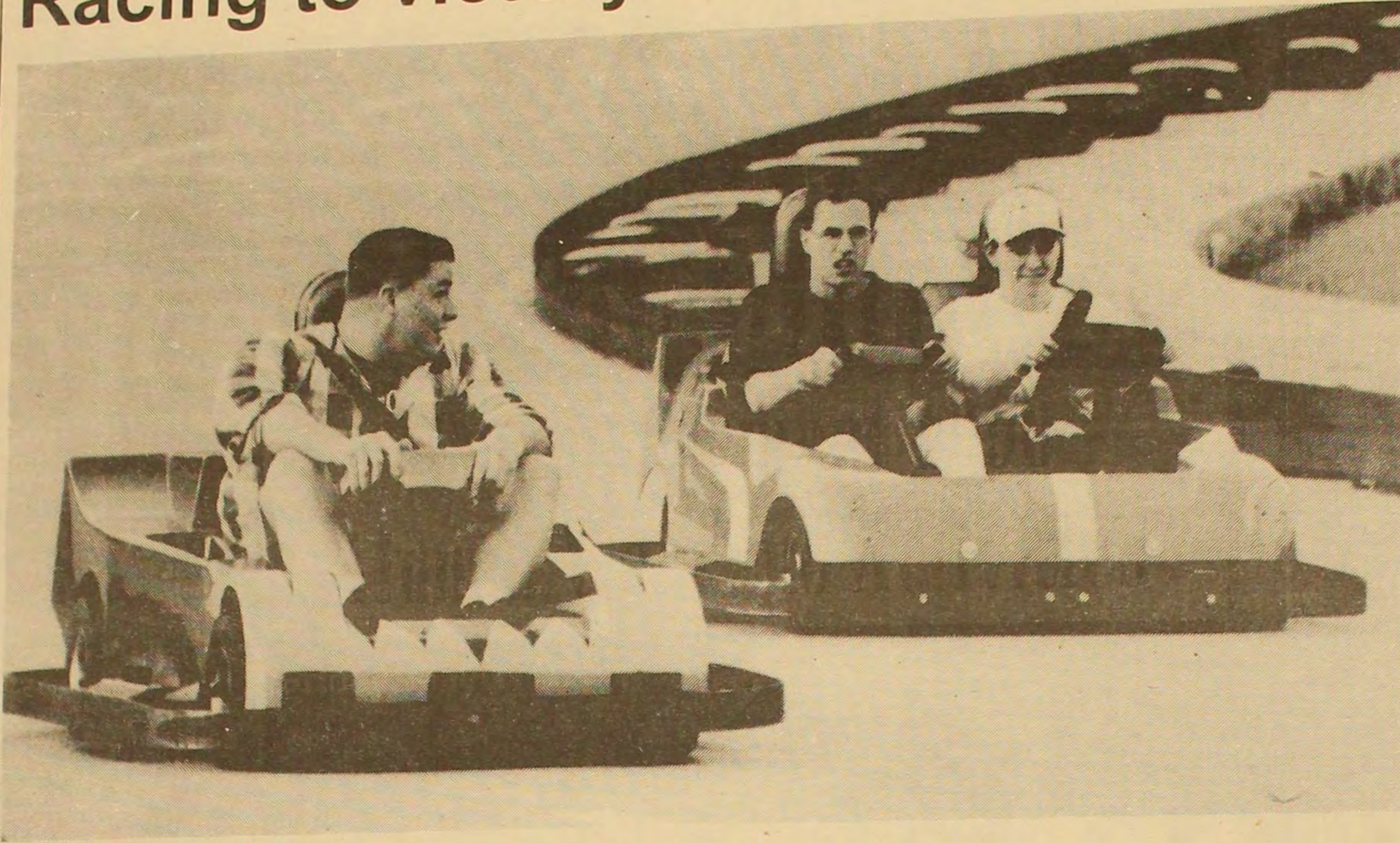


Photo By Jon Henrikson

Brian Vanderlin, jr., races past Brian Cooper, fr., and Melissa Sharp, soph., toward the checkered flag and the finish line. S.A.B. sponsored an evening at Sports World May 7.

Science alumni honor previous professors

By Sue Werner
News Editor

Science alumni and McPherson College community members gathered on campus for the McPherson College Science Alumni Symposium April 26-27.

The symposium was conceived and planned by science alumni. Literature about the event states that the symposium had at least three purposes: "To celebrate the historic strength of the college's science program, to express appreciation to three retired science professors who committed their entire careers to responsible mentoring, and to demonstrate support for the continuing tradition of teaching excellence at our alma mater."

The symposium honored Dr. John H. Burkholder, professor of biology at McPherson College, 1953-1991; Dr. Wesley Decoursey, professor of chemistry at McPherson College, 1952-1987, and Dr. Gilford Ikenberry, professor of biology at McPherson College, 1961-1993. All three are alumni of McPherson College.

The symposium was purposely planned during the weekend in which senior science majors would be presenting their senior research. Michael Bretz, Michael Epps, Lesli Hiebert, Lisa Lloyd, Chris Owens, Wes Sechler and Stasi Zirkel presented their research Friday.

According to Dr. Jonathan Frye, biology, participating in the professional atmosphere of the conference was a good experience for the students. Frye pointed out that some of the alumni who attended had years of experience in the fields in which students did their research.

"I was very pleased with the way our students fielded their questions," Frye said.

The conference also gave the students the opportunity to communicate with professionals in their fields. According to Frye, the connections made at the conference could be unique for students because "[the alumni] are not going to question the quality of education gotten at a school that they otherwise may not have heard of."

According to Robert Knechel, director of development, 75-85 alumni were present for some of the presentations. Science alumni presented papers in a professional conference, that, according to Knechel, "drew them back into a liberal arts setting."

Noel Grove, a 1959 graduate of McPherson College and retired senior assistant editor of National Geographic, gave the keynote address April 26.

"We have outstanding alumni," Knechel said. "We are going to try to do things like this with every department of the college."

Cats may return to courts

Proposal to keep cats passed by Campus Life Board

By Melissa Crowdis
Spectator Staff

The Campus Life Board has recommended to the President that cats be added to the list of pets allowed in the College Courts, and that the Residence Life Committee develop appropriate guidelines for keeping the pets.

College Courts residents submitted the proposal after several residents were forced to find new homes for their cats to comply with the Feb. 13 enforcement of the no-pets policy in their rental contract. The rental Courts contract allows certain pets: "Only small pets (fish, hamsters, gerbils) confined to cages or aquariums are allowed in the apartments."

The proposal will be sent to President Hoffman with the recommendation that it be approved.

"We are pleased that the proposal has

made it this far. Several of us have put a lot of effort into this issue and are anxious to see it pass," said Debbie Makings, College Courts resident.

Eli and Debbie Makings took the proposal to the Campus Life Board to appeal an initial rejection by the Residence Life Committee.

"The members of the Campus Life Board were very pleasant and helpful to work with," Debbie said.

"We'd like to bring Sneak (their cat) back home, too," Eli said.

According to the Makings the earliest date that they could bring their cat home would be next fall.

"There will be a lot of changes in our leases, and that won't all be finalized until the fall, probably," Debbie said.

According to the Makings, some Courts residents hope that the change in the pet policy will be only the beginning of a series of changes to take place in the courts.

"We currently have to follow the exact same rules that are in place in the dorms," Debbie said, "and those rules become very vague when you consider things like visitation hours among married couples and their friends."

"We took a survey of opinions of courts residents and found that the general consensus is that it is unfair and ridiculous to have the courts like the dorms. I mean, we have faculty, staff and parents living here; why should they have to follow dorm rules?" Eli said.

The Makings were worried that their proposal concerning the pet policy wouldn't pass because of all the changes that are currently taking place or proposed to take place in campus residential living.

"We realize that there are many changes in order, but we wanted the pet policy addressed now," Debbie said. "We are very appreciative of the cooperation and consideration the administration has given us."

"Several of us have put a lot of effort into this issue and are anxious to see it pass."

-Debbie Makings

FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE 1996 SPRING SEMESTER

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NEWS BRIEFS

Blood Drive

The annual McPherson College Blood Mobile came close to meeting its goal of 60 units, taking in 52 units of blood Friday, April 26.

"Next year we are going to try to do more with the community to push the blood drive," said Sarah Wagoner, soph., blood drive coordinator.

Battle of the Colleges

McPherson College won top honors in the Battle of the Colleges by raising over \$3,000 for the prevention of birth defects. McPherson was competing against Bethany College, Central College, Cloud County Community College, and Fort Hays State University.

Battle of the colleges is an event patterned after Jail and Bail, in which students had to raise pledge money to "get out of jail."