

# The McPherson College SPECTATOR

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## UNDERCOVER

## NEWS

### Theatre to present murder mystery

"Towards Zero" an Agatha Christie mystery will show Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. in Brown Auditorium.

### Bittinger Hall tops trustee's agenda

Trustees will review the proposed renovation of Bittinger Hall.

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## FEATURES

### Racism in McPherson

Who thought the O.J. trial was fair? Is McPherson a racist community?

### Studying Abroad

Three Mac students spend a year studying in different countries through BCA.

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## SPORTS

### Forgotten sports remembered

Cross country, women's tennis and golf are featured as the unnoticed fall sports.

### Shoemaker named Spectator Athlete of the Issue

Staci Shoemaker, Lady Bulldog setter, leads the team in assists and is second in serving and digs.



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# Special election tomorrow

## McGowan, Kingery vie to fill vacant Stuco presidency

By Sue Werner  
News Editor

Students will elect a Student Council president tomorrow in a special election at convocations. The position became vacant Wednesday, Sept. 23, when Dennis Kingery was forced to resign as a condition of restrictions placed on him by a disciplinary hearing board.

Former Student Council vice president Shawn McGowan will run against Charla Kingery for the position.

### •Kingery

Charla Kingery, Dennis Kingery's stepmother, has been a student at McPherson College since Interterm, 1995.

"I didn't run to replace Dennis. I went into a lot of thought and conversation with other people about it to help decide what would be best. The decision wasn't because of him necessarily," Kingery said. "I know there is still concern about his punishment, and I hope we can get past all that because Dennis has surely given total effort on his part to start that process."

Kingery hopes that her off-campus, non-traditional status will not have an impact on the way students vote.

"I think we're missing out on some of the resources when we don't include off-campus students," Kingery said. "I don't want being off-campus or being older to be a barrier. I hope that that won't cause anybody else a hang-up. I have a good relationship with quite a few of the student body repre-



Charla Kingery

sentatives right now. It's going to be something to build on."

Kingery believes that there is a need for communication among different parts of the campus community.

"I would really like to see some relationships built... and pull together resources that we have and open the lines of communication like it's never been open before," Kingery said. "I feel that there is so much potential that we're not tapping into."

Kingery believes that small groups of students working together to come up with goals could help with communication among students.

"It would be really nice to have some core groups that students would be in charge of, and have them come back with ideas that their core group would come up with. It would take some organization, but I really think it's possible to work at that," Kingery said.

Kingery also hopes that she could help with the communication between the administration and the students.

"Hopefully I can be a bridge between the administration and the students," Kingery said. "I would hope that the students would take advantage of me being in a position where I can be useful. I hope they would be open and know that they can come to me with anything and we can talk about it and build on it."

After owning a flower shop for 20 years, serving on church boards, and chairing the American Cancer Society's "Daffodil Days," a fundraiser, Kingery feels ready for the responsibility.

"It's a new challenge for me but I've really gotten excited now that I've committed to running," Kingery said. "Once I commit myself to something, I'm dedicated to it. I do not let go until my goals are reached."

### •McGowan

Shawn McGowan, jr., resigned from his position as Student Council vice president on Sunday, Oct. 15, to run for the position of president.



Shawn McGowan

McGowan has been the acting president since the position became vacant.

"I feel that I have the qualifications for the presidency, and I feel like it's my duty to fill the vacancy because I don't want to see

Stuco die. I felt there was a need for someone who knew what he was doing, and I feel like I am qualified."

McGowan served as a representative-at-large on Student Council during his freshman and sophomore years.

McGowan believes that Student Council lost some motivation when the presidency became vacant, but that the motivation is

returning.

"It's moving up, not down," McGowan said. "I can help by fulfilling a lot of Dennis's ideas and working with him and being really open with Student Council and their ideas."

McGowan believes that his living on the campus would give him an advantage over an off-campus candidate in fulfilling his position.

"I think students would feel more free to talk to me since I am on-campus and available for the students," McGowan said.

Student Council has been working on goals that McGowan would like to see continued.

"We can get a lot accomplished if we work together as a team. We're taking on a recycling program right now. We're looking at it from all sides of the issue, and deciding if this is best for McPherson College."

McGowan also stresses communication. "We need communication between Stuco and the student body. We could post the minutes and encourage students to come to the meetings," McGowan said.

"Stuco has supported me, and since I was voted in as vice president, the student body must support me also," McGowan said.

# Network proposed

By Michael P. Schneider  
Editor-in-Chief

"My challenge to McPherson College is to leap ahead," Vincette Goerl '73 said at the Sept. 9 convocation. Goerl was referring to technologically "leaping ahead" by networking the campus.

The Computer Policy Committee has been working on "leaping ahead" for over a year and came up with the Campus Computer Competency Plan that was unanimously approved by the faculty on Oct. 4.

The Campus Computer Competency Plan has five objectives aimed at "providing to all members of McPherson College the opportunity to master the computer and other emerging technologies appropriate to each individual's educational and personal needs."

Access is the first objective. It states "that all members of the community will be provided educational and physical access to

computer and other technologies through a campus-wide network and/or special purpose stand-alone workstations."

The second objective centers around communication. It allows for all members of the community to communicate with all other members. Also this objective allows for a campus wide meeting schedule.

Teaching and learning is the focus of the third objective. This objective encourages multimedia, interactive video and other tools to be used in the classroom.

Objective four deals with operations and support services. It ensures that once in place the system will be maintained.

The final objective is entitled: "Lifelong Learning/Recreation/Research" This objective encourages members of the community to "continue the utilization of technologies for lifelong research and learning in

## HOMECOMING SCHEDULE

Thursday, Oct. 19	
Spirit Fest	10 p.m.
Midnight Madness	11 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 20	
Honors Convocation	9:30 a.m.
Golf Classic	12 p.m.
Mexican Buffet	5:30 p.m.
"Towards Zero"	8 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 21	
Run/Walk/Ride	8:30 a.m.
Wind Ensemble	
Concert	10:30 a.m.
Football vs. Ottawa	2 p.m.
Ultimate Frisbee	after game
Homecoming Fair	4:30 p.m.
Barbeque	5:30 p.m.
Soccer vs. Friends	7 p.m.
"Towards Zero"	8 p.m.
Dance	10 p.m.
Sunday, Oct. 22	
Choir Concert	1:30 p.m.

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EDITORIAL

Homecoming needs a valid selection process

IN HIGH SCHOOL, HOMECOMING WAS PARADES AND PEP RALLIES, skipping classes and big football games, parties and the biggest popularity contest of the year: the choosing of the homecoming king and queen.

In some of our high schools, faculty and/or administration chose a certain few and then the student body voted. In others, homecoming candidates were chosen the way we choose, with the entire student body voting twice. Regardless of how candidates were chosen, it always ended up being a popularity contest. Who had the most friends? It was that ever-present stress of living up to some imaginary standard that made high school such a horrific experience.

Now we're in college and it's the same thing all over again except this time we know the candidates personally, beyond the football field, class and the cheerleading squad. And that makes it harder. We have to choose two of up to ten good friends for that ambiguous office of Homecoming King and Queen.

What, exactly, is it that they do? She gets flower; he doesn't have to spend halftime in the locker room (assuming he's a football player).

So why do we still have this banal popularity contest? At least a swimsuit competition would be sexually stimulating and an academic contest would be intellectually stimulating. Or we could have the lowest GPA contest and vote on all the ineligible athletes. Any of the above would be a more interesting halftime spectacle than the sight of the wind-whipped candidates freezing in summer dresses and hose. Why do we keep such a tedious, boring, masochistic tradition?

What's more, the only criteria for candidates (except for Dennis Kingery) is who is the most well-known. All the candidates are exceptionally attractive, nine are athletes, three are on SAB, one on Stuco, and five are RAs.

But what about the students who give their time to Habitat for Humanity, Peace Awareness, or International Student Organization? Where is their recognition? Or students who live off campus or nontraditional students? Why are they never chosen as candidates?

Candidates aren't even forced to campaign on such a small campus. We know them so well already, there is a lack of the brown-nosing-and-flakiness sickness that always plagued the homecoming queen candidates the two or three weeks prior to homecoming.

It seems to us that recognition and looks and/or who looks best together are the only criteria used. It's like some sick version of the Love Connection, which we, the student body, get to run.

But why get rid of it? It's relatively harmless (so far, nobody has been knifed) and maybe it even pleases some alums. But it adds little to the atmosphere of Homecoming, unduly stresses out some candidates, lacks any kind of credibility and for those of us who chose a small campus so we would be known for ourselves and not our friends, body or number of yards rushed, Homecoming King and Queen is sadly reminiscent of high school.

Emilita Huston  
for the Editorial Staff



How gross is gross?

Oh gross... and I'm not talking Bruce here.

What is gross to some people would not necessarily be gross to others. It would certainly depend on a person's upbringing and background. Age also factors into our perception of this relative term. For instance, to an eight year old boy any sign of affection is gross. To me any piercing of body parts other than the earlobe is gross. Now to an eight year old boy the piercing of body parts would probably be "cool" whereas I think any sign of affection is kind of "cool".

A friend of mine told me about an animal that lives close to Antarctica called the hotheaded naked ice borer - if you would like to see a picture of this unusual animal look in last April's issue of Discovery magazine. They are hairless pink molelike creatures about six inches long who live in tunnels dug in ice. When the hotheaded naked ice borers spot a lonely penguin on the ice, several of the little creatures gather under the bird and with their flat heads and body temperatures of 110 degrees melt the ice until the penguin falls through. At this point they attack the poor bird and within seconds have eaten everything leaving the webbed feet and beak. Now to me that is definitely gross but to a biologist that's probably "cool".

Gross can also be defined as lacking in refinement, vulgar, or rude. When I asked different people on campus what they considered gross, they answered the following:

- It's gross when...
- your teeth feel fuzzy.
- ... you see people with blackheads inside their ears.
- ...your hose has a hole in them and your toe sticks out.
- ...you see a dog eating a baby squirrel.



Ol' Crone  
By Jill Brax

...ladies with pierced ears wear earrings that are too heavy and the hole is stretched out.

... you see a nose ring on someone with a cold.

...guys scratch their private parts. ...a bug flies up your nose.

...you find hair in your food. ...you have to sit near someone with BO or bad breath.

...you find wet towels after they have been sitting in the hamper for several days.

...people take off their shoes and their feet smell.

...you see couples being overly affectionate in public.

...someone is chewing tobacco and they spit - anywhere.

...someone belches.

...someone wears too much perfume or cologne.

Dan Hoffman's response was too gross to be published. My mother, who is 78, thinks that men with ponytails are gross. When I asked my husband what was gross he answered 144. If I could have talked to Glen Snell, he probably would have had some cute "economics" answer.

I hope you were not eating while reading this column. Some people are probably gross in their behavior just to get attention. Others probably don't realize they are being offensive.

It's time to stop fighting

By Seth Miller  
Spectator Staff

The nations of Bosnia, Croatia and Serbia, which were all created from the former Yugoslavia after the fall of communism in eastern Europe, have been torn by war for nearly four years. Despite a U.N. arms embargo, the war has resulted in at least 200,000 deaths, and has caused hundreds of thousands of refugees as people have fled the fighting.

The main sides in the war are the governments of Bosnia and Croatia, the Bosnian and Croatian rebel Serbs, and Serbia. The fighting in the region is caused by the desire of ultranationalist Serbs and Serbian leaders for an ethnically cleansed Serb state - history may shed some light on the Serbs desire to create a Serbian state.

For four hundred years the Serbs were dominated by the Turks. After World War II, the Serbs were controlled by communists who were no less oppressive than the Turks.

When the war began, the soldiers of Croatia

and Bosnia suffered staggering defeats at the hands of the rebel Serbs. With support from Serbia, the rebel Serbs in Bosnia and Croatia were able to conquer massive amounts of territory.

In the last few months, however, the governments of Bosnia and Croatia have renewed their alliance, and have been able to roll back the Serbian armies in their countries.

Despite the failures of a dozen or more past cease-fire agreements, another cease-fire has been accepted by the combatants. Unlike the past agreements, this one, which was brokered by American negotiators, has the support of the president of Serbia, Slobodan Milosevic.

A key element in the plan is that it includes peace negotiations. It is time for the Bosnians, Croats and Serbs to set aside their differences, seize this window of opportunity, and enter into a new era of peace, prosperity, and recovery from war.

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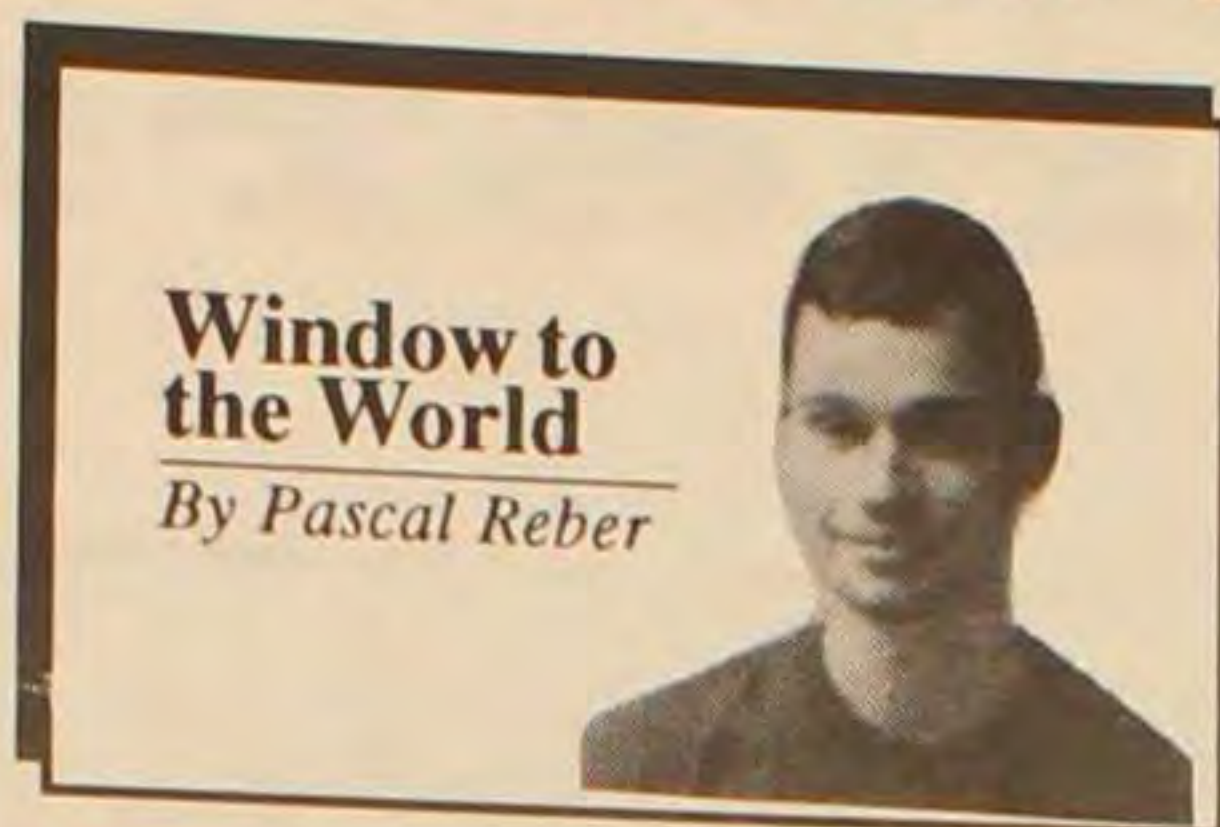
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# Racism is worth almost any march

"Racism is worth a march!" A few weeks ago, Nation of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan decided to organize a march on Washington D.C. Farrakhan's idea was to gather a million African-American men in the nation's capital. The Nation of Islam leader wanted to imitate what Martin Luther King Jr. had done more than three decades earlier. Despite that fact, the message that was given on Monday was one of hate.

Louis Farrakhan's "Million Man March" was just a cover up to promulgate his racist ideas all over America. Farrakhan was preaching the fact that racism should not be a part of the American way of life anymore. How ironic! The Nation of Islam leader is probably one of the most racist man in America. His anti-semitic views have made the headlines all over the nation. One of his



Window to the World  
By Pascal Reber

statement was that Jews were "blood suckers" and that they should get ready for war. I do not know how you call it but this is pure racism.

The "Million Man March" that took place on Monday, October 16, 1995, was a good thing. African-American men should be proud of their heritage. It is time for America to understand that African-Americans are

human beings too. It is time for America to understand that they should be treated with equality. But the fact is that this march, which was supposed to promulgate unity and equality, should not have been organized by Louis Farrakhan. Farrakhan is a danger to society. Instead of helping the cause of African-Americans, the reverend is rather reversing the process started in the 1960s.

Washington D.C. city officials estimated that more than 400,000 people attended the rally, making this gathering the fourth largest in the nation capital's history. Did the march help African-Americans towards achieving their goals? Did it help anything at all? It was interesting to note that Louis Farrakhan had asked for men only to be present. Aren't women and children part of

the African-American heritage also? What kind of message is Louis Farrakhan trying to send by excluding women and children?

America is more divided than ever on the issue of race. The Los Angeles riots and the O.J. Simpson trial are just two examples of that division. People need to understand that race is not a criteria for judging somebody. The first person who has to understand that concept is Nation of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan.

**QUIZ**

What was the date of Martin Luther King Jr.'s "I have a dream" speech?

Answer in the next issue of the Spectator.

Answer to the quiz published in the last issue: H.M. King George VI

# Students want a recycling policy implemented

By Cyndi Jones

Spectator Staff

BAM! BAM! BAM! We're beating our heads against a brick wall here. And why?

Why does nobody seem to mind the trash can in the basement of the Student Union spitting up yellow papers each time the Communicator comes in our mailboxes, or the fact that our dumpster was devoured by a monster of cardboard boxes as we moved into the dorm? We know the spiel: reduce, reuse, recycle. And with the right trash receptacles, I think we would. It's not hard to read a label on a waste container and evaluate over which recipient we should hold our trash and release our grip.

I'm trying to make a point here, a point sharpened by frustration and stabbed in the direction of the student and faculty ad-

ministrative powers of this institution. Students don't recycle because there are no receptacles. This is still a pertinent issue. Recycling isn't something that has passed as a fad like the flower children, it is something that should be an active policy of the college today and tomorrow.

The students of ISO, BIG, Allied Health Futures, Peace Awareness and Habitat for Humanity have been working toward the acceptance of a proposal, yet (BAM!) we keep running into this wall. This is only after our campus environmental expert (and biology professor) Jonathan Frye ran into the same brick wall two years in a row in submitting his proposal. Following appropriate steps, we built on Prof. Frye's proposal and went to the administration (again). Another wall. Go to Stuco. Expressed ideas

to Stuco and asked for support. Another wall. BAM! BAM!

I JUST DON'T UNDERSTAND! It's not like we are going to cause harm to our college. We are proposing something that will actually do good; something that provides nothing but benefits for McPherson College. And we're even offering to do all of the initial work to implement the program. What is the hold up?

The recycling proposal will save the school over \$6,000. Money that could be used to hire at least two new work-study employees and provide activity funds for the organizations that support the program—money back to the students instead of to the trash collectors. It is an excellent way for the freshman students to put in a couple of service hours, and it upholds the Brethren principles of

stewardship on which this college was established. All this and preserving the world, too.

Now what?

All we're asking for here is the go ahead to make initial plans and for some support. The involved students will regroup and plan a new offensive. As for the rest of you, please just put your trash in the labeled container that describes it (Please, Metzler, I would like to get more cans this time from your containers than from your parking lot). Oh, and it wouldn't hurt to ask questions, either. Question why this wall seems to exist between the student concerns and the administration and plan ways to help break it down. At a peace-affiliated college, we shouldn't have to fight battles for everything we want.

# College is one experience in the exploration of yourself

By Christopher Amundson

Spectator Staff

Dear fellow Bulldog scholars, we are half way through the first semester of 1995 and most of you made it through your midterm exams. For those of you who now cringe when you see a highlighter and a notepad I commend you but remind you finals are only five weeks away. I have always had a childlike fascination with new experiences. The adventure wrapped up in an exploration kicks my adrenal glands into action my heart rate soars, my palms sweat and my muscles poise for action.

Take for instance the great Norwegian explorer Roland Amundsen (no known relation to yours truly). Roland Amundsen was the first person to go to the South Pole. He traveled down to the frozen land of glaciers and snow commanding a team of men and dogs to stake a claim for his country. He accomplished what others froze to death trying to do.

So what was going through his mind

other than his compass and the dogs? Maybe he thought, "I'm tired but I can not stop. What will keep me going? And will I be buried if I die? Where are my wits?"

I like to think of life as an exploration of the same caliber as our buddy Roland's. Life is not which land can we claim and set a house on or how much gold can we fill our pockets with. I see life as an exploration of the self. Is that why we are all at college?

Does it really matter who wrote "The Odyssey"? Will the value of the area A under the curve  $y = f(x)$  really mean a hill of beans when all else boils away? Or do dorm hours and who's dating whom hold great significance in the whole scheme of things? I would like to answer "no" to these questions and say: All of the incidences and pressures of life are merely vehicles for our own personal self development. I would like to think that we will be able to see the patterns of time, humanity and life through all that we experience.

And back to the old style of question answer. What have you learned your first

semester of the 1995 school year? For those of you who are experiencing life away from the parental figures for the first time have you done some things that Mom and Dad would not approve of? Have you blown 1/2 of the money in the checking account back home on shoes and pizza? I hope so. Have you been busted by an R.A. in an opposite sex's dorm room after hours? I hope so. Have you been sick the morning after a college party and had your room mate tend to you over your porcelain demigod? I hope that you have done all of this things in addition to studying. Some people would say that we do these 'foolish' things out of pure stupidity. But do we really? Or are we simply learning to mold our pure animal instincts into a form that fits into society while satisfying our desire to be happy? These are questions that each must keep in the back of his mind. Why and what can I learn from it in order to better become the kind of person that I want to be? So fill your backpack with trailmix, wool socks, and a compass because the adventure of a lifetime is underway.

## LETTER POLICY

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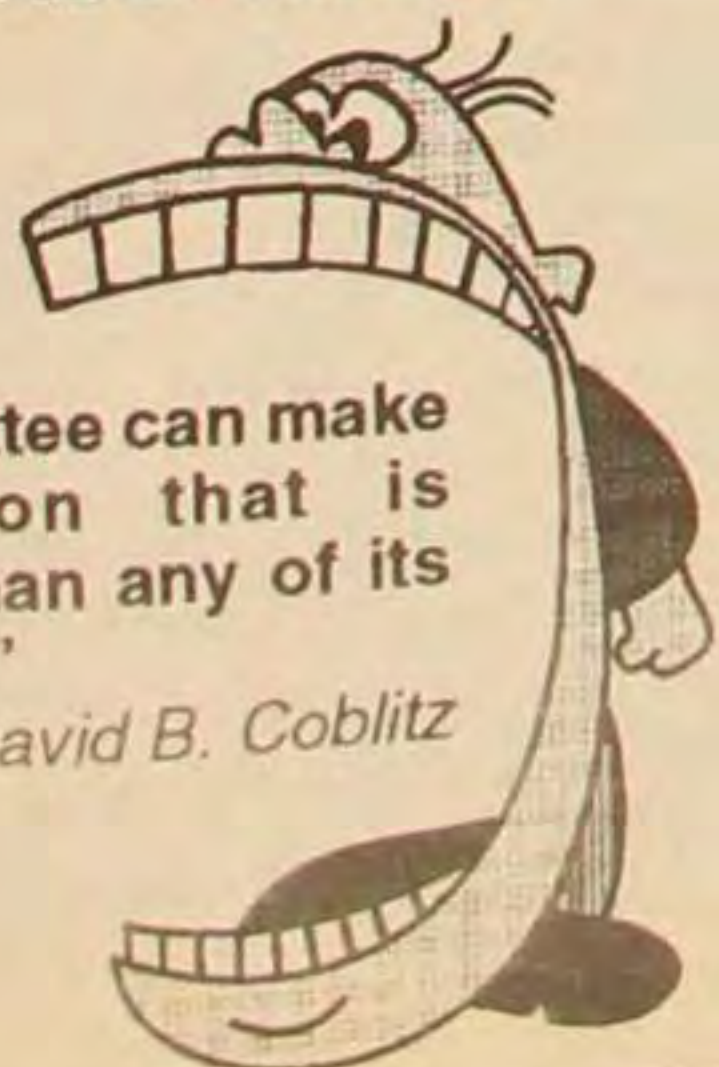
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■ To submit a letter to The Spectator, drop it in campus mail. The final deadline is Monday before the Friday on which a paper is published.

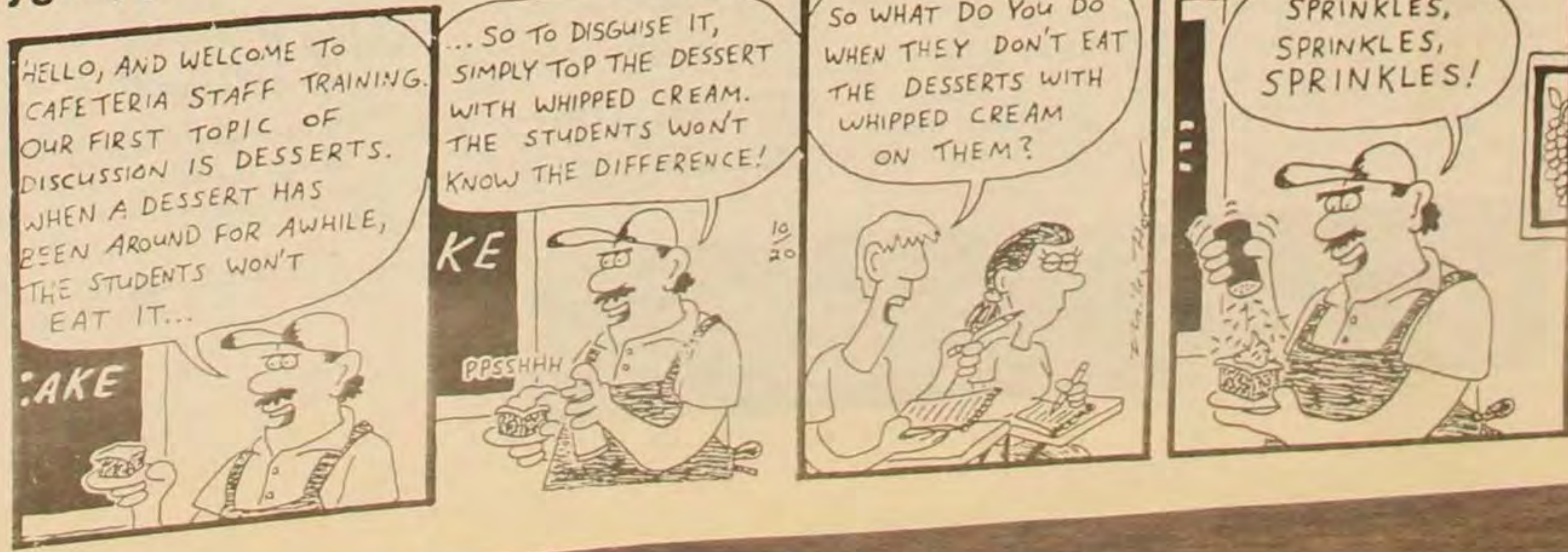
By Mike Horner

## The Loud-mouth

"A committee can make a decision that is dumber than any of its members."  
-David B. Coblitz



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FRASIER

in McPherson



Marissa Alexander, Lee Anna Garza, Carrie Sharp, Ruth Nikkel and Tomika Sanders show that multi-cultural friendship is really possible

Photo By Emilita Huston

By Emilita Huston

Features Editor

"I think what has struck all Americans in the aftermath of the [Simpson] trial is the apparent differences of perception of the same set of facts based on the race of American citizens." —President Clinton, as quoted in Newsweek.

The Simpson trial is finally over and done, but the race thing is still being re-hashed. A black man is accused of murdering his white ex-wife and her friend, and the jury, mainly made up of black women, lets him off.

On the national scene race is still an issue. Only 32% of whites agree with the verdict, compared to 85% of blacks. But what about here at McPherson College?

It isn't immediately obvious. In a random Spectator poll, students were split along generally racial lines: 75% of blacks agreed with the verdict, but only 45% of whites.

"I wasn't aware there was racial separation on campus. No one's ever mentioned it to me before," said Reada Green, interim sociology professor.

Students notice it much more quickly. If you're black, "you either have to be a huge superstar athlete, or a real brain to get here. And then there isn't anything to keep you here," said Tomika Sanders, a freshman who is here on a track scholarship. "And then they wonder why black students don't stay."

Most black students have experienced racism sometime while living in McPherson. "Cops harass you. They look at you funny when you're walking into Wal-Mart. They lock their car doors when they pull up next to you. They give you the run around when you're looking for a job," said Akin Doherty, jr.

And then there is that more subtle kind of racism.

"There are no black products sold in this town. That's why I'm transferring," said Phelica Claiborne.

While most of the overt racism is off-campus, the college itself is not free of criticism. Black students mentioned the lack of things like black professors, activities for minority students, black speakers at convo and books by and about blacks in the library. Professor Green hopes to remedy the situation in the library, but she understands the lack of black professors.

"Other blacks, who hold higher degrees, can get three to four times more money than I make here, elsewhere. Minorities who hold higher degrees are at a premium," she said.

But students, black and white, agree the college and the people here are not racist.

"It might be prejudiced, but not racist," Jason Snodgrass, jr., said.

There are also all the "black" stereotypes black students have to live with.

"The big one I notice is what I call the 'homeboy' stereotype. You can be down with the black people if you listen to rap and if you talk in black slang and if you wear your pants hanging down your butt," Tomika Sanders, fr., said.

Even so, some black students choose to stay the four years.

"It's a predominantly white school and I have to know how to deal with that in the business environment," said Ervin Jones, sr. "It's not gonna help you to run from it, so I used it for my advantage."

Newsweek Poll

Was the Simpson jury fair and impartial?

blacks 80%  
 whites 50%

Do you agree with the verdict?

blacks 85%  
 whites 32%

McPherson College Poll

Was the Simpson jury fair and impartial?

blacks 92%  
 whites 43%

blacks 8%  
 whites 14%

blacks 0%  
 whites 43%

Do you agree with the verdict?

blacks 75%  
 whites 45%

blacks 25%  
 whites 9%

blacks 0%  
 whites 46%

Random poll of 68 students  
12 black students  
56 white students

# A Worldly Experience

By Michael P. Schneider  
Editor-in-Chief

Brethren Colleges Abroad offers life-changing experiences for McPherson College students

Many students strive to take their education to another level. Rarely do they take it to the level Marc Rittle, Cyndi Jones and Emilita Huston did last year while participating in Brethren Colleges Abroad.

Each of these students spent last year in three different areas of the world bringing back to McPherson College similar experiences. Cyndi Jones, sr., majoring in elementary education, and Spanish took her education to Spain where she studied in Barcelona at Barcelona University, home to over 100,000 students.

Marc Rittle, sr., sociology major, traveled to Greece where he attended classes at the University of La Verne in Athens which had 1,000 students.

Emilita Huston, sr., multi-cultural studies major, attended San Francisco University of Quito, Ecuador. The university has 1,500 students.

Emilita and Cyndi both knew they wanted to study abroad through BCA before they came to McPherson College.

"I always wanted to go abroad, especially somewhere they spoke Spanish," Emilita said.

"BCA is a tradition in my family. My mom and my uncles all went and it was the reason I came to McPherson College," said Cyndi.

Marc, however, didn't become interested in BCA until attending McPherson College.

"Jan van Asselt got me interested in BCA and I did it to strengthen my sociology major," Marc said.

None of them were surprised by the different cultures in general, because they were prepared to experience something different.

"You can either compare a culture or appreciate a culture. If you appreciate a culture you'll learn to love it. If you compare a culture you'll be homesick all year," Emilita said.

"Every place in the world is a lot the same. People all have the same basic problems," Marc said.

"The culture was what I expected, but living in the big city was a surprise. I had to learn the bus system in a hurry," Cyndi said.

Although the students didn't experience much "culture shock," they did have to make some adjustments.

"Speaking Spanish was my biggest adjustment as well as getting used to a maid cooking and cleaning for me," Emilita said.

Marc's biggest adjustment was also speaking the native language.

"I didn't go there to speak the language, so it was hard for me to get used to my friends speaking in Greek."

The language barrier was not as much of a problem for Cyndi as getting used to big city life.

"They don't use north, south, east and west. Rather, they use up, down, left and right as well as mountainside and seaside. Imagine trying to figure out seaside in the middle of a metropolitan city," Cyndi said.

All of them enjoyed the food. While Marc and Cyndi consumed a Mediterranean diet, consisting of salads, olive oil and fish, Emilita ate a lot of rice, poultry, beef and guinea pig.

"I miss chifles, which are fried bananas, and aji, which is what we would call hot sauce. Aji tastes wonderful on everything. We use ketchup in the United States like they use aji," Emilita said.

The students had different experiences with their classes. Cyndi's classes were considerably bigger at Barcelona University than here at McPherson College.



Here's one for the scrapbook. Marc enjoyed the time he spent with other BCA students while at LaVerne University in Athens, Greece.



Cyndi poses in the Spanish sand beneath the stern of a sail boat.



A smile is universal as Emilita and her friend show us.

"The prof lectures, you take notes and at the end of the semester a big paper is due and an exam covering the whole course is given, so you better know it all," Cyndi said.

Marc and Emilita experienced class sizes about the same as McPherson College, but the experiences they had in these classes were much different.

"Class structure was similar to Mac, but most of the people in the class spoke English as a second language, not a first," Marc said.

"We called the university 'USFQ 90210' because many of the students were so wealthy and preppie. San Francisco is the Harvard

of Ecuador," Emilita said.

One unique observation Emilita made was that cheating was much more acceptable in classes there. Some professors enforced no cheating rules and others just left the room according to Emilita.

"To the students there, cheating was a form of teamwork," Emilita said.

Studying abroad was an obvious learning experience for all three BCA students. Each one's experience was a little different, but similar in that they all came home with new ideas.

"This was a wake-up call that there are other places out there. It wasn't Kansas,"

## Who?

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## What?

**What is BCA?**

There are 10 BCA locations around the world that offer an opportunity to study abroad. Four of these locations do not require knowledge of the native language. Students can study abroad for a semester or a year. There is also an option while studying abroad to have an internship. While abroad students either live with host families or in the campus dorms.

Students interested in BCA must be a soph., jr., or sr., with a cumulative GPA of 2.7. They must also fill out an application and be recommended by a professor. Fees for studying abroad are about the same as current McPherson College fees. Also 50%-60% of the participating students are not Brethren.

## Where?

**Where can you go?**

- Athens, Greece
- Barcelona, Spain
- Cheltenham, England
- Marburg, Germany
- Nancy, France
- Strasbourg, France
- Quito, Ecuador
- Xalapa, Mexico
- Dalian, China
- Sapporo, Japan

Marc said. Cyndi gained an increased confidence in her ability to communicate through the Spanish language. "I can travel everywhere and be able to communicate with almost half the world. You can't not grow up during your BCA experience," Cyndi said. "I felt so powerless there and since I've gotten home from my experience I'm not afraid of anything," Emilita said.

### Topeka

"Treasures of the Czars" exhibit  
9 a.m.-8 p.m. daily  
Kansas International Museum, 4th and Quincy,  
800-269-0901, \$15

### Hutchinson

Kansas Cosmosphere Movies  
"Living Seas"  
1, 2, 8 p.m. Mon-Fri  
11 a.m., 12, 1, 2, 8 p.m. Sat  
1, 2, 8 p.m. Sun

"Race the Wind"  
3, 7 p.m. Mon-Fri  
3, 4, 7 p.m. Sat, Sun  
Kansas Cosmosphere, 662-2305

### Wichita

Chippendales  
Oct. 28  
Wichita Cotillion, 1-316-722-4201, \$25: \$21

"Oklahoma"  
Oct. 5 - Nov. 26  
Wichita Crown Uptown Theatre, 1-316-681-1566

"Les Miserables"  
Century II, 1-316-263-4717

# Volleyball competes in tourney

## Lady Bulldogs collect KCAC win

By Melissa Sharp  
Spectator Staff

The Lady Bulldogs volleyball team held a double round-robin tournament in the Sport Center Oct. 13 and 14. Mid-American Nazarene from Missouri, Dakota Wesleyan from South Dakota, Park College from Kansas, and McPherson College all took part in the competition.

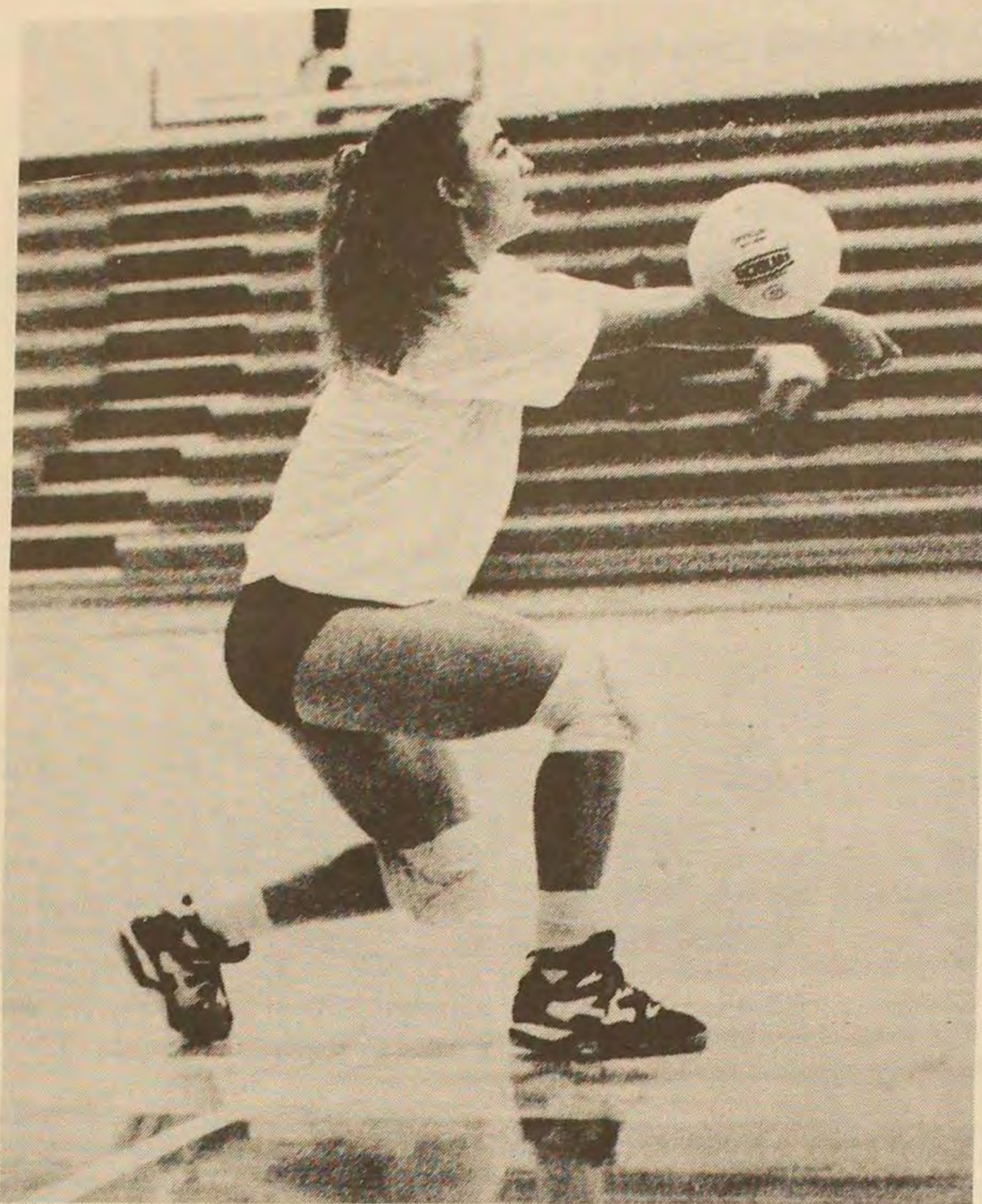
Overall, Coach Dan Hoffman was pleased with his team's offensive performance, but sees the need for improvement in the defensive play.

"I was pleased with our offense in the way that we stayed short and ran our plays," Hoffman said. "However, I was not very pleased with our defense. We didn't pass the ball and didn't move in under the attacks."

In the first night of tournament competition, all teams played the best two-out-of-three matches. Mac's first opponent was Mid-America. McPherson was defeated with scores of 9-15 and 12-15. Against Dakota Wesleyan, Mac again suffered a loss, 7-15 and 3-15. In the final game of the night, against Park College, Mac was victorious, 15-11 and 15-13.

Competition on Saturday morning was limited due to the fact that Park College had to leave early. Therefore the three remaining teams played the best three out of five matches. Mac again played Dakota and Mid-America, but was defeated in both efforts, 12-15, 6-15, and 7-15, and 13-15, 10-15, and 10-15, respectively.

The ladies gained a conference victory over Tabor on Oct. 6, 11-15, 15-11, 16-14 and 15-8. Hoffman attributed the win to a



Amber Spillum digs a serve against Tabor. The Lady Bulldogs won the league match against the Bluejays.

Photo By Jon Henrikson

## Writer goes back to his sporting days of youth

En Vogue  
By Erik Vogel



Childhood Games Spawn Memories of Youth.

Whether it was Sunday afternoon football, a game resembling baseball, or some water involved contest, the athletic adventures of my youth often lacked organization and the proper facilities. However, they were full of creativity and excitement.

Autumn meant football, and that required sifting through the old storage chest for gear and equipment, or just tearing up old rags to use for flags. The sport was beloved in my neighborhood, and to miss a game meant public disgrace comparable to that of the adulteress Hester Prynne.

Trees were more than just landscaping. They served as first down markers and stationary middle linebackers, often administering undesirable collisions with unaware youngsters. Mailboxes no longer were drop-off spots for postal carriers. Instead they represented end zones and out-of-bounds markings. Cones, flower pots, bicycle parts, and whatever else was hidden in the back of the garage became part of the field's makeup. Corn starch was used for painting lines, and if none was available, the mother of the household was sent to the store for this essential item.

But, football was serious business. Scuffles often broke out over the way the teams were divided, the inaccuracy of the score, or in anger at the pace in which "rushers" were counting "five-Mississippi." Although punches usually were not thrown, equipment often was.

During the summer, America's pastime crept into the hearts of the neighborhood youth. Pickup baseball games, or similar forms, such as "pickle," "500," or "three-outs" made the dog days of summer a little more bearable. By the end of the summer, we had successfully alienated most of the adults in the area and cost our parents a hefty dollar amount for new windows-the result of errant young arms. It did not matter because we were big league bound. All of us were 12-years old and on the brink of legendary status.

When baseball did not satisfy our needs or Mother Nature cursed us with three-digit temperatures, we went in search of a body of water to refresh our exhausted bodies. I made many friends in the summer. Ironically they all shared the same backyard object: a pool. Marco Polo, cannonballs, and catch-the-ball, off-the-wall were a few of the water activities we took part in. However, baseball still found a way to be played in the pool. We converted diving boards and drain spouts into bases, and used tennis balls and whiffle-ball bats as equipment. If you could not swim you became all-time pitcher; I pitched a lot during those games.

Those days are long gone. I have exchanged flag football for the contact TV version on Sunday afternoons, given up high dives for high learning, and I spend more time cleaning pools than splashing around in them. My baseball glove now serves as a host to cobwebs and a family of spiders. Nonetheless, our mission in life was to have fun, and we undoubtedly achieved our goal.

# Men and women soccer look to playoffs

By Melissa Martens  
Spectator Staff

The men's soccer team is preparing to face the number one team in the conference on Saturday, while the women's team has added another win to its conference stats.

The men face Friends Saturday on the home field. The team comes into this contest with a 1-0 win over Bethel College last week; Bethel is currently ranked 20th in the nation.

Regardless of the outcome of Saturday's contest, the men have secured a position in the KCAC play-offs, and currently hold second in the conference.

The women secured their second conference victory on Oct. 10, as they defeated Tabor, 1-0. This is a record for the Lady Bulldog's soccer team, as it is the most conference wins a team has had in the five-year history of the program.

Even greater accomplishments could be in store for the team according to Coach Dave Barrett.

"We need to beat Bethany to have a shot at the conference play-off," said Barrett. "They've won just as many games as we have, we just have to put our best foot forward-physically and mentally. We have to envision ourselves winning."

The team has improved greatly over the

course of the season according to the Barrett, and it is striving towards consistency.

"The key next week will be developing chemistry and confidence. We have to believe it before we can accomplish it," Barrett said.

The women will be in action on Monday, Oct. 23, as they take on Friends, and on Wednesday, Oct. 24, as they finish out regular season play with Bethany. Both contests will be played at home and are scheduled to start at 3 p.m.

The men will also be at home next week as they face Bethany on Oct. 24, and Ottawa on Oct. 28.

### BULLDOG SCOREBOARD

#### Women's Soccer

Oct. 7	L	Bart	0-12
Oct. 10	W	Tabor	1-0
Oct. 12	L	St. M	0-5
Oct. 14	L	Avila	0-6
Oct. 16	L	Central	0-7

#### Men's Soccer

Oct. 7	W	OCC	1-0
Oct. 10	L	Tabor	7-0
Oct. 12	L	St. M	0-4
Oct. 14	W	Bethel	1-0

#### Volleyball

Oct. 4	L	Bethel	13-15, 11-15, 10-15
Oct. 6	W	Tabor	11-15, 15-11, 16-14, 15-8
Oct. 10	L	SW	15-13, 15-10, 15-11
Oct. 13	L	Mid-Am.	9-15, 12-15

#### Football

Oct. 7	L	Bethel	18-20
Oct. 14	L	CC	6-20

### BULLDOG CALENDAR

#### Football

Oct. 21	Ottawa	H	2 p.m.
Oct. 28	KW	A	1:30 p.m.

#### Men's Soccer

Oct. 21	Friends	H	7 p.m.
Oct. 24	Bethany	H	7 p.m.
Oct. 28	Ottawa	H	7 p.m.
Oct. 31	Conferene	Play offs	

#### Women's Soccer

Oct. 23	Friends	H	3 p.m.
Oct. 25	Bethany	H	3 p.m.

#### Cross Country

Oct. 21	Homecoming	8:30 a.m.
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#### Volleyball

Oct. 24	Sterling	A	6 p.m.
Oct. 27	Ottawa	H	6 p.m.
Nov. 1	KW	A	6 p.m.

#### Tennis

Oct. 19	KCAC Tournament		
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# The forgotten sports of fall

## Cross country, tennis and golf athletes deserve campus recognition

By Erik Vogel

Spectator Staff

During the fall months at McPherson College, seven sports teams participate in intercollegiate activities. Some of these Bulldog athletes often compete in front of only a scattered crowd of onlookers. And although their success may not be measured in wins, they spend hours practicing, enjoy the competition of their sport, and display a commitment to getting better despite little recognition.

Most of the McPherson College community has taken in a football game or volleyball match. However, for some of the less noted sports such as women's tennis, cross-country, and men's golf, support has been minimal and crowd size minute.

With only a three player roster, the tennis squad has continued to participate and compete in "one of the best women conferences in the NAIA," according to head coach Dr. Becky Sankner.

"I've had no difficulty with the girls," Sankner said. "They've been to almost every practice and displayed a very balanced attitude, playing as well as they can."

Although working with low numbers and competing in front of small crowds, Sankner realizes that such sports as basketball and football, the "traditional" sports, provide more drama and thus gain greater recognition.

"Tennis is a sedate sport and you don't just let yourself go when watching," Sankner said. "The drama, along with the fact that most people have at one time in their life played football or basketball, makes those sports more recognized and more often written about."

Senior netter Lesli Hiebert says that not having a lot of fan support sometimes bothers her, "but most of the time it doesn't." Often considered a non-spectator sport, tennis seems to be hardly recognized, according to Hiebert.

"You have to be quiet at a tennis match, so most people don't want to go because they may feel uncomfortable not being able to yell for their team," Hiebert said.

Head cross country coach John McNamara has been enjoying an increase

in numbers this season with a maximum of eight runners competing for the team. Although fan support is low, McNamara recognizes the difficulty in being a cross-country spectator.

"It's very hard to watch an entire race," McNamara said, "you only see bits and pieces." McNamara noted that it is nice to have fan support, but it does not bother him that there isn't a lot. Instead, he enjoys the training and developing of programs for the runners, along with the excitement of the race.

Freshmen runners Shelly Hendricks and Brian Cooper both agree cross country is perceived as a non-spectator sport. "In cross country, if someone really wants to watch you run, they have to run the course themselves," said Hendricks, a long distance participant at class 6A Lawrence High School, where a large following was common.

Cooper suggests that since the course is so spread out—five miles for guys, three miles for girls—it forces fans to constantly be moving to a new position to watch the race. "It's not the typical football or basketball game where the fans sit in one spot. Our fans actually get exercise watching us run our race," Cooper said.

Seen as both an individual and team sport, both Hendricks and Cooper enjoy the competition and the personal challenges distance running provides. "CC (cross country) does compile a team score, but it depends on how well one does individually," Hendricks said. "I think there is a lot more pressure in team sports than CC."

"The higher you place in the standings, the more you benefit your team," Cooper added. Cooper admits it is nice having large crowds at a race to "get the adrenaline pumping," and also to encourage you to run harder.

As for the men's golf team, the fall schedule "is used as a time to get familiar with the courses for spring competition and it provides excellent weather to play in," said coach Roger Trimmell, who has a squad of about seven this autumn. Considered a lifetime sport, golf is usually one of the most difficult sports to watch.

"The course is spread out, there is a time commitment, and a commitment to follow people around," Trimmell said. "Most golf matches are on weekdays, which means



photo by Jon Henrikson

### McPherson cross country runners prepare to race at Tabor

spectators must miss school time or work." This may attribute to such a small number of onlookers.

Brent See, fr., believes that since the crowd, or gallery as it is often called, has to be quiet, it may detract from more spectators. "Golf is less recognized because there are no crowds watching," See said. "I just relax and try to have fun."

Junior Jeremy Henak likes performing as an individual, and not having fan support does not affect him. "It doesn't bother me if there are two or two thousand people watching," Henak said. "It is nice seeing people out there watching you and you always just try to do the best you can."

Henak realizes that the sport is "so boring" and he himself does not particularly enjoy watching it. "You compete against yourself. You can't depend on others to pick up your slack," Henak said.

Like any athlete, these competitors enjoy their sports. Whether or not the crowds are big or small, their efforts recognized or not, they continue to challenge themselves and represent the college admirably.



photo by Jon Henrikson

Leslie Hiebert, sr., returns a volley in singles play. Hiebert is one of the three members of the women's tennis team.

## Midnight Madness in the air

By Jenni Richardson

Sports Editor

The men's and women's basketball teams will be kicking off the start of the 1995-96 season tonight at Midnight Madness.

With the start of a new season, the Lady Bulldogs will have a whole new coaching staff in head coach Mel Wright and assistant coach Tim Cossaart.

The team will be made up of two seniors, Tiffany Hall and Kelly Thaxton, three juniors, Jenni Richardson, Staci Shoemaker and Jennifer Williams, eight sophomores, Nikki Adler, Andrea Bess, Amy Ross, Melissa Sharp, Jamie Smalley, Amber Spillum, Paige Watkins, and Mary Zodrow, and three freshmen Karry Sharp, Lindsay Taylor and April Turpin.

Coach Wright is looking to run a fast paced offense, pushing the ball down the floor and getting shots off quickly.

"I know we can learn to take care of the ball and play within ourselves," Wright said. "I expect to have a balanced offense

where every player is a shooter, and I know we can take good shot selection."

The men's team is returning three senior starters, Chris Owens, Brandon Rice and Matt Richardson. Other key returners for the team will be senior Jason Snodgrass, juniors Doug Delay, Ryan Schmid and Jason Dingman and sophomore Eric Vogel.

Coach Roger Trimmell feels it is important for the returning players to step up.

"We really need to have some leadership on the floor. The progress of the J.V. guys is also going to be important. We need to develop some big people on the inside," said Trimmell.

Although the team does need to develop the inside players, they return a great deal of depth and strength in outside shooters.

"Our outside shooting is definitely going to be our strong suit. We also have very intelligent players who will work hard and give the needed effort to have a successful season," Trimmell said.

Both Bulldog teams begin play on Nov. 4 with the traditional Alumni Game.

## ATHLETE OF THE ISSUE

Staci Shoemaker, junior setter, has been chosen as the Athlete of the Issue. Shoemaker is currently leading the team in assists with 169, and is second on the team in both serving and defensive digs. She is serving 94.1 percent and has racked up a total of 38 digs.

Coach Dan Hoffman is very pleased with Shoemaker's performance and commends her efforts and attitude.

"Staci is an excellent setter with a great deal of talent. She has a good attitude, a good work ethic and is a great defensive player," Hoffman said.

This week's Athlete of the Issue is sponsored by Turkey Creek Golf Course.



# 8 Murder looms in Brown this weekend



photo by Jon Henrikson

Marissa Alexander, fresh., and Jeremy Bernhardt, jr., perform a scene from Agatha Christie's "Towards Zero." The play will be presented Friday, Oct. 20, and Saturday, Oct. 21 at 8 p.m. in Brown Auditorium.

## Theatre presents Agatha Christie murder mystery, "Towards Zero"

By Heather Healy  
Spectator Staff

"Towards Zero" by Agatha Christie will be presented Oct. 20 and 21 at 8 p.m. in Brown Auditorium. Reservations can be made by calling the box office at ext. 1211.

The play is a murder mystery set in England. Seven of the characters have all gathered at the home of Lady Tressilian for a visit. The action begins when Lady Tressilian is killed. Accusations begin and nearly every guest becomes a suspect at some point.

Superintendent Battle from Scotland Yard happens to be in town and takes the case. Audience members can try to solve the mystery, but clues keep compiling until the last line of the show.

The show, directed by Dr. Rick Tyler, associate professor of speech and theatre,

opened last weekend, Oct. 13 and 14. Six members of the eleven-person cast have never been on the McPherson College stage before.

"It is refreshing to have a different group of people, but scary too," Tyler said. "The first weekend gave the new people many experiences such as exposure to the McPherson audience, reacting to line glitches, and experiencing how they are individually affected by things that go wrong and right."

The roles are Rick Tyler, Thomas Royde; Marissa Alexander, Kay Strange; Tonya Mowrey, Mary Aldin; Jeremy Bernhardt, Mathew Treves.

Also Bill Brugger, Nevile Strange; Annette Fennessy, Lady Camilla Tressilian; Adriane Arkfeld, Audrey Strange; Jeremy Thuma, Ted Latimer.

Steve Benne, Superintendent Battle; Ryan Groff, Inspector Leach; and Teresa Boness, P.C. Benson.

"I've had a lot of fun. I enjoyed working with all the new people," Boness said.

Up next for the theatre is "The Old Boy" by A.R. Gurney. Performances will be Nov. 17, 18 and 19.

# Trustee agenda concentrates on Bittering

By Christopher Amundson

Spectator Staff

McPherson College's Board of Trustees will evaluate campus building projects along with other agenda items at its meeting today and tomorrow. Dr. Paul Hoffman, president of McPherson College, is expecting to push for work to begin soon.

"My hope is that they [Board of Trustees] will recognize the immediate renovation of Bittering Hall," Hoffman said.

Dr. Hoffman cites four main reasons for Bittering renovation. The building would provide relief to students in the warm fall and spring months; would be usable for summer conferences; would help the campus prepare for possible "structural issues related to Fahnestock Hall;" and would enable the campus to make use of the vacant

building according to Hoffman.

"This year, I really felt for the students in Dotzour and Fahnestock because the heat just stayed on and on," Hoffman said.

While the Bittering Hall renovation Committee has not made an official recommendation, it is continuing to fine tune the plans for remodeling. The renovation is budgeted at \$300,000, and is expected to begin this fall.

Trustees will also receive a progress report on the Harnly Hall replacement facility and the new fine arts building. Ground breaking on the \$5 million Harnly Hall/fine arts project will not begin until full costs on either building are met.

"It has been a policy of the Trustees that we don't start building until we have the money in hand," said Dr. Steve Mason, vice president for financial services.

Administrators will report to the trustees on the positioning of the financial campaign, "Enhancing the Legacy." "Enhancing the Legacy" is a fund-raising effort designed "to raise \$12 million in the three years following its launch," Mason said. Mason plans to comply with industry standards and raise 40 to 50 percent of the goal before officially launching.

"We worked for a long time with a seven figure gift," Dr. Hoffman said. The gift has not yet materialized but the college is pursuing other donors.

The 37-member Board of Trustees is composed partially of McPherson alumni in occupations ranging from ministers, lawyers and physicians to ranchers and international corporate executives. They come twice a year from across the U.S. to discuss

the direction of the college's future. The spring meeting in March is the official meeting in which tenure, promotions and salaries are discussed. Dr. Hoffman describes the fall meeting in October, as "non-action" as it is used to receive reports, approve the audit and adopt the budget.

With McPherson College enrollment down 4.1 percent to 440 students the proposed budget has been cut to preserve a balanced budget.

"We have the budget in balance for next year... They [Board of Trustees] will then amend it or approve it," Dr. Hoffman said.

Other items on the Board of Trustees agenda include tuition and fees for 1996-97, review of the North Central Association final report and an update on the Kansas State Board of Education (KSBE) evaluation.

# Recycling in Mac's future

By Marylyn Matthaei

Spectator Staff

Plans for a McPherson College recycling program are currently being discussed by various student groups on campus, with delivery of a final proposal to the college administration expected before the end of the fall semester.

Drop-off boxes are now located on each floor of student dormitories for collection of aluminum cans, plastic and glass.

"Every Saturday the International Student Organization takes the boxes to the McPherson Recycle Center," said Zuzana Strmenova, jr.

Several student organizations, including the ISO, Habitat for Humanity, Brethren Identity and Peace Awareness, have one or more members involved in the recycling project as a subcommittee under the coordination of the Student Council.

"We're starting small and plan to expand to include newspapers and have drop-offs in other buildings besides the dorms," said Ben Brubaker, soph., Student Council liaison. Other recyclables will eventually be added, such as white and colored paper and cardboard.

The recycling proposal was originally submitted to the college administration in Sept. 1994 by Dr. Jonathan Frye, assistant professor of biology, and resubmitted in Sept. 1995. The administration did not reject Frye's proposal but asked that student involvement and leadership in such a program take place before action by the college.

"The proposal is well thought out and has

merit," Dr. Steve Mason, vice president for financial services, said. "This program is more likely to succeed, however, if it receives broad support within the college community."

Dr. Frye, a member of the McPherson Area Solid Waste Utility Board (MASWUB), is "willing to keep talking with students."

"We can get financial assistance from the Utility Board to assist in the establishment of a campus program, but the college administration has to ask for it, not students," Frye said.

A grant in the amount of \$1,000 has been offered by the MASWUB.

Frye's original proposal states parameters outlined by the MASWUB, which looks for four characteristics of a successful recycling program. A successful program is one that: (1) is low-cost, low-tech to operate; (2) is convenient to use; (3) can accomplish the operations and have adequate supply of volunteer labor; and (4) is administered by groups that can ensure some permanence.

Data from Frye's proposal indicate the college spends approximately \$6,000 per year for garbage removal. Reducing recyclable waste such as paper, cardboard, tin, aluminum and glass by 40-50 percent would result in a savings of \$2,000 annually, which would offset costs of the recycling service program.

Brubaker was unsure how the recycling project would be overseen upon completion but indicated that a possible paid position and the freshman volunteer program would be discussed by Student Council as staffing options.

## Computers: Proposal would implement four phases by February 1997

Continued from Page 1

their areas of personal and professional study."

At the same October 4 meeting the Computer Policy Committee submitted to faculty the Network Proposal which included a four-phase time line for the completion of campus-wide network. This plan did not require a vote by the faculty and is now in the hands of the Campus Planning Committee.

Phase one has all fiber optic cable laid between buildings by June 30, 1996.

Phase two includes purchasing desktop computers and software for each faculty office, hiring a full-time computer/network administrator, setting up maintenance parameters as well as student support staff and training faculty on software use. Recommended completion for this phase is Aug. 15, 1996.

Phase three has a computer server, peripheral hardware, switches and nodes installed by Jan. 1, 1997. Also by that time standardized server software should be purchased and faculty should be trained on the network.

Phase four implements the student access model by Feb. 1, 1997.

If the process goes as the Computer Policy Committee hopes, students will have total access of a campus-wide network by Feb. 1, 1997.

The Computer Policy Committee has proposed funding to the Tuition and Fees Committee, but the Tuition and Fees Committee is still in the process of considering the funding.

"I don't know how we can't afford to put a network in place, because computer technology is so pervasive in our lives that a graduating student without it is basically unmarketable," said Prof. Glen Snell, business and accounting, member of the Computer Policy Committee.

Ultimately, the decision of funding rests on President Hoffman with counsel from the vice presidents.

"If networking is important enough the money will be found," Chris Mercer, chair of the Computer Policy Committee said.

There are two spots available for student representatives on CPC. Some names have been suggested, but students interested in serving on the Computer Policy Committee may still call the vice president suite at extension 1105.

"Students need to be encouraged to express interest in areas they feel need attention," Mercer said. "I feel computers is an area that needs attention."



# Homecoming '95



Photo By Jon Hennkson

Homecoming candidates for 1995 are from left to right kneeling: Miguel Mendez, Jason Sumpter and Hubert Freeman. Standing from left to right: Jessica Boothe, Heather Healy, Kerrilee Kobbeman, Gilbert Moore, Kelly Thaxton and Jennifer Williams. Not pictured is Rudolph James.

## Spirit Dawg Style



## Meet your '95 Homecoming court

### King candidates all active in athletics and academics

The student body nominated ten students for the 1995 Homecoming Court at convocations, Monday, Oct. 2. Five athletes will represent McPherson College as Homecoming King candidates.

Hubert Freeman is a junior from Dallas, Texas. He is majoring in biology and plans to become a doctor and take over his father's practice in Dallas.

Freeman has been active in football and track and is a resident assistant.

"I was suprised to be nominated because it's an honor and I didn't think I'd get to be nominated," Freeman said.

Freeman enjoys reading, watching movies, and playing the drums.

Rudolph "Turtle" James is a junior from Houma, LA. He is majoring in special education. James plans to graduate with a degree in special education and behavioral disorders and coach football.

James is the starting junior quarterback, and recently was honored as KCAC Offensive Player of the Week.

"Being nominated reminds me of being in the Homecoming court in high school," James said.

James enjoys fishing and hunting in his spare time.

Miguel Mendez is a senior elementary education major from El Paso, Texas. Mendez plans to teach elementary school and English as a Second Language courses in Texas. He also plans to eventually continue his studies in aviation.

Mendez is active in soccer and in the

Kansas National Education Association. He is also a resident assistant.

"It felt weird because I've never been nominated for anything like this before. I'm honored," Mendez said.

Mendez's hobbies include soccer, astronomy and learning about aviation.

Gilbert Moore is a senior from Oklahoma City, Okla. He is majoring in business administration and management and plans to manage a restaurant or go into the FBI.

Moore has been active in soccer, Student Council, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Student Activities Board, choir, Business Club, Intercultural Forum, Hall Council, and is a resident assistant.

Moore was named Academic All-Conference and Most Valuable Player and Top Defensive Player in 1993 for soccer.

"I felt overwhelmed and schocked to be nominated because it's such a great honor to be nominated by the student body for such a ceremonial event and for the student body to think of me in such a way," Moore said.

Moore enjoys sports, reading comic books, and "devoting time to God, family and friends."

Jason Sumpter is a senior sociology major from Elkhart, Ind. He hopes to graduate and get a job that he looks forward to every day.

Sumpter has been active in Student Council, Peace Awareness, and International Student Organization. He played soccer for three years, and was named "Mr. Hustle" for all three. He was also named Best Defender in 1993 and Most Inspirational Player in 1994.

"I'm flattered that my peers nominated me for such an honor," Sumpter said.

Sumpter enjoys outdoor activities, including soccer, biking, skiing, and ultimate frisbee.

### Queen candidates active on campus

The student body chose five women to represent McPherson College as queen candidates on the 1995 Homecoming Court.

Jessica Boothe is a senior from Fruita, Colo. She is majoring in English and minoring in business administration. Boothe plans to possibly go into Brethren Volunteer Service after graduation and eventually hopes to have a business communication/administrative position.

Boothe is a Presidential Scholar, has been on the honor roll, and was an All-Academic Athlete in 1993-94 and 1994-95.

Boothe has served as vice president and president of Student Activities Board as a class representative. She has also been involved in M club, tennis, soccer, Quadrangle, and Business Club.

"I feel honored because my friends think I'm a good representative of the school," Boothe said.

Heather Healy is a junior English and theatre major from Lincoln, Neb. She is undecided about her plans after graduation, but is considering graduate school and teaching at the college level.

Healy is a Presidential Scholar and a resident assistant.

She has served as vice president and president of Alpha Psi Omega and co-president of her freshman and sophomore class. She has also been involved in the Spectator, choir and Chamber Singers, and is a resident assistant.

"I was very suprised that I was nominated but I feel honored to be chosen," Healy said. Kerri Kobbeman is a junior from Lincoln, Neb. She is a biology major and is planning

to pursue a career in physical therapy or forensic science.

Kobbeman is a Presidential Scholar and has been active in volleyball, basketball, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Today's Educators, Habitat for Humanity, Allied Health Futures and dorm council.

Kelly Thaxton, sr., is a business administration major from Las Animas, Colo. She plans to eventually own her own business.

Thaxton was the secretary/treasurer of the Student Activities Board in 1993-94 and served as vice president in 1994-95. She was an editor on the Quadrangle staff in 1993-94 and has also been active in the Business Club, volleyball and basketball.

Thaxton was named All-Academic Athlete in 1993-94 and 1994-95 and was voted Most Inspiration Player in volleyball in 1994-95 and in basketball in 1993-94 and 1994-95. She is a Presidential Scholar and has been on the honor roll.

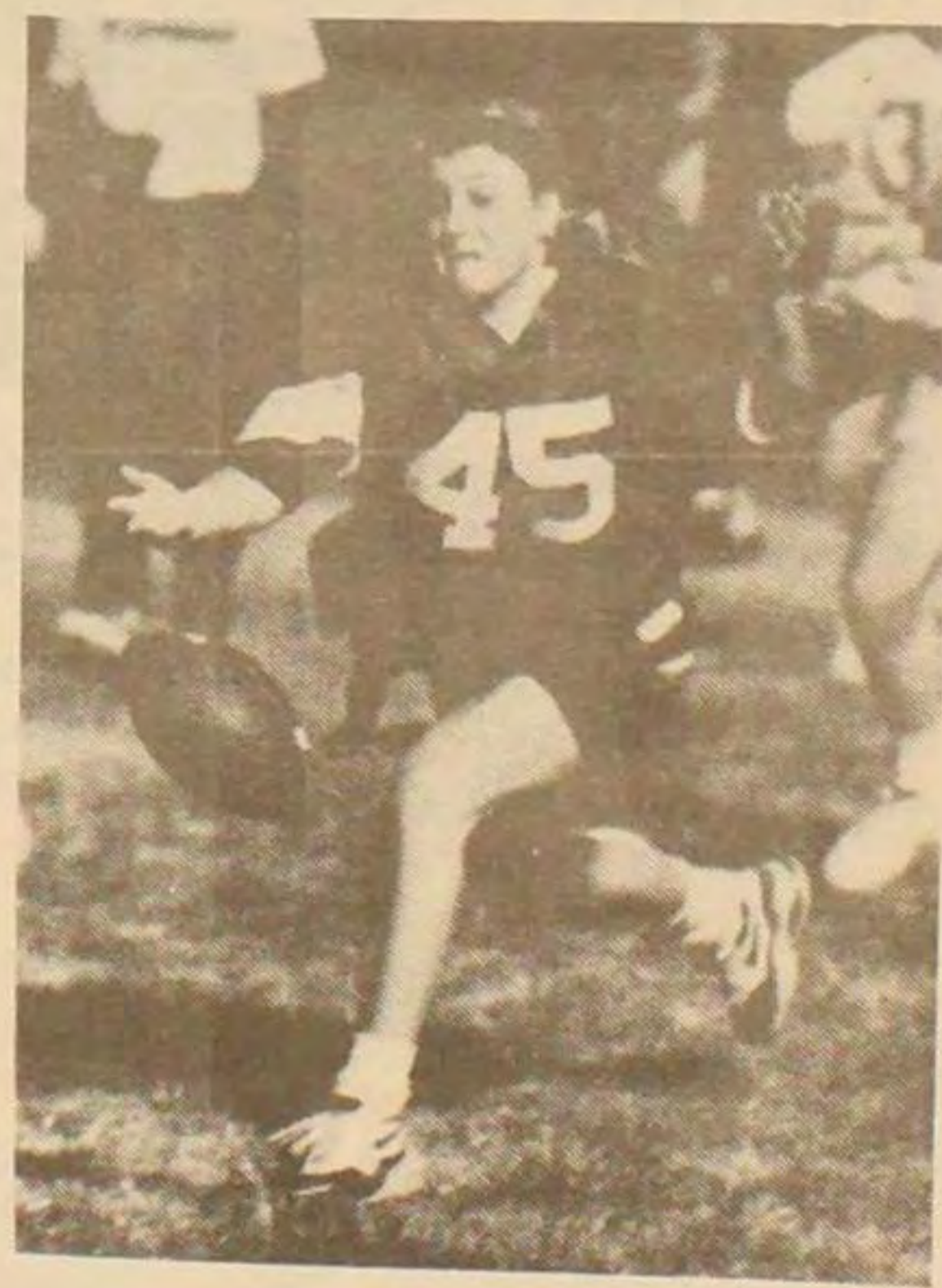
"I feel very honored that my peers think so nicely of me that they gave me this honor," Thaxton said.

Jennifer Williams is a senior from Ft. Worth, Texas. She is majoring in health and physical education with a minor in business. She plans to teach and coach volleyball at the secondary level and perhaps earn another degree at a later time.

Williams has been active in volleyball, basketball, Student Council, Business Club, Student Activities Board and Fellowship of Christian Athletes. She has also been a resident assistant.

Williams was named Female Athlete of the 1994-95 year and was second-team All-Conference in volleyball in 1994.

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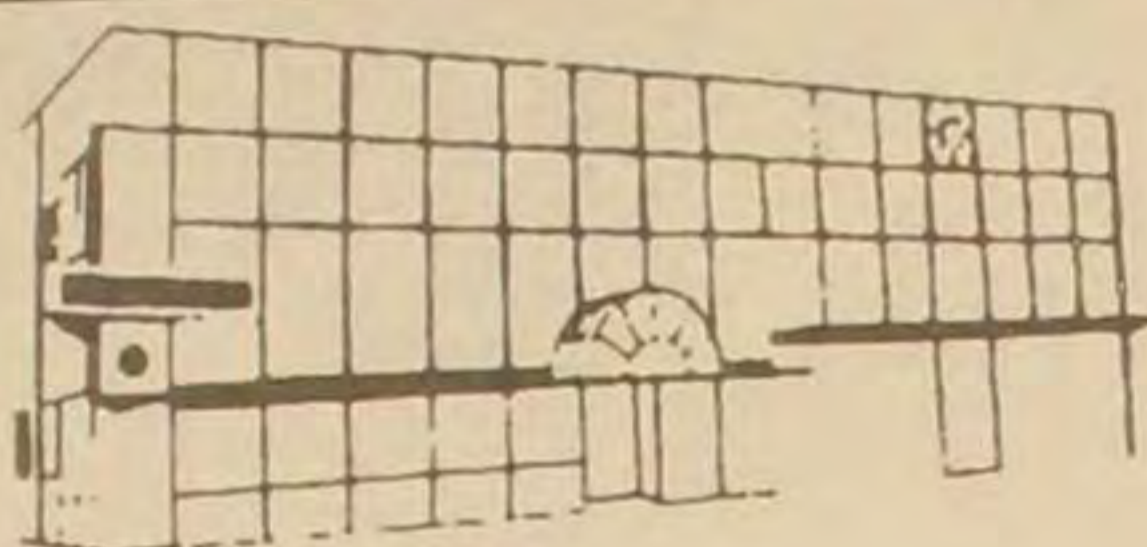
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