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Tabor beat Mac in KCAC championship

Tabor College beat McPherson 80-63 in the KCAC finals.

Rice named Spectator Athlete of the Issue

Brandon Rice, sr., led the Bulldogs into the finals of the KCAC tournament and was named All-Conference Honorable Mention.



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Elections on Monday

Candidate alone in presidential race

By Sue Werner and Melissa Crowdis

Spectator Staff

Roy Johnson will run unopposed for Student Council president at the March 11 election.

The student body will have the opportunity to vote "yes" or "no" as a result of a Student Council constitutional amendment that requires unopposed candidates for executive positions to be voted in by a yes-no ballot.

"I feel like there should be some variety so that if the students don't like my ideas they could choose someone who they feel more comfortable with," Johnson said.

Johnson believes that more interest in Student Council officer positions could be generated if Stuco were more visible in the college community.

"We're going to have to create an outstanding organization that we can have pride in. Right now I think there are a lot of students who don't really realize what Stuco is or what it's about or what it's supposed to do," Johnson said. "One of my main objectives is to be more visible to the students."

Johnson hopes to work to increase the students' communication with the administration.

"I want Stuco and the administration to work as a unit towards the college's vision. I want to basically be the administration's right-hand-man when it comes to something they need with the students," Johnson said.

A major goal for Johnson is to work to increase the student body's participation with, and awareness of, Student Council.

"I think that our Stuco could use some restructuring so that it is more visible to the student body. I want to try and create a higher level of participation and pride in Mac College. I want Stuco to try to initiate



Johnson

that and for the students to try to carry on with it," Johnson said.

Johnson plans to form a committee that will deal exclusively with issues that the student body brings to it.

"I think there's many issues on campus that students are dealing with daily," Johnson said. "My plan is to form a special committee which will be called the Issues Committee to deal directly with the most important issues that students have."

Johnson encourages students to take advantage of their student council and what it has to offer.

"I want the students to look for new and exciting things this year and I want them to know that they can approach Stuco at any time if they have any needs," Johnson said.

Johnson, a sophomore biology major, transferred to McPherson College from Gainesville College, Gainesville, Ga. While at Gainesville, Johnson served as the student government president for one year, was elected to the student advisory committee to the Board of Regents, and was one of four chosen to serve on a committee for education with the chancellor and governor of Georgia.

VP candidates seek changes on Stuco

Vice president candidates Ben Brubaker and Tracy Stoddart both eager to change the impression students have about Student Council.

"I want to see things changed," Tracy Stoddart jr. said. "There has been a lot of talk about Stuco's rough year. People encouraged me to run for office, so I decided to do it."

Ben Brubaker, soph., is currently Stuco vice president. Brubaker looks forward to continued work on community communication.

"We need to continue to show students that they have a voice on campus," Brubaker said.



Stoddart

"Experience on campus," according to Brubaker makes him the best candidate for the position.

"I've served three years on campus and am currently on Stuco," Brubaker said. "I have the needed experience."

While Tracy acknowledged Brubaker's experience she said her ability to motivate makes her the better leader.

"I'm a strong leader who works to get things done. My enthusiasm motivates the people around me," Stoddart said.

One of the candidates will have the opportunity to work with Roy Johnson, the only candidate for Stuco president.

"After visiting with Roy, I know that he wants a staff that will support him," Stoddart said. "I know Roy and work well with him. I'm looking forward to giving him my support on next year's Stuco."

Brubaker has also visited with Roy about his plans for Stuco.

"I agree with Roy's ideas and things he has in-store for next year's Stuco," Brubaker said.

Freshmen duo race for treasurer spot

Freshmen Brent See and Jill Gibson are running for the Student Council treasurer position in the March 11 election.

Gibson is currently serving as a class representative for Stuco.

"I am tired of seeing people burned out," Gibson said. "There are a lot of obstacles to overcome in order to accomplish anything, but as a freshman I have not experienced all of the frustration and feel up to the challenge of overcoming those obstacles."



Gibson

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Shift in power affects relations

Editors note: This is the second installment in a series of three articles about the relationship between McPherson College and the McPherson community. The third and final article will focus on the future relationship.

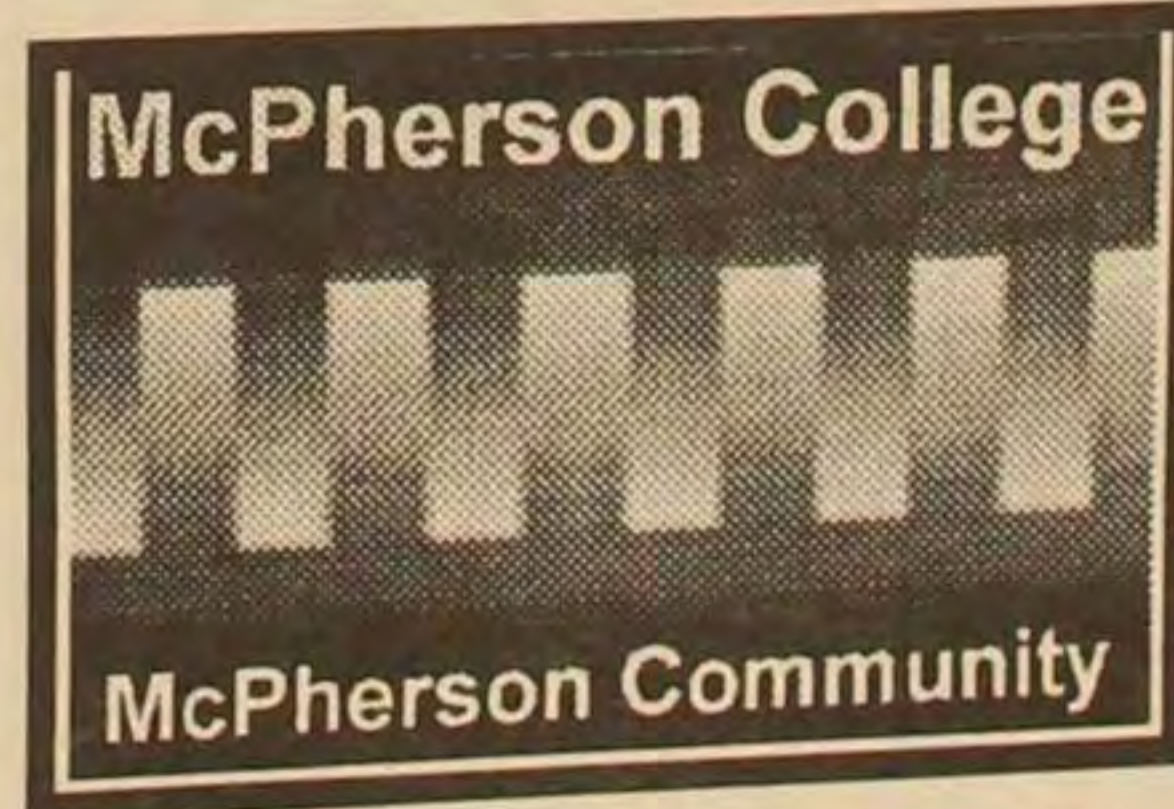
By Michael P. Schneider and Marylyn Matthaei

Spectator Staff

A shift of power from community to college leaders that took place at the beginning of President Paul Hoffman's tenure created a town and gown division that is perhaps still evident today.

In 1976 when Hoffman took office, influential community members were involved in the detailed management of the college. Hoffman began a process that shifted power to the college and administration and left some community members with hard feelings.

"The process of shifting the power to the campus has not been easy, but it has been



necessary and this is a rare community—the college is so lucky to be in this town," Hoffman said.

Historically, McPherson College has had a close working relationship with the community of McPherson, according to Hoffman.

"Trustees were often local residents and college investments and borrowings were with local banks," Hoffman said. "Peoples Bank and Trust has been especially in a team effort with the college throughout the first 80 years. For some years Mr. Sy Sargent was the president of Peoples Bank

and Trust and the chair of the College Board of Trustees simultaneously."

However, some areas of the college needed to be separated from the town, Hoffman said.

According to Hoffman this type of organization inevitably leads to trustees also pressuring to dismiss personnel, who they feel are inept or perhaps they do not care for.

"One of the great changes in the last 20 years has been the change in the power of the Board of Trustees," Hoffman said. "Although as a private organization the trustees have always had the ultimate legal power in terms of being the final voice, significant local leaders were traditionally quite influential in the directions taken by the college."

Now, the trustees generally employ professional consultants to advise them in decisions.

"Trustees have developed into a Board of general equity—one trustee, one vote," Hoffman said.

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EDITORIAL

Can dialog work?

DIALOG IS A CONVERSATION BETWEEN TWO OR MORE PEOPLE ON A GIVEN SUBJECT.

Yesterday, many students went to the morning session of Dialog Day to "come together for constructive dialog on issues of concern to the College and Board of Trustees."

The scanty information provided in advance led students to believe they would be directly participating with members of the Board, faculty, staff, and fellow students in a discussion of the positives and negatives of the college.

Instead, the large collection of people attending were segregated into small groups of like people (i.e. students with students, trustees with trustees), and given the single topic of whether or not a successful athletic program improves recruiting, retention and fund-raising. After the discussion on the topic, each person in the group was given a survey on how he or she related with the other people within the group.

Athletics are an important part of any college, and it is important to be concerned about the enrollment figures and try and find a way to boost them. However, other major issues were sidestepped with the restricted form of "dialog" that was presented.

It is time the College started looking at the larger issues related to treating students as long-term investments, and not just looking at the size of the endowment and how much has been invested in it.

It is time to look at: what do students take away as an education? Is the college more concerned about financial numbers than the type of graduate it puts out into the job market? Are faculty so entangled in committees that it interferes with the time they can devote to the students?

These questions and many others still remain on the minds of many. However, reality tells us that we cannot bring together again all the different groups that attended today, dismiss classes and hold another day for dialog in the near future. So, what can we learn from yesterday's experience?

First, people learn from their mistakes. In this instance, the use of small groups was the correct approach, but it is important to realize that these groups should be made up of a variety of people, not just one type of person.

Second, it is time for students and trustees to get to know one another. The Board of Trustees is only here a short time in the fall and the spring, but it is important that each group gets the opportunity to express and hear concerns and ideas.

Finally, a person, for the most part, does not trust someone he or she does not know. The vice presidents may need to allow time on a regular basis to meet directly with students.

With proper dialog, we may realize that the college needs to invest not only in incoming students but also in those who are already here. Giving students honest information and quality experiences will in the long run be an investment in the college's best available recruiting tool: current students.

Jon Henrikson
for the Editorial Staff

McPHERSON COLLEGE OPENED THE FIRST OUTDOOR RESIDENCE HALL, THIS YEAR. UNCONFIRMED REPORTS SAY THAT COLLEGE OFFICIALS WERE VERY PLEASED WITH RECRUITMENT EFFORTS HOWEVER, THEY FORGOT THAT ALL THE NEW STUDENTS WOULD NEED A PLACE TO LIVE.



DARREN HENDRICKS '96

Busy-ness learned at Mac

My turn has finally rolled around for this spot. Actually no one else wanted to do it, so here I am: topicless and too busy to give this the time it deserves.

More and more often, I feel like that. If I'm not so busy as to feel rushed, I obviously must have too much time on my hands.

That was never a problem in high school. But sometime in the last four years, I learned how to be busy.

Being busy has very little to do with getting anything done. I spend all night studying for a test, but if I flunk due to sleep deprivation, I accomplished nothing. If sleep-time and fun are figured in, there's a cumulative loss.

I was taught a job worth doing is worth doing well. But often I'm too busy to do a job well. So I wonder: Where are we headed in this society that values efficiency (read busy-ness)? If it's not with work, it's with having fun. We pressure ourselves to stay so busy with work, with play, with details, that we miss life. We miss the thrill of lying on our backs and watching the wind paint pictures in the clouds.

Worse yet, the things we are busy with aren't things we enjoy. We do them to make money or to make other people happy or because we "should." I'm a multi-cultural studies major because I couldn't major in multi-cultural lit. I'm happy with it because I'm studying what interests me, not what will make me rich, or make my parents happy or what I "should."

But I know that without a surefire degree, I run a pretty good risk of winding up where I was last summer, washing dishes for minimum wage. The most annoying part

An Editor's Experience

By Emilita Huston



of such work is that nobody cares. You're just a body, easily replaceable. It's very dehumanizing and really frustrating. If anything goes wrong or isn't done right, it's your fault, because you're the one who's there, even if the person two shifts ago might have done it.

Now, I know what I want to say. I want to say thank you to maintenance. That's right. Maintenance. Especially Connie and Renee. They clean our bathroom. And they certainly do a better job than I would.

Even more so, I want to thank all the people in the cafeteria. I'm ashamed I don't even know their names. Going through the line, I've several of them four years now. Many of them even know I'm a vegetarian, and inform me when the next vegetarian pizza will be ready or put up a plate with the vegetarian option when they see me coming. You just can't beat service like that.

But what amazes me more is how cheerful they are, despite all the fussing they must hear about the food. No amount of pay could make them behave like that. I'm just really impressed. People who really live out a slightly different version of the old maxim: a job worth doing is worth doing cheerfully.

Slovakia overlooked by many

By Pascal Reber
Editorial Editor

Most McPherson College students know that my girlfriend Zuzana is from Slovakia but if I were to ask students on campus where her country is, I am sure that the majority would have no clue.

Slovakia is situated in Eastern Europe and is bordered by the Czech Republic and Austria on the West, Hungary on the South, Ukraine on the East, and finally Poland on the North.

Slovakia is approximately four times smaller than Kansas. Its population is roughly five million. Some of the major cities in the country are Bratislava (the capital), Nitra, and Kosice.

"My country is beautiful. There are a lot of mountains and valleys where people can go skiing and hiking," Zuzana said.

Slovakia was part of Czechoslovakia. The "Velvet Revolution" freed the country from Communist rule in 1989. Right after that milestone year, Slovak separatist tendencies started to emerge. Vladimir Meciar became Slovakia's Prime Minister in June 1992. "People were influenced by his false

promises. They did not realize how much going from Communism to a market oriented economy was going to change their lives. Meciar promised minor sacrifices to attain that goal, but in fact, he is jeopardizing the country's future" said Zuzana.

The president of Slovakia is Michal Kovac. The majority of people having a higher education support him. On the other hand, most of the "uneducated" population is in favor of Meciar.

Slovakia became a state of its own on Jan. 1, 1993. According to Zuzana, people in her country did not want to be independent from the Czech Republic, it was just plain politics from Meciar and his party.

Let us hope that Slovakia will succeed on its journey towards democracy and a prosperous economy. "However, to achieve that goal, Prime Minister Meciar will either have to go or change his policy radically," Zuzana said.

Correction: I would like to apologize to Richard Sabatos for a mistake made in my column on Feb. 9, referring to the food in the cafeteria. The column should have read: "The food in the cafeteria is NOT as bad as people say it is."

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CAMPUS FORUM

College Courts lacks attention it deserves

If it weren't for the fact that I have to pay the school to live at the college courts, I would never have guessed they belonged to the beautifully cultivated campus.

For those of you who have not had the misfortune of visiting the college courts, let me create a mental picture... There are seven separate buildings of various dingy colors that are each missing about a fifth of its siding.

There are patches of dying, lumpy grass, that, I will venture to guess, have never seen a sprinkler. There is one unit of lopsided playground equipment. The grass practically gets knee-high before it is cut.

In the summer, and sweltering first weeks of school, there is no air-conditioning—not even an air-conditioned lounge. Due to the heat, lack of moist ground, and Kansas wind, there is usually a dusty film over everything, regardless of how often one cleans.

The bathtubs don't have showers in them. The walls are all cracked. The screens are ripped. The carpet is ancient, brown shag. The sinks are stained. The doors have holes in them. OH! But we DO have nice new sidewalks!

I am not a slob—this is how it looked when I moved in. But all this is discreetly tucked away into the northeast corner of the campus, and forgotten. Apparently the administration doesn't care if the entire lot burns down - the college courts are not connected to the campus fire alarm system. To top it all off, we the rent-payers are not even allowed to have pets, such as kittens. Why? They might trash the apartments! Why, if this place is so neglected, does the campus community never read about it? Well, in the three years I have been here I have read a few editorials, such as this one, but nothing has been done! As a matter of fact, an article about the pet issue was supposed to be in the last Spectator, but it got bumped. Was it because the Trustees were coming? Was there no room? Was it not important enough? Was it not interesting enough? Was it a common case of campus apathy? "Yes," could probably be the answer to all of these, but certainly not on the part of this courts resident. For the past two years there has not been a courts representative on the Student Council. Perhaps the new admissions consultant will recognize a need for the school to make the college apartments appealing to prospective married students as a means for increased enrollment. I don't know how, but I do know that something needs to be done. Yes, I have other, more expensive options for a place to live, but that is not the issue. It is the principle of the matter; the courts belong to the college, the campus, and the students. It's high time they are treated that way.

Melissa Crowdis

Does Casino Night reflect Brethren ideals and beliefs?

Casino Night is clearly the most successful student event of the year. More students attend this event than the Homecoming Dance. Faculty members deal, people have a good time, and the night builds community in a positive manner.

However, the parents of each student on campus received a pamphlet in the mail concerning Family's Weekend. The Saturday night activity read "Casino Night," a time reserved for pretend gambling. This was also the case when the alumni of the school received the Homecoming Schedule. What do these messages convey about McPherson College?

The Church of the Brethren adopted a statement on gambling in 1986. This involved discussion on greed and injustice to underprivileged people, where nothing positive is gained. This extends into Christ's teachings regarding "stewardship and responsibility." The statement concluded, "We oppose the legalization of and participation in any form of gambling." The Growl supports this through the statement, "McPherson College does not allow gambling on campus."

In talking with members of the campus community, I discovered that Casino Night teeters on an ethical tightrope. At McPherson College, we participate in a form of gambling. The time may have come for a different form of community building. Everything this college does sends a message. That message needs to be intentional. What ARE the intentions of McPherson College? What message do we want to send?

Marc Rittle

RA sets example by picking up after other students

I would like to respond to the article about the trash in Metzler Hall published in the Feb. 9 issue of the Spectator.

Before I respond, I would like to thank my fellow RAs, RDs, the residence life director, faculty, and students who helped clean up the campus on Saturday, Feb 24. You really deserve a pat on the back for a job well done.

However, there were several questions going through my mind when I was cleaning the campus that fine Saturday morning: Where was our student body? Where were the editors of the trash article? And lastly, where were the people who complained about the trash on campus?

As an RA, I realize that I'm supposed to set an example for the campus, but I believe

cleaning up after people is a bit too much for me to handle. But, I will not do it again because cleaning up after students is something that parents should have taught them before they came to college. If I'm asked to clean up after people again, the residence life director will receive my letter of resignation.

I can remember on several occasions that I've gone above and beyond the call of duty when cleaning up after people. I can remember picking up trash in the showers and cleaning up vomit in the hallway after no one claimed it was theirs. I've done enough cleaning up after people.

I realize there wasn't very much advertisement about the clean up day. However, there were people who walked by and asked nothing about helping us out. This is what bothered me that fine Saturday morning. I just ask people to please keep our dorm and campus clean so everyone can enjoy the college atmosphere. But who am I to say this. I am just an RA doing the best I can!

Gilbert Moore

Lack of Stuco interest should concern entire campus community

I want to reply on the issue of Stuco elections.

Although I am not going to be a McPherson College student next year—I will be graduating in May—it bothers me to know that the interest in Stuco has taken a serious nosedive. There are a few things that students, and especially faculty and staff, should think about.

Last year when Stuco elections were held and, shortly after, there was great energy on campus. I believe it had a lot to do with the president-elect, Dennis Kingery. Many students were elated to see Dennis, a well-liked and down-to-earth person, put in such a prestigious position. With his speech and enthusiasm throughout and after the campaign, Dennis got students excited about their school again. He showed them they could play significant roles in their campus community.

Then, when Dennis was forced to step down from his position, the electricity died. I've been to Stuco meetings before and after his removal. With Dennis, things were happening and people involved were motivated to get things done, to make things happen. After he stepped down, people felt defeated and weren't willing to be a part of a system they felt had betrayed them.

I am not quite sure what can infuse Stuco again, but the above statement is something to think about.

Kelly Thaxton

Campus should be treated like a home, not like a dump

We all live or work here. McPherson College is more than a college; it is our home, whether we choose to be here for one semester or five years. As students we eat, sleep, learn, work, and socialize here. By now, you all should have learned what it means to be responsible for yourself, to care about your surroundings and the earth, and to understand that when we all do our share, it makes a big difference.

So... why does this campus look so pathetic? That's right, pathetic. That's the word that comes to my mind when I see all the the trash scattered around.

One week before Parents' Weekend, the residence life staff organized an all-campus clean up day and invited the freshmen to help and gain service hours. While nearly every R.A. showed up, an unbelievable six freshman thought it was worth their time. Besides these people, 10 others helped. In two hours trash was cleaned up, leaves and glass were swept away, and windows were washed.

Well, what good did it do? Two days later the wrappers, food, and cigarette butts were back. The disgusting part is that most of it is less than four feet from the nearest trash can.

Are those of you who throw things down that close satisfied that you gave an effort? How many of you are physically unable to pick up what misses the trash can or can't see well enough to realize you left something behind? Cleaning up your individual mess is SUCH a simple thing to do.

To "the powers that be" in this school... do you honestly think I'm talking only to the students here? WHY does it take so long to get simple ash trays put up around campus? Once people reach the age of 18 they can legally choose to smoke. Accept it. Let's take care of the butts.

Why is it that the beautiful fall leaves are gone in hours while the trash stays for months? What are you getting done? This lack of caring—and holding back those that want to do good—is absolutely asinine. Granted, I believe we have great "cleaning ladies" around all the time in the world of second floor Dotzour. Why does there have to be so much trouble in these other areas? Why does recycling our trash have to be such a problem?

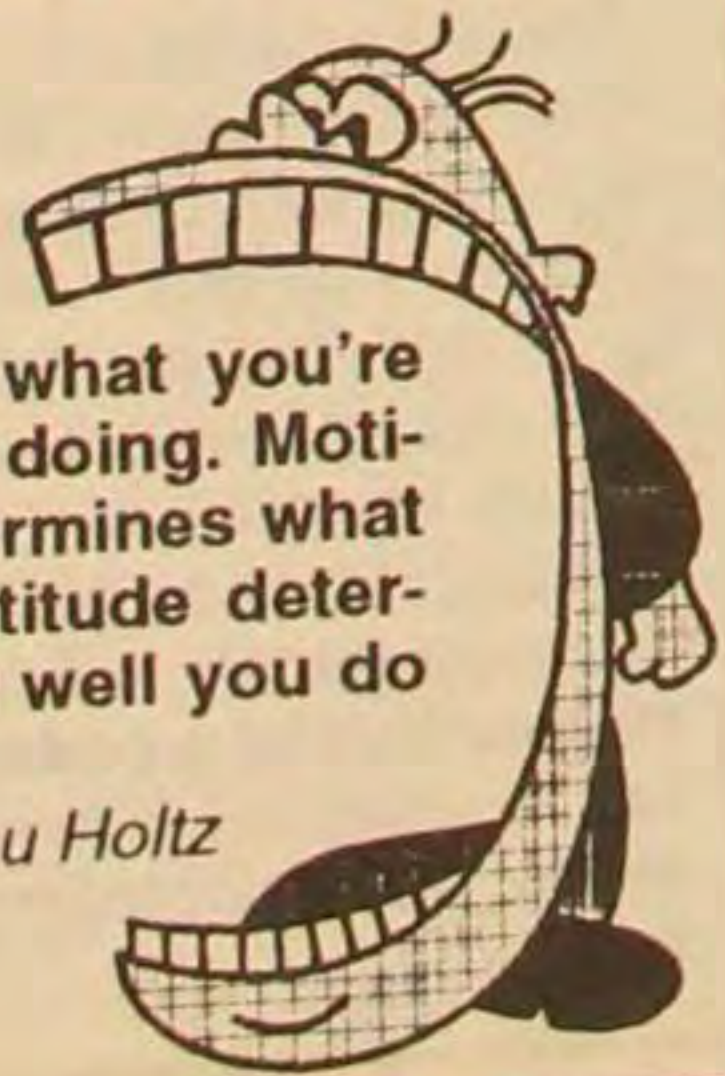
Trashy. Lazy. Apathetic. Dirty. Are these words that we should be using to describe students and employees of McPherson College? Of course it's not everyone who is making the mess. However, when some don't care and little is done about it, it reflects on us all. It is frustrating for those who do care. This is our home. We should care about it in the same way we were taught to care as children under our parents' roofs.

Jill C. Gibson

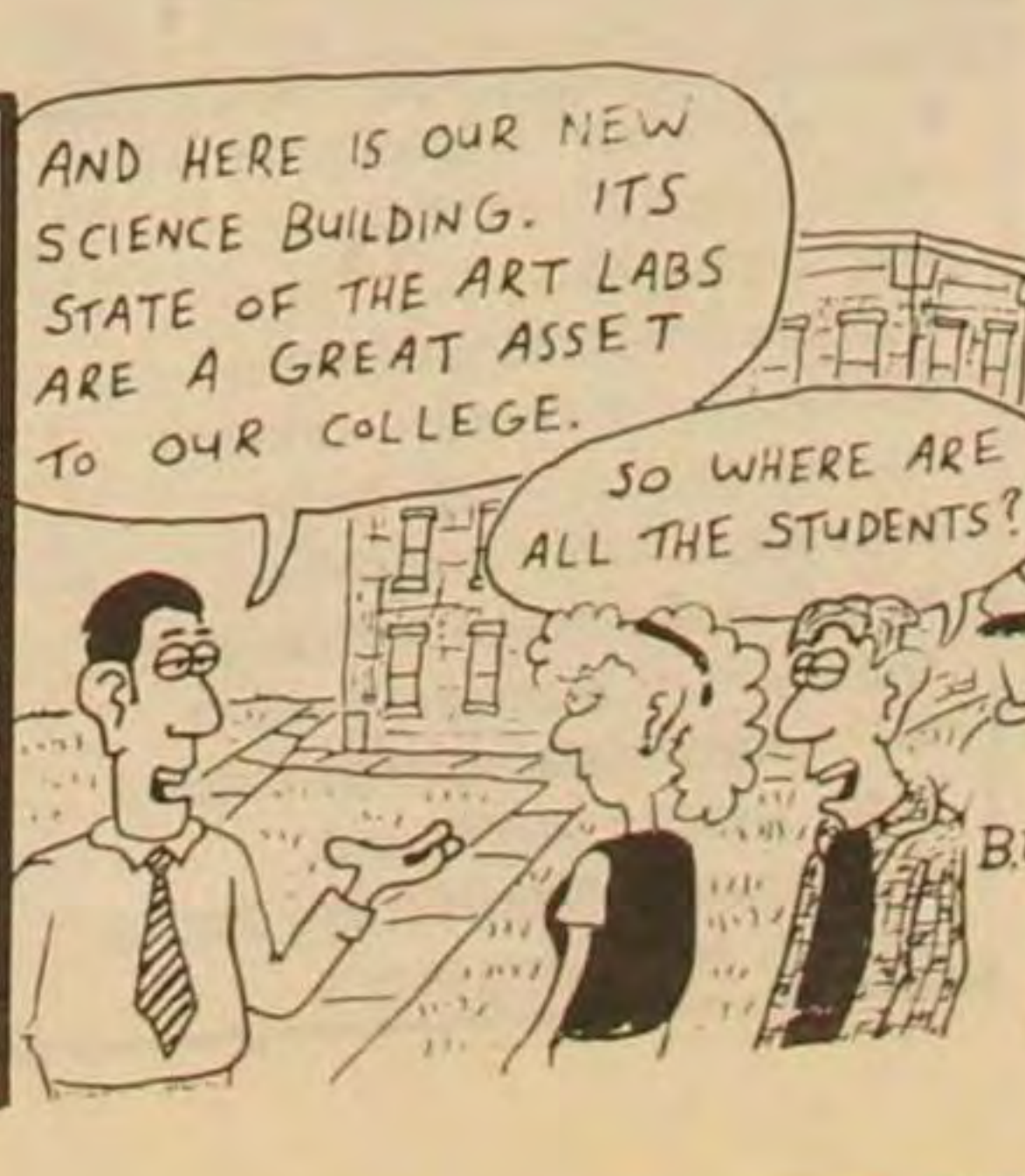
The Loud-Mouth

"Ability is what you're capable of doing. Motivation determines what you do. Attitude determines how well you do it."

-Lou Holtz



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By Mike Horner

Getting past the interview

By Shelly Hendricks

Spectator staff

Illustrated by Darren Hendricks

Layout Editor

Imagine yourself a graduate of McPherson College, in possession of a bachelor's degree and ready to embark into the real world. Your first task is to find a job, a job you like. But, how do you begin?

One of the best things students can do when looking for a job after graduation is "be sure they are prepared," according to Lowell Flory, professor of business and economics.

Good preparation for job searching involves understanding the interview process, how to write a resumé and cover letter, and taking advantage of internships offered. Also, good preparation means knowing what kind of work would satisfy you.

Interviewing is an essential part of the job search. It is a chance for the interviewer to find out about personal characteristics of you, the applicant. Also, an interview is your opportunity to learn more about the job you are applying for and its working environment.

Planning properly for an interview is crucial. The first step in preparing for an interview is being knowledgeable about the work place where you are applying.

"Researching the company shows that you care about the job," Flory said. "It may also inform you of aspects about a job that you won't want."

The more knowledge you have about the job, the more you can contribute to the interview.

Second, develop an affirmative attitude about your qualities as an employee. Giving a firm, confident handshake is a good start in helping to portray your eagerness for the job.

"Have confidence in your personal capabilities, but also be ready to learn," Flory said.

Make sure you communicate your positive points, so that the interviewer understands how your qualifications meet the job requirements. The interviewer wants to see how you can relate to other employees in your work place.

Practicing communication skills is helpful in preparing for the job interview. Maintain eye contact with the interviewer and keep your focus on the interview.

"Try to be as relaxed as possible and have

free conversation with the interviewer. Listen for the questions asked, and be responsive to that question," Flory said.

Another essential component of the interview is being able to ask the interviewer good questions about the job. A common question asked by an interviewer is "What questions do you have for me?" It is important to make a note of some questions you want to ask before the interview takes place.

"Don't underestimate the impact that it will have on the interviewer if you can ask the interviewer quality questions. It shows that you are thinking and employers want people to think," Flory said.

Other elements of a good interview vary, depending on the type of job you apply for. Dressing appropriately is critical for making a good first impression on the interviewer. However, appropriate dress can mean shorts and a tee shirt or a nice business suit, so you should be familiar with your potential working atmosphere.

It is also a good idea to bring a copy of your resumé. For some jobs, samples of previous work is appropriate. Most interviewers will specify what they want.

Setting up your interview requires preparation. Usually, the starting point is when you send your resumé and cover letter to the prospective employers. After a couple of weeks it is important to give the employers a follow up call about the job. Then, a date can be set for an interview.

There are many resources out there that you can use to begin your search for a job.

Talk to all your professors; they can give you helpful hints on starting out, and some who can assist in looking for internships.

Ken Queen offers help in looking at job choices and what is right for you. The career placement office has a resumé program where they assist in resumé writing.

There are also several books about getting a job, including

■ *Successful Interviewing for college Seniors* by John D. Shingleton

■ *After College: The Business of Getting Jobs* by Jack Falvey

■ *Knock 'Em Dead* by Martin Yate

■ *Resumé Writing* by Burdette E. Bostwick

■ *Sweaty Palms: The Neglected Art of Being Interviewed* by H. Anthony Medley.

"Do not take your college career lightly. Develop a good college record. Study," said Flory.

Make sure you understand the interview process, how to write a resumé, and look for possible internships. Plan ahead for your future, and you will be ready.



Internships help land jobs

Having an internship can be vital in helping get the job you want after college.

"Internships do two things. First, they let people observe concepts of what they are learning in class, and second, internships often open doors to employment opportunities," said Prof. Lowell Flory, business and economics.

Internships clearly show how you work with other individuals in an environment that interests you.

"If you do an internship focusing on some particular aspect of your major, you will be more useful to your [prospective employers]," Flory said.

One of the best ways to learn about the available internships is to talk with your major advisor or professor. They can contact people in town and elsewhere and find internship information. Students must also

be motivated to put some efforts toward looking for internships.

"It takes interest in students who are self-starters," said Flory.

Jennifer Ball and Jessica Boothe were two students who interned. Ball interned as a part-time teller at People's Bank.

"Having a business internship definitely will give me an advantage in the job search," said Ball, a business major.

An English major, Boothe interned with Bremyer and Wise, a local law firm.

"Working in the law firm has given me good background and experience for the future," Boothe said.

The best time to participate in an internship program is your junior and senior year. However, students should be an intern whenever special opportunities arise.

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Writing a resumé

- Make it brief. Avoid writing in sentences when possible.
- Look for action verbs to describe what you do.
- Use the same verb tense throughout.
- Look at other resumes and their styles.
- At the bottom write "references available upon request." Supervisors, previous employers or professors frequently make the best references.

Things found in a resumé

- Previous work experience. This includes volunteer work, employed jobs, and internships.
- Character traits and ambitions.
- Educational details—done in reverse chronological order.
- Extracurricular activities—including distinctive activities that show you as a unique person.
- Personal data such as date of birth, state of health, etc.
- Language. Mention any knowledge of other languages.

Writing a cover letter

- State what job you are applying for and how you learned about the position.
- State what you can bring to the job and why you should be the employee the firm hires.
- Give information about how the firm can contact you for an interview.
- Write each cover letter specifically for each position you apply for and send it along with your resumé.

Mock interview night

This year Mock Interview Night will be held March 28 (Thursday) beginning with a dinner at 5:30 p.m. in Friendship Hall. Actual interviews will start around 6:30 p.m. It is open to all juniors and seniors.

Mock interview is a chance to improve interview skills. Community business people will conduct interviews and a position description is provided. It is a professional event; dress accordingly and bring a resumé.

INTERNET IS NOT A MONSTER

By Brian Cooper
Spectator Staff

Illustrated by Darren Hendricks
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Spring break! It's almost here, and college students around the country are planning what to do, packing their suitcases, and heading for their choice picks. The destination of the year is chosen through a variety of means but a new help available is the internet.

Say for example a ski trip to Colorado. How much? Where? Best places to ski?

I logged into Netscape. At the blank, I filled in ski resorts and then Colorado.

A chart appeared on the screen and it I filled in desired expenditures, number of people and lodging preferences.

A new screen and I chose my preferred destination: Keystone.

All the information was sent over

Netscape. In computer time the wait for a reply was long.

I passed the time evaluating the accessibility of the net, seeing what different professors thought about it and whether or not their students were using it.

Many people would assume that from the name, internet would be a complicated, detailed procedure limited to the realm of computer geniuses. Not at all.

"The ease of use is one of the biggest advantages to the internet," said Bruce Clary, professor of English.

All the information is also cheap.

"Data is expensive to come by. The internet makes it easier to get research data for students to analyze material," said Dr. Frye, biology professor.

But not all information on the net is legitimate.

"I'm concerned about the information that is put on the internet. It is highly unregulated. It makes it hard to validate

source material," said Clary. There is also a cost is socialization. Hours spent in front of a monitor, in search of pleasure.

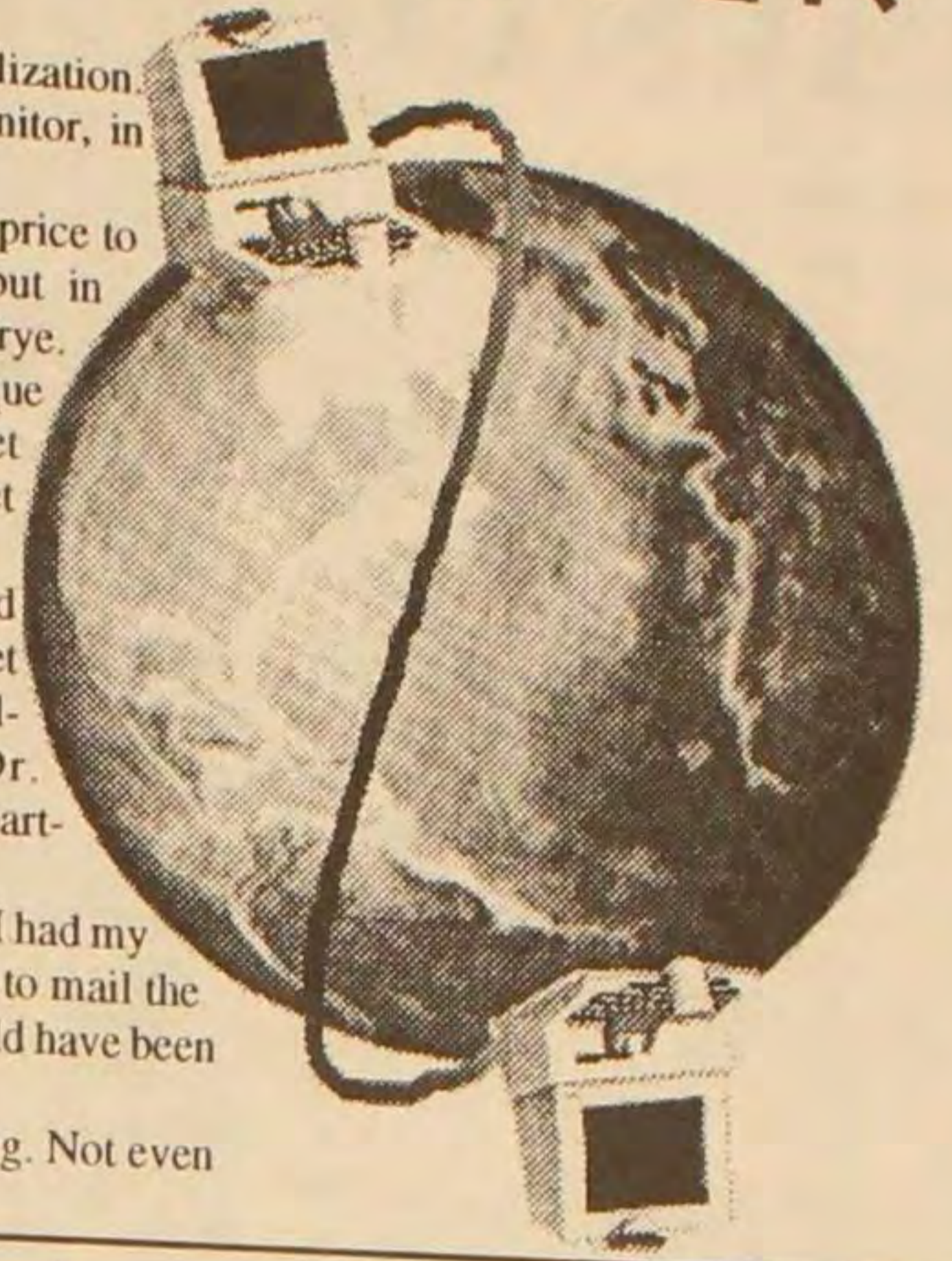
"I'm very selective on what price to pay, maybe not in dollars, but in terms of social effects," said Frye.

But the internet offers a unique opportunity to socialize and meet people who might not be met otherwise.

"If one was refined or limited in their abilities, then the internet would provide a fine way to fulfill socialization," said Dr. Neufeld, math and science department.

Almost an hour an hour later I had my reply. Awhile, but if I had had to mail the Chamber of Commerce, it would have been several days.

It also didn't cost me anything. Not even a stamp.



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Town and Gown groups form bonds

Prior to Hoffman, in 1965, President Jack Melhorn initiated Town and Gown groups to promote and enhance relationships between the college and the community.

Initially, there were four Town and Gown groups meeting in McPherson, but only one remains active. Each group consisted of eight couples (16 members), four couples representing the McPherson community and four couples representing McPherson College.

"It's a fun group, and we have a good relationship," said Dr. Corinne Hughbanks, professor emerita of languages at McPherson College. She and husband Dr. Monroe Hughbanks, professor emeritus of education have been active members since 1966.

"Ours is the only active group left. That might be because we don't try to structure our meetings. We make it a social evening," Corinne said.

Dr. Leland Lengel, professor of history and political science, is the only member currently teaching at McPherson College.

Not only are college personnel and a variety of business backgrounds in the community represented at Town and Gown, but different church affiliations are represented as well.

"It helps to get together to find out what's new in the community when we get so wrapped up in college activities. And the townspeople in our group can find out what's going on at the college and who's new on staff," Corinne said.

The group doesn't have a structured program to make the evening less burdensome.

"We've helped each other through some tough times and watched each other's children grow up. We even take trips together sometimes," Corinne said.

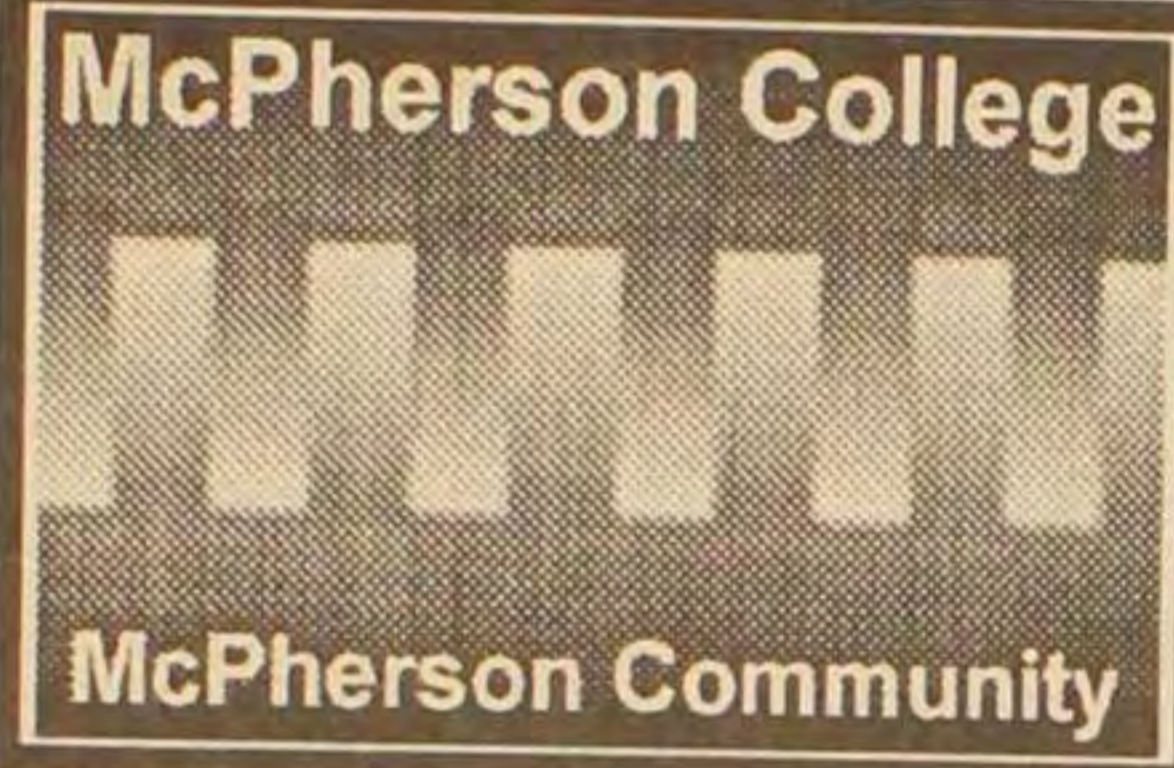
The Hughbankses agreed that Town and Gown helps promote dialogue between the college and community and enhance relationships. They are eager to see more groups formed.

When asked how one would go about starting up a new town and Gown group Corinne said, "Just do it. And be flexible."

Sentinel affects the relationship

While the Town and Gown groups were working on building the college/community relationship in the late 1960s, the family-owned McPherson newspaper, the Sentinel, only made the relationship more fragile.

According to Kathy Hackleman, managing editor of the Sentinel, part of the college's problem stemmed from a lack of coverage of



college events due to a personal resentment held by the Sentinel's previous owner against the doctrine of the Church of the Brethren, with which McPherson College is affiliated.

"Sometimes months or years went by with little or no coverage of the college. This obviously had to have some effect on the community's perception of the college because people never heard what was going on (at McPherson College)," Hackleman said.

When Hackleman came to the Sentinel in 1974, there wasn't the same emphasis on local news as there is now. It wasn't until 1988 when the family-owned paper was purchased by American Publishing that an emphasis was placed on local news.

"There gradually began to be more emphasis on local news of all types in the late seventies," Hackleman said. "If you took McPherson College out of the newspaper today, it would make a much bigger hole than it would have back then. There's more McPherson College news than there's ever been because we have more local news. I guess you could say that the college benefited from American Publisher's local news philosophy."

Hackleman said she feels the college relationship with the community is better now.

"Steve Sell, our sports editor, has a good relationship with the coaches and the athletic department at McPherson College," Hackleman said.

According to Hackleman, if the college really wants to improve community involvement, "they have to be accepting of other people's ideas and opinions. That doesn't mean they have to follow them, but they need to listen."

Athletics—Tension

Out of all the campus issues during Hoffman's 20 year tenure, athletics has caused the most friction between the college and community.

"On several occasions in the past, local citizens were on special committees along with trustees and administrators to employ the college football coach," Hoffman said.

"And on several occasions community persons have urged the firing of the coaches they helped employ."

Hoffman went on to recall when pressure from the community led to the hiring of a football coach in the 1950s who was paid more than the president of the college. This obviously caused concern among college faculty, staff and administration.

"I have been surprised at how important football has been both at the college and in the community," Hoffman said.

Community members often wanted a good team to match their high calibre community, while campus persons felt football participation was part of individual growth, open to everyone willing to compete.

These two philosophies, according to Hoffman have "not always been congruent and there have been tensions, major, time-consuming tensions."

The situation hasn't been very resolvable. However, Hoffman compliments the current coaches on their treatment of athletics.

"The current coaches are terrific not only in their coaching talents, but also as professors, citizens and their work ethic," Hoffman said. "These individuals have greatly changed the demands on administrators time and we compete very well."

Despite a few problems throughout the years, Hoffman points out that the McPherson community has been of immeasurable assistance to the college.

"We have good adjunct faculty here in town, many of them Ph.D.'s, and advisors especially in business, law and auditing who share their expertise," Hoffman said.

Throughout the process Hoffman said the community gained respect for the college.

"The college got its name from the community, and it is a good one," Hoffman said.

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Jays end Mac's season

By Jenni Richardson
Sports Editor

After pulling out two buzzer beaters against Sterling and Southwestern in the first two rounds of the KCAC tournament, the Bulldogs fell in the finals to the top-seeded Tabor Bluejays on Feb. 29, 63-80.

Coming out on fire was Matt Richardson. He led the team scoring with 26 points, including five three point field goals, and in boards as well, pulling down four in the contest. Brandon Rice and Chris Owens also had good showings with 15 and 13 points, respectively.

One statistic that was key to the Bulldog loss was the rebounding. Tabor out rebounded McPherson 43-27. Coach Roger Trimmell doesn't believe that it's for lack of effort.

"When you have a team that shoots as well as that team does, it kind of limits the rebounding opportunities that you have. They also do a good job of clearing out the lane on their defensive end of the floor, so we had very few chances for second shots," Trimmell said.

On their way to the final contest, the Bulldogs had two tough challenges in Sterling and Southwestern. The first round game against Sterling came down to the wire with Rice putting the exclamation mark on the win with a game sealing dunk in the last minute of play. The score ended up 103-95, with Richardson, Rice and Owens leading the way scoring 23, 21 and 20, respectively.

In the second round the Bulldogs went head to head with Southwestern in another close game, winning again in the last minutes, 76-73. Owens had a good night for the Bulldogs scoring 19 points. Richardson added 15 and Mike Walker had 12.

The team loses four seniors—Owens, Rice, Richardson and Jason Snodgrass—three of



Photo by Jon Henrikson

Jason Snodgrass, sr., looks to drive in his last game as a Bulldog.

whom were starters and one which played the important sixth-man role.

"We definitely will have some big scoring shoes to fill next season," Trimmell said.

"All of those guys could shoot the three, and they were all big impact players, each making a large contribution to the success the team had this season."

KCAC names Mac cagers All-Conference

By Melissa Sharp
Spectator Staff

McPherson College basketball players Chris Owens, Matt Richardson and Brandon Rice were chosen to receive KCAC All-Conference honors for the 1995-96 season.

Owens, starting point guard, and Richardson, starting forward, were named to the first team. The two players were honored after the championship game against Tabor on Feb. 29. Rice, starting guard, received honorable mention honors.

"These guys deserved the recognition they received. All three have been part of the strong senior nucleus of the team," Trimmell said. "It was good to have leadership on the practice floor as well as the game floor this season. The seniors really stepped up in the big game situations at the end of the season."

Chosen as KCAC men's Player of the Year was C.V. Cummings from Ottawa University. The rest of the KCAC first team selections were Marcos Soto-Bethany, Dalen West-Friends, Jason Gentz-Kansas Wesleyan, Aaron Roop-Southwestern, Jeremy Frederick-Sterling and Hiram Finney and David Pyle-Tabor.

For the KCAC women, Sterling standout

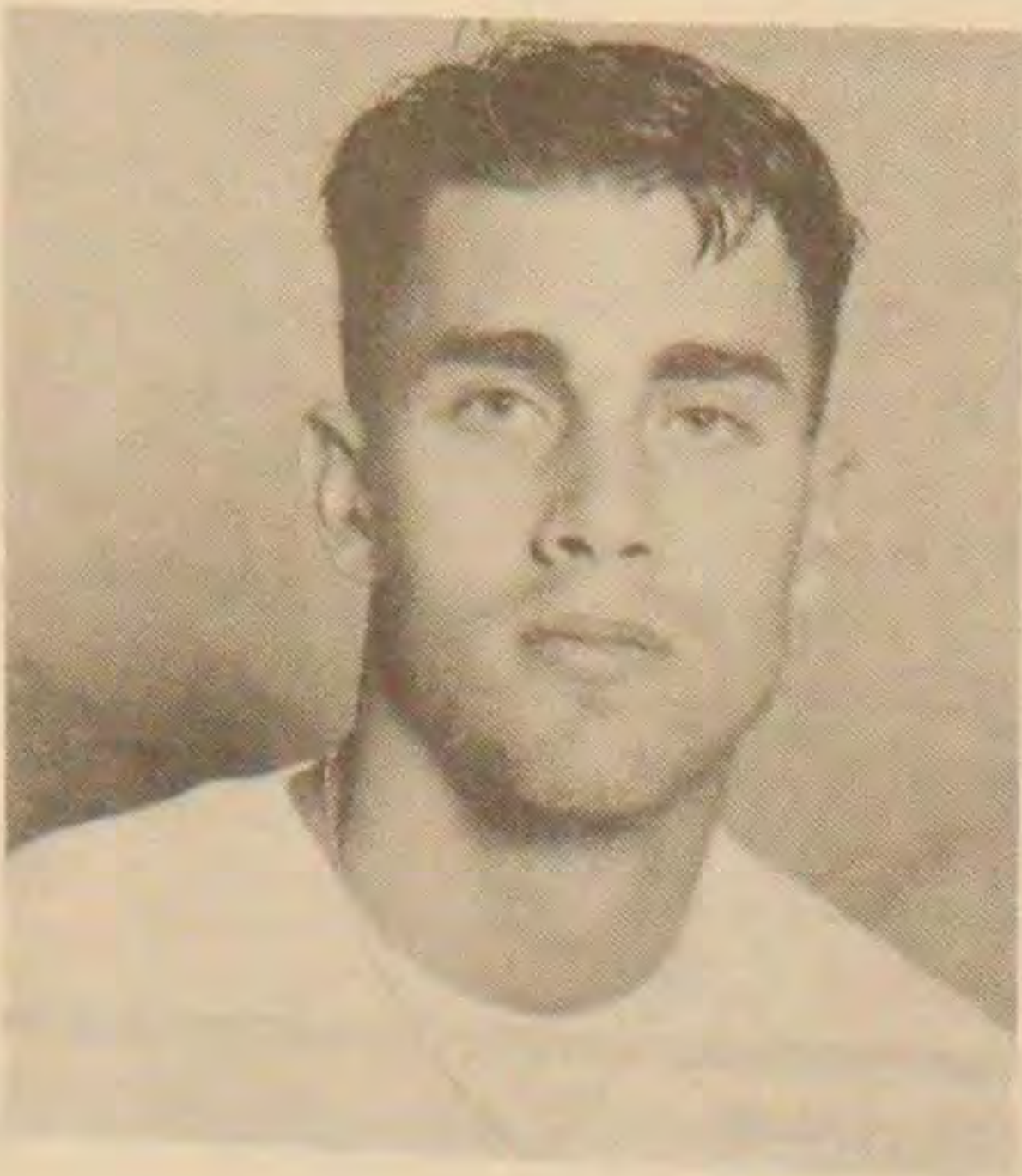
Mieka Woudstra received Player of the Year honors. Rounding out the KCAC All-Conference first team for the women were Gina Cox and Taisha Newcomer-Bethany, Mel-

issa Funk-Bethel, Nicole Eitzmann-Friends, Toby Harbin-Kansas Wesleyan, Gretchen Dikkut-Ottawa, Camille Sneed-Southwestern and Keisha Morris-Tabor.

ATHLETE OF THE ISSUE

This week's Athlete of the Issue is Brandon Rice. Rice recently received All-Conference honors and helped the Bulldogs advance to the finals of the conference tournament. He had big scoring nights against Sterling when he had 21 points, and against Tabor with 15.

"Brandon was a key player in the nucleus of this year's team," Coach Roger Trimmell said. "He had the potential to be a huge scoring threat on the offensive end of the floor, but his defensive efforts this season were tremendous. He often had the job of defending the other team's biggest outside scoring threats and did an outstanding job."



Track team looks to sprinters and throwers for leadership

By Wes Balun
Spectator Staff

As basketball season came to a close, first year head coach John McNamara and the McPherson College outdoor track team began practice for the upcoming season.

McNamara sees distinct strengths and weaknesses on his team. "The strength of our team will be our sprinters and throwers, but we need more distance runners to balance things out for the team," McNamara

said.

Sprinters and throwers McNamara places his expectations on include Jason Barta, Pat Crowdis, Matt Friesen, LyChelle Gibbs, Tiffany Hall, Brett Johnson, James Lopez, Jamie Smalley, Joe Bravo, Dennis Carlile and Roy Johnson.

The Bulldogs travel to Winfield for a meet at Southwestern College Thursday, March 14. Last year under former head coach Deb Moore, the women finished fourth and the men placed sixth at the KCAC meet. This

year McNamara begins the season with 15 competitors on the squad, an improvement over last year's team which only sent four athletes to one meet.

"We have more people out than last year which is good," McNamara said. "Right now, we have people in plays and some working who might be able to compete later giving us as many as 20. Numbers are still going to hurt us in competition, but right now we're just trying to build the program by adding people every year."

Senior quartet ends season

En Vogue
By Erik Vogel



As NCAA schools prepare for their respective conference tournaments, here in the nation's heartland the season is over for eight of the nine men's Kansas Collegiate Athletic Conference teams.

Although every KCAC team set its sights this year on Nampa, Idaho, and a chance to play in the NAIA Division II national tournament, only one school—the Tabor College Bluejays—earned a bid to the NAIA's "Big Dance."

Stricken with key player losses from graduation, every conference team was forced to reload in 1995-96. Preseason pollsters believed the McPherson Bulldogs would not, evident by their picking the Dogs at, or near the bottom, of the KCAC.

Despite another disappointing loss to the Bluejays in the conference tourney finals, it was an exciting and overachieving year, thanks in large part to the efforts of the squad's four seniors.

■ A remarkable shooter and scorer, Matt Richardson made a living beyond the arc. His ability to score off the dribble as well as in the paint, made him even tougher to guard. It was not uncommon to see Richardson a little bruised and beaten, the effects of trench warfare—more commonly referred to as rebounding.

■ In the backcourt, Brandon Rice and Chris Owens were as capable of lighting it up as anyone to have played at Mac. Rice was well-known for his long-distance shooting, often times launching from neighboring counties. A tenacious defender, it was usually his task to guard the opponent's best offensive weapon. And he could fly, too. His dunks were worth the price of admission and then some.

■ Owens ran the point guard position, and he ran defenders silly. Lightning quick and superb with the ball, Owens was a threat to score at any time, from anywhere. When the game was on the line, Owens would likely respond with a clutch basket or free throws.

■ Jason Snodgrass was that role player you love to have on your team. Able to do a smattering of everything, Snodgrass's greatest strength was probably his defense. An offensive threat as well as a good ballhandler, Snodgrass possessed sound basketball skills.

After a solid senior campaign, this quartet will no doubt be remembered as one of the most athletic and skilled groups to have played at McPherson College.

They will also be remembered as the class that ushered out the throwback uniforms. In an era when big and baggy is considered "in," they exemplified the nostalgia of Bulldog basketball by sporting the Speedline classics of bygone years.

Overall McNamara is pleased with his team and its prospects for the year.

"Numbers are up from the indoor season, we have a lot of good athletes and talent, everybody gets along great and has a good time," McNamara said. "I'm expecting a good season."

Other members of the McPherson College outdoor track team are: Andy Brown, O'Brien Byrd, Phelicia Claiborne, Rick Coleman, Alfredo Ingelmo-Torres, Marta Gingrich, Amy Norsworthy, Jason Snodgrass and Mary Zodrow.

College Courts residents fighting to keep feline friends

By Chris Amundson
Spectator Staff

Eli and Debbie Making's pet cat, Sneak, once greeted visitors to apartment 13 in the College Courts. The Makings, along with other courts residents found other homes for their cats to comply with the Feb. 13 enforcement of the no-pets policy of their rental contracts. But last week the College Courts residents submitted a proposal to the Residence Life Committee which, if approved, would allow for cats in some of the apartments.

The standard Courts rental contract allows certain pets: "Only small pets (fish, hamsters, gerbils) confined to cages or aquariums are allowed in the apartments." Cats and dogs are not allowed.

Kathryn Whitacre, director of residence life, wrote in her letter to the Court's residents on Feb. 5, "at least three of the College Courts residents have cats."

But Courts residents report having cats for several years without the clause ever being enforced. "The girl who lived here before us had two cats," Stephanie Reed, sr., said.

The no-cats policy had not been strictly enforced until Whitacre's Feb. 5 letter and

many wonder, "why the new concern?" "I'm not so sure it has been enforced," Merrin Godfrey, director of maintenance, said. He speculates on the new concern, "In my mind I ask, 'Who's been bothered?'"

The main reason cats are not allowed in the apartments now is that some tenants are not responsible with their pets, according to Godfrey.

"The name of the game is responsibility," Godfrey said. "Life has taught us... sometimes that people are not real responsible." He recalls fixing an apartment in which a tenant kept a cat. "The carpet had to be completely removed. He [the cat] wasted an aluminum door for us. One cat can do a lot of damage."

According to Godfrey, the issue of responsibility brings out many questions. What happens if the deposit exceeds the damages? Who oversees enforcing the stipulations of the new contract? Will the dorm residents also want cats? "How can you sit down and come up with something when there are so many variables?" Godfrey said.

"The college just has to decide if that's something they want to deal with," Whitacre said.

The residents seem to be committed to finding a solution.

"We are willing to work with the school.

We're asking that they sit down with us," Chad Reed said.

Matt and Jenny Richardson are the Courts managers. "The value a pet adds to your life is important enough that the extra work is minimal," Jenny said.

Last year 24 Courts residents petitioned for a change in the current pet policy. The Residents Life Committee discussed the issue at a meeting and denied the change in policy.

The school is willing to listen to the residents. "I think we always have to be able to listen. Sometimes it doesn't always turn out though the way that folks want it to, and that's a part of life. Listening's not the problem; it's all the goodies that are involved here before you make a decision like that," Godfrey said.

This year's petition may have a better chance of being granted. "Whoever tackles this needs the continuity of being here for a while," Whitacre said. The petition is spearheaded by several residents who plan to live at the courts through next year.

Highlights of the new proposal include:

- Cats must be declawed, spayed or neutered and tagged
- Cats' records will be kept by Court's manager
- Tenants are limited to one cat per

- apartment
- Tenants will sign release of liability for the college
- Tenants will pay refundable damage deposit for cats
- Tenants will pay nonrefundable rent for cats
- Some apartments will remain allergy-sensitive/ cat-free

Jenni Richardson sees the the proposal as a solution for damage. "As far as the Courts are concerned there is no furniture and if cats are declawed the carpet is no problem." Cat dandruff remaining in carpet and upholstery irritates those with allergies.

Pat Crowdis, a senior living in the Courts, is allergic to cats. He favors the damage deposit for cats.

"The money could go for a good cleaning of the apartments," Crowdis said. He would move to an apartment in which a cat lived "as long as I knew that maintenance had properly cleaned it and shampooed the carpet. I don't think that for someone like me with allergies that would be a problem."

The Residence Life Committee met on Wednesday; students are awaiting response. A committee member commented on the proposal. "I appreciate the thought that went into it," Marilyn Sexton, associate director of admissions, said.

If passed, the proposal will go to the Student Life Committee.

Jim Dodson announces resignation effective in August

President Paul Hoffman announced the resignation of Mr. James Dodson, the college's executive vice president and treasurer, effective at the end of August.

Referring to Dodson's "extraordinary leadership," Dr. Hoffman said, "McPherson College has now accomplished 17 straight years of balanced budgets primarily due to Jim Dodson's abilities in financial efficiency, management, organization and investments."

Having worked at Manchester College in Indiana where he taught economics and business, Dodson came to McPherson College in 1979. He served as the college's business manager until 1987, then as the vice president for financial services until 1994.

He has been involved in building the college's annuity fund and Heritage Roll of Honor, which was created in 1983 to ensure future resources through bequests. With his knowledge of estate planning, he has assisted many families through the years.

He has taught classes in marketing, finance, investment, small business management, and history and philosophy of management.

Dodson earned a bachelor's degree from Morehead State University, a master's degree in education from Indiana University, and a master of business administration

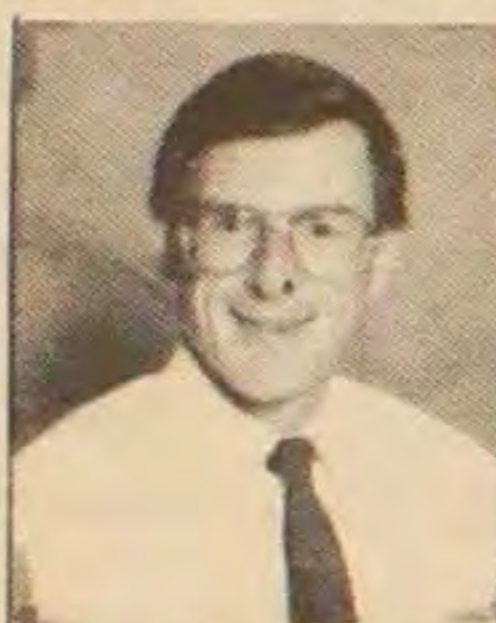
(M.B.A.) from Ball State University.

He has completed all requirements for a doctorate in business administration/finance from Nova Southeastern University. His dissertation compares the stock price performance of U.S.-based multinational corporations with primarily domestic corporations.

His professional and community involvement has included assisting the General Board of the Church of the Brethren, The Cedars, Bethany Theological Seminary and other Church of the Brethren organization with financial organization, management, investments, and personnel matters.

He served as campaign treasurer for U.S. Representative Dick Nichols of McPherson.

He sits on boards of the Home State Bank,



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the United Way of McPherson County, and the National Association of College and University Business Officers (NACUBO). Three years ago, he served a term as president of the Central Association of College and University Business Officers (CACUBO), his presidency following the chief financial officer of Purdue University

and preceding the University of Illinois CFO.

"Jim Dodson has been a president's dream as a leader," said Dr. Hoffman, who recently announced his own intention to retire in August. "He has maintained good scholarship, an attitude of service, and a steadfast commitment to McPherson College's mission."

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8 Trustees, campus discuss college strengths and concerns

Discussion kicks off search for new president

By Sue Werner
News Editor

Members of the McPherson College Board of Trustees met with administration, faculty, staff, and selected students yesterday to discuss issues and concerns facing the college as it begins its search for a new president.

President Paul Hoffman announced last month his intent to resign, effective as of August 1996, after 20 years of service to McPherson College.

The campus community was invited to the morning session of the "Dialog Day" specifically to discuss issues pertaining to intercollegiate athletics.

Dr. Biff Green, president of Friends University, Wichita, facilitated the afternoon session, in which participants met in small groups to discuss the major strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats of the college. The ideas were then put together to identify recurring thoughts and concerns.

"I thought that it was extremely helpful, and the feedback has been good," said LaVon Rupel, chair of the Board of Trustees. "There was opportunity for the Board and administration and faculty and staff and the students to hear each other."

"I think a new leader will be encouraged by our strengths and opportunities and challenged by those things where there is room for improvement," Rupel said.

Some of the major strengths identified were the financial stability of the college; the small, community oriented atmosphere; the quality, dedicated faculty; and the physical condition and appearance of the campus.

President Hoffman is recognized for his achievements in helping the college to improve its financial status. The endowment



Photo by Jon Henrikson

Eddie Hester, sr., and James Risser, fr., participate in "Dialog Day."

has grown from \$2 million to \$17 million, and the college is debt-free.

"I think there would be few people that would disagree that President Hoffman has done a better job of [fund-raising] than anyone in the history of this college," Prof. Lowell Flory, business/economics, said.

Members of the campus community would like to see a president who will continue to insure the financial security of the college.

"Hoffman has really made the college financially strong and clearly that needs to continue," Dr. Kim Stanley, English, said.

The opportunities and atmosphere available at a small college were also identified as a major strength.

"We need someone who understands what little colleges are good for," Stanley said. "We are not just a tiny version of a state university, but something entirely different."

Gibson is also excited at the prospect of working with Johnson.

"We've discussed Stuco issues together, and I think we could accomplish some things as a team," Gibson said.

Some issues that the candidates mentioned were campus recycling, dorm hours, tuition, and food service.

"I would like to see some closure on the dorm hours issue," Gibson said. "That is something the students want, and I would like to see a change there."

See mentioned students' frustration with tuition.

"I would like to have the opportunity to inform the students about what the college is doing with tuition increases, and help them understand," See said.

Gibson also mentioned some concerns among the student body that she would like to address.

"I think recycling should be like breathing. So many students have pushed for a recycling program, and I would definitely like to see that implemented," Gibson said.

"I also think the students should be given more options in food service, and I plan to do something about the cost, quality and meal times."

Secretary position soon to be filled

Brian Cooper, fr., and Christy Meiers, soph., are running for the position of Student Council secretary in the March 11 election.

Both candidates have identified issues that face the student body and declared a need for change.

Meiers believes that the student body needs to become more involved with Stuco activi-

ties and sees communication as an inhibitor. The college's identification with the Church of the Brethren was also discussed. The college will have to decide if hiring a Brethren president will be a priority.

Some members of the campus community believe that being Brethren would be an important asset to an incoming president.

"I've been around other small colleges and for that reason I do think that a college that has been associated with the Church of the Brethren for so long should have someone from that background," Dr. John Pannabecker, technology, said.

"I don't think it should be required that the president be Brethren, but it would be an asset just because of the foundation of the college," Jenny Stover, soph., said.

Flory believes that being Brethren would be an asset in a new president because, "that has been so embedded in what this institution is." Flory has concerns, however, about

the number of Brethren students at the college. "Student patterns in going to college are changing. It has become harder to attract Brethren students."

Major weaknesses discussed were the lack of adequate funds for campus facilities, institutional governance, and the college's enrollment.

Campus members expressed concern about the college's computer facilities and technological abilities.

"In terms of where we must go, we have to have a president who is able to recognize the importance of the computer age," Dr. Leland Lengel, history department chair, said.

"I believe that for us to be competitive with other colleges, we have to improve our technology," Roy Johnson, soph., said.

Enrollment was identified as a weakness, and as a threat to the existence of McPherson College.

"We need a president who is going to have goals about enrollment," Stover said. "We really need to increase the enrollment for the future of the college."

The chair of the Board of Trustees, in consultation with the Executive Committee will propose candidates from the meeting to serve on the Search and Screening Committee. The committee will be confirmed by the Board of Trustees at today's meeting.

The Search and Screening Committee is charged with bringing a recommendation of three suitable candidates for President to be interviewed at the October meeting of the Board of Trustees.

It is anticipated that a new president could be named by spring of 1997. An interim president will be appointed to begin August 1, 1996.

"I think that there was some really in-depth conversation," Green said. "For the most part there were no surprises, but there are a lot of issues that need to be dealt with where a new president comes in, and we were able to identify some of those issues."

Stuco election

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Aside from wanting to be involved, See said that he is running for the position because, "a lot of people requested that I run for it."

The biggest concern that See anticipates is a lack of student involvement. "We need to create a more positive environment surrounding Stuco, and find more avenues for students to get involved," See said.

Gibson also identified a weakness in student involvement and plans to combat the lack of excitement by strengthening the relationship between Stuco and the Student Activities Board.

"If the two organizations work more closely, like they are supposed to, we can make the programs and activities stronger and more appealing to students. We'll also be able to generate more ideas and increase publicity," Gibson said.

Gibson believes that she is qualified to handle the responsibility of treasurer.

"I am a business major, and I am very analytical. I think that is an important quality to have when you are dealing with financial situations," Gibson said.

See believes that his relationship with Roy Johnson, the unopposed candidate for Stuco president, will be an advantage.

"With Roy as president, I think we will work well together," said See. "He asked me to run."

"I am a reasonable thinker," See said. "I consider myself to have good judgement, and I will not leave the group. My opponent tends to be more independent, and I am more group-oriented."



See



Meiers



Cooper