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Who's Who recipients named

Chris Curran

Spectator Staff

Eleven seniors have been selected by faculty to receive Who's Who recognition for 2000. Students receiving the award include April Benne, Todd Hague, Sarah Marie Hendricks, LeAnna Hulce, Amy Johnson, ShaRhonda Maclin, Cheri Norsworthy, Sarah Stover, Jen Taylor, Krissy Williams and Genelle Wine.

To qualify for Who's Who, students must have a minimum grade point average of 3.0 and have completed a minimum number of credit hours. Members of the faculty then vote on all students who meet this requirement. To receive the award a student must receive a vote from at least half of the faculty. The maximum number of students recognized is determined by a percentage of the student population, 22 in the case of the class of 2000.

April Benne, McPherson, is a member of Alpha Psi Omega and Today's Educators and was treasurer of Creative Arts Society. During her years at McPherson she has participated in volleyball, theatre and Student Government Association. She was recognized by the National Deans' List her junior year.

Todd Hague, Cheney, is a member of the Business Club, NEA, KNEA, and KBEA. Todd has participated in intramural flag football and volleyball and has played basketball all four years. Todd received Academic All-Confer-



Benne



Hague



Hendricks



Hulce



Johnson



Maclin



Norsworthy



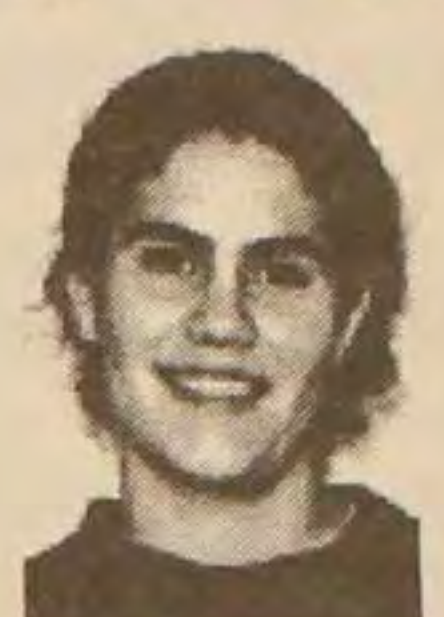
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ence honors his sophomore and junior year, Academic All-American honors his junior year and KCAC All-Conference Honorable Mention his junior year.

Sarah Marie Hendricks, South Bend, Ind., is a member of Brethren Identity Group (president), Peace Awareness, and Today's Educators. Sarah has participated in choir, theatre and MacAppella. She was named to the National Deans' List her junior and senior year.

LeAnna Hulce, Overbrook, is vice president of Alpha Psi Omega and a member of Creative Arts Society and Brethren Identity Group. In the past four years, she participated in Habitat for

Humanity programs, as well as band, intramural sports and theatre. LeAnna was recognized by the National Deans' List her junior year.

Amy Johnson, Inman, was president of G-Clef and is a member of FCA and Today's Educators. In the past four years she has participated in choir, theatre, and MacAppella, as well as being an accompanist. She was named to the National Deans' List her sophomore and junior years.

ShaRhonda Maclin, Oklahoma City, Okla., is a member of International Students Organization, Today's Educators, and is vice president of the Council for Exceptional Children. ShaRhonda

served as Student Government Association president for two years, as well as playing in the band and participating in intramural sports and dorm council.

Cheri Norsworthy, West Plains, Mo., is a member of Brethren Identity Group and FCA. She has participated in soccer, cross country, and Habitat for Humanity programs, as well as being the photo editor for the Spectator. Cheri was named to the National Deans' List her junior year.

Sarah Stover, Quinter, has been president of Alpha Psi Omega and is a member of Brethren Identity Group and Peace Awareness. Sarah has participated in theatre, soccer, and choir, as

well as being the editorial editor for the Spectator. Sarah was recognized by the National Deans' List her junior year and has received Kansas Associated Collegiate Press awards for editorial columns.

Jen Taylor, McPherson, is a member of Alpha Psi Omega, Brethren Identity Group and Peace Awareness. She has participated in student government, the yearbook and theatre. Jen spent time at the Urban Life Center in Chicago and studied abroad in Cheltenham, England. She was named to the National Deans' List her sophomore year.

Krissy Williams, Centralia, is vice president of Alpha Psi Omega, co-president of Today's Educators, and a member of student government. Krissy was captain of the cheerleading squad and has participated in theatre and choir. She was also a counselor at church camp her junior year and has been a member of the Student-Faculty Committee.

Genelle Wine, Imperial, Neb., is a member of Alpha Psi Omega, Brethren Identity Group, Peace Awareness, and Beta Beta Beta. She has been involved in volleyball, theatre, choir and the resident life program. She was recognized on Honor Roll her freshman and sophomore year and has volunteered at The Cedars.

The eleven recipients of Who's Who recognition are responsible for selecting the Professor of the Year. The Who's Who awards, as well as the Professor of the Year, will be presented at Honors Convocation on May 1 at 11:30 a.m.

SGA hires off-campus organization to host activities

Low student attendance prompts activity changes

Rana El-Halabi

Spectator Staff

In an effort to increase interest and attendance at student activities, Student Government has purchased five activities including a comedian, a hypnotist, a game show, a virtual reality show and inflatable games. The activities are scheduled throughout the spring semester and will be hosted and organized by an off-campus organization. "We decided it was time for these changes after we heard faculty and friends voice their interest," said Laura Morgan, activities director.

With the purchase of the packet, SGA members don't have to plan or decorate every event, according to Morgan.

Posters will be hung about campus to publicize each activity as it approaches and fliers will be distributed via campus mail.

The goal of SGA this semester is to have projects geared toward more community involvement, more student involvement and donations to benefit and help out the community. As the spring semester continues, members hope that the changes will be implemented.

"If some of the changes are not carried out this semester, then it will be on next year's agenda," Morgan said. "The old board will meet with the new board and discuss the new ideas."

SGA began its efforts to help the community last semester.

"This Christmas we donated money to The Cedars, a retirement home," Morgan said. "We received about 20-25 letters of thank you. It was really nice."

SGA SPRING ACTIVITIES

February 11
Valentine's Dance
10:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.

February 18
Cosmic bowling
10:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.

February 19
Game show with lots of prizes!

February 25
Date Rape Show, a panel discussion on how to deal with date rape

March 1
ACCK multicultural conference at Kansas Wesleyan University

March 3
Casino night in the Doghouse
Lots of prizes!

March 10
Cosmic bowling
10:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.

March 11
Ice skating in Wichita

April 1
John Hopkins, one-man comedy act

April 8
Inflatable activities including Sumo wrestling

April 14
Cosmic bowling
10:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.

April 28
Psychic fair including a hypnotist, a fortuneteller, and a palm reader

May 6
Daytime: Big summer blowout including shopping cart races and water games
Nighttime: virtual reality games

May 12
Cosmic bowling
10:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.

EDITORIAL

THE SPECTATOR

Editorial Staff: LeAnn Wine, Sarah Stover, Janelle Flory, Elizabeth Stover, Rachel Gross, Cheri Norsworthy.

Article not intended to slight Stine's support

In response to an article in the Dec. 10 issue of the Spectator entitled "Research fund ceases after 13 years," Bob Knechel, executive director of advancement, sent an e-mail to the McPherson College community expressing his disappointment and embarrassment that the issue was treated in a negative manner.

"It would have been helpful to all who read the Spectator to know that while Mr. Stine may have chosen to eliminate his annual gifts to the senior science research program, which he generously supported for 13 years, he is currently matching all gifts to the Enhancing the Legacy campaign up to \$10 million," Knechel wrote.

The intent of the Spectator article was to inform readers of the advancements the science research program can attribute to Mr. Stine's generosity, as well as the science department's wish for continued funding. Thus, the focus was on the science department, not Mr. Stine. Unfortunately, the tone of the article has given a negative impression to some readers.

Since the publication of the article, faculty and administration together have been exploring the possibility of a campus-wide senior research fund. Due to the generosity of Mr. Stine and many other benefactors to the college, this possibility is quite realistic.

The Spectator and its writers always strive to present information in an honest and unbiased manner. We apologize for any misunderstanding that may have taken place and are eager to keep the McPherson College community informed of any developments on the topic of senior research.

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MAC OPINIONS

What do you think of the new yearbook format?



"I think it's nice because people who come only for a semester or who transfer out get one. I also think they didn't have as much coverage as a year-end book."

-Corin Blickenstaff, Nampa, Idaho



"They are ugly and unnecessary. Usually you make yearbooks at the end of the year."

-Busola Grillo, Nigeria



"I don't really like it because they don't seem like yearbooks. It seems like they were just the easiest and cheapest. They didn't seem like college."

-Kendra Adams, Belpre

"I thought it was cool. It was nice."



-Ed Bennifield, Oklahoma City

"They should be way more clear about why they're doing it. We should have had a say before they changed. I want a yearbook. It's the way it's always been done and it's the way it should be done."

-Jake Hofflinger, Hutchinson



"I like it. I think it rocks. Some would say phenomenal."



-Cliff Bell, Columbia Falls, Mont.

Give me a token called February

I'm representing my soul for us all In hopes we stop trading venom, and fall.

So why do I feel I'm the only one Giving the culture love? We are men of earth's mud And of God's blood. He accepts all, Even the thugs. Fake ones, too. My flesh is bogus But my heart is true. The glory of our essence Is up to me and you. We all need more humanity And less greed. Less mental chains And more youth freed. Christians united Is a dimension past the devilz speed. Give me a token Called February. For 400 plus years of entrapment



Guest Columnist

KEN COTTON

Lost my native tough. As far as my native kings The system taught me none. Force us to hate and be dumb To the world we becoming numb. Sellin' dope on street corners protected by guns. The holy one??!! We must have forgot about him in the struggle. God help We all in trouble!! When I think we out

We just back in. I'm surrounded by the serpent, His harlots, and evil men. God's comfort is our only real friend. As much as I hate evil It makes my back bend. Mad at self And the beast. Longing for righteousness and peace I'm here to lead and teach, But most of all to learn. We all must face this madness Or just burn As I help you Help me be a better man. When rapture comes We all hand in hand. I want to be included In the 144 thousand. Busted afros, Adidas, and God And finally say goodbye to project housing. Love for 2000-Peace.

Women can be found on campus

Men. If you read nothing else in this paper, read this column. It could change your life, or at least make your Valentine's Day less lonely.

Everyone is aware of the skewed guy-to-girl ratio on this campus. Last year it was almost even, but this year women form a definite minority.

Here are some suggestions for the men who are looking for high density estrogen areas.

- Run for student government.
Make friends with the Dotzour men.
Apply to be a resident assistant. Who else has permission to be in the women's halls after hours?
Go to chapel.
Use the computer labs in the co-ed dorms.
Lobby-dwell in the co-ed dorms.
Move to the co-ed dorms.
Go to the chick-flicks Tuesday nights and cry.
TURN OFF THE TV.



On Her Orange Crate

SARAH STOVER

- Join choir. Not only will you be in the minority, but after you polish your crooning abilities, you will have the courage to serenade the woman of your dreams. As long as her screen is still in her window, the worst you can get is a splash of cold water.
Write for the Spectator, or work on the yearbook.
Get a job as an office assistant in the Mohler offices.
Camp-out by the mailboxes. Everyone gets mail (occasionally).
Spend time in Dotzour lobbies. Third floor has the biggest TV, but has

half the female population of the other floors. A toss-up, I know.

- Change your major to elementary education.
Get a job working in the cafeteria. Everyone has to eat.
Find yourself some friends, dye your hair, paint yourself red and become the women's basketball team's biggest fans. I'm serious.
I might also suggest that you run down your current list of "ways to meet women on campus," and delete the following:
Call in the middle of the night or leave voice mails that say, "I'm drunk. Call me."
Sneak into belly dance demonstrations "for women only" with your camera.
Hang out by the women's restroom, making small talk as women leave.
Leave messages on dry-erase boards that say, "I'm lonely, and need comforting. Call ####."

Simplicity the theme of Puerto Rican trip



Cornerstone

TANG YANG

A lot of people have asked me how the trip to Puerto Rico was. My answer is that it was great! We had a lot of fun and we all learned a lot. We saw things we didn't expect to see. We also learned things we may never use again, like building houses. We each became experts at something—building decks, nailing and painting roofs, building walls.

Eight women signed up for the service learning project class over inter-term. We could have used some guys! We spent the month in Culebra, near Puerto Rico.

Culebra is a beautiful island with nice but unpredictable weather. One minute it was raining and the next minute the sun was burning our skin. Sometimes when it was too windy, there were blackouts. The whole island would be pitch black. The islanders told us, "You Americans worry about the Y2K? We have Y2K everyday!"

We worked six days a week. Breakfast was at 7 a.m., which meant we had to get up by 6:30 a.m. We got off work at 3:30 and we could go to the beach, do laundry, or whatever. It was heavy work. None of us had any experience building houses, so the work was new to us.

Because of the shortage of water, we couldn't flush the toilet every time we used the restroom. "If it's yellow, let it mellow; if it's brown, flush it down!" the saying went.

We couldn't let the shower run the

whole time we were showering either. We wet ourselves, turned off the shower, put on soap and shampoo, washed, then turned the shower on to rinse. Gosh! How we missed flushing the toilet and taking long and nice showers! We also experienced some long walks, mostly uphill.

We worked on six different houses. We completely finished two. We weren't able to finish the other four because we didn't have enough supplies or time.

Every morning we had devotions, then we were divided into work groups. One group would work on the roof while another worked on the deck, or the walls, or on putting up hurricane straps. Some days, we didn't have much to do because of the lack of supplies. Other days we had a lot to do, which made us feel very productive.

While I was there I saw things that changed my whole perspective on life.

A lot of them are good things, but some of them are bad.

I saw families of four with a refrigerator the size of the one I have in my dorm room. I saw whole families living in one-room houses. There were no bathrooms or kitchens. Calling the room a living room doesn't even come close! Also, they had no decent jobs! The truth is, there are hardly jobs for anyone.

The one good thing, and the most important thing I learned from this trip is the way the people there handle their lives. No matter how rough life is for them, they are happy. They don't complain, whine, or get angry about it. They live their lives in the simplest way.

What I saw makes me realize how fortunate I am. I'm so glad I had the opportunity to do something good for ones less fortunate. I felt privileged to share my time, energy, and strength

with them. I learned that the focus of living is not merely what we have, but it's who we have.

To those of you who have done this kind of work before, may you always be blessed with more than you give. And to those of you who haven't, reach out and grab the hands that need you.

I would like to thank God for His love and mercy, for reaching out His right hand to guide us there and back, especially on the planes, because the weather was bad. I also thank Him for keeping us safe when we were working down there.

Many thanks go to the Church of the Brethren, Project Impact, McPherson College, Ocie Kilgus and her whole family, Cliff and Arlene (a couple who went with us), and everyone else who made this trip happen! It was wonderful. May you all be richly and fruitfully blessed by the Lord our God for what you have done.

CAMPUS FORUM

Fill "our house" with school spirit

Fellow McPherson College administration, faculty, staff, and students: I want to say how appreciative I am to be a student again, and how wonderful it feels to be in class and to read textbooks again. I went to one of the basketball games recently, and I felt like a teenager again. The crowd was cheering loudly and really supporting their teams.

The problem was it was the other team. We were playing in our gym, our house, but after the game, the players and fans from the other team crammed the floor and shouted, "Whose house?" "Our house!"

I can't remember the last time I felt so low. I have always prided myself in supporting our athletic teams and drama productions, but it seems times have changed. We don't have that support. We don't have the spirit. We don't seem to care anymore.

It is not just the students, although they should be the ones that fill the gym. It isn't their friends and peers out there playing, but faculty, staff and administration are also lacking school spirit. At a time when strategic planning holds meeting after meeting to discuss how to increase retention and enrollment, it seems we are forgetting the most important thing.

We want more students, and we want them to stay, but we don't show any support or care when they need it. How can we expect them to want to stay if we don't act like we want them too?

Now I am just as guilty as the next guy, and have no right to stand on a soapbox. I just wanted to share my thoughts.

Another incident touched me. While

at another game, I noticed our pep-band playing their hearts out. I was proud, very proud. I just wish they could have showed up to support the girls in the previous game. In a society that is pushing equality of sexes and equal airtime for men and women sports, I think it is time to do the same at Mac.

I have missed a lot of games and other activities because they didn't interest me, but I was wrong. You are too. We are all wrong if we don't support our fellow students and friends. There comes a time when you realize they are what make college special. As an employee of McPherson College, they are what keep me working.

All employees of McPherson College need to realize that we work for the students. They are our customers and first concern.

—Jerramy D. Bowen

No gratitude expressed for research funding

I want to express my chagrin, embarrassment, and disappointment with the Dec. 10, 1999, Spectator article entitled "Research fund ceases after 13 years." Perhaps I'm being a bit too sensitive, but I found no sense of gratitude expressed for those 13 years of support from Mr. Stine. Rather, I read criticism, shock, confusion, bewilderment over a donor's change of direction in his giving.

It would have been helpful to all who read the Spectator to know that while Mr. Stine may have chosen to eliminate his annual gifts to the senior science research program, which he generously supported for 13 years, he is currently supporting for 13 years, he is currently matching all gifts to the Enhancing the Legacy campaign up to \$10 million. That is the single largest gift given to any college or university in Kansas' history!

When the campaign is successfully

concluded, at least \$8 million of the matching money is designated for the college's endowment fund (at Mr. Stine's request). In addition, it should be noted for all who may have received a negative impression of Mr. Stine through the quotations and general tone of the Spectator article, that it is only through Mr. Stine's current generosity that we have built two new residence halls, a plant operations building, Mingenback Theatre, Hess Fine Arts Center, and will soon begin the Melhorn Science Hall all debt free, no construction loans.

In brief, McPherson College is in the debt of Mr. Harry Stine's generosity—and in the debt of thousands of others who give generously and as they are able. It is important for all of us to remember that our very existence as an academic community has been and will continue to be dependent on other's generosity.

We will be better served if we seek ways to express our gratitude for all they have done and continue to do for McPherson College.

—Bob Knechel
Executive Director
of College Advancement

LETTER POLICY

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

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

■ All letters must be signed. Unless sufficient reason is given, the signature must accompany the letter when it is published.

■ Everything will be published within the limits of space, good taste, and the laws of libel.

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

English life different, "snogging" the same



International Perspective

JEN TAYLOR

I'm sitting in the classroom in Francis Close Hall at Cheltenham in Gcohe. It's 9:40. Although class was supposed to start at 9:15, most of the students have been here for five minutes, and the lecturer just arrived. As the lecturer finally begins his speech, the room goes quiet. Suddenly, the sound of a mobile phone breaks the silence and everyone in the room reaches for his bag. Everyone that is, except me.

I am in England.

When I arrived in England for my semester abroad with BCA, I noticed the number of cell phones in the waiting area of Heathrow Airport. Everyone seemed to have one except me, the sleepy girl with a trolley full of luggage waiting for the rest of the group to show up. As I waited by myself for four hours, I began to wonder what the heck I had gotten myself into for four months.

Being a young American in the UK has its ups and downs. There are basically three attitudes towards young American girls:

1. "You're accent is soo fab. Tell me all about America. My sister lived in Florida once. Is Kansas near Florida?"

2. "I never really cared much for Americans, but don't get me wrong, you're nice"; and the random,

3. "Go away, I hate Americans, they're all loud."

I received the loud comment a few times. Actually I was known as "the loud American with the patches on her backpack." But only twice did I encounter truly negative sentiments, and every time strapping young blokes came to my assistance.

Speaking of blokes, the funniest cultural encounter I had occurred with a rather slimy young man. A group of us went dancing, and by the end of the night everyone had coupled up, leaving me and Mr. Slimy to yell over blaring techno music.

"Here. Try this," he said, handing me something with vodka in it.

"I'm not drinking. The orange juice is fine," I said, scanning the room for a sign so I could make my move for the toilet.

"So, what do people in America do when they fancy someone?"

I begin to think of every 1950's euphemism for dating. I'm trying to be nice and experience a cultural exchange with the slimeball, after all.

"Not much, we just sort of hang out, really do nothing." This should fend him off for two minutes.

"Do they," he says with a Rico Suave head bob, "kiss?" He leans in. I jolt back.

"NO! Nope, not at all, we don't ever really." Frantically, I turn to my friend, a fellow American who could possibly back me up. Of course at that very time, she was snogging someone. There went that theory.

Students at university in England are rather different than Americans. For example, most pubs and clubs have student nights, so that every night of the week a student can go dancing for about \$2. This means that every night people are going out and hanging out with his or her friends.

Whereas Americans go and relax and enjoy ourselves on the weekend, that's when English students start in on their homework. This is OK, since most classes meet once a week, which usually means more homework, or in my case, studying performance art, meant more free time. I won't even get into my performance art class stories. Let's just use that old, over-used saying: "Toto I don't think we're in Kansas anymore".

4 Out of the classroom and into the real world

Students recall lessons learned during interterm trips

Interterm in Chicago

Laura Morgan
Spectator Staff

Many of you have probably seen the signs around campus that talk about the Urban Life Center, and you've probably wondered what they are all about. I think instead of wondering about the posters, you should look into them. Chicago was a great place to go when feeling overwhelmed by college.

The Urban Life Center was an absolutely fantastic learning experience. I learned that even though sometimes you feel lost in what you want to be, that if you have the desire to achieve, you will make it.

I lived in an apartment with four other girls. I learned how to use public transportation. I began to see the enjoyment of many "different" people. I saw theater events, went to jazz clubs, art centers, and did some required eating at many different ethnic restaurants.

The event in Chicago that really touched my heart was my internship. For ULC, I had to pick a place where I wanted to do an internship. I knew right away what I wanted to do. I wanted to be able to work with kids who were HIV positive or had cancer.

Things seemed to be coming together with that choice until December, when the children's hospital where I had wanted to work said it only wanted someone who would be there long-

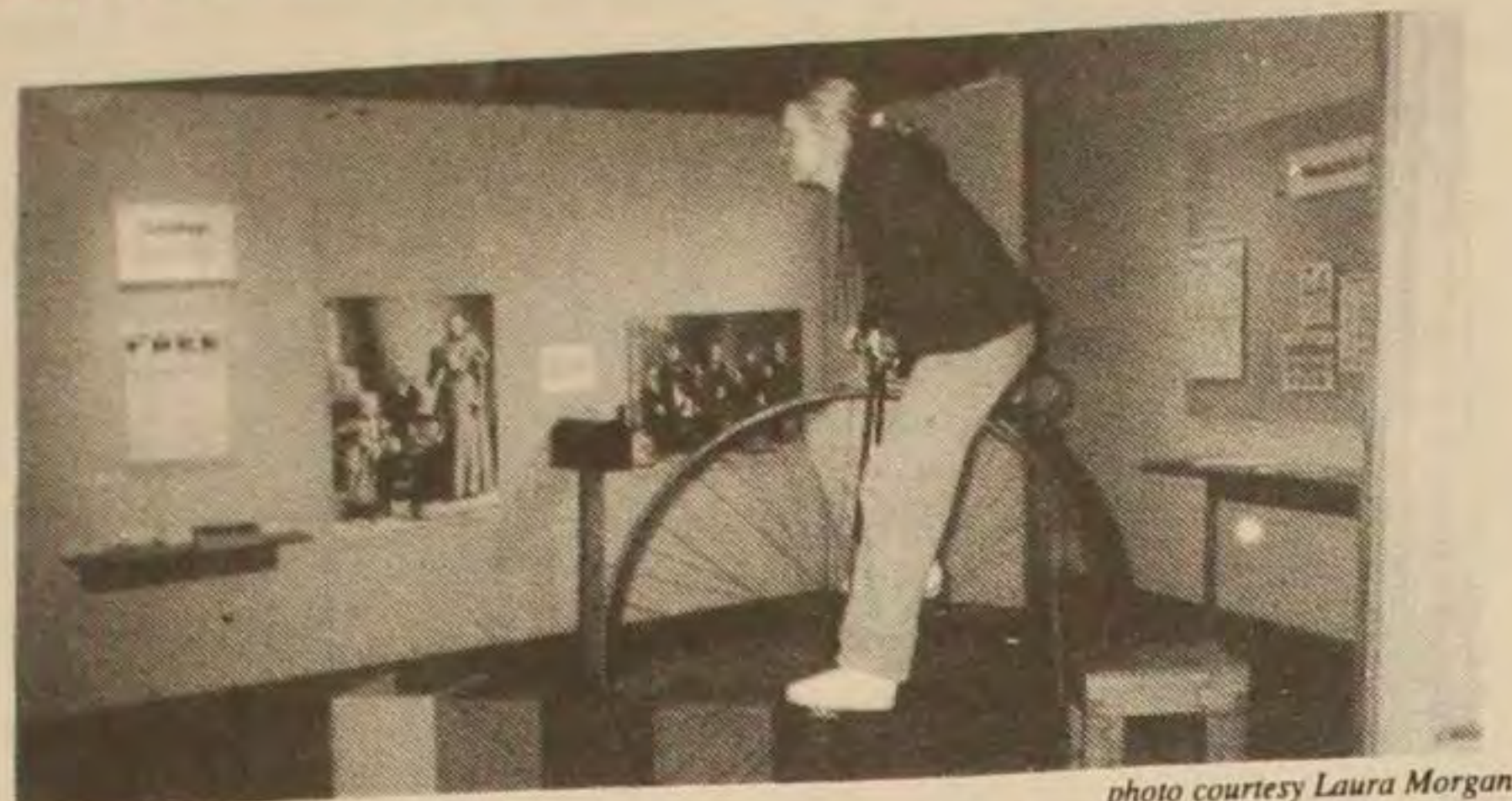


photo courtesy Laura Morgan

Laura Morgan, so., Howe, Ind., rides an old-fashioned bicycle at the Chicago Historical Society. Students involved with ULC visited many sites in Chicago as part of their class.

term.

Valerie, my advisor for ULC, found me another internship, at AIDSCARE, a shelter for people who are HIV positive and dying of AIDS. She was not sure what I would actually do, and I was a bit reluctant when I said yes. I ended up being really glad that I agreed to intern at AIDSCARE. My first day there, I was nervous about what kind of environment it would be like. I thought it would be a lot like a nursing home. My predictions were mostly wrong.

AIDSCARE was no shelter or nursing home. It was a HOME—the only home some of the people who lived there had ever known. I was a volunteer in the kitchen, where I helped prepare and fix meals. I also was taught the importance of serving different food for the residents. It was important, mainly because

of the medication that they have to take. Some people had to take anything from 10 to 46 tablets a day just to feel "well." In between meals, I would sit and talk to the residents. It is always amazing to hear the stories that lie behind a person.

My last day, I walked away with a sense of accomplishment. I knew AIDSCARE was a facility I would like to work in when I become a doctor. In the short time I was there I had touched people and that made me happy.

There is one man that I will never forget. In the seven days I was there, he talked to me, trusted me, and opened up to me, something he had not done with anyone for a long time. It made me feel honored and focused. The whole experience in Chicago focused me to get back to school and be what I've always wanted to be—a doctor.

Interterm in Puerto Rico

Laina McKellip

Spectator Staff

I went to Puerto Rico this January for the Service Learning class. It was an unforgettable experience, one that changed my life.

Eight women from McPherson College shared this experience. Each added



photo courtesy Corin Blickenstaff

Laina McKellip, fr., Nampa, Idaho, Ocie Kilgus, Spanish, and Corin Blickenstaff, jr., Nampa, Idaho, demonstrate the proper way to measure wood for a home in Puerto Rico. The eight women who participated in the Service Learning class worked on six different houses.

something to the group.

We were on the small island of Culabra, 22 miles off the mainland of Puerto Rico. Before arrival, I expected to be in the middle of nowhere with access to nothing. I was completely wrong.

We were placed on the main street in a little house above the post office. Don't get me wrong. This town wasn't a thriving metropolis, but it was definitely civilization. While in Culabra, we worked on six different houses. One reason we were there was to stabilize houses for hurricanes, but we did a lot more than just that. Some houses we added on to and then others we just made more livable.

A woman named Isabel owned one of the houses that we worked on, one that will be embedded into my memory. I don't think that I had ever seen anyone living in such poverty.

All of the beds were crammed into one corner of the house, and the kitchen was outside. The bathroom was placed a few yards away. When it rained outside, it rained inside. The house provided no shelter.

And Isabel saved everything. But everything she saved had some important meaning to her. I can't even recall how many times she showed me a picture of her dream house and told me that her husband was going to build it for her. It is hard to think that she will probably never get it.

Her husband was a recovering alcoholic. Three small children lived in the

house with them, but Isabel and her husband had more kids. Her children were all eager to help. They wanted to be close to us.

One of the kids called me his "little horse," because he liked to climb on my back and kick me in the side to make me go. Playing with the children was probably one of my favorite events while I was there. They didn't care if we could speak their language or not. They talked our ear off anyway.

I also experienced the joy of simplicity while in Puerto Rico. We didn't have a vehicle, so if we wanted to go somewhere, we had to walk. The plumbing wasn't that great, either. When we showered, we had to turn off the water while we lathered up. Also, there was no hot water.

Material things became unimportant, though. We didn't wear nice things, because they would be ruined. There was no primping, because there was nothing to primp with. I have decided that living simply can be very rewarding. It taught me to look at who I really am, instead of at my exterior.

I met a lot of people on this trip and experienced their lifestyles. I tried my hardest to help them out and in the end, it helped me. The projects were physically and mentally challenging. Our group was called Project Impact, but in a lot of ways, I have been impacted the most.

Interterm in New York and Washington, D.C.

Chris Curran

Spectator Staff

I was one of 23 students and faculty who traveled to New York City and Washington, D.C. during interterm for the biannual Investments trip. The group spent seven days in New York City and five days in Washington, D.C. Throughout the trip we visited various sites and attractions in both cities, as well as scheduled appointments having to do with the class.

New York City can be summed up in two words: move fast! Wait is a four-letter word in NYC, and you don't stand around unless you want to get run over. Now imagine 22 college students following Lowell Flory into the subway, along crowded streets, and into restaurants, every single one of us looking around like our heads were on a swivel, amusing the general population of NYC. That is how we were the first few days.

By the end of the trip we began to travel in smaller groups. (It is faster, trust me.) We walked faster and negotiated crowded subways like NASCAR drivers, and stopped taking pictures of every tall building that we saw.

While in NYC the group in one form or another saw "Les Miserables." It was my first musical, my first Broadway production. I saw the movie version with Liam Neeson before we left for New York. Otherwise, I wouldn't have been able to understand the plot. But the whole experience was magical, as the stage was transformed from a busy city street to a church to a bridge over a river to a barricade in a revolution.

The Empire State Building was amazing and comical. I think the biggest attraction for people was to call people that they knew and say, "Hey, I'm on the top of the Empire State Building." I didn't have any change, so I went outside to the observation deck and yelled, "Hey, I'm the King of the World!" The security guards laughed the entire elevator ride down before they threw me out on the street.

That reminds me: Does anyone know how many taxicabs there are in NYC? The exact number is a little bit over 5,000, but I think they are a little off in their count. You can't walk five steps without a cab almost running you over.

My advice about visiting NYC is this:

Stay in a cheap hotel. Don't stay at the Ritz or the Plaza. On a cold day you would be tempted to stay in your room, order room service, have a massage. But if you stay in a cheap hotel, your room will be the same temperature as the outdoors, so you might as well get out and see NYC.

Piece of advice No. 2: Buy luggage with wheels on the bottom. The train ride to D.C. from NYC was an adventure in itself. Imagine those same 22 college students with three pieces of luggage each. Now imagine all that luggage stacked and piled together in the middle of Penn Station with about four people guarding while the rest of the group tries to get some last minute shopping done.

After NYC, one describes D.C.: clean. The subways were cleaner, the streets were cleaner, and the hotel was cleaner...sort of. If NYC was a person and could speak, it would say something like this:

"This is who I am, so deal with it." D.C. would say something like this: "I'm built with the money from taxpayers, so I have to look my best."

D.C. was a nice, calm way to finish the trip after NYC. The second Tuesday of the trip we woke up to the biggest snowstorm to hit the East Coast since 1996. That day we

got to see our tax dollars not at work, as the entire city shut down. By that time everyone was tired and dreaming of balmy Kansas (I forgot to mention that it was 13 degrees in NYC, not counting wind chill, which put it about at minus-4 or minus-5).

The cold weather kept the locals at home, so only brave tourists were out looking at the monuments. People in the group were able to get some really good pictures of all of the memorials. My best memory of D.C. will be the time I spent at the Vietnam Memorial Wall looking at my uncle's name.

By the time we got on the plane to return to Kansas we were all seasoned travelers, half of us falling asleep before take off. We arrived in McPherson to see fresh snow, and the temperature in the high twenties—hot for us.

All in all the trip was a total success. We learned to huddle together to preserve body heat, we began to understand why tourists are some of the most feared people in the world, and some of us had our first experience with an iron. I would recommend this trip to anyone.



photo courtesy John Ingelhart

Cliff Bell, sr., Liberty Lake, Wash., and John Ingelhart, jr., Glenwood Springs, Colo., stand by the Merrill Lynch bull at Bowling Green in New York City. The class visited many financial institutions in Washington, D.C. and New York.

6 Lady Bulldogs achieve first win

Elizabeth Stover
Sports Editor

With their first win under their belts, the Lady Bulldogs are looking to keep the momentum in tomorrow night's contest against the Ottawa Hawkeyes. Ottawa is one of the top four teams in the conference. In their last meeting, the Hawkeyes came out on top, 91-61.

The women endured a 69-109 loss to Bethany on Monday.

"It was just one of those nights. Bethany is good. We couldn't get anything going," said head coach Mel Wright. "But we have the potential to win. Ottawa will be tough to rebound, but we have more speed."

The team has grown in numbers this semester with Minnie Gutierrez, a soph. transfer from the University of Texas. She has proved to be an asset to the team, scoring 10 points and grabbing two rebounds off the bench against Tabor.

"She is very dedicated and hard working young lady," teammate Jaime Howell said of Gutierrez.

The starting five for the Bulldogs have been consistent. Julie Scheef, Jessica Brown, Amber Allen, Keyda Strozier, and Howell "are playing together really well," according to Wright.

Their hard work paid off the evening of Jan. 27 when they met the Tabor Bluejays. Despite jumping to an early 20-8 lead, the women struggled and went into half-time with only a one-point lead. But the Bulldogs held on for a convincing 82-65 victory.

"The game see-sawed back and forth all night long," Wright said.

Howell was the high scorer with 21 points. She also had 11 rebounds.

"We played well as a team. We could have played better but I'm just glad we came out on top," Howell said.

Also helping out were Strozier (15 points, 7 rebounds), Brown (9 points, 4 rebounds), and Scheef (5 points, 3 assists). The bench showed good depth with Gutierrez, Jess Rainey, and Kyranna Sumral contributing.

"We've improved consistently through the season. It also helps that we're all healthy, with no injuries or players out with the flu. I feel confident about finishing the season strong," Coach Wright said.

The Bulldogs take on Ottawa at home this Sat., Feb. 12, and Kansas Wesleyan away on Feb. 17. Because of Tabor's similar win/loss record, the women still have a chance at a berth to the playoffs.

"I think if we play hard together as a team we [can win]," Strozier said.



Jessica Brown, high scorer, takes a pass inside against Sterling.

Intramural 3-on-3 ends

Nancy LaPrad
Spectator Staff

The team of Jonas Lichty, Billy Smith, Landon Porter, Chuck Kalin and Antonio Rael came out with first place honors in the three-on-three basketball tournament that ended Feb. 2. Eight teams, each consisting of three to five players, participated in this year's tournament.

Coming in second was John Elliot, Brian Piefer, Jeff Scott and Russell Matchel. Billy Smith and Emanuel Roland were named Most Valuable Players of the tournament.

Organizers Jenny Williams, Todd Hague, and Doug Hague have spearheaded all of this year's intramural events, including flag football and volleyball last fall.

"It's fun to get together with other people for a fun and competitive game."

— Nikki Unruh-Carey

"Everyone showed up and played hard, which made it [run] pretty smoothly," said Todd Hague.

The teams played every Wednesday and Sunday night starting at seven o'clock and played a game each half-hour. The games were played to 15 points or until a win by two occurred. No one involved in intercollegiate basketball was eligible to play in the tournament.

"Now that I'm done with organized sports, it's fun to get together with other people for a fun and competitive game," said Nikki Unruh-Carey, sr.

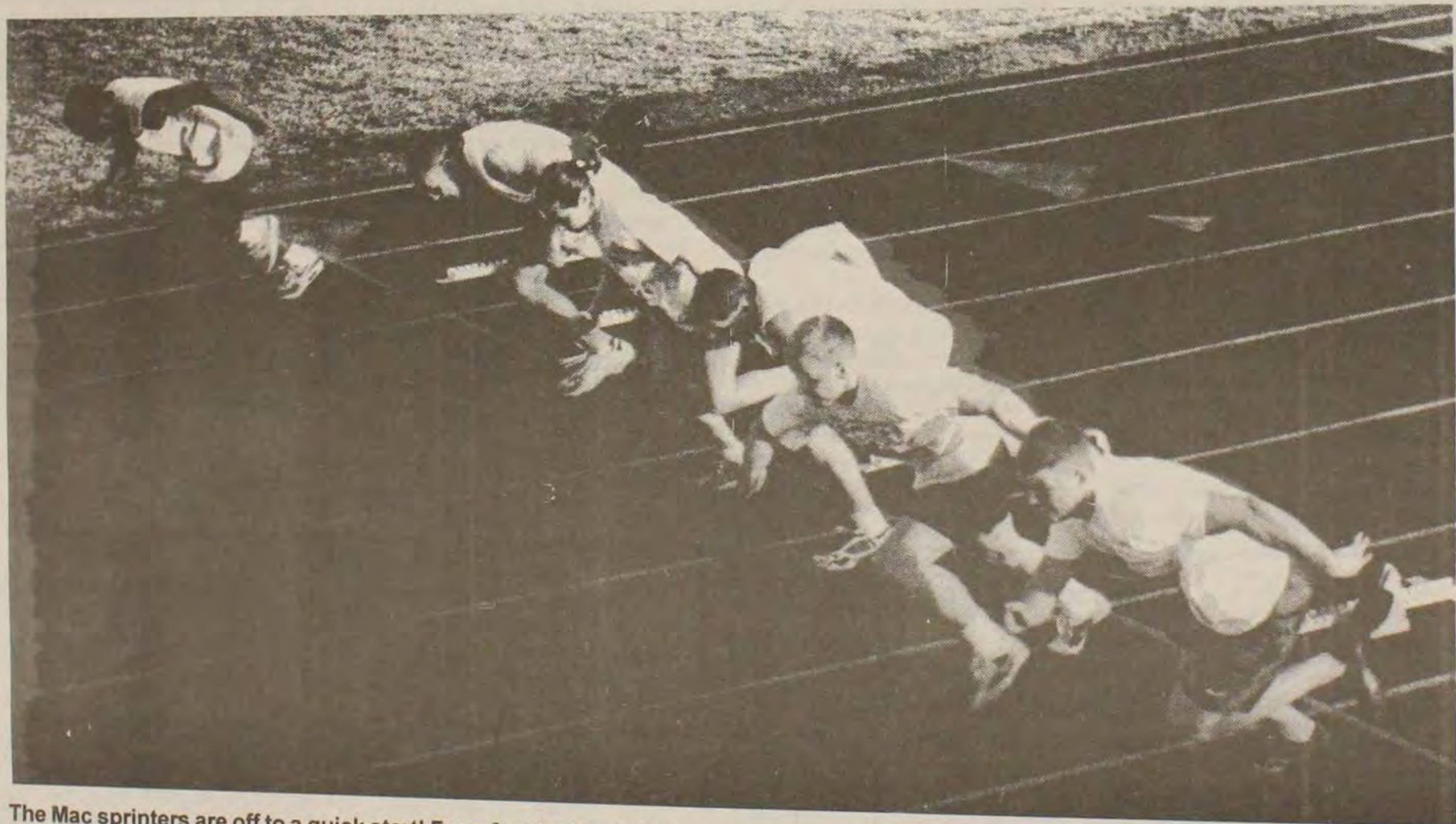
"The rule about the 15 points was good because it let you play, seeing how each basket was worth only one point," said Russell Matchel, fr. "Then if you were tied at 15 you would play till 17. To me this is nothing new. I have played with these rules before with other sports. This allows teams to play with intensity but still play to work out."

"Jen, Todd and Doug organized well-run intramural games. Not only did they do a good job on the three-on-three tournament, but they also did well with all the other sports," said Tony Segovia, sr.

The next intramural sport will be five-on-five basketball starting next week.

Chess tournaments will begin Feb. 12. Table tennis, softball, and pool will be announced.

Sign-up sheets are posted in the Sport Center.



The Mac sprinters are off to a quick start! From front to back: Holtry, Born, Williams, McAllister, Lischmann, Sanders.

Indoor tracksters train for first meet

Seth Good
Spectator Staff

Members of the McPherson College indoor track team compete in their first meet tomorrow in Kearney, Neb. The team has a second meet Feb. 24. The season concludes Feb. 26 with the Indoor Nationals.

Coaches Dane Straight and Rob Lyon are optimistic about the upcoming meets.

"I expect this will be the best indoor track season McPherson will have seen in a long time," Coach Lyon said.

The optimism is based on the runners themselves. The men's team is particularly strong in the short distances. Sprinters Matt Holtry, Russell Williams, Larry Sanders, Matt Lischmann, and Brandt Born compete in several of the dashes and sprint relays. Heath Garner covers the distance and middle distance events for the men's team.

"It's my first time [in indoor track]. It's getting me faster and more explosive. I'm planning on running outdoor, too," Lischman said.

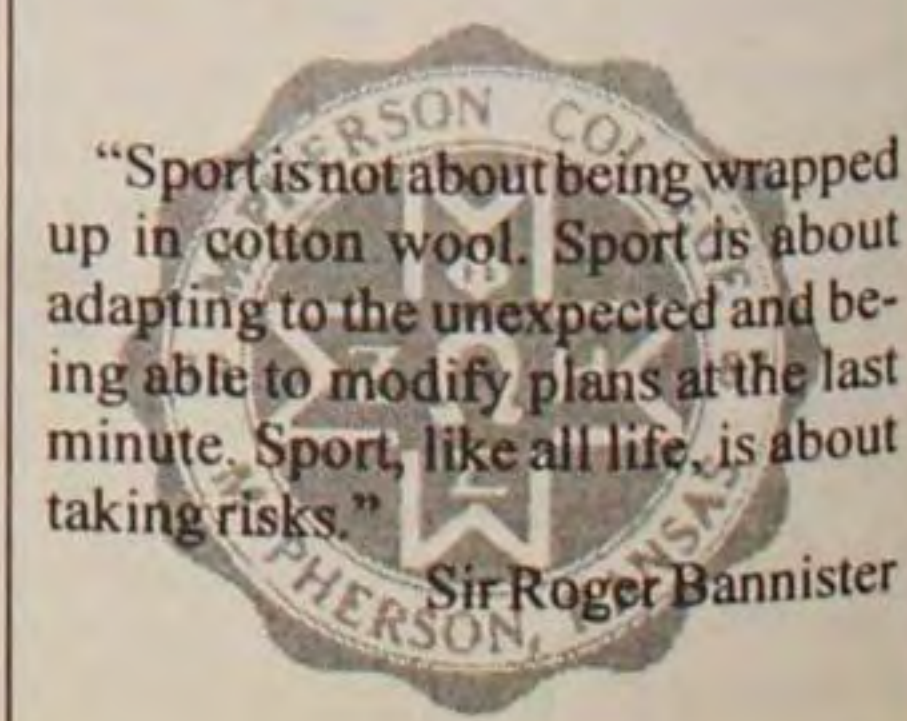
The women's team consists of Michelle Schulz, Melissa McAllister, and Marisol Sanchez. While all three run middle distances, Schulz and McAllister are training for distance. Sanchez is the lone sprinter.

Indoor track is limited by space, which alters and even eliminates many

events found in outdoor track.

The track length varies from meet to meet, but is generally half that of an outdoor track, or 200 meters. Relays and distance races stay the same; however, events such as hurdles and some field events are cut out.

Indoor track originally started to keep track athletes in shape for the spring season. This is still a major role of indoor track, but over the years it has developed into a sport all its own.



"Sport is not about being wrapped up in cotton wool. Sport is about adapting to the unexpected and being able to modify plans at the last minute. Sport, like all life, is about taking risks."

Sir Roger Bannister

'Dogs defeat Warriors



photo by Cheri Norsworthy

Ryan Hargitt looks for a pass in last night's game against Sterling. With this 71-52 victory, Mac improved its record to 15-9.

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69-82 v. Southwestern	90-76 v. Central
64-66 v. Newman University	88-63 v. Southwestern
70-84 v. St. Mary's	102-100 v. St. Mary's
69-82 v. Southwestern	75-82 v. Mt. Mercy
64-66 v. Newman University	66-77 v. Ft. Hays
69-70 v. Colorado College	78-74 v. St. Mary's
57-74 v. Kansas Newman	61-64 v. Bethany
55-85 v. Bethany	75-61 v. Sterling
61-91 v. Ottawa	69-60 v. Ottawa
59-74 v. Kansas Wesleyan	72-76 v. Kansas Wesleyan
72-81 v. Bethel	72-59 v. Bethel
82-65 v. Tabor	59-57 v. Tabor
54-74 v. Southwestern	60-65 v. Southwestern
59-69 v. Friends	71-59 v. Friends
69-109 v. Bethany	75-57 v. Bethany
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ATHLETE OF THE ISSUE

Josh Alexander, a senior from McPherson, plays guard for the men's basketball team. He was named KCAC Co-Player of the Week last week. Alexander is a great asset to the team with consistent performances. He had 21 points, 15 rebounds, and 8 assists against Sterling.



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Strategic plan creates vision of excellence

Janelle Flory
News Editor

After six months of work, the Strategic Planning Committee forwarded a proposed Strategic Plan, entitled "Toward Being an Authentic Community for Learning," to President Dill yesterday. Dill will present the plan to the Board of Trustees at its meeting on March 2 and 3.

"I really didn't know where [the plan] was going to go. We're dealing with a very competent faculty and staff who are idealistic," Dill said. "The direction they have chosen to go is something I can embrace completely."

During the month of January, SPC faced the task of drafting a plan that would suit everyone, according to Kevin Hadduck, director of academic development and in-house facilitator for the strategic planning process. The committee tried to capture the identity and mission of the college and attempted to determine who we are fundamentally and who we want to become.

The entire plan focuses on several main goals for the college over the next five years: population growth, increased diversity, more advanced technology, strengthened ties to the Church of the Brethren, and higher expectations in all aspects of campus life.

"For all of us, this has been a roller coaster ride," Hadduck said. "There have been high moments and low moments, fears and frustrations and we're all very tired. But we've worked hard. I think we've earned our weariness."

Hadduck, along with Bruce Clary, English, and Lowell Flory, business,

provided leadership for the group, according to Dill, each in a specific area: Hadduck in researching and organizing data, Clary in drafting the plan and Flory in guiding the committee through the strategic planning procedure.

"In the process of putting the good thoughts on paper, those three have been very instrumental," Dill said.

The Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees will view the proposed plan at its meeting tomorrow. With Executive Committee approval, President Dill will present the plan to the entire board on March 2 and 3.

Dill described the board's responsibilities in the strategic planning process in a recent memo.

"It is most important that the board deliberately and intentionally frame specific guiding principles that give a context for the college's future plans," he said. "I anticipate that the board will make some critical decisions and give guidance and direction for continuing strategic planning." Over the next five years, the board and SPC will continue to re-evaluate and revise the strategic plan.

A draft of the plan has been sent to Todd Frankenbery, president of the Alumni Association, Merlin Frantz, convener for Faculty Emeriti, Alan Gumm, faculty chair, Jessica Miller, SGA president and Deb Wagoner, president of the Staff Association. Copies of the plan are available upon request.

"I want people to know that they can always give feedback. I would welcome feedback up until the time of the board meeting and after," Dill said. "A good strategic plan is never totally finished."

Frantz demolition begins



The building which once housed the art department is now a pile of rubble. Students and faculty salvaged old pottery and paintings before the destruction began on Monday, Feb. 6.

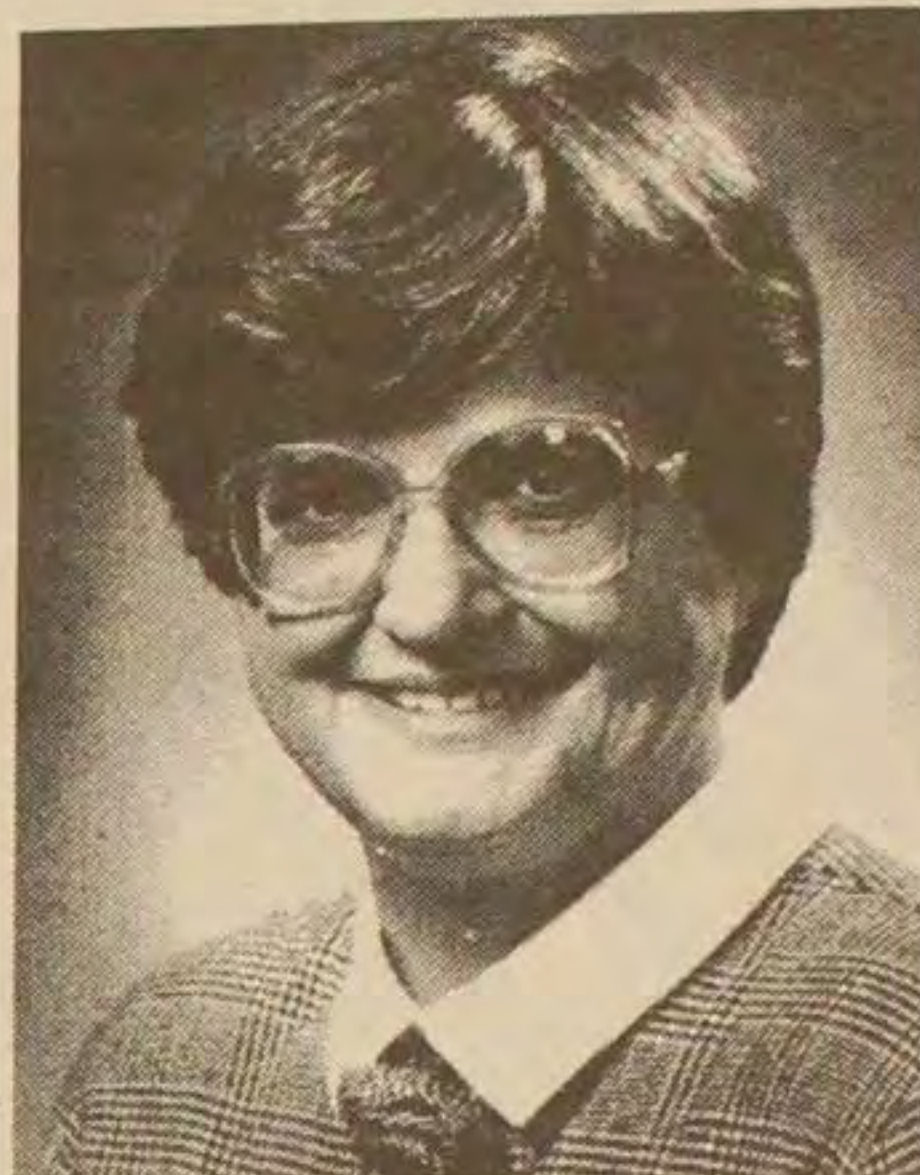
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"Dead Man Walking" author to present lecture on Sunday

Sister Helen Prejean, author of "Dead Man Walking: An Eyewitness Account of the Death Penalty in the U.S.," will deliver the 12th annual McPherson College Religious Heritage Lecture. Prejean speaks at the Church of the Brethren Sunday at 7:30 p.m.

"Dead Man Walking," Prejean's 1993 account of her friendship with death row inmate Eddie Sonnier was nominated for a Pulitzer Prize and later became a major motion picture, starring Sean Penn and Susan Sarandon. In the book, Prejean writes, "Before, I had asked God to right the wrongs and comfort the suffering. Now I know—really know—that God entrusts those tasks to us."

Prejean, born and raised in Louisiana, joined the Sisters of St. Joseph of Medaille in 1957 and earned degrees in English and religious education. In 1981, she worked with inner city residents at the St. Thomas Housing Project in New Orleans and later began counseling death row inmates at



Prejean

Louisiana State Penitentiary. Prejean has accompanied five men to execution and also worked with murder victims' families.

In 1998 and 1999 Prejean was nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize. She is a member of Amnesty International, the U.S. National Coalition to Abolish the

Death Penalty, and honorary chairperson of Hands Off Cain, an international group based in Rome working for abolition of the death penalty. She continues to travel around the world, sharing her experiences and working to abolish the death penalty.

Copies of "Dead Man Walking" are currently available in the McPherson College Bookstore and will be offered after the lecture. Prejean will sign books after the lecture. Proceeds from the sale of her book help fund Moratorium 2000, an international group who also seeks abolition of the death penalty.

The Religious Heritage Lectureship was established at McPherson College through the generosity of anonymous contributors. In 1998, Dr. Waldo Newberg of Hillsborough, Calif., assumed the responsibility of nurturing the series by establishing the Nelson Memorial Chair of Christian Education, in memory of John Emil Nelson and Olive Octavia Nelson. The lecture is free of charge and open to the public.

McPherson College in compliance with fundraising guidelines

LeAnn Wine
Editor in Chief

The Chronicle of Higher Education incorrectly listed McPherson College among colleges failing to comply with fundraising standards set by the Council for Advancement and Support of Education in an article in its Dec. 10, 1999, issue. The article was based on information provided by 138 colleges that answered a CASE survey in 1999.

The item that caused McPherson College to be listed as out of compliance was a CASE guideline that excludes the counting of intended bequests in reporting campaign progress. The development office staff self-reported its understanding that one bequest violated the guideline because a portion of the gift went to the Enhancing the Legacy campaign.

When CASE staff read the survey, they questioned the exception and contacted the college development office. Jennifer Williams, assistant director of development, spoke with John Abrahams, director of research and information at CASE to clarify the situation. Abrahams told Williams the gift should have been reported as an outright gift since the estate had been settled and the gift received and no longer "intended."

Williams wrote a letter to CASE explaining the situation more fully and requested that McPherson College "be listed as complying with your standards."

"Initially, our mistake was in reading the survey or understanding the terms of

the question," said Bob Knechel, executive director of college advancement. "We thought we had corrected it, but apparently communication broke down."

"I want to apologize if a miscommunication took place," Abrahams said. "[McPherson College] should have been in compliance because the institution didn't know where [the bequest] should go" on the survey's form.

Though Abrahams made this statement about McPherson College, he did not say specifically that the other 17 colleges were in or out of compliance. He did communicate to The Chronicle that the language used in the article was unfair to the 18 institutions. The article should not have stated that the colleges were out of compliance, according to Abrahams. In the survey, the questions asked if the school "generally adhered" to CASE standards.

"We have gone at length to communicate to the Chronicle to clarify 'not in compliance,'" Abrahams said.

The Chronicle printed a brief clarification of terms in the Jan. 7, 2000 issue. The paper stated that the Dec. 10 article "may have implied that 18 institutions had acknowledged violating standards issued by CASE." The clarification went on to explain that though the information provided by CASE indicated violations by the colleges, the institutions actually said "that they 'adhere generally to the CASE Campaign Standards' but with possible exceptions."

In the future, CASE will not list institutions that do not adhere to their standards in their public report, Abrahams said. Instead, those institutions will be notified individually.

NEWS BRIEFS

Orchestra concert

The McPherson Community Orchestra will be performing in Mingenback Theatre at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday.

Friendship Hall exhibits

Students in the Technology and Auto Restoration department are now displaying their work in Friendship Hall in an exhibit entitled "Technology and Auto Restoration: Craftsmanship and Artistry." Artwork by Lindsborg area artists is also being displayed.

New staff

Jacob Haldi joined the Plant Operations team as a building custodian on January 21.

Faculty resignations

Ellen Bartsch and Andrew Bobb, both of whom joined the faculty in the fall of 1998, have resigned. Their resignations are effective starting next year.

Volunteers needed

Volunteers are needed to serve as adult supervisors at the Church of the Brethren Regional Youth Conference on February 18, 19 and 20. Volunteers would help with general supervision of games, workshops and service projects. Contact Manny Diaz, campus minister, or Courtney Irwin for information.