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## Homecoming 2001 Festivities to celebrate 'Era of Change,' dedication of new Melhorn Science Hall

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Spectator Staff

A wide variety of events ranging from a whipped cream fight to the coronation of the Homecoming Royalty will keep students, faculty, staff and alumni busy during the 2001 Homecoming Weekend.

The events kick off tonight with the whipped cream fight on Dotzour Lawn at 6 p.m. The Bonfire will be held in the circle drive of Metzler at 8:30 p.m., followed by an announcement of the results of the residence hall decoration contest.

Tomorrow morning, the Student Government Association (SGA) will sponsor an Activities Fair in Friendship Hall from 9 until noon. There will also be inflatables on the lawn between Friendship Hall and Dotzour.

The football game between Mac and Kansas Wesleyan starts at 1:30 p.m. and halftime will host the Homecoming Coronation Ceremony. The Homecoming Dance will be in Mingenback Theatre from 10 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Alumni events will also start tomorrow morning with the Athletic Hall of Fame Induction breakfast at 8 a.m. in the Sport Center. The dedication of Melhorn Science Hall will begin at 9:30 a.m. and the Alumni Luncheon is scheduled for 11:30 a.m. in the Sport Center.

"This weekend is going to be really exciting with all of the great activities going on," said Nichole Williams, jr., Russell. "I'm really excited that I was selected as a Homecoming Candidate, I've been campaigning for a really long time."

Mac students who are Homecoming King Candidates are Art Baker, Chet Buchman, Tim Hayden, Charlie Hill and Wes Hoffer. Homecoming Queen Candidates include Janelle Flory, Sharla Ohdams, Julie Scheef, Ebony Williams and Nichole Williams.

Baker is a senior from Strong City, majoring in elementary education. His activities include basketball, Today's Educators and serving as an RA in Metzler Hall.

Buchman, a senior from McPherson, is an accounting/business and finance major. He is the SGA president, treasurer for the Business Club, Student Sports Information Director and is involved in tutoring.

Resident director of Bittinger Hall, Tim Hayden is a senior from Rangely, Colo. He is an elementary and special education major. He plays basketball and takes statistics for the football team.

Football player, Charlie Hill, is from Cedar Lane, Texas, and is a junior majoring in physical education.

Wes Hoffer is a junior from Golden,



The 2001 Homecoming Court includes (back row, l-r) Hoffer, Hayden, Baker, Buchman, (front row, l-r) Flory, Ohdams, Ebony Williams, Nichole Williams and Scheef. Not pictured is Hill.

Colo. He is a chemistry major who runs cross country, serves as the business manager for the Spectator and is the junior representative for SGA.

Janelle Flory is a senior and a McPherson native. Her major is German and she is a member of both the choir and the Brethren Club. She also serves as the photography editor for

the Spectator.

Senior Sharla Ohdams is from Memphis, Texas. Her major is physical education and she plays basketball as well as being a member of M.U.S.I.C.

Julie Scheef is a senior elementary education/sociology major. She is from Bennington, plays basketball and is an RA.

Junior Ebony Williams is from Kansas City and is a physical therapy major. She is involved in cheerleading, M.U.S.I.C. and serves as an RA.

Nichole Williams is majoring in communications. She is the secretary of SGA, senior vice president of APO and the academics editor for the Barker, the campus' student magazine.

## Melhorn Science Hall dedication ceremony brings celebration while Melhorns grieve

Elissa Thompson  
Editor in Chief

Melhorn Science Hall will be dedicated at 9:30 a.m. tomorrow. The ceremony will take place in front of the new building.

The construction of Melhorn Hall was made possible through the generous donations of Dr. J. Mark and Dr. Katherine Ramsey Melhorn, who majored in science at McPherson College. Mark graduated in 1976 and Kathy, a year later.

The challenge issued by 1964 alumnus Harry Stine motivated them to consider a significant gift, the Melhorns said.

"After he had made that commitment to put that much money into McPherson College, it really motivated us to step up to the plate and do something," said Kathy Melhorn.

Stine challenged McPherson College supporters by promising to match, dollar-for-dollar up to \$10 million, the gifts raised in the building campaign.

The Melhorns had previously been financially helpful to the college, but when they heard of the challenge, they

decided to they wanted to do something really significant.

"Once it was clear there was a matching gifts challenge, they really approached us," said Bob Knechel, director of advancement. "(Stine's) challenge has been very motivational to alumni and friends."

The Melhorns were especially interested in building a new science hall because of their love of the program.

"We believe in McPherson College and the science program they have there," Melhorn said.

The Melhorn name has a long history with McPherson College, as Mark's father, J. Jack Melhorn, is a past president of the college. Though J. Jack will be remembered through the life of the new building, the Melhorns hope the building can be a tribute to others also.

"We want to honor both sets of our parents," Melhorn said. "We felt like our parents have been very positive in our life."

While the Melhorn family celebrates the dedication of Melhorn Science Hall, they are also dealing with the death of their 14 year-old son, Aaron. He died Thursday, Oct. 4, after battling

rhabdomyosarcoma, a rare muscle cancer, for three years.

"There's a big hole in our family," Melhorn said.

However, the dedication will continue as planned.

The faculty of Melhorn Science Hall has proposed that a display be showcased in honor of Aaron's life. However, Kathy is unsure of what the display will entail at this point in time.

Overall, the Melhorns want to make it clear that the new science building was made possible by multiple donations from many people. They would also like to reiterate that just because the building bears the Melhorn name, they don't claim ownership.

"It's not our building, it's McPherson College's building," Melhorn said. Melhorn thinks that everyone deserves to be recognized for their efforts to see Melhorn Science Hall constructed.

"Everyone needs credit for what they did to get the building up," Melhorn said.

An open house will directly follow the 9:30 a.m. dedication for all those who wish to tour the facility.

## Homecoming 2001 SCHEDULE

### Friday evening

8 Theatre production: "The Doctor in Spite of Himself,"  
Brown Auditorium

8:30 Bonfire,  
Metzler Circle

### Saturday morning

8 Athletic Hall of Fame Induction & Breakfast, Sport Center (reservations requested, ext. 1126)

9 Alumni registration begins, Mingenback Theatre

9-12 Activity Fair, Friendship Hall

9-12 Campus Bookstore open, Hoffman Student Union

9:30 Dedication of Melhorn Science Hall (open house following dedication)

10:30 Alumni Challenge Cup Tennis Tournament, college tennis courts

11:30 Homecoming Luncheon for alumni & friends, Sport Center, large Gym

### Saturday afternoon

1:30 Football game vs. Kansas Wesleyan and coronation of Homecoming Royalty

Alumni Ultimate Frisbee, Lakeside Park, immediately after game

### Saturday evening

7 Alumni Volleyball Game, Sport Center

8 Theatre production: "The Doctor in Spite of Himself,"  
Brown Auditorium

10-1 Homecoming Dance, Mingenback Theatre

### Sunday afternoon

3 Homecoming Concert, Church of the Brethren

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EDITORIAL

THE SPECTATOR

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New policies deserve questioning

The recent decision by Lamonte Rothrock, associate dean of students, to revamp the policies of punishment for campus incidents was an extreme action. The previous system, while slow, worked admirably well.

In the old system, students were heavily involved, punishments were handed down effectively, and everyone got as fair a shake as possible in any judicial court.

We are now saddled with a policy that allows a single man to render sanctions on us, and only after this are we allowed to appeal for a council decision. Long has the world experienced in government the partiality of monarchy. We might as well heed the experiences of others this time around.

Ostensibly, this policy was intended to facilitate communication with the administration. How? Only after an appeal, instead of appearing directly in front of the council, students can now only send a letter. Judicial council only makes a recommendation instead of real action. Rothrock leaves a phone message.

The only real contact that any of the three will have with the students is on a final appeal to dean of students, Carolyn Coon. Students have been wholly omitted from the process. It would be interesting to know how this is better communication.

Gone unchecked, Rothrock and Coon have allowed no one but themselves to decide the fate of transgressing students. And this is in the name of fair and just decisions.

If the old system really did need improvement, it would be interesting to know how. It was a slow process, usually taking on the order of two to three weeks, but this could be easily fixed by holding meetings of council twice a week. Those students involved in council are supposed to be the active members of this campus, and sacrifices of time are necessary to be an involved member of the community.

The previous system was fair, gave students a chance to interact with one another, and by the means of council, the effects of cronyism were, for the most part, mitigated.

If we want true justice for our problems, we should resist these new and unfair policies. Give Rothrock and Coon the communication they want. Stop in their office, and talk with them. We should not let our rights be infringed under the false pretense of noble ideas.

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MAC OPINION

Should McPherson be a dry campus?



"I think it's a good idea. I've been to wet campuses, and they were out of control." Dean Feasenhiser, fr., Fruitland, Idaho.



"I think they should let people on campus drink if they're 21." Mel Trevino, jr., Brownsville, Texas



"I don't drink, so I think it's a good idea." Adam Jackson, fr., Eldorado, Ark.

"I think it's a good idea. It prevents fights and keeps an open campus." Amber Jackson, jr., Camden, Ark.



"So long as people are reasonable, drinking should be allowed on campus." Nick Barrows, fr., Indianapolis, Ind.



"I think it's a good policy. It keeps people safe." Katie Weston, fr., Weldon, Colo.



Lost on the highway of knowledge

I don't understand why I think the way I do. Talk to me about practical matters, such as the difference between right and wrong, and I have no clue. Ask me about the difference between two types of primitive ignition systems on cars no one has heard of since the times of Calvin Coolidge, and I will give you a semi-coherent ramble on things that no one has had any practical use for in 90 years. I don't know how, or why.

It is this sort of haphazard ramble through life that amazes me daily. I stumble along, not knowing whither to go, finding out things that I somehow think are interesting, following them, being led on the strangest paths. Anyone who professes to know what direction that they're headed in life is kidding themselves.

For instance, somehow I have come to own five tractors, somewhere between four and seven cars (I try not to count), and other mechanical oddities that I still don't know what to do with. They're all very entertaining, though, and I had very clear reasons for latching onto them when I did. What those reasons are now, I couldn't tell you, but be assured, they were very logical at the



Ramblings from a Room

LUKE CHENNEL

time.

In this sort of meandering through life, I realized something: I don't really have anything better to do.

Put in the position, I suppose I would take some greater calling to duty if it were necessary, but I don't really believe that truly great men in those positions think themselves to be of some higher calling or order.

Instead, they simply do what comes naturally to them. Granted, some lie, cheat, and commit all sorts of other indignities, but those are scoundrels who are simply power hungry, and are not great men.

They will never be remembered as great men, and though they may get away with their debaucheries, they ultimately are very unhappy in their positions. Truly great men seem to fall

into their positions by no major virtue of their own. They work hard, but so does nearly anyone in this world.

So, what good does it do to try and become a great man? Very little. Do what comes naturally, work hard, and good things will eventually come. Build a better mousetrap, and the world will beat a path to your door. This applies to all sorts of people, from plow wrights to pundits.

In my case, I simply don't have anything better to do than to lie around, figuring out stuff for my own amusement.

True, I must do some maintenance for those times and for the stuff around me, but for the most part, my figurings are rewarded with less menial jobs, leaving me more time to lie around and figure.

It is this sort of amicable relationship with knowledge that fascinates me the most. Not the hard pursuit of knowledge to gain a specific goal, but knowledge just for laughs.

Learn things because you think they are interesting, not because someone else does.

Charlie, a checkpoint of integrity and honesty

Some of you may be wondering what the deal is with "Checkpoint Charlie" and the reason for the previous articles. Checkpoint Charlie was the name given to the most prominent pass between East and West Berlin.

As a student traveling in Germany, I still remember the feeling that someone was watching as I visited the site. I listened to stories of long lines going nowhere, of relatives trying to get into West Berlin to visit family who were refused passage, and of the tension and nerves the point brought about.

Guards at the point could ask for almost anything they wanted and those trying to get to the other side of the city would have to comply or be refused access.

My great uncle traveled extensively through Germany as a missionary and he related one incident when the guard



Checkpoint Charlie

STACI HORTON

at the city check demanded that he give up a ballpoint pen.

The guard didn't need my great uncle's pen, but he sensed that the pen was important and, as a display of power, demanded the pen. The guard was right, the pen had been a gift to my great uncle from my father. He was proud of the pen, but was forced to give it up in the checkpoint.

The activities at the points may seem severe, but the goal of the checkpoint was to curb passage of those who might

commit illegal acts.

The checkpoints demanded that people provide a complete and honest outline of their plans in the city. Checkpoint Charlie refused to allow anyone or anything to pass that remotely hinted of dishonest or deceptive activities. When someone dishonest or inappropriate tried to pass the gate, those people and their activities were refused.

I see many different incidents on campus that desperately need a check, so I have decided to write a column this year that throws light on some of those activities.

This year, the Checkpoint Charlie column will be used to offer checks to the McPherson College student body and faculty on the activities, attitudes, and events that occur on campus.

## Campus unity will bring change for better



Guest  
Columnist

**BILL SROUFE**

I believe in the McPherson college community. Unfortunately, that community is struggling right now. This is my fifth year, and it is completely different from the community that I first came to. At any college you find cliques. When I arrived, the separate cliques had relationships with each other. Now, it appears that most of the people on campus could care less what happens to their neighbor.

Except for the minority students, M.U.S.I.C., I applaud you. You are doing something that we have needed for a long time—getting people together. In response to Miss Horton, if more of us middle class white folk would accidentally stumble into one of their meetings, I think it would do us some good. We need to stick together as students, regardless of major, race, or creed.

I was told a long time ago that it is the seniors' duty to lead any group of students. I apologize. I, along with many of my classmates, have dropped the ball. But now is the time to stand together. We need a vocal and active campus again.

Gary Entz is fond of saying that McPherson College gets some of the very best this nation has to offer. Let's start to act like it. Let's treat our fellow students and our staff with respect.

At the same time, we must not allow the administration to live our lives for us. We must be heard. None of us can change anything alone, but together we can. I know people are unhappy. I can see, hear and taste it. Unless we work together to change things, they will only get worse. While the administration is not our enemy, they don't know what we want or what we need unless we come together and make ourselves heard.

If you want to help, or you want to talk about things that you don't like or you think need changed, call me or stop me when I'm walking across campus. I'm the big guy in black leather, and my extension is on the list. I want to see this place become as great as it was when I arrived. Together we can make it happen.

### CAMPUS FORUM

#### Theatre troupe thanks all who came

A very big thank you to those that came out this past weekend to see our production of "The Doctor In Spite of Himself." Your support was greatly appreciated. I have heard many wonderful compliments on the play, as well as the dinner for First Nighters. It makes the cast and crew very

## Defining values leads to clear direction in life

Have you ever just walked outside and not thought about anything? Or do you feel a flood of emotions engulf your mind to the point you think that your head is going to explode? Have you ever just taken time out of your day to ask yourself what you value in your life or about life?

I guess this thought doesn't seem like it is in my mind very often, but it is, for the most part, always there. When it really comes down to it, is your Play Station 2 the most valuable thing in your life? If it is, would you trade it for something that you could never have back in your life, say for an example, a family member or a close friend who is no longer with you?

I find that a lot of people don't stop to think about, "What if there is no tomorrow?" This is always a factor in life, and you can chalk this up to God's



Cornerstone

**KATIE BAUER**

discretion, or just life, if you don't believe in God.

People often ask me what I was thinking after I do 90 percent of the things that I do, and I finally have an answer to that question: I'm just trying to live my life like today is my last day on this earth.

I have re-evaluated my life, and I'm putting what I value over what others want me to do.

I value my family and friends because I know what it's like to have someone

close to you ripped away before you're ready to let them go.

I value the fact that I have a chance to learn at a college where, for the most part, the teachers and staff are glad I'm here. They will bend over backwards to help me in my quest for a greater learning of life or whatever else I need or want to learn.

I value the little things in life. I value the cafeteria because, even though it has bad days, at least I know that every day there will be food there, and I'm not starving to death.

It's like after you've lost a game, time passes and you say, "I should have done this. I could have done that. Why didn't I do this? I wish I would have done that." This is my perspective on life, but it took me a long time to come to this point.

I used to ask "Why, God, do you do what you do?" For example, if my car blew up, I would ask, "Why did it have to be my car that blew up?"

I never stopped to think about what it would have been like not have a car at all. Or to be blind and unable to drive in the first place. Would I have missed my car then?

Think what you want, call me a hypocrite if necessary, but I think that after the tragic events that have happened over the past couple of days, weeks, months, years, and decades, many people have started to re-think what they value.

"You never miss your water until your well goes dry," but what if your well wasn't there to begin with? That is the thought that I leave you with today. What do you value?

## Relieve midterm stress in creative and fun ways

To reduce stress, a person should just take it easy. This means different things to different people. When I want to relieve stress, I generally put on some sweatpants and perform a good concert in my room.

I turn on Debbie Gibson's "Electric Youth" CD, and I sing. I do this because it reminds me of second grade. At the age of seven, I would walk around the playground at recess and sing Debbie Gibson songs. I didn't like the swings or foursquare. I just wanted to let everyone hear my voice.

I was kind of full of myself. I thought that everyone wanted to hear me. It's kind of like those people who give themselves bi-weekly columns in their school paper. Big Chief? Hmm... I've never heard of her.

When we were kids, what was there to be stressed about? I really can't remember. I guess I would get pretty upset when someone teased me about



Big Chief's  
Tablet

**ELISSA THOMPSON**

having a crush on the gross kid. I didn't want the gross kid to think that I was actually want to sit by him at lunch. I mean... c'mon... he was the gross kid.

I would also get stressed out when other kids got yelled at. I cried. I've always had a pretty unbelievably guilty conscience. Kids who sat beside me sometimes got their crayons stolen. I wasn't doing the stealing, but I would give the kid my own crayons. I was convinced I was the culprit. By the end of the year, I had a white crayon left.

I never understood the point of a white crayon. You have to use colored

paper for the white crayon to even show up. I didn't get to use colored paper much at school. Wow, I never realized how empty I feel because of that.

There was always someone puking at school, too. That stressed me out. Then, the janitor would get out his can of orange powder. To this day, I hate orange cleaners. That citrus smell says one thing to me, and it's not, "You are now entering an orange grove." It sounds similar to, "Watch your step, Tommy didn't like enchilada day."

But the ways stress was handled was so much more fun then. Some kid gets sick, so the whole class gets free recess until the janitor gets everything all cleaned up. I loved it.

And it's funny because the things that stress us out are not that different. Everyone gets teased still. Some are even teased about having a crush on the gross guy.

Sometimes having that guilty conscience can stress a person out worse than being overloaded with stuff to do.

I still don't like white crayons, and I still don't have any colored paper to use them on.

The moral to this column is that mid terms are approaching, and stress levels are high. Take some time to laugh! Sing your favorite song. Some people get so involved in this that they even dress the part of their singer of choice!

You could watch a movie with your friends. On Tuesday night it only costs \$2, and you can get a free small popcorn to boot. This is not an activity that I like to pass up.

You could just reminisce. Remember the funny stories that shaped who you have become, and in taking enough time to do that, you may be supplied with the energy you need to get through the day!

### 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.

### MAC MOMENT

BY STEPHANIE LEGROS



## "The Doctor In Spite of Himself" receives rave reviews

Elissa Thompson  
Editor in Chief

With all of its plot twists and physical comedy, "The Doctor in Spite of Himself" by Moliere is sure to please any audience. Under the direction of Kathrine Perrault, this show played last weekend, and will be performed again tonight and Saturday at 8 p.m.

Seeking revenge on her abusive husband, Martine, suggests to two traveling strangers that her husband is a doctor. She admits that it may be hard to convince him of his occupation so, in order to do so, these two strangers should beat him into confessing. After he makes a confused confession that he is a doctor, Siguro finds himself in mishap after mishap.

As soon as the lights were on, Martine, played by Rebecca Stover, fr., Quinter, Ks., and Siguro, played by Adam Smith, '94, McPherson, had the audience hooting with their comedic lovers' quarrel.

Smith's energy lit up the stage, and energy is what he needed to perform Siguro's role. If he wasn't falling on stage right, he was running down the aisle, sprinting across the stage or diving into someone's lap.

In her rookie performance at McPherson College, Stover proved herself worthy of an audience with her portrayal of Martine. Though her character was taken advantage of in Act I, revenge was hers in the end.

Also making his debut performance was John Werner, soph., McPherson. Werner played Luke, and delighted the audience with the exaggerated cowboy drawl that he adopted to portray his character. Tarnation! It was a riot!

Though Chris Rice and Chris Biscaglia are no strangers to McPherson College theatre patrons, their performances were both fresh and lively. Rice, who played Leo, was the lovesick fool that any father hates to love.

Biscaglia, who played Girardo, was the classic protective father. When Biscaglia steps onto the stage, he completely transforms into the character he's portraying, and this is no secret to an audience that has watched him since the fall of '98.

Perhaps the most impressive thing about this show, however, is the number of fresh faces dotting the cast list. Out of the 13 roles that make up the cast, 10 are played by students debuting in their first roles at Mac College production. Though they are new, the talent they exhibit is anything but amateur.

Bravo, Katherine Perrault! Your first directing endeavor at McPherson College was a great success.



photo illustration by Janelle Flory

## Students + Drinking = Dangers?

Amy Sellke  
Features Editor

Many people, whether or not they condemn it, think that college is a four-year party with one huge cover charge. College students spend \$5.5 billion on alcohol, mostly beer, every year.

The word 'drug' includes, but is not limited to, alcohol.

Despite campus guidelines that prohibit drinking on campus, McPherson College students get caught up in the party mindset like many other students across the country. The college's judicial board has heard several cases concerning on-campus drinking already this year.

The McPherson College handbook clearly outlines boundaries and regulations concerning students and alcohol.

McPherson College prohibits the following conduct: 1. The possession, consumption or being under the influence of alcoholic beverages or illicit drugs at College-sponsored events on or off campus is prohibited.

2. Gatherings where alcoholic beverages or illicit drugs are being consumed or on open display are prohibited on campus and at all College-sponsored activities off campus. This includes occupying a room or area where alcohol or drugs, containers, or paraphernalia are evident.

3. Students are responsible for their guests for any violation of policy including disorderly conduct or damages that are associated with the consumption of alcohol or the use of illicit drugs.

Nearly two-thirds of all college students drink daily, according to an online source.

Nineteen students responded to a recent Spectator survey about student drinking. Only four admitted to drinking daily. Eleven stu-

dents admitted to drinking at all.

This may make McPherson College's alcohol abuse policy seem effective, but with only 17 surveys returned, the results cannot be taken as an accurate reflection of the whole campus.

Drinking does not seem to come without repercussions. When students start drinking heavily their schoolwork usually starts to suffer. They may start to skip classes. Twenty-eight percent of students drop out of school because of alcohol related problems; seven percent are freshmen.

Because of drinking people can run into problem situations. Imagine finding a group of friends on a Thursday night that just got home from the club. They are begging for people to go to their room to have a little drink to end the night. Just as the students ease him/herself into bed at four in the morning; they remember about the big test at 8:30 in the morning.

Then comes the crawling out of bed, and cramming for the test. Good Luck competing with the others who did not drink the night before because the studies show who will be more alert and functioning.

College drinking seems to be inevitable, but there are ways to be responsible about it.

Here are a few tips:

• Don't mix drugs and alcohol (this includes prescription drugs)

• Do not let others make you drink more than you are capable of (if you say no, will others really even remember?)

• Ask a trusted friend to take you home

• Eat!

• Do not let drinks out of your sight

• Do not leave the party alone or with someone you do not know.

Of course, a big issue with drinking is driving while intoxicated. People who drink and drive risk causing death to either themselves or innocent people around.

"It's an immature thing to do. The worst possible thing for someone to do." Nathan Porter, fr., from Quinter,

Ks. said.

There are consequences when someone is caught with alcohol. On campus repercussions get the violator sent to the judicial council. One alcohol violation can cost a hefty sum. Students just in the room with alcohol can expect a fine as much as \$30.

Getting caught in the dorms with alcohol, by the RA or RD, can lead to different punishments depending on what offense it is.

"The first offense is a \$50 fine, the second offense is a \$100 fine and watch a drug video, and the third offense is

banishment from campus and possibly the entire college," said Metzler's RA Michael Perez, soph., San Antonio, Texas.

Most students don't mind if others drink, but there are just as many that do. "I don't think it is right to drink on campus because it is like we are a community. Usually when you drink you get loud and do crazy things. It's not respectful to the rest of the people," said Ana Benitez, fr., Ecuador.

## Knowledge Test

T or F A 12-ounce beer, a 4-ounce glass of wine and a one-ounce shot of whiskey all contain the same amount of alcohol.

T or F You're likely to sleep better if you have a couple of drinks before going to bed.

T or F It's a good sign when people learn to handle alcohol better than they could when they first started to drink.

T or F Women react to alcohol different than men and generally can expect greater impairment from the same quantity of alcohol.

T or F If you are under age, it is legal for you to consume alcohol if your parents are present.

T or F Young people can't become alcoholics because they haven't been drinking long enough.

T or F A person can die from drinking too much alcohol in one sitting.

T or F In a bad car accident, the more alcohol you've consumed, the less likely you are to be seriously injured.

T or F If you had a biological parent who was alcoholic, chances are that you won't become an alcoholic yourself because the gene is likely to skip a generation.

T or F There is less alcohol in a "lite" beer than in a regular beer.

Answers: 1.T, 2.F, 3.F, 4.T, 5.F, 6.F, 7.T, 8.F, 9.F, 10.F

# Three alumni to receive honors

Laina McKellip  
Spectator Staff

Young Alumni Awards will be presented to three McPherson College graduates during Honors Convocation in Brown Auditorium today.

Honorees include Stephen K. Burkholder, Cheney, '76; Dan M. Lichty, Quinter, '76; and Matthew T. Robinson, Kearney, Neb. '86.

"These are people that are living out the mission of the college through their lives," Cyril Russell, Alumni and Community Relations said.

**"We want to award them not just for their career achievements, but also for their service"**

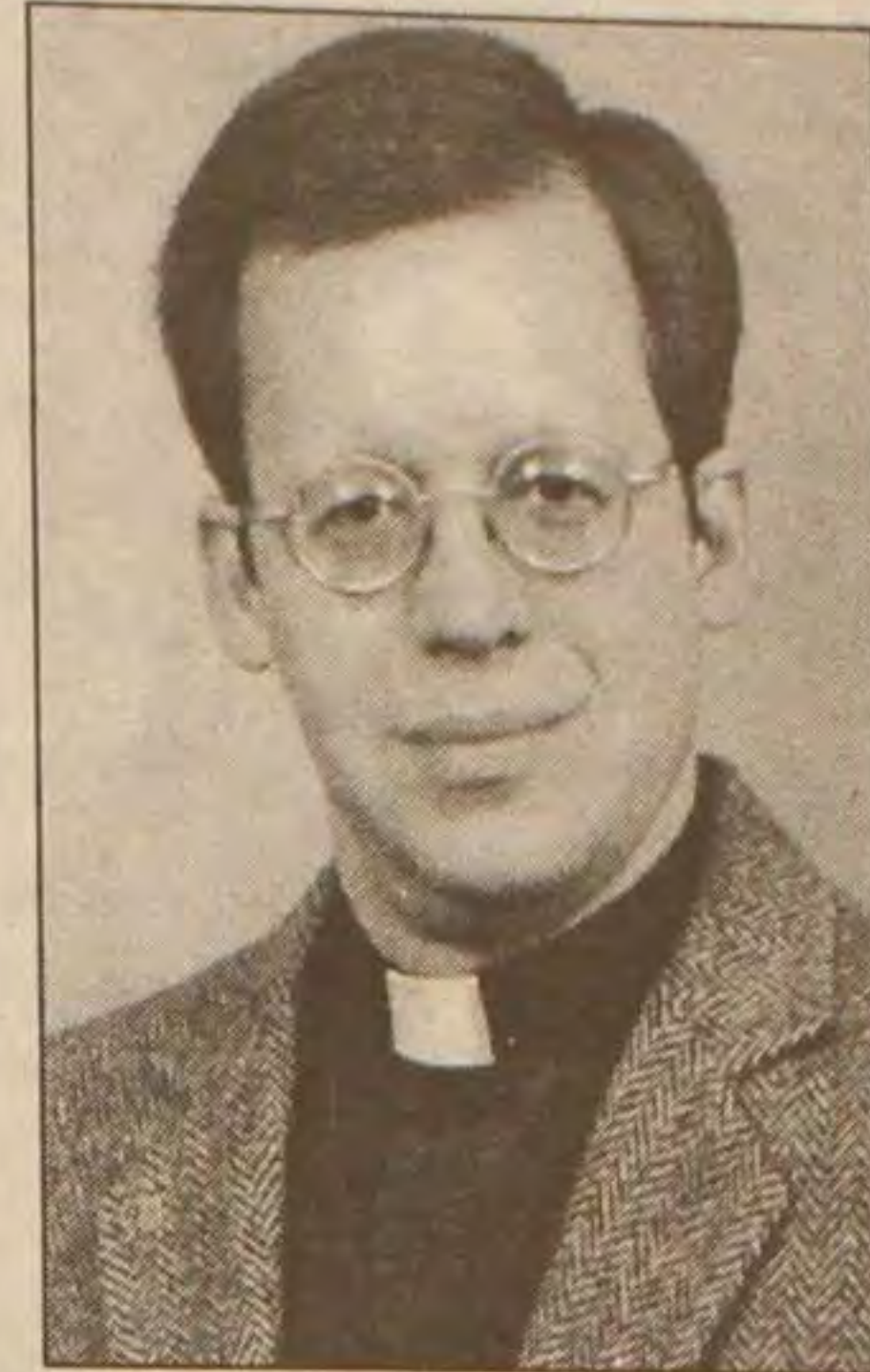
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Burkholder



Lichty



Robinson

Presbyterian Church in Hoxie, Kan., and then transferred to Hobbs, N.M. Robinson currently serves as the Senior Pastor at the First Presbyterian Church in Kearney, Neb.

Robinson has held many positions within the United States Presbyterian Church. He is the current moderator of the Presbytery of Central Nebraska. He has been a member of the Presbytery of Sierra Blanca long-range planning committee, "Mission 2000" Stewardship Development training and support team, and Camp Chimney Spring board of directors.

**"Through the lives that they lead, they bring honor back to the college"**

—Cyril Russell

The Young Alumni Award recognizes the achievements of McPherson College alumni who have graduated within 25 years.

People chosen to be recipients of the award must meet at least two of the four requirements; meeting challenges in pursuit of professional goals, service to others, service to the church, and alumni participation and support.

"We want to award them not just for their career achievements, but also for their service," Russell said.

Stephen Burkholder began a lifetime career in education after graduating from McPherson College.

He started teaching sixth grade in Colby, and later taught fifth grade in Arkansas, coaching in both school districts.

In 1984, Burkholder became a principal in Lyons and two years later

returned to McPherson where he served as principal in an elementary school.

Burkholder served as assistant superintendent in Abilene for seven years, and in 1998 began his current position as superintendent of USD 268 in Cheney.

He completed a Masters degree in elementary administration at the University of Northern Colorado in 1984 and a doctorate in educational leadership at Kansas State University in 1998.

**"My family is truly what matters in my life."**

—Matthew Robinson

Burkholder is a member of the Cheney United Methodist Church and has worked with the Cheney Chamber of

Commerce. While attending McPherson College, he served as student council president and was named Outstanding Male Athlete. He was also a member of Who's Who Among Student in American Colleges and Universities. Burkholder currently serves on the McPherson College Board of Trustees.

Another young alumni recipient is Lichty, who was educated and trained in biology. After graduating from McPherson College, he joined Brethren Volunteer Service and spent a year in El Salvador. He returned to Quinter, teaching high school science for five years and farming wheat.

One of his favorite college experiences is hitchhiking back to McPherson College from his salmon fishing job in Alaska.

In 1989, Lichty attended medical

school and graduated from the University of Kansas School of Medicine. In 1992, he opened a family practice in Quinter where he currently resides.

Lichty's family has a tradition of attending McPherson College. His wife, Lynne Frantz Lichty, is a 1973 graduate and his son, Jonas, graduated in 2001. His daughter, Renata, is currently a McPherson College senior. Lichty also has a daughter, Lara, who is a high school student.

The third honoree for the Young Alumni Award is Matthew Robinson, Kearney, Neb.

Robinson earned a bachelor's degree in theatre at McPherson College and then studied at Princeton Theological Seminary where he earned a master's of divinity in 1989 and a master's of theology in 1990.

He began pastoral duties for the First

His theatrical experience at McPherson College has been beneficial, as he has led several workshops including "Drama in Worship" and "Reconciliation and Mission."

Robinson says that he has been fortunate academically and professionally since graduating from McPherson College in 1986.

"However, that pales in comparison to the fulfillment and satisfaction I have received from being Peggy's husband and Sarah and Hannah's father," Robinson said. "My family is truly what matters in my life."

Russell believes that all three of the recipients are people that exemplify the college and recognizing these alumni is important.

"Through the lives that they lead, they bring honor back to the college," Russell said. "Which is why we like to recognize them."

# Faculty and staff give Melhorn approval

Amy Sellke

Features Editor

"It's beginning to feel like home," says professor of agriculture and chair of the natural science department, Al Dutrow.

Dutrow is speaking of the new Melhorn Science Hall. Completed over the summer, Melhorn opened to accommodate people at the beginning of this semester.

Melhorn comes complete with air conditioning, heating, bigger halls and classrooms, better equipment, labs, and a new facility to make traditions in.

Both Trent Parsell, jr., Chase, and Seth Good, sr., York, Pa., remember what a mess everything around campus was during construction.

"Everything was covered with a layer of dust," said Good.

A general consensus is that Melhorn is a good add-on to McPherson College. Simply stated, Parsons said, "I think it's better."

Good agrees.

"For one thing, I don't have to run up and down the stairs to get to biology and chemistry," Good said.

Tim Hubin, chemistry, believes that Melhorn is an improvement that is "cleaner than Harnly, with more space,

modern technology, and it's media friendly."

Funds to purchase better instruments and equipment came with the new building.

**"We are ready to set up new traditions."**

—Karrie Rathbone

Karrie Rathbone, assistant professor of biology, said the opportunity for research has vastly widened with "nice audio-visual, and computer technology."

Dutrow enjoys the collegiality that Melhorn promotes. "I appreciate all the science facilities being on the same floor. Accessibility to each other and labs is nice," said Dutrow.

Aesthetically, Melhorn is pleasing those who use it.

"It's very nice and attractive. It is already a very utilized building," said Rathbone. "It still has the new feeling."

However, some kinks around the building still need to be worked out.

"They are just little things that aren't quite right yet," Dutrow said. "That's going to happen anywhere and we knew it."

Dutrow is optimistic that these mi-

nor difficulties will straighten out soon.

"I figure a year from now we will either have them fixed or will have learned to work around them," Dutrow

said.

Though Harnly is still missed, students and faculty are excited about the new building.

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# 'Dogs inch past Warriors for 7-6 win

Adam Peer  
Sports Editor

Coming off a 62-35 loss against the Southwestern Moundbuilder, the Bulldog football team came out strong against the Sterling Warriors at Sterling. Unlike the shoot-out they found themselves in the week before, the Bulldogs found themselves engaged in a blow for blow defensive battle against Sterling, a battle they won by a score of 7-6.

The Bulldogs came out throwing in the first half with quarterback Wade Pederson at the helm, and a former KCAC offensive player of the week, Kevin Steiner, running the ball. While the Bulldogs worked early on establishing their passing game, Sterling established its running game. However, at the half, the efforts of neither team were apparent. Both teams headed into the locker room scoreless.

In the third quarter, John Berlanga caught a long pass well inside the Warrior 20-yard line to put the 'Dogs in scoring position. However, he also incurred a personal foul on the play, which forced the Bulldogs to try a field goal. Kicker Ziya Gunay failed to convert on the kick, and the two teams remained scoreless.

Both teams seemed to pick up the pace in the fourth quarter, and each would eventually score. The difference in the game was a touchdown pass from Wade Pederson to running back Sean Eason for a touchdown and a converted P.A.T. that would eventually prove to be enough for the win.

The Warriors had one last chance, and they managed to score a touchdown. With little time left, and the game hanging in the balance, Sterling decided to forego the extra-point, and try to convert the two-point conversion to take the lead. This proved to be a bad move as they failed, and the Bulldogs emerged victorious.

"We knew that the Sterling game was one that we should win. We came in, and we got the job done," Coach Dan Davis said.



photo by Janelle Flory

Sean Eason maneuvers past a Sterling opponent in last Saturday's game against the Warriors in Sterling. Eason was able to catch a pass from quarterback Wade Pederson to secure the McPherson's only touchdown, cementing a victory for the 'Dogs by a score of 7-6. This Saturday the 'Dogs face the Kansas Wesleyan Coyotes for their Homecoming competition.

This week the Bulldogs will host their homecoming game against the Kansas Wesleyan Coyotes. Coming in, the Coyotes boast a 3-2 record, including a convincing win over Sterling.

"They are a balanced team. They are solid on defense and offense, but we feel confident that we can stop them and move the ball," Davis said.

The 'Dogs have been working on their passing game.

"We plan to run, but we feel that our passing game is a key and plan to use it on Saturday," Davis said.

The Bulldogs' leading passer, Wade Pederson, a promising young freshman, is averaging an impressive 179.8 yards per game. He has thrown six interceptions to only five touchdowns.

The Bulldogs leading rusher, Kevin Steiner has rushed 104 times for 395 yards and a 79-yards per game rushing average. Unfortunately the Bulldogs have probably lost defensive end Joe Izzard, who is listed as doubtful for Saturday's homecoming contest. Izzard, who was last week's KCAC defensive player of the week, suffered a stinger in

his lower back.

The Coyotes' starting quarterback is Matt Karleskint, a senior, who has completed 89 passes and is averaging 145 passing yards per game, while managing to throw six touchdowns to only three interceptions. Their starting running back is Matt Leonard. Leonard, also a senior, is leading the league in rushing with 89 attempts and 485 yards for a 97-yards per game average.

"K.W. is a tough team, but we feel confident that if we play our game we can win," Davis said.

## Lady 'Dogs drop two straight to Southwestern and Tabor; communication improvements needed in order to grasp win

Adam Peer  
Sports Editor

The Lady Bulldogs have dropped their last two matches to Southwestern and Tabor. Both games were played at home. Unfortunately for the Bulldogs, the home court advantage did them no favors.

Both squads swept them, and they really didn't come close in their last match against Tabor.

"I have been very disappointed with our last several games. We are definitely better than how we have been playing," said coach Nathalea Stephenson.

Against Tabor the 'Dogs didn't seem to have a chance. Tabor is an experi-

enced club, and their experience showed. Though they picked up their scoring a little in every game, defeat seemed eminent with scores of 15-30, 16-30, and 19-30.

However, there were bright spots for the 'Dogs. Erica Alvarez had an impressive 13 kills, Melinda Trevino had 18 assists, and Anndrea Navesky left Tabor standing speechless when she served four aces.

"We have great hitters, and a great setter. Along with up and comers like Anndrea Navesky and Amy Wilhite, we have the ingredients, we just need to learn how to use them," Stephenson said.

They lost to Southwestern in straight games as well scoring 11-30, 27-30, 27-30. Once again, Erica Alvarez led the way with seven kills, with Melinda Trevino coming in with 24 assists. The 'Dogs seemed to improve after the first game, but they just couldn't seem to pull out a win.

"We still need to become more consistent and learn to capitalize on opportunities. We had our chances, we just can't seem to convert them," Stephenson said.

According to coach Stephenson, the Lady Bulldogs don't have any kind of shot at post-season play.

However, the 'Dogs now look ahead to games against Bethel, an alumni game, and matches against both St. Mary College and KWU. Stephenson sees some areas in which the team can improve to make these last competitions victories.

"We need to work on capitalizing on opportunities and communicating as a team," Stephenson said.

She stresses that finishing the season on a positive note is really important.

"We need to grow together and build for the future, but we need to improve and communicate more or that future won't be as bright as it should be," said Stephenson said.

## Athletic money to be reassigned



The Final Score

ADAM PEER

Among the recent adjustments to academic and social scholarship programs at McPherson College, the athletic scholarship policy was adjusted once again.

Under the new system, coaches will have discretion over the use of scholarship dollars. Specifically, coaches will now have the ability to decide what dollars go to what athletes. Eligibility requirements for academics within the system have also changed.

The new program gives coaches the freedom to award individual scholarships ranging between \$500 and \$3000. However, no student can receive more than \$9,000 in total scholarship money, including academic money. The one exception would be if a student-athlete received a 35 or higher on the A.C.T test and had a 4.0 high school GPA, in which case the student would receive a full ride scholarship.

Previously, student-athletes also had to meet institutional standards for the standard athletic scholarships. Now athletes need only meet NAIA academic minimums and be accepted by the college to be eligible for an athletic scholarship.

According to Fred Schmidt, the new program also allows athletes to win additional academic money.

"This will give coaches the use of both athletic scholarships based on normal NAIA regulations, and academic scholarship like the ones formerly offered with raised standards to those athletes who excel in the classroom as well as in sports," Schmidt said. "I hope that this will encourage coaches to recruit more and more good student-athletes, and will give coaches more leverage to go out and find such students, and more importantly to bring them here to McPherson."

Due to budget cuts and massive downsizing within the college, one may ask why some of this money can't be used for other educational resources? The truth is that there really is not an easy answer.

However, it advocates the college's mission by bringing in complete students, and will hopefully provide a boost for what frankly can be described as our struggling athletic programs and sinking enrollment numbers.

Honestly, a part of me thinks that this money could have been put into academics. However, the proof is in the pudding. If this move corroborates the mission of this college, which is "to develop whole persons through scholarship, participation, and service"; if it brings new, quality students to the college and helps boost our athletic programs, then it may be successful. I guess we'll see.

### BULLDOG SCOREBOARD

#### Football

26-7 v. Haskell  
18-45 v. Bethany  
14-40 v. Friends  
35-62 v. Southwestern  
7-6 v. Sterling

3-0 v. Central Christian  
1-3 v. Kansas Wesleyan  
0-3 v. South Dakota Tech  
0-3 v. Huron University  
0-3 v. University of Sioux Falls  
0-3 v. Mayville State University  
2-3 v. Sterling College  
0-3 v. Ottawa University  
0-3 v. Bethany College  
0-3 v. Friends University  
0-3 v. Southwestern College  
0-3 v. Tabor College

#### Volleyball

0-3 v. Dakota Wesleyan  
2-0 v. Barclay College  
0-3 v. Tabor College  
0-3 v. Bethel College  
0-3 v. Saint Mary College

# Smysor, Ball and Nonken named to Hall of Fame

Elissa Thompson  
Editor in Chief

Three alumni will be inducted into the Athletic Hall of Fame on Saturday at 8 a.m. in the Sport Center. Persons honored this year include Eddie Ball, Laura (Sundahl) Smysor and Ray Nonken.

These people were selected after receiving nominations in the spring.

"We ask for nominations in the Review (the college's alumni magazine) from the alumni body," said Cyril Russell, director of alumni and community relations.

Once the names come in, Russell and his selection committee do additional research on the potential candidates and the official selections are made in the spring or early summer.

"People nominated and not selected stay eligible," Russell said.

To be selected, a person must have graduated from the college at least 10

years ago. The committee may select five inductees, but this year there are only three.

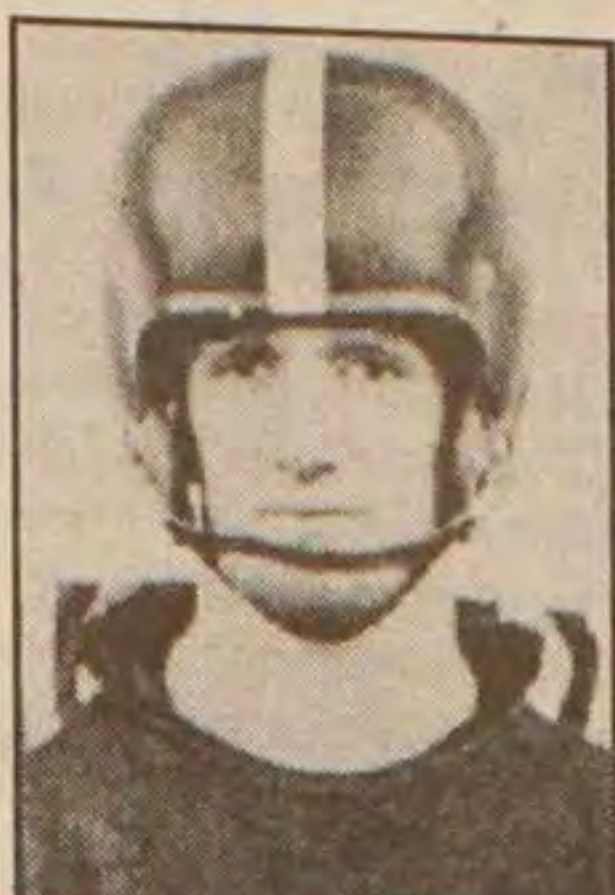
Ball, '54, McPherson, was KCAC Honorable Mention in football in 1951. He was First Team in 1952, and he was Second Team in 1953. He is also the all-time career-scoring leader. He holds records for touchdowns (42) and points scored (260). He has the highest season average for kick (27.1) and punt (15.1) returns.

He also served as catcher on the conference champion baseball team in 1952, and he was a member of the All-Conference Baseball team in 1954.

Ball is the former owner and manager



Smysor



Ball



Nonken

of Ball and Sons Funeral Home in McPherson. He is a member and past president of the McPherson Kiwanis, which he has participated in for over 30 years, and he is also a member of Masons and Shrines. He is an active member of the First United Methodist Church, and he is also active in Fellowship of Christian Men.

Also receiving induction is Smysor

'75, Lawrence. Smysor was a four-time tennis conference champion from 1972-1975. She holds the overall singles record (41-2), and she was undefeated her senior year. She also won the Kansas Open women's doubles in 1973.

When she competed in track, Smysor took second at regionals in javelin in 1975. In the same year she was named McPherson College Athlete of the Year.

Offensive play on the basketball court in '72 and '73 led Smysor to achieve the record for most points scored in a season (474) and most field goals made (207). Smysor has taught and coached in the public schools in Lawrence since

1983. Smysor is the chairperson of the American Heart Association Heart Walk, and sponsors the blood drive at Lawrence High School.

She is also a Sunday school teacher, and helps organize Thanksgiving dinner for the homebound in her church.

Nonken, '30, is being inducted posthumously. Nonken was KCAC First Team in basketball in '29 and '30. In football, Nonken was KCAC First Team in '29 and KCAC Second Team in '28.

Nonken was on the All-Kansas College Team for basketball and football in '29 and '30. He was also a member of the AAU Championship Basketball Team in '30.

Throughout his life, Nonken coached and taught in Abilene, Hope, Hutchinson, Nickerson and Wakeeny.

The induction ceremony and breakfast will be held at the Sport Center. Anyone interested can make reservations by calling Russell, at ext. 1126.

## 'Huckers aim to defeat alumni

Wes Hoffert  
Business Manager

The McPherson Mudhucker Ultimate Frisbee team is aiming for a victory in their annual scrimmage against the alumni on Saturday. These two teams will face off in Lakeside Park immediately following the football game.

The scrimmage is an enjoyed tradition in which players will share tips, stories and have a good time competing in the sport that they love.

The Mudhuckers started their season with a victory against K-State, and they are looking for a positive season.

Plans to take a trip to Illinois are in the works, and a home tournament for mid-November is planned as well.



photo by Janelle Flory

Chris Rice pivots to avoid a block from Jeremy Hoffman in ultimate practice on Sunday in Lakeside Park.

## ATHLETE OF THE ISSUE

McPherson College's Joe Izzard, sophomore defensive end from Lancaster South Carolina, was named KCAC (Kansas Collegiate Athletic Conference) Co-Defensive Player of the Week following his 14-tackle performance in the Bulldogs' 7-6 win at Sterling College on Saturday.

Izzard was credited with 11 solo tackles along with three assists including two tackles for losses and one quarterback sack.

Izzard went down with a lower back, lumbar "stinger" After a 20-minute delay while emergency personnel evaluated his condition and prepared him to be transported, Izzard was moved by ambulance to the Lyons Hospital. He was released from the hospital later Saturday.

Izzard was to be re-evaluated by



photo by Carol Swenson

Izzard

his doctor again on Monday.

"Joe has really stepped up the past couple of weeks and become a key for our defense," said coach Dan Davis. "He's a tough, strong kid who plays with a lot of emotion."

## SPORTS IN SHORTS

### Cross country team to compete in Winfield

The cross country team took last weekend off, but will run Saturday when it travels to Winfield for the combined NAIA Mid-States Championships/Southwestern Invitational.

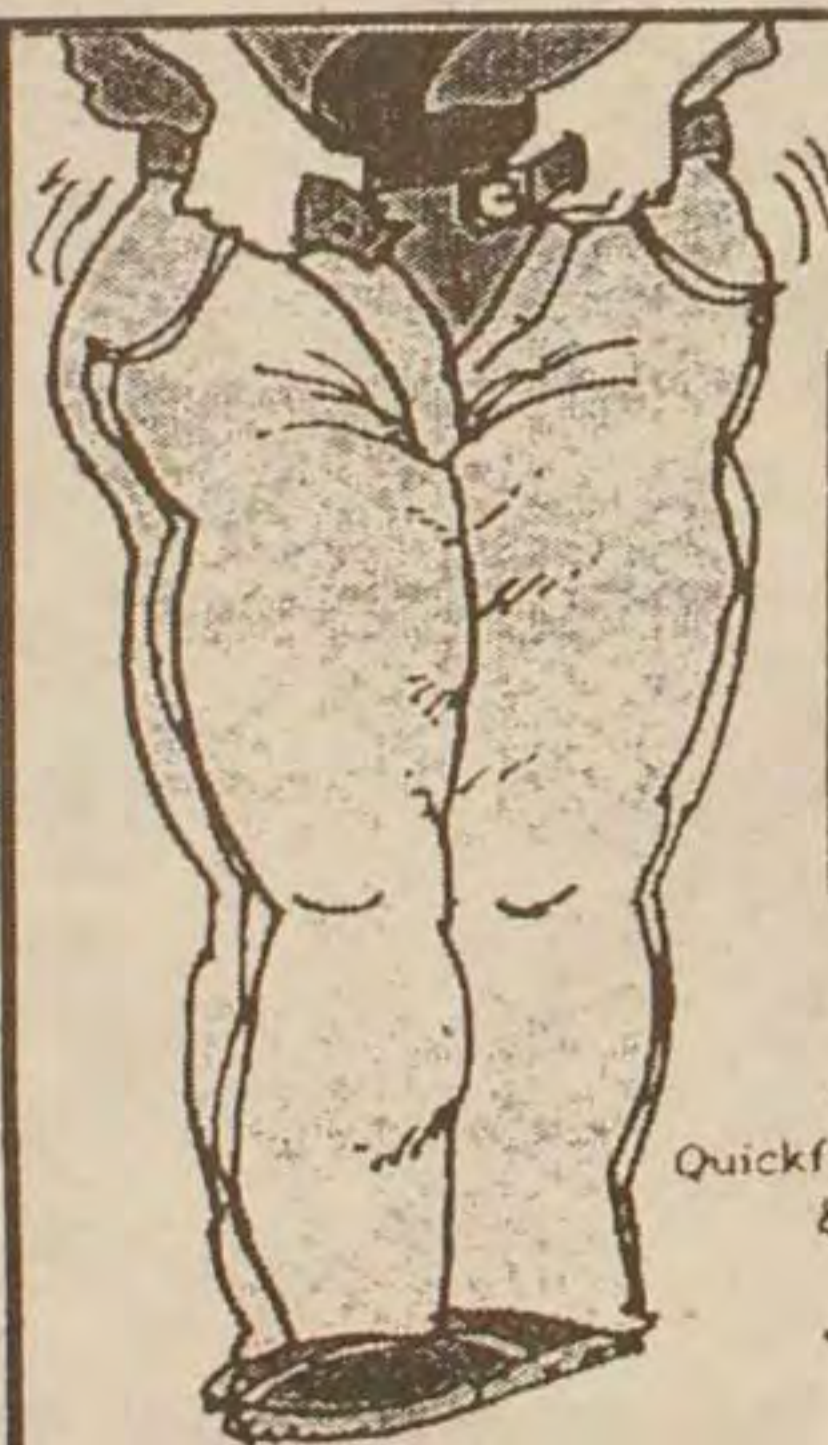
### Basketball presents Midnight Madness

The Bulldog basketball teams will scrimmage Sunday night in their annual Midnight Madness.

The even kicks off at 11 p.m. with games and contests for fans.

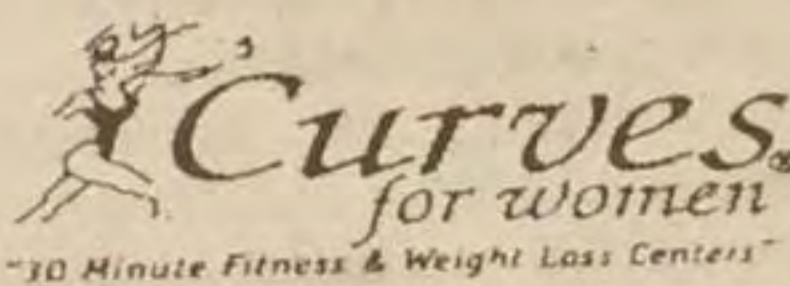
After team and cheerleaders introductions, the men will open pre-season with a 20 minute scrimmage.

Shortly following, the women will scrimmage to launch their pre-season play as well.



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# Board discusses necessary budget cuts

Kara Reiff  
News Editor

Issues being discussed at this fall's Board of Trustee meetings include an evaluation of both the president of the college and the board itself, financial adjustments, compensation enhancement for college employees and the automotive restoration program's silver anniversary.

Trustee meetings began yesterday in the lower level of Miller Library and continue today.

Consultants Dr. Diana Beaudoin and E. B. Wilson are conducting the evaluation of President Gary Dill and of the work done by the Board of Trustees. Beaudoin and Wilson are from the Association of Governing Boards (AGB).

The Executive Committee of the board decided to have an evaluation conducted during the summer. According to Phillip Stover, board president,

the decision was made because the board is going through a transition period and there has been a significant amount of turnover in members.

"I am really pleased that the board has chosen to evaluate their work and also mine," Dill said. "I look forward to getting the report with the results from the evaluation."

Student, faculty and staff input was a part of the evaluation process. Members of the Student Government Association (SGA) and resident assistants were interviewed and asked for their suggestions.

"The evaluation gave the faculty and students the opportunity to have input about issues that were important to them," Stover said. "The idea was that we wanted to hear what they had to say."

A preliminary report will be presented at an executive session of the board today. This session involves all members of the board and does not

include any McPherson College employees.

A full report with recommendations for the board will be presented to them at a meeting in November. The college community will most likely be informed of the results after that meeting.

According to Stover, budget adjustments happen most years because of the difference in expected enrollment and actual enrollment. This year is no exception. The preliminary budget that was proposed at the March trustee meetings must be decreased by about \$550,000.

"We will have to reduce spending in a number of areas," said Dale Minnich, chief financial officer, "and individual department budgets will be pared approximately 10 percent."

Other adjustments have been made that include the combining of some administrative positions at the college and not replacing positions that were vacated during the summer. Also, three

employees have been let go as a part of the plan.

In another business item, the board will be looking at compensation enhancement for faculty, staff and wage per hour employees.

"We are looking at a proposal that will suggest a fairly large compensation for these groups," Minnich said. "Most of these people are receiving below the standards that we have set."

Board members will also be updated on changes in the auto restoration program. A banquet last spring kicked off the program's 25th anniversary year. Since then, several fundraising projects have been undertaken, and Templeton Hall has undergone some renovation as a result.

Bob Knechel, director of advancement, says that the total goal the college wants to meet for capital projects related to auto restoration is \$1.8 million. To date, the college has received \$300,000 in gifts and donations.

## NEWS BRIEFS

### National accreditation for teacher education program

McPherson College is in the process of applying for national accreditation for the teacher education program. Obtaining national accreditation takes about two years and Mac is one year into the project.

To be accredited, the college has to meet the standards that have been set by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE).

Faculty members have recently received notification that the preconditions they developed were approved by NCATE. The college will not know officially whether it has obtained accreditation until March of 2003.

### New b-ball courts at Mac

Leaving campus to play basketball will not be a necessity after Oct. 15. The tennis courts will now become a full length basketball court with a FuturePro, crank-down goal at each end.

Student government, with some assistance from Carolyn Coon, dean of students, will bring the new outside court to the campus.

This court is intended to make playing basketball more convenient for students. The goals are being erected this week, but the lines will not be in place until later this month.

## CORRECTION

The enrollment story headline in the previous issue of the Spectator incorrectly stated that new student enrollment decreased 12.5 percent. The headline should have read New student enrollment decreases 19 percent. We regret the error.

# Gandhi to speak at Religious Heritage Lecture

Janelle Flory  
Photo Editor

Peace-seeker Arun Gandhi, grandson of Mahatma Gandhi, will lecture on inner-peace and passive nonviolence at the 14th Annual Religious Heritage Lecture on Oct. 27 at the McPherson Church of the Brethren.



Gandhi

"Arun's message is that there are two kinds of violence-active, physical violence and passive, emotional and verbal violence," said Manny Diaz, campus minister. "If we want to be truly non-violent, we have to be passively non-

violent."

In 1991, Gandhi and his wife Sunanda, founded the M.K. Gandhi Institute for Nonviolence at Christian Brothers University in Memphis, Tenn. The institute's mission is to "promote and apply the principles of nonviolence locally, nationally and globally, to prevent violence and resolve personal and public conflicts through research, education, and programming."

Now amidst national cries for justice and retaliation, the Gandhi Institute reiterates the words of Mahatma Gandhi: "We must be the change that we wish to see."

"We must understand that nonviolence is not a strategy that we can use in times of peace and discard in a moment of crisis," Gandhi wrote in a special message on Terrorism and Non-

violence. "Focusing our efforts on the monsters, rather than what creates the monsters, will not solve the problems of violence. Justice should mean reformation and not revenge."

Born in 1934 in Durban, South Africa, Gandhi grew up under apartheid laws. Both white and black South Africans continually beat him because of his medium skin color. In response, he sought eye-for-an-eye justice.

Worried about their son's angry and revengeful nature, Gandhi's parents sent him to live in India with his grandfather at age 13. For two years, Mahatma taught him how to deal with anger positively.

In 1987, Gandhi and Sunanda moved to the United States and worked on a comparative study of prejudice in South Africa, India and the U.S. at the Univer-

sity of Mississippi. They now travel extensively, providing education.

In addition to the 7 p.m. lecture, Gandhi will present an afternoon workshop from 2-5 about dealing with anger and tracing the "violence family tree."

Both of Gandhi's presentations will headline a weekend forum entitled "PeaceWorks," hosted by the McPherson Church of the Brethren. Morning workshops will focus on the areas of conflict resolution, the "Decade to Overcome Violence," the biblical basis for nonviolence and a Brethren historical perspective on nonviolence.

All faculty, staff and students can participate in "PeaceWorks" for a \$5 fee. Costs cover a Saturday lunch and Sunday continental breakfast at the church. Registration forms and schedules are available in Diaz's office.

# McPherson College adopts new system for handling campus code violations

Rebecca Stover  
Spectator Staff

A new way of handling violations of the campus code has been adopted by college officials.

The new plan was accepted with hopes that it can not only deal with issues up front, but in depth as well. The new process of sanctions and appeals, which has already gone into effect, is aimed at communicating more effectively with the students.

Previously, violations of campus rules were written up by a resident assistant (RA) or a resident director (RD) and submitted to the Residential Judicial Council (J-Board). Once the council made a decision, which usually came straight from a list of guidelines, the student was notified.

Then, if desired, the student could appeal to the associate dean of students. After this review, if still unsatisfied, the student could appeal for the last time to Carolyn Coon, dean of students.

Following this procedure, J-Board met weekly to give structured sanc-

tions, but there was little personal interaction with the students.

In the new system, RAs or RDs write up violations and submit them to LaMonte Rothrock, associate dean of students. Rothrock sends out the first sanction to the student and gives them 48 hours to appeal to J-Board. The appeals must be submitted in writing.

If a student appeals the sanction, J-Board checks to make sure the situation was handled appropriately, that the word choice was fair, and that there was no misinformation. The council then recommends to Rothrock that he either keep or alter his original decision before notifying the student. If the student wishes to appeal again, it goes to Coon.

"We are trying to help the student in a safe environment where they can work it out...preparing them for the real world," Rothrock said. "We just need to communicate. If we can understand the whole situation, we can help them out."

Coon believes that this will add an educational component for the college.

"It is not just paying a fine because we want the money, but sitting down

with the student," Coon said.

Coon and Rothrock believe the new process gives them a chance to really help students. They hope to be able to meet with students, have a conversation and get down to the deeper issues that are prompting the violations.

"This pushes us away from the rubber stamp of J-Board," Coon said, "and lets us deal with the situation as we see most effective."

Coon and Rothrock anticipate that this new system will give comfort to students whom aren't directly violating campus rules, but are still affected. Their advice to those students is to recognize a bad situation and get out of it. They said that RAs can only write what they see, so the best approach is to avoid places where the campus code is being violated.

They also encourage students to hold their peers accountable for their actions.

For example, with the issue of vandalism, Coon and Rothrock said students must realize that in the long run, the whole campus pays for one person's actions.

## "The Doctor in Spite of Himself" continues this Homecoming Weekend



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Still feeling abused, Martine (Rebecca Stover, fr.) shakes hands with Siguro (Adam Smith, 1994 graduate) agreeing to forgive her for beating her.