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CARS Club car show returns to Mac College lawn tomorrow

Luke Chennell
Editor in Chief

A land-speed record car, some prominent restoration authorities and about 150 cars highlight the fourth annual C.A.R.S. Club car show.

The show, which is completely student-run and student-organized, hopes to draw many vehicles from the surrounding area, and even some from farther away.

The Mormon Meteor, a land-speed record car in which Ab Jenkyns made several attempts at Bonneville, will be on campus in Templeton Hall for the duration of the show. Marv Jenkyns, a descendant of Ab, will give several presentations on the vehicle

throughout the day.

Paul Russell, one of the premier restorers in the country, will also give a presentation today at 2 p.m. in the Melhorn lecture room.

The show starts Saturday at 8:30 a.m. on the grass around campus, weather permitting. Convocation credit will be available from mid-morning until the end of the show in the gazebo.

"We're all watching the forecast," said Robert Vaughn, director of automotive restoration operations.

Several awards will be presented at the close of the show. The C.A.R.S. club presents first, second, and third place awards in 14 different classes of vehicles, ranging from early vehicles to imports to trucks.



The fourth annual CARS club car show will take place tomorrow on the college lawn. Convocation credit will be available.

"We think we've got a good spread of categories that should evenly divide cars into classes," said Andy Johnson, fr., Rexford, director of judging for the show.

The Best of Show award goes to one car selected by a vote of club members.

Previous winners include a 1927 Jewett, a 1966 Mustang, and a 1969 Dodge Charger. Spectators will also be able to vote on their favorite vehicle for the People's Choice award.

Last year, the show drew 124 vehicles. Tom Fairchild,

C.A.R.S. club president, thinks this year more will come. "If we get 150 vehicles, we'll be doing good," he said. "We have some interesting cars registered, including a 1930 Packard, and some that have been here in years past."

This year's show has received a higher degree of publicity than in previous years.

"Tom Fairchild has done a great job publicizing the show to a wider audience," Vaughn said. "We're all very excited about the prospects for the show."

Student work will also be on display on the show field. In addition to the traditional student car lineup (this year located between Forney and Melhorn), students will bring several

projects out of Templeton Hall to participate on the show field. Tentatively, a 1926 Ford TT truck and a 1929 Ford Model A chassis will be on display, showcasing restoration students' talents.

"I'm really glad to see some of our work on the show field this year," said Neil Rinehart, soph., Ruston, La. "We work hard on these cars, and it's nice to see them out in the light."

This year, the show's location on campus will change slightly. "We're looking more towards shifting the cars toward Harnly Gardens," said Fairchild. "We'd like to take advantage of all that nice new grass."

Knechel plans move; Nealeigh to take over

Shandi Schoming
News Editor

Bob Knechel has resigned his position as vice president of institutional advancement.

Knechel, who has been at McPherson College for eight and a half years, has accepted a position at Bethany College in Bethany, West Virginia. Bethany is a Disciples of Christ affiliated college that was founded in 1840 in the Allegheny Mountains. The institution is a liberal arts college with around 900 students. Knechel will work on a capital campaign that the college is starting. "Professionally, this is just another challenge, just like McPherson," Knechel said.

Mike Nealeigh, advancement, will head the advancement department next year. He hopes to continue with the work Knechel has done throughout his years here.

"Bob Knechel has done a tremendous job for the past 8 plus years," Nealeigh said. "My goal is to maintain his standards and to build on his successes."

Knechel has had many successes throughout his time here at Mac. He was hired to help with the "Enhancing the Legacy" campaign, which included \$23 million in college upgrades. The campaign included bringing new physical resources to house stronger programs

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-Mike Nealeigh

and a better learning environment.

"I feel very privileged to have helped put together and work with the advancement team," Knechel said. He also had a hand in selecting Carol Williams and the admissions staff.

Knechel was instrumental in securing many gifts for the auto restoration program, including the relationship with Jay Leno. He also helped put the National Advisory Board together.

Throughout his time at McPherson, Knechel has seen many improvements, many of which have recently been accomplished. The teacher education department received national accreditation, successes in the auto restoration department have occurred, and the career services center is rapidly developing.

"The career services department is in line with what this college is historically about," Knechel said. "We are moving forward."

Knechel's time here has

brought better resources to nearly every department on campus, including the athletic facilities, housing, fine arts, science and library. Knechel believes that Mac has "the best of the small colleges in Kansas."

Knechel has seen the campus morale have its "ups and downs" throughout the past eight years, which, he notes, is not uncommon for a small community.

"Now we are getting back on the same page," Knechel said.

Knechel says he has seen greater appreciation of students for alumni who have and are making it possible for their education.

Although the college has seen many positive changes, Knechel knows there are many places where improvements are necessary. He hopes that with time students can be encouraged to do the total of their undergraduate work here at Mac.

"We need to encourage them (students) to see how we can add value" to their experiences," he said.

Knechel also commented that financially Mac is probably in a stronger position than other small colleges.

"There is good stewardship of past generations, and we have alumni support," Knechel said. "But, we do have challenges ahead of us—we need more students."

Student Activities Board to ease SGA load

Shandi Schoming
News Editor

In an effort to improve on-campus activities next year, a new Student Activities Board will take responsibility planning many campus events next year.

The board will be made up of a sponsor and four primary student officers. The officers will be paid. Activities Board officers will not be elected, but hired. Those who are interested will need to submit a letter or e-mail of interest to LaMonte Rothrock, dean of students.

Officers will consist of three students from the current student body, and one representative from next

year's incoming freshman class.

"The thing we struggled with the most this year was trying to do everything," said Rebecca Stover, SGA president-elect. "There was so much to do that we couldn't focus or prioritize, and with two different boards, one will be able to take care of the logistical, policy issues and the other group will be able to do a good job putting on successful student activities."

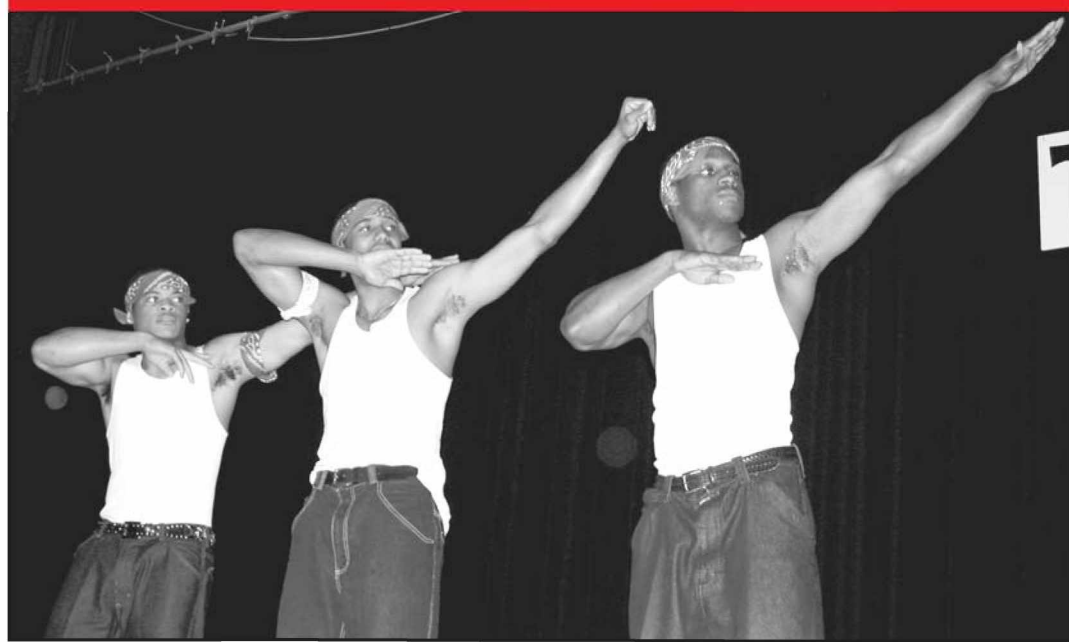
SGA will still be responsible for funds and contracts such as those with the bowling alley and movie theater. SGA will still have an activities and publicity coordinator who will communicate with the Activities Board.

SGA and the Activities Board will have the same sponsor, who will be announced at a later date.

Elections for SGA representatives took place Tuesday, April 29. Jonathan Rothrock, soph., McPherson, was elected the Morrison representative. Mario Castro, fr., town, state, was elected as the Metzler representative, and Nick Griggs, soph., Colorado Springs, was elected the junior class representative.

SGA is still seeking Bittinger, Dotzour, senior, and off-campus representatives. Elections will be scheduled before graduation.

MAC TALENT SHOW



Sean Eason, jr., Houston, Texas; Brandon Lewis, soph., San Antonio, Texas; and Dallas Blacklock, sr., Houston, Texas participate MUSIC's annual talent show. The show took place in Brown Auditorium last night. Fifteen acts performed. Jason Henry, fr., Okla., won the contest and Nick Griggs, soph., Colorado Springs took second.

STAFF EDITORIAL

We need more participation

Issue 1: Participation in campus events
Our Position: Participation is part of the mission statement of McPherson College. We need more.

SGA AND STUDENT SERVICES HAVE planned a variety of events for students on campus this year, but have been left guessing as to what students want. SGA spent a large portion of its budget on activities such as bumper cars, fun flicks, and dash for cash, but, not a large portion of the student body attended. The only events students seem to be interested in are the regular bowling and movie nights.

Sunday night's Bernard Allison concert, an "incredible concert," according to those who attended, only brought in 45-55 students.

SGA and students services are interested in doing what students want, but are unable to do so if students don't speak up and let them know what their interests are.

Participation is one of the three "key values" of McPherson College. We need participation to fulfill our mission and make ourselves whole persons.

SGA plans to continue with movies and bowling as long as B & B and Starlite Lanes are willing to keep the contract, but other than that, SGA is open to student suggestions for next year's activities.

Students are encouraged to e-mail their ideas to LaMonte Rothrock, rothrocl@mcpherson.edu. We hope that students will take advantage of this opportunity.

Car show exemplifies good event run well

Issue 2: Car Show.
Our Position: We are happy to have committed students put on a popular activity.

IT'S CAR SHOW TIME AGAIN, and some students deserve recognition on campus. Through all the bickering over club funding, the declining student funds, and all the other turmoil on campus, a bunch of students have again pooled their resources to put on an event that draws the community in and even some big-name car guys.

These students deserve all the credit we can give them. Working together in large groups and on committees can be a trying process, and somehow these students manage to get it all together. If this show is anything like previous ones, it should go off without a hitch.

They have done a particularly good job of finding cars and people to come this year. Particularly special are the Mormon Meteor, a famous racing car, and Paul Russell, one of the premier restorers in the country. Though, admittedly, the C.A.R.S. club did receive some help from the restoration department in getting both of those people here, it ought to say something that they're here for the car show.

It is a model of what campus events should be like. The day of the car show encompasses all of campus, and students are often left raving.

All in all, the car show is a great event, and we hope that it continues for a long time to come.

MAC OPINIONS

What can Mac do to better promote itself?



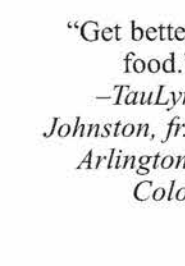
"Hit up the urban areas."
—America Patton, jr., Kansas City, Mo.



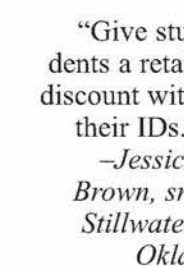
"Have a bar on campus."
—Andy Alcalá (Chavez), soph., Tacoma, Wash.



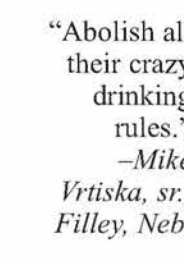
"Have more intramural sports."
—Peter Schlichenmeyer, soph., Denver, Colo.



"Get better food."
—TauLyn Johnston, jr., Arlington, Colo.



"Give students a retail discount with their IDs."
—Jessica Brown, sr., Stillwater, Okla.



"Abolish all their crazy drinking rules."
—Mike Vrtiska, sr., Filley, Neb.

This issue's insights: food, finances, and munchkins

Hold on to your seat, I'm fired up.

This place reminds me of high school. The off-campus housing issue needs attention. Summer cannot arrive soon enough. And finally, there are still munchkins in my computer.

(I bought this thing a year and a half ago! How can it be such a pile of junk already? Sure I beat on it, but why have 30 gigs of room if you don't fill it up?)

Ok, down to business. I am just as guilty of talking about people as everyone else is. I am making a concentrated effort to stop.

I graduated high school two years ago, and I thought I left that nonsense there when I moved on. I guess people will be talking about people behind their backs for the rest of our lives and I should accept it, but I'd like to think at some point in time, people mature beyond such things and let people be who they are. It doesn't matter if how they think or act doesn't jive with what we think should happen; we are not the leaders of their lives no matter how much better at it we would be.

Another thing much like high school is the food quality. I realize Greg is working on a budget that's been chewed by roaches and is barely alive, but for goodness sake, man, at least give us some mints to wash it down with! Also,



Indiana Insights
LUKE EBERLY

some regular spoons to eat my yogurt would be appreciated.

Honestly, gauging from the amount of complaints heard around the table, the quality of food has improved somewhat, but I still prefer Wendy's.

Speaking of eating what I would like to, I'll turn to the housing issue. The rest of the school may not be aware, but there is a contingent of auto-rats, said a contingent being the majority of the freshman class, who thinks the present state of affairs is...how do I say this...poor. Those of us who have single rooms love them. Those of us that don't simply can't afford them.

I and others have sat down numerous times and figured up the cost of living on campus versus living off. On campus next year, a single room and a meal plan will cost \$7,725.00. A quick call to Mustang Park reminded me I could get a three-bedroom singlewide mobile home for \$404/month. I figure nine months, plus \$50 a week to eat, make it four weeks a month, quick calcu-

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lator action shows that would cost \$2,289 less, and that is if you keep that three-bedroom place to yourself. If you split it with two other guys, you stand to save \$4,710.

I don't care if McPherson IS a campus-oriented school; I'm a poor college student already paying over 19 grand to go to a private school! If I can save \$4,700 this year, think how much I'll save next year when the rates go up again! All I want to do is work on cars.

I spoke earlier of summer not coming fast enough; I'm going to work my fingers to the bone this summer, and after I pay for my room and board next year, all I'll have to show for it are 10 bony fingers. I won't be able to buy new axles for my truck, or a new computer, or a meal at Quizno's, but by golly, McPherson will be a campus-oriented school and I can look forward to getting together with my friends every evening at five o'clock to overpay for under-quality food...and leave without a mint.

What can SGA do to help increase student involvement?

Why do so many activities go neglected on campus? We have all heard the complaints about how there is nothing to do, and how McPherson is so boring and so on and so on and You get the picture, right?

The students who represent the campus on SGA try to deliver activities to make sure people have things to do. Yes, we have all heard how nobody likes going to those things that SGA does for the campus.

So, to anyone reading this, what do you want to have happen? Will anybody really answer that? Of course, my question is rhetorical, but SGA has asked questions like that all year, and they have gone ignored. That goes to show how many people complain but have no solution to things, so they're always upset and just stay that way. I don't understand.

Last year SGA activities were a big thing, but this year no one wants to go to anything. Then all they do is knock the activities that are planned without constructive alternatives for something else to do.

What is it? Are activities not publicized enough? Are posters not put in the right places? Are they not things people would like to do? Maybe there aren't answers to those questions.

One thing's clear though: few students are stepping up to assume



Nick's Niche
NICK GRIGGS

responsibility or provide leadership. There are positions on SGA that students haven't applied for. Who wouldn't want to get paid to have their "two cents" shape an idea for the way activities are planned to happen on campus?

Why don't those students who complain so much run for SGA? They wouldn't have to complain anymore, since with them on board, SGA could have the school doing something they want.

This is not just a problem with SGA. It's plenty of other groups.

What happened to attending chapel on Wednesdays? Do people dislike chapel for any particular reason? Is it too much church in one week? Is it not in the right place? Is it not at the right time? I'm sure if anyone had a problem with the time or the place that they could talk to Kenny Manhamo and something else could be arranged.

The bottom line is that attendance at activities is not enough. Or, actually, what attendance? There is none.

We are a family, and there is

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something on campus that affects someone and everyone would like other people on campus to come out and support those activities. There are musicals, student recitals, intramural sports, chapel, movie night, bowling night, band and choir concerts, bible studies, NAIA intercollegiate athletics (football, basketball, track...) dances, and Bingo night—the list goes on and on.

Everybody wants people to attend their activities but nobody is really willing to show up to anyone else's activities. There needs to be a change there. I mean that is why Mac is Mac, we're about family. The college is too small for people not to come out and support each other.

Maybe that is something we will change next year, or maybe not. And maybe no one cares and has nothing to say. What do you think?

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How it all began: one semi-coherent car show

Being that it's car show time again, and through a nice coincidence the Spectator publishes on the Friday preceding, I thought I'd take some time to recall the events leading up to the first car show, and try to set them down as accurately as I can, before senility and spirits take away what I have left.

All names have been changed to protect the semi-innocent.

It was a fine March day when a bunch of us were sitting in a C.A.R.S club meeting trying to decide something to do with a pile of money that we had accumulated through some now-forgotten trickery.

We talked about a trip to some location, but looking at our budget, it was painfully clear that it wouldn't happen. We looked at holding some sort of gathering, though we could think of nothing creative to do with cars. Whispers in the



Ramblings from a Room

LUKE CHENNELL

background suggested an off-campus party with some potent libations. Others thought we should sit on our stash.

One hitherto silent brother, who was visibly absent from every activity—including classes—that the restoration department put on, spoke up and proposed a car show.

The show took hold. It was as Jimmy Buffett once said: "It was like someone saying, Jimmy Buffett, there's free alligators for the children at Stuckey's." We were all suddenly, amazingly put on. All were behind it; there simply was no dissent. It

had to be done.

From here, things took off into a whirlwind of activity as yet unparalleled in the C.A.R.S. club. After all, we only had about a month and a half to get it all together. It took some serious doing.

We printed flyers, and with our modest budget started sending them off to various clubs. A close friend of mine got particularly motivated and sent them off to any car club he could find—I imagine he sent some to Alaska, for all I know. Some came back, bearing signs of some serious travel. One had a vague odor of fish.

As the month went on, we became more and more enamored of our idea. We started thinking of this as our own little Pebble Beach; we referred to it as "McPherson on the Greens." We'd have staging on our little campus, on some grass that looked very good

that year.

Some of us even tried to pool our money and get a putting setup. The plan failed when we realized the actual price of the thing.

One morning we were in a preparatory meeting, and a woman came wandering in, looking somewhat dazed. She asked, "Does anyone want to record a commercial for the car show? We're going to play it on KBBE."

We looked like deer in the headlights. No one had a clue what this would actually entail, and it sort of sobered us up. Finally, two of my associates hit on a plan.

The commercial aired two days after the show, and came on this way:

(loud 70's porn guitar riffs in background) "Saturday, Saturday, Saturdayyyyyyy.. The McPherson College C.A.R.S. Club presents a car show. All hot rods, street rods, motorcycles and classic cars accepted. If it's

got pipes, stripes, or T-tops, BRING IT!"

It aired for two weeks at 4:30 every afternoon. We were all glued to the radio.

Though we'd done a lot of pre-show publicity, we still weren't getting pre-show registrations. It looked more and more like no one might show up. A gloomy pall began to fall over us. It started raining. The grass got wet; plant operations threatened to move the show to the parking lot. We started scheming ways to get everyone to move their cars if it should rain. We worried. A lot.

The week of the show came up. We stood at about ten pre-registrations. It rained on Tuesday. It rained on Wednesday. But Thursday and Friday brought sunny weather. Plant operations reigned in their facts. The grass was, in fact, dry enough for the cars. Saturday came.

Miraculously, cars started

appearing out of nowhere. We were all ecstatic—here was our show, and people were actually coming to it. It couldn't have been better. Through some miracle feat of organization, we had food, door prizes, music (aptly put on by my same mail-happy friend), and about 60 cars.

We had our hang-ups, of course; some of the staff began drinking heavily the night before and were not in commission until the early afternoon. Some overenthusiastic people did a P.A. test of about 120 decibels at 6:00 in the morning, much to the consternation of some Metzler residents. One particular scoundrel tried to neck a lady built like a tramp steamer, and was nearly mauled.

But it went well, and all apparently had a good time. They've kept coming back, and I've for one appreciate it a good deal.

Excitement rising as the countdown to summer continues

Well, 14 days and counting, folks. Only 14 more days of class, work, practice, and homework. Of course, if you're counting weekends, it would be 20 days.

But really, who's counting? I can't say that I am sure about it, but I'm willing to bet all the seniors have started a countdown, along with most of my underclassman peers.

I can remember being in elementary school and dreading the last day of school. Maybe I was just overly studious, but being in school meant having something to do during the day and being with your friends all the time. I can't imagine



'Manda's Musings

AMANDA SNELL

what has brought my change in attitude.

Now, with less than three weeks to go, I'm itching to get the heck out of Dodge and have some free time. Some people call it "senioritis" but the name doesn't seem as appropriate when attached to freshmen.

Symptoms of "senioritis" include the inability to focus for long periods of time,

lack of commitment to attendance, long stretches of procrastination, and a severe disregard for the body's sleep requirements. This disease can affect students of all ages and probably teachers, too.

What could be the cause of this annual epidemic? My observations show that most of my friends are involved in at least 15 hours of class a week, work at least 10 hours a week, participate in at least one sport, not to mention other extra-curricular activities including theatre, SGA, clubs, music ensembles, and study groups. As if that isn't enough, students are expected to maintain relatively good grades, keep

healthy, build some good friendships, and engage in some playtime. Hmmmm.

But summer is the time to relax, rejuvenate, Summer is the time to sit at home and think about nothing. Summer is the time to put away the books and the papers and calculators and just forget everything you learned in the past two semesters. Sure, by the end of summer most of us will be ready to kill our siblings and run away from home, but at this present moment, anywhere but on campus is the place to be.

My classes have seemed empty since the sun started coming out every day. More

and more people populate the grassy areas around campus with the idea that if they have to do homework, they might as well be surrounded by pleasant scenery. Students pump their music louder from their cars, wear less clothing, eat more ice cream, and keep their windows open all the time. Summer just sounds more appealing.

I don't know how many teachers notice our inattention in the classroom. Sometimes I can't keep myself from staring out the window. I admire the teachers who can concentrate on what they're teaching so much that they don't notice what's happening outside.

But seriously, what would be the harm in holding a few classes outside? Come on, teachers, you know you want to.

Well, this is the end of this column. Congratulations! You've paid attention until I was finished. The only advice I can give is to tell yourself that it will all be over soon. Take several deep breaths throughout the day, and try to take things on with small steps. It seems silly to expect yourself to function as efficiently as you do mid-year. Maybe the only cure for senioritis is to wait it out and count to 10... or 14.

Stories of love: examining the meaning of a common emotion

The phenomenon of love has always captivated me. For a science major, it is difficult to comprehend how an invisible and immeasurable entity can exist.

Love drives us to go out of our way to help others and compels us to take risks we never thought possible. It can leave us quaking in fear and crying from pure jubilation. Love binds us to one another without a warning sound or tell-tale gravitational pull.

Love, is perpetually contorted. I do not think it is necessary to do anything extraordinary to convey love for another. Love should be apparent in everyday words and actions.

In our society the words "I love you" are spoken with the intent of forging an easy way out. If love were really felt it could not possibly be crammed into three measly words. When it comes to love, actions speak louder than words because they take more effort.

Loving another requires a certain bit of insanity. To love, we must be willing to open our hearts to the good and the bad. Ironically, when our vision is shrouded by the veil of love, we often do not see the faults in the one who receives our affection.

Love is so diverse. Parents love their child unconditionally. Best friends love one another. A young child loves her first pet. Sweethearts love each other. Undoubtedly, such an emotion comes mysteriously from deep within the soul.

Human beings are unique creatures. We are much like



Guest Columnist

AMANDA SMITH

one another, but our differences make us who we are. I realized this while talking about our favorite foods with five of my friends.

I absolutely, positively, love breadocks. Homemade wheat bread (not to be confused with wanna-be-homemade rolls that are premixed and riddled with preservatives) stuffed with a harmonious mixture of hamburger and sauerkraut.

Much like our unique

tastes in food we have unique tastes in friends and significant others. This is self-evident when you look at all of the engaged couples on campus.

Romantic love is what baffles me the most. One female student on campus recalls seeing her husband-to-be while he worked at Wal-Mart. She remembers literally chasing him up and down the aisles of the store and his reciprocating the same cat and mouse game. For her, love at first sight did exist: she knew within five minutes that they would get married.

Another girl on campus believes it is easier to be friends before entering a relationship. I agree with this philosophy. A friendship takes maintenance just like any romantic relationship does. Love at first sight is merely falling in love, but to actively love someone, it must be a priority.

The sensation of falling in love must take place before you can love someone. Loving someone is when you could potentially lose everything else and still did exist: she knew within five minutes that they would get married.

Millions of puppies are

sold by the humane society in the days leading up to Christmas. On Christmas day, children open up that box and immediately fall in love, until they have to clean up after the puppy. At this juncture, the child either sees the puppy for what it really is—a food guzzling waste producer—a cute exterior—and loves it unconditionally or decides the benefits of loving the puppy aren't worth the amplitude of drawbacks.

I think of a new relationship much like a new puppy. Initially all you see is the adorable exterior of the

other person. As time wears on the cuteness wears off. You see all of the messes the other person makes, just as they are witness to yours. Loving someone is when you are aware of their disgusting aspects and choose to stay in their presence and they in yours.

Falling in love takes only a moment. Loving someone involves constant commitment. It amazes me how something so minuscule and indiscernible can have such an immense power in our lives. As with any power it must be used methodically and cautiously.

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MACTOON

BY REBECCA STOVER



While Bulldog collars became the rage...

student participation reached an all-time high.

CRACKING OPEN THE TRUTH OF Fortune Cookies

Rebecca Stover

Features Editor

You lean back in your chair feeling completely satisfied as half eaten bowls of white fluffy rice, sauced platters stripped of their mounds of sweet and sour 'this' and hot and spicy 'that', and crispy remnants of egg rolls, wontons, and crab wontons scattered atop the table. Yet, the meal isn't over. We all know what's next: the fortune cookie.

"Fortune cookies are as American as apple pie."

*-Kelly Burke
Chicago Tribune*

To complete any good Chinese meal, fortune cookies are a must. But why? Where does this strange, yet enjoyable tradition actually come from? What composes such a hard and sometimes tasteless dessert? And is there proper "fortune cookie etiquette" that we need to know? How can one little cookie present so many questions?

Where did this idea come from?

Though no one is certain that one story is correct, several legends are widely accepted and circulated publicly.

The most prominent tale goes way back to the 13th and 14th centuries when China was occupied by Mongols. Wanting to plan an attack to get rid of these unwanted intruders, the Chinese needed a way to exchange secret plans for an uprising.

Some believe that the fortune cookie was actually invented in 1916 by David Jung, a noodle manufacturer from Los Angeles. Jung based his cookie off the legend of

the formation of what would become the Ming Dynasty.

This story finds a small-scale parallel in American history. Mrs. Irma Chine of New York has been credited with the

Mongols and Moon Cakes. Instead of using little buns, like Moon Cakes, Jung developed the crunchy, folded cookies we are familiar with

Chinese restaurants. Kelly Burke, a reporter who has done extensive research on the fortune cookies says, "Fortune cookies are American as apple pie."

Back to the basics...

In fact, the largest fortune cookie factory in the world is

wrapped and are considered lucky and placed in separate boxes. Because the color traditionally symbolized good luck, these boxes are red. Special boxes are sent to the more "traditional crowd," says Leung.

Starting with one machine and hand-written fortunes, the Wonton Food Company has expanded numerous times. No one predicted the enormous popularity that was in store for such a little cookie.

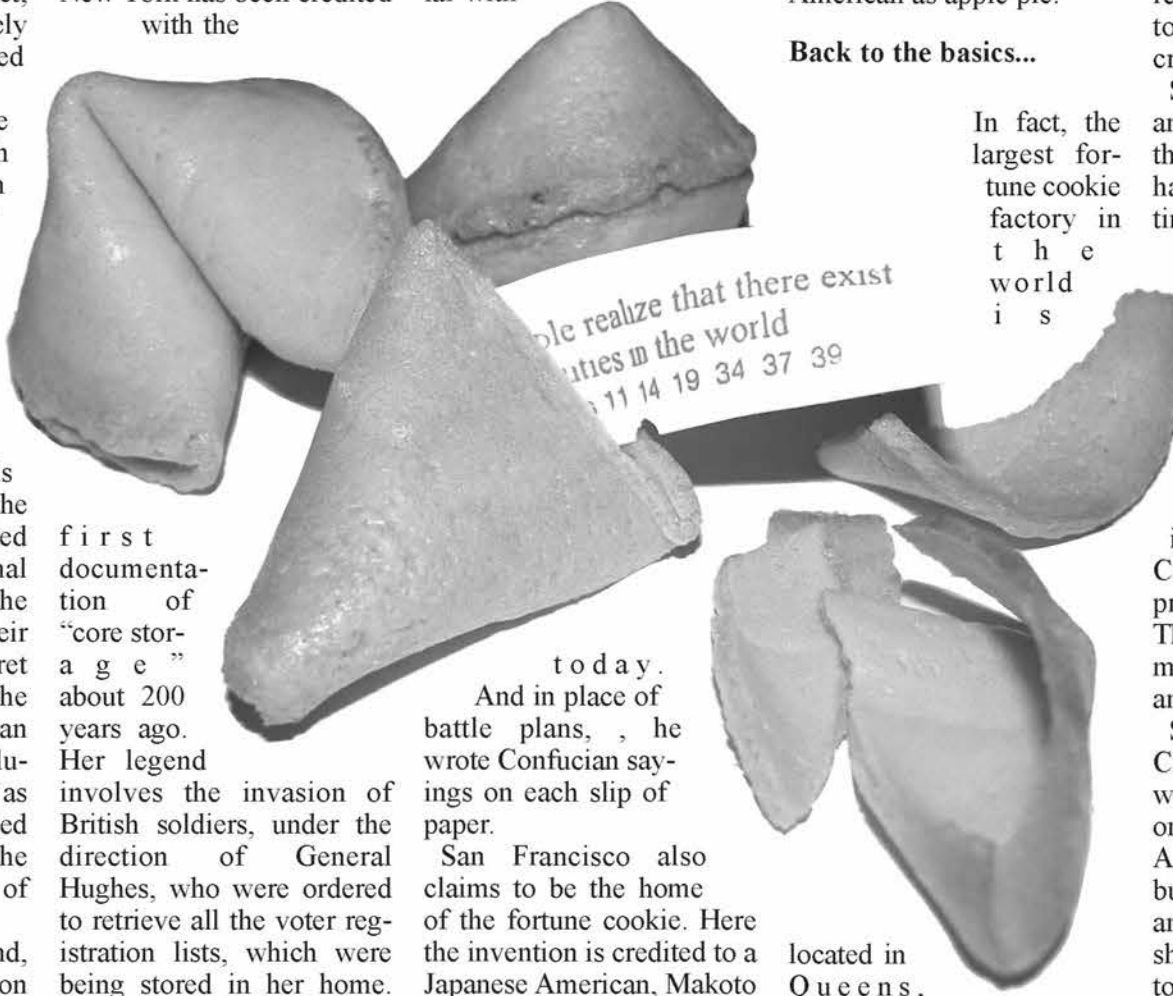
Though they are made in America, fortune cookies are popular in South America, Canada, and Europe.

Some companies, including Wonton Food Company, have started printing fortunes in Spanish. These cookies are sent primarily to other countries and California.

Surprisingly enough, Chinese fortune cookies were introduced to China only 10 years ago, in 1993. A factory was established, but it was not received well and its life was extremely short.

"Fortune cookies are too American a concept," says Leung. In an attempt to connect it to the Chinese, they have started printing "Learn Chinese" on the backs of fortunes. This includes simple phrases and Chinese translations such as "television: dian-shi" or "I'd like to pay: Wo xiang fu qian."

As for the fortunes themselves, we know they used to come from ancient Confucian



first documentation of "core storage" about 200 years ago. Her legend involves the invasion of British soldiers, under the direction of General Hughes, who were ordered to retrieve all the voter registration lists, which were being stored in her home.

Thinking fast, Chine quickly gutted an apple and cleverly hid the papers inside. Though the soldiers ransacked her entire home, the papers were never found.

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today. And in place of battle plans, he wrote Confucian sayings on each slip of paper.

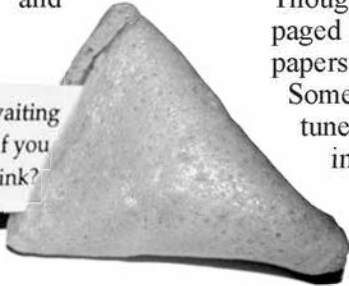
San Francisco also claims to be the home of the fortune cookie. Here the invention is credited to a Japanese American, Makoto Hagiwara. It is said that Makoto began making these cookies in 1914, filling them with thank-you notes to customers at his Japanese Tea Garden in Golden Gate Park.

Wherever the fortune cookie was invented, it can be pretty sure that it was born in the United States. The American concept of "dessert after every meal" has provided the market that guaranteed its success in

located in Queens, New York. The Wonton Food Company produces about 2.5 million fortune cookies a day. Yet the factory is very secretive about its processes. Secretively designing and building its own machines and recipes, this international distributor employs only 60 Asian men and women.

Though it varies from recipe to recipe, the

Today is the day you have been waiting for, Jenny! Chris wants to know if you will marry him. What do you think?



Fortune cookies can even be personalized to fit any occasion.

Fortune Cookie Etiquette

WHAT'S THE PROPER WAY TO EAT A CHINESE FORTUNE COOKIE?

"Break it open and read it to the person to your right. Then eat the entire cookie."

-Marie Rhoades, sr. Harrisburg, Pa.

"I don't know. Dip it in your tea though, they're so hard."

-Robert Ullom, sr., Wiley, Colo.

"Don't read your fortune to anybody or it won't come true. Then give it to the person you want it to come true to or for."

-Thaddeus Haldeman, fr., Williamsport, Pa.

"Crack it open, eat one half, read the fortune, and if you want it to come true, eat the other half."

-Sean Eason, jr., Houston

"Break it in half and pull it apart. If it's for you, read the fortune and then eat it. If you're reading it to the person next to you, just wait until they are done eating."

-Emily Tyler, sr., McPherson

"Eat the whole thing...paper and all. Don't read it, just eat the whole damn thing."

-Erik Johnson, so., Caldwell, Idaho

"There's not really a proper way, but on Wednesdays, we go out for Chinese Wednesday and have fortune cookie competitions. We all read them to see whose is the best. This is important stuff. I mean this is your fate...your destiny."

-Peter Samland, sr., Edgewater, Colo.



"Your friend should pick a cookie out for you, read it, and then eat it."

-Saraphin Kasparie, jr., Spearville

"Break it open and eat the first half while you read it. Then eat the other half. If you want it to come true, you have to keep it. I still have one from 15 years ago in my Volkswagen."

-Kelli Johnson, Personal Counselor

"Eat the cookie, then read the fortune."

-Bryan Grosbach, fr., Gladstone, Mo.

"Read the fortune, then eat the cookie."

-Brandt Busse, soph., McPherson

"Read the paper and throw it all away."

-Maribeth Turner, soph., Olsburg

"Put the cookie right on your bicep and flex until it's smashed open."

-Jason Chalashitari, Offensive Line Coach

"Open it up, spin around three times to your right, twice to your left, stand on your head, and then read it backwards."

-Luke Eberly, fr., Silver Lake, Ind.

"You don't want to break it into pieces when you crack it open—that's bad luck. Read it, but don't eat the cookie. It's all about karma..."

-Michael Schneider, Director of Career Services and Internships

"Anyway way you want to. But if you can pull the fortune out without breaking the cookie, it's supposed to be good luck."

Greg Heimburger, Food Service Director

main ingredients in these hard little desserts are

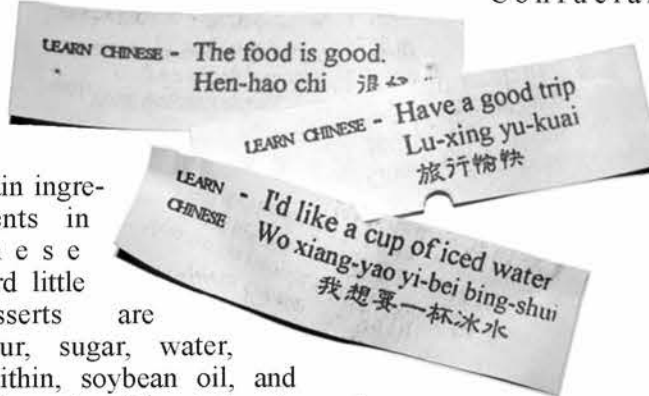
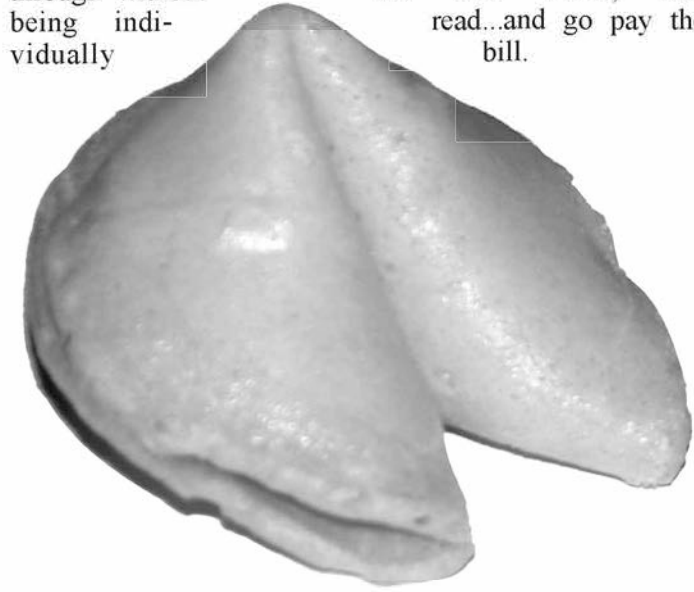
flour, sugar, water, lecithin, soybean oil, and yellow dye. The batter is poured into little cake-like dollops, and baked until they look like perfect little pancakes. A slip of paper containing the fortune is placed on the little cake and then the disk is folded and molded into the unique shape we have grown to recognize.

In large factories, surveyors closely examine the cookies as they travel by on conveyor belts. "We throw out the rejects," said Leung, Wonton Food Company's vice president. "If a cookie is cracked, many people think it's bad luck."

After inspection, the cookies continue down the line where they are individually wrapped, packaged in boxes and shipped around the world. Cookies that make it through without being individually

adages, but it seems that tradition has been somewhat lost. The truth is that most fortunes we read have been written by freelance writers, American retirees, or even students. As with any other form of futuristic enlightenment (horoscopes, palm readings, etc.), the only power in the fortune comes from what our own minds give it. Nowadays companies even give options to order custom made fortunes.

So what's the bottom line about fortune cookies? The bottom line is that there is no bottom line. We don't know exactly when they were invented, where they came from, or who made them. We do know that when they are served to us after our next Chinese meal, we will smile, eat, read...and go pay the bill.



Features Spotlight: The Barretts

Rebecca Stover
Features Editor

Times are changing for the Barrett family. After seven years of calling Dotzour Hall their home, Dave, Linda, Grant, and Elle will pack their things and bid farewell to the tiny apartment on first floor.

Dave and Linda met while attending McPherson College, married, and remained in McPherson to start a family. While Dave got a job with the college as an admissions clerk in 1991, Linda completed her degree and spent three years teaching pre-school. In 1996, Linda accepted a part-time resident director's position in Dotzour Hall. Falling in good time with the expectancy of their first child, the arrangements worked out quite nicely.

The next year, Linda quit working at the pre-school and accepted the RD position as full-time. Besides the main job of overseeing the hall, some of her tasks include student telephone set-up, judicial board, and numerous sorts of paper work. Even though her workload increased, being able to work from her home created an ideal situation for raising their son, Grant.

In 1999, Dave acquired a new position at McPherson

College as an academic counselor. Linda remained RD of Dotzour Hall and continued her mothering duties when their second child, Ellen, was born in 2000.

The Barretts have been in Dotzour through several big changes. Besides the switch from part-time to full-time job responsibilities, procedures for maintenance requests have changed, and the Hall has gone from a women's hall to coed and back again.

According to them, life in the dorms has overall been very enjoyable.

"It's been great," says Dave. "I like being around the students. Building relationships helps me in what I do...helping them academically. I think being on campus let students have a better feel that our door is always open to them. I've enrolled many students in my apartment."

"I really enjoy this job," said Linda. "I do, and I would stay if the apartment was bigger. I feel like this campus is home. After I graduated, I just never really left. It's safe, and I know the people...people who were here when I was in school. It's a nice feeling."

Of course, everything has its downsides too. With the live-in job came numerous

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*-Linda Barrett
Dotzour RD*

duties, limited space, and constant uncertainties in the lives of the student residents.

"I will not miss furniture dragging across the floor at 1 or 6 o'clock in the morning, or the sound of second floor running up and down the halls," says Dave.

Linda reflected more on the stress load of overseeing lives of the students. "I won't miss just the not knowing when someone is going to knock on the door or waking up at night to noise outside or other things that need to be dealt with," she says.

While students can make dorm life unpredictable, other things have also spiced up the past several years for the Barretts. After a vacation in the summer of 2001, the family returned to the dorm to find that water had leaked from the second floor bathroom into their storage room on first floor. Dave can still remember

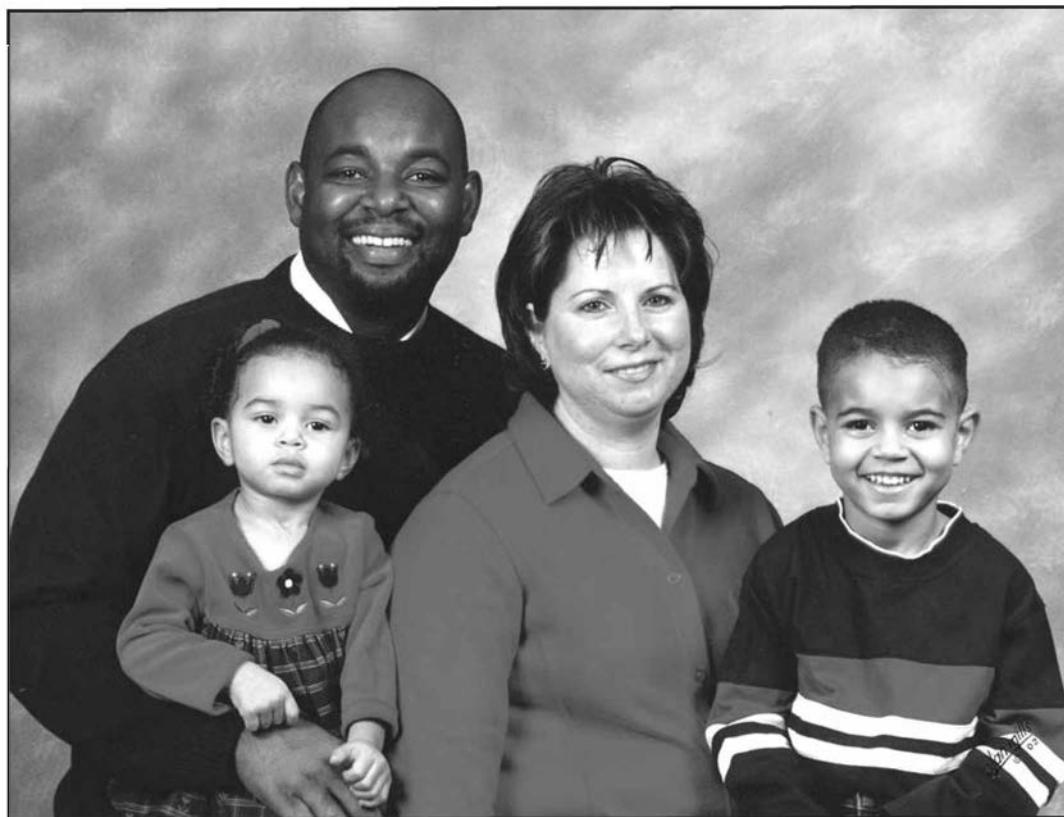


photo contributed by Linda Barrett

Elle, Dave, Linda, and Grant Barrett

finding LaMonte Rothrock and a few students hauling out his stuff to the dumpster.

Linda remembers a day a couple years ago when the fire alarms malfunctioned and went off constantly at all hours of the day and night. "It was bad," she recalled. "A mal-function I think, but the fire department was not happy, and I was so embarrassed having to greet them each time."

Though they have enjoyed

it all, the Barretts are ready for the change. Now that Grant is six years old and attending kindergarten, and Elle is two and a half and ready to be outside more, the move will be advantageous for the entire family.

"Raising the kids on campus has been more positive than negative," says Dave. "Grant carries himself more maturely than any other six-year olds that I've been around, and at times he does

think he's 18. This is a good time to get out -more space, and our own yard."

They are currently building a house, which they hope to move into by July 1. Dave will continue on with his job at the college while also accepting the assistant coach position for the women's basketball team. Linda's plans are uncertain, but she would like to stay connected to the college in a different role.

Big Business in Atlanta

Mac students participate in annual Business Club trip

Jonathan Klinger
Spectator Staff

Every year, the McPherson College Business Club travels to a large city to experience the corporate environment. On May 23, David O'Dell, associate professor of accounting, and 14 McPherson College students traveled to Atlanta, Ga., to experience business in a real-world setting.

We left the circle drive by Mohler Hall at 3:30 a.m. Wednesday and headed down to Wichita's Mid-Continent airport.

After a short flight we collected our bags at the Atlanta Airport and were driven to our hotel, The Ritz-Carlton. We had some time to find some lunch and recover from the early morning travels before we went to our first presentation.

Our first presentation was at the MARTA (Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transportation Authority) headquarters. We were given a PowerPoint presentation about the history of the company, the daily operations, the structure of their budget, and what they have planned for the future with the transportation system of Atlanta.

On Thursday morning the group gathered in the lobby of the Ritz-Carlton and left for the Coca-Cola headquarters. Nick Nicholson, executive director of executive affairs, gave us an excellent presentation about the history and business operations of the Coca-Cola Company. Then, courtesy of Coca-Cola, we were fed a four-course lunch in their corporate dining room hosted by Nicholson.



photo contributed by Jon Klinger

Jon Klinger, jr., Winnebago, Ill., Danny Rasure, jr., Goodland, and Adam Peer, jr., McPherson participated in the 2003 Business Club trip to Atlanta.

Nicholson escorted us up to the highly-restricted executive floor where we were allowed to sit around the board of director's table for a photo opportunity.

To conclude this experience, the group visited the Coca-Cola museum in the afternoon where we learned more of the history of the Coca-Cola Company and sampled the many different products they offer around the world.

Friday morning we didn't have to travel far from our rooms to the Ritz-Carlton Leadership Center to learn how hotel management is one of the industry's top leaders in customer service. Becky Gill, director of qual-

ity at the Ritz-Carlton, focused a large part of her morning presentation on the company's Credo.

In short, the Credo states: "The Ritz-Carlton Hotel is a place where the genuine care and comfort of our guests is our highest mis-

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sion... The Ritz-Carlton experience enlivens the senses, instills well-being, and fulfills even the unexpressed wishes and needs of our guests."

It is amazing how employees at the Ritz-Carlton are empowered and encouraged to meet the needs of their guests to obtain maximum customer loyalty.

Greg Fenno, class of 1982, met us at the leadership center to attend the presentation. Fenno has lived in Atlanta for the past 15 years and spoke with us afterwards about his experiences, answered questions, and expressed his fondness for McPherson College.

Friday afternoon included a trip to AOL Time Warner, which owns TBS, CNN, The WB, TNT, Atlanta Braves, Cartoon Network, TCM, Turner South, and many more subsidiaries. Cathy Douglas Blanding,

University Relations Representative, gave us a presentation and a tour of the facility where we watched a live CNN news broadcast. During the presentation, Cathy visited with us about the history and operations of AOL Time Warner and discussed the many internship and job opportunities available within the company.

In addition to the free time we had in the evenings, Saturday we were on our own to experience Atlanta one last time before we had to depart for home on Sunday morning. One option everybody took advantage of was visiting Six Flags Great America theme park in Atlanta, which featured its newest ride, the Superman. Ricky Gottschalk, Adam Martin, Adam Peer and others waited in line for three and a half hours to ride the newest and

most popular ride.

Saturday afternoon we departed the Ritz-Carlton and flew back to the Wichita airport. After a false alarm of some lost luggage, the students headed back to McPherson College talking about the good times they had on this year's Business Club trip. I think most participants agree that this trip went well beyond everyone's expectations and opened new doors for them as to how business happens out in the work place.

On behalf of the Business Club I would like to personally thank Danny Rasure, Adam Martin, and David O'Dell for all their efforts to make this trip happen. Also, the Business Club is grateful for the generous support of many alumni, local businesses, and the McPherson College development department for making this trip possible.

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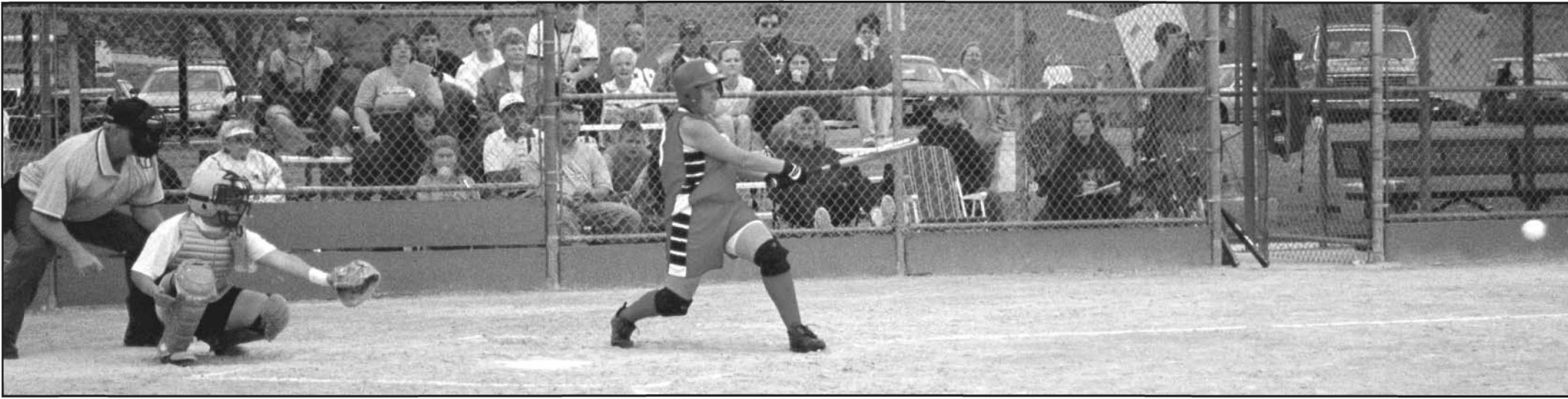
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Lady Bulldogs on top of KCAC

CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT ACTION BEGINS



Photos by Jaymie Bickford

Jaymie Bickford
Sports Editor

The Lady Bulldog softball team continued to add to their best-ever season, splitting a double-header with Kansas Wesleyan on Wednesday. The Bulldogs were 16-12 overall and 9-5 in the KCAC following this contest. However, the Lady 'Dogs participation in the first round of the KCAC championship tournament. Information regarding this tournament play was unavailable at the time of publication

Last Sunday, April 27, the Lady Bulldogs took on the Ottawa Braves in a make-up game to help determine the KCAC standings. The Lady Bulldogs pulled out all the stops, sweeping the Braves 9-4 and 4-3.

The Lady 'Dogs were down 2-3 in the sixth inning of the first game, but Tappy Collette and LouAnna Nuss pulled out back-to-back singles to start the inning. Andrea Wilder had a bunt,

and to the dismay of the Lady Braves, a throwing error brought home Josie Ireland, who had been sent in to run for Collette, bringing the score to a tie 3-3.

Kim Taylor then drove a single through Ottawa's defense, opening the way for Nuss and Wilder to score, giving the ladies a 5-3 lead. Following a walk for Season Graves, Julie Greep doubled to deep center field, bringing in Taylor and Graves.

Up next for the Lady Bulldog's was Crystal Richardson who hit a triple, scoring Greep. Then Graves was back at the plate to hit a single and bring in Richardson, which brought the score to 9-3 with no outs. Ottawa closed out the inning, not letting the Bulldogs plate another runner.

The Lady Braves came back and scored one run in the seventh inning, but to no avail, as the game ended in a 9-4 Bulldog win.

The second game started

nothing like the first. Ottawa jumped to a 1-0 lead that lasted until the fifth inning. Collette hit a fly ball that drove in Graves, scoring the tying run, but the score did not stay at 1-1 for long, as the Braves scored two more runs.

The 'Dogs were down in the beginning of the seventh inning. After Lisa Salazar and Nuss' back-to-back singles, Collette had a sacrifice bunt that advanced the runners. Ireland came in and hit a long sacrifice fly ball that scored Salazar. Nuss plated after Taylor hit a single that evened the score to 3-3. Christa Blose blew open the door for the Lady Bulldogs as she hit a double that sent Taylor to home plate with the final run of the game.

"That was a great team effort," said head coach Mike McCormick. "They just never quit!"

Prospects look strong for the lady 'Dogs upcoming games in the KCAC. Both the team and coach are enthusiastic for more.

Above, Season Graves pounds a ball up the center during the Lady Bulldogs' last regular season game at Kansas Wesleyan University. Below, Kim Taylor stands back up for Julie Greep as she gets a Lady Coyote out at first base.



Hoffman takes on new role, leaving behind AD

Jaymie Bickford
Sports Editor

After three consecutive years of serving as athletic director, Dan Hoffman recently announced that he is relinquishing the duties. Hoffman will continue as the chair of the physical education department, as well as take on full-time faculty duties.

"After working with athletics at McPherson College for the past 21 years, an opportunity became available to teach and chair the physical education department on a full-time basis,"



Hoffman

said Hoffman. "I really enjoy teaching and this is a direction I feel good about."

"There have been many changes in the athletic department over the last several years," said Hoffman, "But two of the most significant are the hiring of personnel and the facilities project. In the past five years we have hired Mike McCormick as softball coach, Nathalea Stephenson in volleyball, Dave Cunningham as football coach, Pete Seal as our track coach, and Carol Swenson as sports information director. I believe these people have had and will continue to have a profound impact on our athletic programs. Pete has

resigned to pursue other interests back East, but his impact in recruiting will be felt for several years to come. The support these coaches have given, along with the support of the administration of McPherson College has made the AD job much easier."

"I will continue in the AD capacity until July 1st. I will be involved in hiring a head track coach, and will work closely with Chris Ruder (McPherson High School activities director) on the completion of our outdoor and building renovation projects."

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-Dan Hoffman

"I thank the McPherson College Athletic Booster Club and the McPherson community for all the volunteer hours they have spent in support of McPherson College athletics. I believe that very good things are happening and will continue to happen in our athletics programs."

"Dan has taught around 19

hours, served as chair of the physical education department and served as the college AD," said President Ron Hovis in a statement following Hoffman's resignation announcement. "For 2003-04, Dan will assume some additional teaching duties to complement his current PE department duties, and he will continue to provide leadership for the completion of the current athletic facility renovations. Please join me in expressing appreciation to Dan for his work as AD and wish him the best in his future faculty duties."

Spring season practice finishes for Mac football

Jaymie Bickford
Sports Editor

Strapping back on their helmets for their spring season practice, the Bulldog football team finished up their ten one-hour practices allotted by the KCAC this past Tuesday.

According to Head Coach David Cunningham, the men spent most of the practices working on team drills, and only a small amount of time was spent working with individuals.

"I'm pretty pleased as to how practices went. There are not that many games in our regular season," Cunningham said, "so we want to focus on doing what is best for the team right now since we won't have that much time to work together before we face Haskell at the beginning of

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Winning the KCAC championship has been, and will continue to be the 'Dog's major goal for their season, and with their new senior leaders the future looks promising. "We have a bit more talent and depth than last year," Cunningham said. "We lost some quality senior leadership, but we're

looking for the new seniors to give us that same type of leadership for this upcoming season."

Some stability the players will be continuing to see this season is the return of the same coaching staff along with one addition. A graduating senior member of the football team, Kevin Steiner, will be rejoining Cunningham, but as a coach and not a player.

The 2003 football schedule has been set and the Bulldogs will make five home appearances on the new artificial turf in the McPherson Stadium during their season. The 'Dogs will open the season in McPherson on September 6 at seven o'clock against Haskell Indian Nations University.



Photo by Laina McKellip

Getting in some time on the field, three football players run a play during one of the team's allowed spring practices.

Tracksters set records in relays

BULLDOGS HEAD TO KCAC CHAMPIONSHIPS

Jaymie Bickford
Sports Editor

At least part of the Bulldog track team had their final tune-up for the KCAC championships when they competed in the Southwestern Relays in Winfield last Saturday. The men and women competed only in individual events, and the proved to be competitive, as many season bests were set.

The women began strong when Terra Simoneau cleared 9'6" on her first vault. She finished in third place, just failing to clear the NAIA provisional qualifying height of 10'2".

Rebecca Stover brought home fourth in the triple jump as she improved her season record to 33'8.25". Stover also set another season best with a hammer toss of 101'4", but finished behind Alyssa Rumples who extended her school record in the hammer to 102'11".

Finishing off scoring for the women was Beth

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-Pete Seal

Krehbiel who nailed down second place in the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 1:11.06. It was the first time in the season that Krehbiel had competed in this event. Continuing his undefeated outdoor season, Thad Haldeman led the men in the 400-meter dash with a time of 49.43. Haldeman also finished third in the 200-meter dash as he crossed the line in 22.43 seconds.

Eddie Chavez ended the shot put event in second

place with a throw of 46'5", a three-foot improvement. Also helping out the men, Tim Cox and Wes Hoffert each shaved off three seconds from their season best times in the 800-meter run. Cox finished in third with a time of 1:57.73 and Hoffert in fifth with 1:59.40.

Cox also finished fourth in the high jump, clearing 6'2". Rounding it out for the Bulldogs was Anthony Kelley, who finished sixth in the javelin with a toss of 146'9"—an addition of almost 20 feet to his personal best, bringing his toss to 146'9".

"The meet was great," said head coach Pete Seal. "Not only from a performance standpoint, but the team had more fun than they have had all year. Today was the day I was looking to have the week before the conference meet. The team is confident and excited to tackle the challenge of next week."

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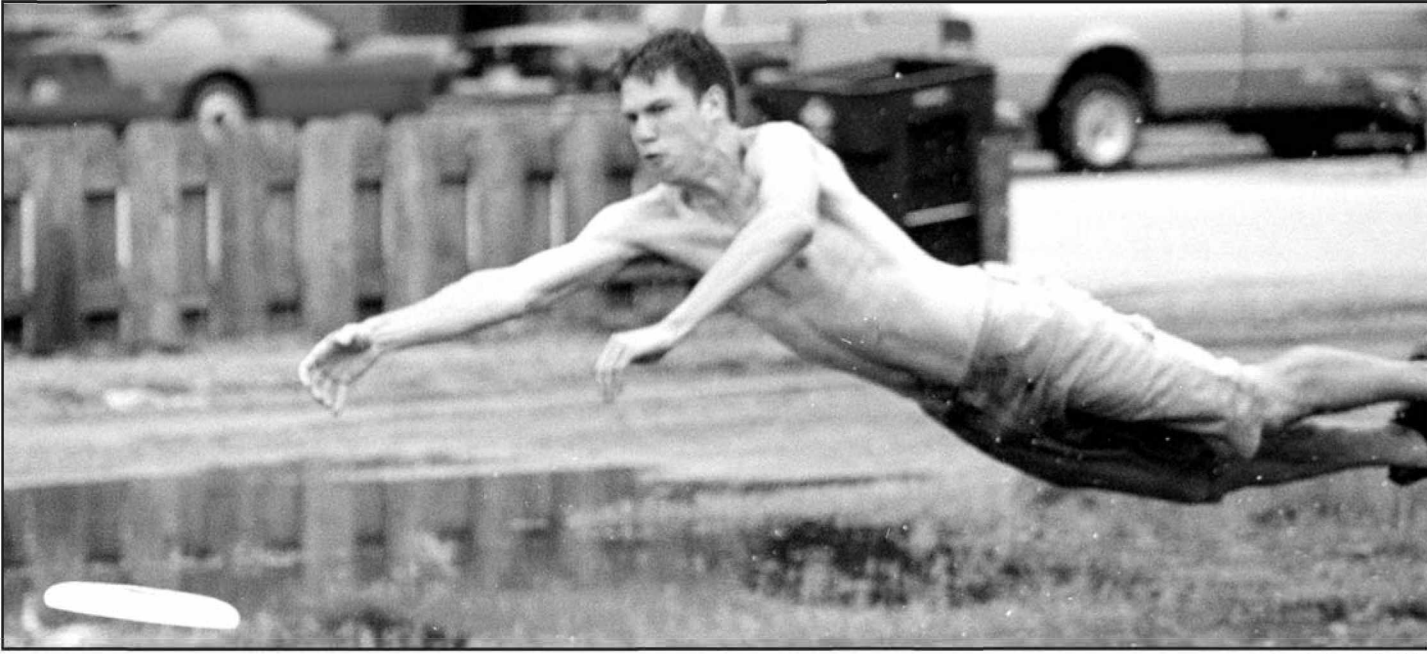
the KCAC championships. Field events begin at 2 p.m. and the preliminaries for the running events are scheduled to begin at 5. Tomorrow, Saturday, the day start off with field events at 1 p.m. and the finals for the running events again beginning at 5 p.m.

Thad Haldeman takes a run around the track during practice to better prepare himself for the start of the KCAC championship tournament.

Photo by Laina McKellip



Left, Wes Hoffert dives into a field of muddy water to catch his frisbee. Below, Hoffert and Andrew Gustafson show off their muscles after they have taken full advantage of the rainy weather by playing frisbee in mud puddles.



Photos by Laina McKellip

Miller brings auto racing experience to McPherson

Luke Chennell
Editor in chief

"Go fast, turn left is not



Miller

what we do. I hate when people think that," says Tom Miller, a McPherson College sophomore who during the summer is a member of a team that races four-cylinder mini stock cars.

Miller spends most of his summer at Concord

MotorSport Park near his hometown of Waxhaw, N.C. Miller's team competes on a half-mile tri-oval track on which they race 25 laps for the fastest time.

Miller's interest in cars goes back to the early years of his life. "I've always just liked working on cars and racing," he said. "I used to help my brother with his go-cart racing."

Miller's love of cars evolved into quite a hobby. He has been a racing team member for approximately four years. His racing season begins in early April and does not conclude until October. During the off-season, Miller's team builds a new car to be used for the next season.

"We start building our new car in October, and finish just in time to practice before the season starts again. We have to build one race motor and one practice motor for each new car."

Miller is one of a four-member team. "We all share

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-Tom Miller

the responsibility for the car," said Miller. "The car owner, the driver, an assistant, and then the mechanic."

Miller has had many memorable experiences during his four years with the team, but one stands out.

"It was spring before the season started and we went to our first practice. Danny

(the driver) was doing some practices laps and coming off the fourth turn. He was going full speed and the tires were spinning. That just proved that we had some good power in the car."

Unfortunately for his racing hobby, Miller won't be returning to North Carolina after his graduation this spring. He has accepted a job in Wichita and will be staying in Kansas.

"I'm hoping to start racing again somewhere around here. I haven't looked into what kind of cars they run around here, but they have to race something. I figure they've got to have something I can work with," he said.

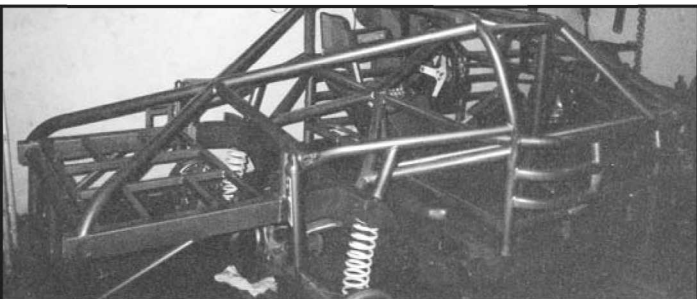
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BULLDOG SCOREBOARD

Softball

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Ottawa University	W 4-3 / W 9-4
St. Mary College	W 1-0 / L 1-6
Central Christian College	W 7-1 / W 7-3
Friends University	W 12-7 / L 7-13
St. Mary College	RAINED OUT
Tabor College	W 7-2 / W 5-3
Bethany College	L 2-15 / L 0-8
Bethany College	L 1-7
Friends University	L 5-9
Central Christian College	W 16-0
Tabor College	L 6-7
Sterling College	W 7-2
Haskell Indian Nations	L 2-3
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"Leadership in Action" to finalize series

Shandi Schoming

News Editor

"Leadership in Action," the final in the series of leadership forums, will take place Sunday.

LaMonte Rothrock, dean of students, and Michael Schneider, director of career services, will lead the forum.

Because students many students will be leaving after graduation to assume leadership positions, the forum will focus on communication and prioritizing, Rothrock said.

The forum will be a "wrap-up" of the series that has been offered throughout the year, and will prepare those who are going out and taking on leadership roles.

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-Michael Schneider

So far the series has analyzed different tools and pieces of leadership.

"The goal for this forum is to show students how they can take these pieces away as leaders," Schneider said.

Rothrock will lead the piece on communication, which will focus mainly on leadership aspects such as influencing people. Schneider will speak on pri-

oritizing in both work and life.

"We hope it will help students start thinking about what's important and what they can do as leaders," Schneider said.

The leadership forum will continue next year and will be heavily promoted among students.

Organizers hope to have some live speakers, such as influential alumni, for next year's forum.

"They may talk about what they believe are important roles," Rothrock said.

The forum's structure may take a bit different form in the future. Currently, Rothrock said they are thinking of breaking up the events based on classes.

McPherson residents give \$340,000 gift

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McPherson College recently received a \$340,000 gift from long-time McPherson residents Elmer and Velma Dalke.

"In life, Elmer and Velma Dalke expressed their kindness to many who had special needs," said Bob Knechel, vice president of institutional advancement in an April 24 press release. "In death, their generosity continues to help the whole McPherson community prosper as individual students are aided in their desire to attend McPherson College."

An endowment scholarship fund has been set up in the Dalkes' name. It will provide assistance to students who demonstrate financial need.

"It was always their idea to help people with financial need, especially at McPherson College," said Knechel.

President Ron Hovis knew the Dalkes on a personal level. During his years as a Mac student, he secured a job at the south Dillon's store as a freshman, which Elmer managed for 40 years. When Hovis was a sophomore, Elmer hired his wife as well.

"It's a special gift because Elmer and his wife are long-time Mac residents," Hovis said. "This gift expresses their concern for the college and the city."

The Dalkes were active members of the First Baptist Church.

"This certainly isn't the first kind thing they've done for the college," Hovis said.

Education program welcomes Ballew

Karen Leiker

Spectator Staff

A new face will join the curriculum and instruction department next year.

Jean Ballew will serve not only as a professor but also as program development director for the teacher education program. Two years ago, the teacher education program was selected as one of the feature programs at McPherson College and Ballew will work to advance the program.

"We're excited about having her join our team," said Barbara Cole, curriculum and instruction. "She will bring wonderful assets, and it will be good to work with her."

Ballew will work with the admission office to recruit education students and will teach several classes. Ballew is a McPherson resident and

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-Barbara Cole

has completed all the requirements for her Ph.D. except for the dissertation.

She is currently working at Kansas State University as she finishes her degree. Ballew came with high recommendations. The associate dean of KSU, who knows Ballew and McPherson College very well, thought that Ballew would be a good fit for McPherson College and vice versa-according to Cole.

Ballew was chosen by a search committee made up of various faculty and one student. The committee interviewed several candidates and chose

Ballew for many reasons. Ballew has lived all over the United States. Before applying for the job, she asked her husband, who works in the communication department at Bethany College, if they were going to stay in Kansas.

Ballew also has had experience with NCATE accreditation at KSU, which will help her fit into Mac's program. Ballew emphasized building relationships with students, being a lifelong learner, and being a caring educator when she was on campus. She said she is excited about the partnership between the college and the local public schools.

"I think Mrs. Ballew will be a positive addition to the education department faculty," said Matt Tobias, student representative to the teacher education board.

TYLER PRESENTS SENIOR RECITAL



photo by Laina McKellip

Barbara Cole, curriculum and instruction, congratulates Emily Tyler, sr., McPherson, after she presented her senior flute recital Sunday, April 27 in Brown Auditorium. A reception took place after the recital in Friendship Hall. Tyler is a music education major and will be graduating this spring. She will fulfill her student teaching requirement next fall.

NEWS BRIEFS

RA's announced

■RAs for next year have been selected. They are as follows:

Dotzour: TauLyn Johnston, fr., Arlington, Colo., Shandi Schoming, jr., Davenport, Nebr., America Patton, fr., Kansas City, Jonathan Klinger, jr., Winnebago, Ill.

Metzler: Erik Johnson, jr., Nampa, Ida., Matt Tobias, jr., Eldora Iowa, Landon Snell, fr., McFarland Calif., Brian Veal, jr., Kansas City, and Brian Glover, fr., Miami, Fla.

Morrison: Adam Martin, sr., Bloomington, Minn.

Bittinger: Treasett Horner, soph., Wichita.

Spring Concert

■The band and choir will present a concert Sunday at 4 p.m. in Mingenback. It is free and open to the public.

ONE MAN TEAM



photo by Laina McKellip

Scott Musgrave, sr., Wray Colo., pulls for the Metzler team in Dotzour's Fun in the Sun activities. Fun in the Sun included activities such as a watermelon eating contest, tug-of-war and sand volleyball. Musgrave was the only Metzler representative in the tug-of-war. Participants were encouraged to attend the Bernard Allison Blues Concert and Emily Tyler's senior flute recital.

Student publications claim KACP awards

Members of the Spectator and Barker staffs recently attended the KACP Conference in Wichita. Students attended various workshops and awards ceremonies. The Spectator received a bronze award in the overall four-year private college newspaper division. The Barker also received a bronze award for overall two-year and four-year college magazine. Individual awards are listed below.

Luke Chennell	1st Place 2nd Place 2nd Place Honorable Mention Honorable Mention	Column Writing Column Writing Headline Writing Headline Writing Review Writing
Elissa Thompson	1st Place 2nd Place Honorable mention	Headline Writing Editorial Writing Sports news Writing
Laina McKellip	2nd Place Honorable Mention	Feature Photography News Photography
Shandi Schoming	Honorable Mentio Honorable Mention	News Writing Front Page Design
Rebecca Stover	1st Place Honorable Mention Honorable Mention	Feature Photography Interior Page Design Feature Photography
Patrick Grass	Honorable Mention	Feature Writing
Marie Rhoades	Honorable Mention	Sports Photography
Mike Vrtiska	Honorable Mention	Review Writing
Michael Warner	Honorable Mention	Review Writing
Jennifer King	2nd Place 3rd Place	Feature Design Feature Design