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Campus prepares to host returning alumni

Laurie Neiman
Spectator Staff

McPherson College alumni will arrive on campus this weekend to celebrate Homecoming with an array of planned activities. "Not only are people coming back because they graduated from McPherson, they have some sort of class connection...a common interest that they have shared with a fellow student," said Cyril Russell, director of alumni and community relations. Class reunions take place every five years. The classes of 1998, 1993, 1988, 1983, and 1978 have reunion activities planned this weekend. Classes celebrating their 30th anniversary and beyond plan their reunions for Commencement weekend in May.

Alumni events kick off Friday morning with a benefit golf tournament at Turkey Creek Golf Course. Proceeds from the tournament will go to the Athletic Booster Club. Friday afternoon alumni are invited to the honors convocation to witness Bruce Appel '83, Ronda

HOMECOMING WEEKEND

Friday, Oct. 24

1 p.m. ... Honors Convocation
Brown Auditorium
6:30 Track & Field Reunion
Dog House
7:30 ... Lost in Yonkers
Brown Auditorium

Saturday, Oct. 25

8 a.m. ... Athletic Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony
Sport Center
11:30 ... All-class Homecoming Luncheon
Sport Center
1:30 ... Football Game
Bulldog Stadium
6:30 ... Art Ray Recognition
Red Coach Inn
7:30 ... Lost in Yonkers
Brown Auditorium

Sunday, Oct. 26

2 p.m. ... Choir Concert
Church of the Brethren



Photo by Tracy Stoddart

2003 Homecoming court consist of Cody Chaffin, fr, Hayes; Erik Johnson, jr, Caldwell, Idaho; Robert Ullom, sr, Wiley, Colo; Matt Tobias, sr, Conrad, Iowa; Kenny Romero, sr, McPherson; Jonathan Rothrock, soph, McPherson; Lois Davidson, jr, Welda; Cora Coleman, sr, Chase; Lisa Salazar, sr, Brownsville, Texas; Shandi Schoming, sr, Davenport, Neb; Rylee Miller, soph, Rangely Colo. Not pictured is April Stos, fr, Hoisington. Homecoming king and queen will be announced Friday at the Honors Convocation.

Switzer Neher '83, and Marty Ward '78, receive Young Alumni Awards. Other events include a track and field and cross-country reunion and recognition banquet for former head coach Art Ray.

On Saturday Wayne Blickenstaff '54, Gerald Henderson '85, and Melvin Mill '30 (posthumous) will be inducted into the Athletic Hall of Fame at a breakfast and induction ceremony.

Alumni and their families can take part in the carnival planned by SGA and SAB on Saturday. A concert on Sunday at 2

NEWS BRIEFS

Students invited to workshop on Arabic culture

A nationally recognized instructor on the Arab world and the Middle East will next month facilitate a workshop in Wichita open to McPherson College students and community members.

Audrey Shabbas, a United Nations trainer and representative of the Human Rights Education Special Interest Group of the National Council of the Social Studies, will discuss Arabic culture and history, including an introduction to the Islamic faith.

Shabbas has facilitated more than 250 such workshops in the past ten years. Objectives of the workshop are to better understand and correct historical misconceptions about the Arab and Muslim cultures.

McPherson College is one of local colleges and organizations sponsoring the workshop, which will be hosted at the Wichita Muslim Community Center from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 15.

With the tension between our country and the Arabic and Islamic countries today we hope this type of event will help to build bridges of understanding between our cultures, said Jeanne Smith, associate professor of education and English. Smith also teaches a multi-cultural education course for those in the teacher education program.

The workshop has a \$25 fee, which includes the 540-page textbook: The Arab World Notebook, and a Mediterranean luncheon.

Although the workshop is oriented toward educators, others are invited to attend. Persons may register by contacting Smith at smithj@mcpherson.edu or extension 1246 by November 1.

C.A.R.S. club host annual car wash

The C.A.R.S. club is hosting their annual homecoming weekend car wash Saturday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

This fund raiser is located on the driveway next to Plant Operations which is between Templeton and Melhorn Halls.

The C.A.R.S. club will wash, dry, and clean the tires of a vehicle car for \$8.

Paid an extra two dollars they will also vacuum the interior.

For a wax job, in addition to everything else, the C.A.R.S. club charges \$15.

For more information, Ryan Mahoney can be reached at extension 4479.

Study reveals \$200,000 loss

14 out of 23 major programs of study are not 'breaking even' on instruction costs

Patricia Goering
News Editor

Data from a study conducted last summer has been compiled and the numbers are sobering, said Laura Eells, provost and dean of faculty. The college is currently running an operating deficit of about \$3 million, and the study confirmed a loss of nearly \$200,000 on the direct cost of instruction in 2002-03.

The cost of instruction study is one of several ways to evaluate the quality of education McPherson College students get. It focuses on the financial aspect of instruction, discovering whether a specific program is creating revenue, simply breaking even or losing money, Eells said.

Karlene Tyler, associate dean of academic services and Dale Minnich, former chief financial officer, assisted Eells in conducting the study.

Tyler gathered the official numbers on enrollment, graduates per major, and the number of declared students per major.

Minnich worked with the business office to gather information about the different courses and the data needed to develop the cost to offer the course such as instructors' salary and benefits.

Fourteen of the college's 23 major programs of study produced negative balances last year.

The business program

"No one piece by itself can create success."
—President Ron Hovis

produced the greatest revenue last year with a \$55,239 profit. The number of business majors has grown from 26 in 2001-02 to 59 in 2003-04. According to Eells' summary report, the development of a four-year degree in auto restoration business management has contributed to the financial solvency of the business program.

This is a direct result of the development of four-year degrees that combine Auto Restoration with other majors. This is positive but as President Ron Hovis said, "no one piece by itself can create success."

The music program over last school year developed a \$99,525 deficit. Over the past three years results have been similar although not on such a large monetary scale. In light of these numbers Hovis expressed some concern about the future of some programs.

Even so, Steven Gustafson, professor of music, said it is "too early to be worrying about cuts. I believe that music is an integral part of a liberal arts college...it has a place in this community," Gustafson said. Although there will

always be significant differences between enrollment in some majors, Eells said, there are far too many courses with five or fewer students. In 2002-03 over 100 courses enrolled fewer than six students.

Some programs are expected to run on a deficit, Eells admitted. The priority of the college is not to make a profit but to balance the programs so everything comes out evenly.

In order to "break even" courses need to have approximately 15 students enrolled.

Solutions to this financial problem are at this time in the hands of the faculty, Eells said. They have been asked to respond before the end of October with their ideas for operating more efficiently and increasing enrollment in their programs so the suggestions can be processed and presented to the Board of Trustees in November.

Eells said she hopes faculty will come up with creative solutions so cuts to programs will not be necessary.

Gustafson suggested that more courses might be offered on an alternate-year basis in the music program. He also said the art and theatre departments should work more closely together.

Fees for private lessons will most likely increase, Gustafson said. There has been no increase in lesson

Trustees to review study during fall meeting

Patricia Goering
News Editor

The Board of Trustees will have their annual fall meeting Nov. 6-7 on the McPherson College campus.

In addition to the operating deficit, the upcoming Higher Learning Commission accreditation will be among the topics discussed.

The board's standing committees have additional agendas. The Academic and Student Life Committee will look into the cost of instruction study, admissions progress, campus life, and career initiatives.

The Finance Committee will deal with the budget, tuition and fees, as well as a three-year financial plan.

fees since 1991.

Hovis emphasized that no changes will be made to scholarships that have already been granted, but that in the future, scholarships might be cut.

In the conclusion of her summary report, Eells acknowledges the possibility of some faculty reductions over the course of the next few years, but stresses that the college provides an appropriate level of support needed for those faculty who are displaced.

"It is important to note

The Advancement Committee will be considering a three-year strategic plan in addition to fund-raising options.

The 25-member board meets three times a year, and is composed of alumni, Church of the Brethren members, parents and community members.

"They are a group of people who are committed to the college's future success," President Ron Hovis said.

Although the meeting is not open to the public, the faculty chair, a faculty representative, the SGA president, and the seven members of the president's cabinet observe all processes except the executive sessions.

that a limitation of the study is that it only measures the 'dollars and cents' of the cost of instruction and not the dedication and commitment of those who deliver instruction," Eells wrote in her Cost of Instruction Study Summary Report. Growth and change are difficult so addressing the occupational losses incurred in delivering instruction will be a lengthy endeavor, Eells said, but "the outcome is going to be an even better McPherson College."

OUR LEAD EDITORIALS

Cost of instruction study good for business

Issue 1: Cost of Instruction Our Position: Scary things are sometimes beneficial

Although the cost of instruction study appears that it may have negative effects, it actually will be moving the college in the right direction. The study, performed by Karlene Tyler, associate dean of academic services, Dale Minnich, former Chief Financial Officer, and Laura Eells, Provost and dean of facul-

ty, found the school to be not only \$3 million dollars into the red, but that \$220,000 of that was generated just last year. By reviewing all the degree programs and their respective net gains and losses, college officials, along with the Board of Trustees can begin to generate ideas that will help to fix areas where great financial loss is shown. Hopefully the college will be able to solve these problems before anything drastic, such as cutting programs or faculty members, happens.

The business program appears to be holding steady; however, the music program generates a large amount of red ink. Instead of being seen as a threat to the school, we should view the cost of instruction study as a great way to improve the college and strengthen the financial situation.

Career services continues excelling with students

Issue 2: Career services workshops Our Position: Helpful in more ways than the obvious

Career services recently began a series of workshops for current students that will build students' strengths in the areas of building resumes and interview preparation.

The workshops and the larger emphasis on career services are a positive move for McPherson College. As students

become more and more prepared to enter the job market and the business world, the college's program will continue to grow. Students will not only be better able to perform the skills necessary for life beyond McPherson College, but will also be able to give back to the college when necessary.

By assisting students' success in the business world McPherson College not only impresses incoming students but should keep them here for the "long haul."

Career services is doing a great job of leading students in the right direction. Hopefully the program will continue to grow and offer students a wide background as they prepare for graduation.

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MAG OPINIONS

What do you think about changing Homecoming Court crowning from the football game to Honors Convo?

I like the ceremony at Convo but doing it at the game is more exciting and lures more people. Angie Gribble, staff, McPherson



If they want the whole school to be there, doing it at Convo is a good idea. Esther Vasquez, Jr., Veracruz, Mexico



It should be at the football game. Eric Vrtiska, soph., Beatrice, Neb.



It should be at the game because it's more exciting. Kana Bessho, Jr., Sapporo, Japan



I don't know what to say. Alan Childress, Jr., Chalmette, La



It should be at the game so everyone's families can see it. Todd Davis, Jr., Chalmette, La.

Salvation: everybody wins

Salvation is the deliverance from evil, danger, or trouble; God's gift, through Christ, to save men's souls. Salvation is not just for one person to have, but for anyone that desires to be saved. For our Father desires that we be saved and have our names written in the book of life so that we may enter the gates of heaven.

How does one become saved? To be saved all you have to do is confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. "For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation" (Romans 10:9-10).

Whom did God raise from the dead? The Lord, our God raised our savior Jesus Christ on the third day with all power in his hand for man's sake. Why did God let his son die? "Because God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son that whosoever believes in should not die but have



Guest Columnist Brandon Pitts

everlasting life" (John 3:16).

After one has become saved by the grace of God, that person is a whole new person, because he has the Father, Son, and the Holy Spirit with him wherever he may travel. When you are truly saved, people around you will notice the change in you and they will wonder why you don't do the things the old you used to do.

Since now you are all about God's work, it's no longer what you want to do but what God wants you to do. Even when you become saved Satan will be on your back harder than ever, trying to break your spirit by tempting you to the point where you want to turn back to your old ways of life. But Satan is weak compared to

"Satan is weak compared to God and can't break you unless you allow him to."

-Brandon Pitts

God and can't break you unless you allow him to.

Unfortunately, we are not perfect and we all do sin and even those that are saved still sin. But, our awesome God forgives us of our sins through his grace, which is that undeserving love that God gives us. And the Lord says "No temptation has overtaken you except such as is common to man; but God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with temptation will also make a way to escape, that you may be able to bear it" (1 Corinthians 10:13).

My friends, don't get discouraged when you do become saved because of those people who talk about you behind your back, but keep on going and don't

worry, for the creator of the heavens, earth, and man is with you, and he will guide your life for you if you put it in his hands.

So when you're down and feel like no one cares, and your family and friends are nowhere to be found, just remember there is a lover named Jesus who will wipe away your every tear from your eyes. And in these last days remember to tell a friend about Jesus and how he hung on the cross being pierced in his side, spit upon, and being humiliated by people.

I'm telling you this now because I want you to know Him while He is still Lord and not later when He becomes judge. For there will be a day when "at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; and that every tongue should confess that Jesus is Lord, to the glory of God the Father" (Philippians 2:10-11).

Healthy life not in bottle or diet but in hugs and belly laughs

In a second-floor window above the front entrance of Dotzour Hall, a resident has posted two bumper stickers. One says "War is not the answer," and the other reads, "Arms are for hugging." I agree with both of these statements, but I want to make it clear that I am not using this article to push pacifistic views. Instead, I simply want to share some thoughts on hugs.

My Nana once told me her secret to a long, happy and healthy life. Unlike most people might guess, it was not eating right and exercising regularly. Instead, her prescription for life was a dose of eight hugs and four belly-laughs a day. As strange as I thought that sounded at first, those recommendations have stayed with me and I, too, am a believer in their effect on one's life.

My family always greets, consoles and celebrates with hugs. I consider myself pretty lucky for the way I grew up. Almost every morning that I got up and went to school, my dad got up and made me breakfast. Not only did he start me out on a full-stomach and get my brain going with table con-



Reb's Rambles Rebecca Stover

"It took a bit of conscious effort at first, but after a while, meeting that recommended eight hugs a day became a piece of cake."

-Rebecca Stover

versation, but also he made it a point to give me a hug when I came down the stairs or before I flew out the door. I never really thought anything about it until his mother (my Nana) pointed out the importance of hugs in our daily routine.

It took a bit of conscious effort at first, but after a while, meeting that recommended eight hugs a day became a piece of cake. In fact, I think it's safe to say that my intentions became contagious. I really don't remember how or when it happened, but pretty soon all of my closest friends became an incredible network of unlimited hugs.

Now that I am at college, I have moved away from that cluster of huggers, and I only see my family on occasion. I had no idea how important all those hugs had become to me until they were no longer there. Consequently, I started searching for sources.

That kind of searching can be scary and dangerous for a freshman girl at college. Fortunately for me, I had a sister here for one semester, and I developed another great group of friends who aren't afraid to give and get hugs.

Recently I started attending the prayer circle that meets at Hamly Garden late at night. The first time I went I was overwhelmed with the amount of stress-relief that came from taking those few minutes to just be still with a group of supportive Christians. Yet I had no idea that as soon as the prayer was finished I would receive a hug from every single person around that circle. With about ten people there, my hug dosage for the day is filled in one shot. Needless to say, I go to prayer group every chance I get. When I miss it, I feel incomplete.

I honestly don't know why hugs are so important. Maybe it's just making the

conscious effort to interact with another person on a little different level. Perhaps it is the physical contact. It could be the feeling of release that comes after allowing yourself to relax and be embraced. On a basic level, getting a hug from someone simply means that you are loved.

So when was the last time you got a hug? I really want you to be able to answer this question. I'm not implying that hugs come from dating, or dating comes from hugs (although that does happen). Hugs can be as meaningful as you want to make them. I have met very few people in my life who are anti-hugging. For the most part, all people need that kind of support at some point in their life, even if they're afraid to say it.

Along with your usual diet, I challenge you to add eight hugs and four belly-laughs to the equation everyday. I think you'll be pleasantly surprised with the results.

Safe sex not all that it's wrapped up to be

Life offers us many choices. One of them is choosing to exercise our right to remain silent. The alternative, obviously, is to choose to not keep our opinion to ourselves. This is one of those times when I am opting for the latter, resolved to express my opinion to the masses by means of this country's free press.

Two weeks ago the campus (at least some of it) participated in what was known as Celibacy Week. This was a push to get students (and faculty) to focus on thinking about sexual choices, STDs, and of course celibacy. I decided to share some opinions, issue some input, and throw out some facts for all to see.

I put in a little research and found certain information that most people never hear about regarding STDs. The Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has scientific records revealing the facts about condom effectiveness.

For some reason, most people are under the impression that condoms have some magical power that keeps them from giving or getting STDs. Those of you taking comfort in this idea, take note:

Regarding HIV (trail scout for AIDS), condom use still leaves a 15 percent risk of exposure. That means that a condom might have about a four out of five chance of preventing the transmission of HIV.

And gonorrhea? Research shows that condoms are only slightly effective protection for men. As for women, there is absolutely no clinical proof of any effectiveness.

Chlamydia? No proven clinical effectiveness.

Trichomoniasis? No clinical effectiveness.

You might be wondering,

"Babysitting is a good form of birth control. Try it some time."

—Nick Anderson



Nick Anderson

"Does it keep going?" Yes it does. The list gets longer, including syphilis, genital herpes, human papillomavirus, and on and on: No effectiveness.

Is anybody catching a pattern here? Condoms, or so-called "protection," actually protect sexual partners from very few STDs.

And another thing—if you've ever had sex with anyone who has done it with someone else before, it is proven all but impossible to not contract at least one of the dozens of STDs out there. Basically, the only thing condoms are good for is 'protection' from possible pregnancy, and of course that has yet to be 100 percent effective.

How can this be, you may ask? "Why didn't somebody tell us?" "Oh no, what if...?" Come on everybody. We live in the "real world."

If you haven't noticed, our country has been sliding deeper into a big rut of being obsessed with sex. We can't watch TV for five minutes without something involving sex or some innuendo coming on. [Dentyne gum, "Temptation Island," Herbal Essence shampoo, blah blah blah...]

Really, people. If the media were to let out the truth that your "protection" didn't actually protect against anything, all of a sudden people might go ahead and get the bright idea that maybe it's not so smart too screw around all the time. Suddenly, sex isn't selling so great. How do you think everything is funded

now? If it's a doubt in anybody's mind, let me tell you, basically all businesses in the world are just that—business. They don't care about people or how they're affecting humanity, they want money. So the manufacturers, media, and whoever else aren't going to tell anybody that the "protection" they trust in is no good, knowing full well that they'd be pulling the rug out from under themselves. No way.

Now to get personal. Have you ever wondered this about yourself: "Could I maybe have an STD? What are the chances?" Well, think of it like this: If you're someone who sleeps around (or did just once), then yes, those chances are reasonably good that you might.

Like those bathroom "installment" flyers say, most all STDs aren't going to show up right away. It's usually years before symptoms start showing up. And warning signs are made to stop you before you get there. Obviously, after you have the warning signs, it's no longer a "warning"—you've got it. That's what a warning is all about: learning from somebody else's mistakes before learning from your own.

I can't figure people out sometimes. By a certain age, everybody has seen or heard the warning signs from other people's mistakes and ought to know that cigarettes char out people's lungs, drinking never made anyone smarter, and persistent irrational sexual

habits can only help lead to STDs and messed up marriages.

I'll just end this now while I'm ahead. Before I do, there are just a couple things I want to put down for you to remember:

The only safe sex is no sex. Abstinence until married is the single successful way to live without regrets, worries, doubts, or guilt about something you did. There's nothing to hide from your perfect somebody that you give yourself to for life.

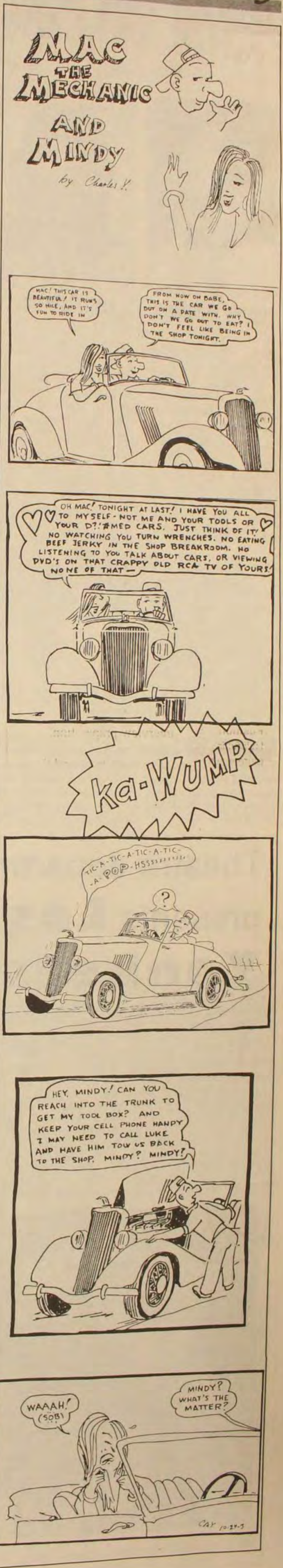
Babysitting is a good form of birth control. Try it some time. If you can't handle it, you aren't ready for a physically compromising relationship that can lead to a full-time 24-hour-a-day lifetime commitment to a child of your own. Don't start something you aren't ready to finish.

Nobody can protect you except yourself. It's your choice. I've stated some facts about what the truth is and potential consequences. Only you can choose what you'll do about it. Are you going to control yourself and your hormones and avoid all the trouble completely, or take your chances and have all the different possible outcomes hanging over your head?

Seems like an easy enough decision to me—Life's short and stressful enough without bringing more on yourself or anybody else.

Everything in this article is "just my opinion" and is open to discussion. If you have questions, arguments, or complaints, don't be afraid to let me know.

You can't use the excuse that you don't know any better now, and I really hope and pray that something you read can help change a part of your life for the better.



One nation, under God

Religious phrases reflect our country's founding; not meant to infringe on personal beliefs

The expression "One nation, under God" from the Pledge of Allegiance has, within the past year, generated a ludicrous amount of controversy.



Stefanie Slinkard

"This impending ban of the Pledge of Allegiance...is outrageous."

—Stefanie Slinkard

Michael Newdow, an atheist, filed a case against the United States and his daughter's school district in 2002.

Newdow argued that his nine-year-old daughter should not be required to join in the teacher-led Pledge of Allegiance; he does not want God forced into her life, nor does he believe the Constitution is being upheld by the imposed recitation.

The Ninth U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled in favor of Newdow and banned the traditional morning recitation of the pledge for nearly 10 million schoolchildren in the nine western states below its authority.

However, as the Supreme Court just recently accepted an appeal from the school district, the ban has been put on hold until a final judgment is issued.

This impending ban of the Pledge of Allegiance from school is outrageous.

Newdow claims that the Constitution is not being upheld. Yet, what he fails to acknowledge is the First Amendment to the Constitution, which admits the freedom of religion.

Just as Newdow can choose not to believe in God, those who opt to believe in Him have the liberty to practice their belief. If, in following their faith in God, one chooses to voluntarily recite the Pledge of Allegiance, then they are doing so by his or her own free will.

Still, an elementary school-aged child will, most likely, not realize it is his or her right to choose to participate in the Pledge of

Allegiance. In this case, if the parents so wish, they may tell the child whether to take part or not.

Granted, this proposed compromise is not to advocate a disbelief in God, but simply to attest Newdow's conviction that the Pledge of Allegiance should be detached from schools.

Because the Pledge of Allegiance is an expression of our independence and patriotism, it should not be considered a building block of our government but, rather, a representation of it.

Those who immigrated to America several hundred years ago sought freedom from religious persecution in Europe. They came to this land with the idea of living without restraint from their faith in God.

Therefore, owing to this, the United States of America was founded on God.

Another illustration of our country having been founded on God is printed on our currency—"In God We Trust."

Will Newdow, or perhaps another atheist, step forward and demand this to be removed next? If they have a problem with the motto on the currency, will Newdow and his supporters cease their use of money?

How much longer will society—those who are believers in God, that is—stand aside and allow our freedom of religion and speech to be tampered with?

When we draw the line and stand up for our faith, only then will those who are attempting to rid our nation of God back down.

Newdow and those who share his ideas show no tolerance for another's devotion to God and neither should we show patience or leniency for their lack of faith.

Meet the candidates

Who will be the Royal Couple of Homecoming 2003?



Corah Coleman

Corah Coleman comes to McPherson from Ellinwood, Kan., as a music major, emphasizing in piano pedagogy. She enjoys ice cream, and believes that strawberry cheesecake flavored ice cream best reflects her personality; nothing too out of the ordinary, but with an occasional chunk of spunkiness and delight.

Aside from ice cream, Corah's favorites range from The New Kids on the Block to the movies, "Ten Things I Hate about You" and "Westside Story."

While at McPherson College, she has participated in SGA, Judiciary Board, G-Clef, band, and choir, and she has enjoyed the friendly atmosphere here more than anything else.

If Corah could meet anyone she wanted, alive or dead, she would like to meet Marilyn Monroe.

Given the chance, Corah would be Mickey Mouse if she could kill Minnie first. Corah also wishes it were possible to be the Magic School Bus.



Lisa Salazar

The second queen candidate is Elizabeth Salazar, better known as Lisa. She is originally from Brownsville, Texas, and is a physical education major. While in college she has participated in volleyball, softball, intramurals, M.U.S.I.C., the student mentor program, and Today's Educators as treasurer.

Lisa loves ladybugs and is known for decorating everything with them. She also loves the movie "Dirty Dancing" and can often be quoted asking, "You know?" Lisa doesn't have much spare time, but when she does she likes to dance. Salazar is known on campus for her extensive collection of clothes and shoes.

Given the choice, Lisa would choose to be rainbow sherbet ice cream. "I could be three flavors in one," said Lisa.

In the future, Lisa would like to get her masters, possibly get married, and coach college volleyball somewhere in her home state, Texas.



Shandi Schoming

Shandi Schoming, also a fan of the friendly atmosphere of McPherson, grew up in Davenport, Neb. Her years at McPherson have been spent working as a student mentor, being an RA in Dotzour, writing and editing for the Spectorator, and playing in band. Shandi will graduate with a degree in English.

The song, "Picture," by Sheryl Crow and Kid Rock is one of her favorites, as well as the movie "Princess Bride," and the book, "The Notebook," by Nicholas Sparks.

Shandi also enjoys watching Big Brother and For Love or Money on TV.

Shandi pictures herself being chocolate ice cream. "It's just plain, but at least it has some flavor," said Shandi.

After she graduates, Shandi envisions herself getting a job for a year and then plans to look into some sort of volunteer program such as Teach for America. She would like to someday go to graduate school and get a degree in school psychology.



Kenny Romero

If you hear someone say, "It's a great day to be a Bulldog," turn and look; you might find Kenny Romero, our first king candidate.

Kenny comes from Pueblo, Colo., as a sociology major. Kenny not only serves as a student mentor, but has completed an internship at the Galva Daycare, and enjoys spending time with his daughter, Azaria.

When Kenny isn't working with kids, he likes to play basketball and dreams of playing in the NBA someday. Kenny also enjoys the movie, "Tombstone," and likes to listen to all sorts of music.

Kenny admires the determination of Marvin the Martian, and decided he would jump at the chance to be a cartoon character.

Kenny likes being at this college because he felt comfortable right away; it was a home away from home. He also feels certain that McPherson has prepared him well to succeed in a career that he'll enjoy.



Robert Ullom

From Wiley, Colo., Robert Ullom is also a king candidate. This senior will be graduating with a biology/biochemistry double major, as well as a possible minor in Spanish. On campus, he has participated in football, choir, and ultimate Frisbee, and in his spare time he can be found snowboarding, wakeboarding, or fishing.

Some of his favorites include the movie, "The Matrix," and food containing beef, steak being his first choice, of course. The best thing about college for Robert has been the football team.

"I like how we pulled through some rough times together to start winning again," Robert said.

He also likes how personal the campus can be and enjoys knowing everyone.

Ullom admires the cartoon character Jerry, from Tom and Jerry because Jerry is always outsmarting Tom.

Robert plans to study in Spain sometime this year and farther down the road would like to enter medical school.



Matt Tobias

Matt Tobias, our third king candidate, comes from Conrad, Iowa. He is a history/secondary education major and has taken part in many activities on campus. Matt has been the History Club president and SGA vice president, an RA, a student mentor, part of the football team, and has participated in band, choir, and the McPherson College Trombones.

Matt says best things about McPherson College are meeting so many people, being able to study under great professors and knowing that he's getting an excellent education.

Matt loves quoting his favorite movies, "Tommy Boy" and "Austin Powers." Ice cream ranks without competition as Matt's number one food.

On a serious note, if he had the chance to meet anyone, alive or dead, he would've met his great grandpa because Matt's heard what an amazing person his grandfather was.

Matt expects to teach high school history and coach football after graduation.

Theatre department presents **Lost in Yonkers**

Lara Lichty
Features Editor

Theatre is in full swing once again with the production of "Lost in Yonkers" by Neil Simon. The show opened Oct. 17 and 18.

Set in 1942, the play revolves around the members of the Kurnitz family, who are first, second, and third-genera-

tion Jewish German immigrants.

Eddie, a widower, has to persuade his stern mother to take in his two sons, Jay and Artie, so he can earn money to repay a loan shark who he owed after the death of his wife, Aunt Bella, who is slightly simple in the head, Uncle Louie, a thief, and Aunt Gert, who is so nervous that she talks while breathing in, join the boys in their

attempt to love their grandmother.

The family exhibits various forms of survival techniques. The boys try to find humor in little things and enjoy dreaming of the day they'll find all the hidden money their grandmother bestows so they can be reunited with their father.

Bella constantly searches for love and acceptance, while Uncle Louie tries to pass as a "tough-guy" who fears nothing.

Grandma Kurnitz is set in her ways, born with the sole purpose to survive and live through any pain that comes her way.

It is this conflict that brings humor to the play, as each member of the family struggles to heal wounds from the past and find meaning in their family ties.

Students involved with the production are eager for their peers to attend this weekend's performances.

"We have a lot of talent in the theatre department," said Amanda Harkness, fr., Hays, who plays Aunt Gert, "but people will only know this if they come watch."

"Neil Simon is a very funny writer, and this particular play won the Pulitzer Prize," said Bryan Grosbach, soph., Gladstone, Mo., who plays



photo by Sheila Bevan

Parker and J.J. learn from Lois how to take on the personality of their characters.

THE CAST

Jay: Parker Johnson
Sixth grade, MMS, McPherson

Arty: J.J. Krehbiel
Seventh grade, MMS, McPherson

Eddie: Seth Schoming
Freshman, Davenport, Neb.

Bella: Lois Davidson
Junior, Mount Ida

Grandma: Janell Klenke
Junior, Dodge City

Louie: Bryan Grosbach
Sophomore, Gladstone, Mo.

Gertrude: Amanda Harkness
Freshman, Hays



photo by Sheila Bevan

Seth and Lois rehearse their brother and sister role.

Michael Warner
Spectator Staff

Is a FOX feature about McPherson College a good idea? Can this increase awareness of college? Can this "Tour" help with the goal of enrollment? After this short broadcast, students have heard the FOX series "College's worth the effort" program pre-camp will to audience.

A series of 30 ran on FOX and McPherson College August through leading up to the six-and-a-half-hour feature on "C



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Joe Blas, Jr., Jacobs, soph., Juli Greep, sr.

Students contemplate FOX/UPN "Campus Tour"

Michael Warner
Spectator Staff

Is a FOX and UPN feature about McPherson College a good way to increase awareness of the college? Can this "College Tour" help with the constant goal of increasing enrollment? After watching this short broadcast, five students have mixed feelings of the FOX/UPN effort.

Amanda Snell, soph., McPherson; Becky Snell, sr., McPherson; Dean Feasenheiser, jr., Fruitland, Idaho; Daniel Butler, jr., Eldora, Iowa; and Derrick Ward, fr., Palos Heights, Ill., sat together to discuss whether or not McPherson College's feature on the series "College Tour" was worth the efforts and if the program presented the campus well to a television audience.

A series of 30-second ads ran on FOX and UPN about McPherson College from August through September leading up to the broadcast of the six-and-a-half minute feature on "College Tour,"



photo by Sheila Bevan

Becky Snell, sr., McPherson, Amanda Snell, soph., McPherson, and Dean Feasenheiser, jr., Fruitland, Idaho eagerly await the showing of the campus tour.

which premiered Oct. 11. Darren Hendricks, director of communications, invited the College Tour camera crew to film the campus last May.

"We decided this would probably be a good way to reach prospective students,"

Hendricks said. "I thought our segment was very well-produced."

The program displayed a lot of faculty and student interaction and panoramic shots of the campus and newer buildings.

Plenty of attention was

drawn to what McPherson had to offer, including theatre, athletics and the unique auto-restoration program.

However, the students viewing the Mac feature weren't immediately sold on what they were seeing.

Some of the students hoped for more attention on different departments and programs that are offered, others were hoping for a bit more depth in the departments that were mentioned.

"I didn't see a single thing about music," Becky Snell said.

There was also some discontent that a few facilities were left out of the presentation, such as the dorms, the cafeteria, and Brown Auditorium.

On a more positive note, the students picked up on many things that were working well for the McPherson feature.

When comparing the feature on McPherson College to the other schools featured on College Tour, all were pleased with what was presented of our own school.

"We definitely showed a lot more of the campus," Butler said.

"I'm glad we're getting into this kind of medium," Becky said.

All of the students agreed that this program should

help bring in more incoming freshmen and transfer students in the future and that the college should continue to advertise over television to get prospective students' attention.

"College Tour" has featured McPherson College on FOX and UPN with some frequency over the last two weeks. The program is broadcast exclusively on the FOX and UPN networks, which collectively covers most of the state.

Overall, the students agreed that televising a tour of McPherson College is a good step in improving the college's name recognition, and they encourage the push in advertising. However, they feel the students of McPherson College should be more involved in helping the advertising process.

"Give positive input... it never hurts to help out," Butler advised.

The remaining broadcasts of "College Tour" featuring the McPherson College segment are tonight at 9:30 p.m., and Sunday at 5:30 p.m. on FOX.



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Kelsey Hendricks, fr., Alma, and Karrie Rathbone, assistant professor of biology participate in grape toss.

SPIRIT!

Students and Faculty compete for \$700



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Sheree Kriley, fr., Esbon, Bryan Grosbach, soph., Gladstone, Mo., and Eddie Chavez, jr., Santa Barbara, Calif., snarf pie.



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Admissions counselors Sara Brubaker, Linda Ream and Amber Chalastari show off their matching dresses for twin day.



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Eric Perry, fr., Solomon, Brian Schoenecker, fr., Akron, Colo., Ross Barton, fr., Golden, Colo., Freddie Nails, soph., San Antonio, Texas, represent Dotzour Hall in the tug-of-war competition at Lakeside Park Tuesday.



photo by Lara Lichy

Joe Blas, jr., Sumner, Wash., Joe Izzard, jr., Lancaster, S.C., Gad Jacobs, soph., Miami, Fla., Lisa Salazar, sr., Brownsville, Texas and Juli Greep, sr., Nickerson, make smores at Thursday's bonfire.



photo by Tracy Stoddart

Twins Kathy Tello, fr., Ft. Worth, Texas, and Nicole Harkins, fr., McPherson



photo by Tracy Stoddart

Elsie Rothrock helps LaMonte and the faculty in the pie-eating contest on Monday in the cafeteria.

6 Knigge named KCAC Defensive Player of the Week



Randall "Colt" Knigge, freshman free safety from Caldwell, Idaho, was named the KCAC "Defensive Player of the Week" for the second time this season following his two interceptions and one fumble recovery against Sterling College Oct. 18. Knigge's three stand-out defensive plays occurred within four consecutive offensive snaps by Sterling, and sparked McPherson to a 34-18 win.

The 5'11", 190-pound Knigge was also credited with 10 tackles, five unassisted, and breaking up a pass as the Bulldogs came back to win their third KCAC game of the season and raise their overall record to 4-2.

Knigge's interceptions were his fifth and sixth of the season. His six interceptions and 146 yards in interception returns leads the KCAC and ranks among the NAIA national leading marks this fall.

Knigge currently ranks third on the Bulldog tackle list with 50 total tackles, 15 unassisted. He has also forced two fumbles, recovered two others, and leads McPherson with six pass break-ups on the season.

"Colt has great instincts for being around the football," said McPherson College head coach David Cunningham. "He is not the fastest player on defense, but he is always around the ball."

"He is just a playmaker and by the time he graduates, he should hold a slew of defensive records here at McPherson College."



photo by Sheila Bevan

Lamar Jacobs gained 158 yards rushing in addition to 63 passing yards for a total of 4 touchdowns against Sterling. Having rushed for 980 yards already this season, he will likely break 1000 yards against KWU.

K-Dub beware

Bulldogs carry three game win streak to homecoming game

Walker Phillips
Sports Editor

After spoiling homecomings for Southwestern (31-21) and Sterling (34-18), McPherson College football looks to defend its own turf against defending KCAC champions Kansas Wesleyan this Saturday.

The Dawgs followed up their domination of St. Mary with two impressive wins on the road, ending the team's 0-5 drought away from McPherson Stadium.

Winning opponents' most celebrated home game two weeks in a row has lifted team morale.

"It felt pretty good to win those games, said Darrell Cole, slotback. They came out with great emotions at the beginning of the game. We gradually got going and it was a big confidence boost to win those games."

Coach David Cunningham agreed. "It's always nice to win on the road, and winning at someone else's homecoming adds a little bit of pleasure. Winning breeds confidence and we want our players to be confident, not cocky."

Though McPherson's success might have disappointed the fans in Winfield and Sterling, they at least got to see some exciting plays by the Bulldogs.

After big-play games against both St. Mary and Bethany, Preston Taylor made another giant play on defense against the Moundbuilders, returning a Southwestern fumble 20 yards for a touchdown.

Offensively, Cole made an unlikely TD reception to increase Mac's lead, 31-14. "Honestly, it was luck," he said. "It was a deep pass. The ball was

under-thrown and the defender tipped it. It hit me right in the hands. From there it was off to the races."

The offensive line had a tremendous game against Southwestern, allowing zero sacks of quarterback Chris Johnson, who was starting his second game for the injured Erik Johnson.

"They don't receive as much credit as they should," Cole said of the lineman. "Being out there on the field with guys like Todd Davis and Alan Childress gives me more confidence."

The defense provided plenty of excitement in the Sterling match-up. Colt Knigge helped overcome a nine-point deficit in the first quarter with two interceptions and a recovered fumble, making way for a total of 17 Mac points. A Dallas Blacklock interception

helped to increase the McPherson lead to 20-9 by way of a 24-yard Zia Gunay field goal.

"Lamar Jacobs again played outstanding," Cunningham said. Against the Warriors, he rushed for 158 yards from 26 carries and gained 63 passing yards for a total of 221 yards and four TDs.

Despite its success the past two outings, the team will not be celebrating until after this Saturday's 1:30 homecoming game.

"This is the biggest game we have had in the four years I have been here," Cunningham said. "Our players and coaching staff are very excited. We want to be champions, and this is the chance to knock off the defending champions."

Cole echoed his coach's sentiment.

"KW pretty much beats us every year. This is the biggest game of my life."

Cole Named KCAC Offensive Player of the Week



Darrell Cole, junior slot back from Waynesboro, Virginia, was named the KCAC "Co-Offensive Player of the Week" for his play in the Bulldogs' 31-21 win over Southwestern College on Oct. 11.

A second-team All-KCAC selection last season, Cole gained 151 yards of all-purpose offense against Southwestern as he averaged 18.9 yards per touch on six carries for 65 yards and two receptions for 86 yards including a 61 yard touchdown catch.

Cole has rushed for 224 yards and one touchdown on 28 attempts during the 2003 season and leads the Bulldogs' receiving corps with 13 receptions, good for 318 yards and three touchdowns. Averaging 13.2 yards per offensive touch of the ball this season, his 542 all-purpose yards is only 40 yards short of the 582 he totaled in 2002 when he averaged 10.4 yards per touch.

"Darrell is one of the most explosive players in the conference," said head coach David Cunningham. "He is a legitimate threat to score every time he touches the ball."

"Darrell is also an excellent blocker, a very unselfish player who just wants to help us win ball games. The threat of him getting the ball opens up every aspect of our offense."

Cole transferred to McPherson College from sister school, Bridgewater College in Virginia prior to last season when he led the Bulldogs' to a 6-4 record.

Ladies win two in a row

Bulldog women's soccer continues to show improvement

Walker Phillips
Sports Editor

Having chased a victory all season long, the women's soccer team scored its first win Oct. 11. After shutting out Sterling at home, the team that waited six games to score its first goal quickly recorded its second victory, beating Bethel on the road Oct. 15.

Against the Sterling Warriors, the Bulldog's defense held back their

opponents while the team created numerous offensive opportunities.

Mandy Harvey scored in the first half off a pass from Tawni Camarillo. Becky Amiot then scored from 25 yards out in the second to seal the game, 2-0.

Appearing efficient and unified, the team beat Bethel 2-1 in Newton. Mandy Harvey found the goal for the second time in a week thanks to a pass from Kana Bessho. Laura Enquist

later assisted Rylee Miller for the game-winning point.

Last Saturday, the 'Dawgs lost in overtime to York College 1-2, despite a goal by Laura Enquist and five saves by goalie Sarah Story.

The kickers lost another tight match at home to Tabor on Tuesday. Rylee Miller's early score put the Bulldog's up 1-0 at half-time. The visitors then went on a tear in the second half, taking the lead 1-2. Tawni

Camarillo answered to tie things up, but the 'Dawgs failed to overcome a third score late in the game by Tabor.

"It felt great to get a win under our belt," Camarillo said. "It was a little frustrating that it took so long." The forward credits experience, as well as head coach Doug Quint's Zonal Flat Back Four defense as key factors in the team's recent success.

"Everyone just started getting along well and came

together as a team. We understand the game so much better than before." Furthermore, the Zonal Flat Back Four "allows the defense to communicate and clear the ball better," Camarillo said.

Camarillo said the team's first goal, scored on Sept. 18 at home against Concordia, was the season's turning point and a real boost for team spirit. "Everybody started playing a lot harder," she said.

While the loss to Tabor dashed hopes of reaching KCAC post-season play, the ladies are still working hard to prepare for their game at Friends University tonight at 5p.m., when they face the rival Falcons.

Just hucking around: Mudhuckers concentrate on fun

Colleen Porter
Guest Writer

Need a break from school? Huck it, would be the advice from the ultimate frisbee team, the Mudhuckers. Like the rest of the sport teams on campus, this group has been training for upcoming competitions, practicing most days at 4:30 at Lakeside Park.

For those unfamiliar with "ultimate," here is a quick run down of the rules. Each

team typically has seven players on the field, while the other players wait to substitute in. The first team to score 13 goals wins. The playing field is much like football, but only a catch in the end zone scores only one point. A dropped pass is considered a turnover, and running with the disc is not permitted. Defenses consist of man-on-man or zone strategies. All players are responsible for calling their own fouls.

"It's a really fun game, although not as easy as a lot of people would think," said newcomer Mark Tobias.

Mac students have been playing ultimate for years, but didn't officially become the Mudhuckers until seven or eight years ago. This year's team consists of about 12 players, varying in age, gender, and sports history. Several players had no experience with the game until this year, but are proving to be key factors to the

team.

Nathan Porter, sophomore, is team captain. "Although last year we lost some of our upper level players, we have some new people bringing a lot of excitement and motivation to play," Porter said. "People are willing to put in the extra effort to bring our play to the next level. I have high expectations for our performances at upcoming tournaments."

The first competition for

this team is during homecoming in the traditional alumni game. The game begins right after the football game at Lakeside Park. After that, the team will be focusing its energy on preparing for the Flatland Freezer, hosted by the 'Hucker s here in McPherson on the Nov. 15-16.

Mudhucker activity dies down somewhat during the winter months, but swings back into full force in the

spring. Some prospective tournaments for the team include the Huck Finn tournament in St. Louis, Centex in Austin, Fool's Fest in Lawrence, sectionals, and finally regional and national competition.

By the way, the word "huck" is ultimate terminology for a long throw. So come and join the team for a little "hucking" fun.

Bulldog

Volleyball sco

Lamar Holmes
Sports Writer

The McPherson College Lady Bulldogs steamrolled Southwestern College three games to one Tuesday night, improving their season record to 17-7 overall and 8-4 in KCAC play.

The key to the success was that they one settled down, played the ball, and communicated better as a team, said head coach Nat Stephenson.

The Bulldogs had 39 assists and defensive digs.

Senior Erica Alford, who led the team with 11 kills has set high for this year's season. Among the goals, top three finishers in the conference and win the KCAC tournament.

Given the excellent passing and solid defense the ladies have recently, even the goal may be realistic.

Freshman setter Stephenson led the team with 20 assists. Stephenson said that the team together, reminding another to just "and have fun."

Senior Lisa Salazar led the team with 19 defensive digs. What the team special, Salazar, is that she get along and even determined to win.

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Walker Phillips
Sports Editor

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Bulldogs bite Southwestern

Volleyball scores another victory at home, holds best season record since '89

Lamar Holmes
Sports Writer

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The key to the team's success was that "everyone settled down, passed the ball, and communicated better as a team," said head coach Nathalea Stephenson.

The Bulldogs had 49 kills, 39 assists and 67 defensive digs.

Senior Erica Alvarez, who led the team with 15 kills has set high goals for this year's team. Among the goals are a top three finish in the conference and winning the KCAC tournament.

Given the excellent passing and solid defense the ladies have played recently, even the latter goal may be realistic.

Freshman setter Kendra Stephenson led the team with 20 assists. Stephenson said that before games the team prays together, reminding one another to just "go out and have fun."

Senior Lisa Salazar led the team with 19 defensive digs. What makes the team special, said Salazar, is that "We all get along and everyone is determined to win."



Andrea Gonzales goes up for a kill during the Bulldog's 3-1 victory over Southwestern Tuesday.

photo by Sheila Bevan

Alvarez named KCAC Player of the Week

Erica Alvarez, senior middle hitter from Brownsville, Texas, was named the KCAC "Co-Player of the Week" for her play Oct. 20-25. During the week, Alvarez led McPherson to KCAC wins over Sterling and Bethany plus a second place finish at the St. Louis College of Pharmacy tournament.



When Erica graduates next spring, we will have a hard time replacing her front row play.

—Nathalea Stephenson

In last Monday's 3-2 win against Sterling, the 5'11" Alvarez set a school record with 19 kills. After helping the Bulldogs to their second, three-game sweep of intercounty rival Bethany College on Wednesday, Alvarez came up with another record-setting performance in the Lady Bulldogs' pool play win in the St. Louis College of Pharmacy invitational posting a school record seven blocks against the host College of Pharmacy.

Currently ranked fourth among KCAC spikers in kills per game (3.25 per game), Alvarez's 289 total kills leads the conference, just as she has led McPherson to wins in 8 of its last 10 matches.

Erica has really raised the level of her game in the last few matches," said McPherson College head coach

Nathalea Stephenson. "She has become a leader on the court, and has been setting records that will be around for a long time."

When Erica graduates next spring, we will have a hard time replacing her front row play."

A 2000 graduate of Rivera High School in Brownsville, Alvarez was named to the All-KCAC volleyball second team in 2002 after receiving All-KCAC basketball first team honors in 2001-2002, as well as an honorable mention for basketball last season.

Men's soccer fights to stay afloat

WalkerPhillips
Sports Editor

The Bulldogs must win today at top-rated Friends University to have any hope of post-season play. The urgency comes as a result of this Tuesday's defeat at home by the previously winless Tabor Bluejays.

Riding a three game winning streak, the 'Dawgs were knotted in a four-way tie for fourth in the KCAC standings, with the top six teams eligible for the conference playoffs. A win against the last-ranked 'Jays might have secured Mac's

position. Despite the disappointing loss, the Bulldogs stand at an impressive 6-11 overall considering their 1-9 season start.

On Oct. 11, Mac rebounded from a loss at Ottawa with an impressive 2-0 win over Sterling at home. Tyler Lawrence and Steve Yount both found the goal thanks to assists by John White. In addition to many offensive opportunities, the Bulldog's defensive play shut down the Warrior's Jeff Kidd, last season's KCAC Offensive Player of the Year.

The team then traveled to Newton on Oct. 15, beating

Bethel in impressive fashion. Austin Bray racked up one score and two assists to John White. Steve Yount also scored off a Trent Parkins pass for a final score of 4-0. Ryan Souter had three saves at goal.

With their confidence building, the Bulldog's came back home to face York College last Saturday night. Leading 1-0 at the half after a John White score, York tied the game at one apiece in the second half. McPherson finally pulled ahead on another score by White, this time assisted by Jon Rothrock.

Five saves by Ryan Souter were key in this victory, as both teams took 10 shots at the goal.

KCAC Offensive Player of the Week John White credits the change to the Zonal Flat Back Four defense for the team's mid-season turnaround. "It keeps our defense in sync, and brings the whole team together in unity," White points out only three goals were scored against Mac after the implementation of this system on Oct. 1.

That is, until the 'Dawgs met Tabor last Tuesday, losing 1-3.

"The reason we lost was because we were already looking past Tabor to our next game with Friends."

—John White

"The reason we lost was because we were already looking past Tabor to our next game with Friends," White said. "[Head coach] Quint warned us. They were still a threat. (Tabor) had nothing to lose, and we had

everything to lose."

White commended Coach Quint for doing "a tremendous job" but cited his coach's disappointment with the team's lack of "heart and intensity" against Tabor: "We had to run after the game."

The Bulldogs now face KCAC-leading Friends. With one regular season game remaining, "we have to do everything we can to win the game in order to go to the KCAC," White said.

The game begins at 5 p.m. today in Wichita.

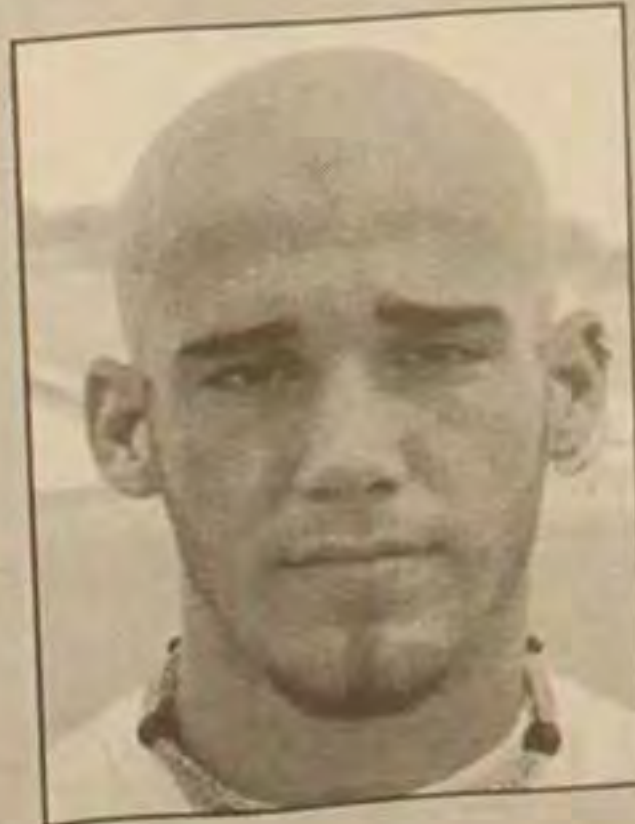
Souter awarded KCAC Goalkeeper of the Week

Ryan Souter, freshman goalie from Wichita, Kans., was named the KCAC "Goalkeeper of the Week" for his play in the Bulldogs' 4-0 KCAC win over Bethel and 2-1 non-conference win over York College of Nebraska.

Pressed into duty in goal by the injury to his brother and McPherson's starting goalie, Kevin Lamm, Souter currently leads the KCAC in goals against average, giving up 0.56 goals per game. He is also seventh in individual saves among KCAC goalies with an average of 6.73 saves per game.

A 2003 graduate of Wichita Northwest High School, Souter has 36 saves on the season. He has recorded two shutouts as the Bulldogs have moved up the conference standings.

"Ryan stepped into an unfamiliar role for us midway through the season," said McPherson College head coach Doug Quint. "Even though he has played keeper before, it is not his natural position. I know he would rather play on the field, but he understands the team needs



him in the goal right now. He has a great attitude about it, and is really working hard to improve in there."

"Ryan is 5 (wins) and 2 (losses) as a keeper. I'm very confident in him as a keeper, and so is our team. He has made some big-time saves for us, and I hope for him to continue to do so."

White named KCAC soccer Offensive Player of the Week

John White, freshman forward from Wichita, was named the KCAC "Co-Player of the Week" for his play in the Bulldogs' two wins last week over Bethel and York College of Nebraska.

A 2003 graduate of Wichita Southeast High School, White scored a pair of goals in both McPherson wins.

White currently is tied for sixth in individual scoring among KCAC players along with his teammate Austin Bray at 0.50 goals per game. John is also tied for seventh among offensive points leaders with an average of 1.00 point per game on seven goals and two assists.

"John has really stepped up his play the last couple of weeks," said McPherson College head coach Doug Quint, "and is playing some really good soccer right now. He is creating numerous chances for us up front and taking advantage of his opportunities."

"He scored two nice goals at Bethel College, then turned around and finished two more against a great York College team here."



"John is a very quick player and when you give him space to run, he is very dangerous. He's giving us a legitimate scoring threat up front. He is taking the right steps toward becoming one heck of a college player."

White shared the "Player of the Week" honors with David Herndon of Friends University.

Young alumni to be honored at today's Honors Convocation

Three McPherson College alumni will be honored with Young Alumni Awards today at 1 p.m. in Brown Auditorium. The Young Alumni Award recognizes significant achievements of McPherson College alumni who have graduated in the past 25 years. The 2003 award recipients are Marty Ward, '78; Ronda Switzer Neher, '83; and Bruce Appel, '83.

Marty Ward



Marty Ward

Ward and his wife, Carol, currently reside in Corpus Christi, Texas. They have two sons, Jared and Ryan. Ward graduated from McPherson College and began his career teaching high school, which he continued for seven years. He then made the change to teaching in a college setting. Ward served as assistant professor of education and tennis coach at Bethel College until 1999 when he moved to Texas A&M where he currently serves as associate professor of education. Ward also serves on the Texas A&M University System's Academy for Educator Development. He also was nominated for the U.S. Professor of the Year award.

Ward holds a master's degree in counseling and school psychology from Wichita State University and a doctorate degree in curriculum and instruction from Kansas State University.

Since graduating from McPherson College, Ward has also been a highly ranked singles and doubles player in the Kansas District Tennis Association and the Missouri Valley Tennis Association. He also competed in the Father-Son National Championships with his oldest son.

Aside from his career, Ward is also an active member in his community and church. He serves as a research representative for Phi Delta Kappa, a volunteer reader for an elementary school and a tennis instructor. He is a leader in the Church of the Brethren as deacon, moderator and board member.

Ronda Switzer Neher



Ronda Switzer Neher

Neher and her husband, Paul, '80, reside in Grundy Center, Iowa. They have six children: Jon, Lucas, Julea, Lara, Kristin, and Kaleb.

The Neher family have been foster

parents since 1987, which resulted in the adoption of four of their six children.

Neher earned a nursing degree and began work as a registered nurse at the Marshalltown Medical Surgical Center in Iowa. In 1990 Neher accepted a job as adjunct instructor at Marshalltown Community College where she worked until 2000 when she returned to the medical field.

Neher is an active member of the Ivester Church of the Brethren. She serves as deacon and church board member. Neher is actively involved in other various committees and is a member of the Covenant Chorale. She volunteers as camp nurse at Camp Pine Lake, near her home.

Aside from work, family and church, Neher is an active volunteer in her community. She has served on committees related to the Grundy Center Community Preschool, the Day Care Board of Directors, and the Grundy Center Library.

Neher also maintains the books and computer records of the family for Neher Acers.

Bruce Appel

Appel is currently residing in Nashville, Tenn., with his wife, Joelle Neher Appel, '84. They have two daughters Madeline and Sofie.

Appel graduated from McPherson College with a biology degree. After working for two years as a fund raiser for his alma

mater, he began a career in developmental sciences. Appel earned his Ph.D. in developmental biology from the University of Utah and completed postdoctoral work in developmental neuroscience at the University of Oregon.

Appel currently serves as an assistant professor of biological sciences at Vanderbilt University. He has supervised 15 undergraduates and four graduate students in the research training area over the past five years.

Appel also serves as the principal investigator for three separate grant projects that total over \$1.5 million. These projects are affiliated with the National Institutes of Health, the Christopher Reeves Paralysis Foundations, and the National Multiple Sclerosis Foundation. He is a manuscript reviewer and grant proposal reviewer for various other organizations.

Appel has produced numerous publications, reviews, book chapters and manuscripts. He often is invited to present at biological seminars and conferences across the Mid-west.



Bruce Appel

Hovis' inauguration in two weeks

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McPherson College will celebrate the beginning of a new chapter in its history with the inauguration of Ron Hovis as president, Thursday, Nov. 6.

The inauguration events will begin with a reception Thursday, at 6:30 p.m., in the large gym of the Sport Center followed by a buffet dinner at 7 p.m. The inauguration ceremony will succeed the reception and dinner. An inauguration program Friday will affect afternoon classes.

Members of the community, faculty, staff, trustees and several students helping to



President Ron Hovis

host the event will view a multimedia presentation created by the communications office Thursday evening. In addition, Vincette Goerl, McPherson College Board of Trustees chair, and Hovis will speak.

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—President Ron Hovis

A program Friday afternoon, for all members of the college, will officially recognize Hovis as president. The program will begin shortly after 1:30 p.m. and is planned to close around 3 p.m.

A reception will continue until 5 p.m., with stations in Friendship Hall and Mingenback Theatre, where President and Mrs. Hovis plan to receive guests.

Friday's 1 p.m. classes will

end at 1:30 to allow students to attend the program. All other afternoon classes are canceled.

"The inauguration is a significant event in the life of the college and an opportunity to reflect on the college's past, present and future," said Mike Nealeigh, executive director of college advancement, and chair of the Inauguration Committee. Eells said she hopes that the inauguration will celebrate the heritage as well as the good things that are happening today at the college and look forward to and prepare for the future.

He said that it is more important to focus on the college rather than him as

an individual. For that reason the ceremony will be a simple one.

"The reason I'm here is because I believe in what the college is doing," Hovis said.

Those speaking at Friday's program will meet for a luncheon from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. At 1:30 p.m. they will line up for the procession, played by the City of McPherson Pipe Band, from Miller Library to Brown Auditorium.

After the invocation by Campus Minister Kenny Manhamo, the welcome, several other speakers and two songs by the college choir, Goerl will invest Hovis as president. The

president will then present his inaugural address.

After the program Friday, visitors can enjoy displays in Friendship Hall. The displays will showcase significant people and events in the college's history and tie it into what is going on today.

Donna Swenson, the college's events coordinator said that it is important to look at the overall picture of the college.

Brian Lindberg, Web site coordinator; Anne Kirchner, communications assistant; Darren Hendricks, director of communications; and Wayne Conyers, art; have been working on these displays.

STUDENTS DONATE BLOOD



Rebecca Stover, jr, Quinter, looks on as Eric Perry, fr, Solomon, donates blood. Perry was one of many students who took approximately an hour out of their busy schedules last Wednesday to give blood. This was the first blood drive on campus since December 2000. SGA hosted the event.

Career services offers workshops

Casey Durst
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What are the current trends in resumes? How does one respond to a job offer? Answers to these and other questions will be provided in the series of workshops offered by Career Services in the next several weeks.

The series is designed to aid students with the entire job search process, from making initial decisions about what is important in a job, to writing resumes and interviewing, to finally accepting an offer.

The first workshop, held last Friday, covered decisions, research and networking.

Facilitator Michelle Peterson, human resource specialist from Kansas City, articulated the importance of knowing oneself and what one wants out of a career.

"Networking is your number one priority," said Michael Schneider, director of career services and internships. Other highlights included free candy, one-dollar bills as a reward for participating in discussion and door prizes of McPherson College merchandise and cash.

The next workshop, on

Oct. 31, will cover resumes and correspondence.

"We'll talk about the different types of correspondence, what resume works for the individual and what organizations are looking for in terms of resumes," Schneider said.

Students will have the opportunity to see before-and-after resumes and hear specific stories about which formats worked and which did not work for others. Schneider also plans to discuss current trends in resumes.

"Resumes are different from what they were two or three years ago. Some trends are really working," Schneider said.

The Nov. 14 workshop will focus on interviewing. "We'll cover the protocol and etiquette of interviewing, the do's and don'ts," Schneider said. Students will learn about the different types of interviews and

also have a chance to role-play in a mock interview.

The final workshop in the series will cover what to wear, how to handle an offer and what to expect on the first day. "This one is going to be the most fun; it will be highly interactive. The highlight of the workshop will be a fashion show," Schneider said.

Although the series is primarily geared toward juniors and seniors, Schneider encourages all students to attend the workshops. "It's great if freshmen and sophomores can attend. Everyone is invited. No matter where you're at in the process, there's something for you," Schneider said.

In addition to the workshop series, Career Services will offer a mock interview week, a protocol dinner, a career fair and a graduate school workshop later this year.

SERIES SCHEDULE

ALL WORKSHOPS ARE HELD AT 1 P.M. IN MELHORN 112

Oct. 31: Resume and Correspondence-Ten Seconds to Impact!

Nov. 14: Interviewing-First Impression or Last Impression?

Dec. 5: Attire-Tasteful vs. Tacky; The Offer-What Now?; Your First Day-Survival of the Fittest

NEWS BRIEFS

Alumnus Participates in Nobel Symposium

McPherson College alumnus, Dr. Tom DeCoursey recently participated in Nobel Symposium 126 near Stockholm, Sweden.

Thirty-two other speakers took part in the chemistry symposium, including five Nobel Prize winners.

Of course it was a great honor to participate in the Nobel Symposium program, DeCoursey said.

DeCoursey spoke on the topic of Membrane Proteins: Structure, Function, and Assembly.

According to DeCoursey, the enzyme NADPH oxidase produces reactive oxygen species that are crucial in killing bacteria and other invaders. Without this enzyme, humans are susceptible to life-threatening infections.

DeCoursey teaches in the molecular biophysics and physiology department at Rush University Medical Center in Chicago.