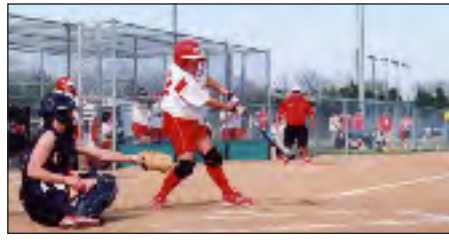




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Students recognized at convocation

ADRIELLE HARVEY
News Editor

The McPherson College Annual Celebration and Awards Convocation distinguishes itself each spring from the fall honors convocation in that it is meant to celebrate students rather than faculty.

“This is really the convocation in which we are able to lift up and share truly accomplished students,” Laura Eells, provost and dean of the faculty said. “It’s a day to celebrate students.”

Today, students were awarded

for outstanding achievements during this school year. Following President Ron Hovis’ introduction and a year-in-review video, students received awards including the following: Outstanding Business Student Award, Jay Leno/Popular Mechanics Award, Athletes of the Year, Who’s Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges, journalism awards and music participation awards, along with others.

Before concluding the convocation, the Student Government Association passed the

gavel from current SGA president Rhonda Hoffert, jr., Golden, Colo., to Brent Bailey, fr., Simla, Colo., who will be next year’s president.

Each year a program is designed for students to keep as a record of the events and activities they were involved in at McPherson College.

“One of the things we have done for the past three years is in fact to do the video and to develop the commemorative program that lists names by various activities so that students, since we no longer do a yearbook,

will have something to help identify their accomplishments over their time at McPherson College,” Eells said.

Eells said the program helps to recognize every student.

“This is a way to acknowledge all students,” Eells said. “We do identify them in the program and then we specifically say it’s an individual celebration for those students who are truly outstanding.”

The awards convocation was started in 1989. Marylyn Matthei, administrative assistant to the provost and dean of faculty,

said “it was initiated as a way to recognize student achievement.”

It began as The McPherson College Annual Honors Convocation, but was changed in 1995 to The McPherson College Annual Celebrative Awards Convocation. Two years ago, it was renamed once again to its current name.

With school and community activities, finals and graduation, May becomes a hectic time of year for students, faculty and staff.

“After we get toward that

point of May, we want to give maximum time to recognize student activities and some aren’t completed until about then,” Eells said. “But once we get past that Friday, then we start moving into the All School’s Day Friday, finals and to expect students to take this time finals week to come to convocation’s probably not fair, and then we move into all of the graduations.”

Eells said due to the busyness at the end of school, “this particular convo has always been on the first Friday of May.”

86 seniors expected to graduate

Higher number than previous years’ classes

PATRICIA RITCHA
Features Editor

Accompanied by bagpipes, the class of 2006 will end their college careers at McPherson College. The commencement ceremonies will take place on Sunday, May 21 at 2 p.m. in Brown Auditorium.

Finally, a steady income awaits those who plan to enter the job force and more student loans for those who have been accepted into graduate programs.

Tim Cox, a biology/chemistry major from Lyndon, said that he is going to try to join the air force after graduation.

Auto restoration major Aaron Herman, Bryan, Ohio, has been accepted into the graduate program in business at Ohio State University and also plans to study pre-law. He will be attending on a wrestling scholarship.

Eighty-six seniors plan to graduate this spring, if all goes well in the next two weeks. This is a slightly higher number than in past years, said Karlene Tyler, associate dean of academic records.

“On the whole, this class has fewer incomplete items,” Tyler said. “They have done a good job of getting everything taken care of.”

Shawn Flory Replogle, campus pastor, will be the guest speaker at this year’s ceremony. Replogle earned his bachelor of science degree from Bridgewater College and his Masters of Divinity from Bethany Theological Seminary. He has been a pastor at the McPherson Church of the Brethren since 2003, and before that held a pastoral position at the South Waterloo Church of the Brethren in Waterloo, Iowa.

Replogle said his speech will be a pretty generic commencement speech. He plans to talk about things the graduates can grow from. He said he hopes it will be somewhat inspiring.

“I wish that they have gained something while they’ve been here that will enable them to live their lives full of conviction and to be persons of integrity and hope,” Replogle said.



photo by Lara Lichty

McPherson College students demonstrate the upper body strength exercise Sunday night to parents of McPherson third-graders that will participate today in Kids’ Fitness Day. The exercise is one of 10 stations the elementary students will rotate to. The day is meant to teach children to eat healthier and exercise so they can develop good habits for later in their lives.

Fitness Fun

P.E., education majors help with Kids’ Fitness Day

JUDY JACOBS
Spectator Staff

Physical education and education majors have recently been working in conjunction with McPherson elementary schools to coordinate Kids’ Fitness Day.

Today, third-graders will be served a nutritious lunch and will listen to high school athlete motivational speakers talk about how the program has influenced their lives.

The children will then move on to a circuit course, which will involve 10 stations set up for them to rotate between. McPherson College students will assist at each station, which will teach exercises and their impact such as upper body strength, coordination and stretching.

“It’s good to have real interaction with real students,” said Andrew Bonham, sr., McPherson.

In the nation of super-size fries and biggie sodas many Americans are noticing the ef-

fects on their waistlines.

Anyone who has seen Morgan Spurlock’s documentary “Super Size Me” probably finished the movie with utter disgust or a new take on the effects of fast food. If a person knows the effects on an adult, one can only imagine what the effects of unhealthy eating can do to children, especially if they carry on the eating habits for years to come.

“The trend is that young people are in poor physical shape,” said Mel Wright, professor of physical education and owner of

Quick Gym Kansas. “There is a tendency towards obesity and they need reinforcement from sports teams and physical education. This reinforcement is needed to help them develop habits when they’re young.”

This is exactly what the Kids’ Fitness Day program hopes to change.

Wright said about 100-150 third-graders from all four elementary schools in McPherson: Roosevelt, Lincoln, Eisenhower and Washington, will participate with the assistance of teachers, parents, high

school and McPherson College students.

New data are coming out on the effects of poor exercise and eating habits.

According to the Coordinated School Health Program and the Kansas State Department of Education, “participation in physical activity declines as children get older. Nearly 70 percent of ninth-graders, but only 55 percent of 12th-graders participated in sufficient rigorous physical activity on a regular basis.”

They continued to state, “Almost 80 percent of young people do not eat the recommended servings of fruits and vegetables. Nearly 9 million youth in the U.S. aged 16-19 are overweight.”

Wright said the kids’ fitness program will take place in the Eisenhower Elementary School gym and will begin at 11:30 a.m.

“Kids’ Fitness Day will be a fun day to be outside to be with kids,” said Katie Bohnenblust, jr., McPherson.



photo by Lara Lichty

Lee Gustafson, sr., Junction City, tests out the jumping box station Sunday that is a part of today’s Kids’ Fitness Day.

6 to join drama fraternity

KIM MORRIS
Spectator Staff

Alpha Psi Omega, the national honorary dramatic society, will soon have six new members.

Those six students include Jessica Foulke, soph., Lawrence; Cody Doll, fr., Healy; Travis Walker, soph., Coffeyville; Ann Masterson, fr., Hutchinson; Jessica Arnold, fr., La Cygne; and Rhonda Hoffert, jr., Golden, Colo.

“It seems like a fun organization with awesome people and it’s another way to get involved on campus,” Foulke said. “I really like the people and it’s a fun environment.”

The initiations start today and will end with an awards banquet on Saturday, May 13. At the banquet, the new members will be acknowledged.

Each year initiations are different, but Alpha Psi members keep some tradition alive. In the past, one of the traditions is that initiates had to wear beanies with the Alpha Psi Omega colors of amber and blue for the whole week. This year the initiates will sport other accessories in blue and amber.

Alpha Psi president Amanda Keith, sr., McPherson, said in previous years they have had to memorize some of William Shakespeare’s works and learn the Greek alphabet.

Before students can become eligible for initiation, they must earn 50 points. They can obtain these points through acting in various plays, doing tech work for the plays, or by serving First Nighter’s meal. Once they earn 50 points, they can be initiated.

Points students receive vary. If they get a major role more points are given than someone with a minor role. Points are also awarded for different tech jobs.

Foulke said she earned her 114 points by participating in several plays and doing some tech work. She said she enjoyed sewing in the costume shop for one of the plays.

The fraternity has been at McPherson College since the 1950s. Rick Tyler, professor of speech and theatre, said the colors are amber and blue because they are the most frequently used colors of lighting in performances.

Student requests healthier caf. food

I believe that the food service at McPherson College needs immediate improvement for the good of those who are required to eat in the cafeteria. I don't mean making the food taste better or changing the hours of service. By the time you are at college, you should be enough of an adult to know that not everything tastes just as you want it. Hopefully by now we are old enough to not make a picky fuss at every entre we are served, but my observations have shown that often this isn't the case. Part of maturing means that you don't necessarily have to think the world revolves around you every time you sit down at the table. The changes I am referring to are in the realm of nutrition and health content of the meals served. I believe that by being served fatty, sugary, over salted meals with many added chemicals and compounds, we are all not getting full value for our

Guest Reviewer



TIMOTHY STANGOHER

participation in the food program.

Through time, it has been discovered that optimal health is attained through eating proper vitamins and keeping away from added chemicals, fats and sweeteners.

Today, with widespread chronic disease plaguing many of the most industrialized populations and the incidences of disease coinciding with the presence of concentrated chemicals, our citizens are awakening.

Human intestines are intended for the conversion of food into the basic building-block substances of carbon, hydrogen, oxygen and nitrogen. However, it cannot accomplish this with oddball substances

unfamiliar to the body such as petrochemical products and synthetic substances. The internal system has no experience with most of these substances and not much idea of how to handle them, so they are often excreted. Today, researchers are discovering the harmfulness of many of these products.

Natural fats and carbs in the diet get dissolved into those basic building-blocks and reorganized into the essential molecules for bodily function because this is how our bodies have been managing things since the dawn of our existence. It can't do that with unrecognizable chemicals and foreign substances.

Until the 20th century, in mechanized America, man and beast have nearly totally relied on plants, fruits, nuts and meats for survival. Man has lived without the added and modified garbage for millennia. How was it decided that these things are necessary for today? Humans have eaten natural

foods for such a great amount of time that we must have them to exist. There are foods that heal and foods that destroy. Possibly, this is why cancer, diabetes, heart disease and other diseases and disorders run rampant in our modern society. Cancer cures seem a long way off when we don't focus on the root causes.

Whether your beliefs are for creation, evolution or you aren't decided, most of us would agree that our bodies (our anatomy and biochemistry, and process of metabolizing food) haven't changed from those of recent predecessors. The aging generations of recent years have seen declining health, in spite of the ability to spend more money to fight disease and the ability to utilize more technology.

I believe one of the vastly undeniable factors is our addition of refined, processed, chemical products that we eat, those which our predecessors simply didn't

consume. If we understand that we perform optimally on whole foods (fruits, vegetables, meats, etc.), it becomes easier to understand what jeopardy we place ourselves in by eating foods that our Creator (or, if you are inclined to believe so, our Mother) did not design us to eat.

What is the solution? First, realize that you won't be an invincible teen or young adult forever. The time to start healthy eating is now. Try healthy things. If you eat well long enough, exponential improvements can be realized. By eating healthy, I haven't been sick in two years. It helped clear my sinuses and lift me from a depressed state. In order for everyone to experience the benefits, we must be provided an environment where healthy, unprocessed foods are made readily available to everyone. If anyone shares my frustration, stand up and let the cafeteria and administration know. It is up to our generation to stand up for our own good health.

Reflections of year fast gone by

Well, I guess it's the end of the year. You wouldn't believe it by looking at the mounting pile of work that is currently sitting on my desk, and under my bed, and in my car, but by the time you read this we'll have one week of classes left and then finals. Personally, it's really hard for me to believe that I'm halfway done with college already. It's like "The Surreal Life," only I'm not hanging out with Florence Henderson. Ah geeze, aren't you getting sick of all these VH1 references? I know that I'm ... well, I'm not.

Anyway, with the sprint to the finish line just underway, I thought I'd add my two cents in about the year. Jessica's McPherson College Year in Review. I know, you're bored already. However, hey, I'm just as busy as you and still have time to compose a magnificent article for you to enjoy. Or read begrudgingly because I force you

Guest Columnist



JESSICA FOULKE

to. Either way ...

Let's see, the year started out hot. August is always hot. That wasn't anything new. We came to the college with high hopes (ok, some of us with high hopes) and full cars (ok, some of us with full cars) and no money to our names. The cafeteria was all...decorated - new chairs, carpet, but the thing that remained - "Food is Fashion and Fun." Could someone please explain to me how food is both fashion and fun? Sports were good, but apparently this school is a magnet for injuries. I saw more per capita crutch use on campus this fall than I think I've ever seen. Classes started, blah blah blah, we all started pulling our hair out,

McPherson got added to Facebook, extreme procrastination followed, and so on and so forth.

Homecoming was cool. So much red and white I thought I'd get an aneurysm, but I did get some "root beer" from Tri Beta and someone handed me a pompom, so that was pretty cool.

In December I saw my inbox flooded with Death Penalty hoopla. Oh, that was fun (sarcasm). In January, I saw my inbox flooded with Facebook hoopla. That was also fun. In the past few weeks, I saw my inbox flooded with angry auto rats, rat representatives, and art students (among others) with all of their hoopla. I actually thought some of those e-mails were hilarious; I'm not going to lie to you.

Winter was pretty much nonexistent this year. I'm not complaining. Well, actually I was complaining the couple of times it went below forty during Decem-

"PERSONALLY, IT'S REALLY HARD TO BELIEVE THAT I'M HALFWAY DONE WITH COLLEGE ALREADY. IT'S LIKE 'THE SURREAL LIFE ...'"

ber and January, but since it didn't happen that often, we had a lot less Seasonal Affective Disorder (what a hilarious acronym ... SAD - ok, it's not hilarious at all, I apologize).

The spring, well, just sort of happened. Everything kind of flew by. I don't even remember much of anything important. Too bad.

And in two weeks, we'll all be off to our other homes, trying to find nonexistent jobs, eating good food, sleeping a lot. I can't wait.

Anyway, I'm sure I missed a lot. Fill my inbox with that crap, ok? But do me a favor ... if you have something to say to me, address it to fouljes@bulldog.mcpherson.edu, and not students@mcpherson.edu. Oh, and be sure to bring the paper to read during Honors Convo., ok? So you thought you'd get away with "forgetting" about it, huh? No such luck.

Happy End of the Year, everybody! I'm glad I'll be seeing some of you in the fall. I'm glad I won't be seeing some of you in the fall. I'm sad I won't be seeing some of you in the fall. I'm sad I'll be seeing some of you in the fall. Don't study too hard - after all, you haven't used your brain at all this semester, and you wouldn't want to overuse it now. It might asplode.

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On the Fly

What has been your favorite moment this year at Mac?

"Hearing one of 'Dozer's magnificent stories."

-- Dwight Hale, soph.
Colorado Springs, Colo.



"When we beat Bethel in volleyball because they were ranked #1."

-- Renee Hall, jr.
Geraldine, Ala.

"When I was on stage with Brent Scarpo realizing racism still exists."

-- Catfish Jean
Santa Barbara, Calif.



"Meeting somebody one day, and then the next day they won't speak to you."

-- Travon Anderson
Los Angeles

"Using 1500 square feet of aluminum foil on Steve Gustafson's office."

-- Anthony Kelly, jr.
McPherson



Concealed-carry law arouses concern

Imagine that it's Friday night; you and your roommate decide to go out to eat and kick off the weekend. As you are seated in the restaurant, you happen to notice that the guy sitting at the table across from you has a handgun holstered under his jacket.

He looks like an everyday Joe, but yet you scan to see if he is wearing a shirt with a sheriff or police logo or if you can see a badge. You don't. Now do you feel nervous or apprehensive? Are there thoughts going through your head? Maybe you are wondering what he does for a living, if he plans on robbing the place or possibly something worse. Some people would.

Typically this would be a rare occasion, but now that the concealed-carry gun law has been passed it may become commonplace.

Guest Columnist



HEATHER WILLIAMS

There are strong opposing sides to this new law and the governor's veto had to be overruled to even pass it into law. Many say it will cut down on crime because would be criminals will now think twice if they know anyone could be packing heat. Many states have passed similar laws and have seen similar results.

I have a problem with this law. I can see where it might deter some criminals but I also see where it will make it easier for criminals to hide the weapons they are carrying. It is not that they would necessarily have a concealed-carry permit but

they will blend in with those that do.

Also, I have a problem with hotheaded people carrying a gun. I know there are background checks and training before a person is allowed a concealed-carry permit, but that does not mean that the next time he is in a bar and someone hits on the person he is with that there will be a typical fist fight and not a shootout. This tends to happen too much in our communities as it is, so why encourage it?

There are restrictions on where you can carry a concealed gun. It is not allowed in schools, churches or courthouses for example. I understand that people in our schools should not be armed, but if the government is not worried then why are the guns not allowed in churches and courthouses? Should it not

be up to the individual church or the county if they are allowed in these places? Other businesses are not protected unless they post on every entrance that concealed guns are not allowed. I do not think this is fair.

I do not approve of this law because I think innocent people, possibly those whose jobs are to enforce our laws, may be hurt, maimed or even killed by people carrying these concealed weapons. However, since it is passed, I do think it should be fair across the board and that local government should have more of a say. Just be aware of your surroundings and the people around you, and if you choose to carry a concealed gun, only use it when absolutely necessary and do so with a clear head. I do not want to see your picture in the obituaries.

'Auto hounds rebound,' a response

Letter to the Editor - Colby Reasor, sr., Big Stone Gap, Va.

I admire any person that has the ability to speak his or her mind. Openly expressing your opinion lets others surrounding you know exactly where you stand. But, if you are going to openly express your ideas then you better know the facts about the subject to be able to back up your ideas. Basing your opinions solely on stereotypical ideas is incredibly weak and fraught with problems.

In Alicia Fox's last article, she stated that raising the bar for admission into this institution would greatly decrease the number of restoration students. She supported this opinion by saying that "these students probably do not do great on tests nor are they likely to be the top students in their classes." She goes on to basically say that all restoration students care about is cars. These statements are totally incorrect and can be discredited with simple logic.

For those that didn't know, automotive systems, techniques and processes are very complicated and mastering them requires vast amounts of brainpower and time. Most automotive enthusiasts simply never master any skills at all and prefer to have someone else do it for them. This is the reason we are here! Here are just a few of the processes that restoration students must have a basic knowledge of to be able to start a frame off restoration: disassembly, parts categorization, machining, drivetrain function and assembly, welding, paint processes, woodworking, hard trim restoration, upholstery restoration and many more. It would take me days to elaborate on each of these processes. These processes do not include the knowledge it takes to restore a vehicle to correct standards. Single automotive lines have books inches thick instructing restorers on this topic alone. This is where our knowledge of automotive history becomes important to our profession. Business sense is another important topic that I have yet to touch on; not only do we have to understand and perform all of the restoration processes, but we must also learn to be good business people.

The amazing aspect about restoration students is that the majority of them have already acquired many of these basic skills before they've even reached college. I am sure that if anyone who has a basic understanding of these skills already or desires these skills has the mental capacity to certainly obtain a GPA of 2.0 or higher and sufficiently pass the ACT or SAT. I know without any doubt that anyone who is truly passionate about antique or classic vehicles can and will achieve or surpass any of requirements that this school sets in place. Love of our work and passion is what drives us! Ooh, and as for us only caring about cars, you forgot trucks, tractors, trains, boats, bikes, planes, just about anything with an engine and of course the opposite sex!

9/11 film strikes campus debate

Earlier this month, I saw a trailer for the movie "Flight 93." This raised the question, "Is America ready for a movie about 9/11? Have we been given enough time to recover before we dredge up all the feelings and emotions that came with that fateful day?" Perhaps a bigger question, "Just where will the profits from this movie go?"

Truthfully, I don't think that the country itself being ready is relevant. Whether a person is ready or not is a question of one's own thoughts, not the country's as a whole. It is simple for a person to not attend the movie if one feels personally unprepared for it. Truthfully, it is unlikely that anyone will ever be emotionally detached from the events of 9/11. People argue that the movie "Flight 93" will be too rough for people to watch, too emotional. To this day, I remember exactly what I was doing when the first plane crashed into the World Trade Center. I don't believe that I, personally, will ever be able to watch a movie or a documentary about 9/11 without being torn up emotionally.

That isn't the point. If we only watched those movies that make us feel good there would never have been a movie made about Pearl Harbor, the Holocaust or anything of any historical depth. Life isn't always pretty, folks. Bad things happen and when people rise above those bad things and make themselves something more than what they were, the memories of those heroes can be honored for what they chose to do.

And I know, people are concerned that this movie will not be accurate, thinking the producers will overdramatize the events. "Nobody really knows what happened," people argue. I don't know about you, but I distinctly remember the families of Flight 93 telling the world about the short conversations they had with their loved ones before the passengers of that flight took on the hijackers. Yes, it is impossible to know exactly what happened on that fateful flight but the events didn't happen in a bubble. We

Guest Columnist



ANN MASTERSON

do know that these everyday heroes decided that they couldn't just stand by and watch and I think that this movie, inaccurate as it may possibly be, will do its best to honor that fact. For those of you who don't think that this artistic license should be taken, you aren't required to watch the movie. It is, after all, a movie, not a documentary. Such licenses are free to be taken.

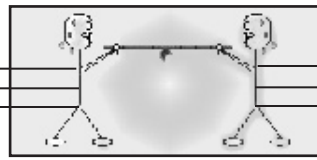
And then we are faced with another big question. Are the American people willing to let Hollywood profit from the emotions on the subject? Universal Pictures says it will donate \$1.15 million toward a memorial to the passengers and crew who perished aboard United Flight 93. The studio also promised to contribute ten percent of the film's box office revenue from the first three days of the North American release of the movie to the memorial fund. The memorial is expected to cost approximately \$58 million to build.

For the record, the families of the fallen not only attended the movie's premiere, filling the balcony of the 1,000 seat theater but were given a standing ovation before the movie even began and then honored by silence at the end. Why would these families sit through a movie that such a large portion of countrymen claim has come out "too soon" and that another large part refuses to watch due to propaganda expectations? According to Margaret Carlson, they said they trusted director Paul Greengrass. He met with each of them and promised that the movie would honor their answering-machine tapes of last words and their recollections, treat them with reverence. They said that through this film, he could keep alive the memory of fallen friends and family. They don't want us to be allowed to move on. These people died for something they believed in. Even if you don't believe in that you can honor their deaths.

Illustration by Seth Schomring



THE BULL YARD



**POWER POLL RESULTS:
SHOULD MOVIES PERTAINING TO
9/11 BE RELEASED INTO THEATERS
AT THIS TIME?**

YES: 62%

NO: 21%

UNSURE/OTHER: 17%

105 Students Polled

The objective of this persuasive piece is to enlighten you to my opinion that there should not be 9/11 movies released into theaters now. I am all for freedom of speech, freedom of press, etc. and I am not saying that directors should be denied the right to release 9/11-related productions into theaters. I am just going to provide a few reasons for why I believe they simply should not.

First off, the last time I checked, the tragedy of 9/11 occurred in September of 2001, nearly a whopping five years ago. Hopefully, no one has forgotten already, because that wouldn't be too patriotic now would it? Planes crashed into buildings, our economy collapsed, the government made questionable and controversial decisions, war broke out in the Middle East and now the economy is basically back to its original state, while the Middle East has also returned to its original state, turmoil. There, that only took five seconds. Do we really need another historical reminder, as if "Fahrenheit 9/11" was not enough? Because honestly, why would any rational person be willing to spend ten bucks to view a two-hour documentary, directed by a totally non-objective source, about how horrible our nation's international reputation is becoming and how crooked and deceitful our government is supposedly being? Personally, I wish directors would quit wasting our time with these horrendously biased political documentaries all together; the entire genre just makes me sick and gives me the feeling I would like to gag myself in my parents' basement. If someone wants to see what is "happening" in the United States, regarding foreign policy or whatever, just turn your television onto a national (or local if your TV is outdated or not working properly) news channel, preferably CNN or MSNBC, and enjoy it for as long and often as you would like at no cost.

When we examine the 9/11 "film crisis" closely and carefully, as Americans we should all be ashamed that this heated

Guest Columnist



TOLAN LICHTY

debate has even made its way this far. If you look at this dilemma from an outsider's perspective, it is our fault, the people of the States. We are the primary audience and clientele for these poorly-featured films, and therefore we are the inspiration for the Michael Moores of the world. I am not saying that hearing out, dissecting and portraying opinions through forms of the media should be frowned upon. I am in all actuality preaching quite the contrary; political and ethical debates are in fact what strengthen our great nation and help it maintain a firm foundation of America's most notable strength: compromise.

This is simply not the right time for the release of any more 9/11 films. This is not the right time solely from an emotional standpoint, especially for the parties involved: families of soldiers, victims and those of Middle Eastern descent, but also from an interpretive standpoint. How do the majority of viewers interpret these films? What is the intent of the directors? Is portraying our government as a machine of mass chaos, constantly in complete disarray benefiting our country? From an international standpoint, how can these other nations continue to take the United States seriously, when we as a nation find ourselves internally bickering constantly, not to mention our now eternal squabbles with the U.N.?

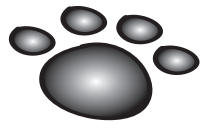
I am going to assume that it is not the intent of these directors to fill anyone's heart with hatred, but for some reason the message, symbolic and/or literal is being interpreted by some incorrectly. Yet, whatever the true methods behind the madness may be, within these films covering 9/11, it is safe to say that they are definitely not benefiting or improving our nation's current situation directly, although they are, arguably, successfully accomplishing the opposite.

Good Dog

"Guys and Dolls" went over quite well as this year's musical.

Rain is finally good for something ... mud volleyball on Sunday.

SGA's tree has been planted outside of Templeton.



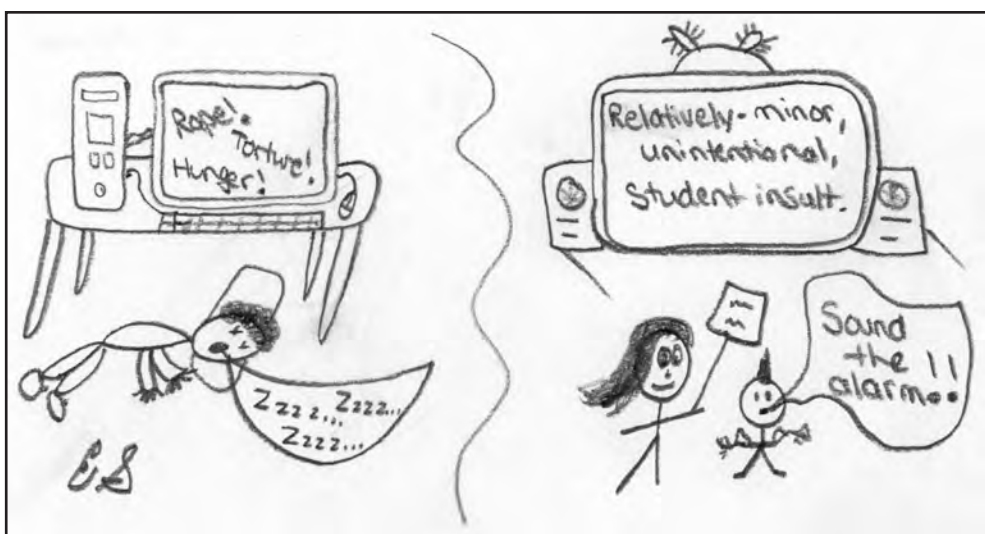
Bad Dog

Why is it so cold in May???

There's some goofy dog without a tail that seems to continually run around campus.

Fix the potholes and other flaws of the Dotzour alleyway!

A McPherson College moment ...



Staff Editorial

Celebration ... it's finally over

Well, so it's Thursday evening in the *Spectator* office. Most of us still haven't managed to complete our pages as of the time this is written. However, good news is on the horizon. This is the last issue of the year. Yes, I know it's sad, folks. Have no fear though, a few of us will be returning to serve again as trumpeters of campus news next year. Enjoy your summer everyone!

- MAKE THE MORRISON RAs EARN THEIR PAY BY UNLOCKING THE DOORS. (PLUS OTHER RA INSULTS = 9)
- CHURCH CONSTRUCTION BLOCKING THE ALLEY W/O WARNING IS GETTING OLD.
- BEWARE THE ANGRY LEPRECHAUN! (x2)
- STOP STEALING MY BIKE!
- THE MUSICAL WAS GREAT! THE SET WAS AMAZING!!
- STOP SENDING OUT CAMPUS EMAILS THAT NO ONE CARES ABOUT. (x2)
- WHY MUST PEOPLE YELL AT EACH OTHER AT THE CAF.?
- WASTING WATER ON LAWNS IS OBSCENE.
- I'M A LOVE PIRATE AND I AM HERE FOR YOUR BOOTY! AARRRGHH!
- THE 2ND FLOOR DOTZOUR KITCHEN SMELLS LIKE MY GRANDMA'S FEET!
- USE MORE BLACK IN THE SCHOOL COLORS, SO WE'LL LOOK MORE LIKE NAZIS.
- PEOPLE SHOULD LEARN TO RESEARCH A SUBJECT BEFORE WRITING AN ARTICLE ABOUT IT.
- WAKE UP AND START DREAMING.
- MOMMA CALLS THEM MY RUNNING SHOES.
- LEARN TO READ.
- AUTO RATS ARE NOT STUPID!
- WHAT'S THE POINT OF RECYCLING PAPER IF THE BIN NEVER GETS EMPTIED?
- DEAR CAFETERIA, PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE, STOP PUTTING GREASE ON THE VEGGIES! IT DOESN'T MAKE THEM HEALTHY ANYMORE.
- "THE CHRISTIAN BUSINESS DIRECTORY." WHY DOES IT MATTER IF STORES ARE OWNED BY CHRISTIANS OR NOT?

Got something to say?

Shoutitout!

DROP A NOTE IN THE SHOUT IT OUT! BOX IN THE SU. TO MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD.
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Left: Ellie Miller, Kearney, Neb., talks to her mom and recent MC alum, Jenny Harper, after her presentation at the science forum. Miller's senior project was a continuation of Harper's.

Below: Lisa Sader, Augusta, and Jonathan Frye, associate professor of natural science, discuss Sader's project after the science forum.

photos by Lara Lichty and Josh Hubin

Almost Done

Seniors finish capstone projects

JEN MARQUETTE
Spectator Staff

Students of the class of 2006 are making their final impressions at McPherson College through a variety of senior capstone projects, experiments, thesis papers, art exhibitions and recitals.

As a graphic design and studio art major, Rylee Miller, sr., Rangely, Colo., has been putting together several works of art to display in the senior art exhibition. The exhibition opens with a reception on May 7th at 2 p.m. in Friendship Gallery. Miller's works are entitled "The Beauty of Diversity."

"It was all possible with a little creativity, patience and imagination," said Miller. Miller will return in the fall to complete the graphic design senior project, which will showcase in next fall's student exhibition.

Along with Miller, Ross Barton, sr., Golden, Colo., Jared Hanawald, sr., Denton, Md., Jon Toland, jr., Plano, Texas, and Alex Smith, jr., Olathe will have work included in the senior exhibition.

Some work will be on display in Templeton Hall as it is focused in the Auto Restoration Design program.

In a very different area of study, Lisa Sader, sr., Augusta, completed an experiment in environmental stewardship. Sader's project focused on the electricity generating capabilities of anaerobic bacteria. Sader collected bacteria from Quivira National Wildlife Refuge and constructed a microbial fuel cell. Sader's project was successful in that her fuel cell did in fact create a small current of electricity.

"This method has future significance because the bacteria can use waste water as food where as other fuel sources are more limited," Sader said.

Reuben May, sr., McPherson, a chemistry and auto restoration major, attempted to recreate the Hershey diamond furnace and start to characterize the soot that would have generated during Hershey's diamond synthesis for his senior chemistry experiment.

"This project was uniquely challenging in that it spanned several

disciplines," May said. "My studies here in many disciplines at McPherson have helped prepare me for such a project. This project was very exciting and rewarding in that it involved part of McPherson College's history. I also was able to work with several instructors in different departments who helped me enormously."

James Keith, sr., McPherson, performed a vocal recital for his vocal major. Keith's recital included three areas of focus. First Keith performed art songs in German, Italian and English; next he performed Italian and English Opera pieces and concluded with a Broadway piece with the help of Kate Marion, a WSU student. Keith also presented a senior thesis paper entitled "Advertising of Cadillac and LaSalle from 1903-1964" to fulfill his requirement of the history track of automotive restoration.

Josie Ireland, sr., Howard, works as a youth leader at Trinity Lutheran Church and will present her experience in the format of a ten-minute video presentation for her philosophy and religion senior project.



Above: Beth Krehbiel, Pratt, gives her senior history presentation on "Containing Immorality: John Foster Dulles and the Vietnam War."



Right: Rylee Miller, Rangely, Colo., upholstered this chair with portraits of Marilyn Monroe as part of her "The Beauty of Diversity" senior art exhibition.

Out in the real world

Student teachers spend final semester in local classrooms

MANDY MORGAN
Spectator Staff

There are four student teachers working with the college and area schools to prepare themselves for full-time careers. Jessica Curl, McPherson, is currently teaching English at McPherson High School; Michael Hill, Cedar Lane, Texas, is teaching PreK-12 physical education; Kevin Lamm, Hutchinson, is working with kindergartners at the Stanley Elementary School in Wichita; and Erica Meadows, Hutchinson, is teaching biology at Hutchinson High School.

Jean Ballew, assistant professor of education, is supervising two of the student teachers. "Student teaching gives our students an experience to feel what it would be like to have their own class," she said. The students spend their time both teaching and learning. "Right now in terms of my teaching ability, I think I'm still learning," Meadows said. "I'm still trying to figure out what techniques and strategies work best for me. I'm also still trying to figure out the most effective ways to reach my students and to help them learn." She also said that the most important thing she has learned is not to let the little things get to her-but she is enjoying the experience. "I've been pleasantly surprised with my experience this far. The students have been really fun to work with and really receptive to anything I have done differently than my cooperating teacher," Meadows said.

Curl has many of the same sentiments as Meadows. "[I'm at the] beginning level that every new teacher is at. I look forward to my first year out but know that I will meet many challenges," Curl said. She said that the most significant thing she has learned is to be organized and to have a sense of humor. "A sense of humor can get you through those

rough days," she said. But she seems to very much enjoy it in spite of the rocky moments. "I look forward to each day and to my students. I enjoy working with each and every one of them. They surprise me all the time with what they can do and what they know."

Both Curl and Meadows have plans following graduation. Curl will be teaching AP sophomore English, mythology, and junior English at McPherson High School while Meadows will work with students at the Sylvan Learning Center during the fall and then go back to teaching at Hutchinson High.

The students meet periodically to talk about their experiences in the professional seminar class. "I have learned so much [through seminar]," said Curl. "I have learned through the experiences that the other student teachers have shared in class. I have also learned how to effectively plan, develop and teach a successful unit to students." Ballew agrees that seminar class is a good time to share and to blow off steam.

Education majors are exposed to a variety of field experiences early on. Their first experiences with students are often as tutors at local schools. Student teachers also participate in diversity programs in Wichita, where they encounter students of different ethnic and economic backgrounds. Their junior year, education majors work in McPherson or nearby towns with a cooperating teacher. Finally, when well-prepared, students spend an entire semester student teaching.

Ballew had good things to say about the student teachers. "Erica Meadows was offered a job after her third week of teaching...[she is] highly qualified," she said.

Soon, the student teachers will no longer be teaching under supervision. They'll be on their own, possibly teaching the next generation of educators.



courtesy photo

Michael Hill, Cedar Lane, Texas, has been student teaching in the physical education department in the nearby district of Canton-Galva.



photos by Adrielle Harvey

Left and Above: Jessica Curl, sr., McPherson, assists students with a memory book project in the college writing class at McPherson High school. Curl has been student teaching this semester with Mrs. Stout in the English department at MHS.

The Hot spot

A THOUGHTFULLY DEvised ARRAY OF QUESTIONS FOR OUR FRESH, BRAND NEW ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF COMMUNICATIONS: BECKI BOWMAN

TOLAN LIGHTY
Spectator Staff

Where did you attend college?

I graduated from McPherson in 1998, and then I attended Wichita State for my masters. Lastly I went to Kent State for my PhD.

Better flavor of Jolly Rancher: pineapple or watermelon?

Pineapple

Better actor: Tom Cruise or Tom Hanks?

Tom Hanks

What interests you the most about communications?

I just find it absolutely amazing and fascinating how we exchange communication between and with one another. How we, as individuals, choose to send and receive message as we do.

Better holiday: Christmas or New Year's?

Christmas

Better season: spring or summer?

Spring

When was the last time you cried during a movie?

I cry at commercials! I have what is referred to as "Para-Social Interaction" where I can become emotionally attached with people extremely quickly.

More exciting: roller coasters or trampolines?

Roller coasters



photo by Lara Lichty

The Throwback

Researched by Rhonda Hoffert

Seniors will away McPherson

May 13, 1971

I, Beth Landes, do will the big sink on third floor old wind to Junior Throp for his many baths.

I, Chris Grove, bequeath Dotzour Hall to the caring hands of Ann Herbst.

I, Terry Albin, bequeath all my headaches and frustrations to all of Dotzour Hall's "little girls" who haven't done a damn thing except BITCH.

I, Dennis D. Haugen, do here by leave my extra desserts and St. Valentines Day dinners to Jim Iori.

I, Bob Knechtel, leave to Ronda McKensie two splits and a ten pin.

I, Kay Clark, will the 3rd floor smoking room to Pat Stauffer.

I, Howard Skinner, bequeath of Coach Widrig one pair of old bell bottoms and to Coach Smith the book, "I Remember Foggy Allen."

I Al Pitts, bequeath to Dr. Melhorn a copy of "The Godfather," and to Milt Goering, a copy of "How to Win Friends and Influence People."

I, Kathy Flora, will my ability to stay in McPherson College, to anyone who thinks they can break my record.

I, Vincette Goerl, bequeath my ability to jam camera film close to deadlines for the yearbook, to Carl Flory.

I, Dee Kliever, leave all my unrun computer programs to next year's COBOL class.

I, Fank Berens, bequeath to J. Jack Melhorn and Milton Goering one (1) copy of J. Edgar Hoover's MASTER IN DECEIT.

Noyes honored this weekend

HEATHER WILLIAMS & BRYAN GROSCHACH
Spectator Staff & Sports Editor

Beginning tonight, the college will be hosting the Pat Noyes Golf Experience and Benefit Auction. Events will start with a pick-up basketball game at McPherson High School at 7 p.m.

The main activities begin tomorrow morning with the Third Annual Pat Noyes Golf Experience. Registration begins at 7 a.m. and play begins at 8 a.m. The format for the golf experience is a four-person scramble play. The cost is \$60 for individuals and \$240 for a team of four. Students who want to participate in the golf experience are welcome to play. All participants will receive a continental breakfast after their round of golf, a set of golf balls, golf tees and a t-shirt. All of the proceeds will go to the Pat Noyes Men's Basketball Scholarship.

Beginning at 5 p.m., in the Sport Center, the college will host a sports memorabilia auction. A silent auction will begin at 5 p.m. and the live auction will begin at 5:30 p.m.

Some of the items in the auction are a basketball signed by former UCLA men's basketball coach John Wooden, basketballs signed by Jerry West, Larry Bird and Red Auerbach, an authentic Chicago Cubs batting practice jersey, a Penn State mini-football helmet signed by Joe Paterno and many other items. There are over 30 items of sports memorabilia that will go through the silent and live auctions. A full list of the items up for auction can be viewed at www.mcpherson.edu/noyes.

Proceeds from the auction will also go toward the Pat Noyes Men's Basketball Scholarship.

Pat Noyes was a student at the college in the early 1990's. He played basketball under Coach



Courtesy photo
Pat Noyes befriended many people in his time at McPherson College.

Roger Trimmell and Assistant Coach David Barrett, now the Associate Director of Admissions & Financial Aid. Noyes only played junior varsity in his two years at the college as he followed his old-

er brother, Dan, to McPherson.

"Pat Noyes was a hardnosed player, a team player and a smart player. He realized his real passion in life was to coach college basketball," said Erik Vogel, Director of Development.

After his two years at McPherson College, he headed to Oklahoma State University where he joined as a team manager. He soon became the head manager in '97-'98. After graduating from Oklahoma State, he went to Georgia State University where he was a graduate assistant coach under legendary Division-I coach Lefty Drisell. He soon headed back to Stillwater, Okla. where he was the Director of Basketball Operations for Eddie Sutton.

Even though he only spent two years at McPherson College, Noyes was very connected to the college. Noyes was killed in the infamous plane crash on January 27, 2001 which killed many of the

members of the Oklahoma State basketball team.

The scholarship named for Noyes will go to an upperclassman basketball player. There has already been \$14,000 raised for the scholarship and once it reaches \$15,000, it will become endowed. Barrett said the scholarship will then be broken up each year and "given to someone who has the same characteristics as Pat: the love of basketball and a passion for McPherson College."

The members of the Pat Noyes Operations Committee are David Barrett, class of '90, Bryce Brewer, Vice President at Peoples Bank, class of '96, Michael Schneider, Vice President of Advancement, class of '96, Trent Woodcock, General Manager of the Turkey Creek Golf Course, class of '00, Chad Alexander, roommate of Noyes' at Oklahoma State, and Vogel, class of '98.

"We're doing it for Pat," Barrett said.

Cheerleading tryouts

BRYAN GROSCHACH
Sports Editor

Tomorrow in the Auxiliary Gym of the Sport Center, the Bulldog cheerleading squad will be hosting tryouts for those students who want to participate in cheerleading next year. Registration will begin at 1 p.m. and auditions will begin at 2 p.m. The cheerleading squad will also be performing at the All Schools' Day pre-parade festivities.

This year was the first year that cheerleading has been classified as a sport at McPherson College. It was also Coach Tia Leach's first year as a college head coach.

"I think it [this year] was very interesting and dynamic. The squad went through a lot of transitions this year. We started out with a group of six girls and ended up with a co-ed team of about 15," Coach Leach said. "I think it was a big learning experience for ev-

erybody but I think it went really well."

Coach Leach is looking for students who exhibit showmanship and sportsmanship. All cheerleading hopefuls will also go through an interview process to be on the team. Coach Leach wants to see a team of 20 or more athletes for next year.

"My hopes are for everyone to have fun and become better people," Coach Leach said.

Softball hits post-season play

ANGELINA FIORENTI
Spectator Staff

The spring season has finally come to an end and the Lady Bulldogs finished with a 14-34 record overall, 6-10 in conference.

The teams went into post-season play as the number seven seed and played Friends University, the second seed, in the conference tournament.

The Lady Bulldogs lost their first game of the tournament 11-0. Even with the loss the team bounced back to win their next two games in a row, 6-0 versus Kansas Wesleyan University and 6-5 in eight innings versus the University of Saint Mary.

This is the farthest the Lady Bulldogs have made it in the conference tournament in four years.

"We started a little rocky but we pulled through," Katie Hill, sr., said.

The Lady Bulldogs will play their next game versus Sterling College at 11 a.m. tomorrow.

To round up the regular season, the Lady Bulldogs went up against Tabor College winning both games 7-6 and 13-1.

The team took an early lead of 2-0 in the first inning with hits from Abby Evans, soph., and Shalyn Skahill, jr., both having singles. Tabor answered with three runs to take the lead at 3-2 in the bottom of the first. Opening the top of the third, Evans hit one deep into center field for a double, Skahill hit a single, then Rikki Viehman, fr., brought in Evans on a sacrifice fly to right field.

With the score of 3-3, Jessica Yates, fr., came to the plate and another sacrifice fly brought home Skahill to take the lead 4-3. Once again the Lady Blue Jays answered with 3 runs of their own, regaining the lead at 6-4. The Lady Bulldogs put up two runs, one in the fourth and in the fifth taking the lead 7-6 to win the first game. Yates gave up three runs, walked one and struck out six. Skahill led the hitting with three hits.

Game two was a different story. The Lady Bulldogs stomped Tabor 13-1. U Hitting skills were shown by many of the Lady Bulldogs. Evans, Skahill, Viehman, Yates, Ellie Miller, sr., and Amy Ziegler, fr., each had two hits. Yates, Skahill, and Evans had three doubles and Yates and Skahill also had home runs.

Next up for the team was the University of Saint Mary. The first game did not go the Lady Bulldogs' way, losing 2-1. Yates struck out four and gave up seven hits. The second game did go the way of the Lady Bulldogs, winning 8-7 in eight innings. Mallory Yungeberg, so., gave up five runs and struck out five.

The regular season is now at an end. Even with the rough start, many of the players thought the season went well.

"Overall I think we started off rocky, but we pulled together near the end and proved to people what kind of team we really are," Skahill said.

Thinclads race toward KCAC

MALLORY YUNGERBERG
Spectator Staff

The Bulldog track and field team will be participating in the KCAC Championships today and tomorrow at Bethany College in Lindsborg.

The Championships will begin with the field events scheduled to start at 2 p.m. today and 1 p.m. tomorrow. Track events will start at 5 p.m. both days.

Mother Nature was the deciding factor for the Bulldogs not to compete in the Southwestern Relays last Saturday. However, LaJerrick Taylor, fr., was the one Bulldog to give it a shot on Saturday, throwing the javelin 142'4", placing fifth in the event.

As the season progressed, there have been many improvements along the way.

Coach Dave Smith said, "Improvements were from top to bottom and from the first event till the last. If we did anything well, it would be consistent improvement from everyone. We look forward to continuing that [improvement] at the conference meet this Friday and Saturday at Bethany."

"The season went well," Smith said. "We are a more competitive team from top to bottom. We need to add depth and fill in several events to be a more competitive team. I would characterize the season as very successful."

Even with the different levels of im-

provement, there have been some problems for the team this year.

"There have been injuries that have set us back," Sheila Bevan, jr., said. "Overall it's been a good season. We have also built up our numbers. Next year is going to be a new year and depending on the recruits and the people who stay with us will depend on how our season will turn out."

Newcomers have had eye-opening and exciting experiences this past season.

"On an individual level, I have improved," Ashley Mitchell, fr., said. "We are getting more competitive and we are also offering more of a challenge for other teams. I am looking forward to next year because I had a lot of fun. Hopefully we will get more girls so we can get more relays and we can just keep building our team for next year."

The team will be losing four seniors but Coach Smith still has high hopes for next year.

"As far as next year, things look promising. We are going to miss our four seniors (Beth Krehbiel, Tim Cox, Bryan Grosbach and Troy McBroom). We will need to continue working on numbers and depth. I expect the underclassmen and women to continue on the improvement curve they started this year. More numbers and quality performances will be the keys for next year," Coach Smith said.

Box Score

Softball
(14-21, 6-10)

Conference Tournament

MAC 0
Friends 11

MAC 6
Kansas Wesleyan 0

MAC 6
Saint Mary 5 F/8 INN

Regular Season

MAC 8
Saint Mary 7 F/8 INN

MAC 1
Saint Mary 2

MAC 13
@ Tabor 1

MAC 7
@ Tabor 6

Top Performers (regular season)

Batting Average
Viehman .359
Miller .340
DeCavelle .330

Triples
Skahill 5
DeCavelle 4
Yates 3

Stolen Bases
DeCavelle 15
Koch 7
Skahill 5

Complete Games
Yates 15
Yungeberg 7
Skahill 1

Runs scored
Skahill 28
DeCavelle 23
Viehman 22

Home Runs
Viehman 4
Yates 4
Skahill 1

Earned Run Average
Yates 2.85
Ziegler 3.67
Yungeberg 4.00

Innings Pitched
Yates 113.0
Yungeberg 78.2
Ziegler 21.0

Hits
Viehman 37
Skahill 35
Miller 34

Runs Batted In
Viehman 33
Yates 28
DeCavelle 15

Wins
Yates 6
Yungeberg 4
Ziegler 3

Strike Outs
Yates 83
Yungeberg 32
Skahill 6

Doubles
Viehman 7
Skahill 6
Miller 5

On-Base Percentage
Viehman .419
DeCavelle .390
Ziegler .383

What to watch for

Today

Track & Field
@ KCAC
Championships
2 p.m.

Softball @ KCAC

Tournament vs
Sterling College 11
a.m.

Saturday

Track & Field
@ KCAC
Championships
1 p.m.

Tuesday

Athletic Bar-B-Que
@ Sport Center
5:30 p.m.

So long to spring



As the school year comes to an end, so do spring sports. In these last few weeks, the Thinclads sprint to the finish line, softball rounds third and heads home, cheerleading is ready to set their squad for next fall and the ultimate Frisbee team out throws around to pass the time.

After a slow start, the softball team won eight of its last 12 games and the track and field team races into conference with great aspirations.

The softball team will play its fourth game of the conference tournament today at 11 a.m. The softball team hasn't made it this far in the conference tournament in over four years.

The track and field team is looking to place in upper ranks of conference as they begin their bid for the conference title today at 1 p.m. The team has many athletes looking to take home first place medals and many more to score points for the team.

With the school year ending, the Mudhuckers travel to Lakeside Park to play some ultimate Frisbee. The Mudhuckers usually participate in tournaments in the spring, but because of conflicts, will be unable to this year.

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Top: Taylor Parsons, fr., takes a swing at a pitch earlier this spring. Parsons finished the season with a batting average of .325 and played in 22 of the team's 35 games.

Middle: Brooks Reale, soph., middle, runs against swift competition in the 100-meter dash at the Tabor Invitational. Reale currently holds the fifth fastest time in the conference in the 100-meter dash and looks to win the conference title.

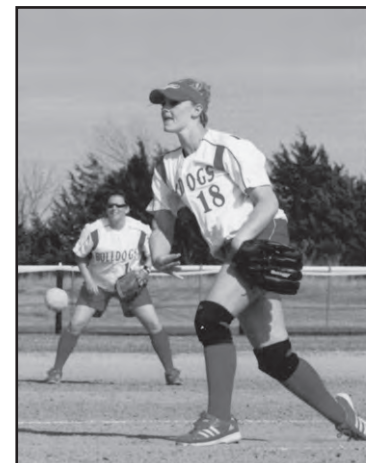
Below: Amy Ziegler, fr., fires in a pitch during a softball game this spring. Ziegler pitched in nine games and won three.



photos from Spectator archive

Above: Alan Grosbach, soph., plays catch with a fellow Mudhucker as the ultimate frisbee team warms up before their practice one afternoon.

Left: Kim Middlemist, fr., helps the cheerleading squad pump up the crowd at a home basketball game early in the spring.



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 *Contemporary Service--10:30 a.m.
 *Sunday School for All Ages

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Pastors Chuck & Andrea Baker

Busy weekend planned

HEATHER WILLIAMS
Spectator Staff

When it comes to the month of May, busy is the word that comes to many people's minds.

McPherson College is no different due to a number of events it is hosting this weekend.

One such event is Bulldog Visit Day, which provides a chance for high school juniors and seniors to see what McPherson is all about.

Tomorrow, potential students will have the chance to take campus tours, meet with faculty and staff, ask questions and get information on majors and financial aid.

Over 50 students are expected from as far as California and Texas for this one-on-one experience.

David Barrett, associate director of admissions and financial aid, said McPherson College distinguishes itself from other schools because of its tremendous faculty, state-of-the-art buildings, internships and programs.

Bulldog Visit Day is not the only event taking place this weekend.

Tonight, the annual Main Street Cruise from 6-8 p.m. will kick

Bulldog Visit Day, annual car show, mud volleyball tournament, golf tournament/auction, art reception, concert to take place this weekend

off the weekend, with the College Automotive Restoration Students (C.A.R.S.) Club car show following on Saturday from 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Over 150 cars are expected in the show. C.A.R.S. Club president Ross Barton, sr., Golden, Colo., said some will just be on display, while others will be judged in one of seven categories: pre-war,

'40s, '50s, '60s, trucks, motorcycles and special interest. There will be a special section for students of the restoration program.

Live music will be provided by "Fortune" and the McPherson College Jazz Ensemble.

Prizes will be given out throughout the day and tours through Templeton will be available.

Also on Saturday is the Pat Noyes Third Annual Golf Experience and Sports Memorabilia Auction. The tournament will be at the Turkey Creek Golf Course, with registra-

tion at 7 a.m. and the four-person scramble starting at 8 a.m. The auction will be later that evening.

On Sunday, nearly 15 student teams will participate in the Student Activities Board-sponsored mud volleyball tournament if the weather cooperates.

The Senior Art Exhibit reception will take place in Friendship Hall for Rylee Miller, sr., Rangely, Colo., Alex Smith, sr., Olathe, and Jon Toland, sr., Plano, Texas, and in Templeton Hall for Barton and Jared Hannawald, sr., Denton, Md., from 2-4 p.m.

The band will perform its spring concert at 3 p.m. in Brown Auditorium.



photos by Benjamin Denton & Josh Hubin

Clockwise from top left: Several McPherson College students pull Ryan Flores, jr., Bermuda Dunes, Calif., on a skateboard behind their pick-up Thursday afternoon. Tim Bender, jr., Highland Village, Texas, rides his bike backwards through the Dotzour Hall lobby. Flores is caught screaming while traveling at nearly 20 miles per hour on a skateboard, which was being pulled behind a pick-up. LeAnne Schmidt (left), fr., Macksville, and Ashley Laudick, fr., Salina, check out the latest edition of *The Review* in front of the Hoffman Student Union Thursday. Though these activities may seem crazy, many students come up with creative ideas to entertain themselves when they have downtime.

Music students swamped with concerts

AMANDA KEITH
Spectator Staff

For a music student like Jesse Beaird, jr., Olathe, the end of the semester is the busiest time of year. As a music major, Beaird participates in band and choir, performs in student recitals and played in the pit orchestra for the musical.

"It is hard sometimes to participate in all of the music

events," Beaird said. "It takes a lot of time to prepare for each, playing in band, singing in choir or preparing pieces for the student recital."

Music students take advantage of the many opportunities to perform near the end of the semester.

For students who take private lessons, student recitals can be nerve-racking.

"Sometimes I don't feel like playing a solo for a recital, but

it is still a good experience," Beaird said.

The recitals on April 25 and May 2 featured 15 student performers who played guitar, French horn, trombone, piano, organ or sang. Some students performed more than one solo.

The band will perform this Sunday at 3 p.m. in Brown Auditorium. The program features music from "around the world" and includes composi-

tions from Great Britain, Australia, Mexico, France, Africa and China.

Last Sunday, the band played a more informal concert in the band shell at Lakeside Park. Several ensembles performed, including the McPherson High School Jazz Band and the College Jazz Band, which includes several members from the community. The College Jazz Band played a Latin tune entitled "What's the Score"

written by Jeff Temple, the director of the MHS band.

"Outdoor concerts don't have such a formal feel, which makes it easier to perform and just have fun," Beaird said.

The concert was interrupted by a few minutes of rain and band members said a few people left because of it.

Those who stayed were rewarded with ice cream and toppings provided by the president's office.

The final music event of the year is the choir concert on May 14 at 4 p.m. in Mingenback Theatre. The choir will perform a few lighter pieces, including a medley from the popular Broadway musical, "Wicked."

The McPherson College Singers will also sing some of their literature.

After the concert, student awards will be presented by the music faculty.

News Briefs

Annual Rock Swap this weekend

The McPherson Gem and Mineral Club is hosting its 14th Annual Rock Swap. The swap began this morning at 9 and will run through Sunday at 4 p.m. Attend the swap for chances to buy rocks, minerals, fossils and jewelry from across the United States, and for chances to win door prizes.

Poetry winners to be announced today

Winners for the 2006 Poetry Month Project will be announced this afternoon. Read all the poems that were entered throughout April at <http://www.mcpherson.edu/~claryb/npm>.

Last cosmic bowling night of the year

Tonight will mark the last bowling night for this year. It will take place at its normal time from 10:30 p.m. - 12:30 a.m.

People for Peace to participate in parade

The McPherson College community is invited to march with People for Peace in the All School's Day Parade next weekend. For more information contact Kim Stanley by e-mail at stanleyk@cs.mcpherson.edu or by phone at ext. 1252 or at home at (785) 241-7214.

Freshmen and sophomore seminars

All freshmen and sophomore seminar students are required to meet on Monday at 11:30 a.m. in Brown Auditorium. ID cards will be scanned.

Applications being accepted for *The Spectator*

Anyone interested in applying for a position on *The Spectator* for next year, contact Shandi Tobias at ext. 1107 for an application. Please return applications to Shandi by Wednesday, May 10.

Scripted Sculptures

Michaela Groeblacher, alumna, designed these sculptures for the theatre department. The sculptures, which rest in front of Mingenback Theatre, have inscriptions such as, "music is the pulse that reflects society..." and "at the heart of the theatre experience is the performer."



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