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A message of forgiveness

“Frozen” premieres to a sell-out audience

ADRIELLE HARVEY
Editor-In-Chief

The Kansas premier of the British play “Frozen” kicked off at McPherson College last weekend.

The play, written by Bryony Lav-ery, was picked by theatre major Akeisha Kaufman, Moundridge, as her senior project.

The difference with “Frozen” compared to other plays performed at McPherson College, was its thematic content, having to do with forgiveness of a serial killer.

“It was actually one that Jd. gave me to read,” Kaufman said. “I couldn’t fathom being a mother and having someone kill my daughter and then forgiving him for it.”

“Frozen” consisted of a three-person cast.

Jd. Bowman, assistant professor of theatre, played the role of Ralph, a serial killer who sexually assaulted and murdered seven young girls in a period of 21 years.

Kaufman played the role of Nancy, a mother of one of the girls raped and killed by Ralph. Through

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-Akeisha Kaufman

a process of grieving, Nancy forgave Ralph in the end.

The third member was Ralph’s psychiatrist, Agnetha, played by professional actress Christine Williams, Philadelphia. Agnetha, while working with Ralph and Nancy, wrestled with a situation of her own that involved asking forgiveness of a friend.

“Frozen” was different in another sense. It was done on a more professional level due to the adult content and for Kaufman’s sake.

“Akeisha really is committed to going into professional theatre when she’s done and so we wanted to give her the experience,” Bowman said.

The show was rehearsed in two weeks, which according to Bowman, “is what professional theatre

is all about.”

“Frozen” went along with SueZann Bosler’s experience with forgiveness.

The night before the premier, Bosler told about her father’s murderer and how she forgave him. She was also present for the opening night of “Frozen.”

“Forgiveness is important for the victim because they need to separate themselves from whatever happened,” Bowman said. “If they don’t forgive, I really think that they carry around hate or anger and that always keeps them connected to that.”

Kaufman wants people to understand that forgiveness is something that must be worked through.

“Forgiveness isn’t always easy,” Kaufman said. “Forgiveness doesn’t always come from someone who asks for it. It can be given without asking.”

“Frozen” was directed by Kathryn Whitacre. Whitacre has previously directed plays at McPherson College.

The set was designed by Brandt Busse, sr., McPherson.

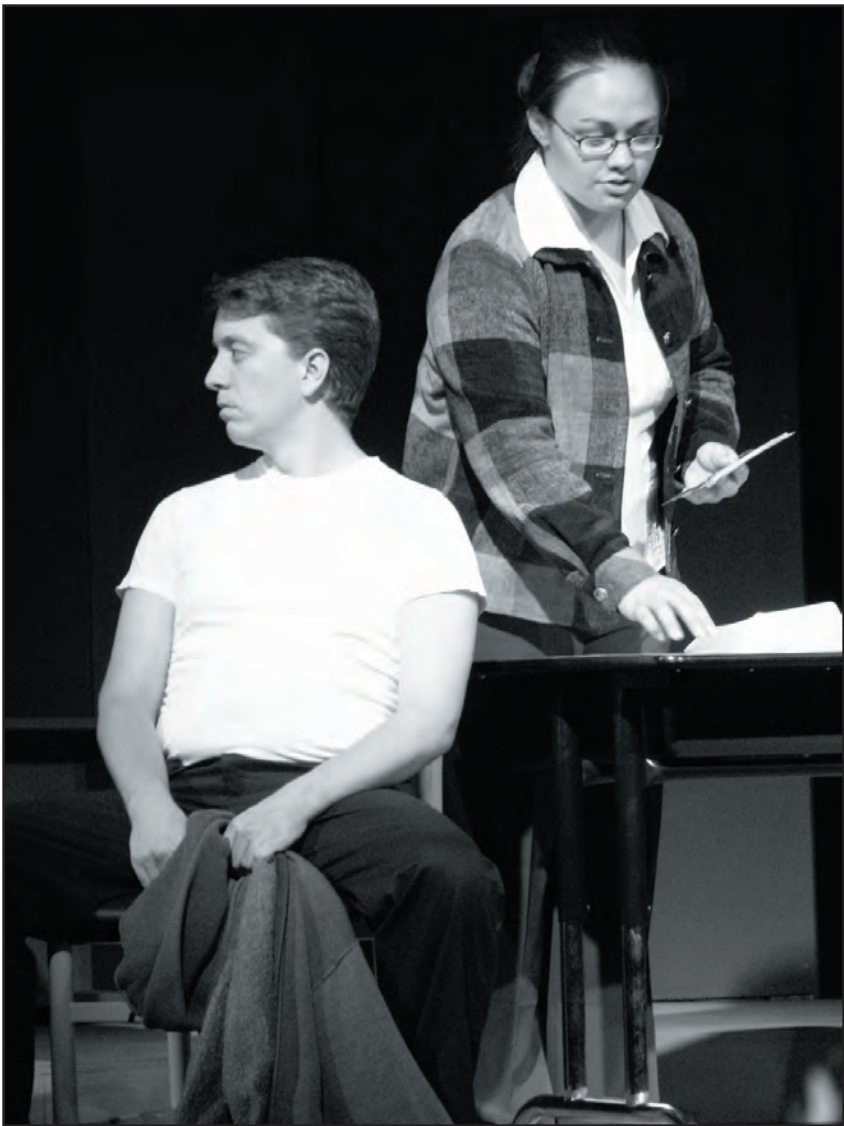


photo by Travis Walker

Akeisha Kaufman, Nancy, shows pictures of her slain daughter to the girl’s murderer, Ralph, played by Jd. Bowman. The Kansas premier of “Frozen” was last weekend at McPherson College.

NEWS BRIEFS

Artists Honored

Kansas State University art professor Kathleen King’s exhibit “Tondo Paintings” will be displayed in Friendship Hall until Sept. 23. Phyllis Liljegren Newson’s exhibit, “A Touch of Taos,” will be displayed until Oct. 28 in Friendship. A reception honoring King and Newson is scheduled on Sunday, Sept. 17 from 2-4 p.m. in Friendship.

Kansas Book Festival

The first ever Kansas Book Festival, celebrating books, art and Kansas heritage, is being held Sept. 29-30 at the Lawrence-Dumont Stadium in Wichita.

Bowers Best of Show

Tim Bowers, owner of Stellar Antique Auto Restorations of Windom, was awarded “Best of Show” at the 21st Annual Convention and Car Show of the National DeSoto Club in Albuquerque, N.M. this summer for the 1956 Desoto Fireflite Sportsman he recently restored. Bowers teaches part time at McPherson College.

Bosler speaks at “Frozen” premier

She forgave her father’s killer and worked for a decade to spare him from death

ADRIELLE HARVEY
Editor-In-Chief

On December 22, 1986, while preparing for Christmas, SueZann Bosler, then 24, and her father, Reverend Billy Bosler, were attacked in their home in Miami, Flor.

SueZann, raised in the Brethren Church, was taught the values of forgiveness growing up. Not until that fateful day nearly 20 years ago did she begin to learn the true meaning of forgiveness.

When Rev. Billy Bosler answered the door that day, he was met by 20-year-old James Bernard Campbell, who proceeded to stab Rev. Bosler repeatedly. SueZann, hearing odd noises coming from her father, ran to the door, where Campbell then stabbed her in the back and the head.

SueZann was stabbed five times. She played dead as Campbell stood over her, watching for signs of life. Campbell then ransacked the house, as SueZann watched her father take his last breaths. Rev. Bosler was stabbed 24 times.

SueZann’s experiences over the past 20 years led the McPherson College theatre department, in conjunction with Chris Wiens and the Community Leadership Forum, to request that SueZann kick off a discussion about forgiveness, before the open



photo by Adrielle Harvey

SueZann Bosler speaks last week in Mingenback Theatre.

ing night of “Frozen.”

“If it wasn’t for forgiveness, I would not be able to smile today, go on with my life,” SueZann said.

After struggling with guilt related to her father’s death, Bosler devoted the next 10 1/2 years of her life to forgiveness, keeping Campbell from receiving the death penalty.

Bosler verbally forgave Campbell and testified against the death penalty in the first two trials. Despite Bosler’s testimony, 10 of 12 jurors found Campbell guilty in the first trial.

During the second trial, nine of 12 found Campbell guilty and sentenced him to the death penalty.

“When I went up to be a witness in the second sentencing trial, I got up there and before I was able to testify, all of a sudden I pointed

KIMBERLY MORRIS
Spectator Staff

The McPherson College campus learned a valuable lesson in security on Wednesday, August 30.

While the volleyball team was practicing, an unknown person or group of people walked into the unlocked volleyball locker room and took several items including five of the players’ room keys.

“I think the incident shows students and faculty on campus that just because we live in a small town doesn’t mean there is no crime and we still need to watch for our own and other people’s property,” said Jessica Nunan, jr. Moundridge.

This crime has made people start to think about the security on campus. LaMonte Rothrock, dean of students, and Laura Eells, provost and dean of the faculty, have had meetings with faculty and

staff as well as visited all the dorms and had meetings with the students. The deans have encouraged dorm resi-

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dents to make sure they lock their rooms when they leave, and if they see someone on campus that looks suspicious, they should report it immediately. Fliers were handed out reminding everyone of the correct procedures for reporting problems.

“Pretty much the way that we know people won’t have things stolen is if they lock

their rooms,” said Rothrock. “If we don’t make it a place where it’s easy for people to take things then there is no reason for people to come around and try to take things.”

The college has done many things to help keep the campus safe. They have put mirrors at the end of the halls, peep holes in all the doors in the residence halls, installed a new lighting system, trimmed the trees up high, and supplied phones in every lobby.

“It’s not because we had crime: it’s to detour crime,” Rothrock said. “We do those kind of things to make sure that our students, faculty and staff are safe.”

“If they want to compare us to any other schools what they are going to find out that we’re one of the safest schools you can find,” Rothrock said. “It doesn’t mean that we don’t need to be careful.”

If you see something suspicious...

If you believe your safety, or that of others, is threatened:
■ Dial 911 (9 + 911 from a campus phone) immediately.

If you or others safety is not threatened:

- Report the incident to the appropriate campus individual.
- Contact your RA immediately
- If your RA is unavailable, contact the RD
- If the RD is unavailable, contact LaMonte Rothrock (Cell 242-5037).
- If you are unable to contact any of the above, call the facility management on-call person (245-4122).
- These persons may contact the local police.
- Do not disturb the area (touch or move items, etc) until college personnel or police arrive.
- Assist college personnel or the police in their investigation.

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JESSICA ARNOLD

When I was in eighth grade, I remember putting on a ball gown for a play. I was so excited because I thought I looked so pretty. I had never worn anythinglikethatbefore.Iwalked out of the bathroom to go to rehearsal and I passed a few high school boys. One

proceeded to look me up and down. He then smirked at me and proceeded to tell me, in very vulgar terms, that he liked my body, most specifically, the upper region. My face flushing, my steps quickening, I tried to ignore him and went to the next classroom, which was empty. I put my hands over my face and cried. I felt ashamed, dirty, angry and sickened. I kept wondering if I did something wrong. The dress I wore wasn't in any way provocative or revealing. Was it something in my walk? My facial expression? Did he think I wanted that kind of attention for some reason? Regardless, it was a horrible experience and

one I never wish to repeat, much less have anyone else visit. It has come to my attention that there have been incidents like this happening on campus. A good friend of mine came to me after walking back from the cafeteria. She was very upset. When I asked what was wrong, she explained a situation very similar to the one I described. She, too, kept wondering if it was somehow her fault, although she knew better. She felt horrible. I became very, very angry. I hated that she felt helpless and there was nothing I could do. What on earth possessed those guys to say things like that? Was it because they were

trying to impress their friends? Or maybe, in some twisted way, they thought it was a compliment. Or maybe they just didn't think, period. I wonder, if they knew the kind of damage they were doing, how they were hurting her? Did they just not care? Did they think about it and feel bad later? Just so there's no confusion, I would like to say a word to the guys who did this, or to those who have done it before. No, it's not a compliment. It's disgusting and it makes us feel disgusting. It's not impressive, it's insulting. Women (and men) should never be viewed as objects. It's degrading. Don't do it. Period. There's no excuse.

What really ticked me off was that it was a large group of guys. Only a few of them actually made the comments, but none of the others said anything in her defense. Here's the thing. If you're with someone making sexually harassing comments and you don't speak up, you're just as bad as they are. Do what you know is right. Don't let a girl lie awake in bed, wondering what she did wrong, all because you didn't want to stand up to your peers. There's something horribly wrong when students are feeling harassed on their own campus, their home.

LEAD EDITORIAL

Monday marked the fifth anniversary of one of the most horrifying and tearful memories in United States' history.

Each year, pictures are replayed and each of us remembers exactly what we were doing on that morning. Some sat in total disbelief, staring at the television screen. Others clung to family members, held hands in prayer and shed tears. Still, others stepped forward to aid those in need. Even now, many fight against the terrorism that shook our nation.

The September 11 attacks now serve as a reminder to each of us that we have a responsibility to come together as one nation, even before tragedy strikes.

Forgiveness themes arouse discussion

Student accounts experience in personal reflection

Staff Writer



MEGAN MCKNIGHT

McPherson College has been stirred up with talk of forgiveness this week after the premiere of the play "Frozen" and guest speaker SueZann Bosler. After watching the play and hearing Bosler speak, I began to wonder if I could ever forgive the people who have hurt me in the past. Before this weekend, I had never really thought about how my

life would be if I had allowed myself to forgive those people. During the play, there was only one person I was thinking about—my father. I had no idea who he was until after my thirteenth birthday. When my mom got that call from him, I wasn't sure how to respond. He wanted to see me. Why would he want to see me after neglecting me for thirteen years? So many thoughts ran through my mind that I didn't know what to say. So, I met with him. We talked. And he left again. Every time I think about all the rough times my mother went through because of him, it makes me sick to my stomach. I've held so much anger and resentment inside of me for nineteen years. My trust in

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men was shattered before my first relationship. My first serious boyfriend ended up cheating on me and lying to me. My last boyfriend controlled over me, causing me to miss out on a lot of opportunities over the past few years. What am I supposed to do? Tell my dad everything is okay and I know why he hurt my mother and missed out on seeing me grow up?

After hearing Bosler speak about forgiving the man who murdered her father, I realized just how important forgiveness is. It isn't something to be taken lightly, but it can change lives in so many ways. If Bosler could do it after something so tragic and heartbreaking, I feel like I can too. Every single person will be put in a situation where they need to forgive someone. The situation may not be as extreme as Bosler's and it may not be something lifelong like mine, but it will change you. It will cause you to question your beliefs and take a strong stand on the situation to make it better. You can always forgive, but don't ever forget.

On the Fly

What's your favorite dorm room snack?

"Quesadillas."

-- Mike Davis, jr.
Piedmont, Okla.



"Popcorn."

-- Kristin Fisher, fr.
Saint John



"This is going to be a toughy but I'm going to have to go with fruit snacks."

-- Brandon Luter, soph.
Bayfield, Colo.



"Cheetos. They're only a dollar a bag right now at Wal-mart. You can't go wrong."

-- Matt Hoffman, jr.
McPherson



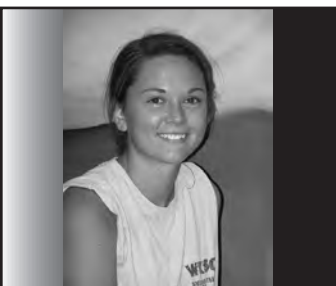
"I don't know. Pretzels."

-- Derrick Ward, sr.
Palos Heights, Ill.



Student puts caf. in context

Staff Writer



ASHLEY MITCHELL

It would be safe to say, despite the festivities of Thanksgiving and Christmas, there's one person in particular that is not as jolly as everyone else. I would say this person would be your mother or grandmother or whoever it is that does the holiday cooking. Around the holidays, large numbers of families gather together to share in the joys of the season. Along with this comes an enormous amount of food, usually consisting of

turkey, mashed potatoes, gravy, dinner rolls, pumpkin pie, green bean casserole, sweet potatoes, corn, pecan pie and cranberry sauce. While we are gnawing down on our turkey, we are usually oblivious to all the work it took to make each and every single dish. Aside from there being a lot of stress from the making of so many dishes, one can get overwhelmed at the sheer volume of people to cook for. Some families are small and some are very large. At my family's Thanksgiving dinner last year, we had fifteen people that joined us around the table. Fifteen people can be a daunting number to cook for and I'm sure that I don't have the biggest family on campus. Along with cooking for so many people come new worries such as health issues. Aunt Mary's diabetes,

Grandpa Vernon's high cholesterol and Uncle Ralph's allergy to pecans also throw a kink into the holiday cooking. Now, your mother must make a sugar free pumpkin pie for Aunt Mary in addition to the regular pie. She must be mindful of the salt she adds to the gravy so as not to send grandpa into a premature heart attack and must make an apple pie because Uncle Ralph can't have pecans and absolutely hates pumpkin. My point in all this is that cooking for large volumes of people is not an easy thing to do. It is hard to make turkey with all the trimmings and in a way that all people, regardless of health issues, can enjoy. Good news is that Thanksgiving and Christmas come only one time a year. However, imagine now that you had to make a meal like that everyday. Although our moms don't cook

for large volumes of people everyday, our food service on campus does. In fact, they prepare meals for approximately 27 times that amount. Try watching the food allergies of 400 people instead of 15. It's mind-boggling. The next time you head to the caf. to rustle up your grub, consider that a lot of work went into preparing a meal of variety, be it your preference or not, for 400 people. Considerations were made for all you light stomachs who can't handle spicy food. For all of you with allergies to peanuts and dairy, you were thought of too. Remember your mom as she slaves to make Thanksgiving and Christmas meal this year. And remember your friendly caf. staff as they make your meal and everyone else's meal everyday.

Letters to the Editor

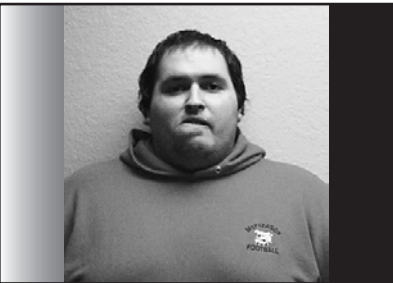
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Activists struggle to tip political scales

Staff Writer



DAVID CADDIN

I know why I am a conservative and why I believe it makes my life better, but I am sure it is not the exact same for other conservatives. While all conservatives share many of the same beliefs and values, they may not have the same priorities and they may not agree on everything. Although I may not agree with the majority (99.99%) of what liberals believe in or value, I do not feel that they have any less of a life than I do. Knowing that the majority of students and faculty are liberal also made me a bit hesitant in writing. Regardless, I finally decided that I would tell you why being a conservative works for me.

The conservative way of life works for me on a personal level because I happen to believe in strong family values that are rooted in Christianity. I believe that when people work long and hard for their money it should not be taxed so it can pay for those who refuse to work. I am not for letting people remain on welfare for the rest of their life. I believe that people should not get a job, accepted to a school, or any other benefit based on the color of their skin. I do not like paying a fortune for a visit to the emergency room or for car insurance because an illegal alien felt he should not have to wait in line to come to this country. I believe in securing the borders, either with a wall or militarily, so that illegals and terrorists cannot just stroll into our country. I support the right to live for those not able to fight for themselves. Yes, that means I am against abortion. It also means that I think that anywhere there is anyone being denied life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness we need to step in. I believe in the rule of law and that if you do the crime you do the time. I believe that burning the flag is not protected by free speech. I

believe that our paper currency should say “In God We Trust” and that the Pledge of Allegiance should say “One Nation Under God.” I stand whole-heartedly behind the Patriot Act, data-mining, domestic surveillance, and anything else the government feels will keep me and my fellow Americans from dying at the hands of terrorists. I believe that the death penalty is justice. I believe that we are at war with Islamic fascism and if we do not take the fight to them they will come back to us. I believe that terrorists do not qualify for the rights provided by the Geneva Convention. I am for secret CIA prisons and using whatever means deemed necessary to get information. Finally, I believe that it is the Islamic fascists who are the terrorists and who started this war and not the president, the government or the United States.

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Like I stated earlier, these beliefs are what make me live a conservative lifestyle. While the majority of conservatives may agree with me, I do not claim to speak for all conservatives. If you find yourself in agreement with me after reading this article then I am glad I could give voice to you. If you find yourself disagreeing with this article, I thank you for reading it anyways. I am happy that I could give voice to a group that I, as well as others, feel has not been represented on campus. I would like to end by saying that no matter what you are, liberal or conservative, we are all Americans and we should all find some common ground. Whether you like it or not, there are a group of people in the world who want nothing more than to end our existence and if we cannot work together, all we are doing is making their job easier. God bless you and God bless America.



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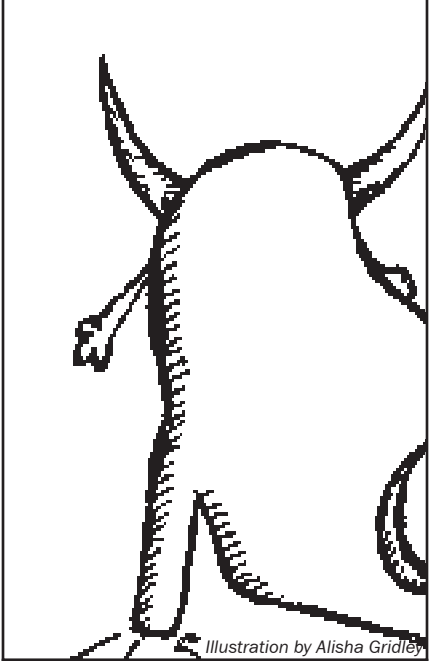


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POWER POLL RESULTS:

IS THE CONSERVATIVE OR LIBERAL VIEWPOINT IN LIFE THE BETTER ONE TO FOLLOW?

Conservative: 30%
Liberal: 34%
Unsure/Other: 36%

87 Students Polled

Staff Writers



RHONDA HOFFERT AND JESSICA FOULKE

“We are progressive, we move forward in a practical manner to maintain, if not increase equality among our fellow citizens.”

Merriam-Webster defines liberalism as “a political philosophy based on belief in progress, the essential goodness of the human race, and the autonomy of the individual and standing for the protection of political and civil liberties.”

What does that mean? There is plenty wrong with this world, but we can make a difference in making the world better. From the ground that we walk on to the children that we shape through education and health, we believe in the rights of freedom in all areas of life, supported by a government based on the same ideals.

We have faith in humanity.

There are generalities that all liberals tend to fit into the same category. As a rule, liberals have these views in the forefront of their concerns: political freedom, rights (as in civil, social), individualism, free markets and social justice. But being a liberal is not necessarily about all of these things. There’s plenty of room for differences of opinion. That’s what separates us.

Being a liberal is about being open-minded. It seems to us that conservatives have a tendency to be very angry and stubborn. They live their lives in a bubble of belief and interests that is nearly

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impossible to break. They also tend to be very meddling. They would like to control the rights a woman has over her own body, to condemn those of a different sexual orientation or, in general,

how people live their lives.

Aren’t we, Americans, supposed to be proud of living in a “free” country? Shouldn’t everyone have the right to equality? As a liberal, we try to preserve these rights, not take them away. We are progressive, we move forward in a practical manner to maintain, if not increase equality among our fellow citizens. We want to make our home a safe place, socially, not a more nervous one.

Life in the liberal realm means acceptance instead of judgment. It means that we’re always open to new possibilities and our mind is pliable instead of rigid. We can listen to your opinion, and we can change our own.

Doesn’t that just sound more appealing? To always have the ability to change, to grow? Knowing that you don’t have to live with constraint?

There are common misconceptions. Because we are liberals, it means we aren’t religious, right? Wrong. There are plenty of Christians, Muslims, Agnostics, Buddhists and Atheists that are liberal. Because we are liberals, it means we aren’t moral, right? Some of the most moral and just people in this world are liberals in thought.

Liberals often get labeled as “bad” people. Tell us it isn’t because we are looking out for everyone who is in need. Whether it is the homeless person on the street, the single mom next door, or a middle class friend of ours, we are out to provide input into our society that could help these people in the long run.

But hey, please don’t label us as the “liberal kids.” We’re not the voice of the liberal majority or minority on campus. We don’t even agree on every issue ourselves. That’s what’s great about being liberal. You don’t have to agree about everything. We’ll accept you anyway!

Good Dog

McPherson police have seemingly been trying to help us stop the criminal occurrences around campus.

SGA has a full board of members for the year!

Praise the baby Jesus (as Tolan would put it) that Mac’s newly-revived tennis team has actively begun its season.

Bad Dog

I’m not a big fan of creeps running through the dorms stealing stuff.

The snack vending machines sadly have left our lives.

Where have all the flowers gone?

Not more people play bocce.

A McPherson College moment ...



- R.I.P. STEVE IRWIN.
- BLACK UNIFORMS FOR SOFTBALL! (x4)
- I LOVE TOMATO SOUP!
- IF YOU WANT TO KILL YOURSELF WITH CIGARETTES FINE, BUT DON’T KILL THE ENVIRONMENT TOO BY LITTERING WITH THEM.
- WHAT’S WITH THE BUGS IN DOTZOUR?
- IS THAT A CHIA PET ON HIS HEAD?
- KEEP THE CAF. OPEN UNTIL 9:30 A.M.! (x2)
- PLEASE DO NOT SPIT LOOGIES ON THE STAIRWAYS!
- WHERE ARE THE FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENTS?
- LEAVE US ALONE, MEL BROOKS!
- UNLIKE OTHER ROBIN HOODS, I CAN SPEAK WITH A BRITISH ACCENT.
- FIX THE WAFFLE MAKER!
- I HAVE A DREAM THAT SOMEDAY ALL RAs WILL ACTUALLY ENFORCE THE RULES OF THIS CAMPUS. I KNOW IT SEEMS LIKE A LONGSHOT, BUT HEY, WHO KNOWS?
- FLIES CARRY DISEASES ... SO KEEP YOURS ZIPPED!
- WE WASTED MONEY ON STARBUCKS. THE ONLY THING WASTING MORE MONEY AT MAC IS FOOTBALL.
- HORN BROKEN. WATCH FOR FINGER!
- LAMONTE AND HOVIS NEED TO STAY OUT OF PEOPLE’S BUSINESS.
- THIS SCHOOL IS PREJUDICE.
- WHEN GOING CRAZY, YOU BECOME INCREDIBLY SMART, IN AN INCREDIBLY STUPID SORT OF WAY.

Got something to say? Shout it out!

DROP A NOTE IN THE SHOUT IT OUT! BOX IN THE S.U. TO MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD.

Libelous comments will not be published.

Are we there yet?

McPherson students visit beaches, canyons and memorials over summer



Shaylin Skahill gets a quick picture taken at the City of Refuge in Hawaii. Skahill flew to Kona, Hawaii with her family this summer for vacation. She spent most of her time in the sand and touring the sites. Skahill's trip was a reward from her parents due to an excellent softball season and a good academic year.

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McPherson students spent their summer vacations in a variety of ways—and at some rather exotic locations.

Jered Hannawald, sr., Denton, Md., took a road trip with his cousin that included four different major stops—Oklahoma City, Little Rock, Ark., Memphis, Tenn., and Nashville, Tenn.

“We knew we weren’t going to be able to do that any other time,” Hannawald said. “It was a good time to take a break.”

The pair took time to see many famous sites.

In Oklahoma City, Hannawald saw the bombing memorial and in Little Rock, they stopped to see where a segregation standoff took place in the 1950s.

In Nashville, Hannawald ran into Ben Jones, who played Cooter in the Dukes of Hazzard. His favorite stop, however, was Memphis.

“Everything was cool to see, just for the history of it,” Hannawald said.

Mario Aguilar, sr., Davis, Calif., traveled through several states this summer. His trip began as soon as he left from McPherson at the end of last semester.

Aguilar traveled through Oklahoma City, then stopped in Dallas to visit Adan Ghaffarian, who is a junior at McPherson College. From there he went down the famous Route 66, where he stayed at the Blue Swallow Motel.

The Blue Swallow Motel has been around since 1939 and therefore is one of the oldest motels on Route 66. A single room can be rented for \$30 a night.

Aguilar also visited the Painted Desert, the Petrified Forrest and the Grand Canyon.

“The drive home was fun,” Aguilar said. “(I) got to see the Grand Canyon for the first time ever, stayed at famous old motels along Route 66 and saw all the cool sites along the road.”

The southern states seemed to be popular over the summer; states with beaches, sand and hot attraction spots.

Christina Feldkamp, fr., Centralia, traveled to Corpus Christi, Texas this past summer. Her intent was to visit an aunt, but was able to do much more.

Feldkamp said the major highlight of the trip was when her and her family members went deep sea fishing. The goal of the day was for someone to catch a shark.

“Everyone was dead on catching a shark,” Feldkamp said.

She was the only one who succeeded.

Unfortunately, the shark was too short to keep and had to be thrown back, otherwise Feldkamp would have taken it home as a trophy.

“I would have mounted that baby!” Feldkamp said.

Jaime Elliot, soph., Kremmling, Colo., also traveled this summer, but she ventured outside the U.S.—to Mexico.

Elliot, along with her sister, mother and grandmother, stayed in a place called Puerto Penasco, which means Rocky Point in English. They stayed in a condo overlooking the water for four days and three nights.

“The water was beautiful and I want to go back,” Elliot said.

Her family spent most of their time in the sand.

“We could see the water from our room, so we’d go chill on the beach. We even ate at restaurants along the beach, just watching the water.”

Puerto Penasco is known for its fishing, its warm, clear waters and snorkeling. This is the perfect spot for relaxation and for families to have a great time.

Shaylin Skahill, sr., Fresno, Calif., traveled to Kona, Hawaii, this summer. Skahill went with her family and stayed in her parent’s condo in Molokai. They had a view of the ocean and could watch luaus from their window. Skahill also visited the City of Refuge.

“It was so beautiful,” Skahill said. “It was like someone put different colors of blue paint in the water.”

Skahill said the sunsets were amazing every night.

Another exciting part of the trip was getting to visit Da Kine Bail Bonds, owned by Duane “DOG” Chapman from the television show, “Dog the Bounty Hunter.”

However, Skahill said, “The best part about the trip was the fact that I got a great island tan.”

Skahill plans on visiting more islands in the future.



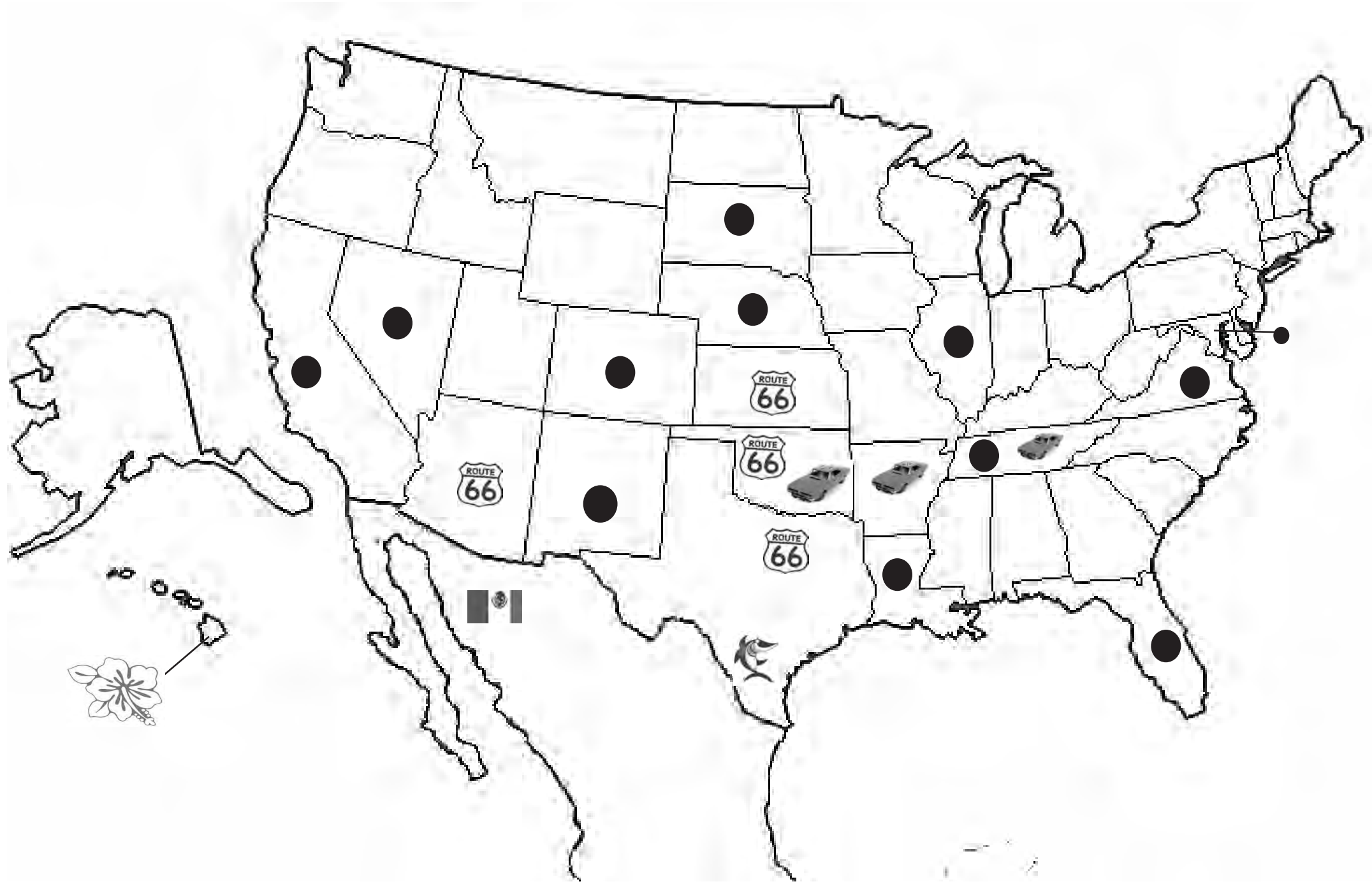
Christina McPherson and Gracie, granddaughter of Gail Garwick, 2004 inductee to the McPherson College hall of fame, exchange hugs at Camp Stover in Idaho this summer. McPherson was sponsored by five agencies through the Church of the Brethren and traveled to various places in the United States.

courtesy photo



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Christina Feldkamp holds the shark she caught on a deep sea fishing trip this summer. Too small to keep, Feldkamp had to throw it back, but not before getting a quick photo.



LEGEND



Mario Aguilar



Christina Feldkamp



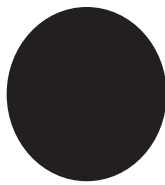
Jered Hannawald



Shaylin Skahill



Jaime Elliot



Other students travels



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Mario Aguilar points at the famous Route 66 sign while traveling through several states. Aguilar traveled along Route 66 on his way home at the end of the last school year.

En otras palabras...

In other words

We want to welcome our readers who are bilingual, as well as cheer on those who want to become bilingual, to our newspaper. This section of The Spectator is open to any student who wants to submit an article, an essay, or a creative piece in both Spanish and English. To get us started, Dr. Ocie Kilgus’ Spanish III class has submitted a few film reviews. Contact Dr. Kilgus at kilguso@mcpherson.edu for more information.



la contribución de los hispanos? Mira la película y entérate.

“UN DÍA SIN UN MEXICANO”
Una reseña por Rikiki Viehman

“A DAY WITHOUT A MEXICAN”
A review by Rikiki Viehman

Si buscas una comedia cultural con ideas contemporáneas, “Un día sin un mexicano” es la película para ti. Esta película es una sorpresa para todos. Explica un día típico en California pero con la ausencia de todos los hispanos. Aunque muchas partes de la película son graciosas, contiene fuertes ideas acerca de la vida norteamericana y como todo cambiaría si los hispanos estuvieran excluidos de los Estados Unidos. La película explica que aunque una persona sea de otro país, todavía es parte de la raza humana y merece el mismo respecto como cualquier otra persona. ¿Cómo sería este país sin

If you are looking for a cultural comedy with contemporary ideas, “A Day Without a Mexican” is the movie for you. This movie is an eye-opener for everyone. It shows a typical day in California, but with the absence of all Hispanics. Although many parts of the movie are funny, it contains strong ideas about U.S. life and how everything would change if all the Hispanics were banned from the United States. The movie shows that even if a person is from another country, s/he is still a part of the human race and deserves the same respect as any other person. What would this country be like without the contribution of Hispanics? Watch the movie

Football team has high hopes for season, despite opening night loss to Sterling

MALLORY YUNGBERG
Spectator Staff

After finishing 5-5 in the 2005 season, which was the third non-losing season in the past four years, the Bulldogs opened this season with a loss at home Saturday evening to Sterling College, 15-43.

As another season begins at McPherson College, there are a lot of hopes and goals for the team.

“There are high expectations for this season,” said Ryan Flores, sr., Bermuda Dunes, Calif. “We have some new coaches this year, we have new looks on offense and on defense as well. The team looks strong this year. There should be some big things happening this season.”

There are some new faces among the football squad this year including freshmen, transfers and coaches, in addition to the returning players.

Head coach David Cunningham is joined by returning coaches O.C. Williams, defensive coordinator, secondary and special teams coach and Norris Poole, offensive line coach. New coaches are Steve Fickert, assistant head coach, offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach, Cedric Shell, wide receivers coach, Reggie Mathis, defensive line coach, Alan Childress, running backs coach and Ricky Gottschalk, student head assistant.

“The transfers are helping us out a lot this year on defense,” said Dwight

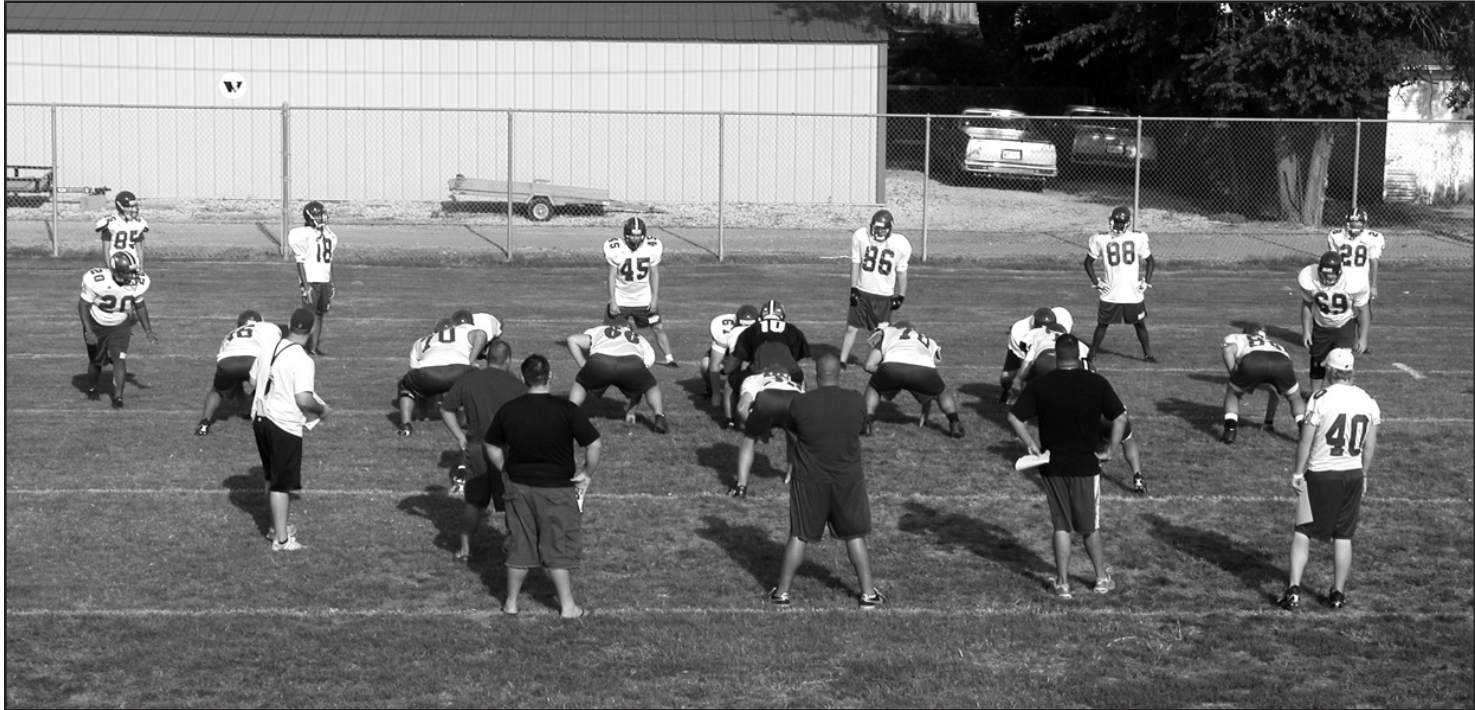


photo by Benjamin Denton

The football players line up for a play during practice. They opened the season with a loss, but hope to rebound against Bethel tomorrow. The team has several new coaches this year, along with a handful freshmen and transfer students.

Hale, jr., Colorado Springs, Colo. “The returners are playing a bigger role on offense and the new offense looks good.”

For some football players, this is their last chance to wear the red and white and to play for McPherson College, which means it is time for them to step up and take charge. .

“The seniors are stepping up this year and taking good leadership roles,”

Flores said. “The transfers are stepping up and putting themselves in a position to play.”

Leadership has been a big factor for the whole team.

“I have been pleased so far with the leadership of our 18 seniors,” Cunningham said. “The newcomers and returning players seem to blend in well.”

The Bulldogs were picked to finish

fifth and eighth by the media and Kansas Collegiate Athletic Conference coaches at the KCAC Football Media Day.

“Some of our team goals this year are to win conference and go to the playoffs,” Flores said.

The Bulldogs’ next game is scheduled for tomorrow at 7 p.m. against Bethel College in Newton.



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Jessica Miller, sr., Saint John, spikes the ball at the opponent. The Lady Bulldogs are off to a 4-0 start in conference and hope to capture a conference title.

MALLORY YUNGBERG
Spectator Staff

The Lady Bulldogs finished the 2005 season with a 19-14 record and 13-5 in the Kansas Collegiate Athletic Conference and as a KCAC Tournament Finalist and National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics Region IV Tournament Qualifier.

With volleyball season already underway, there are many high hopes for this season.

“We look pretty good this year,” said Amy Hallowell, jr., Pratt. “The competition is a little stiffer this year, but we should do good. We didn’t lose any seniors and the recruits are stepping up, too.”

The Lady Bulldogs are 4-0 in conference and 7-2 overall.

“Friday night was an awesome night,” said head coach Nathalea Stephenson. “They all came together and they all took care of their job that they had to do. The team is starting to come together, now we just need to improve every aspect of our game.”

Stephenson said the crowd support lit up the players.

“Friday night was also electric because of our fans and students on campus,” Stephenson said. “The girls feed off of the fans, plus it is exciting to play for fans like that.”

Along with McPherson’s win over Friends University on Friday, Nikki Mackay, jr. Peculiar, Mo, had a record of 47 serve receive passes.

KCAC coaches picked McPherson for a fourth place finish in conference this season, but the Lady Bulldogs are also setting higher standards also to raise accordingly.

“Some of our goals this year are to

be first in conference, go to regionals and be better than last year,” Hallowell said.

Being a well-rounded person in the classroom and not just on the court is another equally important aspect to the volleyball team.

“Overall we want to be better people, not only on the court, but off the court as well,” Stephenson said. “One of our goals this year is that we want to win the Academic Scholars Award.”

Just like each of the other McPherson teams, there are new faces on the court this year, both transfer students and freshmen. However, there are many returners this year.

“The younger girls are coming up and doing better things,” Stephenson said. “That is mainly because the upper class(men) are showing great leadership.”

Catch the Lady Bulldogs in action on Sept. 20 at Friends University.

Mcpherson cross country squad gets a tune up for 2006

Bulldogs prepare for home meet on Sept. 16

ADRIELLE HARVEY
Editor-in-Chief

If running for hours, if not days, sounds appealing, then so might the McPherson College cross-country team.

Last, year with seven men on the roster, the men’s team finished fourth in conference. With a few additions to the team this year and several returning All-Conference runners, head coach David Smith has his hopes set on placing first or second in conference.

So far, the men’s team standings are higher than last year’s.

“Our relative placement was already up one or two notches from last year,” Smith said.

Returning for the men’s team this season are Jacob

“That’s the best training I can think of,”

Zach Dowling

Merrick, jr., Clearwater, Andrew Paull, jr., Kanopolis, Brent Bailey, soph., Simla, Colo., Brent Caswell, soph., Littleton, Colo., and Tolan Lichty, soph., Gardner. Smith also recruited junior transfer student Israel Ortiz, Limon, Colo., and freshmen Zach Dowling, Lakewood, Wash., Shaun Griffin, Inman, and Nick Mahaut, San Rafael, Cali.

Last year, there were only three female cross-country runners, therefore, each was running for individual benefit.

Smith hoped to increase the number to at least five

this year, so the women could compete as a team

Smith met this goal, however, returnee LeAnne Schmidt, soph., Macksville, was injured.

The women must once again, look at improving individual goals this season and hope to compete as a team next year.

Returning this year are Megan Meyer, soph., Beloit, and Ashley Mitchell, soph., Great Bend. Mira Coulter, Smith recruited Lacy Johnston, soph., Arlington, Colo., and Mira Coulter, fr., Wakita, Okla.

Overall, team members are looking to make individual improvements.

Dowling hopes to make those improvements by learning from those with more experience.

“That’s the best training I can think of,” Dowling said.

The cross-country team



photo by Tolan Lichty

Cross-country men are aiming towards a conference championship this season. Though there are no seniors, the team consists of nine men and five women. Due to injuries, Tolan Lichty and LeAnne Schmidt may miss a large portion of the season.

will compete in their first home meet of the year in the McPherson Invitational. The meet will take place at 10 a.m. tomorrow at the McPherson Country Club.

Women Bulldogs will improve upon 6-9-3 record of 2005

ORLANDO DOMINGUEZ
Spectator Staff

Though the women’s soccer team ended the 2005 season with a record of six wins, nine losses and three ties, all of the players are looking forward to bouncing back in 2006 and making a run at the coveted, conference championship.

Crystal Banz, sr., Hutchinson, said this may be the year to do that.

“This has to be the most talented team I have played on during my four years,” Banz said.

The Lady Bulldogs have signed two players from Iowa Central Community College, Brittany Bowman, jr., Casey, Iowa, and Sara Kramme, jr., Adel, Iowa.

Bowman lettered in soccer, basketball and softball at Adair-Casey High School

Kramme received All-Region honors in 2005. Kramme also lettered in four sports including soccer, volleyball, basketball and track at Adel-Soto-Minburn High School.

Head coach Doug Quint was very pleased that Bowman and Kramme signed with the lady bulldogs and believes that the girls will help bring experience with them that is vital to being competitive in the conference.

There are several freshmen coming in, hoping to make an impact for the Lady Bulldogs. Most lettered and received additional honors in high school.

Doug Quint is the head coach of the Lady Bull-



photo by Benjamin Denton

Women Bulldogs dribble through and around their Manhattan Christian College opponents Sept. 5 at McPherson Stadium.

“This has to be the most talented team I have played on during my four years.”

Chrystal Banz

dogs and he resides in Hutchinson.

Quint has been head coach of both men’s and women’s soccer at McPherson since the fall of 2003.

Quint’s assistant for the women’s program is Jenny Lyons. This is her second year in the soccer program.

Banz is confident about their upcoming games.

“This team has the ability to accomplish great things,” Banz said..

The women will play against Benedictine College tomorrow at home.

Men start season at 1-2-1

TOLAN LIGHTY
Sports Editor

With their resurgence in 2005, the men’s soccer team finished third in conference with a 5-1-3 record.

Last year’s finish boosts hopes for this season. At conference media day, the Bulldog men were predicted to finish second in the conference, which is a testament to their resolve.

After losing one of McPherson’s leading scorers, the Bulldogs have reloaded with a recruiting class that includes a number of junior college, National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics ready talent.

Josh Gutierrez, fr., Borger, Texas, is hoping to get some experience this season to prove his skills.

“I want to get some playing time and show them what I’ve got,” Gutierrez said.

The men’s soccer team is no different from any other McPherson athletic team. They have their goals set high.

“ Our goal is to win conference and the NAIA National Championship in Florida,” said Jose Rodriguez, soph., Dallas.

The Bulldogs will play tonight at Newman University, then will challenge Benedictine College tomorrow at home.

PLAYER SPOTLIGHT

Stephenson, Anderson first duo featured in Player Spotlight

In every issue of The Spectator, readers will find a new “Player Spotlight” section. The “Player Spotlight” section will provide an inside look at a player or two from various sports.



Kendra Stephenson

This week we poked and prodded the mind of senior volleyball player Kendra Stephenson.

True, she does not spike that often and is not known for her trash talking, yet Stephenson comes to play time and time again. She is what we in the sporting world refer to as a “playmaker.”

Entering her forth and final chapter in her volleyball epic, Stephenson, is coming into this season as focused and determined as ever.

Stephenson said, “I want to have no regrets because this is my last year. I want to leave everything on the court.”

Most people find her laughing and smiling outside of the gym, but on the court, the prototypical coach’s kid is focused on the game from the initial serve to the final spike.

“We want to take one game at a time and of course go to Nationals,” Stephenson said.



Travon Anderson

Who is Travon Anderson?

Whether it is blocking, running up the gut, receiving out of the backfield, turning the corner or punching it in from the goal line, Anderson does all these as McPherson College’s running back.

Anderson, jr., Los Angeles, transferred to McPherson College last year after attending L.A. Harbor Community College. At LAHCC, Anderson ran behind two other running backs. He averaged eight yards per carry in his limited role as a sophomore at LAHCC.

Despite a recent ankle injury, Anderson’s goal this season is to rush for over 1,000 yards.

He is enthusiastic about McPherson’s offense this year.

“We have the depth and o-line to be a great offense this season,” Anderson said.

Off the field, Anderson attends classes as a double major in physical education and sociology.

Operation cheerleading 2006 is underway

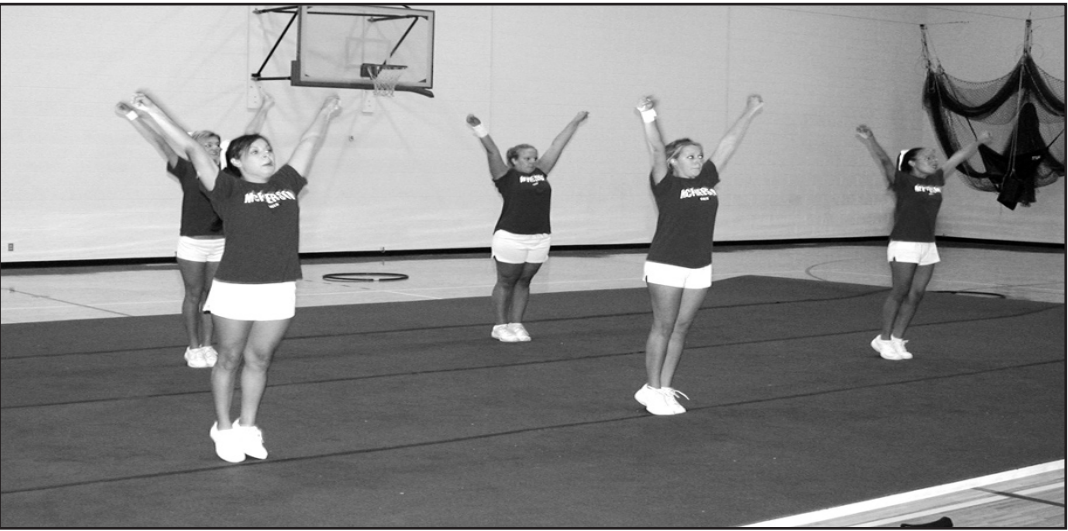


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Cheerleaders work towards mid-season form during practice. Cheerleading became an official sport at McPherson College this past spring after past members pushed for more funding.

ADRIELLE HARVEY
Editor and Chief

From its ancient Greek roots to its now nationally televised high school and collegiate competitions, cheerleading is an up and coming sport nationwide. The nationwide statistics include McPherson College.

“It’s the fastest growing sport in the world next to soccer,” said head coach Tia Leach.

Leach said past members pushed to get more funding for the cheerleading program. College administration saw this request as an opportunity to build the athletic program and to recruit more female students. This past spring, they declared cheerleading as an official sport at McPherson.

This year’s returning cheerleaders for the fall season include: Lindsey Thiesen, sr., Galva, and Hillary Chapman, soph., Independence. Freshman cheerleaders are Natasha Florian,

“It’s the fastest growing sport in the world next to soccer,”

Coach Tia Leach

Russell; Ashley Noll, Atchison; Alisha Rodgers, Salina; Cristina Sanchez, Newton; and Kelsey Smading, Independence. Returning for the winter season are Richard Anderson, soph., Howell, Mich., Nicole Harkins, sr., McPherson, Terrin Richey, sr., Borger, Texas, and Victoria Salas, soph., Wichita.

Leach, who returns for her second year as head coach, said teamwork is among her top expectations for the year and that the team “has gotten off to an amazing start.”

The team has already had to overcome a few challenges. One has been working with athletes who come from a diverse background of cheerleading.

“They’ve all had to be very dedicated,” Leach said.

Another challenge was the expectations for more cheerleaders. Originally, there were about 20 cheerleaders in the program, but due to other commitments and eligibility issues, the number dropped to 11.

As first-time freshmen, Rodgers and Noll said the team clicked from the very beginning and both are enthusiastic about the leadership from the returning cheerleaders.

“They (returnees) keep everything positive,” Rodgers said.

Noll said meeting the everyday goals is important to her.

“We set goals every practice and just to be able to accomplish those goals,” Noll said.

The cheerleaders will be competing at several competitions this year. One will be for charity. However, they are really focusing on crowd involvement at McPherson and bringing some of the old tradition back.

Tennis program revived after years of dormancy

Fall season used for training, spring start of official season

TOLAN LIGHTY
Sports Editor

McPherson’s tennis program has been revived again. The program dates back to the 1970s and 1980s, but has ceased to exist in recent years.

Though tennis does not officially start until the spring, the team is participating in fall tennis, which provides training for the players.

J.D. Gravina, head men’s and women’s coach, said this season will be an experiment for both him and the players.

“It’s a chance to get the program started, to feel the team,” Gravina said.

As for team goals for this year, Gravina said, “We’ll try to be as competitive as possible and lay down some building blocks.”

Marc Wijnen, Camarillo, Cali., was recruited to McPherson College for the tennis program.



photo by Tolan Lichy

Kelsey Buffo, fr., Valley Center, swings at the tennis ball during practice on Tuesday. Tennis has a history at McPherson College that dates back to the 1970s and 1980s.

“Even if we don’t win all that much, we are going to go out there and

establish a team personality,” Wijnen said.



Katrina victims find their ‘Voices’

TRISHA RITCHA
Spectator Staff

Will Schneider, who evacuated to McPherson with his family in the wake of Hurricane Katrina, attended McPherson College last fall. He, along with six other Louisiana actors will present “Voices of Louisiana: From the Louisiana Purchase to the Present” on Sunday, Sept. 17 at 7:30 p.m. in Mingenback Theatre.

The show is divided into three parts. Part one is a “comic-book look at the Louisiana Purchase,” Schneider said. Part two highlights the contributions of famous Louisianans such as Ellen DeGeneres, Anne Rice, Truman Capote and Emeril Lagasse. Part three tells the stories of Katrina survivors. Some of the stories were experienced by cast members and others are from other Katrina evacuees.

“The first two parts are funny, but it’s the stories that people really want to hear,” Schneider said.

Schneider said the purpose of the production is to “spread the word.”

“We want to tell our stories,” Schneider said. “It’s been a year and people think it’s back to normal, but it’s not. We also look at this as a way to thank people for their help.”

That is why Schneider said he wanted to return to McPherson. McPherson College students and faculty fixed up one of the rental units for his family last fall. While they were here, Schneider took classes and graced the stage in Mingenback Theatre during the production of “Romeo and Juliet.”

As he crossed the border into

Returning to Kansas, “was like coming back home.”

-Will Schneider

Kansas, Schneider said he felt happy.

“It was like coming back home,” Schneider said.

The Evacuation Theatre Troupe, which is what the group calls themselves, is an extension of the Voices Foundation. The Voices Foundation was started in St. Bernard Parish, La., after Hurricane Katrina severely damaged the neighborhood.

Members include Schneider, Barry Lamoine, Rose Marie Sand, Christian Bordelon, Shannon Gildea, Tom Hassinger and Katie Betz. Five of the seven members are life-long residents of St. Bernard Parish.

“We’ve all known each other for at least a few years,” Schneider said. “We are a family. The group had always dreamed of going on tour and after Katrina hit it was like, why not?”

Lemoine, who is a teacher in St. Bernard Parish, writes, directs and produces TV shows for the school program. Lemoine met Sand, while writing a play about Hurricane Betsy, the last major hurricane to hit New Orleans.

Sand met her husband in the shelter during Hurricane Betsy. Sand owns Sand Graphics in St. Bernard Parish and her story is told in the show.

In order to tour with the group, Betz is taking online courses at the University of New Orleans.



courtesy photo

Members of the Evacuation Theatre Troupe act out a scene from “Voices of Louisiana.” The group consists of seven members, many of which were victims of Hurricane Katrina.

Bordelon is a writer, director and actor who quit his job to tour with the Evacuation Theatre Troup.

Hassinger, standup comic, is a school psychologist and has a wife and two kids. He took a time off to tour with the group.

Schneider said Gildea is the peppy one.

“When you’re constantly around the same people all the time, you can get into each other’s hair, but Shannon is always the one cheering everyone up.”

Gildea is a teacher, in addition to being an actress, and recently graduated with a theatre degree.

McPherson is the second stop on the tour. They previously

performed in Oklahoma City and will travel next to Omaha, Neb., and then on to Denver and Durango, Colo. The troupe also plans on traveling to Chicago, Minnesota, Iowa, Arkansas, and Mississippi before heading back to Louisiana for a show on December 2.

Admission to Sunday’s show is a free-will donation.

M-2 back at Mac

Program pairs inmates with volunteers from the outside

JON “NED” NADEAU
Spectator Staff

The Match Two program at McPherson College is being revived after a hiatus of several years, through the efforts of Ocie Kilgus, associate professor of Spanish.

The program pairs volunteers with Hutchinson Correctional Facility inmates to allow inmates to work on interpersonal and communicational skills with someone on the “outside.”

“The M-2 program was begun because of the recognition of the need that many inmates have for contact with people from the outside,” said Gary Isaac, current director of HCF’s M-2 program. “There are many, many inmates who get no visits from family or friends, or very few.”

Volunteers typically come from various community, religious and educational organizations.. This interaction helps inmates keep in touch with society and builds an inmate’s self-esteem and confidence for eventual assimilation back into general society.

The M-2 program at HCF has run continuously since 1972. The program was started by Offender Victim Ministries with the help of Dick Simmons, who devel-

“They need, crave that contact with somebody ‘normal’, somebody who’s out in society, somebody who can give them a window on the world.”

-Gary Isaac

oped the first M-2 program in the early 1960s for inmates in Washington State. Hutchinson’s M-2 program started with 10 volunteers in its first year and now has about 120 volunteers.

Volunteers meet with inmates once a month for 60-90 minutes to discuss topics such as current events, books, special interests and a variety of other subjects. It is typical for the inmates to direct and carry much of the conversation.

Inmates express a need for M-2 volunteers because conversations in prison are often negative and they want to participate in more positive conversations. These meetings are not personal in nature. In fact, there are limits on exchange of personal information. The goal is to provide social contact for inmates who get six or fewer visits per year.

“They need, crave that contact with somebody ‘nor-

mal’, somebody who’s out in society, somebody who can give them a window on the world.”

The meetings take place in a large open, secured area with many other volunteers and inmates. College students are almost always paired up with a volunteer of the opposite sex for the meetings.

“In the case of students, it’s preferably match three,” Isaac said. “I like to match students in pairs, especially with female students. It’s an all-male facility, so there’s more of a comfort level having two of you together in that situation. It could thwart problems that could develop.”

Isaac also said that many husband and wife teams volunteer. Again, this makes it match three.

Volunteers participate for a myriad of reasons and many find it satisfying just to contribute to a person’s rehabilitation. Participation in the program can also help McPherson students fulfill their service component requirement. Dr. Kilgus’ students can receive class credit for work with Spanish speaking inmates.

For more information, contact Kilgus by phone, (620) 242-0569 ,or kilguso@mcpherson.edu.

Copley performs on campus

Rebecca Copley, a celebrated operatic soprano, performed in Brown Auditorium on Sunday, Sept. 10.

The concert was sponsored by The McPherson Arts and Lecture Series, a collaboration of the McPherson Arts Council and McPherson College.

Ms. Copley, a native of

Lindsborg, was accompanied by Rachel Carlson.

The event was attended by students, faculty, and community members. Ms. Copley has performed with leading opera companies and orchestras around the world and has performed many diverse roles including Desdemona, Aida and Lady Macbeth.



Fall Frenzy



photo by Travis Walker

Jered Hannawald, sr. Denton, Md., Nick McKellip, jr., Nampa, Ind., and Matt Ayers, sr., Knoxville, Iowa test their skills during a game of Twister in the basement of Hoffman Student Union last week. The Student Activities Board planned activities for every night during the first two weeks of classes for the students’ enjoyment.

BOSLER

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to James Bernard Campbell and I said, ‘James Bernard Campbell, I forgive you, whether you accept it or not, I forgive you,’” Bosler said.

Forgiving Campbell released Bosler from much pain and suffering. Bosler realized she was the one hurting from her anger, not Campbell.

“Once I forgave him, my life was so different,” Bosler said. “I felt so free and clear of all that guilt and anger and bitterness. Forgiveness is giving up my right to hurt James for hurting me and my father.”

By the third trial, Bosler hired a lawyer because of her opposition to the death penalty. The judge had threatened to arrest Bosler, put her in prison for six months and fine her if she spoke of the death penalty once more.

“I was the victim, but since I didn’t want the death pen-

“Once I forgave him, my life was so different. I felt so free and clear of all that guilt and anger and bitterness.”

SueZann Bosler

alty, I was no use for them,” Bosler said.

Bosler did not let the judge’s threat deter her. This time, Bosler was successful and Campbell was sentenced to four consecutive life terms in prison.

Bosler later found out that even though she spared Campbell’s life, Campbell hated her for living.

This did not change her beliefs about the death penalty.

In a conversation with her father eight years prior to his murder, Rev. Bosler told SueZann that if ever murdered, he would not want his murderer sentenced to death.

Her father’s words have stuck with her and drove her to keep Campbell off death row.

“James Bernard Campbell and a lot of people on death row in prison have a title—murderer—and I feel that if I want to help the government murder or execute James Bernard Campbell, I would have that title, too,” Bosler said. “I don’t want that title. I refuse to be like James Bernard Campbell.”

Bosler, along with others, founded the organization, Journey of Hope... from Violence to Healing, which helps family members of murder victims.

Bosler, as well as other members of Journey of Hope, are currently sharing about their experiences with forgiveness and are working to abolish the death penalty.

“Forgiveness doesn’t end my father’s memory, especially not in violence,” Bosler said. “It helps my father’s memory to continue on the sanctity of life.”

For more information about Bosler and her cause, visit www.journeyofhope.org.