



## The McPherson College

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### NEWS BRIEFS

#### Choir to perform concert Sunday

The college choir will perform in its fall concert at the McPherson Church of the Brethren on Sunday at 2 p.m.

The free concert will feature selections in conjunction with the Smithsonian exhibit at the McPherson Museum.

#### Service challenge open to campus

Teachers of Tomorrow is doing a service challenge for the campus to learn the concept of a service-oriented educator.

The goal is for the campus, as a whole, to reach 1,200 hours of service during the year. Service awards will also be given to individuals monthly and one final award will be given to the person with the most hours at the end of the year.

Faculty, staff and students are welcome to participate. For more information, see Jenni Birdsall, Katelyn Lamb or Erica Shook.

#### HALO to host Latino dance

The Hispanic American Leadership Organization will kick off the fall semester with a Latino dance on Oct. 23. Plans will be finalized today at 11:30 a.m. in Mohler 235.

HALO also invites students to come to meetings on the second and fourth Fridays of each month at 11:30 a.m. in the Student Union basement.

Rotaract Club meets on the first and third Thursdays of each month at 8 p.m. in Mohler 235. All students are welcome.

#### Project seeking food items

McPherson College Project Management presents "Project Impact: Get Yo Grub On."

The food drive will take place from Oct. 9 to Nov. 21 and is seeking canned goods and non-perishables for the McPherson County Food Bank. Boxes are located at various spots on campus.

For more information, contact Connie Kramer, assistant professor of business, at (620) 242-0538 or kramerc@mcpherson.edu.

## Campaign launched Saturday

MCFoward Campaign to support annual scholarship funds, endowment, building of dorm

ADRIELLE HARVEY  
Editor-in-Chief

McPherson College will launch the MCFoward Campaign from 5:30 to 7:15 p.m. on Saturday in Mingenback Theatre.

This is the second campaign that has been launched within the past couple years to raise funds for the annual scholarship fund, endowment and capital needs.

"Kind of a hallmark of this campaign is the dorm," said Michael Schneider, vice president of advancement and admissions. "In the myMC Campaign, it was all about raising annual funds and endowed support so that of the \$9 million that we raised for myMC, about \$900,000 was for capital. In this campaign, of the \$13 million, about half of it is for the dorm."

Currently, there are about \$6.4 million in commitments for the campaign. But a big issue is making sure the money can be raised in the three-year time period the college has set.

"I think our biggest challenge in moving forward is going to be with enrollment growth," Schneider said. "Residence life has grown and the need for a new dorm is very important. Will we be able to raise money in enough time to really have the dorm when we need it?"

At this point, the college is seeking support,



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Above: The image shows the plan for the proposed residence hall that is to be built by 2011. The college will launch Saturday the MCFoward Campaign, which will fund building of the dorm. Below: The floor plan shows what the living arrangements will be for students living in the dorm. A total of 69 beds will be available in the three-story dorm.

especially in the form of a naming gift for the dorm Schneider said between \$1.5 and \$2 million would be appropriate for a naming gift.

After the myMC Campaign, the college wanted to continue the same brand while focusing on the direction it wanted to go.

"There's a good feeling already going on, but we want to continue that through, move forward and continue success," said Abbey Archer-Riererson, director of development.

The campaign is built on three main words - develop, grow and build.



"Developing whole persons (and) tying that to our annual scholarship fund, growing our endowment

and for the future, building residence halls," Schneider said. "We want to honor what's at the heart

of this - the church relationship, our long-standing alumni relationships, the idea of liberal arts."

## Mast student rep on search committee

LAUREN LARSEN  
Spectator Staff

As the presidential search continues, many students are wondering about how the process is going and who is on the committee. Students interested in the committee's search might find they connect most with Sonia Mast, the student representative on the committee.

Mast, jr., Hesston, is a member of the Business Club and works as a student mentor for freshman seminar, in the business department as an assistant, and participates and watches most co-curricular activities on campus.

Student Government Association president Kelsey Hempe informed Mast of the student representative position while filling the committee. While at lunch one day, Hempe asked if anyone would be interested in the position and made sure those interested understood the commitment it would take.

Important considerations in picking a student



Mast

representative included involvement on campus, but not over involvement. Mast was interested immediately, responded by e-mail and was chosen after SGA voted her in.

"I was interested in this position because it is something that I have never done before," Mast said. "I feel that it will be a very valuable and educational experience for me."

Overall, Mast is "very excited and honored to be part of the committee" and wants to keep "the best interests of the current and potential students in mind in all areas of the process."

Faculty and committee member Dan Hoffman said despite Mast's difficult challenge of trying to represent all the students, she is doing well.

Along with Mast, other committee members are trustees Daryl Beam, Amy Brubaker, Craig Holman, Doug Lengel, Paul Ullom-Minnich and Paula Vincent; faculty members Becki Bowman and Hoffman; and staff member Chris Wiens. The alumni representative is Bill Grove. Brett Reber is the McPherson community representative, Deb Wagoner is the ex-officio member and Rick Doll is the committee chair.

Mast said her fellow committee members have been very responsive to her as a student.

"They have all been great," Mast said. "They recognize the importance of the students here at McPherson and they value any and all input. They are a great group of people and I am very excited to be a part of it and the process."

## Enrollment increases for sixth consecutive year

AUDREY SECKER  
Spectator Staff

McPherson College is proud to have an enrollment of 595 students this year, an increase for the sixth year in a row.

As of the 20th day of classes, there were 509 full-time students on campus this year, 392 of which are living in the dorms. Another 69 are part-time students and 17 take classes through the R<sup>3</sup> program.

More specifically, 41 states are represented on campus. Those not represented are Hawaii, Alaska, Kentucky, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Montana, North Carolina, North Dakota, South Dakota, Vermont and West Virginia.

Three religious affiliations - Christian, Jewish and Muslim - are represented at McPherson. Of the Christian affiliation, there are 28 denominations. Finally, 132 students are non-identified.

Minorities make up about 24 percent of our full-time

student body with a total of 122 students. There are 49 African American students, 37 Hispanic, 16 multi-ethnic, 11 American Indian/Alaska Native and nine Asian Pacific.

"For the past several years, the percentage of minority students at McPherson has exceeded the average of private colleges in Kansas and adjoining states," said President Ron Hovis.

Hovis said the college does not set goals for specific demographic groups, rather they look for the most qualified students.

"Our primary goal is to find students with a high school GPA of around 3.0 and an ACT score of at least 20," Hovis said. "As we pursue that goal over the years, we have found a wide variety of religious identifications as well as racial/ethnic groups."

However, the college does set specific goals for freshmen and transfer stu-

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LEAD EDITORIAL

# Opinions column causes uproar

Recently, the Shout It Out! box has caused a lot of commotion around campus. People are saying things like they have never said before. It seems that main targets are the athletic teams around campus and specific people.

Though we were in the wrong for posting names and we apologize for it, there is no reason for such things to be put in the box.

We, the staff, became lax in our judgment as to what we post in the Shout It Out! column and should have kept to the guidelines that we had been following. Again, we apologize to those who it affected and we promise to uphold the values that we had previously followed.

However, things have gotten somewhat out of hand and we are ready to take action and to do something about it.

Yes, the box was intended for students' opinions to be voiced anonymously, but it was not intended for name bashing and degrading certain areas of the school or certain people.

We don't even know when or why the hostility was started. At first it was all fun and games. Now, nobody is laughing. All we see is the repercussions of it.

We started raising the question: what is the Shout It Out! box intended for? What is its purpose? Should we even keep that part of the viewpoints page or should we just eliminate it altogether?

From what we have observed, the Shout It Out! column is one of the first pages readers open up. It is meant to provide entertainment and humor and it also is a gateway for groups such as SGA and SAB to get ideas for bettering the student body.

When students wrote in with complaints about the cafeteria food, SGA took those ideas and opinions seriously and wanted to do something about it partly because the Shout It Out! box was there to provide a place where students could say what they felt needed to be changed.

In just the past two issues the Shout It Out! segment has turned into something negative and something that, we feel, is not serving its rightful purpose.

We would like the reader's feedback. Drop a note in the Shout It Out! box and tell us what should be done about it. Should it be replaced with something else or should we just see how it is going to go for the next couple of issues? Have a new idea? Put it in the box. We would love to see what comes up.

The Shout It Out! section was not created for us. The sole purpose of the Shout It Out! column was for the students to voice their opinions anonymously. That's why we are asking the students. What should become of the Shout It Out! portion of the opinions section?

**ISSUE 1:**  
Shout It Out!  
box  
**OUR POSITION:**  
Does it stay or  
does it go?

## Not Necessarily Ordinary



# Questions left unanswered

## Student pleads for immediate information about campus incidents

On the night of Friday Sept. 26, two very troublesome events transpired in Metzler. Both happened to occur in my hall and for some reason our college administration felt that the facts explaining the blood spattered across all three stories and soaking the lobby, and the police presence which lasted six hours the following day were all privileged information.

I did not even know for certain that the two were unrelated until three days later. That is way too long of a time frame to leave questions unanswered.

Indeed, over 80 hours went by without a word from our administration, and in all of our efforts to make sense of the events, students were met with a solid wall of silence.

Apparently only RAs and other 'in' people were affected by the events and they were the only ones who deserved any explanation.

I heard rumors of stabings, cocaine trafficking, rape and one person even suspected murder. I was frantically looking for answers, all in vain.

American journalist Shana Alexander once wrote that "Trying to squash a rumor is like try-



**BRIAN TALKS**

Brian York

ing to unring a bell" and sadly we did what our school's de facto policy encouraged us to do: we gossiped.

Rumor is the poison which people are forced to drink when no truth is available, and when our mouths were driest, our administration refused comment. One police officer went as far as to tell me flat-out, "Nothing happened."

President Ron Hovis e-mail to the student body sought to "address some of the misinformation" that was circulating. Well an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure. This e-mail was most needed three days prior to immediately settle nerves and set the record straight

also would have extinguished the flames of circulating rumors.

We were effectively barred from having any knowledge of our campus. We saw blood and police officers, but for days our administration felt it unnecessary to comment or dispel rumor.

Our college's mission statement says: "Faculty strive to teach students ... to communicate clearly and effectively," however our administration failed to communicate with us.

Our college's mission statement says: "A smaller community requires greater participation from its member," however we were denied participation.

"Normal human nature is everyone wants to know all the information," said Lamonte Rothrock, dean of students, later conceding that perhaps "some type of communication may have been helpful."

In fact, there were two events which occurred that night and both involved criminal activity.

One was a self inflicted injury and the other involves allegations of sexual assault currently under investigation.

Though over 15 hours would pass between the report and the arrest of the

alleged attacker, Rothrock spoke in defense of the silence when he said that he "didn't feel anyone else was in danger."

Rothrock said that it all comes down to the question of "Do you trust the staff and our decisions," and the simple answer is no, I don't.

Seeing blood on each floor of my dorm, seeing a police officer posted to my hallway, just a few yards from my door, I do not blindly trust that others are taking care of an undisclosed situation.

I do not feel that a police officer living outside any staff member's bedroom door would go unanswered and I am shocked and disgusted by our administration's hypocrisy.

"We so rarely deal with these sorts of things," said Rothrock, "It's pretty clear people would like more information."

The only way to ensure that this selective silence doesn't again befall the student body is to let our administration know that we do not appreciate it.

As critical as I am of the way things went, I must give credit to Rothrock for greeting my criticisms with respectful interest and a sincere desire to learn from mistakes.

<p><b>Good Dog</b></p> <p>Having the nicest people scan your card at lunch.</p> <p>—</p> <p>New art up in Hess.</p> <p>—</p> <p>Not having afternoon classes after convocation.</p> <p>—</p>		<p><b>Bad Dog</b></p> <p>People throwing trash everywhere.</p> <p>—</p> <p>Black beetles around campus.</p> <p>—</p> <p>Having morning classes the day of convocation.</p> <p>—</p>
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**CHEW ON THIS**

"An eye for an eye only ends up making the whole world blind."

—Mohandas Gandhi

"Character is higher than intellect. A great soul will be strong to live as well as think."

—Ralph Waldo Emerson

I have a fine sense of the ridiculous, but no sense of humor.

—Edward Albee

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# Theme brings alumni and students together

Batman, Wonder Woman, Superman and Spiderman. What do these people have in common with McPherson College?

Well, they're all superheroes. And for homecoming this year, Student Government Association has designated this year's theme as "Superheroes" with the tagline of "Saving the campus one game at a time."

Last year, the theme was Medieval Smackdown and a year or two before that, it was Life is a Highway. Overall, the one common denominator between the past themes is that they don't seem to tie into the school very well.

## MEGAN'S CORNER



Megan McKnight

Every year homecoming rolls around, I hear a lot of students saying they didn't even know what the theme was or that there even was a theme.

Now, maybe that's because the publicity was weak or maybe people just weren't paying attention to what was going on around them, but I feel like the theme should tie in with the college a little closer.

Homecoming at McPherson College is different than homecoming at other schools or even just at your old high school.

The college really centers in on bringing in alumni and prospective students and showing them what our school has accomplished and what we're all about. It's a time for us to show off and come together as a com-

munity.

Although the theme isn't the biggest thing for homecoming, it's still an important one. It's something the students can look at and see how it ties together with various activities and the big day.

It's also a way for alumni and new students to connect with our campus. It can bring out a lot of school spirit that's very important for those visitors on campus.

This year's theme does tie into our school with the motto "Saving the campus one game at a time," however it would be interesting to do even more with the slogan.

Student Activities Board has a spirit day dedicated to Superheroes and even a special prize to go along with the winner of the day. Little acts such as this can really help connect all of these events together and make homecoming the best it can be.

I think that in the past three years, this theme is probably the most integrated with the school.

Homecoming is a big deal here, so it's important to make sure students get hyped up for the big day by celebrating all week.

A theme can really help achieve this, so I hope that themes continue to get better through the years.

# SHOUT IT OUT!

To contribute to Shout It Out! put your shout in the submission box in Hoffman Student Union.

Hug a friend. Feel better!

Donatello, paging Master Splinter.

Stop being so negative. Don't worry, be happy!

Happy Birthday, Tin Lizzie!

I am so gay I'm happy. Yeah, gay as in happy.

Sex, murder, mystery, violence and love can be found in my room!

Real mashed potatoes rule!

Why is the soccer team so hot?!

Last night the 2nd floor monster attacked with her soccer ball, but we ran to the mancave and put our hater blockers on, which is why we are able to write this now!

The cost of books for the year are worth more than my car.

Yay for berries.

Get excited for the Bitt obstacle course.

OK, we get it. You are gay for cars.

I wonder if squirrels go back to their trees and have heart attacks after we chase them?

I tell you what I want, what I really, really want.

Orange juice + Sprite = awesome.

I poop a lot.

That's why I come out here. NATURE! Goulet.

Earl the Squirrel!

Quit crop dusting me!

Theatre rules.

I'll get you beano.

I'll kiss you on the mouth.

# Environmental concerns pose issues of altering lifestyles

I'm the kind of guy who believes that monkey didn't turn into man. More likely, it sometimes seems like man has turned himself into monkey.

So what do man and monkey have to do with going green? Let me explain.

You see, I believe we have many purposes on this big blue marble we call Earth. Right now, being a good steward of this Earth we've been given is one of our greatest purposes.

There seems to be so much hype about going green these days so let's take a closer look. Some believe that our globe is warming because of the

## OFF-CAMPUS RANTS



Chris Clark

recent misconduct of humanity. Whether that is true or not, I can honestly and unashamedly say that I don't know.

I do know this though; we have one shot at this

big blue marble, so let's make it count.

Let's make it count with the right motive. Let's not go green because of all the Hollywood hype or some selfishly-ambitious political agenda. Let's not do it because someone led us to believe that the sky is going to fall if we don't act at this very second. Let's do it because we authentically want to make this a better place for ourselves and the future generations to come.

We can make it count by shutting off lights when they're not needed, by recycling plastic bottles, by combining trips in the car to conserve gas, by paying bills online instead

of receiving paper statements, just to name a few. It's the small things that really count.

I used to believe there was nothing I could do to help out this situation, as many probably believe, but I realized that I could do the small things on purpose to help out.

I sold my 14 mpg-truck that I didn't need and got a 25 mpg-car. I began shutting off lights when I didn't need them on and saving plastic bottles to be picked up by the recycling truck.

So you still think these small things have no effect?

Imagine this: Every other Thursday I put my blue

bag of plastic bottles out by the curb to be picked up.

My bag doesn't seem like much, but when I see every house in my neighborhood with those blue bags out front, it seems like a lot.

Now imagine not just a neighborhood, but a city.

Now imagine cities. Not so small anymore, huh?

Here is my point: let's not be monkeys about this. Let's be men and women, but let's not just be men and women, let's be good stewards.

Have you seen those recycle bins on campus? Let's make McPherson College green.

# Summer internships educate and provide aid for future endeavors

Starting early will help better prepare for finding the perfect job

Summer is a time of relaxation for many students - a chance to kick back at home, catch up with high school chums and do absolutely nothing. But for many, those few precious months can be a life-changing time, especially if the season is used wisely.

The Chicago Center was in the cafeteria a few weeks ago handing out brochures, meeting with students and giving an overview to what could be the one thing that gives a student more job opportunities after graduation - internships. Often the chance of a lifetime, the summer

## JILLIAN SAYS



Jillian Overstake

internship allows students to break out of the college summer bubble and see the real working world

for just a few months. In many cases, internships open important doors and start relationships that last well after graduation.

Why talk about internships now, in the fall, when summer seems like a distant fantasy? Because many students don't realize that the deadline for many internships is as early as October.

Many interns get hired in the early spring months of March and April, often letting applicants think they can postpone putting in a resume until January. The truth of the matter is, the sooner the paperwork is done the better.

Many students are so concerned with the new semester that next summer doesn't seem like a thing to start planning for yet. But that dream internship may have twenty applicants already who are a full stride ahead in the process.

How do Mac students get started in the process of landing that summer fantasy?

First do some research - what would propel that career, what is interesting and helpful and where to go.

Talk to Chris Wiens, student advisers and seminar teachers. They provide

For help with internships, contact Chris Wiens in the Royer Center located at the back of Miller Library. Call 242-0436 or e-mail wiensc@mcperson.edu

services to help write resumes, cover letters and many other documents needed to get that dream internship.

Write those resumes, do the research and nail the internship. Summer will never have been so bright.

# On the Fly

## If you could choose the homecoming theme, what would you pick?



"Melanie Grosbach theme. Everything would be pink and sparkling."

Melanie Grosbach Fr., Gladstone, Mo.



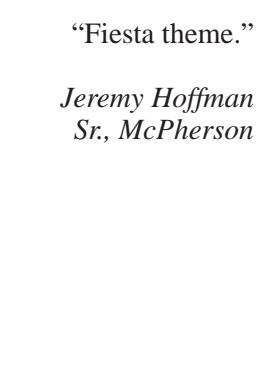
"Redneck theme."

Cody Giboney Jr., Columbia, Mo.



"Casino Royale."

Kyle Toland Fr., Kansas City



"Fiesta theme."

Jeremy Hoffman Sr., McPherson



"Jungle theme."

Courtney Spangler Fr., Valley Center



"Naked theme."

Robby Tobias Jr., Conrad, Iowa



# The Hot spot

A THOUGHTFULLY DEvised ARRAY OF QUESTIONS FOR OUR FRESH, BRAND NEW METZLER RESIDENT DIRECTOR AND ASSISTANT SPORTS INFORMATION DIRECTOR .

ADRIELLE HARVEY  
Editor-in-Chief



**Q** What is your role at McPherson College?

**A** I am the resident of Metzler Hall and assistant sports information director.

**Q** If you could be a shape, what shape would you be? Why?

**A** A trapezoid because they're kind of obscure and not normal. It kind of fits my personality.

**Q** What political issue do you feel most strongly about?

**A** Probably military funding. I believe the military is very overfunded.

**Q** What do you want to be when you grow up?

**A** The director of sports information of a Division I university (University of Nebraska).

**Q** What is the best piece of advice you have to offer?

**A** No matter how hectic your life is, always make time to have fun because life is about having fun.

**Q** If you could be someone else, who would you be? Why?

**A** I would be Guf (Andrew Gustafson) so I could see what he thinks of me.

**Q** What is something your parents told you not to do as a child that you now think is not so bad.

**A** They used to tell me not to do anything stupid and I think stupid things is how you learn.

**Q** What is your favorite restaurant?

**A** PF Chang's.

**Q** Jessica Alba or Natalie Portman?

**A** Natalie Portman.

**Q** Where are you from originally?

**A** I am from Gladstone, Missouri, which is a suburb of Kansas City.

**Q** What is your marital status?

**A** Married.

**Q** Who is your favorite musical artist?

**A** Jacks Mannequin.

**Q** What do you drive and what does that say about you?

**A** I drive a 2000 Ford Focus and it says that I'm a poor graduate student.

**Q** What is your marital status?

**A** Single.

**Q** What is your favorite movie?

**A** Caddyshack.

**Q** Where did you attend college and what was your major?

**A** McPherson College in agricultural science.

## Week wild with homecoming activities



Photo by Adrielle Harvey

Above: Sean Grandin, soph., Pleasant Hill, Calif., eats a hot dog at the Metzler Sausage Fest. Metzler took first place.

Left: Diana Ford, fr., Colorado Springs, Colo., takes a swing at winning the car bash competition for her dorm on Thursday night at the bonfire.



Photo by Kelli Fowlds

## Students excited about recycling

BETSY SHAFFER  
Campus Life Editor

While walking toward the dumpster, it seems some students have heard screams of terror from their friends who yell, "Don't do it! Recycle that pop can!" Though it might not be quite that extreme, McPherson College has recently made a step toward going green.

Over the summer, three recycling bins were added to each dorm. Now paper, aluminum and plastic can be recycled in their individual bins. In fact, the only complaint with the new bins is that they are not large enough. Bottles and cans are literally spilling out of the sides and onto the floor.

"I think the recycling bins are a good idea," said Ashley Noll, jr., Atchison. "I don't know why they weren't there before. I, of course, use them, but then again as a kid, I grew up recycling everything. I think they should be in every building."

Many students on campus have caught

the recycling bug this year, however many of them are not just jumping on the bandwagon. McPherson College had many recyclers before the bins.

"I recycled before the canisters were out," said Jessica Mollhagen, soph., Wichita. "But I'm glad they are there because now I don't have to store the recycling in bags in my dorm room to take to Wichita every two weeks or so."

With bins distributed around campus, students are thinking more about where they throw their trash. Perhaps more bins are in our future, one for every building?

"I am really excited that the school has put recycling bins in the dorms," said Carley Sharp, jr., Chanute. "I use them all the time. It seems like such a waste to throw things in the trash that could just be reused again. All the girls in my hall really encourage each other to recycle. My roommate and I recycled before. We just had to drive to the recycling center, which was a real pain."

## Auto restoration students build Model T

TABETHA SALSBUry  
Spectator Staff

The four automotive restoration students who make up the Model T assembly team traveled to Barrington, Ill., to take part in the Barrington Concours d'Elegance car show.

The team, of Nick Koehn, jr., Canton; Jim Gorel, jr., Shelton, Conn.; Davis May, soph., Canton, Miss.; and Miles Birch, soph., Lewes, Del., were invited to the annual car show on behalf of the Collectors Foundation - a public charitable foundation that supports the long-term interest and passions of collector vehicle and classic boat hobbyists. The team was to demonstrate its ability in assembling a complete Model T Ford in less than one hour and be able to drive it across the stage during the awards presentation.

The Barrington Concours d'Elegance is one of several concours shows that take place in the United States throughout the year. Other car shows of the same nature are Pebble Beach, Amelia Island, Meadowbrook and Glenmoor Gathering. This year marks the second annual Barrington show, which is

quickly gaining popularity and recognition in the concours d'elegance field.

The opportunity for the team to represent McPherson College, the restoration program and themselves at a nationally recognized event was a great accomplishment.

"The best part of the trip was getting to do the build as a promotion for the restoration program at a large venue," Birch said.

Barrington Concours d'Elegance attracts many impressive automotive enthusiasts, collectors and restorers from around the country, along with the general public.

During the demonstration, the team encountered complications that included being rained on, not having a hard surface to work on and getting water (from the rain) in the gas tank, which ultimately caused the Model T to stall as the team drove it across the awards stage. Despite these complications, the team wooed the crowd with their skill and gained ample media attention that included radio broadcast and TV-news interviews.

"The event was a great experience, even though we had to overcome some unforeseen obstacles," May said.

## Spanish majors welcomed to campus

BETSY SHAFFER  
Campus Life Editor

The First Annual Fall Reception for Spanish Majors/Minors took place at Amics on Oct. 7. The reception welcomed returning Spanish majors and minors back to campus and introduced them

to three new majors and minors.

"I thought of the idea as a way to encourage support and camaraderie as the students move through the Spanish program," said Ocie Kilgus, associate professor of modern languages: Spanish. Throughout the eve-

ning, two door prizes were awarded to Bryanna Daniels, soph., Longmont, Colo., and Mallory Griggs, jr., Colorado Springs, Colo., who won tickets to see Los Lobos in Salina on Oct. 18.

Victoria de la Torre, a senior Spanish major, Wichita, shared her senior thesis plans, in which she will be discussing the theme of organ trafficking in Latin America and the

United States.

Several upcoming events were also on the roster for the evening - a weekend trip to Salina to see the art exhibit of Max-Carlos Martinez, as well as a trip to Moundridge to the tortilleria.

Amics owner, Anne Kirchner prepared the food for the evening's events. The reception was a rousing success and will take place again next year.



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Jose Arenas, jr., Cheyenne, Wyo., and Rebecca Grosbach, jr., Enders, Neb. peruse the snack table at Amics.

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# Homecoming candidates announced



Cody Doll

**What is your major?**  
Theatre and philosophy & religion

**Why did you chose to come to Mac?**  
"The only school I applied to."

**What is your favorite memory of Mac?**  
"All of the great friends that I have met."

**What are your hobbies?**  
"Sleeping, eating and living the dreams."

**What is your favorite quote?**  
"Don't take life to serious. You will never get out alive."

**What advice do you have for other students with the same major?**  
"Work hard and shine in the light."

**How does it feel to be a homecoming candidate?**  
"Fantastic... a real honor."

**What are your plans after you graduate?**  
"Live the dream by living life to the fullest."

**What don't you like about your major?**  
"The time commitment."



Adrielle Harvey

**What is your favorite memory of Mac?**  
"There are so many. Midnight fun at Saderland, RA trips to Colorado or just the times I've spent with my favorite people on this campus."

**What advice do you have for other students with the same major?**  
"Take advantage of all opportunities, get lots of experience and push yourself out of your comfort zone."

**How does it feel to be a homecoming candidate?**  
"It truly is an honor knowing the staff and faculty of this campus feel that I am deserving. I want to say thank you."

**What don't you like about your major?**  
"Sometimes it is discouraging because of the negativity that people associate with the media and because people say newspapers will die out someday, but I'm not worried."

**Looking back, are you glad you came to Mac?**  
"Definitely! I've established so many great relationships and have received a wonderful hands-on education."



Brandon Luter

**Why did you choose to come to MAC?**  
"I came to Mac to play football originally and stayed because I liked the environment."

**What is your favorite memory of Mac?**  
"My favorite memory would have to be meeting my girlfriend Jess Miller."

**What are your hobbies?**  
"Hunting, fishing, mountain biking and I am involved in several clubs here on campus - SAB, SGA and Tri-Beta."

**What is your favorite quote?**  
"A man's salvation is through love and in love... - Viktor Frankl. 'There is nothing to fear, but fear itself.' - FDR"

**What advice do you have for other students with the same major?**  
"It is a very challenging major, but the knowledge you gain is priceless."

**What don't you like about your major?**  
"I enjoy my classes and what I am learning. Sometimes it can be a little overwhelming, but that happens in any major."



Kiara Steffens

**What is your favorite memory of Mac?**  
"Well, one of my favorite Mac memories is when a special someone set up a Valentine's Day picnic for me in Brown Auditorium."

**What are your hobbies?**  
"I love to spend time with family and friends, go to sporting events, take pictures, do scrapbook projects and anything that is relaxing"

**What are your plans after you graduate?**  
"After I graduate I am going to move to Natoma, Kansas. I plan on being a substitute for the remainder of the school year and then start a full-time teaching position in the fall."

**What don't you like about your major?**  
"June, July and August says it all! I don't have anything to complain about!"

**Looking back, are you glad you came to Mac?**  
"I am extremely glad. I have met many great people and formed priceless relationships. There are so many ways to get involved in activities and enjoy the time that you spend here."



Nicholas Box

**What is your major?**  
Business administration.

**What don't you like about your major?**  
"I don't like how versatile it will make me after I graduate. I don't think it's fair to other majors that business degrees give you so many damn options."

**How does it feel to be a homecoming candidate?**  
"Just like being a presidential candidate, except less cameras, fame, money and no debates. So nothing like that at all."

**What advice do you have for other students with the same major?**  
"Learn accounting. It's boring and hard... and boring. In the end it's worth it though."

**What are your hobbies?**  
"Online gaming, Ultimate Frisbee, reading and practicing my ninja skills."

**Why did you choose to come to Mac?**  
"Soccer and the under the table cash."

**What are your plans after you graduate?**  
"Plans? What Plans?"



Tiffany Nichepor

**What is your major?**  
Business marketing management - finance

**Why did you chose to come to Mac?**  
"It is a fun, small campus that allows you to have a one-on-one experience with your professors."

**What is your favorite quote?**  
"Keep smiling. It makes people wonder what you have been up to."

**What advice do you have for other students with the same major?**  
"Work hard and become active in the Business Club. It is one of the best hands on and learning experiences McPherson College has to offer."

**What are your plans after you graduate?**  
"Work for a non-profit organization in Washington, D.C. hopefully."

**Looking back, are you glad you came to Mac?**  
"I am glad I decided to attend McPherson College. I am very fortunate to have the opportunity to get a great education, be involved in extra curricular activities and still have time for fun with the best friends a girl can ask for!"

# Ambassadors represent college

KIM SMITH  
Spectator Staff

Student ambassadors are often seen on campus leading people into different buildings.

These people really do serve a purpose around campus. They are the guides who instruct visiting persons about the campus, much like a guide does at a museum exhibit.

The ambassadors are seen in many eyes as people who represent the campus and help prospective students get a good idea about what McPherson has to offer or about the college in general.

"To be a student ambassador at the college is the highest honor a student can

achieve," said Matt Pfannenstiel, admissions counselor. "We are blessed to have the students we have. I am very excited for this upcoming year."

These students are not chosen at random. They must go through a selection process first. This year's student ambassadors are Ashlee Jost, jr., Hesston; Ashley Luthye, soph., Northglenn, Colo.; Brent Bailey, sr., Simla, Colo.; Emma Bromme, soph., Woodland Park, Colo.; Jacob Simon, sr., Leon; Kelsey Hempe, soph., Wichita; Melisa Grandison, soph., Quinter; Robby Tobias, jr., Conrad Iowa; Roxie Ayres, soph., Tescott; Ryan Cobble, jr., Newcastle, Okla.; Tecie

Turner, soph., Scott City; Andrew Pello, soph., Benton; Allison Stenberg, fr., Montezuma; Ana Calderon, soph., Lone Tree, Colo.; Anneliese Rotering, fr., Colorado Springs, Colo.; Baylee Westover, fr., Topeka; Ben Cummins, soph., Buhler; Blake Jett, fr., Fort Worth, Texas; Courtney Spangler, fr., Valley Center; Emily Donell, fr., Wichita; Jenny Andreesen, soph., Johnson, Neb.; Julie Escobar, fr., Brush, Colo.; Katie Doffing, fr., Conway Springs; Kelsie Martin, fr., McPherson; Lauren Larsen, fr., Lincoln; Savannah Sievers, fr., St. John; Stephanie She, fr., Plano, Texas; and Tabitha McCullough, fr., Hill City.

An ambassador's job is to show prospective students, families and alumni the campus.

Aside from showing people the dorms, library, classrooms and Sport Center, ambassadors have the chance to discuss the many facets of student life including what clubs/activities are available, what opportunities exist on a campus this size and what it is like to be a student at McPherson College.

"It's kind of intimidating at first because you really want to impress the kids and their families, but once you start giving tours a lot, it's a lot of fun," Bromme said.

These representatives are also asked to assist the

college with Bulldog Visit Days, scholarship competitions and any other recruitment activity that admissions counselors set up during the year.

In order to become an ambassador, students must first show interest by filling out an application. If the counselors like what they see, they are interviewed.

After completing these two steps and being chosen, one must accept all the responsibilities outlined by the counselors and abide by their rules. The next step is a rigorous training program including a campus tour and the ambassador in training is provided with the tools needed to positively show

off the campus.

Ambassadors are given a script about the campus, then must shadow a trained ambassador.

After a student is comfortable with the information, the student is asked to give a tour to either a counselor or trained student ambassador who then assesses the readiness of the student to give tours on their own.

If approved to give tours solo, the student then becomes a certified student ambassador.

"I love being able to represent Mac to prospective students while allowing them to experience firsthand how great this college is for them," Ayres said. "Go Bulldogs!"

# Campus hosts Fahnestock reunion

AUDREY SECKER  
Spectator Staff

Each year, McPherson College holds a reunion in order to bring people back to campus for homecoming. The college chooses groups that will bring a significant number of people and this year, it will be a ten-year anniversary for those who lived in Fahnestock Hall.

The original Fahnestock Hall was built in 1887 and was taken down in 1942. The second Fahne-

stock Hall was then built in 1942 and was recently torn down in 2000.

Fahnestock Hall was a co-ed dorm for a number of years, however it was converted to an all men's dorm in 1998 when the college needed the room.

"When they took away the co-ed aspect of it," said Jd. Bowman, assistant professor of theatre and Fahnestock resident from 1993 to 1997. "it just became a stinky, smelly dorm."

The dorm was located

where Hess Hall is currently.

"It was exactly where Hess is," said Becki Bowman, assistant professor of communication and Fahnestock resident from 1995 to 1997. "In fact, Jd.'s office is like right where my room was."

Fahnestock was a relatively small dorm that held only 40 residents. The dorm had one common area and the bathrooms were small.

"On each floor, there were always two stalls

and a shower for the people that were on the floor," Jd. Bowman said, "and anytime someone was in the shower and you used the toilet you had to yell 'shower' before you flushed the toilet because otherwise they'd get scalded in the shower."

Becki Bowman said the atmosphere of Fahnestock was like a "big family."

"It was a really wacky dorm," Becki Bowman said. "I would say it was a community of misfits, but in a really fun way. It was

just a high-spirited dorm."

One event that will long be talked about is the infamous 'Fanny Run.'

"The Fanny Run started out with just men," Becki Bowman said. "The men would de-robe down to their underwear and would then run across campus to the girl's dorm. At some points in time, they actually ran through the girl's dorm, Dotzour, and then back to Fanny. When women started living in the dorm, they participated, but they ran to Metzler.

to the girl's dorm."

The reunion for Fanny will take place in the Sport Center this weekend. It will consist of introductions of the Fahnestock residents, a campus update from President Ron Hovis, a presentation of movies made by Fanny residents, as well as a slide show of pictures from residents. The reunion will conclude with the Fanny run, clothing not being optional, from the Sport Center to the Dotzour flag pole.

# Runners face obstacles in early season meets

JAMES TUTTLE  
Spectator Staff

The cross country team has been able to remain competitive in the its last two meets despite being shorthanded.

The Bulldogs men finished ninth at the Tabor Invitational on Sept. 27, even though the team was without runner Shaun Griffin, jr., Inman.

The men were led by Oliver Williams, fr., Salt Lake City, Utah, who finished 11th and Brent Bailey, sr., Limon, Colo., who finished 33rd.

"(I'm) trying to get into the flow of running the five-mile race," Williams said. "We are working more distance now."

Williams has had an outstanding early season, leading the Bulldogs by finishing with the fastest time in each of the first three meets.

In the last meet, the 72nd annual Oklahoma State Jamboree, Williams finished 30th overall and posted one of the top ten McPherson College eight-kilometer run times with a time of 27 minutes 15 seconds. Bailey finished 63rd and Griffin finished 78th, both with their career best times on the course.

"We should be pretty decent by conference," Williams said.

The Lady Bulldogs, who started out the season with a full team of five runners on their ros-



Photos by Tabatha Surveyor

**Above: Shaun Griffin, jr., Inman, runs past an opponent during the Oklahoma State Jamboree. Griffin finished 78th. Above right: Katie Beam, fr., McPherson, finished with the second best Lady Bulldog time of 24:02, and finished 178th overall.**

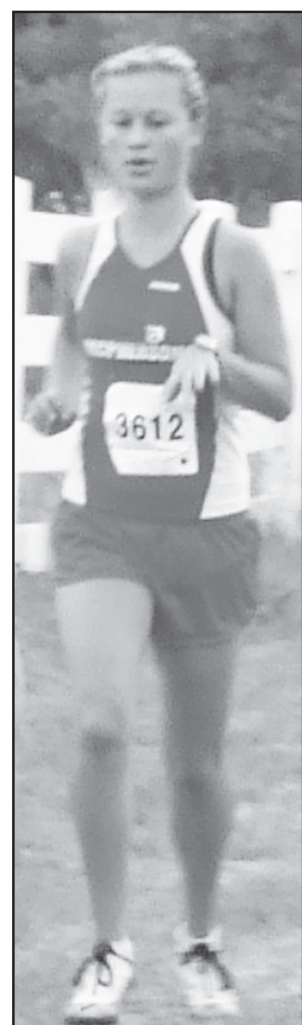
ter, are now only competing with four. Verity Spencer, soph., Yamhill, Ore., is no longer with the squad.

Megan Meyer, sr., Beloit, said she thought the ladies ran well, despite not having a full team.

"I am really proud of the freshmen," Meyer said. "They are all really positive."

Since the women no longer have a full squad, they are not eligible to place as a team in a meet.

Katie Logan, fr., Clay Center, earned team best time of 22:10.4 at the Tabor Invitational and finished 62nd overall. Meyer had the second best team time for the Bulldogs at 23:03.3 and



finished 74th overall. In the Oklahoma State Jamboree, Logan again finished with the fastest time for the Bulldog women, with a time of 22:33 and a finish of 142. Katie Beam, fr., McPherson finished with the second best team time, 24:02 and a 178th place finish.

The next meet for the Bulldogs will be Saturday at 10 a.m. in the McPherson Invitational at the McPherson Country Club.

## SPORTS BRIEFS

### "Midnight Madness" to kick off season

The Bulldog basketball teams will kick off their seasons with "Midnight Madness" on the night of Oct. 14. Basketball teams in the Kansas Collegiate Athletic Conference will be able to start practice for the upcoming season on Oct. 15.

The first 200 students who enter will receive a free T-shirt. The doors open at the Sport Center at 11:15 p.m. There are a number of prizes that will be given away including Wal-Mart gift cards, gift certificates from McDonalds and \$10-dollar rolls of quarters. Donuts, coffee and juice will be available for students.

The event includes skits by the men's and women's basketball teams, team scrimmages, a slam dunk contest for the men, three point contest for both the men and women, and contests for students. The student events include a three point contest and a mad dash for cash. The cheer and dance teams will also perform.



Photo by Benjamin Denton

**Jose Reyes, jr., Dallas, Texas, winds up to kick the ball in the 3-0 victory over Ottawa University on Oct. 4. The Bulldogs would follow this conference victory with a tie against Tabor College on Oct. 7.**

# Volleyball play continues to bring close KCAC losses

CARLEY SHARP  
Spectator Staff

With the Kansas Collegiate Athletic Conference tournament a little over four weeks away, the McPherson volleyball team has a lot to work on.

The Lady Bulldogs have a lot of heart and it shows in their matches. They are able to identify problem areas and then strive to improve upon them.

"Our biggest challenge is pulling through and winning a game," Kiley Loesch, jr., Raymond, said. "We're working really hard on finishing."

Loesch believes that if the team can overcome this challenge, then the Bulldogs could be a dominating force in the KCAC tournament.

"If we keep playing like we have been, but finishing, we can definitely be at the top of the conference," Loesch said.

Another challenge the team faces is adjusting to the new coaching style, however, the girls seem confident that they can learn many new things from head coach Susan Barton.

"Coach Barton has brought a lot of good things to the program and I think that it can only get better," said Stephanie Guyer, sr., Highlands Ranch, Colo.

The last few matches have been a learning experience for the Bulldogs as they have faced some of the top teams in the KCAC.

The Lady Bulldogs

headed to Friends University in an intense match on Sept. 30. The girls came out to win in the third and fourth games, playing very well as a team against their top ranked opponent. The Bulldogs fought hard, but fell in five games with scores of 7-25, 21-25, 30-28, 25-17 and 10-15.

"I think we played our best out of all season when we played Friends University," said Jessica Arpin, soph., Salina.

The Bulldogs traveled to Tabor on Oct. 2, only to be shut down in three straight games. The girls just could not find their rhythm. Scores for the match were 14-25, 17-25 and 21-25.

The Bethany College Swedes came to McPherson College on Oct. 4. The ladies won the first game, but eventually lost the match in four. The girls played hard and showed some of their talent in the close scores of 25-19, 18-25, 21-25 and 23-25.

The volleyball team traveled south to face the Bethel College Threshers on Oct. 7. The Bulldogs came out on fire in the first game, but quickly cooled. Bethel swept the match in three games with scores of 22-25, 13-25 and 14-25.

On Thursday night, the Bulldogs were swept in three straight games by Ottawa University 19-25, 27-29, and 22-25. The Bulldogs are currently 3-10 overall and 1-8 in conference play.

The volleyball team heads to Leavenworth to



Photo by Kyle Toland

**Kiley Loesch, jr., Raymond, spikes the ball over the net against Bethel College on Oct. 7. Loesch leads the Bulldogs in both kills and aces on the season. She also leads the KCAC in kills per game.**

play at the University of Saint Mary on Monday.

**STAT LEADERS**  
v. Friends University  
Kills—Loesch 26, Gordon 5, Neufeld 3, Arpin 3, Easter 3, Kramer 3  
Aces—Loesch 3, Green 1, Guyer 1, Neufeld 1  
Digs—Green 16, Johnson 7, Sievers 7, Loesch 7  
Blocks—Kramer 5, Neufeld 4, Easter 2, Gordon 1

v. Tabor College  
Kills—Loesch 9, Neufeld 6, Easter 3, Sievers 3, Gordon 3  
Aces—Loesch 3, Sievers 1, Neufeld 1  
Digs—Loesch 7, Sievers 5, Neufeld 5, Johnson 4, Green 4

Blocks—Arpin 2, Neufeld 1, Easter 1

v. Bethany College  
Kills—Loesch 24, Kramer 7, Easter 6, Neufeld 5, Arpin 4  
Aces—Sievers 1, Johnson 1  
Digs—Green 29, Loesch 10, Guyer 9, Johnson 8, Sievers  
Blocks—Kramer 2, Neufeld 2, Arpin 1, Easter 1

v. Bethel College  
Kills—Loesch 12, Neufeld 3, Arpin 3, Easter 3  
Aces—Loesch 2  
Digs—Green 10, Sievers 8, Johnson 5, Guyer 4  
Blocks—Arpin 4, Neufeld 2, Kramer 2

v. Ottawa University  
Stats were not available at time of

# Men's soccer team 1-0-1 in KCAC play

BRYANNA DANIELS  
Spectator Staff

The Bulldogs have opened up conference play undefeated after losing to top-rated Hannibal-LaGrange College last week.

Overall, they are 4-5-1 and 1-0-1 in the Kansas Collegiate Athletic Conference.

"We're good, just look at us," said Anthony Baldi, jr., Arvada, Colo.

Despite the excellent team chemistry, the Bulldogs still have one huge problem - injuries. So far this season injuries have included Armando Rodriguez, jr., Dallas, Texas, who had an injured quad; Jose Rodriguez, sr., Dallas, Texas, who was out with a pulled hamstring in the game against Ottawa University; Chris Plooster, jr., McPherson, who is out for two weeks due to a concussion from the Ottawa game; and the most recently injured is Jose Reyes, jr., from Dallas, Texas, who broke his wrist in the game against Tabor College.

"We have only played two of the ten games with our starting eleven," said Coach Doug Quint.

The last non-conference game against Hannibal-LaGrange was one of those games in which the team needed every last player healthy. That game, which was played Sept. 27, ended in a 0-6 loss for the Bulldogs.

"I felt bad for the goalies," Quint said. "Their team just gave up on them. The team needs to work

on the play in the middle of the field, as well as their communication."

However, with outstanding goalies and a strong defensive back four, the team has been able to pull itself together.

The KCAC season began on Oct. 4, and the Bulldogs started it off in the healthiest way possible, with all starting 11 players on the field at once. The Bulldogs swept Ottawa University with a 3-0 victory and were able to hold their heads up high.

"We're good with counter attacks," said Lance Dick, soph., Hutchinson. "With the quickness and speed of the team, it's easy to catch our opponent off guard and score."

Eduardo Rodriguez, jr., Dallas, Texas; Armando Rodriguez and Jose Arenas, jr., Cheyenne, Wyo., scored for the Bulldogs.

The most recent game against Tabor College went into double overtime and resulted in a 1-1 tie. Although the Bulldogs controlled the ball most of the game and had plenty of shots, they were unfortunately unable to capitalize on them. The only goal of the game was scored by Reyes, who later broke his wrist in the match. He is currently in a cast, but is optimistically expected to come back in about two weeks.

"(Our number one goal is) to take things one day at a time," said Calin Strong, soph., Manhattan.

The Bulldogs will face their number one rival Kansas Wesleyan University on Saturday at 8 p.m.

# Homecoming provides chance for conference win

KELLI FOWLDS  
Spectator Staff

The McPherson College football team has split its last two games, but will face off against top ranked Sterling College on Saturday.

The team played Southwestern College on Sept. 27. After trailing 0-7 at halftime, McPherson blew out the Moundbuilders 41-7.

“(The) offense came out slow, but tied up the loose ends and came out well the second half,” said quarterback Aaron Sunday, fr., Claremore, Okla. “The defense played well the whole game.”

Sunday was named “Offensive Player of the Week” in the Kansas Collegiate Athletic Conference after his performance against Southwestern College.

“We came out in the second half fast and played really well,” said Joe Becker, fr., Plainville. The Bulldogs then faced the University of Saint Mary last Saturday. McPherson was defeated 28-30 after Saint Mary scored a touchdown with less than eight minutes left in the fourth quarter. McPherson answered with a Sunday touchdown pass to Stephen Harrison, sr., Columbus, Miss., with six and a half minutes left in the game. However, the Bulldogs could not score again to take the lead and

lost by two.

“It was a team loss,” said Mark Watson, jr., St. Charles, Mo.

Sunday said, “(The team) played well in the first half but lost focus and intensity in the second.”

The team’s homecoming game will be Saturday at 1:30 p.m. in the McPherson stadium. The team will battle Sterling College whose current record is 2-2.

“(I’m) looking forward to a victory,” Watson said.

As a freshman, Sunday is looking forward to his first college homecoming game.

“(I’m) excited for the atmosphere that homecoming should bring,” Sunday said.

However, Becker said, “It’s just going to be another week and another game.”

Stat Leaders			
Southwestern v. McPherson			
	SW	MC	
First downs	13	21	
Total Net Yards	169	410	
Rushes-Yards	33-94	46-126	
Passing	94	284	
Punt returns	0-0	2-19	
Kickoff returns	5-137	2-35	
Interceptions-Ret	1-26	2-0	
Comp-Att-Int	13-31-2	20-34-1	
Punts	8-329	8-247	
Fumbles-Lost	2-2	3-0	
Opponent	0 7 0	0 0-7	
McPherson	0 0 22	19-41	

Second Quarter			
SW-Touchdown (Kick good)			
Third Quarter			
MC-Harrison 56 pass from Sunday (Eason kick)			
MC-Ezeibunwa 8 run			
MC-Baska 42 fumble recovery (Wright pass)			
Fourth Quarter			
MC-Ezeibunwa 1 run (Eason kick)			
MC-Hale 69 pass from Sunday (Eason kick no good)			
MC-Swindell 15 run (Eason kick no good)			
Individual MC Stats			
Rushing-Simon 5-40, Moore 10-35, Ezeibunwa 6-21, Swindell 4-20, Smith 2-10, Hale 1-8, Jones 1-7, German 7-4, Davidson 1-3			
Passing-Sunday 20-30-284, Simon 0-4-0			
Receiving-Cox 10-101, Hale 4-93, Harrison 4-81, Hart 1-7, Skinner 1-2			

Saint Mary v. McPherson			
	USM	MC	
First downs	25	26	
Total Net Yards	464	458	
Rushes-Yards	43-194	28-143	
Passing	270	315	
Punt returns	0-0	0-0	
Kickoff returns	3-78	6-96	
Interceptions-Ret	2-24	1-0	
Comp-Att-Int	27-47-1	23-35-2	
Punts	3-78	3-93	
Fumbles-Lost	4-1	3-1	
Opponent	3 13 8	6-30	
McPherson	14 7 0	7-28	

First Quarter			
USM-FG good			
MC-Cox 10 pass from Sunday (Eason kick)			
MC-Harrison 8 pass from Sunday (Eason kick)			

Second Quarter			
USM-Touchdown (Kick good)			
MC-Moore 11 run (Eason kick)			
USM-Touchdown (Kick no good)			
Third Quarter			
USM-Touchdown (Pass good)			
Fourth Quarter			
USM-Touchdown (Kick no good)			
MC-Harrison 12 pass from Sunday (Eason Kick)			
Individual MC Stats			
Rushing-Swindell 15-54, Staubs 1-51, Moore 5-24, Hale 2-14, Sunday 2-6, Smith 2-1			
Passing-Sunday 23-35-2			
Receiving-Cox 9-112, Harrison 8-68, Wright 2-57, Hale 1-23, Skinner 1-28, Brown 1-15, Lubbers 1-12			



Photot by Benjamin Denton

Courtney Castelli, jr., Hutchinson, kicks the ball upfield in the first KCAC loss for the Bulldogs against Ottawa University on Oct. 4.

## Bulldogs open KCAC play

KELSEY GRAY  
Spectator Staff

The women’s soccer team ended its two game-skid and split its first two conference games.

The Lady Bulldogs pulled out a 2-1 win over Hannibal-LaGrange College on Sept. 27. Whitney Williams, sr., Salt Lake City, Utah, and Shea Pulis, fr., Enid, Okla., scored for the Bulldogs.

McPherson finally started Kansas Collegiate Athletic Conference play against Ottawa University on Oct. 4. However, McPherson was shut out in the conference opener as Ottawa won 3-0.

“We came up short against Ottawa because we did not execute our game plan to our full

potential,” said Amanda Aragon, soph., Thornton, Colo.

The Lady Bulldogs won their second conference game 2-1 against Tabor College.

“It wasn’t pretty, but we found a way to pull it out and win,” said Haley Cook, soph., Centennial, Colo.

Up next for the women’s soccer team is Kansas Wesleyan University on Saturday. The game is a homecoming match for both McPherson and Kansas Wesleyan, but will be played at Kansas Wesleyan in Salina at 6 p.m.

“Our season looks promising with such a young team,” Williams said. “We keep improving and get closer to obtaining our goals with every game.”



Photo by Benjamin Denton

Aaron Sunday, fr., Claremore, Okla. throws a swing pass to Gary Cox, sr., Glendale, Ariz., in the Bulldog’s victory over Southwestern. Sunday was named “Offensive Player of the Week” after his performance against Southwestern.

# New members inducted into Athletic Hall of Fame Saturday

JAMES TUTTLE  
Sports Editor

The 2008 McPherson College Athletic Hall of Fame class will be inducted Saturday at 7:30 p.m. in the Sport Center.

The new inductees to the Athletic Hall of Fame are Christy Allen, class of ’91, Roger Kamla, class of ’74, Vance Carlson, class of ’50, and Lee Haun, class of

’37, posthumously.

Allen lettered in three sports during her career at McPherson College. Her most notable accomplishments are during her track and field career. She holds the college record for the longest javelin throw at 139 feet 3 inches. She was also a National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics All-American after her fifth place throw

in the National Outdoor Championships.

Allen was the champion discus thrower her freshman year in the Kansas Collegiate Athletic Conference and also won the championship in the javelin as a sophomore and senior. Allen lettered four years in volleyball and basketball and received honorable mention honors in the KCAC for her play as a defensive specialist in volleyball.

Allen said that she found out she had been inducted into the Hall of Fame when a friend informed her that McPherson College was trying to contact her.

“I was a bit surprised,” Allen said. “I think that it is nice when the accomplishments you had in the past are recognized as note worthy.”

Kamla also made a name for himself in track and field. He is the current school record holder in both the discus and shot put, with throws of 188’ 8 “ and 53’ 7” respectively. He won the KCAC in these events his sophomore, junior and senior year.

His greatest accomplishment was his third place finish in the NAIA National Outdoor Championships in 1974.

Kamla said that he was looking forward to coming back to campus for the first time in over 15 years and seeing old friends.

“This is special to me, knowing the achievement of some previous inductees,” Kamla said.

Carlson took an unpredictable path to the Athletic Hall of Fame. After

entering school in 1943, he enlisted into the U.S. Air Force in 1944. He later returned to McPherson College after receiving the rank of lieutenant during World War II.

In 1947, he received All-KCAC honors as a basketball player. His collegiate athletic career came to an abrupt end after he signed a contract with the New York Yankees, causing him to become ineligible for collegiate athletics. He went on to have a 10-year minor league career in professional baseball.

Carlson said he found out he had been inducted into the hall of fame when Sally Nelson, director of alumni development sent him a letter.

“It was quite a surprise,” Carlson said. “I only played three semesters of basketball.”

Haun was a multi-sport athlete in his time at McPherson College. He was a four year letter winner in both football and track, even though he had not competed in organized football before playing for the Bulldogs.

Haun received honorable mention honors in the All-Kansas Conference as a freshman and sophomore, received second team honors as a junior and first team honors as a senior.

In track, Haun was a multi-event athlete. He set the school record for the pole vault at 12’ using a bamboo pole. Haun also lettered twice in basketball.



Clockwise from top: Roger Kamla, class of ’74; Christy Allen, class of ’91; Vance Carlson, class of ’50; and Lee Haun, class of ’37. The ceremony for the inductees will take place at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday.

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# Debate watches to educate campus voters

AMY ZIEGLER  
Spectator Staff

Many students on campus have strong political opinions and the upcoming election has given students a chance to act on these personal beliefs.

However, students who do not have these strong feelings may be looking for an opportunity to educate themselves on the candidates. Recent presidential debates have offered them that chance.

To help educate today's voters, Becki Bowman, sponsor of Lambda Pi Eta, the Communication Honors Society, has decided to inform voters by sponsoring a viewing of the presidential debate on Oct. 15.

"We plan to have voter registration cards at the debate watch for those who have not yet registered," said Lambda Pi Eta president Kristin Fisher, sr., St. John. "Hopefully, viewing the debate will inspire them to take part in our country's political future."

The registration cards are due by Oct. 20.

The debate watch will take place in the Student Union basement and will start at 7:45 p.m. There will be a discussion prior to and following the tele-



Photo by Benjamin Denton

A viewer watches the vice presidential debates on Oct. 2. The debate watch was one held by junior Brian York, Springfield, Va. Lambda Pi Eta will host the next debate watch on Oct. 15.

vised debate.

The debate itself will start at 8 p.m. and will be held at Hofstad University, in New York, and is a formal debate, versus a round table debate.

A formal debate means that both candidates are given a topic. Then, they are allotted a certain amount of time to answer the question.

This particular viewing

will be nationally sponsored by the Commission for Presidential Debates.

"I do not want to sway opinions, I'm just wanting to educate voters," Bowman said. "It's cool for McPherson because we get national attention because our name goes on a program that is handed out at the debate."

The educating campaign is referred to as Debate-

Watch, which allows anyone to participate. This means that our whole campus and the McPherson community could participate. DebateWatch only asks that the institution holding the event agrees to hold the viewing in a public place. The discussion occurs with scripted questions, which helps to lead the conversations in a constructive path.

"We hope people will stay after the debate to discuss the candidates' views on different issues," Fisher said. "We want to provide an open, friendly environment for discussion."

Brian York, jr., Springfield, Va., hosted two presidential and one vice presidential debates.

York's interest in politics has been present for years. In high school he

even started a political club. Within this club, he had participants that would educate themselves on topics and then they would hold debates within their club.

They also arranged to hold a petition, some for capital punishment and some against. The club went around to the community and had people sign the petitions and then sent it into their representatives.

"I have my own political leanings and tendencies, however now, much like then, my objective is not to convince people of one opinion or the other, rather to foster an interest and involvement in the process," York said.

The debates hosted by York have been sponsored by staff members. There have been about 12 at each debate.

"Politics is both the wading pool for the curious and the gymnasium of the scholar," York said. "It is the place where history, math, science, language, travel and philosophy all converge and converse. The most remarkable thing about this country, bar none, is the open invitation for anyone and everyone to engage and involve themselves."

## Young Alumni award winners to speak at convocation today

MELISA GRANDISON  
Spectator Staff

### CONVOCATION & PANEL DISCUSSIONS

Formal presentation ceremonies to award McPherson College alumni and teaches will take place today at 1:30 p.m. in Brown Auditorium.

Teaching Award candidates were required to meet criterion of quality of teaching and service to students. Students nominated one tenured teacher and one non-tenured teacher for the recognition. Those names will not be released until convocation.

However, the Young Alumni Awards 2008 recipients are Thomas B. King, Daniel Masterson and Paula Schnaithman Vincent.

King, class of '77, lives in Atherton, Calif. King is married to Liz Penner King and they have two daughters, Sofia and Paulina.

King earned a bachelor's degree in chemistry from McPherson College and a master's degree in business administration from the University of Kansas. He serves as president and CEO of Alexza Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

King also coaches a community girl's basketball league team and is active in community-based organizations. King serves as a trustee for Rowland St. Mark's School in Utah.

Masterson, class of '83, is from Lindsborg, where he is assistant professor of

Convocation will be at 1:30 p.m. in Brown Auditorium with Alumni Panel Discussions to follow. The auto restoration panel will be in Templeton 5B; business in Melhorn 112; social sciences, behavioral sciences, humanities and physical education in Melhorn 113; natural sciences in Melhorn 111 and education in Miller 103.

music and piano at Bethany College. He is married to

Carolyn Spate Masterson and they have two sons, Aaron and Paul.

Masterson earned his bachelor of arts degree in music from McPherson College and he his master's in piano performance from Wichita State University. The University of Illinois conferred his doctorate in piano performance.

Masterson is a member of the McPherson Church of the Brethren and is active in his community. He was the first president of the McPherson Area Piano Teachers League, is scoutmaster for Boy Scout Troop 120 in Lindsborg, and serves as clinician, director, adjudicator, and performer for local events and state and national organizations.

Paula Schnaithman Vincent, class of '78, is from Iowa City, Iowa. Vincent is married to Dr. Steven D. Vincent and they have two children, Aurora and

Aaron. Vincent received a bachelor's degree in special education from McPherson and achieved a master's and a doctorate in educational administration from the University of Iowa.

Vincent is the superintendent of schools at Clear Creek Amana Community Schools in Oxford, Iowa. She also serves on the McPherson College Board of Trustees, as well as the Education Committee of the Chamber of Commerce.

To be selected for the Young Alumni Award, recipients must exhibit two or more of the following criteria: meeting significant challenges in pursuit of professional goals, service to others and to the Church, and/or alumni participation and support.

Alumni Award committee members nominated the candidates and submitted their recommendation to the Board of Trustees of McPherson College. The Trustees exercised final approval.

## Enrollment: minority percentage higher than average

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dents, and overall enrollment.

"Our goal for this year was to recruit 200 new freshmen and transfer students and that goal was met right on," said Matt Tobias, admissions and financial aid counselor.

In the future, the plan is to reach a maximum enrollment of 650 full-time

students.

"The 650 goal is attainable through several combinations of enrollment and retention," Hovis said. "For example, 215 new students each year with 80 percent retention will generate a student body of about 650. A similar outcome is likely if there are 225 new students and 75

percent annual retention."

Retention rates measure the amount of students returning to campus. From last fall to this fall the college had an overall retention rate of 77 percent, a rate that President Hovis would like to see again.

"You can't produce graduates if you don't maintain retention," Hovis said.



Photo by Kaylin Cooper

A photo in the Sept. 26 issue of The Spectator was incorrectly identified as the McPherson College Jazz Band. The above photo is actually the McPherson College Jazz Band, under the direction of Kyle Hopkins.

## Economy might impact job availability

ADRIELLE HARVEY  
Editor-in-Chief

College students may see some negative effects with the state of the economy at a standstill, especially in the area of job availability.

With the national unemployment rate at 6.1 percent as of August and the \$700 billion bailout approved by the House on Oct. 3, the future of the economy is unknown.

"What I would be concerned about as a college student is how quickly do things get back to normal," said Rod Gieselman, assistant professor of business. "If it doesn't happen quickly, then your ability to find a job is going to be hurt."

In addition to job availability, Dave O'Dell, professor of accounting, said it may become harder to get a student loan, though he said it has not seemed to be a problem here.

Though Gieselman said many people won't be hiring right now, the unemployment rate should not be a cause to panic.

"It's uncomfortably high," Gieselman said, "but it's not a crisis at this point in terms of

unemployment. I think with the bailout package, things could return to normal quickly and if so, it may not impact your job placement when you graduate."

Currently, the bailout states that the Treasury Department will buy mortgage-related assets to soothe the concerns of private firms.

"What that will do is take the high-risk loans off the balance sheet of a lot of the banks, so it will stabilize the banks, make them less risky," said Rod Gieselman, assistant professor of business. "Hopefully then the banks will start doing business with each other and credit will start to flow again."

Despite the negative outlook by many, Chris Wiens, director of career services, remains fairly positive about the job market. She said the National Association of Colleges and Employers survey by Michigan State, predicts that jobs in 2008 will be plentiful for graduates.

"There's more demand than there are people," Wiens said, "however I don't think that they're going to be filling as

many jobs."

At any rate, Gieselman, O'Dell and Wiens offer tips to students to stay at the top.

"Flexibility is the key right now," Wiens said. "Once you get experience under your belt, then you can be more choosy."

O'Dell echoed Wiens.

"You may have to accept your third or fourth, assuming you've ranked your jobs... until some of those jobs open up," O'Dell said. "As long as you're willing to work hard, there's going to be somebody that wants to employ you. I don't see this being the 30s."

O'Dell also emphasized the importance of having a \$1,000-emergency fund and what he calls, "delaying gratification."

"Instead of wanting this or that, put the money in savings and/or pay off your credit card bills," O'Dell said.

Finally, Gieselman said do not incur more debt than is necessary.

"If you're about ready to graduate and go on the job market, you're largely at the mercy of the market," Gieselman said. "Don't dig yourself any deeper."