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NEWS BRIEFS

CROP Walk fundraiser to help alleviate hunger

The CROP Walk in McPherson will be held October 11 at 2 p.m., starting at St. Anne's Episcopal Church.

It "began in in the 1940s to relieve hunger after World War I," said Tom Hurst, director of campus ministries.

This year, an anonymous donor will give \$20 per student who walks or runs either 5K or 10K.

The on campus contacts for this event are Tom Hurst and Fred Miller. Sign up with one of them.

Scottish Festival to be held at Lakeside

The Scottish Festival will be September 26-27 at Lakeside Park, and is rated one of the top 100 events in America by The American Bus Association.

Events will include Highland athletics, Celtic music, Highland and Irish dance, bagpipes, and sheep herding by border collies. Scottish foods will be sold all weekend.

Poet, writer, and humorist Thomas Fox Averill will be present Sunday evening, and will also speak on campus in Mingenback at 2 p.m.

Students will each get a free ticket in the mail. Tickets are \$9-11 at the gate.

Support Bulldog football, soccer, get a free t-shirt

If you attend either the football or soccer games on Saturday, September 19, you can get a free t-shirt.

Football is playing at Ottawa at 6 p.m. Soccer is at home versus OBU. The women's game starts at 5:30 p.m., and the men's game is at 8 p.m.

Cross-country competes in Joplin

The cross-country team will travel to Joplin, Missouri on Saturday to run at MO Southern. Their meet begins at 10:30 a.m.

Homecoming events scheduled

Look for events and spirit days associated with Homecoming, which is October 3-4.

New policies change dorm life

Pets no longer allowed, random monthly inspections new this year

SHANNON WILLIAMS
Spectator Staff

Every dorm changes in some way from year-to-year: the faces, the Resident Directors or Resident Assistants, or even the couches in the lobby. This year, students were greeted with changes in dorm policies.

"It is always different when students change and a new group moves in," says Shandi Tobias, Bittinger Hall RD, "Most of the time policies and such stay the same, however this year there have been a couple notable changes."

The pet policy has changed and the RAs will be doing random monthly

health and safety room inspections this year.

"These new policies were put in place to insure the cleanliness of the dorms and to insure that they last," said John Brown, sr., Baldwin City, Morrison Hall RA.

The pet policy states that dogs, cats, reptiles, and rodents are not allowed in any of campus buildings.

With allowing pets, "students' allergies and such cause problems when their roommate has a pet,"

Tobias said.

The health and safety room inspection is a new, random monthly policy. The RAs will check the fire alarms and the doors to make sure they haven't been tampered with, the walls and students' refrigerators for mold.

"The health and safety checks will be enforced so we can make sure students are keeping their rooms livable, for their own safety and wellness," said Tobias.

The Res. Life Staff always works to better dorm experiences.

"Each year some new situations come up, the administration makes a decision based on the feedback from the RAs and RDs," said Brown, "If a new policy or a new round of training is needed they take the time to make sure it is done right. Dorm policies are put in place to make sure all students living in the residence halls are safe and comfortable."

Dr. Kent Eaton puts down roots, opens door

MELISA GRANDISON
Spectator Staff

"Don't be afraid of my title; I'm not scary at all," said Dr. Kent Eaton, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Professor of Culture.

Dr. Eaton is taking an accessible approach to his new position at the college. "My door is always open and you will see me at as many activities on campus as possible," he said.

With a BA in religion/psychology from TCU, a Th.M. in historical theology from Dallas Seminary, a diploma in Hispanic Studies from the University of Barcelona, and a Ph.D. in theology from the University of Wales at Lampeter, Dr. Eaton's full resume puts him in the perfect position to oversee all academic programs and services on campus.

Dr. Eaton comes to us with 25 years of experience in higher education



Kent Eaton

Working in Saint Paul, Minn. and San Diego, Calif., Dr. Eaton facilitated undergraduate and graduate programs as well as degree completion.

Eaton was attracted to McPherson because of its location as well as the college.

"I wanted to put my roots down deep into a traditional undergraduate school grounded in the liberal arts," he said.

Dr. Eaton also lists the college community as a

highlight.

"The faculty, staff and facilities have exceeded my expectations," said Eaton. "Working with President Schneider and the academic cabinet is nothing short of energizing and nothing is more important to me than spending time getting to know the student body."

Eaton has specific plans

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Staff reduction brings challenges

New head librarian Matthew Upson fills a position two formerly held

JANIE GUNTHER
Spectator Staff

Responsibilities and duties of librarians are often underestimated, especially when managing a student- and community-servicing library such as Miller. Miller Library offers an outstanding collection of non-print and printed material, online catalog access, and interlibrary loans. Ordering and processing material alone is time-consuming for even several people to tackle.

Not unusual in the recent days of economic instability, Miller Library has taken a cut in professional staff from previous years, resulting in one Director of Library Services Matt Upson. Taking on such an active position may seem to be an overwhelming commitment, but Upson is confident.

"I came into this position knowing that it would just be me, so I'm becoming very comfortable with taking care of everything," he said.

In fact, a reduced staff offers advantages observers may not immediately see. Sharing responsibilities with additional full-time assistance could potentially hinder some aspects of

Upson hired as head librarian

CARLEY SHARP
Spectator Staff

Librarian Matthew Upson is using his new ideas and skills in Miller Library well as he starts his first year at McPherson College. This is his first time working as a librarian after graduating from Emporia State University with a master's degree in Library Sciences in August. He is originally from Ardmore, Oklahoma.

For the last five weeks, Upson has been busy prioritizing and improving upon all his new duties. This will be a challenge and a learning experience for him, as his role was previously split between two librarians.

"It's a balancing act," Upson said. "But I'm determined to not overlook anything and do what's best to provide what's most important to students and faculty."

One of the new improvements being made



in the library is the updating of the pre-existing website for Miller Library.

Upson is excited for the instant messaging feature, "Students can ask questions directly to me and get an immediate answer without having to come to the library."

Another addition to the website is rotating covers of all the new books that the library has recently added to its collection. Descriptions and reviews of anything from the general collection to reference to juvenile may be found there.

ShaRhonda Maclin,

Assistant Professor of Education, is looking forward to Upson's improvements. "It's neat that [Upson] is thinking of innovated ideas to try to attract more students to the library," Maclin said.

Starting an interdisciplinary reading group is also in the process for Miller Library. Upson claims that this group would "bring many different types of majors together along with faculty to read and discuss the same book."

The first book would be The Coroner based on the HBO series 'The Wire' and is about inner-city life in Baltimore.

If interested in joining this group or have any other questions about the Miller Library please contact Matt Upson @ 620-242-0490 or upsonm@mcpherson.edu and make sure to stop by the library to study or simply relax and enjoy a good book.

student-librarian interaction as well as experience with certain library functions.

"I have the opportu-

nity to be involved in every aspect of library service," said Upson. "It's a great chance for me to gain experience in all

areas, rather than just administration and management. I can also interact directly with students on a daily basis."

Though Upson has library function under control, students and faculty are encouraged to communicate needs.

"Be vocal in your needs and concerns," said Upson. "Let me know what you would like to see in the library. Tell me if something is not useful to you and why. I don't want to spend my limited time propping up something that is broken. With advancements in technology and information access coming at such a fast pace, change is an inherent part of a functional and effective library. I depend on my own education and the input of others when considering change. Input is vital. Also, patience is appreciated."

Vice President for Academic Affairs Dr. Kent Eaton expects to look into hiring Upson a helping hand.

"(We will) look at hiring a part-time paraprofessional in the next budgetary cycle if at all possible," said Dr. Eaton. "Until then, our response for this year is to increase hours of student workers, recruit new volunteers particularly from our senior citizens, and recruit MLS student interns for specific projects."

LEAD EDITORIAL

New year brings new opportunities for service

Change has happened. We are starting the year off with a new president, new students and a rejuvenated campus. This newspaper is no different.

A new editor-in-chief was hired, new staff members and new writers have emerged this year and are ready to tackle every news story to keep you, the reader, informed of everything concerning campus life.

We would like to encourage readers to get involved with the school more than ever before.

Not just with athletics, theatre or other various clubs. We feel it is important to get involved in something much deeper than the surface.

Service is part of the McPherson College mission statement. It is an important part of what our school is about and it should be in the top priority list of students on campus.

Giving even an hour a week to a service project can make a huge difference in the world. If one person sees another doing something for others, it could make an impact on that person's life to want to go out and do something for someone.

Even something so small as paying for the person's toll that is in line behind you even though you don't know them. You did it for them, maybe they would do it for someone else.

Visiting the Cedars retirement community would not only make your day, but someone else's who might not ever have family come visit.

Some of our staff have experience with volunteering at the Cedars and can tell you that there is never a dull visit there.

Picking up a little piece of trash off the sidewalk can even make a difference.

It's easy to find something to volunteer for. The difficult part is actually taking the time to do it.

We hope that this year brings a lot of positive opportunities for success in academics, athletics, clubs and volunteering.

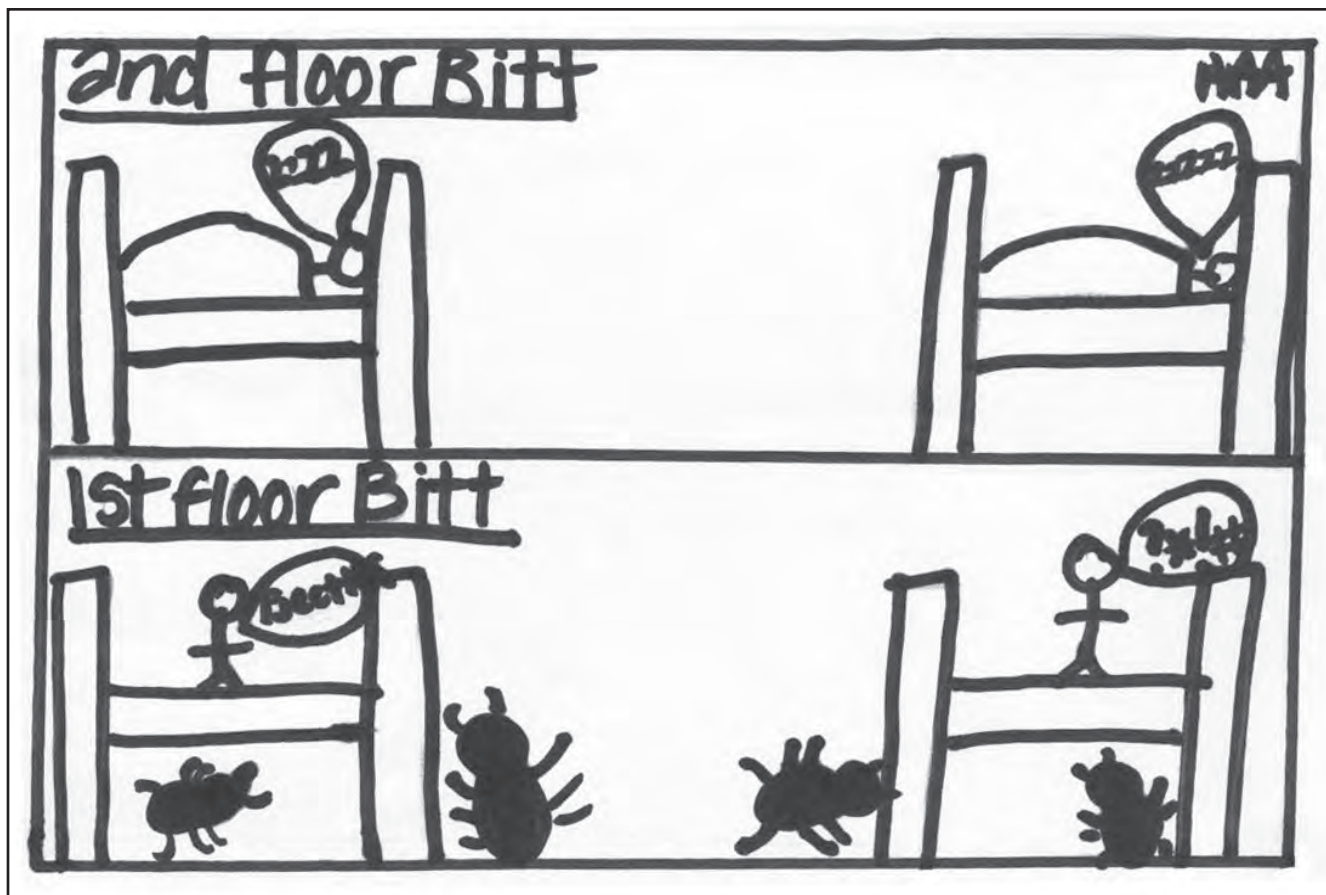
Tom Hurst, director of campus ministries, sends out emails with various volunteering opportunities. They are never scarce. Stop by his office next to the green couches in the student union or contact one of your Spectator staff members to find out about existing service opportunities needing carried out.

Service is something you can do all of your life. You can grow from it, learn from it and enjoy it for many years to come. Start young. Set an example for other's who might be skeptical.

Make time to make a difference.

ISSUE:
Volunteering
OUR POSITION:
Take time
to make a
difference

Not Necessarily Ordinary



Enrollment on the rise leaves student housing, and cafeteria parking lots crowded and inaccessible

Change can be a good thing. It can bring new perspectives, hope for the future, and most of all, can make people and institutions grow. Change can also be a bad thing. It can spawn fear and anger, and can bring people and institutions to a halt in their growth. I have noticed a lot of changes, some good and some not so good.

There are a lot of students on campus this year, a lot more than last, and in some ways that is great! But in others, it is not so.

Take parking for example - what parking you ask? Right, there is none!

There are 543 students this year and only 564 non-handicapped spaces on campus. A few more of these spaces are reserved for visitors and RD's, making that number even less. Factor in faculty and staff and there is no where near enough parking for the number of cars on

DRIVIN' THRU



Rod Barlet

campus.

The fact that students are permitted to have two cars, and that some take advantage of that, definitely does not help. At times the only parking to be found is at the sport center on the opposite side of the campus and for the majority of students, that is quite an inconvenience.

I have to laugh at the poor souls parking in ditches, grass, muddy fields, and other creative places

around campus, just to be close to their dorm. In my opinion, the school should have a different colored parking pass each year, and only allow students to have one. This would limit the number of cars that can be parked on campus and make it simpler for students to find conveniently located spots.

Another problem arises because of the small cafeteria. Eleven-thirty is an impossible time to eat. The line of students runs from the serving area to the main doors of the SU and stays that way until at least noon. And seating? Well finding a seat in the caf at that time is like finding a parking space: next to impossible. The school should look at ways to expand the cafeteria to allow two serving lines at peak hours and also add seating.

A good change that comes with more students

is the growth in diversity that can be seen in the different faces around campus. This year, there is a record number of freshman on campus as well as a number of international students willing to teach us about their culture and learn about ours.

The size of the campus and the number of faculty is too small to maintain the small community feel of the institution. One aspect that attracted me to this college my freshman year was the low student to teacher ratio and the personal interaction students experience with the faculty. If the college were to get much larger without an increase in faculty, this appealing characteristic could be lost.

I believe that growth on this campus is great, but prior to expanding the student population any further, changes must be made.

Internship guides future graduate down a path of great experience

The sun cut brightly down through a newly-installed skylight in an adobe art-deco gallery. It bounced off the tan walls, creating glowing and seizing the art like a flashbulb would.

The abstract pieces, some brightly colored, others dull gray and gold, had just been hung at museum standard height, measured carefully by a tall woman with wild, wheat-colored hair and placed carefully on their nails by me.

It was the day before a First Friday Gallery Walk, where the community can see new art by local artists for free, at the historic Paseo Arts District of Oklahoma City, and I handed my first show. Lori Oden, the Executive Director, measured out pre-

JILLIAN SAYS . . .



Jillian Overstake

cise heights on the walls and instructed me to hang the pieces. The art people would be cramming in the doors to see over the weekend was worth hundreds of dollars. I was honored and shocked - she trusted me!

I had only started my internship with the Paseo

Arts Association, a non-profit organization that promotes arts in Oklahoma City and specifically the Paseo District itself, when Lori asked me to hang the show. I was supposed to do Public Relations, but as I quickly found out, when working for a non-profit things are done on a need-to-do basis, and not based upon the title a person holds. That was especially true for Lori, who had done everything from directing a board meeting to booking shows to creating graphics and selling t-shirts in the few weeks I had been working with her.

As my summer-long internship progressed, I began to realize the importance of what I was doing. I was not only setting my-

self up for a great future, I was helping a community, promoting up-and-coming artists, and doing things I had never dreamed.

As my summer internship ended, I drove away from the beautiful Paseo, with its brightly colored buildings and even brighter characters. I looked back as the sun hit my favorite gallery, reflecting off the raw paintings inside. It reminded me of how far I'd come that summer, and how far I could go with what I'd learned. One thing was clear: the sun was still rising for me, and fills my future with bright light.

Take advantage of the opportunities available in your field. Talk to Chris Wiens about an internship today.

CHEW ON THIS

"Every great film should seem new everytime you see it."

-Roger Ebert

"Anger and jealousy can no more bear to lose sight of their objects than love."

-George Eliot

Good Dog

A good start to a wonderful, news-filled year.

Football starting off strong.

Wonderful, cool weather.

Bad Dog

Burning food in the microwave and evacuating the whole dorm.

Walking miles and miles to park.

Black beetles.

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SHOUT IT OUT!

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

What's the point of college? Is it to get a degree to get a well-paying job and when you have your degree you're in debt up to your eyeballs? It's kind of ironic when you think about it.

The campus needs better parking areas. All the main campus ones are overflowing and if you don't have four-wheel drive there is no where to park except miles away.

Better toilet paper, please.

Bring back the pets.

Roommates suck!

Be constructive, take a TRIP with your goals.

Why must Kansas only play country music?!

If you don't play a sport, being smelly at dinner isn't necessary.

I wish the cleaning crews would clean at the time that they say they will.

Too many she-wolves on campus.

I saw you randomly picking up a piece of trash. Thank you.

Dear, Swine Flu, please don't come to McPherson. Go to KWU. They deserve it. Love, Me.

I pay around \$7 for each meal in the cafeteria. If I want to get a drink before class, I will. No, I will not pay you 50 cents or scan my card, again.

Teachers, thank you for being so great and answering my e-mails. I won't fail now.

New tennis courts look nice. Very nice.

I wish that I could bring my rat. And I don't like fish. Boo.

The Shout It Out! should be used for more constructive comments. Haha. Sorry, I couldn't keep a straight face.

Obama flies under nation's radar: controversy doesn't surprise one supporter

OUTSIDE THE DORM



Langston Rhynes

own man to me. President Obama came with a new flavor for the White House and ways to help the coun-

try. I feel that some people think President Obama's actions aren't beneficial. I have to say yes, some things I don't agree with like the health care plan. I feel like that plan is not a successful or smart plan due to the fact that it will let some people abuse it, as well as it will push the unemployment rate up. It will also affect me personally. My mother works for United Healthcare and she would lose her job if the healthcare plan took off. I would like to address another issue that still

seems to be brewing since President Obama started campaigning. There are people that think President Obama is a Muslim and is compared to Osama Bin Laden. His middle name, Hussein, also brings up controversy. I feel that if the man is able to do his job and help lead the country back to the secure U.S.A. that everyone is used to, then that is the man I want in office. President Obama is a strong black man and history shows that African American people can overcome adversity. I feel that

even though President Obama is going through a little trouble, he will find a way to overcome and truly lead this country. The truth of the matters is that opinions are based on assumptions people make. A person may have a strong opinion about a situation that turns out to be completely wrong. I have come to understand that opinions help persons learn how to better themselves as well as answer the questions posed to them. I know our President Barack Obama can answer those questions.

New chapter in life brings excitement and struggle

Freshman experiences plethora of situations during the first week of school

FRESH VIEW



Emilee Reinert

vehicles. I didn't realize that I had basically packed everything I owned, but to my surprise a group of athletes took all my stuff to my dorm for me. Instead of years, it only took about ten minutes. Thanks to the power of Facebook,

I recognized my roommate waving to me from her car before she introduced herself. I felt bad for the football players that had to carry both of our things into our dorm room. It took no time at all to make the room look like a tornado had struck. When I saw my stuff in the dorm that was when the "you are now a college student" feeling really hit. I was in shock most of the day, but by the time group seminar came around I was fine. I thought I would see a lot of crying mothers hugging their children, but I didn't see many. That night was free bowling night and it gave me a chance to get to know my

freshman seminar group a little better, and make a few friends, even though that meant very little sleep that night. The things I have learned in the first weeks of college are going to benefit me. I have learned to be tolerant. The first week of college I had to move out of my room because they thought my roommate might have had swine flu. I had just gotten most of my stuff moved in and two days later I had to leave with a laundry basket under my arm. I could have had a fit when Kelli Johnson told me I would have to find a new place to live, but I just took a deep breath and walked out the door. I also learned

that at this college anyone would do just about anything for someone else. I also learned that college is hard, intellectually as well as emotionally, but there are so many people who are willing to help you deal with anything, whether it is a tough exam in biology, being homesick, or a broken heart. So far, college has been like a roller coaster. It has its ups and downs, twists and turns. Some days I feel like I am going to be sick, while others I feel euphoric, like I could do anything. College has been a great experience so far, and I have four years of it before I walk out and get my diploma.

Senioritis kicks in to high-gear, sneaks up on unsuspecting prey

THINK OUT LOUD



Ashley Andrews

strong. Except Wednesday I had a minor set back.

I have six o'clock in the morning practice on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. This particular practice was exhausting so I decided to lay down in bed for a few minutes after my shower to re-energize myself for my Biology class. A few minutes came and went and before I knew it, it was nine forty-five. I slept through my Biology class and was almost late to my Theatre History class. Senioritis is a sneaky bastard. It snuck up behind me and took me as its pris-

oner. It's only the second week of school! Seniors, are you feeling me? Are you getting attacked by senioritis already, too? We must press on. We must resist the urge to go to \$5 pitcher night when we know we have to get up the next morning to go to class. We must resist the urge to drive all the way to Wichita because we know that we'll have so much more fun there. We must resist the urge to cuddle up for a few more minutes in our fluffy, white down-comforter bed.

Yes, we are almost done. But we also have so much to do. Graduate school applications will be due soon. Senior projects are going to be due. Jobs must be searched, applied and interviewed for. Living arrangements must be made. Loan payments must be started. Don't let your mind wander with the excitement too much. There are important things to be done. There are only 35 more weeks until graduation. Yes, I'm counting down. Aren't you?

On the Fly

What do you like about school so far?



"Thought-provoking and mind-decaying all at the same time."

Brandon Barry
Fr., McPherson



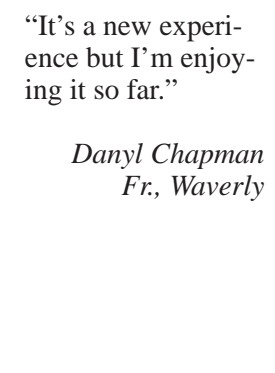
"Good because I took a Rick Tyler class."

Zach Hlad
Jr., Ellsworth



"It's more well-rounded than my previous school and I enjoy dorm life."

Alycia Faust
Soph., McPherson



"It's a new experience but I'm enjoying it so far."

Danyl Chapman
Fr., Waverly



"Thoroughly cultured."

Issac Rahl
Fr., Manhattan



"It's good except the lack of sleep."

Ben Barker
Fr., Muskogee,
Okla.



Allison helps Boy Scouts rebuild

Right: Lane Allison, soph., Greensburg, poses with members of the Little Sioux, Iowa fire department as they work to rebuild the Little Sioux Boy Scout Ranch, just outside of Little Sioux, Iowa. The ranch was devastated by a tornado last year. This fall many volunteers traveled to Iowa in an attempt to help the rebuilding efforts.

Below: A large flag is spread over a Boy Scout Pavillion: to help inspire hope and unity among the many volunteers.



REBECCA GROSBACH
Spectator Staff

Service is something students hear about constantly at McPherson College. It's even in the college's mission: "To develop whole persons through scholarship, participation and service." Lane Allison, a sophomore from Greensburg, takes the service aspect of the mission personally.

During the weekend of Sept. 4, Allison was living out a mission by volunteering with the "New York Says Thank You Foundation" at the Little Sioux Boy Scout Ranch, just outside of Little Sioux, Iowa, that was devastated by a tornado last year.

The New York Says Thank You Foundation was founded in 2003. Every year, volunteers from the New York City Fire Department and around the country travel to a community devastated by a natural disaster and help them rebuild.

The community is then invited to help at the next year's build, fulfilling the foundation's motto: "Pay It Forward."

"The New York Says



Lane Allison

Thank You Foundation [is] paying it forward from the help that they got when they were in need," said Allison. "So every year they're just doing this to give thanks to America for helping them when they were in need after 9/11."

Last year, the "New York Says Thank You Foundation" came to Greensburg and helped rebuild after the community was devastated by a tornado in 2007.

In the style of "Pay It Forward," the town of Greensburg was invited to help with the new build. Allison jumped at the opportunity to help the Little Sioux Boy Scout Ranch, especially when he heard his 4-H Club, the Upward Strivers, was planning on making the trip.

"When I heard my 4-H Club was going, I signed up right then and there," Allison said.

When Lane and his 4-H Club arrived at the Ranch on Friday the 4th the NYC firemen and other volunteers had the support beams up for a new chapel building. The wood that was used was from fallen trees that were hit by the tornado. Because there were so many people, it was completed in only three days.

Lane helped with building a new hiking trail in memory of one of the four boys that were killed in the tornado. The project was supposed to last all weekend, but it was done by Saturday morning. Allison then helped clean the obstacle course that was on the ranch, and after, helped widen another hiking trail so it was more accommodating to ATVs.

The chapel was dedicated Sunday morning. On the roof was the flag that flew at the World Trade Center on 9/11, and on it, patches from Greensburg flags found after the tornado. This year, a flag from the Little Sioux Boy Scout Ranch was added.

"It was just a celebration for getting everything back together," Allison said. Family members of the boys that were killed, planted a tree, and Allison's 4-H Club dedicated one as well.

Because of Allison's life experiences, service has become very important to him.

"Without [service] I know my community would still be trying to start new," Allison said. "We've had thousands and thousands of helpers and volunteers come and do any little project. It's just been amazing help and I know that it would have been a huge struggle to go without it."

Allison incorporates his knowledge and love of service in everything he does, including being Student Government Association President.

"I don't want to say it makes me a better leader, but it helps my understanding of what it takes to have a good community, a good school," Allison said. "You just want everyone to work together and not just do something to benefit yourself, but to benefit others."

The Hot spot

A THOUGHTFULLY DEvised ARRAY OF QUESTIONS FOR ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF HISTORY, MARJON AMES

TAYLOR ADAMS



Q How did you come to McPherson?

A I'm originally from St. Louis. I was an undergrad student at the University of Missouri, and received my Ph.D. from the University of Mississippi. I answered an ad for Mac; the focus on religious history drew me in.

Q What is your role at McPherson College?

A I am an admissions and financial aid counselor, but specifically I work with the degree completion program and high school juniors and sophomores.

Q The University of Missouri has over 30,000 students today. Having seen both worlds - small and large - which do you prefer?

A I don't really have a preference, though both worlds are completely different. The small world is much more intimate.

Q What classes do you teach here?

A This semester I am teaching World Civics, World History, American History up to 1865 and Native American History.

Q George Santayana has a quote: "Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it." Do you think that as any application to the average college student?

A Obviously if you can't remember what is taught in a class, you will repeat it. Those quotes are helpful as sound bites but are not necessarily indicative of the truth. It is important to take advantage of your opportunities. Go to all the games and events. Now is the time also to really explore yourself intellectually.

Q Did you ever change your major in college?

A Well sort of. I went in as a history and journalism major. I dropped journalism after the first semester. Then later I added philosophy, and interdisciplinary studies. I don't advise any of that.

Q How often do you see college students exhibiting the same behaviors that you once exhibited in college?

A I would say that I never really learned to study until graduate school. It is important to learn note taking skills. (Laughs and advises) Don't do as I do!



JESSICA BEWLEY
Spectator Staff

The class of 2013 has arrived: our traditions have begun, and high school is over. The freshman class is going through the same phase the majority of upper classmen have already been through. Whether students are from McPherson, or the farthest from home they have ever been, they're all going through the same thing.

Each of our parents raised us in very different ways, and there isn't one freshman that knows the best way to handle their first year at college. Together we can all make this the absolute best year

possible.

Let's go back to the first day when all of us arrived. Do you remember what you were thinking walking into your residence hall, realizing that this is your new home? McPherson College will hopefully be the place every freshman on campus will call home for four years.

Half of us are missing our parents like crazy, and the other half are glad to finally have their freedom. No one really knows what's going on in the minds of the person standing right by them until you have the nerve to ask. So ask!

Most would be shocked to find that the majority of

our classmates are thinking the very same thing. It was a surprise that almost everyone had similar opinions on the new settings.

"The staff setup orientation very well, and enabled us to meet people outside of our comfort zones," said Kellea Allison, Fr., McPherson.

"It was a bit repetitive, but I liked meeting everyone," said Mike Phillips, fr., Midland, Texas.

"It's a great experience so far, to be away from home and just to be on your own," Terra Marrs, Fr., Gardner.

"It's like I'm starting my life as an adult, having my own responsibilities, and my own place is awesome

to me, I finally have ultimate freedom!" said Jared Kientz, Fr., Derby.

"I've been waiting for a long time to come here, and I'm glad it finally happened," Alex Miller, Fr., Tulsa, Okla.

No matter how far away their hometowns were, they all felt the same way. All of the freshmen should know that we are not on our own.

There are others on campus that would love to have another friend, and the upper classmen are more than willing to help out.

Don't forget to call home at least once a month to let everyone know you're having a blast.

Escaping an Epidemic

The H1N1 phenomenon and the college campus

TRICIA FENSKY
Spectator Staff

It's not enjoyable being sick, especially when you are away from home. With recent cases of H1N1 on college campuses, students as well as parents have shown concern.

H1N1 spreads rapidly on campuses because of the close living quarters, not to mention sharing bathroom and classroom spaces.

Within a week at the University of Kansas, there have been more than 30 cases of the virus. H1N1 has caused stress and worry, but others haven't seemed affected.

"I haven't really worried about it, but I've been using hand sanitizer more often," Adriana Dreier, soph., Hesston, said. "I also work at the library on campus and have been wiping desks every thirty minutes."

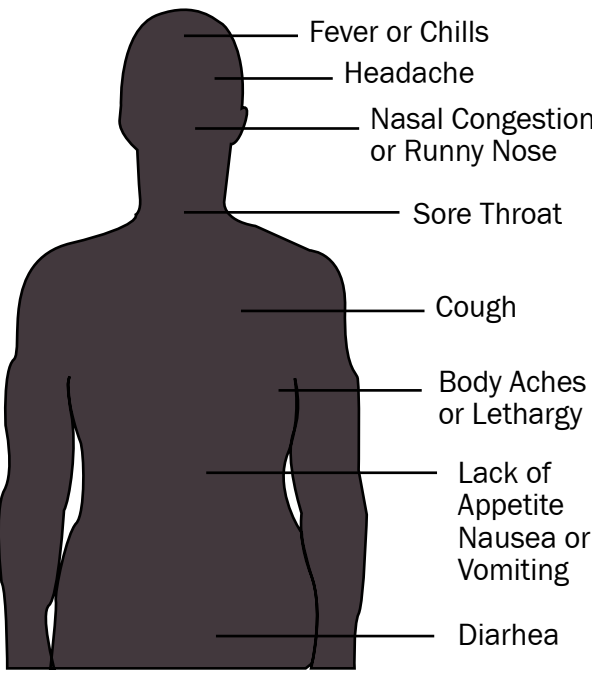
There are precautions students can take to keep healthy. The first thing students should be doing on a regular basis is hand washing. Students can also use a paper towel to open the bathroom door or even turning on and off the sink.

If students want to prevent catching H1N1, there is now a vaccine that consists of a two-series shot. Doctors highly recommend this, but it takes five to six weeks to be effective.

There are other simple things students can avoid. Sharing Chap Stick, eating utensils, water bottles, and toothbrushes are definite no's.

So what happens if a student feels sick? Call Kelly Pfau Johnson, the campus counselor, and stay in assigned rooms. The Residence Life staff has been equipped with tools and services to help students

Symptoms of H1N1 (Swine Flu)



who are feeling ill to get healthy and prevent infection of others.

Hopefully McPherson College isn't affected too much by this virus. If we

all take the time to wash our hands more often and follow the simple precautions, we will be helping out each other and ourselves.

H1N1 (Swine Flu) Preventative Steps

Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. Throw the tissue in the trash after you use it

Wash your hands often with soap and water, especially after you cough or sneeze.

Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth. This is how germs spread. Alcohol-based cleaners can temporarily be used to clean your surroundings.

Try to avoid close contact with sick people, if you are sick with a flu-like illness stay in your room for at least 24 hours after your fever is gone.

How to... Meet New People on Campus

JACOB NELSON

Whether you are a freshman in college, a transfer in a new setting, or a returning student, chances are you don't know a whole lot of people.

With a small campus like McPherson, it is possible to know everyone, and here's how.

Go to sporting events. We have a lot of teams! Admission is free to most events, and it's a good way to meet new people, and support the athletes we interact with

each day. Support the Bulldogs and meet some new friends.

Join a club. Students can meet tons of people, and it's also a good way to get involved in something. McPherson's clubs include C.A.R.S. Club, the Business Club, Ultimate Frisbee, and many more. There is a club for almost every interest.

Attend Student Activities Board (SAB) activities. SAB sponsors events all year long, including special food nights, mov-

ies, casino night, dances, and more. It's sure to be a good time.

There are also \$2 Tuesday night movies at the local movie theater on Main Street, and free Friday night bowling, once a month, at Starlight Lanes. These are great deals, and you can meet fellow college students there easily.

Classroom and lunch-time socializing can be rewarding if students don't sit with the same people every day. Switch

it up sometimes. If you see someone you don't know yet, sit at that table or desk that day and introduce yourself. Also, use networking skills and meet friends through other friends.

The easiest way to meet people on campus is to hang out in the lobby of residence halls. Shoot some pool, play ping pong, or just watch TV.

The trick is to leave that dorm room. Stop playing Halo, get out there, and get involved.

REVIEW IT!



CHRIS WEYAND
Spectator Staff

"One Showing Only! Tonight at 7:30 pm in Melhorn 112. Enjoy complimentary popcorn, candy and soda pop. Family members and friends are always welcome!" This is what greeted me as I opened my email Wednesday morning. Contrary to the Tuesday morning "\$2 Movie Night" e-mail this

was talking not about the world of the current film but that those of days gone by.

Walking into Melhorn Wednesday night was a whole different world than earlier that morning.

What used to be a classroom was transformed into a stadium style movie theatre.

The aroma of popcorn wafting through the hall pointed the way to what turned out to be a fun evening. This happens every other Wednesday night at 7:30pm.

McPherson native Brandon Barry, fr., McPherson, attended the event, along with his family. "[I come because] it just seems inter-

esting to me."

Most movie goers are not there to watch the movie as is, but rather to get a feel for what makes them so great. Sure, there may not be any CGI, but that's just it. "To see how far movies have advanced in graphics and special effects as opposed to the old films was cool" said Barry.

Most die-hards were there half an hour early to watch Flash Gordon go on an adventure to Mars. A community member stated "Sometimes you just have to laugh at the movie, knowing that the technology was at the peak for the time." par "The Time Machine" played on the 9th.

Filmed! in 1960, the novel it was based on was written in 1895. An inventor built the machine at the turn of the century and went forward to the year 802701, to a post-war world where humans evolved into two separate

species.

Dramatic music builds up in one scene, causing suspense, and ends with...nothing. He looks out upon a house.

Little things make people not want to watch these classics, but I know one that will. A trend with sci-fi movies is the damsel in distress. And guys, they are not bad looking. Sometimes you marvel at society and how far we've come, sometimes you just get a good laugh.

These films are different from the ones most college students watch. Different plot lines, different values and beliefs but he one constant is that they make you feel good. The Sci-fi movie series is a fun time to sit back and relax from the hectic day to day schedule of the average college students life.

Brandon said it best, "You never know what you might learn".

Spirit Week Theme: Thriller

Monday: Zombie Day
Tuesday: ABC... 123 (PJ Day)
Wednesday: Black and White Day
Thursday: Beat it! 80's Day
Friday: Red and White Day

Scottish Festival Schedule

Friday Sept. 25

7 p.m. Clan Fire Ceremony and concert featuring Scottish folk singer Alex Beaton. Family movie follows.

Saturday Sept. 26

9 a.m. Gates open
Clan tents provide information on the history and heritage of Scotland.
Pipe Bands, Highland Athletics, Highland Dance
Continuous Live Music by Navan, Alex Beaton, Beth Patterson, RoJean Locks
Food and Celtic Product Vendors
Crafts and Games for Kids. Passport Game. Mini Train.
Sheep Herding Demonstration. Highland Cows, Falcons and Raptors
British Cars
12 noon
Massed Pipe Bands. Parade of Tartans and Clans
2 p.m.
Rugby Match: Wichita Barbarians vs. Salina Crusaders. South of Festival grounds
4:30 p.m.
Massed Pipe Bands. Awards Ceremony for Piping Highland Dance and Athletics
7:30 p.m.
Music Entertainers at Holiday Manor Holiday Center. Alex Beaton, Beth Patterson, Navan.
Scottish County Dance Gala at Lakeside Cabin.

Sunday Sept. 27

9:30 a.m.
Worship Service- Kirking of the Tartan
10:30 a.m.
Clan and Genealogy Tents
Highland Athletic Competitions
Pipe Bands Perform
Dance: Irish, Scottish Country, Clogging
Sheep Herding, British Cars
Food & Product Vendors
Continuous Live Music
12:30 p.m.
Combined Pipe Bands. Parade of Dogs
2 p.m.
"Burns, Bagpipes, and Barley Corn" by Thomas Fox Averill
4 p.m.
Combined Pipe Bands. Athletic Awards Ceremony

Kansas State Fair Schedule

Friday Sept. 18 - Agriculture Day

10 a.m Exotic Animal Petting Zoo Opens
11 a.m Glenda and Mike's Magic Show
Cavallo Equestrian Acrobatics (1:30, 6:30)
A.J. Lutter Chainsaw Artists (1, 3, nd 5)
Soil Guys - Ag Education
12 a.m Erin Sylvester - Country Band (4, and 6:30)
Ron Diamond - Comic Hypnotist (5, 7:30)
IGX- 2009 Adrenaline Jam Tour
1 p.m Duroc Swine Show
2 p.m The Bookers - Rock and Roll
Instep - Rock and Roll (6)
4 p.m Rusty Rierson - Country Band
6:30 p.m Sprint Grandstand Seating Opens
7:30 p.m Hinder with Saving Abel

Saturday Sept. 19 - Heritage Farming Day

10 a.m Exotic Animal Petting Zoo Opens
Glenda and Mike's Magic Show
Crazy Quilt Demonstrations
Kansas Koutree Kloggers
11 a.m Cavallo Equestrian Acrobatics (1:30 and 6:30)
A.J. Lutter Chainsaw Artists (1, 3 and 5)
Sunflower Stompers - Dance Troop
What's for Dinner Beef Cook off
12 a.m Ron Diamond - Comic Hypnotist (5 and 7:30)
Midway Opens
1 p.m Fashion Show
Melanie Ryan (5:30)
2:30 p.m Neely - Rock and Roll
5 p.m 2nd Annual Text Messaging Contest
6:30 p.m Neely - Rock and Roll
7:30 p.m Heart

Sunday Sept. 20 - Heritage Farming Day

10 a.m Exotic Animal Petting Zoo Opens
Nostalgic Car Show- Untill 5:00
11 a.m Cavallo Equestrian Acrobatics (1:30)
Glenda and Mike's Magic Show
A.J. Lutter Chainsaw Artists (1)
12 a.m Ron Diamond - Comic Hypnotist
2 p.m Cowboy Mounted Shooting
2:30 p.m Tropical Shores Steel Drum Band
3 p.m Red White and Blues Variety Group
4 p.m Nat and Alex Wolff, Hanging out with the Naked Brothers Band (7:30)

The state fair is located at 2000 N Poplar St. Hutchinson KS 67502-5562. This is only a partial list of all the events occurring Sept. 18 through Sept. 20, the fair opens every day at eight in the morning. For a full list of activities go to www.kansasstatefair.com.

Goals for greater good

JORDAN ROQUEMORE
Sports Editor

The Soccer Benefit takes place Wednesday, September 23 with the kick off the women's game against Central Christian at 5:30. The benefit is meant to support those who have fought against or been impacted by the tragedy of cancer.

"I've had players in the past and currently that have loved ones who have suffered from cancer," said Robert Talley, Head Women's Soccer Coach. "In 2007 one of my players, Jessica Stahr, lost her mother to lung cancer. It made me want to do something where the school and community could get involved."

Containers for donations will be set up during the game, along with a representative of the American

Cancer Society who will have a table set up with literature about the disease.

The Lady Bulldogs will be involved the entire season by looking for sponsors to help them in their dime-a-goal cancer benefit campaign. Each time the women score a goal this season, every sponsor will donate a dime to the American Cancer Society.

"I'm trying to teach my players that it's not all about them," Talley said. "That they need to take the opportunity to help others with bigger problems."

The women's team intends on having a great season and already has one win under their belt so far. Their record as of Wednesday night stands at 1-2-1.

"I think this is the best women's team McPherson College has seen in a while," Talley said. "We



Photo by Emily Reinert

Freshman Amber McKinnon hustles to the ball, shielding it from her Mid-America Christian opponents. The Women's team put forth a valiant effort, but lost 3-0, making their overall record 1-2-1.

are evolving quickly and getting better with each game while still making necessary changes to keep

improving. I think we'll be the dark horse that sweeps by other teams and takes it all."

Two-game winning streak makes Bulldogs conference contender

JORDAN ROQUEMORE
Sports Editor

The football team travels to Ottawa tomorrow, looking to redeem their 45-35 loss to the Braves last year. The Bulldogs are on a roll with a 2-0 record and are out to prove they can stand against the best.

"Both our players and coaches have more experience coming into this season than the last two years," said Brian Ward, head football coach, '93. "The players know the way we run our offense and defense and they have experience with our system-oriented approach."

Last week, the team made up for its 41-17 loss to Friends by beating the Falcons soundly 60-38.

"We are very close to where we need to be as a team," Ward said. "With this being the third year of the new program, I feel like the right attitude is instilled now into the team."

The football program this year consists of six coaches and 93 players. Five seniors graduated last year, and a large group of recruits were enrolled. The captains this year are Scott Jones, John Brown, Mark Watson and Jeff Paulson. "We're excited about



Photo by Emily Reinert

The football team defense tackles a Friends opponent. The Bulldogs won the game 60-38 with the defense getting three sacks, one interception and four fumble recoveries.

this new season," Ward said. "We want to make

the school proud of both our performance and

sportsmanship out on the field."

New athletic director, familiar face

Richardson has high hopes for teams, through coaches and fans' support

DUSTY KITCHEN
Spectator Staff



Jenni Richardson

A familiar face now acts as McPherson College's athletic director. This face has been seen as a student, a resident director, a part of the business office and, finally, as the new head of the Athletic Department.

Jenni Richardson has high hopes as the new athletic director, one of which is making the athletic events fun for both the crowd and the players.

"Fans can make a big difference just by coming to games," Richardson said. "Though they might not think it, they can influence the game's outcome just as much if not more than a player."

Throughout her years as a student on campus, playing sports, and being appointed basketball assistant and sports information assistant, Richardson has always tried to show support for school athletic events. She encourages all students to try and do the same this year.

"Get involved, cheer for your team and let your voice be heard," Richardson said. "That being said, I would also

like the teams to give fans what they want: the wins and the competition. Every athletic team we have should be a challenger and fight for the top spot."

Her hopes of teams staying competitive has been seen in the men's soccer team starting off strong and the football team's big win over Friends. Richardson is grateful for the wins and the staff who has helped her so far.

"I would like to thank all of the coaching staffs and Amanda LeClair for all their help so far," Richardson said. "I'm sure it will keep on coming and that this year will be a really good one...GO BULLDOGS!"

Richardson has been given her fair share of work, but she is always ready for the next challenge.

New head tennis coach inspires players, faculty

DUSTY KITCHEN
Spectator Staff

Tennis began its new season last Thursday at home versus Hesston. The men won 9-0 and the ladies tied 2-2 overall. New head coach Sydney Bwayla is taking the reins and is very pleased with the team's progress so far.

"We played with renewed energy and excitement," Coach Bwayla said. "I was especially happy with some of the things we were able to do. What we need to do now is build some momentum and confidence before the tournament in Salina this Friday."

Bwayla had formerly

been coaching at Barton Community College, but was eager for the challenge and potential of the new position. Athletic director Jenni Richardson commented on hiring Coach Bwayla in a Bulldog news archive last July.

"We are very excited to have Bwayla joining the athletic department at McPherson College," Richardson said. "Sydney brings significant playing and coaching experience and he brings a good knowledge of Kansas tennis."

Coach Bwayla was born and raised in Zambia, Africa, as the oldest of eight children. His interest in tennis started early on; his

father was his first coach.

"My late father was a national junior tennis coach and I learned quite a lot from him," Coach Bwayla said. "He imparted a wide range of knowledge in me that was eventually both useful on and off the court. So when my 12-year tennis career was done, I reflected back to what I had gained and decided to do the wise thing, become a coach and contribute effectively to the sport I like."

Coach Bwayla started playing competitively at age 12, eventually moving the U.S. and becoming a two time All-American at Barton Community College. He then headed

to Washburn University where he led the team and later become a grad assistant for the team.

Coach Bwayla eventually came back to Barton as a coach, helping the teams win three consecutive Regional Championships. In 2008, Bwayla was selected as the ITA/Wilson coach of the year and inducted into the Barton Athletics Hall of Fame.

What does Coach Bwayla do for fun?

"I can speak five different languages apart from English and I've never lived in any U.S. state but Kansas. I have three children actively involved in tennis and am a co-director of the Love-40 Char-



Photo by Benjamin Denton

New Head Tennis Coach Sydney Bwayla plays with sophomore Cody Compton at tennis practice on Sept 15.

ity Organization. Oh, and of course in my time here

I've beaten Dan Hoffman in Badminton."

Open Running Season

SHANE MASCARENAS
Spectator Staff

It is the beginning of a new year here at McPherson College and with that comes the start of the fall sports programs. Many are thinking exclusively about football and soccer and tend to forget a group of athletes that not only run for fun, they run to compete.

The McPherson country club will be hosting the McPherson Invitational Cross Country meet 10 Oct. at 10 a.m. Last year the Bulldog men placed first in the meet and hope to do so again.

"We look forward to having some support this year at the meet," Benjamin Denton, sen., Oklahoma City, Okla., said. "It would be nice if people came out to watch us compete."

The Bulldogs are scheduled to compete in seven meets over the course of their season with the next competition tomorrow in Joplin, Mo. Running in the meet are women's team leaders Katie Logan and Kati Beam. Lo-



Photo by Sarah Powell

Shaun Griffin, sr., Inman, Kyle Smith, fr., Junction City, and Mike Baxter, fr. Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, practice on Wednesday the 16th for their second Cross Country meet in Joplin, Mo., on the 19th.

gan and Beam are both sophomores and Kansas natives.

"I can't wait to get out there and compete," Beam

said. "I'm also excited to see how our incoming freshmen do."

The harriers recently attended the J.K Gold Clas-

sic in Augusta. Despite their efforts, both the men and women finished in 6th place.

"I'm not too concerned

with where we placed," Denton said. "I know we have a good team and we have what it takes."

Last year the men's team

won the McPherson Invitational with the help of Oliver Williams, sophomore and NAIA National Qualifier.

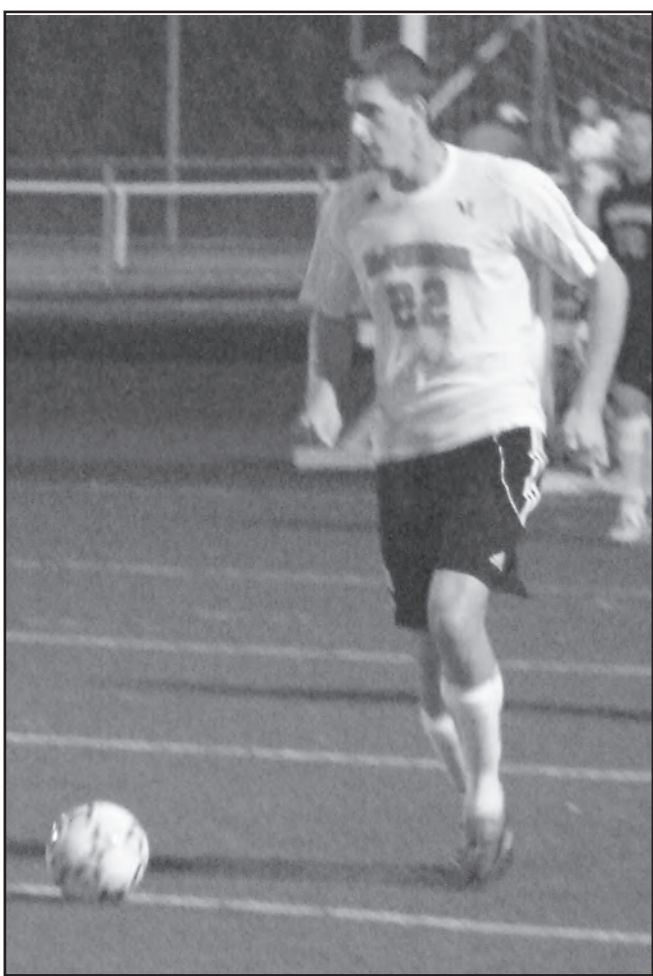


Photo by Sarah Powell

Tyler Tank, sr., Austin, Texas, prepares to launch the ball down-field to the offense in Wednesday night's game against Mid-America Christian. The Bulldogs lost the game 2-1, tarnishing their former 3-0 winning streak.

Men's soccer picked to finish first in district

JORDAN RQUEMORE
Sports Editor

The Bulldogs will be facing off tomorrow at 8 p.m. against Oklahoma Baptist, a prerequisite for the game against cross-town rival Central Christian on the 23rd.

The men's soccer team was chosen to finish first out of the entire district, a fact head coach Doug Quint wants his players to remember.

"Everyone always wants to knock out the big dog and that's the position we're in right now," Quint said. "I'm working to help my players embrace that and give their best in every game because that's exactly what our opponents will be doing."

Twelve new players, a mixture of both freshmen and transfers, have been added to the squad this year.

The overall men's program consists of 25 players, all a part of the one

varsity team.

"We have a lot of depth on the sideline this year," Quint said. "All of that talent makes for better practices and more challenging scrimmages for the entire team. We are looking to draw on that throughout the season."

Last year, the program graduated five seniors, three of which have returned to help out as assistant coaches while they finish up their degrees. Co-captaining the team this year are seniors Jose Arenas, sr., Cheyenne, Wyo., and Anthony Baldi, sr., NorthGlenn, Colo.

The team finished second in regular season play last year, proving themselves to be one of the top 32 teams in national rankings for the KCAC Conference.

This year, they hope to hold the top title in season play and are off to a running start. Their record as of Wednesday stands at an unbeaten 3-0.



Picture by Leterius Ray

Kiley Loesch, sr., Raymond, attempts a kill by spiking the ball down on her Friends opponents at their Sept. 15 match. The women Bulldogs lost one game to three, leaving their overall record at 2-7.

New team struggles, perseveres

DUSTY KITCHEN
Spectator Staff

The volleyball team will be at home Monday, competing at both 5:30 and 7. The Lady Bulldogs are hoping to pull out some wins with their young but persistent team.

The women kicked off their season with a non-conference tournament in Sterling on the fourth. Despite eleven new players out of their seventeen, the team took home one win out of their three matches.

"We will keep striving to get better," Head Coach Susan Barton said.

"That weekend helped us to mature as a team and to get used to playing with each other."

That weekend, senior and team captain Kiley Loesch, sr., Raymond, led the team in kills while Kelley Green, jr., Brighton, Colo., and Lindsey Linnebur, jr. Wamego, let the team in assists. Sophomore Savannah Sievers, soph., Stafford, and newcomer Brooke Wedel, fr., soph., Lindsburg, also put up good numbers on the defensive side of the matches. Despite such efforts and many of the match games being very close, the women came

away with two losses.

"The games were close and they were filled with many rallies, digs and good hitting," Coach Barton said. "It was a battle with lots of energy and it was just a lot of fun. It is a downer though knowing that we were capable of winning and [the Mid America match] definitely is one that got away from us."

The team began conference play on the ninth against Kansas Wesleyan. The team seemed to improve a little in every way, showing the experience gained in their last matches by beating their

opponent in three games.

After playing four very tough matches in a tournament at Hastings on the 11th and 12th, the team came away with no wins. The Lady Bulldogs record as of Wednesday stands at 1-0 for conference play and 2-6 overall.

"I felt like we got so much better then we were just this last week," Co-Barton said. "The more experience we can get is going to just strengthen how we play in our conference games. We still have some kinks that need to be worked out, but we'll get there."

New professors on campus enthusiastic

BRITTANY DEWALD
Spectator Staff

Returning students are catching up with old friends as well as meeting new people on campus, students and professors alike.

The mathematics department welcomes Kameswari Devi Gandikota as the new Elementary Applied Statistics and Intermediate Algebra professor. Professor Gandikota has been teaching for four years. She used to be a high school math teacher in India.

"India is very different from McPherson College", said Professor Gandikota. "The students are really friendly and I like the campus."

Outside of teaching, Gandikota enjoys reading nonfiction books as well as autobiographies. Right now, she is working towards her Ph.D. in statistics at Wichita State University.

"She is very focused on getting through the curriculum," said Amanda Albers, soph., Goodland, one of Professor Gandikota's students.



Marjon Ames

Also new is Dr. Marjon Ames, the new Associate Professor of History. This is Dr. Ames' first semester at McPherson College, she joins us after finishing her Ph.D. in Oxford, Miss.

She has taught as a graduate student and was a teaching assistant for four years and an instructor for seven. Dr. Ames explained that McPherson was different than the big university setting she was used to.

She likes the fact that everyone is involved on campus. Her favorite thing to do off campus she says jokingly is "writing lectures." She enjoys to "cook, eat, and listen to music."

"I'm a reality TV junkie, I love anything on



Kameswari Devi Gandikota

Bravo," Ames said.

Students have nothing but good things to say about Ames.

"I think she's doing a very good job for a new teacher, hanging in there, and keeping us energized," said Seth Williams, soph., Davenport, Neb.

The physical education department also welcomed a new teacher, head basketball coach, Tim Swartzendruber. This is his second year at McPherson College. He has taught for 28 years overall and all classes have been about physical education in some form.

He taught physical education for three years in public education and four years at Hesston College. At Mac, Professor



Tim Swartzendruber

Swartzendruber teaches first aid and personal safety, individual and dual sports, and personal and community health.

Overall, he has been coaching 28 years and six of those years have been college teams. As for fun, Swartzendruber enjoys family time and being active.

"I like to spend time with my daughter, she's thirteen," said Swartzendruber. "I enjoy playing golf and going to sporting events."

"He does a great job incorporating the material to where students can get involved and gain a better knowledge of the course," said Stephanie She, soph., Plano, Texas.

Welcome, new teachers, to McPherson College.

H1N1 cases confirmed, students quarantined

KIMBERLY ROQUEMORE
Spectator Staff

Preventative measures are being enforced to prevent further outbreak of H1N1 on campus. Four students have already been quarantined.

According to the US Department of Health, the H1N1 virus, commonly referred to as the "Swine Flu," is being spread just like seasonal flu with symptoms appearing within 24-72 hours of exposure. Kelli Pfau Johnson, the campus health services provider, is helping to keep students safe from the contagious sickness.

"We are trying to keep our students as safe as possible," Johnson said. "Facilities are doing a good job of cleaning and will soon have over one hundred sanitary stations placed around campus."

Students showing some or all of the flu-like symptoms are asked to report to either an RA or RD and stay in their room until someone comes to them. Such symptoms include: sore throat, stuffy nose, coughing, aching body, loss of appetite, nau-

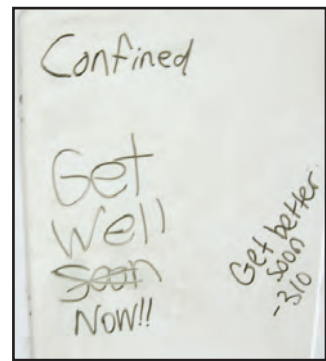


Photo by Benjamin Denton

A confined student's door

sea, diarrhea, and fever of over 100 degrees.

"We are treating every case with flu-like symptoms and a fever as if they were swine flu," Johnson said.

Quarantined students are asked to stay in their rooms and wear a face mask and gloves when they go outside to use the restroom. The school notifies professors of absences and has meals and medicine delivered to students as needed.

"The very best thing any student can do to stay healthy is to wash your hands and do not touch your eyes or mouth," Johnson said. "Our main goal right now is to prevent the spread and alleviate the symptoms."

Students create parking



Photo by Benjamin Denton

Vehicles parked between Hess and Metzler

ALEX STILLWELL
Spectator Staff

Sometimes getting parking where a student prefers is a hassle.

It's not like parking lots are far from buildings or dorms, but it's frustrating that students have to park on the other side of campus just to get a spot.

The parking situation isn't all that bad compared to major universities, but some students tend to get annoyed by the limited parking space.

"I hate having to park away from my dorm, but I really do not have to walk all that far so I can't complain too much," said James Patton, fr. Cunningham.

LaMonte Rothrock, Dean of Students, addressed the issue of some people bringing more than one vehicle

to campus, especially those involved with Auto Restoration. Rothrock said that every vehicle has a decal with an individual number to tell them apart, and if there is no decal, the vehicle is towed away.

Shane Netherton, Vice President of Finance, says there are long term plans for more parking. It won't happen until a new residence hall is built, but when construction is complete there will be more parking available. Netherton said the parking spaces had been counted. There are 800 plus parking spaces on campus and only 543 students, more than enough to go around.

Students who prefer to park closer to their dorms will just have to be patient. Convenience is what they're looking for, but they'll get an entirely new dorm instead.

Eaton: his plans for the college

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for the college. Although he views our curriculum as "solid and well crafted," he has more inclusive goals for our students.

"I am hopeful that we will begin to see global and multicultural issues addressed across the curriculum," Eaton said. "It is key for us to think and plan using an interdisciplinary framework to best respond to the complexity of modern issues and make the best use of our resources."

In addition to curriculum goals, Eaton also speaks about his appreciation for our diversity. "I hope we will continue to be a college known for its open-

ness to social and cultural difference. I look forward to us continuing to experience the strength that comes through diversity."

Finally, Dr. Eaton hopes students "learn to accept" and understand a broader vision of the world through their education here at McPherson College.

"The sooner students get to the place where they discover that true meaning and significance in life comes through service and putting others first, then we are really starting to rock," said Eaton. "I love it when we get to the point where we truly see, and believe, that it really isn't all about us."

Wireless networks updated, internet filters increased

ASHLEY DAMERON
Spectator Staff

The student body has mixed feelings about one of the biggest changes this year, the wireless access points around campus.

There were a select few who liked the changes, but a large number of students thought the new access points were complicated, and didn't have good coverage.

The difference between last year's wireless network and the new is the failure rate. Last year's network had a 50% failure rate, making the network costly for the school and highly unreliable for students.

The networks this year are expected to be more reliable and cover more areas. Several additional points were placed in dormitories Metzler and Dotzour Halls to ensure better coverage.

Last year, if a student moved out of range of an access point, he or she had to disconnect and reconnect to the nearest

wireless connection. The new network has wireless roaming support, allowing movement around campus without disconnecting. The computer will automatically switch to the access point with the strongest signal.

The old link between the computer and the wireless access point was not encrypted, so an outside source could pick up any information being sent, such as login names or passwords. The access points are secured, so students' information is safe.

One complaint was that students didn't understand this year's wireless connection, because last year the connections were spelled out: "1st floor Bitt north," "2nd floor Bitt south," etc. There are now four access points; CAMPUS, RESNET, REGISTER, AND RESHALL or GUEST depending on if a student is inside or outside the dorms.

RESNET and RESHALL are essentially the same. Both are secure networks, but RESHALL

may require a password, and it's preferred that RESNET is used when inside the dorms. REGISTER is a lot like last year's connection because it's unsecured. It's bandwidth is limited to 1MB, which is slower than the other connections.

The access points are expected to be more reliable and user friendly. However, if students having trouble, or know of areas that get poor coverage, please contact computer services. They request feedback on the new changes.

Once all the bugs are worked out, the new wireless access points will be much more convenient.

Another big change in the wireless network this year is the ability of computer services to quarantine a student's computer. If a student is caught with a file sharing program that enables him or her to download copy righted material, the computer will be quarantined. This means that students' computers will only be allowed to access campus

email, and LMS/JICS, but not the Internet. In order to get the Internet reinstated, a student must delete all file sharing software from his or her computer, and then take the computer to computer services.

If there is a second offense, the dean is informed and the computer is quarantined. Computer services will check to see if the software was deleted completely. A check for spyware, malware, or viruses will also be run. On the third offense, students' computers are quarantined for the rest of the year.

Students have mixed feelings about this.

"I think the students should be able to download whatever they want," said Katrina Short, soph., Puyallup, Wash., "If they get caught, that's their problem, let them deal with the consequences."

If students have any questions about the new copyright policy network changes, information can be found on the McPherson College website, under computer services.

Hudachek takes opportunity abroad

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Dan Hudachek

After six years at McPherson College, Dan Hudachek is moving on to the next chapter in his life. That chapter is leading him to Newcastle Upon Tyne, England, where he plans to get his master's degree in Museum Studies.

Hudachek first came to McPherson College in 2003 from Stillwater, Minn. He was pulled to the small campus by the idea of getting his bachelor's degree in Auto Restoration.

In his four years as a student, he participated in many things: Theatre, Frisbee and Field, Ultimate Frisbee, Alpha Psi Omega, Band, and Residence Life Staff. Hudachek ended up

being most effective on the throwing field. He went to nationals three times, competing in the discus, weight throw, and hammer throw, and holds two of McPherson College's school records. He takes pride in being awarded "Co-Male Athlete of the Year" his senior year.

After graduating from

McPherson, Hudachek had another chance to stay be a part of the college. He took the position of the Director of Automotive Restoration Development. His job was to promote, give fundraisers, and publicize for the Automotive Department. Hudachek has decided to put his automotive knowledge to a new use.

He plans to leave Sept. 15 to begin his journey to England where he will live for a year and study at Newcastle University, something he says he's always wanted to do. Once there, he plans to get his master's degree in Museum Studies. He will be able to share his automotive knowledge of automobiles to the public and have fun doing it.

"The timing just seemed

right," said Hudachek. "I've been accepted into one of the best programs for the major I want and it's abroad. I get two things for the price of one. It's just a great opportunity."

Hudachek says he has plans for the future, but still wanted to leave room for chance.

He plans to visit museums and wonders of Europe while away, and even hopes to manage an automotive museum in the U.S. or Europe.

"I'll miss all the great people at McPherson because that is what makes McPherson such a great place to be at," said Hudachek. "The younger students need to start making connections while they have the chance. It doesn't matter with whom,