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News Briefs

Community Thanksgiving dinner to be held

The annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner will be held at the Community Building (corner of Ash and Marlin Streets) from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Students are welcome to attend and eat and/or volunteer to help.

Volunteers are needed on Wednesday for set-up, table setting, food preparation, etc. On Thursday, help is needed to serve during the meal time.

To make a reservation to eat, call 620-241-1292.

To volunteer, contact Barb at 620-245-0313.

Football has first playoff game Saturday

SAB will be paying for student admission to the first NAIA football playoff game at Pioneer Stadium at Mid-American Nazarene in Olathe at 1:00 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21.

Directions can be found at http://

Football assistant coach let go

Recent graduate and assisstant coach fired for violating policy

KIMBERLI ROQUEMORE Spectator Staff

An assistant football coach was dismissed from his position after being found with student players at City Limits Bar on Nov. 7.

Chris Ezebunwa graduated from McPherson College last year. He then became a paid member of the staff under the supervision of head football coach Brian Ward.

"Coach Ward has a policy that his assistant coaches are not to be at the bars or out drinking with the players," athletic

"This is just another opportunity for us [the team] to learn about how our conduct should be off the field."

--Brian Ward

director Jenni Richardson said. "Coach Izzy [Ezebunwa] was found guilty of this so in response to that, dismissal was the action taken."

Claims had been surfacing that Ezebunwa hit a female student at the bar that same night.

"As far as the alleged

striking of the female who is on campus, I have asked, and there has been no one to substantiate that information for me," Ward

said. According to Dennis Shaw, McPherson Chief of Police, law enforcement was called to the bar that

Entrance to City Limits Bar and Grill where Ezebunwa drank with his football players.

night for at least three different assaults happening

Photo by Ben Denton

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Committee goal to recruit Brethren students

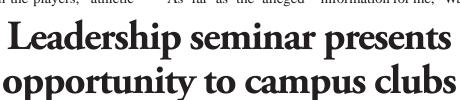
Melisa Grandison Spectator Staff

A new initiative has been put into effect this semester to recruit Church of the Brethren and legacy students.

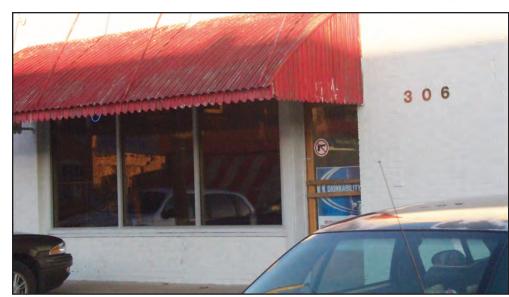
The committee meets once a week to formulate print materials, travel

because of the Church of the Brethren and alumni," Christi Hopkins, admissions operations manager said. "As we move forward we need to build on that part of our history and values."

President Michael Schneider views the importance of the initiative on







www.mnu.edu/ campus-virtual-tour. html#directions

Car cleaning on Tuesdays

C.A.R.S. Club is offering the service of a complete wash and detail of a car or truck for \$25 or a wash and wax for \$15 every Tuesday.

If interested contact Evan Gurschick at 207-576-3845 or email Gurschick or Chris Paulsen.

Blood donation successful

The blood drive on Nov. 17 was much appreciated by the American Red Cross. 49 units of usable blood were given.

"Rumors" to be performed as senior project

On Dec. 4 and 5 the play "Rumors" by Neil Simon will be performed in Brown Auditorium at 7:30 p.m.

The play is Ashley Andrews' senior project and will be directed by Jd. Bowman.

It will also feature the talents of nine other students.

Photo by Rod Barlet

Lauren Larsen, soph., Sylvan Grove, speaks at the leadership seminar Nov. 8.

SHANNON WILLIAMS Spectator Staff

Student and Career Services and Student "We will continue to Government Associa- offer programs on Mingenback Nov. 8 with well as careers. How-'how to conduct an effective meeting'

The Student Services Leadership Seminar was the first activity for the Leadership Program.

"Student Services and SGA are building a leadership program oncampus to develop more leaders on-campus and spread them out to communities after they graduate," said Lane Allison, SGA president, soph., Greensburg.

LaMonte Rothrock, dean of students, presented the information to Allison and asked SGA for help in order to increase participation.

"LaMonte and Ι are both alums of the Leadership McPherson program and we have talked for several years

tion introduced their topics that we feel are Leadership Program in relevant to campus as a seminar that included ever, we want students a panelist discussion on to make suggestions."

-Chris Wiens

about bring a Leadership McPherson-style program to campus," said Chris Wiens, director of career services.

For the first seminar three panelists were chosen from the Leadership McPherson program, that is dedicated to building healthy communities and citizens through leadership initiatives.

"Our hopes for this organization is to give students information that can help them develop and strengthen their leadership skills to enhance the campus community, but also to help students develop critical skills that employers

are looking for," Wiens said. "We want our students and graduates to have the edge over the competition in the job market."

Student leaders from campus participated in the first seminar by asking the three panelists questions. Questions about meeting minutes, procedures, coverage importance in meetings, and methods were asked. Future plans for the Leadership Program are already underway. The organization is working on an event for January.

"We will continue to offer programs on topics that we feel are relevant to campus as well as careers," Wiens said. "However, we want students to make suggestions. If they have heard great speakers in the past, let us know or if there is a topic that they are interested that relates to leadership, we want to hear it."

plans and to refine the initial recruiting process.

The team created several posters and brochures advertising the \$3,000 alumni/legacy scholarship, to help the recruitment.

"Having a larger Church of the Brethren and legacy student population on campus is important to us," Matt Tobias, associate director of admissions said. "We wanted to add some monetary support to show that we are committed to this."

The purpose of the initiative is to increase the number of Church of the Brethren and alumni/legacy students on campus. "We are who we are

two levels.

"First, it is an important part of our identity," Schneider said. "Second, our retention data shows that Brethren students graduate at higher rates."

Tobias discussed that by recruiting these students, relationship with our the alumni base and the church will improve.

"It shows we are still a viable option if those two groups are willing to entrust their students to us," Tobias said.

The team chose to target areas where there is a large base of alumni and Church

Please see Brethren, page 8

Board recognizes issue of residential space

KRISTEN KIRKMAN News Editor

The Board of Trustee's held their fall meeting Nov. 4 through Nov. 7. Members also attended the inauguration of President Michael Schneider.

New plans for dorm construction were discussed. The Board was pleased with how things are going in the residence halls and they looked at financing options a new dorm.

"At this time there will be more long term options for financing," Schneider said.

"We are looking at other options for residence life with growing enroll-

ment," Schneider said. "Residence halls are going to continue to be a challenge."

The funding program was set for June 2008 through 2011. The entire campaign is intended to take four years, however, more students are enrolled than there are rooms in the dorms.

"Enrollment has grown fast but not fast enough to self-fund," Schneider said.

The college needs most of the funds in-hand before building can start to ensure the quality of education continues during construction.

VIEWPOINTS

LEAD EDITORIAL

Thanksgiving thank you's

In the spirit of Thanksgiving, the staff of the Spectator would like to take some time expressing things around campus that we

are thankful for. We obviously would like to thank our readers. Without you, there would be no Spectator. We would have nothing to write for. No one would be able to read our masterpieces

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and no one would respond to our paper and give feedback that only keeps us on our toes and down the road to journalism perfection. Our is to reach out to you and to have you respond and tell us what you feel or think about our writing. Thank you. You have done both, and beautifully.

We would like to thank the faculty and staff for handling some of our questions with grace. We know we ask the questions you sometimes don't want to hear, but thank you for taking the time to listen to what we have to say and to give us something we can use for our paper. Some of you have been interviewed hundreds of times. Thank you for being patient with us and taking time out of your busy schedules to answer our questions and to respond to what we write. We wouldn't be anywhere without you.

It is with these efforts that we can bring you the news around this campus and community. We know we have a duty to perform to the public in bringing you the news but we want to thank you for allowing us to use our passion of writing to bring you the facts and the stories that you want to read and are interested to find out more about. Every issue is a gift to you, the reader, that is wrapped with our blood, sweat and tears on those long nights and early mornings. We hope that you keep on responding to our writing to only help us be bigger and better than before.

As the New Year approaches, we are gearing and ready to go bringing you the top stories of the community. Thank you for your continual support in reading this paper. If there are any comments you would like to make about the paper, please don't hesitate in writing us a letter to the editor. Whether it be a concern or a response to our paper. Also, throughout the changes in administration and curriculum, thank you for staying by us during those difficult times. We wanted to bring optimism through our paper and also cover the stories as they were being brought to the public. Thank you for sticking with us and allowing us to bring you that coverage.

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Not Necessarily Ordinary

Things girls wouldnit mind meeting in a dark alley. Fluffy Banana Cake Lawer Louinen Cake Louinen

SGA serves self with students money

Students request attendence of an anti-violent tactics protest, rejected

We vote them into roles of leadership, trust them as our 'voice,' and then provide them money to charter our clubs.

They've given our organizations mandatory leadership seminars and service requirements in order to be recognized. SGA makes decisions for us with money that comes from us- but to what extent does it benefit us?

I believe Student Government Association misuses funds and should improve organizational operations. A portion of student fees are allotted to SGA; however, little accountability to the student body guides decisions about how to use these monies.

> **66** Seminar fee is \$2,055 per person. SGA approved \$5,000, providing additional money for other expenses. . . SGA refused our request for assistance (of) \$900. **99**

Make a Change



Melisa Grandison

ing requests. When students request money, SGA budget committee uses a personal inventory. According to Tecie Turner, chair of the budget committee, "We just ask ourselves what students would support us paying for."

To illustrate my concern, I'll share a personal experience. Mira Coulter, senior, Wakita, Okla., and I asked SGA for sponsorship to attend the School of Americas Watch in Fort Benning, Georgia, a four day trip to a nationally recognized event. The Watch protests inhumane military violence and torture techniques used to silence peoples of Latin America. SGA refused our request for assistance- \$900 which was the total cost of trip- because members of SGA thought it unfair to sponsor a personal trip for just two students. The McPherson College handbook emphasizes the ideals of the Church of the Brethren. The handbook states, "The college... emphasizes the inherent value of all persons...the necessity of putting faith into action, and the biblical calls to simplicity, non-violence, non-conformity and transformation

through education." Our participation with SOA Watch relates to a number of projects/causes that various students on campus support and is aligned with the articulated mission of McPherson College.

This experience would have allowed us to bring back information and raise awareness- one of the 'purposes' of SGA's mission. Why then would SGA seek to minimize the importance of this activity for two students by refusing financial assistance?

In the last issue of the Spectator, I read the article about two SGA members traveling to Washington D.C. for a 12-day trip of leadership seminars. Frustrated that our request for assistance was denied, I decided to ask some questions. Seminar fee is \$2,055 per person. Transportation, food, and travel/souvenir expenses are not included. SGA approved \$5,000, providing additional money for other expenses. Dismayed, I read the SGA constitution. The mission states, "The purpose of Student Government Association shall be to serve the needs of the Student Body." After the latest encounter, it seems to me SGA is using student funds to serve its own needs. According to Jessica Bewley, freshman, Tulsa, Okla., a seminar attendant, "These seminars will take me to the next step of leadership for after college." The other seminar attendant, SGA president Lane Allison, sophomore, Greensburg, has a similar mindset. "It is starting to influence my future plans as well, whether it be government or some other form of leadership position."

SGA's method of making decisions about what to fund seems-at least in this case- bias and must change.

Creating criterion for funding decisions is imperative because students pay for SGA operating finances. Guidelines encourage a fair and balanced outcome.



It is important that SGA provides students a voice on campus.

This event could have given us tools to bring back to the campus and the community of McPherson and educate about the circumstances around the world that even something as small as being educated, could make a difference. This opportunity was stripped away from us and that isn't just something that we miss out on, the people who could have heard the issues are also missing out on it, too. It was for the common good. It was for something a few of us students believed in doing and what we believe is right. If we didn't take a stand, who would have? The Student Government Association must also allow us unbiased opportunities to uphold the mission of McPherson College through scholarship, participation, and service. Even when not aligned with SGA and its members.

So, if we haven't said it enough, thank you.

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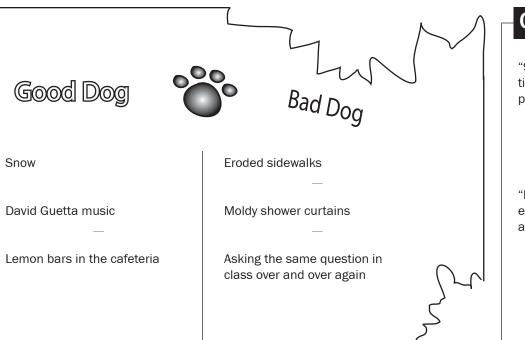
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Each semester SGA receives \$105 from each student via activity fees. The money funds SAB, the Spectator, and student organizations. According to SGA sponsor, Shandi Tobias, the money "funds any projects SGA takes on such as annual homecoming expenses...leadership initiatives...that they can use to bring information back and be a positive impact to our students."

When deciding which projects to finance, SGA lacks a criterion for fund-



CHEW ON THIS

"90 percent of my time is spent on 10 percent of the world."

-Colin Powell

"Difficulty is the excuse history never accepts. "

–Edward R. Murrow

VIEWPOINTS

Participation in blood drive, a simple way to give back

Student encourages those who haven't given to consider helping for a life-saving cause

I'm a busy student. If you've read any of my columns, I'm sure you've noticed time and time again all of the activities I'm involved in, not including schoolwork. But one thing that I don't normally list is my volunteer work. After all is said and done, I try to find at least once a month one thing I can do for someone else. Even if it is spending time talking with people, picking up leaves or even writing someone a note of encouragement. I don't like to brag about all of the things I do, but what I do like to make a point of is that I find time to give back to someone or a organization even when I'm overwhelmed with schoolwork, activities and life in general.

On Nov.17, SGA and campus ministries hosted our annual blood drive. We had a lot of donors sign up in the cafeteria and most of the slots were filled. By the time the first donors arrived, there were only around five or six open slots left. I went early, around 7:15 a.m., to help set up and to get things running smoothly. I had donated freshman year and hadn't done so since. I figured this could be my big giving of the month.

By 11 a.m., my donation time, four people had not shown up for their designated giving time. For a



THINK OUT LOUD

Ashley Andrews

campus this small, it is noticeable. As I went through the list of 49 questions that I had to answer before I could donate, I thought of all of the units of blood that this drive missed out on because people decided to just miss their appointments. Tuesdays are my day to sleep in because I don't have class until 12:30. I know I didn't have to be up there at 7:15 a.m., but if I wasn't, I could have easily gotten out of bed to give at least 30 minutes of my time to save a life.

I know the unexpected happens sometimes and that could cause someone to miss an appointment. I know it's early for a Tuesday. I also know that it could save someone's life. This isn't meant to bash those who didn't keep their appointments, but rather to raise an awareness to the campus that this is something so small that can have a huge impact on a person's life.

During my donation, I thought of all of the people that couldn't donate because they had practice or a game later in the afternoon. You are not supposed to do extreme physical exercise until it has been 12 hours from your donation and that kept people from the football team and basketball teams from donating. There is at least a hundred people right there. Next year, I would hope that arrangements would be made that the donation day would be on a day that is gamefree so that there would be more units available for the blood drive.

In a campus e-mail sent out by Tom Hurst, director of campus ministries, it was announced that 49 units of blood were given and could be used. In comparison to last year when over 60 units of blood were given.

This is an encouragement to those who haven't considered donating blood. According to the Red Cross' website, only 3 out of every 100 Americans donate blood. Every two seconds there is someone who needs blood. There is no substitute for blood. You may have missed this blood drive, but there is always a donation center you can look for, or just wait until the next blood drive comes around campus.

You can help save a life. Thinking that someone else can do it? What would I benefit from giving blood?

Givelife2.org has a top ten list of reasons to give blood. 10. You will get free juice and cookies. 9. You will weigh less – one pint less when you leave than when you came in. 8. It's easy and convenient – it only takes about an hour. 7. It's something you can spare - most people have blood to spare yet, there is still not enough to go around. 6. Nobody can ask you to do any heavy lifting as long as you have the bandage on. 5. You will walk a little taller afterwards – you will feel good about yourself. 4. You will be helping to ensure that blood is there when you or someone else close to you needs it. 3. It's something you can do on equal footing with the rich and famous - blood is something money can't buy. 2. You will be someone's hero. 1. It's the right thing to do.

To donate blood you must be at least 17 years of age and weigh more than 110 lbs. You can only give every 56 days. You must wait 12 months after getting a tattoo before you can donate, but with body piercings you can give right away as long as

the instruments used were sterile and from a licensed shop.

If everyone gave blood at least two times a year, blood shortage would be nonexistent. 39,000 units of blood are needed everyday.

The blood given by donors is used for cancer treatment, orthopedic surgeries, organ and marrow transplants, cardiovascular surgeries and inherited blood disorders.

Once you give blood or become educated on blood donation, you can also look into giving platelets and plasma. Plasma is needed to help maintain blood pressure and assists in clotting. Platelets are cell fragments that help blood clot. They are used in transplants, leukemia treatments and other cancer patients.

This is a huge step in the right direction to making the world a beter place.

Take this information into consideration. There are donating centers all over the United States. There are people out there waiting for blood so they can start healing.

They are waiting for you to take that first step to help the needs of others.

For more information about the Red Cross or donating blood visit www. givelife2.org or www.redcross.org.



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

No diesel trucks driving behind Dotzour after quiet hours and while I'm watching my favorite television shows!

Shoot, I want to take a trip to another state.

I hate Statistics class. 90% of the class doesn't know whats going on.

Can you meet me halfway?

I like to jam **BEFORE** quiet hours. Please do the same.

Grow hair grow!

Thank you cleaning crews for giving us what we ask for. Thanks for the new shower curtains!

Yes, if you checked your e-mail daily you would know that we had notes to print off before class. Quit whining because you don't have them because "Please check your e-mail tomorrow" doesn't mean anything to you.

Reader re-discovers book obsession in Twilight

When I was in eighth grade, I read an entire book every day. I was, as one might presume, a nerd. I was in an extremely awkward phase: pale freckly skin, long and untamed curly hair parted down the middle, ill-fitting clothes and, worst of all, my bookworm habits. I wasn't cool, I wasn't outgoing, but I was me. Instead of living in the middle school that I dreaded going to every day, I lived in my books. I drank them in, chapter by chapter, every night settling down with my new read in my room decorated with Harry Potter and



grabbed an identity, and my books were thrown aside unless needed for school. Imagine my surprise when, in college, I'd boy, they are addictive. find books that threw me back to my middle school ways. Last year, I stayed up late in the night, reading in my dorm room when I should have been studying or sleeping or doing anything else. But I couldn't pry myself away from this new fictional wonder. I know many will sigh and scoff, but the Twilight series time-warped me straight to eighth grade. The books are terribly

written, true. They're certainly not of literary merit, nor do they have any real redeeming qualities. But more beautiful than author Stephenie Meyer's dialogue between lovers.

Really, it's not about vampires and werewolves,



Jillian Overstake

Lord of the Rings memorabilia. I was so cool.

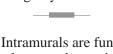
High school began, and I came into my own. I

The story lines are weak, the conflicts random and sporadic. But it's the character development, the relationships, the straightup, no mercy vampire/ werewolf love that pulled me in.

It isn't about the main characters Edward Cullen or Jacob Black or Bella Swan, it's about the desire every person has for unbiased, uninhibited love with another person. I have never read anything either. Twilight is about the love every person deserves.

And so, with the next "New Moon" movie coming out today, I am, of course, more than excited to jump back into my eighth grade skin and delve into my past, and someone else's beautiful love.

If you have not experienced this epidemic, go get the first book. You won't put it down.



when people aren't out for blood. Hey, if you were supposed to be a professional volleyball player, you'd be on the Olympic team.

LOVE GAME NIGHT!

Stop worrying. The world won't end in 2012. Maybe in 2013, but not 2012.

Man-eater.

Why is traveling around the world so costly? Someone please pay for me to see the world and send you postcards from every country I visit.

Hang in there president. You are doing a good job.

Hey, Winter. Nice to see you again.

Please don't let it snow until I get home.

On the Fly What is one thing that you would change about Thanksgiving?



"Britain would still own America."

Shaun Blenkinsop Sr., York, England



"All families would meet in one house."

Tori Carder Fr., Eudora



"Have the emphasis taken away from food and put more on family time."

Micki Crook Fr., Overbrook

"More days off."

Daniel Barba Soph., Waxahachie, Texas



"More family time."

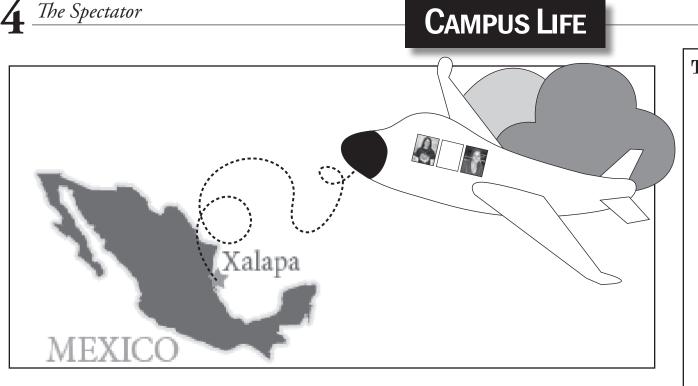
Blake Jett Soph., Ft. Worth, Texas



"Everyone would get along."

Autumn Neiman Fresh., Hutchinson







A THOUGHTFULLY DEVISED ARRAY OF QUESTIONS FOR ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF TECHNOLOGY JOE DICKHUDT

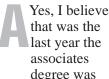
TAYLOR ADAMS



from?

I was born in Minnesota. I went to California State Polytechnic University and got my engineering degree first. Later, I got a masters in business administration from the College of William and Mary. Then five years ago, I came here and went through the restoration program.

So you went through when restoration was still a two year program?



the Apollo program ende I went to work for several non-profit organizations, I wanted to continue climbing, so I decided to augment engineering with business.

Where do cars come into play?

They were on the back burner for most of my young life. I restored my first car in high school, a 1951 Ford. I have had over 50 cars and motorcycles, some neat, some not so neat.

Now you teach a pretty wide range of topics here at the college, including automotive electronics and technical woodworking. How did you learn to work with wood?

Grandison, Coulter Studying Abroad

AUDREY SECKER Editor-in-Chief

For most students going to school half way across the country is a stretch. Phone calls, e-mails and trips home for major breaks frequent their college semesters. Imagine, however, going to another country completely. Where going home for breaks is not an option, phone calls must be kept short, if they happen at all and internet connection, for e-mail and Skype, is not guaranteed.

Melisa Grandison, jr., Quinter and Mira Coulter, sr., Mira Coulter, sr., Wakita, Okla, are not 'most students.' On Jan. 6, Grandison and Coulter will board a plane to take their spring semester classes with Brethren Colleges Abroad in Xalapa, Mexico.

"I originally decided to go because after I graduate I want to go to Latin America, I want to work

with the children, I want to work with the people, so learning the language is important," Grandison said. "I had decided as a freshman to go abroad. I chose McPherson based on the ties we have with BCA, that is largely impart why I'm here."

Coulter's reason for going abroad is more about the travel.

"I've always loved travelling, it's a chance to go to another country for more than a couple of weeks, to experience it, to know it," Coulter said.

Because of the recent changes to connections between BCA and McPherson College, Coulter and Grandison had a number of hurdles to get over before getting their plane tickets.

After going through an extensive application process, writing a proposal to the Trustee's to pay twothirds of their expenses,

fundraising, for Grandison, and taking out more loans, for Coulter, they have their tickets in hand.

"Today, I am super excited. Last week, I was nervous. I'm nervous about packing and the visa process we have to go through when we get to Mexico, but I am super excited about being immersed in the language and meeting the family," Grandison said.

Grandison is planning on purchasing an international phone when she gets to Mexico, though she probably won't be using it to call home.

"If you talk on the phone for longer than ten to fifteen minutes, the [host] family will think there is something wrong," Grandison said. "I'll buy the phone in Mexico, but my mom and I and my brother and I are planning on communicating through Skype."

Mira on the other hand doesn't think she will buy a phone, e-mail will suffice for familial contact.

"I have a phone, that we might buy an international chip for, but I'm not one of those people who gets homesick," Coulter said.

"I'm nervous because I haven't been practicing," Coulter said. "But I'm really excited, I've wanted to do this since I was a freshman, it's one of the reason's I stayed."

Grandison wanted to thank both Michael Schneider, president and Dave Barrett, Director of Admissions, for their help through the year long process.

"I was really nervous I wouldn't be able to go because of the changes, and both Dave Barrett and Michael Schneider took a vested interested and put in a lot of time to make this process happen for me," Grandison said.

Tackling college with children

College students explain what it's like to go through college, with kids

CARLEY SHARP Spectator Staff

Class. Studying. A parttime job. Working out. All these things make a pretty busy schedule for any college student. Now throw taking care of a child into the mix. Time management becomes very important. Michelle Haley, jr., Limon, Colo., and her fiancée Morgan Wienstroer, sr., Kansas City, Mo., have a daughter, Molly Kay, who will turn one next Wednesday. Being a parent is very important to both of them: they schedule 'family time' every night. Haley says that she is very appreciative of all the support and help she re-

66 You have to all of a sudden be an adult and you can't just on a whim go out with your friends and party, there is always something you need to do as a parent or student or employee. **77**

on a whim go out with your friends and party, there is always something jr., McPherson. Between

and 11 respectively) are the sons of Amy Jantz, vou need to do as a parent school, work, and basketball practice, she has to make sure that her boys get to all of their activities.

Where are you

 Michelle Haley, Jr., Limon, Colo

ceives from her roommate and a private day care. She claims that being a parent is not easy, but it can be done if one knows how to manage time wisely.

"You have to all of a sudden be an adult," Haley said. "You can't just or student or employee."

Julia Santillan is a senior from McPherson. Her son, Fabian, is 11 months old and is her number one priority.

"It all just kind of happens," Santillan said. "Things get prioritized and I pray that everything gets done. Sometimes Fabian wins, just because he needs mommy time."

Santillan is supported by both her parents and her brother, but parenthood is still a full time job. She is excited for graduation because she will have more time to devote to her son. Preston, Coleman and Carson George (14, 13

She relies on family as well as trusting her sons to do more for themselves and each other as they get older.

"I usually wait until after I put them to bed before I do my studying," Jantz said. "I try to focus on them while I have that time available."

College students are typically busy, but for these students, classwork sometimes has to take a backseat.

Balancing school and a family is not easy.

The fifth year: when four just isn't enough

REBECCA GROSBACH Spectator Staff

Every student goes down a different path while at college. Some graduate early, others on time. Others transfer after the first semester. Yet another path is taking a fifth year.

There are many reasons why a student would return for their fifth year. The first is that a student needs to finish up classes that didn't get done during their first four years. Ben Denton, sr., Oklahoma City, Okla., is finishing up classes this year after adding a sociology major during his junior year.

Michelle Stone, sr., Abilene, also has some classes to finish up.

"I wasn't really focused

my first couple years of school," Stone said.

A second reason is the fact that it's hard to decide what to study. Kelsey Leiker, sr., Goodland, didn't really know what she wanted to do career wise. "I thought maybe communications in the beginning and I was also undecided for awhile," Leiker said. She finally decided on both elementary education and theatre, which contributed to having to take a fifth year.

Even though taking a fifth year of college may not seem ideal to some, the students here at McPherson take advantage of having more time in college. Stone is now involved in theatre by working in the costume department. She

was also in the cast for "The Sound of Music."

"I've found that being a five-year senior has opened things up to me," Stone said. "I would have never been involved if I hadn't attended another year of school here."

Denton has noticed how it feels different this year than others. "I have seen so many changes since my first year here and I've seen so many people come and go," Denton said.

Because of their experiences, the students are able to give advice to students who are planning on taking a fifth year of college, or who may have to even if they hadn't planned on it.

"Stay focused," Stone said. "School is about

school, that should come first then socializing second."

Leiker has mixed feelings about her fifth year. "If you have to take a fifth year, it really isn't as bad as everybody thinks," Leiker said. "I get to spend time more time with my friends. I have also really enjoyed college, so for me, it's just like a bonus. I will be both sad and happy to graduate."

For others, an extra year can be a blessing in disguise. "For those who are considering it or need it, get done as much as possible, and your fifth year will be fun. You'll give yourself opportunities that you didn't have before," Stone said.

offered. So, I have a masters, a bachelors and an associates degree, all in reverse order.

How many years, cumulatively, of higher education have you been through?

Well, it took me a long time to get my bachelors degree. I was not on a fouryear program. I think I have 10 years all together. I guess that makes me a slow learner.

Was there a defining moment in your life when you decided to go back to school?

I had good fortune to be in school in Cal. Poly. in the mid 1960s. I went to work for NASA when I was still there. That's why college took so long. After I taught myself, I just thought it was fun. Electronics is my background. but I taught myself woodworking. I wrote a 2,000 page book for the automotive electronics class here. Nobody really makes one specifically for the automobile.

What do you look for in a good instructor?

Someone who cares about the students. As much as I loved Cal. Poly., the instructors were terrible. Even if they did care, they had it beat out of them. I look for someone who wants to make a difference to students.

CAMPUS LIFE

International views on American holiday

JESSICA BEWLEY Spectator Staff

Every family has Thanksgiving traditions. Perhaps those traditions are repeated every year, or, like many foreign students on McPherson's campus, traditions may just be starting.

Most Americans take for granted the fact that Thanksgiving is a national holiday that the rest of the world doesn't get to enjoy.

"In France we don't have Thanksgiving or anything similar. So I'm going to spend my first Thanksgiving here, and I'm really excited," said Aurore Joigny, fr., Deuil-La-Barre, France.

Although Joigny is from France, she knows traditions the most Americans take part in on Thanksgiving day.

"Even if we don't have it in France, I knew it existed before I came in the U.S. through movies and

stuff," Joigny said. "I didn't really know what it was about, though. To me it was more like eating turkey and some family time, but I know it's a lot about the eating."

Joigny hit the spot on the average American's idea of how Thanksgiving is celebrated.

"Usually we cook a big meal, and the family just gets together," said Autumn Nieman, fr., Hutchinson.

Americans realize that one of the main reasons to celebrate Thanksgiving beyond the food is to give thanks.

"On Thanksgiving I get together with my family that I don't see very often," said Robbie Tobias, sr., Conrad, Iowa.

"We eat a lot of food and watch football."

Some people with large families get the opportunity to spend time at more than one Thanksgiving table. Many students don't just stay in one place to eat, but have take advantage spending Thanksgiving with multiple sides of their family.

"Thanksgiving morning I go to my mom's house, and then that evening I go to my dad's house," said Roxie Ayers, jr., Salina. "We eat a lot and watch a bunch of football."

Tim Braginton, sr., Winnemucca, Nev., confirmed Joigny's presumtions about the holiday.

He agrees that the focus if often on the meal. Braginton says Joigny is right about the focus American's have on food

that special Thursday.

"To celebrate Thanksgiving, I eat way, way, way too much," Braginton said.

It is well known that Thanksgiving day meals will be served, quality time will be spent with family, and traditional afternoon football games will be watched.

As Thanksgiving draws near, students should remember to think of the many things that we are thankful for. The orignal idea behind the holiday is, in fact, the most important.

Keep in mind that while the turkey is on the table and pumpkin pie is in the oven, the real meaning of Thanksgiving is not just the food. Every family tradition should be focused not on the tradition itself, but instead focused on the family.



Across:

1. An original settler in a region.

2. The first one in America was held October 1621 by Plymouth Colony Pilgrims in appreciation of assistance from members of the Massasoit tribe and celebration of the first harvest.

3. Any of numerous chiefly tropical vines of the genus Dioscorea, many of which have edible tuberous roots.

4. The season of the year that comes after summer and before winter; autumn.

5. A large, gallinaceous bird of the family Meleagrididae, esp. Meleagris gallopavo, of America, that typically has green, reddish-brown, and yellowish-brown plumage of a metallic luster and that is domesticated in most parts of the world.

6. Baked food having a filling of fruit, meat, pudding, etc., prepared in a pastry-lined pan or dish and often topped with a pastry crust.

7. The grain, seeds, or kernels of this plant, used for human food or for fodder.

Down: 1. A city in southeastern

Massachusetts: the oldest town in New England, founded by the Pilgrims 1620.

2. To express gratitude, appreciation, or acknowledgment to.

3. A member of the aboriginal people of America or of any of the aboriginal North or South American stocks, usually excluding the Eskimos.

4. A sumptuous entertainment or meal for many guests, usually on a holiday or other special occasion.

5. The ship in which the Pilgrims sailed from Southampton to the New World in 1620.

6. The grain, seeds, or kernels of this plant are used for human food or for fodder.

7. Parents and their children, considered as a group, whether dwelling together or not.

8. Group of people who leave their native country to form in a new land a settlement subject to, or connected with, the parent nation.



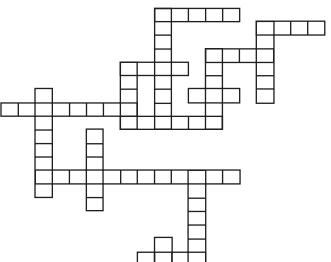
Bingo sees large crowd, larger prizes

Above: Students gather in the cafeteria for a fun filled night of Bingo. Right: Antowine Lamb, sr., Omaha, Neb., Brittany VanSant, jr., Colorado Springs, Colo, Emily Ayres, sr., McPherson call out numbers to hopeful participants.

Blood drive, huge success

Left: Kyle Toland, soph., Edwardsville, fills out a





survey to participate in the blood drive. Right: Stu-

dents complete paand are







Make Thanksgiving Great JACOB NELSON

Thanksgiving break is almost here! It's time to go home, eat and drink until you're sick and visit friends and family that you haven't seen in a while. But remember, Thanksgiving break is short, so enjoy it wisely. Here are some ways to get the most enjoyment out of your Thanksgiving break.

First piece of advice I have is to make sure the stress of traveling home is kept to a minimum. To achieve this, plan your

trip out in advance. If driving home, map out your route and calculate the amount of money you need for gas. You don't want to be spending your Thanksgiving alone on the side of the road. If you're flying, don't be late for your flight. Thanksgiving in an airport is not fun either.

If this is your first time home since you have been at McPherson, now is a great time to take advantage of the break. Spend your break with the people you have missed the most. Spend time with your dog, cat or whatever pet is at home. Now is also a good time to pick up anything you forgot to bring at the beginning of the semester.

When I go home for thanksgiving, I go hunting with my family. It's a Thanksgiving family tradition. Take part in your own family traditions, or start your own. After all, the thing I am most thankful for is family, and I love to spend time with them

on Thanksgiving day.

The next thing I'm thankful for is thanksgiving food. Eat so much that you pass out. Stuff your face, unbutton your pants, watch the football game and take a nice long nap. It couldn't hurt to indulge in some holiday wine, or possibly some pie for dessert. Give thanks, spend time with your family and come back stress-free and ready for the rest of the semester.



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Photo by Emily Reinert

The Bulldog defense powers into a dog pile, hoping to gain possession of a Swede fumble at the home game against Bethany on Nov. 14. The Bulldogs won 44-17, making their overall record 9-1 and their conference record 8-1. The team is on a seven game winning streak and will be playing tomorrow against the Mid-America Pioneers.

Football team earns first-time ever appearance in playoffs

DUSTY KITCHEN Spectator Staff

The McPherson Bulldogs made history Nov. 14 after beating Bethany College 44-17, securing a spot in the playoffs and getting their ninth win, the most in the college's history. The Bulldogs' first playoff game will be against the eighth ranked Mid-America Pioneers Sat. at 1 p.m. away.

The Pioneers ended their season 9-1 overall losing to only third ranked Lindenwood. They are coached by former NFL quarterback Jonathan Quinn and have made seven playoff appearances overall. They sit seventh in the NAIA and average 44.8 points per game. However, the Bulldogs are ranked fifth in scoring with an average of 46.2 points per a game and fourth in passing offense with 319.3 yards per game behind quarterback Shane Mascarenas. Coach Brian Ward is proud of the team's accomplishments so far but is preparing for the game ahead. "It's an honor to represent our school, alumni and community in the national playoffs," Ward said. "To be one of 16 programs in the NAIA that has been selected to compete for a national championship is



team leading 6.5 sacks And the last player to make first team for the Bulldogs was junior Travis Eason as the place-kicker. On the season, Eason hit 88.7 percent (47-of-53) extra points and 40 percent (4-of-10) field goals, including a long of 44 yards.

Other players to be selected include Mascarenas, junior Raashun Payne at fullback, sophomore Andy Skinner at wide receiver, junior Ibe at defensive back, and junior Will

Photo by Emily Reinert

Junior defensive back Ginikachi Ibe runs past his Swede oppponent after intercepting the ball. Ibe went on to run 64 yards and score a touchdown. There was a total of five interceptions in the game, three which were run back for TDs.

a privilege. We aim to do our school proud on Saturday."

The Bulldogs are hoping to put on a repeat performance of their last game. The Bulldogs' defense caught five interceptions, three that resulted in touchdowns by juniors Austin Brown and Ginikachi Ibe and sophomore J.L. Gomez.

Senior captain John Brown said that everyone is upbeat and ready for the game.

"The first thing Coach Ward asked us was if we were satisfied with what we've done and if that was enough for us," Brown said. "It was easy to tell everyone is focused on what we have to do Saturday and that we aren't satisfied. We are going to go out there and play with everything we've got."

And with the All-KCAC football selections now publicized, it's clear that McPherson has a lot to give. Nineteen players overall were chosen to the KCAC teams, eight of them making the first team.

Senior Stephen Harrison was selected first team in four different positions and even got special-teams player of the year averaging 31.7 yards in kickoff yards returned.

Junior Aaron Lafitte was also selected for running back leading the KCAC in overall rushing yards with 916 on 189 carries.

Senior Casey Hayes and Sophomore David Kraft helped anchor the line for the Bulldogs, letting Lafitte and Mascarenas put points on the board giving them a spot on the KCAC team as well.

Junior Shelton Thigpen led the Bulldogs and is ranked sixth nationally with six interceptions. His 0.7 interceptions per game

was good for second in the KCAC and put him on the national first team.

Senior Jeff Paulson showed why he was chosen first team this year in the final match up against Bethany College. Paulson had 16 tackles, 11 of which were on his own, and 3.5 tackles for a loss of 17 yards.

Also on defense was defensive lineman junior Scott Jones. Jones finished the regular season with 42 tackles, including 20 solo tackles, 12.5 tackles for loss, two pass breakups, three fumble recoveries, one forced fumble and a Powers at linebacker.

Honorable mention selections for the bulldogs included junior Chris Lange on the offensive line, junior John Sobczuk on the defensive line, sophomore John Davidson at fullback, senior Drew Griffin on the defensive line, sophomore Joe Becker on the offensive line and sophomore J.L. Gomez at defensive back.

The Bulldogs have the talent and the attitude to win. Tomorrow's game at Pioneer Stadium will be tough between two top NAIA playoff teams.

"If we can move the ball, limit our penalties and win on special teams and the turnover battle, we can be successful on Saturday," Ward said. "We have the ability to win, it's just up to us to go out and execute."

Hard end to amazing season

Jordan Roquemore Sports Editor

After getting a bye in the quarter-finals of the KCAC Tournament Championship, the men's soccer team lost their first game 1-2 against Friends University, ending their season.

"It was a disappointing way to end it," head coach Doug Quint said. "It's pretty rough having such a great season and then getting knocked out in the semifinals." Friends went on to lose in the final round of the tournament against Kansas Wesleyan with a score of 0-4. KW will go on to NAIA Championships.The Bulldogs had formerly beaten the Coyotes 2-1 in regular season play.

The Bulldogs will be losing a total of nine vetern seniors this season, most of which are current starters for the team.

"I'm going to be hitting the recruiting trail hard before offseason," Quint said. "I already have four players signed up to play for us next year. I'm planning on bringing in a total of 12 new recruits and I hope to get many of them from junior colleges"

In January, off-season will begin for the soccer team in the form of indoor play. The players will have time off until then.

"Last year we were conference tournament champions and this year we won the regular season of the conference," Quintsaid. "We have a lot to be proud of."



Photo by Emily Reinert

Senior mid-fielder Anthony Baldi pauses after losing to Friends University and ending his final season in college. **Sports**

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Swiftly rising as big threat



Senior guard Marlon Dominique jumps past his Crusader opponent for a layup on Nov. 10. The Bulldogs played all 14 of their players, boasting 45 points from their bench.

Bulldogs efficiently start season 4-1

LANGSTON RHYNES Spectator Staff

The men's basketball team won against Hastings College Nov. 14 with a final score of 82 to 69. A group of veteran seniors and team leaders contributed greatly to their underdog victory against a ranked team.

The offense came out and quickly went to work, gaining a 16 to 5 lead. However, the Broncos quickly regained ground, leaving the score at half-time 35 to 32.

The second half started a lot like the first with the Bulldogs jumping out to a 16 point lead. Once again the Broncos began to come back, tying up the game up in the fourth quarter. The Bulldogs were able to come back in the last quarter, scoring 25 points to Hastings' 12 and putting the final score at 82 to 69.

The team was led in points by senior forward Dwayne Thomas who scored 18 points and had six rebounds. The team was also led by senior Antowine Lamb who dominated in the post and scored 16 points with 9 rebounds. Also getting into double-digits was senior Charles Moore with 13 points.

"First half I played good defense but my offense was struggling," Lamb said. "I thought we needed to play better offense and two people inspirational people Coach Gibson and uncle Don told me to be me. In the second half I just played my game."

The Bulldogs also recently defeated cross-town rival Central Christian with a very close score of 80 to 77. That win gives them a three-game winning streak and puts their record at 4-1.

The Bulldogs' next game will be Tuesday at home against the Haskell Indians. Tip-off is at 8 p.m. in the gym.



Photo by Leterius Ray

Sophomore guard Aaron Frazier lays up the ball after breaking away from his Manhattan oppent on Nov. 10. The Bulldogs defeated the Crusaders with a score of 81-52. Manhattan was held to only twentyfive percent shooting in the game, scoring only 18 points in the first half. As a whole the Bulldogs made 38 rebounds to the Crusaders 22

Ladies trounce rivals in 2nd half

DUSTY KITCHEN Spectator Staff

The Lady Bulldogs travel to Haskell University Saturday to take on the Indians. The Bulldogs recently improved their record to 3-2 after defeating Central Christian at home Nov. 17 with a score of 65-47. The Bulldogs showed their toughness against the Tigers when they came back from being down at half time. Head coach Shelly Prescott believes that senior Stephanie Poland and freshmen Shriena Robinson and Emily James have all been stepping up their games this season.

job offensively," Prescott said. "She has done a good job accepting her role whether we have her coming off the bench or starting. Emily has done a great job for us as well, adding athleticism and good rebounding when she is on the floor."

knew we had to come out with poise and energy, and take control of the game," Ducy said. "Second half, the entire team stepped up and played McPherson women's basketball. It feels great to come out

win in this conference on any given night."

Prescott isn't the only one that sees how much potential the ladies have. James is positive that if the Bulldogs play like they did in the second half with a big win like that and we against Central when they face teams like Haskell, they will be victorious against any conference team. "It was excellent to come back in the second half and play to our potential," James "When we utilize our said. bench and play with the energy, magic happens. I feel as though if we bottle the feeling we had after tonight's win, excellent things will come as we move forward."



"Shireana is doing a great

Senior Kristen Ozbun led the Bulldogs in scoring against the Tigers with 19 points, going 7-14 on field goals, 2-4 on threes and 3-3 on free-throws. Fellow senior Michelle Ducy, who had 8 points, three assists and seven rebounds, expressed after the game how the Lady Bulldogs really figured out what they needed to do during half-time.

"Going in to half down, we

hope to carry it into our Saturday night game at Haskell."

Despite the recent win, coach Prescott can still see spots where her team needs to get better before conference play.

"We need to improve upon our offensive precision as well as consistency in shooting the ball," Prescott said. "Sterling and Southwestern are going to be tough to beat but are definitely beat-able. Any team can

Photo by Leterius Ray

Freshman guard Shireana Robinson lays up for two points.

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Women knocked out in 2nd round

ALEX STILLWELL Spectator Staff

It was a good year for the women's soccer team, having a very productive season despite losing in the semi- finals of the KCAC Championship Tournament against Kansas Wesleyan. With a score of 3-0, they did not advance to the next round.

The Coyotes scored their first goal in the 12th minute of the game and their second in the next half. The Bulldogs were out shot 16-4, although two of their shots hit the goal frame. The final overall record for the team stands at a winning 10-5-3 while their conference record is 6-1-2.

The Bulldogs did, however, defeat Southwestern in the quarter-finals with a score of 1-0. Freshman Cheyna Buchman believes that despite their recent loss, the team has a lot of potential.



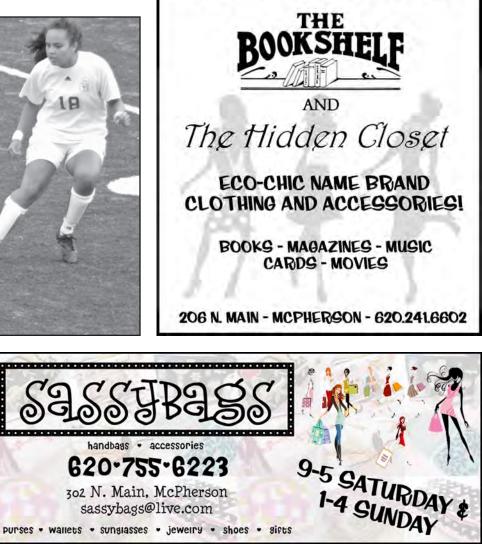
Photo by Benjamin Denton

Senior Whitney Williams navigates down the field, looking for an open teammate in the game agains Kansas Wesleyan on Nov. 10. The Bulldogs lost with a score of 0-2, getting knocked out of the conference championship.

"Everyone has different kinds of talents, and when they are all put together, it works pretty well," Buchman said. "During this off season we will be training, but I don't know what

coach Talley has in mind for us."

A new season will begin in August of next year while off-season play starts up in January with indoor competition.



News

Young excited about college marketing job

DUSTY KITCHEN Spectator Staff

She has been a marketing director, a teacher in elementary and junior high, she was a news reporter in her home town of WestPoint, Miss., and she even went to law school for a brief time.

Ask Nancy Young what she wanted to do in her life, and she'll respond that it took her awhile to figure it out, but she feels she's landed nicely as McPherson's director of marketing and communications.

Young graduated from

West Point High School in West Point, Miss., before moving on to college at Mississippi State University where she then worked to earn her bachelors in business administration with an emphasis in marketing.

As director of marketing and communications, Young's main responsibilities include coordinating the design of brochures, flyers, posters, billboards, and other promotional materials for McPherson College.

Young has taken a lot of time to learn about everything she can on campus.



Nancy Young

"I have basically been meeting with as many people and departments as possible to better understand the atmosphere of McPherson College," Young said. "I enjoy attending extra-curricular events that the college has to offer, and I feel that I learn something new about what we have to offer as a college at each event."

Other plans for Young include rewriting a college-wide marketing plan over the next few months that will incorporate the use of multiple social media outlets. She also hopes to have the McPherson College web site redesigned in the next six months.

Young feels that the success of McPherson College is a sign that this is

her best job ever.

"I am so thankful to be a part of the McPherson College family," Young said "So far, this has been the best place I have ever worked. There are so many cool things happening for us: record enrollment, the youngest president in the United States was just inaugurated, we were the only college in Kansas to perform 'The Laramie Project,' and our football team is having its best year in the history of the college. I feel privileged and proud to be here!"

With all the work she's doing and how involved

she is with events, Young also feels this is the perfect place for her family.

"I am married to David Young, who is an Intensive Care Unit nurse with Salina Regional Health Center," Young said. "We have one son, Andrew, who is four years old. We enjoy spending our free time at Kanopolis Lake where we enjoy boating, hunting, and fishing. My husband and I were both born and raised in Mississippi, but we are proud to be Midwesterners. We feel that Kansas is the best place on earth to live and raise a family!"

Football: local bar scene trouble for Ezebunwa



City Limits Bar and Grill located in downtown McPherson at Maple and Euclid.

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simultaneously. Investigations are still pending at this time.

As said by Richardson, because the event happened off campus, they are letting higher authorities handle any charges pressed.

"I have no personal

knowledge of the event," Richardson said.

After hearing about the drinking violation, Ward called Ezebunwa to validate his presence at the bar. Ezebunwa admitted to breaching the coaches' code of conduct and was removed from his position as assistant coach. "I wouldn't have hired him if he wasn't somebody that I trusted," Ward said. "Obviously he violated that trust and it was something I had to deal with. This is just another opportunity for us [the team] to learn about how our conduct should be off the field."

Career services help students prepare for their futures

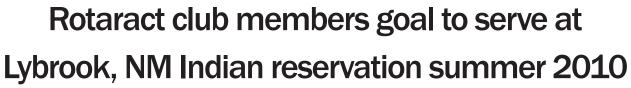
AUDREY SECKER Editor-in-Chief

Writing resumes, finding internships, applying for jobs and grad schools can be daunting tasks for students to do on their own, which is why career services is available to help.

"My job is to help students figure out what their career path will be, to help them with resume writing, grad school search... the bulk of my job is internship placement," said Chris Wiens, director of career services.

In 2008, career services purchased Optimal Resume, a program that teaches students to write professional-looking resumes as well as prepare for job interviews.

"I like Optimal because it had the ability to help a



Chris Wiens

student write their resume but it taught them, too," Wiens said.

Kelsie Patrick, jr., Elizabeth, Colo., had the chance to use Optimal Resume during sophomore seminar.

"I really enjoyed using Optimal Resume because it was really easy to use and I didn't have to deal with all the formatting," Patrick said. Optimal's interview module gives students the chance to practice in their own rooms as if they were being interviewed

The 2009 edition also gives students the opportunity to allow employers who pay for the service to search for their resume.

"It's another way to get your mark out there," Wiens said.

Wiens encourages students to meet with her and let her get to know them so that she can be better able to help them with their futures.

"The more I know students, the better I can help them find a job after graduation," Wiens said. "I have worked in human resources for over ten years, when it comes to recruiting I look for the people who are fit right from the start."

Brethren: church, alumni important

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of the Brethren students. LaMonte Rothrock, dean of students traveled to Pennsylvania earlier in the semester to meet with Church of the Brethren and legacy students, parents, pastors, church constituents and alumni. Tobias also traveled to Virginia, Iowa and Nebraska for similar recruitment. and figure out where to go from here."

Tobias thinks the majority of the Church of

CARLEY SHARP Spectator Staff

"Service Above Self." This motto is embraced by McPherson College's Rotaract Club. Members volunteer their time and talents to the community, assisting with many different projects under the supervision of sponsors Kent Eaton and Abby Archer.

"I would say our number one goal as a club is to be able to do as much as we are able to do to help out others or orga-

nizations," said Rotaract president Nicole Sampson, sr., New Enterprise, Penn.

According to Sampson, the club has participated in many service activities this year. Members have worked the ticket booth at the Scottish Festival, volunteered at the Humane Society and are going to make Thanksgiving and Christmas cards for inmates at the Hutchinson Correctional Facility. The club also helps its parent group, the McPherson Rotary Club, with activities such as preparing dictionaries to be distributed to third graders in McPherson.

"Next semester we will continue with these same services while also volunteering at the Cedars and possibly adding a few more activities," Sampson said.

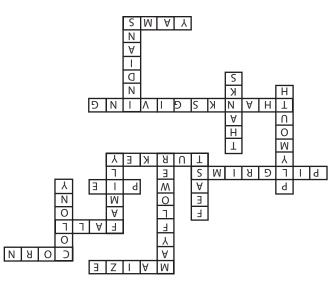
A major fundraiser for the club is the chocolate covered pretzels sales going on now and again around Easter. Funds raised will help pay for the group to go to Ly-Brook, New Mexico, to help the Navajo Indian reservation with projects such as improving public areas and working with children.

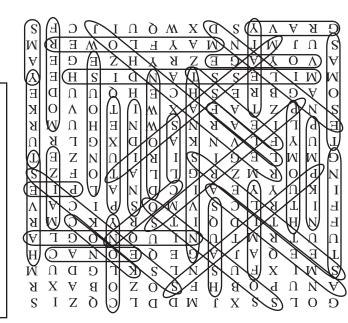
Members enjoy belonging to such a club because of the activities.

"I am in Rotaract because I wanted to be a part of something that gave service to others," said Karissa Ferrell, jr., Las Vegas, Nev.

To join or work with the Rotaract Club contact Karissa at ferrkar@bulldog.mcpherson.edu. "These trips gave us a good starting point where we gathered a lot of information," Tobias said. "Now we have to sit down the Brethren and legacy students will come from more local areas.

"We want to show people that we are extremely financially competitive with a lot of institutions out there," Tobias said. "McPherson College offers a great education at an affordable price and we feel we have a lot to offer in all aspects of college life.





Schneider featured on Hatteberg's People

Kristen Kirkman News Editor

On Sunday, Nov. 15, President Michael Schneider was featured on "Hatteberg's People" on KAKE news.

Schneider feels the attention was given to McPherson College because of the "good" happening on campus. Schneider was contacted about being featured

on the show and set up a time to meet the next day.

News reporter Larry Hatteberg, whose personal features about unique Kansas residents are known state-wide, followed Schneider on campus for about five hours and then sat down to interview him. Hatteberg then stayed and gathered more footage of the college.

"I did my best to prop up the college," Schneider said.

The interview proves that. A lot of the campus is shown, along with students and Schneider talking about different programs.

"I think it's really good for the college and neat for Michael Schneider," said Savannah Sievers, soph., St. John.

The program segment can be viewed online at www.kake.com/hattebergpeople.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION NEWS

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SGA has a plan for the SU Basement. It is proposed to have one 52" to 55" television with a 250 watt home theater surround sound system. Potential games for the basement include shuffle board and one or two air hockey tables.

Plans for the basement are not finished, but are in the works. For this semester, SGA plans on adding more to the basement, and next semester additions may include things such as another TV.