

In Campus Life Students had the opportunity to travel to New York City and Turkey over interterm to earn class credit.

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In Sports Mens basketball finishes near the top of the conference and begins tournament play next week.

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### THE STUDENTS' VOICE SINCE 1917

### **News Briefs**

**Miller Library** Speaker

Dr. Cheryl Ragar of K-State will be

presenting "Finding

**Reflections on Place** 

the Home Place:

and Meaning" in

Barack Obama's

book "Dreams of My Father" in Miller

Library this Sunday.

start at 2 p.m. and

minutes. Students

interested in joining

the book disussion

about "Dreams of My

Father" this semster

are invited in to sign

up for a free copy of

Weight Loss clinic

Kelli Johnson will

weight loss group on

Wed. nights starting

March 3. The group

will provide students

with information on where and how to

work out, how to eat healthy and a support group to keep

Free H1N1 shots

Student services

them on track.

to be offered

be conducting a

the book.

will last 30 to 45

The presentation will

# McPherson College students, faculty Work together to help Haiti

KIMBERLI ROQUEMORE Spectator Staff

McPherson College is lending a helping hand to the victims of the Haiti disaster.

Tom Hurst, director of campus ministry, is teaming up with students to provide hygiene kits and clean water to the people of Haiti.

Hurst stepped in as point person in response to an interterm Latin American history class that was expressing the desire to help the Haiti people in some way.

"We should do something, and we can," Hurst said. "If we can get some kits and save some money, we've done something."

Hurst arranged for Church World Service to act as the middleman to make sure the people who need donations receive the gifts.

Emily James, fr., West-

minster, Colo., is acting as the supervisor for the health kit drive while Jillian Overstake, sr., Fort Scott, is overseeing the fundraiser for clean water.

"I wanted to work on the relief project because there was a strong need and a way that we could easily help," James said. "The kits are a simple way to have a strong impact."

It costs \$10 to build a complete hygiene kit that includes a hand towel, a washcloth, one widetooth comb, one nail clipper, one bar of soap, one toothbrush, and six standard size adhesive bandages. For the water drive it is estimated that a donation of only \$100 will supply 15,000 Haitians with clean drinking water. It is the goal to raise more than \$100.

"To buy a comb or toothbrush, anybody can do this," Hurst said. "These things will go to people



Photo By Ben Denton

One hygiene kit inludes a hand towel, a washcloth, one wide-tooth comb, one nail clipper, one bar of soap, one toothbrush and six standard size adhesive bandages.

who need them."

To generate more interest in the relief project, the college will be hosting a dorm competition to ob-

tain hygiene kits. The college is also working with the Church of the Brethren to help Haiti. Anyone who would like Overstake or Hurst.

to donate money or items to either hygiene kits or the Haiti water project may phone or e-mail James,



SGA makes improvements to constitutional amendment



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to transporting them and

will be providing free H1N1 shots and \$20 flu shots Tuesday, March 2, in the Hoffman Student Union. Flu shots can be charged to your account.

### SAB to host bowling

SAB will be hosting bowling this Sunday from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Starlite Lanes on Kansas Ave. in McPherson. The bowling is free and pizza will be provided.

### **Business office** requires forms to be filed

The FAFSA for the 2010-11 school year is due March 1. Students who do not yet have their 2009 taxes filed can use 2008 taxes as an estimate. Students must also fill out the census.

### SGA elections approaching

Petitions for SGA can be picked up at lunch in the cafeteria from March 1 to 5. They are due to the SGA campus mail box by March 9 and elections for SGA will begin March 25.

### Spectator Staff

Reverend John Fife, human rights activist, has been on campus since Tuesday, speaking in classrooms throughout the week and presenting at convocation today.

At convocation, Fife, a retired Presbyterian minister, will be presenting "Crossing the Line: Faith, Ethics and Crossing the Border," talking about his work helping refugees from Central America.

In the 1980s, Fife cofounded the Sanctuary Movement, focusing on helping refugees from Guatemala and El Salvador come to the United States to find sanctuary. With the help of over 500 churches, the Sanctuary Movement grew and helped refugees across the border in defiance of



John Fife

United States law.

In 1986, Fife and seven other activists were convicted of alien-smuggling charges and served five years probation.

With the help of Fife, the organization No More Deaths was founded in 2004. Their primary goal is to end immigrant deaths along the US-Mexico border. Volunteers give aid to people crossing the border, from giving a glass of water

hiding them from border patrol. Tom Hurst, Director of Campus Ministry, invited

Fife onto campus. The two worked together in Canton, Ohio, in 1967. "I'm hoping that students will learn that all of us, in some way, can put our faith into action," Hurst said.

Students have had numerous opportunities to listen and to learn from Reverend Fife throughout the week. He spoke in various classes, led chapel on Wednesday and has had several meals with students.

"To me, John Fife is exactly the type of motivational, challenging and controversial figure of faith that a higher education college like ours needs to introduce its students to," Hurst said.

### SHANNON WILLIAMS News Editor

SGA has been doing research and is making plans to improve the constitution by making a few additions and changes in the next couple months.

"It will be a long drawn out process, and more will develop over the next couple of months," said Lane Allison, SGA president, soph., Greensburg, Kan.

SGA is looking to change how the voting is done for the incoming SGA board; to increase salaries for SGA, SAB and the Spectator; making elections for the SGA board earlier and to remove office hours for the SGA president and vice president. They would also like to add a Baer apartment representative to the board.

"We can't change anything without the student body's approval," said Savannah Sievers, SGA vice president, soph., St. John, Kan.

After SGA decides what they would like to change in the constitution, the student body will have to vote on it for it to be changed.

Sievers said the SGA board believes the current constitution is not very specific in some parts and they would like to change it to clear up any confusion.

"We looked at a lot of other college's constitutions and they were a lot easier to follow," Sievers said.

The board is planning for this to be a very long

# Campus event spotlights diversity: "The Black Jew Dialogues" playss on campus Sunday in Mingenback

### AUDREY SECKER Editor-in-Chief

On a campus as diverse

To teach students to celebrate and embrace our diversity, student services has invited "The Black Jew Dialogues" to present to the campus and community.

"We are one of the most diverse small campuses in the Midwest," LaMonte Rothrock, dean of students said. "We're all different, so how do we get along with each other, deal with each other?"

Through a combination of sketches, improvisations and multimedia, Larry Tish and Ron Jones will teach viewers about the history of prejudice and racism within the context of the American Black-Jew experience.

"One of our challenges is bringing in a group and also getting some

"We are one of the most diverse small campuses in the Midwest."

–LaMonte Rothrock

dialogue," Rothrock said. "They are one of the hottest acts on college campuses and they leave time at the end of their show for questions and discussion."

The two-person play takes students on a ride through three days spent in a hotel room discussing their own experiences, the histories of their people and why there is a riff between their cultures.

"It's another one of those events that's pretty blunt," Rothrock said. "It's one of how to embrace and celebrate the fact that we're so diverse."

Through humor, "The Black Jew Dialogues" is a perceptive and exciting look at the condition of race and cultural relations in America.

"This is a way to educate everyone on campus and in the community," Rothrock said. "There is no reason we shouldn't have 300 or more people in the audience."

"The Black Jew Dialogues" will be presenting this Sunday at 3 p.m. in Mingenback.

as McPherson, students have the opportunity to learn without entering a classroom. There are many opportunities to learn about diverse cultures.

### VIEWPOINTS

### LEAD EDITORIAL

## Simple donations to Haiti available

The earthquake in Haiti left a third of the country in desperate need of help. The water is unsafe to drink, Haitians have lost

their personal belongings and have no toiletries to keep clean. What can a small campus like ours do to help?

There are two projects currently in progress on campus. Emily

James, fr., Westminster, Colo., has started collecting hygiene items for kits that can be sent to Haiti. The kits cost about \$10. Even if single items are purchased they can be used to fill incomplete kits. The list of hygiene products can be found on posters around campus and the donation boxes for the kits and hygiene products are located in dorms and other buildings.

Another service project is in association with HaitiWater.org. Jillian Overstake, sr., Ft. Scott, and campus minister Tom Hurst have joined together and are seeking donations for this organization that uses the collected money to rent a truck that brings fresh water to 15,000 Haitians. One hundred dollars is the amount for one truck. If everyone donated a few dollars we could reach this goal and possibly exceed it.

These are two simple and effortless ways to help those in need. Contact Jillian Overstake, Emily James or Tom Hurst for more information on these service projects.

## Diversity event guaranteed to open minds

With this outrageous title, who wouldn't want to attend? This Sunday, February 21 at 3 pm, McPherson College will host "The Black Jew Dialogues," an event discussing the lives of two American minorities that have a lot of shocking things in com-

mon. Larry Jay Tish and Ron Jones cre-ISSUE 2: ated the show hoping The Black Jew to show similarities Dialogues between cultures that OUR POSITION: seem to be on the to-Students should attend tal opposite end of the this event. spectrum. Both black and Jewish communities have experienced some of the same emotional turmoil through their years of civil injustice. According to their website, the show's focus "is on the commonality that all Americans share including hatred, bigotry and bias."



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### **Not Necessarily Ordinary**



# Xalapa, Mexíco: The Journey of a Lifetime

Columnist discusses her cross-cultural experiences from abroad

Studying abroad is full of firsts, some met with eagerness: freedom away from home, new cultural rituals and celebrations and travel experiences; and others met with apprehension: riding alone in a taxi, eating a quesadilla chapulines (grasshoppers), (or rather, watching your best friend eat it!) and possessing minimal understanding of the language spoken by the people with whom you live.

During my pre-departure preparation, I underwent countless questions from inquisitive and astonished friends and family. "You're going to be gone for five months? Aren't you nervous that you aren't fluent in Spanish and will be living with a Mexican family? How will you get along without an operating cell phone?" My favorite questions reflected curiosity about what items are available in Mexico. "Will you be able to eat anything but tacos? Can you buy shampoo and soap? How will you wash your laundry? Will you be able to use your computer or the telephone to talk to me?" I chuckled, answered these questions, and continued my preparations. I knew this journey to Mexico would include the good, the bad, and the ugly, but I had waited six years for this opportunity. The hellos that awaited me in Mexico made the goodbyes in Kansas easier. Now that I'm here and experiencing the culture daily, I realized that the pre-departure questions were deep-seeded in a misunderstanding of the Mexican culture for others as well as for myself. My contact continues



FAR AND AWAY

### Melisa Grandison

with people in the U.S., as do the questions people ask me. My experiences, however, allow me to provide better answers accompanied by much fewer chuckles.

I had a free weekend during the first month of my trip. Mira Coulter, junior, Wakita, Okla., and I bussed to Acapulco for some sun and sightseeing. We stayed in a beach side Copacabana hotel and spent all day swimming in the ocean. Acapulco is a beautiful area, but intended to entertain tourists. Merchants lined the beach with numerous and varied goods for sale. Before I left for Mexico, many mentioned the markets. "The markets are cheap but the merchants are pushy." I heard it repeatedly, but this was my second trip to Mexico so I felt prepared. After countless offers for henna tattoos, earrings, dresses, and string bracelets I gave into the annoyance people had warned me about. Mira just ignored them. Later we heard a nearby tourist bargaining with a merchant. These tourists knew very little Spanish but of course had a grasp on the exchange rate of pesos to dollars, which is

about 13 pesos to the US dollar. This merchant sold dresses and one woman did not like her prices. Mira and I quickly realized the merchant did not speak English and was unaware of the rude and hurtful comments by these tourists, that the merchandise was "poorly made" and "not even worth the Canadian dollar." Mira and I, disgusted, made no attempt to hide our horror as we stared at them. We quickly dismissed the idea to help after discussing the possible outcomes. We did not want to help the merchant understand the comments.

Mira and I discussed our impressions. I suddenly felt ashamed for being annoyed with the merchants. They work here. I vacationed in their area. Why am I annoyed to be sold something? They weren't hassling or berating me. In the United States, I go to car lots where I know there are salesmen, but I go anyway. When I go to restaurants, the waiters ask me to purchase more food or drink. I do not expect them to stop, do I? In an effort to understand, I stopped the woman selling clothing, and to the best of my Spanish speaking ability, began a conversation. The process of making linens, dresses and scarves was taught to each generation of her family and she had been doing it for over 30 years. She walks this beach every day and meets people from all over the world, including Kansas. She also smiled and said something about seeing the beautiful beach every day. Through this conversation, I realized my feelings about

this business portion of the Mexican culture were without experience.

The way of life in Mexico is more leisurely than that of the United States and their systems of business, art, music and education are markedly different.

My appreciation for the culture has increased because I am experiencing these cultural differences.

At the beginning of my journey in Mexico, the resident director cautioned against comparing and contrasting the two cultures; that doing so could result in culture shock and thereby negatively affect our opportunities to submerge ourselves within the culture. This thinking made sense to me initially. After a few weeks, however, I disagree with those thoughts. Through my experiences here, I can identify differences and in doing so, I can appreciate them. This country is full of exploration opportunities and I am learning; learning about each cultural component before judging it. So here's to a semester of new experiences. It promises to be an enlightening ride. Each issue I will be writing about my experiences in this new and exciting culture. I hope this column inspires some students to make the decision to study abroad. Learning from different cultures is one of the many learning opportunities a lot of students wish they could have experienced in college. Don't make that mistake. Take an Interterm trip if you can't take off a whole semester. It's amazing what a week or two in another country.

Come and learn about the path of diversity and what affects it has had over centuries.

# The McPherson College

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After the attempted Christmas day terrorist attack by Umar Farouk Abdulmutallab, the media and government officials began to question American practices on interrogating captured terrorists. The debates focused on whether individuals deemed as terrorist or enemy combatants should be given their Miranda rights. One side of the debate was saying that after Abdulmutallab was read his Miranda rights, he quit talking. This lost us valuable information on future attacks that jeopardize the safety of our country. The other side of the debate focuses on people arrested by the U.S. and their rights given based on the Constitution.

So after many heated debates, many right wing and left wing individuals believed that Abdulmutallab should have never been Mirandized. So on this basis, if terrorists are denied their rights, then what are the criteria for whom to give rights? Should arrested peoples who look like terrorist be discriminated against? What does a terrorist look like? Should we judge them because they think differently than us? Are there basic telltale signs of a terrorist besides the obvious attempted attacks?

The Missouri Information Analysis Center



(MIAC) Strategic Report titled The Modern Militia Movement was printed in February of 2009. It states that so-called militia members could be capable of domestic terrorism. Interestingly enough, some of the criteria stated by MIAC for being a potential domestic terrorist is supporting Ron Paul, believing in the constitution, being part of or displaying Libertarian party items and opposing illegal immigration, just to name a few.

What does this have to do with the underwear bomber? If this terrorist was denied rights given to all criminals, then the government could deny a citizen of our own country their basic rights because they may be part of a "militia." Former New Jersey Superior Court Judge, Andrew Napolitano was quoted last week saying,

"My greatest fear is that lack of fidelity to the Constitution will expose innocent people to the wrath of the government in ways that the Founders could have never intended."

Another idea being thrown around by the Obama administration is the idea of preventive detention. Preventive detention allows people to be indefinitely imprisoned for crimes that have yet to be committed. Habeas corpus is a right stating that any detainee has a right to seek their writ of habeas corpus giving them the opportunity to be brought before the court to determine whether the government has the right to continue detaining them.

The Military Commissions Act of 2006 gave the President the power to identify anyone as an enemy combatant and to strip them of their writ of habeas corpus. It also gave them the power to hold individuals indefinitely. Even after Section 7 of the Military Commissions Act was found to be unconstitutional, limitations to restrict U.S. citizens of being labeled as enemy combatants still does not exist. So I go back to my point of how easy it is for the government to label a part of our population as possible domestic terrorists.

the After attempted Christmas day attack, many governments worldwide began to implement full body scanners at every terminal in international airports. Many questions arise as to whether these scanners are legal based on privacy issues, child pornography issues and whether the images are actually stored in a database. The public was reassured that all images were immediately destroyed after the operator viewed the image. Last week, this detail was proven untrue when a full body scan image of a naked Indian film star began circulating throughout London's Heathrow Airport.

Supporters of these safety measures believe that the only way for our country to be safe is to give up our God-given liberties. Where is the line drawn when we have given up enough liberties to win our freedom from terrorism? Will it come to the point where we have given up so much freedom only to be controlled by our own government? The idea of giving up liberty for security is a fallacy. It can only be considered a nationwide case of Stockholm syndrome where our own government has become the captor with which we give our trust, only to be left without freedom.

Many people argue that Abdulmutallab is an ene-

my combatant. Their case is based on the idea that he committed a violation of an act of war because he tried to kill American civilians. Has anyone questioned the thousands of Iraqi civilians that have died during our "Iraqi Freedom" operations? Or the number of civilians dead after our repeated drone attacks on Pakistan, a country with which we haven't even declared war?

General David Patraeus gave testimony in front of Congress in April, 2008. His charts revealed the death toll for Iraqi civilians reached a monthly peak of over 3,600 in December, 2006.

Now think: that is only one month of fighting and we have been there since March, 2003.

In the end, we must decide as a country what is best for our national safety. Either we give everyone their rights as a person arrested in the United States, or we restrict Miranda rights from everyone. I hope the latter never comes true and we finally try people for the crimes they have committed.

In order for us to clean up our image around the world, we need to adhere to what America was founded on and hold to the ideal that individuals are innocent until proven guilty.



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

I hate that my roommate wakes up for practice at 6:30 in the morning.

Burnt chicken = bad.

I'm googoo for Gaga.

Can you have too much potassium? This is my third banana.

I have a Facebook hangover.

Support the Haiti relief effort and be a do-gooder.

I have a funky side and no, it doesn't stink.

I love reading my BAE book.

Quit sending me email about intramurals. I don't want to play, sorry.

I love having my bathroom cleaned. Thank you Red Team!

Mom and Dad, could you please fill out my taxes for me for the rest of my life? Thank you, your daughter.

## One hundred dollars brings fresh water to 15,000

On Tuesday, January 12, a devastating earthquake hit Haiti. An estimated three million people were affected by the 7.0 magnitude quake. That number includes those dead, injured, homeless, starving, sick and hurt. The United Nations estimates that there were around ten million people living in Haiti in 2008. A third of the country's entire population has had their lives forever changed – imagine if that country were McPherson College's campus. There are around 550 students attending McPherson right now. If a third of our student body were dead, injured, homeless, starving, sick or hurt, those of us who were not directly affected would undoubtedly never be the same. One hundred and



JILLIAN SAYS . . .

would call for help as the Haitians have. They have called for help from the most powerful nations in the world, and those nations have answered, calling upon the citizens to do their part. Take care of those in need, our government says, using former Presidents Bill Clinton and George W. Bush in television commercials to spread the message that donations are needed. The superstars of the world haven't overlooked the crisis, either: from Beyonce to Justin Timberlake, who performed at the Hope for Haiti Now: A Global Benefit for Earthquake Relief telethon, celebrities are using their talent and reaching into their pockets for the benefit of people they will never meet. All of these resources,

time and money are going to those in need, providing them with at least the basics of survival. Food, medicines, clothing, shelter - and most importantly, water. Without water, those hurt and sick and without homes could die within days. If the people of Haiti try to drink the contaminated water in wells, they could contract diseases that could kill or severely disable them We can act like this has directly affected our lives, too; act like the earthquake was felt here, 2044 miles away. Two campaigns have been started to benefit the people of Haiti. One, headed by freshman Emily James from Westminster, Colo., involves gathering health kits that include various hygiene-related items like

washcloths, toothbrushes and combs. Another I have started with the help of campus minister Tom Hurst. We want to raise at least \$100 to donate a truck for a day that will bring clean fresh water to 15,000 Haitians through a program called HaitiWater.org. If we raise more than that, we can donate

eighty three people would be directly affected. Our friends, perhaps family, roommates or even people we brush by every day would be in trouble. With such a small community, we would be absolutely emotionally annihilated.

If it were our campus, what would we do? We

the money for more days. We're still brainstorming solutions, but \$100 is nothing compared to the lives it will change.

If students would like to donate, please contact Tom Hurst. He's in his office in the Student Union and is eager to talk to students about helping McPherson College make an impact in Haiti. Part of our college's mission is Service – let's expand it around the world.

I had six cups of coffee today. Is that a lot?

Convocation will be exciting on Friday!

Can we switch out

the grape juice for tomato juice?

I saw sushi at a grocery store in the deli/seafood department the other day. I wouldn't trust it if it was made in Kansas.

Canada is America's hat.

The bicycle wanted to go to the store but it didn't because it was two tired.

There's a moldy cup on my desk but I don't want to clean it.



Pandora better not ever ask me to pay for it. I won't do it.

On the Fly

### In your opinion, what percent of students donated something for Haitian relief efforts?



"Ten percent." Eddie Rodriguez Sr., Dallas, Texas



"Five percent. A lot more could if there were group motivation behind them, I think."

Ashley Zodrow Jr., Chapman



"I think ten to fifteen percent have already. More students could donate but they just haven't."

Brent Mulford Jr., Topeka

"Three percent."

**Bill Kleines** Soph., Akron, Ohio



"Ten percent."

Brandon Maser Jr., Great Bend



"Five percent." David Ecker Sr., Salina



### CAMPUS LIFE



Robby Tobias, sr., Conrad, Iowa practices pushing Zack Gaddis, jr., Oklahoma City, Okla. for their upcoming production.

## 'Blood Brothers' to hit McPherson stage

CARLEY SHARP Spectator Staff

Kelsey Leiker has spent the last ten months working on her senior show. The long awaited musical "Blood Brothers" is hitting the stage next weekend in Brown Auditorium. The story is extremely popular in London; however, it is roughly unknown in the United States.

"I loved this show when I first read it," Kelsey Leiker, sr., Goodland, said. "The music is catchy and will have you singing it for weeks."

"Blood Brothers" is a story of twins separated at birth and raised in mirror image environments.

The twins grow up to become best friends - only to be separated again. The separation of different classes is evident and makes the audience think about this usually ignored problem.

The show is very timely for viewers with the current economic recession.

"With issues of human equality and rights peppering the news, from taxes to health care to marriage, I think this show speaks to today's American

society," said director Jd. Bowman, assistant professor of theatre.

Leiker will be starring as Mrs. Johnstone, the birth mother of the twins. Other characters include Robby Tobias, sr., Conrad, Iowa, who plays Mickey, the twin Mrs. Johnstone keeps, Joey Staskowski, fr., Oriskany Falls, New York, plays Eddie, the twin given away. Micki Crook, fr., Overbrook, plays Mrs. Lyons, Eddie's adoptive mother. Rebecca Grosbach, sr., Enders, Neb., plays Linda, the best

friend and later love interest of the twins, and Mark Dowdy, soph., Huntingdon, Penn., plays the narrator.

"This show is completely different than any show I've ever done here," Grosbach said. "It's a more challenging role, and I'm having a lot of fun. I'm excited to perform it and see how it turns out."

Show dates are Feb. 26 and 27 at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is encouraged to go to the show, but it should be noted that strong language and adult themes are incorporated.



A THOUGHTFULLY DEVISED ARRAY OF QUESTIONS FOR ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF TECHNOLOGY ED BARR

TAYLOR ADAMS



Tell me about yourself, Ed.

How do you learn to work with metal?

I'm married, I have three kids and three dogs. I own a home in Pennsylvania, my family will join me here as soon as we sell it. I lived in Mac while I was a student here, so we have friends here. We are very excited about being back.

Now, you have a lot of degrees from a lot of different places. Tell me about that.

I have a Bachelor's degree from the University of the South. I actually went to law school, but after one and a half years I decided the practice of law didn't appeal to me

My first experience with metal was making metal sculpture in college. My art background has complimented what I've done in restoration. A lot of old cars were hand-made, the amount of standardization was very little. You can see the artistry involved.

What will you change in the next years about the panel fabrication and welding classes?

I look forward to teaching the advanced classes. I will give more opportunities to look at project cars and different techniques. I was very excited about the breadth of the general course, but metalwork just takes time to learn.

### Relationship advice: the good, the bad, and the ugly

KELSEY GRAY Spectator Staff

blue. Oh please, Cosmo, tell me what to do. Because he loves me, he love me not, help me know what to do so I don't get caught! Thousands of women look to love advice sections in magazines like Cosmopolitan to tell them how to attract that perfect man. They explain how to be the "perfect girlfriend" or how to "read his mind," but are their advice columns worth your while?

man said. "You should know if your significant gifts," Bowman said. other is more feminine or Another downfall to emphasis. them through those terms." The gender spectrum that Bowman refers too is explained in a textbook by Julia T. Woods. In Gendered Lives Woods explains that masculinity and femininity can range from person to person. Not all men are masculine, and not all women are feminine. When you recognize these traits in your partner, you will be able to please them based on how they fall on the spectrum. "A more feminine man would probably prefer to hear how much you care for them whereas a more masculine man would probably prefer to be

shown with affection or

Roses are red violets are masculine, and approach these columns and self While sales of Cosmo -help books is that some of the authors don't have any background or education in communication or gender studies. For example, John Gray, author of the best selling book Men Are from Mars, Women Are from Venus has a Ph.D. in psychology and human sexuality. His books, though, are about the gender and relationship communication differences between men and women. This is true also for many of the Ph.D.s referenced in magazines like Cosmo. They do not have backgrounds in relationship or gender studies; usually

their degrees are psychology degrees with no noted

Becki Bowman, assistant professor of communication, says no.

"Those advice articles don't take into account gender spectrums," Bow-

continue, women on McPherson's campus seem to have the right perspective on the advice they read.

Of the women surveyed 62 percent said yes, they read Cosmo or something similar. But, only 28 percent believe the advice works. Only 12 percent of the women actually implement the advice into their relationship.

Next time while reading a love advice article do as Kelli Pfau Johnson, personal counselor, says. "Sure, go ahead and read them for fun. Just don't try to use the advice in your real relationships."



It's the new semester, and summer break seems like a long way away. Winter can be very cold and depressing, which can be especially true here in Kansas. However, there are ways to enjoy the winter, and make the rest of the semester breeze by without a hitch.

Find things to do indoors. Sometimes it can be dumping so much snow or ice or be so cold

that it's almost impossible to be outside for longer than a few minutes. Play games inside such as card games or board games. If you are not into that, play video games, pool, ping pong or anything to pass the time. Just keep in mind that summer is on the way.

On some days it's nice enough to go outside and do something, but what is there to do? If there

is snow on the ground there are many possibilities, such as sledding, building snowmen and snowball fights. Without snow the options are a bit more limited. You can do things like ice skating, or maybe wash your car if it's a nice day.

But the biggest piece of advice I have for surviving the winter is to take a trip during spring break. There is nothing like a change of scenery, especially if you travel

somewhere warm. There are many warm spring break destinations, such as South Padre Island, Cancun, Mexico, California, Florida and plenty more. This is a great way to take a week off from winter, and come back with a fresh mind.

These are all great ways to keep you occupied during the rest of the winter. Whether you stay inside, venture outside or take a trip, just keep in mind that spring is just around the corner.

After that I started working in studio art.

What has been your favorite place to live?

Wherever my family is, really. You can be happy anywhere under the right circumstances. Mac is a great place to raise a family, the pace of living here is very different than that of Pennsylvania.

Tell me about your restoration work in Maryland.

After graduating here in 2007, I went to Vintage

> Restorations Ltd. in Union Bridge, Maryland. We restored British cars. I did almost exclusively metal work. It was a lot of fun, every car had a new set of issues to resolve.

How has the campus changed since you last left?

I'm not sure it has changed, everyone is still very friendly. Before, I was not on the meal plan. I'm very happy to be there now, I don't think I've ever eaten so good.

How does it feel to be on the other side of the desk instructor vs. student?

A lot of people have asked me that. It's not that strange, I've taught before. I had always hoped I could come back, I just didn't think it would be this soon. It has all worked out better than expected.



1. The Haghia Sophia Cathedral is located in Istanbul, Turkey, and was the largest cathedral in the world for nearly a thousand years. 2. Students visited a Ground Zero Museum Workshop while in New York City, this calendar and phone were part of the exhibit. 3. Pamukkale is Turkey's foremost mineral-bath spa, students had a chance to explore its pools and waters. 4. Nacole Dugger, jr., Crescent, Okla., and Katie Doffing, soph., Conway Sperings, exploring Pamukkale. 5. Students caught a glimpse of the Naked Cowboy in Times Square. 6. Herb and Jean Smith pose in front of the Cappadocia region, which includes a high plateau over 1000m in altitude that is pierced by volcanic peaks.

## Going places: interterm provides out-of-classroom experiences

Ashley Dameron Spectator Staff

Over interterm a number of lucky students were given the opportunity to travel to New York City, New York, and Turkey. They gained perspective on culture, whether it be in another country or just another state.

The trip to Turkey started in Wichita, where planes took students to Chicago, London, and finally their destination. They traveled by bus to seven cities across Turkey, staring in Istanbul. Students traveled along the west coast, through the southern half of the country and finished in Kayseri.

Along the way, students saw a number of ancient ruins. The ruins portrayed life as it was in ancient times, giving the students insight to the ancient Turkish culture.

"The incredible architecture of all the ancient ruins was beyond mesmerizing," said Lindsey Linnebur, fr., Wamego. "Their ability to construct such wonders in such a primitive time was truly amazing."

Turkey was very different than the United States. Turkish diet consisted mainly of rice, fresh fish, lamb and chicken.

Most of the people were Muslim and women followed the full dress code where only their eyes are shown. Others have become more lenient and dress in casual, every day clothes. Five times a day prayer is recited over loud speakers across the city.

During worship in the mosque, everyone is bare-

foot and all women are in the back. In everyday culture, crossing ones legs is viewed as inappropriate, because it's considered pointing with a foot, and yawning is considered to be very rude.

New York City was everything Hollywood makes it out to be. The students saw a number of Broadway shows, including "Chicago" and "The Lion King," along with several others. They got to tour the Metropolitan Opera House, Ground Zero, Central Park, Ellis Island and the Statue of Liberty, and Times Square which was located just outside the hotel.

"Ground Zero was really cool because we got to touch stuff," said Adriana Dreier, soph., Hesston. "And in the Opera House, we were allowed to go back stage and see everything."

All the students had a fun experience. Though the memories they made were happy, there were parts of the trip that were very eye opening.

"Ground Zero was very sad and very touching, and I've never felt so much sadness in my life at one spot," Dreier said. "Ellis Island was very interesting, but very sad as well."

Both trips were an intriguing and a one of a kind experience for all of the students that went.

Many people do not get a chance to see another culture firsthand, and there are some who never get to see the beauty of New York City. We are lucky that McPherson College offers these once-in-a-lifetime opportunities.

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After falling deeply in love with the film in 2002, I couldn't wait to see "Chicago The Musical" in New York City. Catherine Zeta Jones and Renee Zellweger really made me want to

take dance lessons and become the next Roxy Hart. I wasn't the only one either; between the show and the film, "Chicago" won six Tony Awards, six Oscars, and a Grammy. Obviously, I'm not Roxy Hart dancing on Broadway, and Ashlee Simpson- Wentz, who played Hart, should stick to being a mom.

Chicago's a classic: filled with murder, sex, jazz, and more sex. Chicago follows the story of a young Roxy Hart, an aspiring entertainer than turns to murder after her affair took a very sour turn. Lucky for "Foxy Roxy Hart," she meets with Mama Morton, the jail keeper, to help her get lawyer Billy Flynn. Although not all the girls, like Velma Kelly, welcome Roxy into the jail.

I won't ruin the ending, but this is a mustsee film, but unfortunately, not a must-see live show.

I can get over the fact that the original cast member Jones was busy at "A Little Night Time Music," and Zellweger was probably in Los Angeles with Bradley Cooper, but the cast in Broadway's version was horrible. Simpson-Wentz's performance made me flash back to her lip syncing days. She talked most of the songs, and when she did sing, she never had any passion or a smile on her face.

Simpson-Wentz liked to make baby noises frequently through the show, which made her performance flop even more. Luckily for New York, Simpson-Wentz was replaced with Destinys Child's Michelle Williams as of Feb. 8.

The rest of the cast was on Simpson-Wentz's energy level throughout the show. They chatted on the side, and generally looked miserable, forcing the performance. I would like to think it's because the girls were wearing lace cat suits with thongs, while the men just looked ridiculous with tights and fishnet button down shirts. At some points of the show, lines and actions were blatantly scripted and just felt out of character.

Velma Kelly, played by Deidre Goodwin, was awesome. She really nailed Ms. Kelly, and unlike Simpson-Wentz, could actually carry a tune. Goodwin also looked genuinely happy throughout the show. As they were doing curtain call, Goodwin looked at Simpson-Wentz with a "look happy ditz, it's over" face.

Simpson-Wentz's stage husband, Amos Hart, played by Raymond Bokhour, really stole the show. He had an outstanding voice, and really made the audience feel bad for the one and only "Mr. Cellophane." He was a great husband, and it was obvious he felt something for Mrs. Hart.

In reality, I'm glad I got to see "Chicago," But due to Ashlee Simpson-Wentz's performance, watching tiny women dance in next to nothing with guys who had nothing to hide, I probably could have passed on seeing this show. Well, at least passing on Simpson-Wentz's version of Roxy Hart at least.



Sophomore guard Aaron Frazier looks for an opening to the basket around his Friends opponent at the home game on Feb. 13.

# Men seal position in post-season

Sports



Photo by Torey Fry

#### Leterius Ray Multimedia Editor

McPherson College mens basketball faced St. Marys at home on Feb. 11, defeating the Spires 68 to 48 and improving their conference record to 12-3.

St.Mary's Eric Avant is the conference leading scorer and rebounder, averaging 21.6 points and 8.19 rebounds per game. The Bulldogs held him to 16 points and 3 rebounds.

Aaron Frazier and Charles Moore led the bulldogs in scoring with 13 points each. Antowine Lamb and Marlon Dominique both scored 12 points. Lamb recorded his sixth double-double of the season with 11 rebounds,

which was also the game high. McPherson brought down 11 more rebounds than St. Mary's, also recording nine more assists and committing eight less turnovers. The strong win against the Spires secured them at least the third seed spot in the conference tournament.

"Saturday night was very emotional," said head coach Tim Swartzendruber. "The seniors have done a fantastic job this season. A lot of their families were here for the first time to see them play."

The Bulldogs also faced Friends University at home on Feb. 13, their second meeting of the season. This time around, Friends came into the Sports Center and jumped out in front. The Falcons lead by as much as 11, but McPherson fought their way back within one before halftime.

It was a back and forth battle for most of the second half. Late in the game, McPherson rallied to a 53-48 lead. With the score 59-56, Friends made three straight defensive stops and hit three consecutive three point shots. The Falcons regained the lead, 59-62.

Senior guard Charles Moore II makes his way around a Falcon opponent, dribbling toward the hoop. Senior guard Mike Reece led the Bulldogs with 23 points and four rebounds, while sophomore Aaron Frazier shot

12 points. Senior Antowine Lamb recorded 10 points and 10 rebounds for a double-double.

Friends guard Chris Jackson might have played the worst game of his life on Saturday. He shot 2/10 from the field, 2/8 from behind the arc, and 3/6 from the free throw line. The only people that harassed Jackson more than the Bulldogs' defense were the Bulldogs' fans. With the game on the line, he still managed to hit one of the threes that propelled Friends to a nine point lead.

The Bulldogs were unable to answer the late surge and Friends went on to win 63-60. The out-

come guarantees Friends the regular season championship, top seed in the KCAC tournament and a national tournament bid.

"I thought we played hard, but it was difficult to overcome the distractions," Swartzendruber said.

Lamb scored a game high 18 points and seven rebounds. Sophomore guard Aaron Frazier also grabbed seven rebounds.

"Antowine has been playing outstanding down the stretch," Swartzendruber said. "His focus, effort and enthusiasm-I want it to continue."

# Hard-fought season ends on rough note for Lady Bulldogs

#### AUDREY SECKER Editor-in-Chief

The Lady Bulldogs basketball team's records dropped to 3-13 in the KCAC conference and 6-18 overall, after being defeated 80-58 by Friends University.

"It's been a rough year," senior forward Carley Sharp said. "But the team has alot of potential for the future."

Junior guard Kristen Ozbun led the team with 18 points on 8 of 13 shootings.

Friends senior Jessica Halsig scored 10 of the Falcons 14 points as they jumped to an early 14-8 lead.

The Bulldogs were quick to cut the deficit to two points early in the game but failed to hold off the Falcon offense, going into the locker room down by 14 points.

The second half proved hard for the Bulldogs when early in the second half the Falcons pushed their lead to 18 points. The women could not narrow the deficit to less than 14 points the rest of the game.

The Bulldogs finished the game hitting just 22-of-60 from the field and just 3-0f-15 from three-point range.

"Our record may not show it, but we improved a ton throughout the season," said freshman guard Kelli Watts. "We worked hard as a team and learned a lot about each other. We played hard no matter what."



Photo by Torey Fry

Junior guard Kristin Ozbun drives to the basket at the home game on Feb. 13 against Friends University.

# Meltdown precedes throwdown

### Softball season begins as snow dissipates

### LAUREN LARSEN Spectator Staff

The snow is melting and the weather is warming up. That can only mean one thing: spring is on its way and softball season with it.

The Bulldogs have new freshmen on the team this year as well as several allconference players to guide the team through the season.

Last year, the softball team tied for fourth in the conference and has been picked to finish fourth for this season as well. Coach Mike McCormick thinks that the team will be able to give a bigger challenge for the conference title with the pitching, speed and skill of the team this season.

"Our outcome is totally up to the team," McCormick said. "If they play hard every inning and leave it all on the field each game and play as a team we will go far."

The unpredictable Kansas weather has put the Bulldogs at a disadvantage and not allowed them many outside practices. Coach McCormick is not sure what to expect of the season yet but says the team's "goal is to play well and not beat ourselves and make it to the National Tournament."

McCormick says the team has a lot more speed than the previous season and will definitely be able to use it to their advantage by surprising teams with this unexpected plus.

"We are looking really good so far," sophomore pitcher Katie Logan said. "We are really anxious to start playing."

Pre-season will start in Wichita at in indoor game for the Bulldogs this Thursday. The regular season games open March 2 at Central Christian College.

Last season, the Bulldogs had its youngest team since the programs initiation nine years earlier. They ended their season at an even 8-8 record for the conference and 17-19 overall, rising just barely above the fifth place finish predicted for them in pre-season polls.

The team was eliminated from their spot in post-season play after only three games. The team is hoping that with a year of maturity they will rise above their middle of the pack status to the top of the conference.



Photo by Torey Fry

The football team and coaches fill the court at half-time at the basketball game against Friends on Feb. 13 to receive a banner made in honor of their season. Their season also triggered the interest of many former football players and coaches, a primary reason why the alumni relations office chose to hold a football reunion this semester.

# Reunion draws 70 alumni

#### JORDAN ROQUEMORE Sports Editor

An affinity reunion was held on campus for football alumni on February 13. Reunion attendees numbered over 70 former players along with the current football coaching staff and upperclassmen on the team.

Affinity reunions, those based around a common interest and not a graduation year, have been held in the past for alumni of many groups and activities including, choir, theatre, basketball and the auto restoration program.

Sally Nelson, director of alumni development, put the reunion together and directed it. She considers it to be a great success. "I had been talking with the coaches and some alumni and we had thought about doing it for

a couple of years," Nelson said. "With this season of football being so successful, we had a lot of alumni getting excited and staying up with the team. It turned out to be a good year to have the reunion."

The reunion was held in the small gym of the Sport Center. Attendees traveled from as far away as California, Indiana, Texas and Pennsylvania They represented class years ranging all the way from 1941 to 2008.

"It was fun to see everybody interacting and having fun," Nelson said. "We asked everyone to wear their old letterman's jackets and sweaters. Most people fit in their old jack-



ets but the running joke said by many of the guys was 'Just don't ask me to button it'."

Player and coach alumni speakers for the occasion Banner presented to the football team during half-time of the basketball game against Friends. The banner stands to honor the football team this year for making it to the post-season tournament for the first time in school history

included Bob Wise '56, Bruce Grose '82, president Michael Schneider Brian Ward '97. The department of alum-

'96 and current head coach ni development hopes to to come along with norcontinue the tradition of mal class reunions periaffinity reunions in years odically.

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# Intensity builds as season closes

#### JORDAN ROQUEMORE Sports Editor

Track season is in full swing, and the team is doing well on both the track and in the field. The team is on pace to set records and many of them have their eyes on nationals already.

Head coach Joe Eby chose to increase practices in order to get the team into better shape.

"We have had a great month and a half of training," Eby said. "We have been practicing twice a day for the month of January and the hard work is starting to show and pay off. The team has been doing very well."

A few members of the team will be competing today in a large meet at the University of Nebraska, while the rest of the team will compete tomorrow at Kansas State University.

"I am very excited to see what we can do this weekend," Eby said. "I really feel like we have 5 or 6 athletes



Photo by Tony Leal

Junior Matt Brown receives the baton from senior Shaun Griffin at the Ward Haylett Invite on Feb. 6 at Doane College in Neb.

that are ready to qualify for the national meet this weekend. We have two already qualified, Andrea Swanson in shot put and Mitch Krier in the pole vault."

Sophomore Rattanak Muor, who competes in the 100m, 200m and four by one relay, believes that the team has a chance of winning conference this year.

"The season is starting off pretty good," Muor said. "Everybody has been competing hard and everybody is showing improvement in their individual events. As a team we have a real legit chance of winning conference, so everybody has been working hard toward winning the championship for the school."

Coach Eby is excited along with his team about the possibilities for this season.

"We feel that both teams can place very high at the conference championships in May with both teams having the opportunity to place the highest we ever have in school history," Eby said.

#### ASHLEY DAMERON Spectator Staff

Coaches have been working harder this year when it comes to recruiting, giving more prospective student athletes a chance to visit the campus.

"We are bringing in great kids that are a perfect fit for our program and the school," said head track and field coach Joe Eby. "We are very upfront about what the expectations are and what the school is like."

So far, the track program has 14 new recruits that have signed or verbally committed to attending McPherson College.

"I feel that it is important to find people who want to work hard and will believe in your program," Eby said. "We are very excited for next year."

Shelly Prescott, head women's basketball coach, recently signed Jameze McGrew from Memphis, Tennessee.

"We're bringing multiple recruits to campus at one time," Prescott said. "It makes the visit more interesting for them."

Coaches are hope to sign plenty more before semester's end.



News

# Student artwork displayed on campus

TRICIA FENSKY Spectator Staff

It is not a secret that the art department is strong and diverse at McPherson College. During the month of February, there are even more opportunities for students to show off their talent.

Six years ago, the VAAM Gallery (Visual Arts Alliance of McPherson) requested a twomonth block for students to show their work in a professional show. This year, the show started in January and ends on Feb.

28. The art professors that help decide this are Wayne Conyers, professor of art, Ann Zerger, assistant professor of art, and Dee Erway-Sherwood, assistant professor and program director of graphic design. Along with the VAAM

Gallery, every February student work from first semester and interterm are featured in Friendship Hall.

"It is a great opportunity for students because they can have their work in two different shows," Conyers said.

Conyers is in charge of

the Friendship Hall exhibit. When planning on how to set everything up, he explained that he treats an exhibit like a painting. "I treat it like one piece of artwork, mixing mediums and making sure it has unity and variety," Conyers said.

The mediums represented are graphic design, sculpture, drawing, painting and photography.

"It's not easy to pick what is in or out in the show," Convers said.

"I enjoy the student art show every year, it is nice to see what our students



Photo By Ben Denton

On display in Friendship Hall are two masks made by Rachel Leuthold, soph., Burns. Leuthold made one of the masks with clay and one with paper in the sculpture class.

### College reconnects with Church of the Brethren SHANNON WILLIAMS

News Editor

The alumni and development department reconnected the college with alumni and friends by "bringing the meat" to the McPherson Church of the Brethren for the annual "'meat' and greet" in early February.

The department holds three to six alumni gatherings like the 'meat' and greets all over the country each year. For the gatherings the college provides the meat for a lunch after the service and the church provides the rest of the meal.

with the Church of the Brethren and talk about what's going on with the college," said Anna Ruxlow, director of development.

The 'meat' and greets started as a church relations initiative about three years ago, but it's now a joint effort between alumni, church relations and the development department.

"The idea was from a loyal and supportive alum son said. and strategic planning member committee member, Mark Melhorn," said Sally Nelson, director of alumni and development. Ruxlow believes the events are very well rethe college to get together ceived by alumni and

friends of the college, but especially when the president is in attendance.

"It gives the president a chance to talk in an informal setting," Ruxlow said.

It also gives the alumni and friends of the college a chance to ask questions about what is going on.

"I think it's a great format for McPherson College to share with our Brethren churches," Nel-The alumni and development department holds four gatherings in Kansas at McPherson, Hutchinson, Wichita and Quinter. They plan to visit the Hutchinson Church of the Brethren in March.

in the art department are doing," said Jordan Rothrock, sr., McPherson.

Rothrock has a painting, photography series and graphic design project on display

"My photography series was my final for intermedia," Rothrock said. "We were asked to choose an artist that gave us inspiration. I choose a photographer who deals with the study of gender roles and how they are portrayed. I took five women from campus and had them clean their faces of makeup and pull their hair back. By doing this I was trying to get them to feel more masculine."

Sculptures by the sculpture interterm class are on display. The students were to create masks using clay, raku or paper.

"I really enjoyed making the masks," said Rachel Leuthold, soph., Burns. "The clay one had a raku glaze, and turned out way different than I imagined, which I think is kind of fun."

If you haven't walked through Friendship Hall yet, you are definitely missing out. There isn't just art hung on the walls, but also glass cases filled with work from graphic design students.

"In portfolio class I de-

# Alumni estates help Bring in the money

### DALE SCHWARTZ Spectator Staff

McPherson College receives support from a variety of donors - alumni, friends and businesses - who want to invest in the MC experience for students.

Gifts come in a variety of sizes and can be "These gifts will directed to benefit the strengthen the experi-

left the college \$1.3 million of his estate. It took awhile for the college to receive the money, because some of the named charities were no longer in existence, which affected the distribution of the funds.

fund general college operations.

ship Hall for their senior

show and to graduate,

starting my new life,"

The Friendship Hall ex-

hibit will be up until Feb.

26 and the VAAM Gallery

will close on Sunday, Feb.

28. There will be a recep-

tion open to the public

"I am excited for my

Mrs. Donna Allen, who passed away in 2006, left the college \$2.7 million to be used to establish a fund to educate students for a life of Christian service. Dr. Herb Smith, professor of philosophy and religion, and others are currently working to get the program plan in place. Mrs. Allen attended the college as an auditor and enjoyed taking a variety of classes, particularly in the areas of religion and philosophy. "It's really wonderful when people have the foresight to consider how their assets might be helpful when they're gone," said Amanda Gutierrez, vice president for advancement. "These gifts will strengthen the experience for students on our campus for years to come."

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Pots made by Eli Neher, sr., Rochester, are displayed in Friendship Hall. Exhibits will be in Friendship Hall until Feb 26.

show.

Castelli said.

from 2-4 p.m.

signed a bank called Moderbank which reflects a simple and inviting bank said Courtney style," Castelli, sr., Hutchinson. "The whole project was a lot of fun and was my last project for my senior year."

The art students that graduate this year will have the chance to display their best work in Friend-

"It gives a chance for

college in many ways. Estate gifts (gifts that people leave behind after they've passed away) can be designated by the donor to fund a specific area of the college, or, if undesignated, can provide general support indefinitely.

Prior to the end of 2009, McPherson College received two particularly large gifts from estates. Mr. Elmer Williams, whose parents helped start the first bank in McPherson in 1878,

ence for students on our campus for years to come."

–Amanda Gutierrez

"We like receiving gifts like this," said Anna Ruxlow, director of development. "It was quite a surprise."

Mr. Williams' gift was not specifically designated, so it will be added to the college endowment – meaning it will be invested and the earnings from it will be used to

### Free H1N1 shots on campus Monday

#### SHANNON WILLIAMS News Editor

Flu season is beginning, which is why student services is making flu and H1N1 shots affordable and within walking distance for all students, faculty and staff.

Student services is planning for nurses to be available to give the injections to students, faculty and staff on Monday, March 2, in Hoffman Student Union.

"Seasonal flu shots through the college are cheaper than they can be found anywhere else in town," said Kelli Pfau Johnson, personal counselor.

The seasonal flu shots are \$20 and can be charged to student accounts. The H1N1 shots are provided by the government and are free.



tion of the flu and H1N1 "The actual flu season is just getting started," Johnson said. Johnson encourages students to take advantage

of the prices and loca-

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healthy.

"We are hoping to have enough for everyone that wants one," Johnson said.

shots to keep themselves



Want to be a part of your **Student Government** Association? Pick up a petition in the cafe from March 1st to the 5th. Turn it into the SGA mail box by March 9th. Elections will be held on March 25th.

