

Bright future for a confident team

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The Bulldogs' Track and Field team qualified three athletes for the NAIA's national last Saturday at McPherson Stadium with winning performances from Derrick Toney Jr, from Salinas, Calif., on high jump, Mitchell Krier Sr., from Sterling, Colo., on jump, and a second place for Nolan Dreilling Fr., from Larned, Kan., on men's javelin.

The Invitational showed good results even in an early season perspective for the Bulldogs.

"It was a very good meeting. We had three national qualifiers, and it is a great achievement when you get a nationals qualifying," said Track and Field team's Head Coach Joe Eby.

"Coach Becker was happy about what she saw on the throws and I was happy with what I saw on the track. We definitely got some work to do, but the kids are doing a good job so far." Toney earned his second qualification for the Nationals on the season with a mark of 2.03m (6'-8").

"I have set many personal goals for myself this season" Toney said. "I am a junior college transfer so this is being my third year competing in college I have noticed that I am having my best start ever."

"I have already qualified for Nationals in the high jump so the next thing I want to do is qualify

for Nationals in the Decathlon. I want to set the school record in the Decathlon and break the current high jump record."

Dreilling will make his first appearance on the NAIA's national after achieve the mark of 57.05m (187'-2"). Krier will be for the second straight time in the Nationals with the mark of 4.80m (15'9") on jump. He still attempted 4.95, but he didn't succeed for three times.

Other important results were the first places on men's 800m and 1,500m throughout Daniel Sorenson Jr., Lake-

wood, Calif., and Javier Ceja Jr., Pico Rivera, Calif., respectively. Paul Rotering Fr., from Colorado Springs, Colo., finished in third place in the men's discus with a toss of 42.27m (138'-8").

"We are a young track team. Give us the rest of this season and next year, then we will show the other teams what Mac is about," Rotering said.

"I was really proud of our team." Megan Pohlmann Fr., from Deshler, Neb., said. "We have been working hard since the beginning of the year. I was proud of myself at our first outdoor meet for getting 2nd in the hammer throw. The feeling of this was amazing especially since I'm a freshman. No doubt this gives me more confidence in myself as a thrower."

Pohlmann finished second on the women's hammer with a throw of 40.07m (131'-5").



Photo by Fred Miller

Matthew Willis, fr., Hurdler, and Joseph Sumpter, fr., Sprinter/Hurdler compete at home tournament.

Breanna Pendleton Fr., from Bakersfield, Calif., got a third place in the women's hammer with a mark of 38.43m (126'-1").

"Saturday was a learning experience for me. I do not feel like I threw my best, but on that given day I still gave it my all," Pendleton said. "My personal goal for the rest of the season is to become a more discipline athlete and qualifying for Nationals."

Completing the women's major results Ashley Huizar Jr., from La Puente, Calif., took third in the 1,500m with a time of 5:16.95, while Lizette Guzman Jr., from Montebello, Calif., finished fourth in the 800m with a time of 2:37.54.

"On Saturday I think I did alright overall. I need to improve in shot-put and hammer, but I got second in discus. My goal for this year is to win conference and qualify for nationals in discus," Nathaniel Coppemoll Fr., from Stillman Valley, Illinois, said, who got a toss of 42.90m (140'-9") to make the second place in the men's discus.

The spring break week may not change the team's progress on the season as soon the Bulldogs will rest couple weeks before their upcoming events post break

"There is a small group that is going to stay here as option" Eby said, "but we are going to let the athletes go home. We are excit-

ing to see what we can do, and we think we can surprise a lot of people this year."

The Bulldogs first meeting after the spring break will be at Cowley College on April second. The track and field team is looking forward with confidence for the upcoming events of the season as well as for the programs' success.

"I see a bright future in the track and field program" Pohlmann said. "We came so far since last year. Our team is a family and we support everyone."

"We have already set a goal as a team and that goal is to win a conference championship" Toney said. "Southwestern has won our conference for the last 30 years

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NEWS BRIEFS

President will discuss Board of Trustees meeting

There will be a campus huddle in Miller Library today at 11:30 a.m. President Michael Schneider will be giving an overview to the campus about the recent Board of Trustees meeting.

Teacher Education applications due

Applications are due for the Teacher Education Program today. The forms are available on the LMS. Students should contact Teresa Graham if they have any questions.

Recycle batteries on campus

There will be recycling receptacles for batteries on campus. Daniel Barba, jr., Waxahachie, Texas, and Andrew Suits, Henderson, Nev., have used their Horizon Fund grant to make this possible.

A battery receptacle can be found in any dorm, as well as in Hoffman Student Union and Mohler Hall.

The receptacles are shaped like a "D battery" and say "Battery Recycler" on them. The containers are suitable for any rechargeable, lithium or alkaline batteries.



Taking liberal arts to next level

College offers entrepreneurship minor

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McPherson College will continue toward its ambition to take liberal arts to the next level by offering a new Entrepreneurial minor next fall semester.

"It was a natural initiative that came out of the faculty, with the idea that we don't want entrepreneurship to be isolated in the business department," Michael Schneider, president, said. "We want people to understand that entrepreneurship, like liberal arts, is a lifestyle, and that it's not just about business."

The minor will consist of three specially designed new core classes, as well as a number of electives adapted to fit an entrepreneurial context. Ideally, it will give students a chance to develop entrepreneurial skills with their major.

"It's going to begin preparing

our students to solve problems and be ready to step through the doors of opportunity," Kent Eaton, dean of faculty, said.

The program is not intended exclusively for traditional entrepreneurs, but also for anyone who has big plans for their future.

"Everybody has ideas," Schneider said. "It's just a matter of whether you have the initiative."

With the minor the college hopes to stir up inspiration in students and give them the tools to make their dreams real.

"The new minor will set us apart and it will differentiate the Mac experience from our peers in the state," Eaton said.

The proposed entrepreneurial mi-

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—Kent Eaton

nor will be unique to McPherson in that the courses will be available to any major.

"We want this to be across the curriculums," Schneider said.

The minor was proposed and developed by the faculty in the hopes that the campus as a whole would embrace it alongside McPherson College's liberal arts ideals. There will be a faculty member proposed to lead the program, but ideally everyone will be able to have their say on the entrepreneurial minor.

"We're going to let this start to evolve out of the campus and not out of any one person's office," Schneider said. "We're going to engage everyone to lock in on creating this kind of different kind of liberal arts experience—on what

gives meaning to liberal arts principles today."

The minor is being developed in cooperation with Betsy Gatewood of Wake Forest University, one of the world's leading minds in entrepreneurial education. Gatewood is currently serving as our first entrepreneurship fellow.

"Betsy totally understands mixing traditional academic work, experimental things and cross-curriculum types of things with the idea that what's most important is putting learning at the center," Schneider said.

Schneider hopes that the curriculum will evolve and grow from feedback established within the program's first year.

The first courses for the minor will be up and running for the next school year, with one core course offered in the fall semester, and two in the spring. Students can sign up for the minor immediately.

Promoting whole-health wellness

Health newsletter introduced to campus

SHANNON WILLIAMS
News Editor

The McPherson College faculty and staff have worked together to provide a publication over areas of health for students, faculty and staff.

The first Mac Health Newsletter was presented on March 1. The newsletter has articles over behavioral, mental, spiritual, physical and nutritional health. Students, faculty and staff can contribute articles to the newsletter.

The faculty came up with the idea for the newsletter. Allan Ayella, assistant professor of biology, collects all the articles, compiles

them, generates one file and then prints the newsletter. Ayella says that the people that contribute to the articles are the ones in charge of the newsletter.

"The whole idea behind it was we had faculty that were interested in contributing articles in the areas of health profession," Ayella said.

Kelli Johnson, personal counselor, said she was excited when Ayella approached her with the idea for the newsletter because she has been interested in campus whole-health wellness for a long time. Johnson also said that improving health and wellness on campus is a trend for other colleges.

"When everyone is healthy and well everything goes better, from students being able to show up to class and co-curricular activities, faculty being able to teach that class, and staff being able to be at their desks for students," Johnson said.

Ayella describes the newsletter as a platform for communication of scholarly material in the areas of health. While anyone can contribute articles to the newsletter, they should be simple enough for everyone to understand.

"[The newsletter] is good because the campus community can get to read about some of the recent events relating to health. It also pro-

vides a way of generating terms of health issues," Ayella said. "Health affects all of us and having something like that is a helpful platform to discuss all those issues."

The newsletter will be quarterly publication printed twice a semester, unless there is demand for more than two newsletters a semester. Submissions are due the 15th of the month prior to the issue date. Submissions can be sent to ayellaa@mcpherson.edu.



Mad march of basketball brackets

I have a confession dear readers and it's not a pretty one. No, I am not transferring to the Miami Heat despite my obvious star-like skills. With their heap of losses I would probably get playing time, but that's okay.

My confession is that I have never filled out a bracket for March Madness. Twenty-two years of life and not once have I tested my picking abilities for the craziest finals tournament in the country. Every year I talk to friends and acquaintances who are filling out brackets, but have never gotten the urge to do it myself.

Now honestly I'm more of a college football, professional basketball and amateur skateboarding sort of guy (it's fun to watch them fall). I've never followed college basketball to a serious degree and now it's starting to bother me. I write a sports column for goodness-sake and I can't even find the time to make a bracket?

This is more serious than the NFL draftees being asked not to attend the big event, more serious than my fourth grade baseball coach, more serious than those depressing commercials for animals needing adoption. Okay so it's not that serious, but I do feel convicted.

FROM THE SIDELINES

Jordan Roquemore

I am therefore committing to making a bracket this year. I'm sure that every one of you three people reading this will be severely disappointed if I don't follow through on a promise of this magnitude, so I'm actually going to do it.

Based on heresy, I've come to the conclusion that North Carolina, Duke, Texas and a few other universities are almost always in the Elite Eight. With relatively no other information to go on, except from KU fans that K-State sucks and vice-versa, I will be filling out this bracket and taking my chances with fate.

It may not be pretty folks, but nothing ever is the first year around (for example: OK City Thunder, Houston Texans, a certain new baseball team, etc.) Before I hear angry rebukes about one of my examples, there is nothing wrong with a growing program. However, even growing programs need to start to getting some wins if they want to keep from going back to non-existent.

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Great chemistry leads to great success

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The Bulldogs are on the latter half of their season with a record of 11-10.

The women are coming off of some big wins in the Friends University Tournament and their own McPherson Tournament.

Junior Kelly Custer said that winning against Northwestern Oklahoma and Graceland Universities was amazing.

"We had solid defense and had a very strong lineup at the plate," Custer said. "We played as a team and we had a lot of fun doing so. We have played some of best ball this year and it continues to get better each and every day."

Two big goals that the team

has this year are getting a KCAC Championship and becoming nationally ranked in the NAIA.

Senior Jamie Gilbert wants the team to show the potential that they have.

"We are able to beat anyone, we just have to find the weak spots and overcome the strikes and errors," Gilbert said. "Personally I just want to stay positive for my teammates and be a leader as a senior."

"I love my girls and knowing that they have good teammates to back them up on and off the field is reassuring to them and makes a winning team."

Multiple team members have said that they are happy with the team's performance thus far and are impressed with the level of

talent there is from starters to the bench.

"The team is doing so great and we are going to go far this year," freshman Payton Toepfer said. "Everyone is playing like winners. We all get along and have good chemistry and we all play to win and never give up."

The women will be traveling to Tucson, Arizona to participate in the Tucson Invitational Tournament over Spring break.

They will be playing seven games over a three-day period against teams from around the country.

The next home game will be on April 2 against Southwestern College. The team hopes to have students come out and cheer them on.

Part-time, full efforts

Thomsen aids team as much as possible despite time crunch

SARAH EHRLICH
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McPherson athletics have become all too familiar with coaching staff changes. From baseball to cheer leading, new people have stepped up to fill in open positions on sports teams. Volleyball is added to the list of sports undergoing said changes. Annie Wyssmann, former assistant volleyball coach, had too much on her plate to continue being an aid to the team.

"Annie is a full time teacher so her time to help was limited" said Susan Barton, head coach of the volleyball team. "[She] just had a baby so she will not be able to help any longer."

Barton began looking for a new assistant coach with a few specific criteria in mind.

"Someone with great knowledge of the sport," Barton said, "someone whom I feel would fit well in

my system and be supportive of it, someone who the girls would like, someone who would give input and help out with whatever I need help."

Being an assistant coach leaves no room for slacking off or laziness.

They are required "to give help wherever needed involving volleyball and weightlifting/conditioning" Barton said.

Rayla Thomsen fit the mold. "The role of an assistant coach is to help out the head coach, which she does very well" said Brelynn Schoo, Jr., Salina, Kansas.

Thomsen is qualified for the position according to not only Barton but team players as well.

"I think Coach Thomsen is qualified for the positions because she just recently got out of playing volleyball in college" Schoo said. "She knows the modern day volleyball."

Despite time issues, Thomsen seems to be doing everything her job entails.

"Ray will do a good job with the amount of time she is allowed to do it in" Barton said.

"She has a lot of work to do in a very limited amount of hours since she is only part time."

"She has already put in a lot of time with us and I know when the fall season comes around, she will put in even more time" Schoo said.

"She pushes everyone to work their hardest at all times."

Thomsen gets two thumbs up as the new assistant coach. Not only because of her commitment to aiding the team in anyway she can, but because of her ability to bond with the girls.

"I will enjoy having Coach Thomsen around because she is young and fresh and knows the game of volleyball very well" Schoo said.

Strong-handling struggles

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The McPherson College tennis team played their first tournament at Emporia State.

"It went] like a first tournament," said LaMonte Rothrock, head tennis coach for men and women. "We were a little nervous. We didn't play up to our potential."

Several other players realized that their match play was not up to their standards nor showed their potential.

"The first tennis match did not go as well as we had hoped that it would," said Wrylie Finkle, Jr., Wichita, Kansas. "But it was a great learning experience."

"It was a pretty rough first tournament," said Jessica Vincent, Jr. "It got us out there and ready for good match play."

There were some positive feedback following the disappointment of defeat.

"I was also pleased with how Kyle and Cody played doubles," Rothrock said. "Ronaldo and Eagore really fought clear to the end of their matches, and Slav winning his match."

"The lowlights were that we were that nervous about our first match," Rothrock said.

"The main strength that was brought out by the match against Emporia was our ability to not give up," Finkle said. "Even when we were down, we kept on fighting for every point."

Even though the fighting and determination did not cease, the Bulldogs could not pull away with a win.

"Despite a great effort from the girls, we were unable to win any matches," Finkle said.

Some felt the lack of a proper warm-up was partially to blame for the failure.

"We need to do a better job warming up in preparation for the match," Rothrock said.

The shortage of appropriate preparation was not only observed by Rothrock but also realized by the players.

"We could have been more prepared and had more of a warm up," Vincent said. "But I think it woke us up a bit and got us motivated to practice hard for our upcoming meets."

The Bulldogs played in the Bethel Invitational the following weekend on March 11th and 12th. The Invitational consisted of several colleges, including Tabor and Friends University.

The team took what they had learned from the Emporia tournament and applied the lessons to their match play in Newton and Hesston.

"I feel like we learned a lot from the Emporia match, and it showed because we played much better at the Bethel Invitational," Finkle said. "By playing a D2 school first, our eyes were opened. Now we know exactly what we need to work on to get better."

Rothrock saw overall progress on both the men's team and women's team.

"I thought everyone showed improvement in their play," Rothrock said. "There were closer games and matches. [The girl's team] showed improvement in play even though [they] struggled to get wins."

"[The guys] showed improvements as well, but [they] need to work on serves and get to the net in doubles."

Both teams had players who made it to quarter finals and beyond.

"Our best finish was Sarah Ehrlich, Fr., who made it to the



Photo by Jessica Vincent

Igor Guasti, so., and Ronaldo Filho, so., won the "B" doubles pool finishing out their bracket's tournament. They won three games in a row to place first.

quarter finals in singles," Finkle said. "The boys did very well too. They had several players make it to the semi-finals and finals."

The semi-finalists for the men included Thiago Di Silva, Fr., novo Hamburgo, Brazil, Ronaldo Filho, So., San Paulo, Brazil, and Kyle Toland, jr., Edwardsville, Kansas, in singles.

The finalists included Vyacheslav Bukatin, So., Moscow, Russia, who finished second at the 'A' singles position, and the doubles team Filho and Igor Guasti, So., Vitoria-ES, Brazil, who won the 'B' doubles pool.

"I feel like we have taken a huge step forward, and there is no looking back," Finkle said.

With these lessons learned, and a steady increase in consistency, the Bulldogs wait for their next game.

The next tennis tournament will be held Thursday, March 17th at McPherson High School at 6pm against hometown rival Central Christian College.

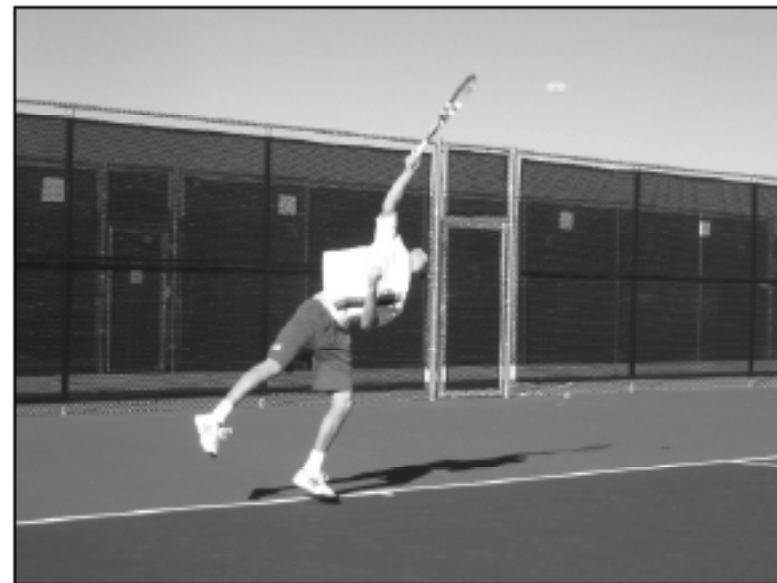


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Vyacheslav Bukatin, so., Moscow, Russia serves against opponent for first place in the "A" pool for singles. The match was close as both players tried to outplay one another. They struggled to gain a huge lead. However, Slav fell just short at the end of the match finishing at second place.

Meeting creates changes

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On March 3 and 5 the Board of Trustees met to discuss plans for all the departments.

First the strategic plan was approved. The plan's priorities include creating an outstanding student experience through a balance of academic rigor and student life experience; committing to global citizenship and diverse campus community and providing excellent facilities to cultivate a positive campus experience through improvements and development of our physical and virtual space.

The board approved for the total cost for room and board to go up five percent from last year.

"This isn't much considering McPherson College gives out the most awards and scholarships out of all the colleges and universities in Kansas," President Michael Schneider said.

Financial Affairs target budget was approved. There were four key points that were approved in this department. First, their spending rate was approved at six percent.

Second, they will take care of maintenance items on campus, and they accelerated plain capital maintenance items. Third, McPherson College is going to continue to add resources to the student experience. These resources include adding more faculty to campus. Fourth, a budget was approved for adding the faculty to campus. There are going to be pay increases for staff, and there is going to be a ten percent retirement plan in the budget.

Last, the board also approved the entrepreneurship minor for McPherson College.

A campus huddle will be held in Miller Library today at 11:30 to brief members of the campus community about the board meeting.

NEWS BRIEFS

SGA President to have ice-cream social

The campus is invited to attend "Pow-Wow with Paul" on Thursday, March 31 at 9 p.m. in Hoffman Student Union. There will be an ice-cream social. The new Student Government President elect Paul Rotering, fr., Colorado Springs, is inviting students to attend and tell him what they would like to see on campus. Rotering and his new executive board will also be introducing the ideas they've already come up with for next year.

"I'm excited about what the ideas the new executive board has planned and I would encourage all students to attend," said Shandi Tobias, SGA advisor.

Enroll for fall

Enrollment for the fall semester will begin for juniors on March 28. Enrollment begins for sophomores on April 1. Enrollment will begin for freshmen April 6. Students should see their advisors to enroll for classes.

Choir tour begins in April

74 students will be going on choir tour April 6 to 10. They will be going to Warrensburg, Mo.; Elgin, Ill.; Waterloo, Iowa and Baldwin City.

The choir will perform in Mingnack theater Sunday, April 17 at 4 p.m.

Feeling after shock

Campus members affected by tsunami, earthquake in Japan, West Coast

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Friday's 8.9 earthquake and following tsunami has sent the world into action, sending aid and prayers to those in Japan. The west coast and Hawaii were also pummeled by tsunamis of far less intensity.

While the McPherson College campus wasn't directly effected by the earthquake and tsunami many of the students, faculty and staff worried about loved ones.

"A great friend and teammate of mine just landed in Japan Wednesday for a study abroad program," said Aspen Ulrich, fr., Sylvan Grove. "Aron 2 p.m. Saturday, I finally received word that he is alright; but the last few days were intense."

Currently, one of McPherson College's students, Katie Doffing, jr., Conway Springs, is in Sapporoshi, Hokkaido, Japan, studying abroad. In Hokkaido, the quake only lasted about three minutes and not much damage was done. Many students, staff and faculty showed concern for Doffing. Doffing safely left Japan for a trip to China on Sunday.

"Never felt an earthquake like that before... and that was the longest one I have been in also. Kind of cool to feel the ground moving beneath your feet," Doffing said in a Facebook status Friday. "Glad everything is okay here, hope everyone down on the coast stays safe and free from too much damage from the tsunami."

Many campus members have family and friends along the west coast and in Hawaii.

"As a native of the 50th state [Hawaii], before it happens I always have a mix feeling of fear and nervousness," said Loni Tolu-



Infographic by Shannon Williams

tau, jr., Mesa, Ariz. "After Japan was hit, it took some time for the wave to travel through the ocean before it hit Samoa. I had mixed feelings of fear and anger because I am not home with my family to help with the evacuation process. And it's not a good feeling when you stay up pretty much almost all night to keep in touch with your family members to make sure that they are aware of what's going on and to get things ready to head to higher ground and last but not least to make sure that no one is forgotten or left behind. So it's not always a good feeling when something like that happens and you are not actually there to be with them."

Kent Eaton, dean of faculty, was at a gathering of colleges and universities in Overland Park when he heard news that the tsunami was headed towards Hawaii. He tried to contact his son

who is studying at the University of Hawaii.

"They had been up all night preparing and had evacuated to higher ground," Eaton said. "Things were a little tense for a while, worrying about where he was."

Another student from San Francisco was also worrying about family and friends.

"Being from the San Francisco Bay Area it hits close to home, not only because we were his by the tsunami, but because it could happen in San Francisco," Sean Grandin, sr., Pleasant Hill, said. "I was 3 years old when the Loma Prieta earthquake shocked the bay area and I remember it to this day, killing many people and destroying many structures all throughout the area. I just feel fortunate that the quake did not hit California, but my thoughts go out to the people of Japan and all that were affected by this disaster."

Business Club invites speaker to campus

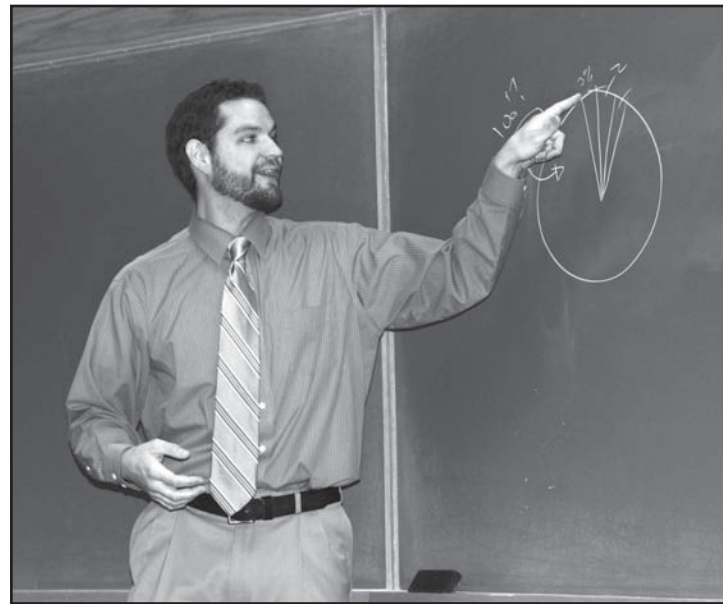


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Financial advisor Mark Penner discusses investments to students and faculty that attended the event on Wednesday. Penner works for Waddell and Reed in McPherson.

Penner discusses stocks, investments Wednesday

AUDREY SECKER
Editor-in-Chief

Waddell and Reed financial advisor Mark Penner spoke to a group of students on Wednesday. The presentation was organized by the McPherson College Business Club.

Penner graduated from Tabor College in 2001. After college he went into the computer industry and worked as a software tester. After a number of computer tech jobs, Penner became licensed as a financial advisor in 2006.

"I didn't want to be a stockbroker," Penner said. "I didn't like to be the person that says you should invest in this company or that company. By pick-

ing a mutual fund I don't have to put pressure on me or you."

Penner spoke to students about the stock market, mutual funds, the benefits of investing early in life and not getting into debt.

"We have this culture, that's headlined by the government, that debt is an okay thing," Penner said. "We're very good at spending what we have, more than what we have."

Penner emphasized starting a personal Roth IRA after graduating college. He regretted not knowing about investing and not starting early.

"You don't have to be the genius or the lucky guy to make money, you just have to save a few hundred bucks a month," Penner said.

Encouraging students to eat healthy Cafe' participates in National Nutrition Month

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The café is participating in National Nutrition Month by encouraging the students to make healthier choices.

The food services staff will be emailing students a nutritional tip once a week, and, while they always try to offer healthy choices in the café, they will be changing their menu some for the month of March. They will limit fried foods and instead offer more baked foods, grilled foods and fresh items.

Lee Ann Young, director of food services, says that being healthy is something students should want to do.

"Students should be aware of nutrition every day," Young said. "They need to be aware of their wellness, how to take care of themselves— when they get my age they'll feel better."

Food services will also have one day a week where they will try to



Photo by Shannon Williams

The cafe' is providing more fresh fruits and vegetables for National Nutrition Month.

make students more health conscious during the lunch hour. Food services staff believes that students

are more health conscious this year than they have been in past years.

"I do see a trend with the students this year: they are eating a bit healthier," said Sandi Brown, production manager "They don't seem to be as into the fried foods. They seem to be making better choices this year."

Food services is always working to make the student experience better. Earlier in the month they surveyed students to see what they would like to see in the café.

"We're always open for suggestions," said Young. "If someone has a suggestion we listen to it and try to make it happen if it's reasonable."

Also, this week, food services has been celebrating the NCAA tournament with "Hoops Happening." Students can turn in as many brackets as they wanted for the tournament. The student who has the most answers correct at the end of the tournament will win a prize.

Students provide service during spring break

JARED COHO
Spectator Staff

While some students will be making the trip home this weekend, two groups of McPherson College students, along with Church of the Brethren organizations, will be helping those in need.

A group of 12 students will be traveling to Tennessee and another group of eight students will be going to New Mexico. Each group of students will leave tomorrow and will return on March 26.

"Everyone is welcome as long as they are willing to help," said Tom Hurst.

The students traveling to Ashland City, Tennessee will work with Brethren Disaster Ministries. They will be helping fix houses damaged by flooding in 2010. Many of the homes they will be repairing have

families still living in them and the students will get a chance to know these families. They will be replacing floors, cleaning out basements and applying new drywall. The students will also get to enjoy Tennessee. They will be given one day of sightseeing in Nashville.

In Lybrook, New Mexico, the students will be working with the Church of the Brethren, Lybrook Mission and Navajo Indians. They will also have a day of sightseeing. The people they will be helping just received running water in their homes in 2010. They will be building an aquaponics pond for raising fish, painting and staining in buildings and working in gardens due to the short growing season.

The majority of the items needed for this trip are supplies, but the students going to New Mexico will be taking blankets and chess sets

for the students and local families. Student Government Association was kind enough to donate items for the trip.

"The reason I'm going is so I can help out. It feels like the right thing to do and I'm really looking forward to helping the children," said Cody Cannon, fr., Fort Scott.

Cannon is one of the students going on the trip to New Mexico.

There will be more opportunities for students to take trips like these in the future.

"We started last year helping with those in need in northwest Indiana, and everyone enjoyed it so much that I would like to continue to do this," said Hurst.

The students traveling are volunteering to do service. Staff from the college, along with community members have also volunteered to help transport

Cinderella story strikes midnight



Photo by Allison Hartley

Jordan Crawford, Jr., forward, attempts to slam dunk the ball.

DUSTY KITCHEN
Spectator Staff

The season may finally be over, but the McPherson College Bulldogs can take pride in making school history as they won not one, but two NAIA tournament games to reach the elite eight of the national tournament for the first time in program history.

The first victory for the Bulldogs came over a tough 6th ranked Embury-Riddle who made it a battle, but fell to McPherson 66-60.

The Bulldogs had some trouble shooting from the field, but made up for it with some late game free-throws shooting 75 percent, pulling the Bulldogs ahead for the win.

The Bulldogs offense was lead

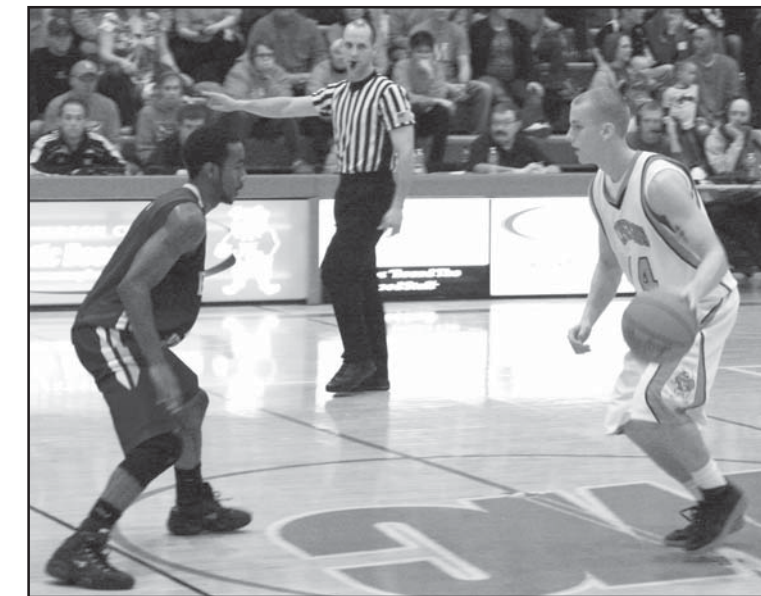


Photo by Allison Hartley

Trent Severs, Sr., guard, challenges defender while dribbling to net.

by Samson Shivers, Fr., guard, with 20 points. Aaron Frazier, Jr., guard, added 14 points with six rebounds.

Next on the Bulldog's path to the Championship was another team that pulled a first round upset, Warner-Pacific. After beating 11th ranked Northwestern Iowa, Warner-Pacific was hoping to stop the Cinderella run of McPherson. McPherson has other plans..

The game was close early on as the lead changed six times in the first nine minutes. Warner Pacific would hold its last lead of the game at 13:07 mark when it led 8-7. The Bulldogs would answer with a couple big runs and a three from Frazier with 1.8 seconds left to give McPherson a 41-29 half-time advantage.

Returning from the half, McPherson would just pick up where they had left off as they put together an 18-3 in the next ten minutes of the second half.

Frazier led McPherson with 18 points and was 7-for-10 from the field, including 2-of-4 from behind the perimeter. Aaron Jackson, Jr., guard, finished with 15 points and Shivers added 10. Frazier and Jordan Crawford, Jr., forward, each

grabbed nine rebounds, while Frazier threw a game-high four assists. The 77-58 win would put McPherson in the Quarter-Finals against 3rd ranked Cornerstone.

However, this would be the end to the Bulldog's historic run as Cornerstone took an early lead and went on a 14-4 run to end the first half and cruised to an 87-52 victory.

McPherson shot just 30 percent for the game and was led by Shivers with 14 points. Crawford another added 10 points for the Bulldogs.

Though a tough loss, the Bulldogs have much to look forward to for next year. The Bulldogs will lose Trent Severs, Sr., guard, who has been clutch for the Bulldogs all season long.

"I'm really proud of our team and I think we had a great showing at the national tournament which was very exciting." Swartzendruber said. "It was great to see fans come out and support us in Branson and our team had a wonderful experience."

Cornerstone would go on to win the tournament against 13th ranked Saint Francis in the finals 80-to-71.

Eby Resigns



Coach Joe Eby

AUDREY SECKER
Editor-in-Chief

Head coach of cross country and track and field Joe Eby announced his resignation Monday March 7.

Eby assumed the position of head coach in February of 2009. During the 2009-10 year, Eby guided the Bulldogs to multiple KCAC individuals championships and the Bulldogs first NAIA Individuals National Champion since 1975.

Eby declined to comment.

Wrangling with inexperience

AUDREY SECKER
Editor-in-Chief

The Baseball team is 0-13 after losing to the University of Sioux Falls Sunday.

Neither team scored in the first inning, but Sioux Falls came back and earned four runs in the second. Two runs each in the third and fourth gave the Cougars and 8-0 lead entering the fifth.

Two singles and a walk loaded the bases for the Bulldogs in the bottom of the fifth with no outs.

The team earned four runs during the game but could not overcome the early deficit.

They play their next game Saturday at William Jewell College in Missouri.

Hating America: The new cool thing to do?

It seems these days it is easier than ever to find people that promote the hating of America. Choosing to hate America has become a glorified sport. It's the new cool thing to do.

You're in with the 'it' crowd if you fancy any form of apathy or desecration towards the American ways. You get to be 'one' with our Hollywood elite as they attempt to best each other in their efforts to demonize this country, its leaders, both past and present, while defacing our name, both here and abroad. To side with those that perpetuate self-hate is to wear a "Hate America Badge" on our own chests.

In fact, it feels as though to still be proud of this country and to publicly express patriotism for it has become an unredeeming quality that puts a person on the outskirts of modern thinking, and in direct opposition with the majority opposed.

We are told that 'everyone hates us,' with such conviction that it seems that the speakers can only be encouraging us to hate America as well. If only tolerance for all meant tolerance for Americans too.

In the same breath that one evokes the ideal that Islamic extremists tarnish the work of the peaceful Muslim community at large, and that the population of peace-loving Mus-

skin right down to and the in must more rotten fruit.



SHANE SAYS
Shane Dresser

lims should not be held responsible as a whole for the work of death administered by a rogue faction, the same logical thinking, for whatever reason, cannot be applied to the U.S. military as a whole when a small group of soldiers torture the rights of prisoners while humiliating them.

Yes, I said the rights of prisoners, not prisoners. Aren't we told that there are a few bad apples in every bunch?

Oh, no, I forgot, that latitude can not be extended to us, for the U.S. military is just a bunch of bad apples, rotten from its green outer

Hmm, I'm not buying it. It's like having a parent that tells us of an older sibling who has tarnished the family name, and then tells us that we should be ashamed for it and hang our heads in disgrace as we mope around the neighborhood.

This we must resist to do as we would resist any person shaming us into turning our backs on our own family.

I believe it to be a fine endeavor indeed to encourage the youth of today to promote peace in the circles they will find themselves in during the tomorrows to come.

However, we don't need speakers who tell us how to feel about ourselves and our country based on how others feel about us and our country.

That is not the standard to which we should subscribe. We don't need speakers that tell us how America is hated by 'everyone', pausing for affect, and dangling in front of us a carrot of self-loathing.

What are we to become, if we join with the rest of the world to hate America, but citizens filled with hate for each other?

What we really need are motivational speakers who encourage our American youth to promote America, to promote the good ideals that we individually and collectively believe that America is and can achieve.

And what is America? You are America.

You, my young black brothers and sisters are America, with your proud minds and resilient ways.

You, my young Hispanics, whether you were born here or are immigrants teetering in the turmoil of citizenship or allegiance to home.

You, my young white youth

that are made to feel ashamed of yourselves for simply being white.

You, my newly arrived African, European, Asian, or Middle Eastern, or whoever, who aren't yet citizens, but who feel that this country could offer you a better opportunity for the same amount of your effort and struggle that went to waste under the oppression of your previous cancerous government.

Our country is not perfect and no one should promise you that it will be. To live under such delusions is to remove the power from the freedom that this country's declarations allow you. We must offset this trend of 'Hate America' by rejecting that attitude and embracing the positive thinking of ourselves and our country.

We need to shed the belief that one bad leader, or one set of soldiers, or one small group of any kind can stand as a complete representative for an entire country or military. It's the standard the world offers for itself, why not us?

That, my young generation, is a badge worthy of its efforts to attain. Scouts Honor.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

I would first like to thank students who voted in the SGA election.

I am excited to serve as your president in the upcoming school year. This will be my fifth year of being in student government, and second year as president in my career.

The new exec board and I have begun planning our goals for the next year, ideas include more community service opportunities, fix the roads and sidewalks around campus, and increase student involvement in seasonal activities.

As president I would like to hear from the student body, other concerns and ideas that you would like to see implemented around campus. To begin this discussion, I am personally inviting you and a friend to the first "Pow-Wow with Paul."

The exec board elect and I will be in the Student Union March 31 at 9 pm to hear suggestions and get your feedback on many of our ideas for the 2011-2012 school year. Ice cream will be served.

Instead of complaining among your friends, voice your opinion to me and the new board what you have been complaining about the past year(s). I hope to see over half of the student body there, as well as representation from faculty and staff. I look forward to hearing the voice of the students, so together we can make a difference.

Paul Rotering
SGA President-Elect

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Faculty member awarded grant from college

AUDREY SECKER
Editor-in-Chief

The McPherson College Academic Development Grant program was started early this year for faculty members. The grant is designed to support faculty scholarship or creative work. Ku Sup Chin, associate professor of sociology, is the first recipient.

"The President thought it was important to set aside funding to encourage faculty to follow some of their dreams," said Kent Eaton, dean of faculty.

This year there is a total of \$15,000 in funding to award to faculties. The faculty members are required to submit an application and a budget for their idea. The amount each faculty member receives depends on how many applications are submitted.

"It's not a competition. In a lot

of ways it's like the Horizon Fund, but for faculty," Eaton said.

Three faculty members have already applied, and Eaton said they are expecting a fourth. The applications are reviewed by the faculty executive committee, which consists of all the division chairs.

"[The committee] is looking for ideas that will enhance student learning, and facilitate faculty development and scholarship," Eaton said.



Photo by Audrey Secker

Dr. Ku Sup Chin was awarded a faculty grant that was established this year. Chin will travel to Los Angeles this summer for research.

Chin will use the grant to fund the research he is doing with Dr. David Smith, University of California, San Diego. They live in two worlds simultaneously, one in California, on the rise of state transnationalism. Transnationalism is how nations actively use the movement of emigrants and immigrants to their advantage. They will be researching how this occurs between states. They will also research the ways immigrants assimilate into new cultures, paying attention to the ways that immigrants can assimilate while maintaining strong connections to their mother country.

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Chin and Smith will study Korean communities in Los Angeles. Their summer project will last for two months. They will hire and train student researchers, administer surveys and interview the community leaders and Korean government officials there.

"I think this is tangible evidence that our school promotes faculty scholarship," Chin said. "I'm really delighted that our school provides that kind of grant. Our faculties are committed to teaching, but that does not mean we are not committed to our research as well and expanding our knowledge."

In August, Chin will present his preliminary findings at the Annual American Sociological Association Conference in Las Vegas, Nev.

Rotering, Beam named president, vice president

New executive board begins implementing ideas for next fall

SHANNON WILLIAMS
News Editor



Photo by Shannon Williams

Paul Rotering, fr., Colorado Springs, and Kati Beam, jr., McPherson, will be taking over the SGA office next year as president and vice president.

Winning by a margin of votes, Paul Rotering will take over as Student Government President in the fall semester.

241 students voted on March 3. Paul Rotering, fr., Colorado Springs, and Kati Beam, jr., McPherson, won the positions of president and vice president. Rotering believes that the large turnout of voters is because he and his opponent Jacob Patrick, fr., Elizabeth, Colo., had good plans for their campaigns and people liked both of them.

Rotering says he has a lot planned for the new executive board.

"We are going to start this spring with our ideas and start slow and gradually get more and more things done," Rotering said. Beam said she is excited about

the new things Rotering and she will be doing for their new positions. She also said she is excited to take her leadership to the next level where she can make an impact.

"Paul and I have some new ideas that we want to make known to the campus so that we can receive feedback from the students," Beam said. "Pow-wow with Paul", which is set for the evening of March 31, will be an informal meeting that will allow us to talk to students face-to-face. We will definitely want input from all who attend."

Rotering plans to increase community service opportunities, discuss fixing the parking lots and pot holes and add decorations to campus.

"Paul will listen to everyone and be open to new issues or ideas," Beam said. "Together, we are com-

mitted to bring SGA forward."

Rotering said he is excited to sit at the Board of Trustees meeting and get to learn more about the budgets and what the college does.

"Thank you for selecting me to represent you and to be the voice of the students," Rotering said. "Be ready for some change next year."

Paula Carpenter, soph., Wichita, will be the new secretary for SGA; Claire Krizek, soph., McPherson, will be the new treasurer; James Patton, soph., Cunningham, will be the new member at large and Breahna Gillespie, fr., Chase, will be the new sophomore representative. The rest of the positions will be voted for at the beginning of the fall semester.

"Pow-wow with Paul" will be Thursday, March 31 at 9 p.m. in Hoffman Student Union.

Dobbins shakes up classroom, brings history to life

Students build trebuchet in Medieval and Early Modern Europe

ALLISON SNYDER
Spectator Staff

Most history classes consist of the endless memorization of dates, names and places from monstrous textbooks. Occasionally there is a break from the constant reading and memorizing, usually in the form of a good old black-and-white movie, but nothing very exciting.

Professor of History Kerry Dobbins is breaking from the monotonous mold of history classes by having her Medieval and Early Modern Europe class build and operate a trebuchet.

The trebuchet was a siege engine that originated in the 1100s and was used against the crusaders, although many scholars believe that the Chinese designed a form of the trebuchet in the 7th century.

These destructive machines should not be confused with a catapult. Although they were both used in siege warfare, the construction of the two was different, and the trebuchet could hurl much heavier objects a farther distance and at a greater speed than a catapult could.

These machines were built using a seesaw like design, set on a wooden frame, and a counterbalance consisting of stones, which could weigh up to 20 tons, that could launch a missile. These missiles could be up to 300 pounds and could hit a target several hundred miles away.

These weapons were accurate and deadly. Missiles consisted of large stones, burning matter and diseased corpses. Trebuchets were attributed to the spread of the Bubonic Plague because of flinging a victim of the Black Death into a walled city spread it to the people under siege.

"It's recognizable," Dobbins said. "People know about it on the shows on the History and Discovery Channel. The technology was also used to make cranes for the construction of medieval cathedrals."



photos by Trent Miller

Left: Students run preliminary tests on the trebuchet. Above Top: Items are loaded into the basket and pulley's are adjusted as class members prepare to launch the trebuchet. Above Bottom: The bottom of the trebuchet is engineered and constructed in the automotive restoration woodshop. The wooden bottom of the large machine provides a stable base for the trebuchet's counterweight system.

The History Department is not the only one working on this project. The interdisciplinary interaction is something that Dobbins really likes and the size of McPherson College makes possible.

"With a small liberal arts college it's easier to have an interdisciplinary class that you build something in wood shop that you learned about in history," said Curtis Mullins, jr, Hutchinson.

This project usually takes place in Physics and Math classes, not history, so Dobbins and her class have been working with the math, science and automotive programs to build the trebuchet.

"How many schools have a full woodshop connected to their auto restoration program?" Dobbins said. "I like the idea that the History Department is doing something

cool right now," Dobbins said.

The trebuchet is 22 feet tall and launches different items. Students are easily steered away from History classes by a bad experience in high school. Dobbins acknowledges this and she does not want her students sitting around memorizing things.

Luke Chennell and Dobbins' husband, Jeremy Everson, worked out a lot of the technical aspects

of the trebuchet as construction of it took place on March 12th. The trebuchet is not yet completed. Preliminary tests have been done, but an official launch has not yet taken place.

"We don't know what it can do yet," Dobbins said.

The class will be finishing the trebuchet following spring break and an official launch will be done by the end of the semester.

LEAD EDITORIAL

Use service to explore the world around us

IT IS UNDERSTANDABLE THAT THE LAST THING A COLLEGE STUDENT WANTS TO BE DOING IS WATCH-

ING THE NEWS. At this time in our life when we are supposed to be discovering ourselves. We consume our time with Twitter, Facebook and Youtube. Who has time to learn about the world outside of the classroom, when

we are trying to understand ourselves with-

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out our parents.

What we forget is that everything in our world is intertwined. No country stands on it's own anymore. A natural disaster in one country has repercussions in another. Whether those are in the form of weather, politics, or economics, there are effects. Take for example the situation in Japan. So many industries have been affected around

the world. Not to mention the lives and relationships that have been altered. Maybe these effects aren't such a bad thing. We have the opportunity to be connected to this tragedy in a positive way. As an institution that has a founding belief of service, we can use this to learn about and effect the world around us.

Let's continue to join together and set off a chain reaction of service for our fellow global citizens.

REVIEW IT!

RED RIDING HOOD

Critics gave it bad rap, student gives it three stars

MICHAEL HOLMAN
Spectator Staff

This is an example of a movie where the critics simply attacked it before it even came out, basing all of their opinions on the trailer – and where the trailer is concerned, I had agreed.

It looked like another Twilight where the Edward is a werewolf, especially considering that its director directed Twilight (the movie by the name, not the saga). However, since it's the only thing that was in the theatre worth seeing aside from Rango, and I didn't feel like watching a comedy, I went to see Red Riding Hood.

Boy, what a misleading trailer! The movie isn't a romance at all, at least not in the sense that that's what the story revolves around.

The story is actually an enormous 'whodunnit' with a bit of The Crucible thrown in.

Valerie, the Red Riding Hood character, is a young girl caught in the age-old predicament of that era: marry the guy she loves, or obey her mother and go through with her arranged marriage.

The movie opens with that, and

it's a little ho-hum, but then they find a dead body and it kind of goes on a different track.

We learn that this village has been plagued by a werewolf for twenty years. But now that it's started killing people again they decide to call the catholic church's werewolf hunter out to help.

The hunter, played by Harry Potter and The Dark Knight's Gary Oldman, reveals that the werewolf is not just an evil creature, but is most likely living among them.

He instigates a crucible-style witch hunt, turning everyone against each other. Valerie is accused of being a witch, assisting the werewolf, when the werewolf telepathically speaks to her.

Definitely different from Twilight, eh? This movie is a slightly strange mix in terms of quality. You've got a powerhouse actor in Gary Oldman, Valerie and the townsfolk are believable, and here and there there's suddenly pieces of below-average acting from the two love interests.

Not that the script was helping them that much. When they're

talking about the werewolf and the well-constructed intrigues, the scriptwriting is good. But if it gets romantic, suddenly the writing goes down a few clicks. Too much circular discussion and blurring out clichés.

However, this doesn't detract too much from the movie. There are only a couple scenes of this kind, and in the rest of the movie the two love interests come up to scratch. I really don't understand the changes in their performance.

But what really matters is the plot twists. I can honestly say that it felt like a detective movie, where I was trying to figure out who the wolf is. And they craft the situations so well that the wolf could be any number of people.

I can't say any more than that without giving it away. If I tell you to expect something, or not expect something, you'll use what I say to figure out the movie in a different way.

In essence, for the plot's sake, and for the basically sound performances from the cast, I recommend this movie and give it three stars.



Sojourner in a civilized life: Finding success amidst deafening world

This world has a whole lot of sound to it. In fact, if you asked me if I thought the world was loud, I would nod my head "yes."

It's louder than it has been before; much more awake and always alert.

And the world is full of benefits and improvements. The people have a fine life expectancy; most can read. Sometimes I think we keep the poor around only to insure that scripture stays true.

"For the poor you have with you always..."

It sure is a loud world and some of us don't even know it.

We were born in the mist of an air raid. This is the complacency we know: the bombs burst around us and we draw the curtain and sit before our morning cereal. The only evidence that a bombless

time existed (which we have never seen) is in old and dying faces.

Nature is a virtuoso and her song is silence. We can't hear it because the bombs we drop make our ears ring.

is in California as it is in Tokyo, which is quite modern - futuristic even. My fam-



LETTERS HOME

Taylor Adams

How many of us have not broken into a sweat at the thought of a lull in conversation?

I have missed many fine silences because I have not stopped spinning threads of thoughts.

This is as true in Kansas as it

ily had a cat when I was a child who would kill birds and leave them on our front doormat. California's noise is just as noticeable.

I live at the intersection of two streets. I sit on the porch and listen to cars slow to a stop and start

again. They all hate to be in first gear. From a stop, a driver accelerates hard until his or her foot finds the comforting chunk of a gear change. Then he or she is happy and may go however fast he or she likes, but heaven forbid he or she do so in low gear.

Cycling, which requires that a person wear tight fitting clothes, is big out here. I laugh at the cyclists but they have equal occasion; I fit their mold worse than they fit mine.

Work at the Classic Center moves right along. My weeks end abruptly and start again in the same way. They pass like Morse code.

I have taken it upon myself to exhaust my coworkers and to let them exhaust me.

I have heard that the fuel tanks on the shuttle Columbia empty exceptionally fast. They have to

How else would man take small steps? Or mankind great leaps?

I am a producer as well as a consumer at the Classic Center.

I have to ask questions because I am sure of very little. I have been through three semesters of college; this is my second internship. Out of these I have taken one thing: knowledge does not come with experience. In fact, the two are inversely proportional.

The more I see and do, the more questions I have. I am almost sure that a person can never really know anything.

If at the end of all this I find success, it will not have been because I was smart. It will not have been because I was a skilled or a sly conversationalist. My role as an intern is to heed the summer sun - to come early and to stay late.

Student asks campus to think about choice made

Paul Rotering was chosen as SGA president, but was he really the best choice?

Paul began his arguments at the debate with confidence equivalent to that of a high school teenager: "I'm popular," he stated. He then went on to briefly state "If I don't get elected this time, I'll be elected for another position in the fall." Predicting the future is pretty impressive, if you ask me.

Jacob brought up issues pertaining to proper representation of the whole student body. He wanted to improve the communication across the board with the college administration, improve the image of SGA, and making some campus improvements. He would have liked to explain to the students what changes in college will affect us if changes are made.

"I'm like a tornado," was the only thing that Paul had to say in his closing statement for the debate.

The reason why SGA is in place

today is for you, the students. SGA is a branch of Student Services that works to represent the student body, and serve them to the best of their ability.

However, the students may have

and ideas to actually make a difference.

I wish that the student body

CONCERNED VOTER

Kristie Gutierrez



single-handedly made Paul what he so proudly boasts to be: an actual tornado. A tornado that will destroy everything that SGA has worked so hard to build.

Jacob just wanted to make a difference. He's lost the elections, and has moved on to other important issues where he knows he can and will be able to use his skills

would have really considered their choice. Just because someone is cool or popular, doesn't make him or her the best choice for the job. I didn't write this for Jacob.

I didn't write this because I hate Paul. I wrote this because some things are worth fighting for. If you believe that you can damage, believe that you can fix.

How to...

Plan a Budget

NICOLE KEAGLE

One of the hardest things to tackle when going to school is a budget. Unless your parents throw you cash all the time, it's tough to control spending habits, especially if you only work part time. It's hard enough finding a job that works with a school schedule, let alone one that pays more than minimum wage and gives enough hours. Living off campus brings money problems to a whole new level, too. However, if you think about your expenses before actually spending money on them, you can figure out lots of ways to keep some of it in your pocket.

We all know that cafeteria food is not the only thing we're eating. Everyone eats out at some point, and most people buy groceries even if they're living on campus. One thing I've learned about food shopping: you pay for laziness. Sure, you could buy a bag of already chopped veggies, that will cost you about \$4, or you can buy whole veggies

and chop them yourself for less than half the price of it already bagged. The same concept goes for bread, cheese, and other items that come pre-sliced or individually packaged. It takes more of your effort (and how much effort does that really take?), but buying these things whole will definitely save you money! And of course, buying name brand items is pretty foolish when the generic brand is the exact same thing (they are the same, just read the ingredients) and costs much less.

Going out is another huge expense for us. Activities done in large groups, especially when there's driving involved, helps to cut costs considerably. Splitting the cost of gas and rounds of drinks makes a lot more sense than going by yourself, when you most likely will have to shell out the money for those things. Now, I'm not advocating being a mooch, but if you have family or friend's family nearby, never hesitate stopping by for dinner

instead of going out to eat. Instead of going to the movies on a weekend, go on \$2 Tuesdays only, and if you go to bars, only go on nights when there are specials - and only order the special!

Now - what's likely sucking up most of your cash? Gas. Since the cost is rising so fast we can barely keep up, it's not such a bad idea to stop using your car. It's ridiculous how much one can spend on fuel alone, and in a town this size there is really no excuse for anyone to not bike or walk, everything is within a reasonable distance.

It's difficult to make a budget when going to school and only working part time, or not at all, but it's possible. Nothing's getting cheaper, and until you graduate, it's unlikely you're going to make enough money to live comfortably with few financial worries. You could always get a second, or third, job, or you could take the effort to cut unnecessary spending.

The Hot spot

By: ALLISON SNYDER

A GLIMPSE INTO THE LIFE OF ANDREW GUSTAFSON,
GROUNDS SUPERVISOR

ROLE ON CAMPUS: I am the ground supervisor, so that means that I take care of the outside grounds. During the winter, that means getting rid of all the snow and the ice. I also do general maintenance work, which includes setting up and taking down stuff and working on the plumbing.



TIME AT SCHOOL: I graduated in '05, although I was supposed to graduate in '04. I was dating Colleen, so I pushed my senior thesis back a year. I played a lot of Ultimate Frisbee and liked going to all the theater productions, but never wanted to do theater. I had a lot of fun hanging out with my friends and being involved in campus activities. I wrote a few articles for the Spectator and helped with the yearbook the last year it was a yearbook.

HOPE TO SEE AT MAC: I hope to see more students on campus and for retention rates to stay high. Also, I would like to see a good faculty and staff-to-student ratio so that both faculty and staff can spend more time with students.

ANYTHING ELSE: I like old TV shows and movies. I like to play all sports, especially Ultimate. I am a big geek, which pretty much sums it up.

PLANS FOR THE FUTURE: I plan on staying here. I just want to be happy and raise my family.

ON THE FLY: HOW DO YOU STAY HEALTHY?



“Sports such as soccer, lifting & running.”

Gevertson Jr., Porto Alegre, Brazil



“I'm not a very healthy person.”

Torey Fry, soph., Wichita



“I'm in a sport & we do a lot of running.”

Tarek Khalidi, jr., Augusta



“Watch what I eat & don't drink a lot of soda.”

Graham Mahanna, soph., Hoxie



“I try to eat a lot of fruit & vegetables.”

Stephanie Kiersey, jr., McPherson



“I don't eat as much as I should.”

Kyle Smith, soph., Milford

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Students declare favorite applications for smartphones



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65 percent of McPherson

Nba Game Time: *Free*

Follow every game with live scores, team and player stats and standings. Purchase Game Time Plus for \$4.99 to listen to live radio broadcasts.

Setpcu: *\$1.99*

Allows you to set up profiles to change the CPU speed under certain conditions, such as when the phone is asleep or charging, when the battery levels drop below a certain point, or when the phones temperature is too high.

X ConstructionLite:

Free

Build a bridge to let the train safely cross the valley. For \$1.40 you can upgrade to the full version.

Weather Channel: *Free*

Provides up-to-date weather for your exact location. This app. also comes with a widget, animated radar and more.

Angry Birds: *Free*

Use the unique powers of the angry birds to destroy the greedy pigs fortresses. The survival of the angry birds is at stake: dish out revenge on the greedy pigs who stole their eggs. Use the unique powers of each bird to destroy the pigs fortresses.

Google Maps: *Free*

Never carry a paper map again. Get google maps with navigation, places with hotspot and latitude.

Pandora: *Free*

Personalized radio services that streams music on your phone.

Labyrinth Lite: *Free*

The classic game where you can control a ball by tilting a labyrinth. The lite version has ten fully playable levels and you can create ten of your own. For \$4.82 you can purchase the full version which has over 1,000 levels.

FML: *Free*

The best way to unwind in 5 minutes. This includes a widget.

Vingette demo: *Free*

Add film and camera effects to your photos. This app. has 68 effects and 56 frames.

Ninjump: *Free*

Fast paced ninja climbing game. Your goal is to rise as high as you can while avoiding killer squirrels, angry birds, enemy ninjas, throwing stars and exploding bombs. Jump from one wall to the other, knocking obstacles from the air as you do.

Facebook: *Free*

Share and stay connected with your friends with the Facebook for Android app. Share status updates, check out your news feed, review events, check into place, upload photos, share links, and check messages.

