

Women's Tennis breeze through opponents

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The McPherson College Women's Tennis team won both matches 9-0, going undefeated through the weekend behind solid play by each member of the team against Stephens College on Feb. 22 and Barton Community College on Feb 23. This puts the team at 3 – 1 through the season.

The Bulldogs played Stephens College first on Saturday, Feb. 22. It opened up with the Lady 'Dogs number one doubles team of Brooke, jr., and Nicole Vorhees, soph., Riverside, Calif., rolling through their doubles match, with the following teams of Emma Shehan, jr., Fullerton, Calif., and Brittany Gourlay, jr., Riverside, Calif., winning 8 – 2. They were followed by the pair of Ashley Allmon, sr., McPherson, and Kara Wright, sr., Wichita winning their match also at a score of 8 – 2. This gave the Bulldogs a commanding 3 – 0 lead heading into singles play.

All of the women kept the momentum going through singles matches. Shehan played her first singles match of the year, and won 6 – 3 and 6 – 2. She was followed by Brooke Vorhees who won her match 6 – 0 and 6 – 3. Nicole Vorhees dropped her first set of her game, but she bounced back strongly winning the next set 6 – 0 setting up a tie-breaker. From there, she took extra time but prevailed at a score of 10 – 8, giving the Bulldogs their only scare of the match. From that point, all other singles matches went in favor of the Lady Bulldogs, with Gourlay, Wright and Claire Crossman, jr., Orange, Calif., winning their singles matches.

A day after sweeping Stephens College, the Women's Tennis team kept the momentum going into a match against Barton



Photo by Robin De Young

Brooke Vorhees, jr., Riverside, Calif., backhand strikes the tennis ball. Vorehees helped the women go unbeaten the weekend of Feb. 22.

Community College. The first game was the closest one of the day, with the Vorhees sisters going down to a score of 3 – 6 to open up. From that point they were able to bounce back and force a tie-breaker, secured a win. The game may have set the tone for the remaining members of the squad, as they all would go on to win their

games to finish the match off at a score of 9 – 0 for the Lady Bulldogs.

The Women's team went 18 – 0 through two matches over the weekend.

The Women's next match will come on Saturday, March 1 against Newman University at McPherson High School tennis courts.

Softball finish 1-4 in season opener tournament

Central College is next on schedule

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McPherson College's softball team traveled down to Chickasha, Oklahoma for the USAO tournament Feb. 22.

The first game the Bulldogs fell to Mid America Nazarene University 0-13.

"We really needed to push runs and we just could not push the runs," said Junior Mariah Wedel, infielder.

The Bulldogs bounced back in their second game against Langston University and won 11-9. The Bulldogs lost their next three games in Oklahoma. Back-to-back losses to the University of Science and Arts with scores of 2-6 and 2-7 followed by a loss to Langston University with score of 4-5.

"We really need to just focus on hitting and just working on our fundamentals" Wedel said. The Bulldogs are hoping to bounce back against cross-town rivals Central Christian College as they have two upcoming doubleheaders against the Tigers Feb. 28 at 4 and 6 p.m.

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Mac students hit the Sport Center casino



Photo by Fonzi Cureau

Andy Fabianski, fr., New Lennox, Ill., places a bet at the Texas Hold 'em table.

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Trumpeter to come to McPherson College

Internationally acclaimed trumpeter Allen Vizzutti will visit McPherson College March 14.

In Mingenback Theatre, there will be a music clinic at 10 a.m. and a trumpet master class at 11 a.m.

Vizzutti's visit is sponsored by Yamaha Musical Instruments, McPherson College and Hutchinson Community College.

Housing Reservations continue until Mar. 7

Housing reservations for Dotzour, Metzler, Bittinger and Morrison Halls are to be completed online through Bulldog Connect.

Current juniors started reservations Feb. 25. Current sophomores can start reserving on Monday, March 3. Current freshman can start reserving on Wednesday, March 5.

All reservations must be completed by Friday, March 7.

All outstanding student life fines must be paid before reserving housing.

Sign-up for pingpong, pool tournament due

If students wish to enter a campus-wide pingpong or pool tournament, sign up with Dusty Kitchen, director of student activities, by emailing him at kitchend@mcpherson.edu

Sign up ends Friday, Feb. 28 at 5 p.m.

Players will be in charge of setting times to play matches.



A contributing group performs at the benefit concert for the Haiti Medical Project at the McPherson Opera House on Feb. 23.

Photo by Jacob O'Gorman

Haiti benefit concert raises money for program

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The McPherson Opera House hosted a benefit concert for the Haiti Medical Project Sunday, Feb. 23.

The concert featured performances from the McPherson Community Brass Choir, McPherson Church of the Brethren Women's Ensemble, Delores and the Pickin'-Fretter, McPherson Church of the Brethren Angelus Ringers, Mick and Miriam Griggs, Resonance Trio and the McPherson Church of the Brethren Choir.

Paul Ullom-Minnich, McPherson College Class of 1989, Moundridge, hosted the benefit concert. Ullom-Minnich explained to the crowd how the Haiti Medical Project was started with seed money from the Church of the Brethren. The seed money from the Church led to ideas for fundraisers, with all proceeds going to the

Haiti Medical Project. McPherson College's public relations class from Inter-term 2013 also helped develop ideas and logos for the project.

Ullom-Minnich said, "Some people sold honey, some made bracelets and a few put their money together to come up with the concert."

Ullom-Minnich explained during the concert how the local Church of the Brethren connected with the Church of Brethren in Haiti to create mobile clinics and reach areas without access to medical care.

"In Haiti, the typical cost just to go to the ER is \$30, and that may be a month's wages for some," Ullom-Minnich said "Most people just go on with a broken arm because they cannot afford to get into a hospital."

Ullom-Minnich showed a slide show with his personal photos from a trip to Haiti. The slides showed how the match donations worked, along with how close

the project was to their \$100,000 goal.

Ullom-Minnich hoped the concert would reach the \$100,000 goal, but the count fell short with the total money raised at \$89,000. Ullom-Minnich said all donations were of the donors' free will, and he encourages the community to donate.

"It was really nice to see the community come together to support the Haiti Medical Project," said Brittni Cain, soph., Wichita Falls, Texas.

"The program was wonderful and a great tribute to the level of musical talent we have here in the McPherson area," said Bruce Clary, associate professor of English.

"I am always touched by Paul's passion and compassion for the Haitian people," Clary said. "He just seems to feel their pain so deeply, and I think that's the main reason the Haiti Medical Project has been such a success."

Women grab sixth seed

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Sports Editor

The Lady Bulldogs won Senior Night against Bethany College Thursday, Feb. 20 with a final score of 69-38, but lost Saturday Feb. 22 in their final game of the season against the conference best team, Southwestern University. The final score was 69-54.

The Lady 'Dogs tied for sixth place with Sterling College and Bethel College. The Bulldogs finished the season 10-20 overall and 6-12 in conference.

The Bulldogs led the game in the beginning by 6. The lead escaped the Bulldogs when the Southwestern Mound Builders took the lead halfway through the first half. The Builders led the Bulldogs at half-time 37-29

The Bulldogs shot 9-of-28 in the first half, 4-of-13 from the three-point range and made 7-of-10 free-throws. SWC shot

12-of-31, made 5-of-17 three-point shots, and were 8-of-9 on free throws.

In the second half, the Bulldogs trailed by 10 and managed to get close. Southwestern went on a 13-2 run, which gave them a 20-point lead with under 10 minutes left in the contest. The Bulldogs made efforts to close the 20-point gap but got as close as 12 points

The Bulldogs shot 10-of-30, 3-of-11 from the three-point line, and 2-of-3 free throws. Southwestern shot 12-of-26, made 4-of-12 from the three-point line, and 4-of-7 free throws.

Cami Engelbert, soph., forward, led the Bulldogs in scoring with 11 points, and earned three steals. Aubrey Barton, fr., forward, was second in scoring with 10 points. Barton was second on the team in rebounding with eight. Breahna Gillespie, sr., forward, led the team in rebounding with nine. Sunny Smart, soph., guard, led the team in assists with 3.



Photo by Miranda Clark Ulrich

Breahna Gillespie, sr., Little River, takes on two Bethany college defenders. Gillespie was honored Feb. 20 for Senior Night.

Men's tennis splits matches**Tie-breaker defeat was the difference**

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The McPherson College Men's Tennis team split their two matches over the weekend, falling in a close match to Emporia State University on Saturday Feb. 22, but bounced back to defeat Barton County College the following day on Sunday with a dominating performance.

The match against Emporia started out with struggles for the men. Top doubles team of Rafael Bulnes, jr., Rosmalen, Netherlands, and Joan Marc Fajula Rodriguez, fr., Olot, Spain, were down early and lost 1 - 8. The following duo of Sean De Young, sr., Anaheim,

Calif., and Allen Daramawan, jr., Mission Viejo, Calif., also were unable to pick up a win they lost 2 - 8. Michael Irwin, jr., and Connor Schafer, fr., McPherson were down 3 - 6, but came back to force a tie-breaker. The two were able win in the tie-breaker, making the match score 2 - 1 heading into singles play.

Fajula Rodriguez had a dominant singles victory at scores of 6 - 1 and 6 - 1. Bulnes was able to follow suit and won both sets in his game at scores of 6 - 1 and 6 - 4. This put the Bulldogs up 3 - 2, but Emporia came back, and won two singles sets. De Young came back and won his match and tied things up at 4 - 4 heading into the last match of the day. Irwin was in po-

sition to win the match for the Bulldogs but lost the first game 3 - 6, but quickly responded and won the second game at a score of 6 - 2. This would force a tie-breaker for the match and Emporia came back late and was able to seal the match with a late rally.

The Bulldogs faced Barton County College the following day Feb. 23. They won the match at a score of 9 - 0, not giv-

ing Barton any points throughout the day. Doubles opened up with Bulnes and Fajula Rodriguez narrow win of 8 - 6. The 'Dogs swept the rest of the doubles. In singles play, Fajula Rodriguez dropped one game setting up a tie-

breaker, which he was able to win. The rest of the Men's Tennis squad won the remaining sets.

"It was a very tough loss to a much improved Emporia State team," Coach Benito said. "We competed well in singles but our failing was doubles. We can learn from this and make adjustments so that we won't make those same errors down the stretch."

"I am very impressed with Michael Irwin as he showed a lot of composure coming through for us in doubles and almost pulling it out for us in singles."

The McPherson Men's Tennis team play against Newman University at McPherson High School on Saturday, March 1.

Bulldogs win in final seconds

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Men's Basketball secure the seventh seed in the 2013-2014 KCAC Men's Basketball Postseason Tournament with a last-second shot, giving them a victory over Southwestern College 82-79 Saturday, Feb. 22 at Southwestern College.

The Bulldogs trailed by 7 early in the first half because of a 6-0 run by the Mound Builders. The Bulldogs did not allow Southwestern to pull away even though SWC led most of the first half. The Bulldogs managed to gain the lead for one possession, but a Mound Builder three-point shot gave SWC a 33-31 lead at half.

The Bulldogs shot 10-of-28, made 2-of-8 three pointers, and went 9-of-13 from the free-throw line. Southwestern shot 12-of-30, made 2-of-11 three-point shots, and were 7-of-10 from the free-throw line.

Erik DeRoo, sr., guard, said, "To have a better second half we had to share the ball more, we were very solo, one-on-one."

The Bulldogs took the lead early in the

second half. Halfway in the second half, SWC regained the lead and managed to achieve an eight point lead. The Bulldogs responded with a 14-3 run and grabbed a six-point lead with under two minutes to play. Southwestern forced McPherson to make their free-throws late in the second half. DeRoo hit two free-throws with 3.7 seconds left to give the Bulldogs a three-point lead. SWC had one last attempt with a buzzer-beater from the three-point line, but it was no good and gave the Bulldogs a 82-79 victory.

"This game was personal to me," DeRoo said.

The Bulldogs shot 17-of-28, made 5-of-10 from three-point range, and were 12-of-18 from the free throw line in the second half. SWC shot 20-of-33, made 4-of-9 three-point shots and was 2-of-6 from the free throws line.

DeRoo was 4-of-4 from three-point land and 4-of-4 from the free throw line and had a team-high 16 points.

Grant said, "We pulled together as a team. Somebody got a big stop, a big rebound, and made big shots."



Photo by Miranda Clark Ulrich

Devirous Johnson, sr., Brooklyn, N.Y., backs down defender in the paint.

Baseball earns first win on home field

6 runs in first inning sets tone for game

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McPherson College Bulldog baseball played against Mid-America Christian Feb. 21.

After starting with a 1-0 lead in the first inning, MACU scored two runs in the second inning to take a 2-1 lead, then scoring three runs in the third inning to increase their lead to 5-1 going into the fourth inning.

The Bulldogs kept fighting however,

scoring four runs throughout the course of the next three innings. After a scoreless seventh inning, the game went into extra innings. Unfortunately for the Bulldogs it didn't go past the eight as MACU scored one, winning the game 6-5.

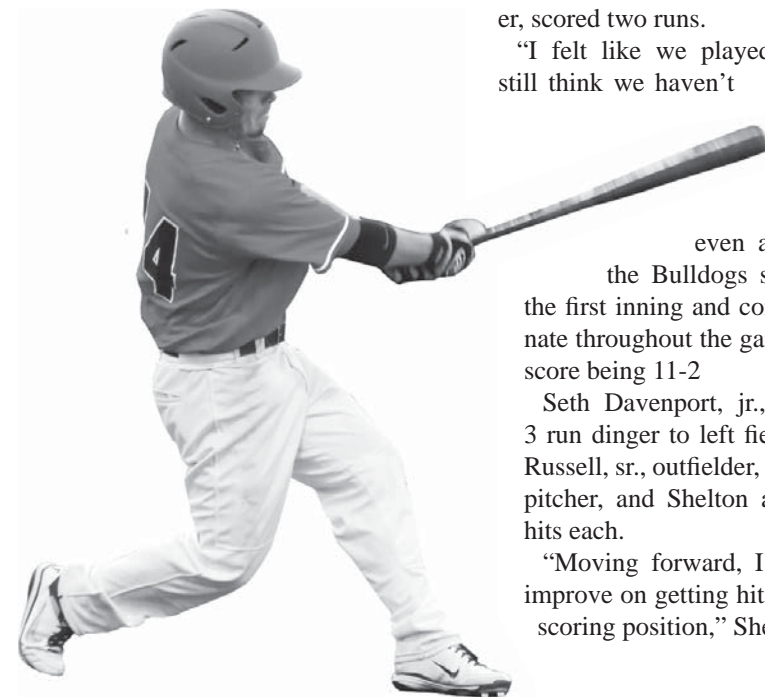
The Bulldogs only had four hits in the first game while earning a total of nine walks with Dorian Shelton sr., outfielder, leading the team with two hits while Tom Potter, jr., first base, and Jose Nossa, sr., infielder, recorded one each. Jordan Slaton, sr., infielder, was walked all four of his at-bats while Zach Wilson sr., outfielder, scored two runs.

"I felt like we played pretty good. I still think we haven't played our best game yet," Shelton said.

The second game wasn't even a competition as the Bulldogs scored 6 runs in the first inning and continued to dominate throughout the game with the final score being 11-2

Seth Davenport, jr., catcher, sent a 3 run dinger to left field, while Austin Russell, sr., outfielder, Taylor Werts, sr., pitcher, and Shelton all recorded two hits each.

"Moving forward, I think we could improve on getting hits with runners in scoring position," Shelton said.



Community email list continues to next year

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McPherson College's email system received a change last semester that changed how students could reach each other.

In years past, students could send mass emails to all other students via students@mcpherson.edu. According to ShaRhonda Maclin, dean of students, some students complained about receiving emails that did not relate to their educational needs.

In an email, Maclin explained that she, along with SGA and Computing Services, and she decided to create the Community email list to address the complaints. It went into effect Oct. 7, 2013, and restricted mass student emails to people who signed up to receive them. Students who signed up to be on the Community list would see mass emails from students, and those who didn't, wouldn't.

Students were informed of the change

and how to sign up and use the Community list by email.

According to Maclin, she has heard students do like not getting as many unnecessary emails, but some student groups do not like the additional difficulty of reaching students. Otherwise, she hasn't received much feedback on the system.

Zach Oller, soph., Newton, said he didn't sign up for the Community list.

"It's great I don't have a bunch of pointless emails coming in my inbox," Oller said.

Monica Ewy, fr., Hesston, said she didn't have much of an opinion either way on the system. She said that, regardless, she would delete whatever came in her inbox that wasn't important.

The plan is to keep the system in place for next year, according to Maclin, and students who wish to provide feedback can send it to her or SGA.

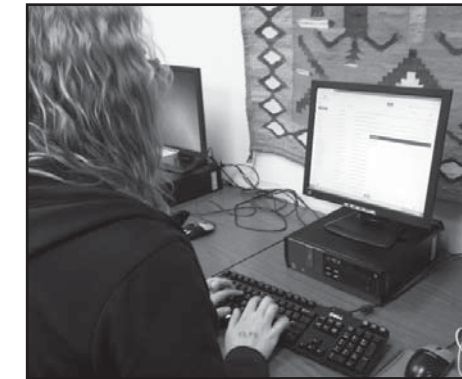


Photo by Jacob O'Gorman

A student accesses campus email at the library.

Few students submit FAFSA applications as deadline approaches

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Students at colleges around the country depend on financial aid to pay for their education. The Free Application for Federal Student Aid is a key part of many students' financial aid and the deadlines are coming soon.

McPherson College's priority deadline for FAFSA applications is March 1, and residents of Kansas have a deadline of April 1 for a state tuition grant.

The second date is the deadline for students who have lived in Kansas for at least five years. Applications must be completed, up-to-date, and verified by April 1. Stu-

dents who meet the deadline are eligible to receive funding from a tuition grant given to McPherson by the state of Kansas. It is need-based funding, but it can't be given until the forms are in.

Other states also have FAFSA deadlines for financial aid that respective residents can apply for.

Sonja Sawatzky, financial aid counselor, said it is important to fill out FAFSA applications as soon as possible. She explained that, although there is a deadline, meeting it is no guarantee of receiving funds. She said "funds can run out" and the sooner that students can get applications in, the better their chance of getting aid.

Sawatzky said despite the time factor, relatively few students have completed their FAFSA applications.

"I know that I have only received about 300 FAFSA applications," Sawatzky said, explaining that the number included both returning and new students, both freshmen and transfers.

Sawatzky also added that she is always available to help students get applications ready. She has an open door policy and no appointment is needed. She wants to make sure as many students can get help as needed.

"That's all my job is: helping students," she said.

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Intramural basketball sign-up due Friday

Sign up for five-on-five intramural basketball deadline is Friday, Feb. 28 at 5 p.m. Games will begin Sunday, March 2.

There are new rules. People not affiliated with the campus have to pay \$5 to play before they can play the five-week league.

A player has to participate by week three or the player won't be allowed to play for the rest of the season.

Captains must check in their teams on game day and notify the score keeper who is on the team.

Broken rules will result with forfeited wins.

New Community Project leader to meet students

David Radcliff, founder and director of New Community Project, will visit McPherson College March 3 to meet with students.

New Community project promotes peace through justice, care for creation and experiential learning.

Students can meet with Radcliff at lunch from 1 to 2 p.m. and at dinner from 6 to 7:30 in Seik Dining Room in Hoffman Student Union.

Radcliff will also speak at The Cedars on March 1 from 3 to 5 p.m. and will be a guest speaker at the McPherson Church of the Brethren at 10:15 a.m.

Student attends rally against House Bill 2453

JORDYN LIPE
Spectator Staff

On Feb. 12, the State of Kansas House of Representatives passed House Bill 2453. This bill states that discrimination can take place if seen as an act against one's religion. The vote was 72 to 49 from the House. The Kansas Senate shelved the bill. House Bill 2453 would allow busi-

nesses and individuals to refuse service to same-sex couples because of religious reasons. Employers would be allowed to refuse service to homosexual individuals on a company-wide basis, and employees could discriminate at a personal level, even if it wasn't company policy.

Employees could ignore their employers' discrimination policy if serving homosexual individuals is against their religion, according to HB2453. Employers

would not have the right to ask a potential employee if serving same-sex customers is against their religion, creating potential problems for employers and businesses.

Tuesday, Feb. 25, was an Equality Day of Action in Topeka, Kan. It involved a rally on the Capitol steps with almost 200 gay rights supporters. Eight speakers and seven legislative guests also came and voiced their opinions on the bill.

Josh Korte, jr., Colby, attended the rally

in Topeka on Tuesday.

"This bill is extremely unconstitutional and violates people's rights," Korte said. "Overall, it was a neat experience to talk with the legislators and hear their views on the bill and be able to see it from their perspective."

"The Human Rights Campaign people were extremely nice and helpful," Korte said of his experience on Tuesday.

Students have new spring break opportunities

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Students at McPherson College have four opportunities to volunteer during spring break.

All service opportunities are new this year, and the cost and length of the trips are different from last year.

Tom Hurst, director of service, said that because students are helping, these organizations aren't charging any fees.

"It's a quality opportunity at minimal cost to the college, and I'm glad they're there," Hurst said.

Hurst said the trips help build community and friendships that wouldn't be typical for students.

"Besides the social and religious benefits, giving provides a sense of joy," Hurst said.

Camp Mennoscah offers a three-day service trip where students can help clean trails, paint buildings and do other maintenance. The camp is in Murdock and the total cost is \$30, which pays for transportation. As of press time, there are only three students signed to go. There can be a maximum of eight.

Heartland Farm in Pawnee Rock has a



Photo courtesy of Tom Hurst

Volunteers work construction on a spring break service trip.

four-day opportunity for students. For \$40, eight students can go to this 80-acre farm to also clear trails, paint buildings, help with maintenance and grow organic food. This farm focuses on simple living, such as using less energy. Heartland Farm is known as an organic "WWOOFing" farm. The WWOOF is the World

Wide Opportunities on Organic Farms. "WWOOFing" means that people can go and live there in exchange for work that they do there to help out.

Mennonite Disaster Services is looking for eight students to help with clean up after the recent flood in Duluth, Minn. As of press time, there are six people signed

up. Volunteers will help repair and build homes for victims of the flooding. The trip lasts from March 15 through March 22. The cost is \$50 and pays for gas on the trip.

Dancing Rabbit Eco-Village is the fourth opportunity available to students during spring break. For \$50, four people can travel to Rutledge, Mo. to build a bridge and prepare gardens for planting. Students will also help with various building designs and home projects. This service project begins on March 16 and ends on March 22.

There is no service requirement to graduate. However, some professors and courses require volunteering in some manner. Some coaches also incorporate it into team building.

"Part of McPherson College's mission statement is service," Hurst said.

"It's an incredible opportunity for people to make use of themselves.... In the process you can learn about how people live and why as well as get to know other people and have a good experience," Hurst said.

For more information on the volunteer trips available, email Tom Hurst at hurstt@mcpherson.edu.

Men and women's track & field teams break 5 school records before national championship

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The Bulldog Track & Field team broke five school records in Warrensburg Missouri Friday, Feb. 21 at the University of Central Missouri classic. The Classic was the last opportunity for athletes to qualify for nationals on March 6.

Three of the five records came from the Women's team. Sharica Pleasant, sr., Long Beach, Calif., earned 3,127 pentathlon points. Pleasant is now amongst the top 10 in the pentathlon. Her point total improved her already achieved school record. Pleasant ran a 9.07 in the 60 meter hurdles. This was a new school record and earned pleasant an "A" standard for nationals in the hurdles.

"I did okay so far," Pleasant said. "There is always room for improvement."

Arryana Barton, sr., Sacramento, Calif., won both the shot put and triple jump. Barton threw 13.39m in shot put, which set a school record and an "A" standard. She was .8 meters short in the triple jump of her personal best and school record of 11.72 meters. The Women's 4x400m relay team beat won first place over 20 seconds. They set a school record with a time of 4:05.73 and missed a "B" standard by .73 seconds.

"I'm excited about how well we are doing," Pleasant said, "And we still have room to accomplish more."

Perry Joseph, jr., Seminole, Fla., set a McPherson College school record in the 60m dash with his time of 6.94. This

earned him a "B" standard for nationals. Paul Rotering, sr., Colorado Springs, Colo., and Brooks Walsh, sr., Velencia, Calif., were the only other men competing Friday. Rotering earned third place in shot put with a throw of 14.94 meters. Walsh earned fifth place in the pole vault with a height of 4.01m.

"I think it's great what we are doing, it's a little nerve racking because people are starting to notice us," Pleasant said, "Keep up the hard work. Let's go, Bulldogs."

Photo by Miranda Clark Ulrich

Anjolyus Brinkley, sr., Leavenworth soars in the air into the jumping pit at the indoor final qualification day for nationals coming up March 6.



School does nothing about solicitation on campus

In recent weeks, I've seen many of my peers excited about the Girl Scout cookie sales from students' younger siblings.

Although I've yet to see a Daisy or Brownie Girl Scout, I've seen the college-aged students selling for the scouts.

Even though I believe the girls should be the ones going to individual prospective customers, I'm more concerned about McPherson College ignoring the broken solicitation rules.

Solicitation is mentioned twice in the Student Handbook.

According to the handbook, on page 18, "Soliciting, canvassing, or the use of College housing as a location for selling and advertising is prohibited unless written permission is granted by the Office of

Student Life."

Page 26 discusses solicitation by non-student groups is not permitted and notices posted by these groups will be removed.

It also mentions that student groups can sell items in the halls but must have resident director approval.

I've seen posters for siblings' girl scout cookies on doors throughout my dorm. There was also a sign-up sheet in the lobby. I did not see posters taken down and, although I cannot prove or disprove, I doubt the student had permission from the R.D. or the Student Life Office.

I'm not hating on Girl Scout cookies sales.

I, myself, was an active Girl Scout growing up. I established a troop, earned the

Girl Scout Gold Award and I am a lifetime member.

It's not just the cookie sales I've seen. I've seen posters for Boy Scout popcorn, Mary Kay parties and other pyramid schemes.

All of these are considered non-student groups that might not have had permission to have posters in the dorms.

It bothers me that some rules have consequences and others do not.

It isn't fair to me. I want an "all or nothing" attitude when it comes to policy consequences.

Without it, some rules have more weight and importance than others.

If student's are fined for noise, drinking or visitation violations, they should also be fined for solicitation violations.

BRIGHT BRAINWORKS

Laurina Hannan



ON THE FLY

How do you feel about the new bill regarding the gay community in Kansas?

"I believe nobody has the right to tell others where they can buy their goods based on race, ethnicity or sexual orientation. It's discrimination; there's no excuse for it" **Kenzie Smith, soph., Rosetill**



"In our minds, we are going backwards in time. History has a way of repeating itself. The world is changing with it. Instead of falling back into discrimination." **Anna Clark, fr., Lindsborg**



"I feel that the bill would have pushed us back in our progression of anti-discrimination. History repeats itself for those who do not listen to the past." **Marissa Patton, fr., Tribune**



"I feel that people should be able to do what makes them happy, whether or not we agree with it." **Dom Sardo, fr., Saugus, Mass.**



"I think its a really big step in reverse of the direction we were heading. The bill deals with more than homosexual discrimination and it upsets me that this was used to get publicity. Equality for all." **Josh Hall, soph., Kansas City**



"I feel that all businesses have the right to refuse service like the no shirt, no shoes policy." **Dani Jacks, jr., Stafford**



Professor races classic car against electric car



Photo courtesy of "Car and Driver"

The Model T is old and slow, but doesn't have long fueling times.



Photo courtesy of "Car and Driver"

The Model S is new and fast, but takes a long time to recharge.

ASHLIE MANZI
Spectator Staff

Chris Paulsen, assistant professor of technology, participated in a cross-country race featured in the January 2014 issue of "Car and Driver" magazine.

During the fall of 2013, Paulsen had been in contact with editors, friends and colleagues about a race between a 1915 Ford Model T and a 2014 Tesla Model S electric car to see if the Tesla was the car of the millennium.

To test this, the editors of "Car and Driver" decided that there should be a race between the Model S and a similarly important car. They decided the best match for the Model S was the Ford Model T.

The driver of the Model T was in contact with some of the same people Paulsen knew and turned out to be Paulsen's former roommate and fellow McPherson

College graduate. "Car and Driver" presented Paulsen with the opportunity to be a codriver of the Model T in a race from Detroit, Mich., to Shoreham, N.Y. The teams met in Detroit on Oct. 15 to start the race.

"It was great because both teams were doing the same race, but it was completely different," Paulsen said. "We each almost had an opposite set of 'guidelines' that we followed."

The Model T and the Model S were very different vehicles, especially comparing speed and fuel. The Model T was slow but can be refueled quickly. The Model S was a new, fast car, but recharging the batteries took much longer than filling up with gas.

The teams made different preparations and took different approaches to the race. The Model T team held the radiator cover down with ratchet straps while the Model S team taped a seal over their front hood with duct tape to become more aerodynamic.

The Model S team took more highway roads while the Model T team chose the back-roads.

"It was a bit chilly, but so worth it." Paulsen said. "It was just fun because we were helping to make a part of the future for electric cars. It wasn't all seriousness though. The Model T team did have some fun."

"Dave, the other driver, had a transmitter on one of the emergency service vehicles of the other team so he would track it with his phone and we would track their movements to see where we were in relation to each other."

Paulsen said that the race took about 23 hours to get to the finishing point on Long Island. In the end, the Model S team won by just one hour.

"It was awesome, frightening, challenging, and I'm glad I can say that I did it at least once," Paulsen said.

Students learn business etiquette at protocol party

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Spectator Staff

On Feb. 21, The Business Club hosted their annual "Mocktail" protocol party at the McPherson Opera House. McPherson College faculty, alumni and students gathered with members of the community to network and learn a few lessons in cocktail party etiquette.

"It's going well. We have a good mix of community, faculty and students. Everyone's been mingling really well. I'm really impressed with the students," said Rebecca Hornung-Heeke, jr., Spearsville, vice president of programming for the Business Club.

The evening's lessons were guided by

Chad Clark, B.A. in business/journalism from Wichita State University, and the executive director of the McPherson Healthcare Foundation for the past 16 years.

"This is a great opportunity for these students. Networking creates opportunities and creating opportunities is what being successful in business is all about," said Clark.

Throughout the evening, Clark addressed the room and spoke on different aspects of etiquette.

1. Do not go directly to the bar. Make your presence known and begin to socialize before indulging in the food and drink.

2. Hold your drink and napkin in your left hand. These events are for network-

ing. Leave your right hand dry and warm, ready to greet and shake hands.

3. Your cell phone is on silent and out of sight. It can wait until you leave or take a break from the party if it's really that important.

4. Don't be the last one at the bar. When it's time to leave do so and thank your host graciously with a smile whether it was a good night for you or not.

He also gave each person an assignment: talk to three people they had never met before. Learn their who, what, where and whens, and actually listen to them when they answer.

"It was kind of scary to meet new people at first. But when people start talking to you, it gets a little easier," said business

management student Kylie Sanchez, fr., Wichita.

The event was hosted by Business Club President John Regier, sr., McPherson, and Hornung-Heeke, who also headed the organization of the event. The night ended with Regier offering a donation to Clark and the McPherson Healthcare Foundation in thanks for his time and wisdom.

"It was an honor to be chosen to host this event. It gave me an opportunity to meet students and see how the community has grown," Clark said.

Students were able to get a feel for the business social environment, learn and practice their cocktail party etiquette and do a little networking with McPherson community members.

The Hot spot

By: JOHANNA HOFFMAN

A GLIMPSE INTO THE LIFE OF JEN JENSON
ADMISSIONS AND FINANCIAL AID COUNSELOR



and loved it! I always told my youth that they're not just the future of the church, they are the church. And, I believe that about youth in general, not just those of the church. I just don't think "adults" give youth and young adults enough credit for who they are and who they will become. I think if we spent more time and energy being that voice for them and giving light to their own voices instead of criticizing how the next generation is doing things, our world could be a much different place.

WHY WERE YOU DRAWN TO BEING AN ADMISSIONS COUNSELOR AT MCPHERSON? I was drawn to McPherson College in general. I love the community. I love the town. I love the people. And most of all, I love working with youth and young adults. I have a passion for helping youth and young adults find their gifts and passions and figuring out how to apply those in life. So many of us aren't given a chance at a young age, yet I'm a big believer that we don't have to be a "grown up" to make a difference.

IN THE FEW SHORT MONTHS YOU'VE BEEN AN ADMISSIONS COUNSELOR, WHAT HAVE YOU LEARNED ABOUT RECRUITING? It's about building a relationship and building the trust. The recruit has to be able to trust me when I say Mac is the place to be.

WHAT OTHER POSITIONS HAVE YOU HELD WITH WORKING WITH YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS? I held the position of Church of the Brethren District Minister of Youth for over seven years

COMMUTING FROM NEBRASKA EVERY COUPLE OF WEEKS, YOU MUST HAVE TIME TO TRY OUT A LOT OF MUSIC. WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE TRAVEL SOUNDTRACK AND WHY? Oh dude, I have the most eclectic play list when I travel. From The Beatles, Journey, Green Day, Black Eyed Peas (back when they were good, of course), John Mayer, Jason Mraz, Sam Cooke, Louis Armstrong; I'm all over the place. The album I play the most, though, would definitely be Mutual Kumquat, a Church of the Brethren band that recently redid a bunch of hymns and made them current. Good stuff!

WHEN NOT WORKING, WHAT ARE SOME OF YOUR FAVORITE FREE-TIME ACTIVITIES? I love to cook! And, I'm always playing around with making something new. I love having people over, whether it's just for dinner or for a weekend. I also love being at camp! If I could spend the whole year there, I would! And, run. Somehow, I became a runner. I have no clue how that happened!

Campus Ministry experiences growth between semesters

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Campus Life Editor

It is well known that McPherson College is a Church of the Brethren affiliated school. The Campus Ministry Leadership Team has been an ongoing and growing program open to all students at McPherson College. Programs like Campus Ministry, Peer Ministry, Takeover, Men's Fellowship and Bible studies are all student led.

There are now 10 peer ministers who are available to talk about anything, faith-based or not. This number has almost doubled since last semester.

Peer Ministry is confidential and available for "students who need someone to listen to," said Steve Crain, campus pastor. "Hindu or Buddhist, even spiritual seekers who don't identify with any faith are welcome. I would love, in particular, to reach to athletes because of the special pressures they face."

Takeover, which takes place every other Sunday in the basement of Miller Library, is also student led.

"Takeover is another student initiated program that I support wholeheartedly. I'm really happy that programs are sprouting on their own," Crain said.

Deon Shorter, sr., Pasadena, Calif., leads Men's Fellowship on Tuesdays at 8 p.m. in Siek Dining Hall. Shorter says that although he was hesitant to lead the group, he feels that God has called men to lead.

Shorter said, "It says in Hebrews, 'Share the good news and he will take care of the rest.' If God calls me to do it, I'll do it. But it's a fear for respect of God's word."

"This I Believe," a panel discussion about faith, will be on March 5 during late night in Hoffman Student Union. Three faculty and three students will be presenting their views on faith followed by open Q-and-A.

Crain said, "The point is to give a sampling of diversity of the faith on campus."

Campus Ministry meets in Siek Dining Hall Thursdays at 5 p.m. Bible study meets every Wednesday at 9:10 p.m. in the Bittering Hall lobby.

"I'm always open and available for people to come talk to," Crain said. "It doesn't matter what faith background you have. My ministry, as far as I'm concerned, doesn't know any boundaries."

Peer ministers

Chris Barnes

Cody Cannon

Melicia Evans

Laurina Hannan

Dani Jacks

Magenta Jackson

Lora Kirmer

Amanda Leffew

Charles Moore

Sam Williams

LEAD EDITORIAL

Bill causes controversy for gay community Proposal should not have passed through House

A bill has been passed in the state of Kansas that states anyone can deny a homosexual person service if it is against their religious beliefs.

This includes every business.

Teachers can even choose not to teach homosexual students if it conflicts with their religious beliefs.

This is a horribly unjust bill that uses the First Amendment to discriminate against the homosexual population.

For many reasons this bill is not okay to be in place.

We have been fighting discrimination for centuries.

Although discrimination on the basis of

race and gender is still prevalent, it has diminished a lot in the past years.

We are approaching discrimination against the homosexual population and that is not right.

Some people do not like the homosexual population because homosexuals make those people uncomfortable or because it is against their religion.

Some heterosexual people make me uncomfortable and I do not make a point to discriminate against them so why discriminate against the homosexual population? Many people go to church and many more are religious even if they do not go to church.

Business owners and teachers would

be able to deny citizens service, jobs or education in Kansas because of their religious beliefs on homosexuality.

If we deny students education and jobs because they like the same sex, they'll end up in poverty and they will live off tax dollars.

Would you rather pay them for working hard in society or give them money by denying them education and work and paying these people with your taxes?

A key word in this conflict is people. Homosexuals are still people even if they like the same sex.

According to Fierce Goodbye, the lesbian population is two times more likely to commit suicide than straight women.

Gay men are three times more likely to commit suicide than straight males.

The bill that could be passed in Kansas could increase those chances even more.

Fight for every gay friend or family member you have.

This bill needs to be demolished for the sake of our country.

Homosexual people should not have to live in the fear that they have lived in so long. Now that they are coming out all over the world, let us not force them back into hiding.

Americans should learn new languages

Many countries teach students English starting in grade schools so will be able to speak both their native language and English.

This is very nice for those of us who sometimes travel to other countries and do not know the language of that country.

Americans should learn languages of other countries, too, especially if they plan to travel and spend time outside of the country.

If every American was bilingual we would be much more successful in everyday life. Once one new language has been learned, it is easier to learn more as long as they are similar.

According to wordreference.com learning one of the five Romance languages French, Italian, Spanish, Romanian and

Portuguese then the other will be easier to learn. People may argue that there is no need to learn another language for reasons like they will not be traveling outside of the country and do not need to communicate with foreigners.

Learning a language is not just for communication between people.

Latin is a dead language, yet if are going into medicine or law programs, it will prove to be a very helpful language to know.

With the immigration rates from Mexico into the United States, Spanish is a good language to learn as it does seem to be integrating itself into are present day society.

The younger people start learning a language, the easier it is to learn and use.

In a study done by David Hubel and Torsten Wiesel, the brain has a critical developing period when it retains more information than usual.

For this reason, elementary schools should make a point to teach kids languages while they are able to pick it up quickly and expand on those abilities later.

If someone is visiting a different country for a short period of time, learning the

language is not a necessity but learning a little bit to get around would be a good idea.

Learning a language before that point in your life should be a necessity as well.

WORLD CONFLICTS

Jordyn Lipe



Lindsborg is great place short travel destination

If you like road trips, quick getaways, medieval castles, curvy roads, first-millennium history or if you long for relief from the Great Plains (why do you think they call them “plain”?) I’ve got an idea for you.

Last weekend, I went on an exploratory trip to Lindsborg, just 15 miles north of McPherson.

Lindsborg has established itself as the Swedish tourism capital of south-central Kansas.

Maybe all of Kansas.

Maybe of the entire Midwest. It’s an exceptional example of branding.

But beyond the expected gift stores selling lingonberry jam, engraved shot glasses and chocolate (does every country really specialize in chocolate?) my expectations were low.

Ho-hum, another tourist town, albeit in Kansas.

Another Kansas town. Another Main Street.

Another water tower. Yawn. Is it time to go home yet?

But wait. There’s more.

If you look to the west and north from Lindsborg, there are hills!

Kansas has hills!

As a Colorado creature, I like my hills to loom above me by, say, five thousand feet.

These Kansas hills are only about one-tenth of that, but hey, it’s a relief from the barn door-flat scenery that lines most of the Kansas interstate highways.

You can drive into the hills, then go north for maximum hilliness, and drive for miles and miles up-and-down. Refreshing.

Invigorating.

I also discovered Coronado Heights. It’s a spot on top of a hill, near where the Spanish explorer Francisco Vásquez de Coronado is reputed to have abandoned his search for the Seven Cities of Gold (it’s always about money, isn’t it?) and turned south to return to Mexico.

It’s not hard to imagine Coronado standing at the top of the hill and, seeing only Salina, completely abandoning all hope of riches to the north.

On the spot where Coronado sighed and turned around, the Works Progress Administration (a historic agency of the

New Deal program, which once employed three million otherwise unemployed people) built a monument in the form of a miniature castle.

It’s cool. In addition to the castle-ette, there are numerous fire pits and picnic tables, plus a rustic restroom.



OLD IRON

Scott Versaw

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Yearly Automtove Career Fair arrives to Mac

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This past week on Feb. 18 and 19, Chris Weins, director of career services, organized the annual career fair for the McPherson College Automotive Restoration students. Twelve well-known automotive restoration businesses attended the event, interested to meet the students and see their talents.

“It was great to have 12 different employers who were able to speak to students face-to-face. The number of employers also meant that there was a good deal of variety in shop type, from high-end Ferrari restoration to mostly modern interior work and shops that fit somewhere in between,” said Garrick Green, associate professor of technology.

On the night of Feb. 18, an informal “meet and greet” was in Templeton Hall for the students to go and chat with the potential employers. These conversations were an opportunity for the students to get to know the employers and their businesses, as well as an opportunity for the employers to get to know the students on a more personal level.

“It was a great experience for me to talk to future employers and to get my name out into the restoration industry,” said Derek Stephenson, sr., Great Bend.

Restoration students of all classifications and skill levels came to talk to the employers; some were seeking summer internships, while others were seeking full-time employment after graduation.

Many employers came seeking different skill sets. The Hot Rod Garage, Tulsa, Okla., was looking for an individual with

advanced sheet metal skills while JPM Coachworks, Smyrna, Ga., and Motion Products Inc., Neenaw, Wis., were looking for individuals with advanced trim and upholstery skills. Employers like Hagerty, Traverse City, Mich., were looking for a broad range of skill sets as they were hiring for multiple positions.

On the following day, the Career Fair was held in Friendship Hall where employers set up their tables. All students attending McPherson College were welcome to talk to the restoration industry employers to learn more about the industry. During the first half of the day, automotive restoration students were encouraged to come in and talk to the employers if they hadn’t gotten a chance to do so at the “meet and greet” the night before. Scheduled interviews that restoration students had to sign up for beforehand started at 1 p.m.

“It was good to get experience with formal interviewing” said Brian Ellis, sr., Denver, Colo. Many of the employers such as Hagerty, Stellar Restorations, and Champion Auto Body are repeat McPherson College Automotive Restoration graduate employers.

“The employers who have been here multiple times and who have hired students are a great testimony to the education that they are receiving at McPherson College,” Green said.

“I was really impressed with the quality of the employers but more importantly, I was very impressed with the quality of our students. All of the employers said that they had hard choices to make because they had so many qualified candidates,” said Chris Weins, director of career services.



Photo by Arryana Barton

Jacob O’Gorman, soph., Ennismore, Ontario, Canada, and Rebecca Hornung-Heeke, jr., Spearsville (top), talk to prospective employers at the Automotive Career Fair Wednesday morning, Feb. 19 in Friendship Hall.



Photo by Arryana Barton

Andrew Bucitelli, West Hartford, Conn. shows his portfolio to an employer. Twelve well known automotive companies attended the Automotive Career Fair on Feb. 18 and 19.

McVegas: Students win big at Casino Night

FONZI CUREAU
Spectator Staff

The sound of laughter, poker chips, depressed sighs and jubilant shouts were heard throughout the smaller gymnasium at McPherson College Wednesday, Feb. 19. Students, faculty and staff went to win prizes which ranged from a TV to laundry money.

The annual Casino Night event, put on by the Student Activity Board, was considered successful. Up to 300 students cashed their fake poker chips for raffle tickets that and the opportunity for the prizes. Set up around the gym were craps tables, blackjack and Texas Hold 'em. Many students were able to find a game to play.

Johanna Hoffman, fr., McPherson, said, "Gambling is new to me, but the atmosphere is great... I'm having a lot of fun, especially since I'm not losing real money."

Other students weren't so keen on having a good time. They wanted to win, and they wanted that TV.

Football player Eli Brady, fr., Mansfield Texas, said, "I came in here with a goal; to watch HD television in my dorm room. So I went to the craps table, put everything I had on red and lost. But that's life, you know? Either you go big or you stay small."

By the end of the night, Dusty Kitchen, SAB advisor, looked over his night and said, "It was a really relaxed, friendly atmosphere.... I'm glad we were able to get everyone together that maybe normally wouldn't hang out, like athletes and the auto restoration students, even faculty members."

He also sent out an email thanking everyone that showed up: the faculty and student volunteers who helped run and setup the evening and the people that stuck around later on to finish clean up.

SAB has more events coming up during the rest of the semester. Students can check bulletin boards around campus and their emails for upcoming information.



Photos by Fonzi Cureau

Rea Samuels, soph., Williston, Fla. (top) deals black jack, while Todge Cooper, fr., Colorado Springs, Colo. (top right); Andrew Butcher, sr., Atlantic, Iowa; Yosafat Figueroa, sr., Sacramento, Calif.; Andy Fabianski, fr., New Lenox, Ill.; and Michael Irwin, jr., Wichita, (bottom right) place bets. Three hundred students attended Casino Night in the small gym on Feb. 19.

Students perform folk show as last of season

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Editor-in-Chief

Students will perform "The Spitfire Grill" Feb. 28, March 1, 7 and 8 to conclude the McPherson College theater season. The musical is based on a movie from 1996 that took the Audience Award at the Sundance Film Festival that year.

"The Spitfire Grill" is about a woman who, after leaving prison, picks a spot on the map and begins to live a new life.

"It's about redemption, new life and religious allusions," said Jd. Bowman, associate professor of theater. The cast has had some ups and downs preparing for the performances.

"It's a folk musical, so some of our actors aren't used to singing that style," Bowman said. "It's very specific on how it's performed. There's lots of story telling through the song. It's been fun teaching about that style."

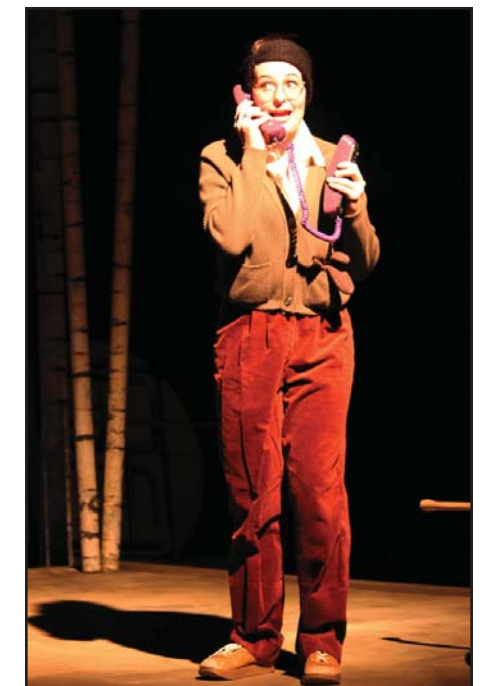
Stage manager Sam Williams, jr., Storm Lake, Iowa, said, "It's a unique musical in the aspect that it's a bluegrass style musical instead of a traditional musical. So far, this is one of my favorite musicals because it has the bluegrass twang to it."

The students in the show are Becca Leite, fr., Salina; Sarah Schowengert, sr.,

McPherson; Alyese Crist, sr., Quinter; Charles Moore, fr., Junction City; Josh Hall, soph., Kansas City; E.h. Petropolous, sr., Larkspur, Colo.; Evan Clary, sr., McPherson; and Tyler Henning, soph., Halstead.

Bowman said, "I'm excited it's our last show of the season, because our season has had a broad offering of shows. We had a '70s serious piece. We had "Into the Woods" that was all fairytale oriented. We had an absurdest piece. It's been fun having so many types of shows this season."

Space is limited for the show. To reserve a place on the waiting list, call or email the McPherson College box office at 620-242-0444 or at theatre@mcpherson.edu.



Photos by Jordyn Lipe

E.h. Petropolous, sr., Larkspur, Colo. (right), rehearses on stage in Mingenback Theatre. Students will perform "The Spitfire Grill" on Feb. 28, March 1, 7 and 8.