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HALLOWEEN HAUNTS CAMPUS



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Top: Nicholas Van Buren, soph., Annandale and Tyler Hunt, soph., Lyons, dress as Dumb and Dumber for Halloween.

Bottom: Lisa Sader, jr., Salina and Julie Wondra, jr., Great Bend dress up for Halloween.

Bush to retain office for another term

DANE KINKEAD
Spectator Staff

Americans went to the polls in record numbers on Tuesday to choose the next President of the United States, and after months of campaigning and with the world watching, Americans re-elected President George W. Bush to a second term.

"I think it's good Bush won, because America doesn't need a change in leadership during a war," said Nathan Becerra, fr, Kansas City.

"I personally wish the results had turned out differently," said sr. Daniel Butler, Eldora.

Andrea Gonzalez, sr., Elizabeth, Colo., said she is "excited that Bush is President."

The President defeated Sen. John Kerry with 51 percent of the nation's popular vote, with Kerry receiving 48 percent. A record 59 million voters cast their ballot for the President, making him the first president since 1988 to receive a majority of the popular vote in a Presidential election.

Daniel Butler said that the president is going to have to prove to those who voted for Kerry that "there was something there." "I think the election results show how the country is unsure of our president."

President Bush won the Electoral College with 279 electoral votes, while Sen. Kerry received 252 electoral

votes. In the 2000 election, President Bush won the Electoral College, but lost the popular vote to Al Gore. In this election, however, Bush won the popular vote by nearly four million votes, giving him a solid victory.

Kerry conceded the election on Wednesday, calling the President to end the race. The two congratulated each other, and talked about the importance of unifying the country.

Like many other Americans, junior Tim Benyshek, Agenda, was relieved that the Democratic contender decided to concede rather than contest the election in the courts.

"I'm glad that (President) Bush won, and I am glad that we didn't have a repeat of Florida from 2000," said Tim Benyshek, jr., Agenda.

In 2000 the election was up in the air for over a month until the Supreme Court ruled 5-4 that President Bush should win the state of Florida, giving him the necessary electoral votes to win.

Leaders from around the world, including Russian President Vladimir Putin and British Prime Minister Tony Blair, the United States' biggest ally in the war on terror, said Bush's win represented a victory in the war on terror.

New residential requirements in place

KATE DEPUTY
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A new financial aid policy is intended to emphasize the importance of the on-campus experience in fulfilling the college's mission and to give financial aid preference to students who choose to live on campus, says college officials.

The new policy, which goes into effect in the spring semester, is tied closely to a revised residential requirement that applies only to current freshmen and all future classes.

The new financial aid policy specifies that those students who are classified as dependents under federal financial aid guidelines and who choose to live off campus in accordance with the provisions of the existing student housing policy will experience a \$3,500 reduction in institutional financial aid.

The residential policy that went into effect for the class entering in the fall of 2004 states that all students except those who are married and/or have dependents, who live at home with parents, or who are at least 23 years of age on the official day of enrollment for the semester are expected to live on campus and enroll in the college meal plan.

LaMonte Rothrock, dean of students, said the changes in student housing policy were initially motivated by a need to keep upperclass leadership on campus as well as to

FINANCIAL AID CHANGES FOR OFF CAMPUS FRESHMEN AND INCOMING STUDENTS

- Students classified as dependents have to be 23 on official enrollment day to live off campus that year.
- Dependent students who decide to live off-campus lose \$3,500 from financial aid starting next spring.
- These policy changes only effect this year's freshmen and future freshmen.

enhance the overall educational experience for students. Keeping upperclassmen on campus to serve as academic and leadership role models for underclassmen is crucial to the quality of the residential college experience, Rothrock said.

"The college believes that in addition to the classroom setting, substantial learning occurs within the residential life of the campus," said Carol Williams, director of admissions and financial aid.

Rothrock said that enhancing McPherson as a residential campus also helps students make connections that will provide gateways into the real world and contribute to the college's intent to be an excellent career-oriented liberal arts institution.

However, Rothrock said, the college is also looking at both the housing policy and the new financial aid policy from the financial standpoint.

This semester, approximately 280 students live on campus, Rothrock said. Dorm capacity is nearly 500.

"We need to be filling the space we have," Rothrock said.

Revenue from residential

services such as housing and food service is an important part of the college's income and makes it possible to improve services that benefit all students, he said. The college needs to be "taking advantage of all resources," Rothrock said.

A recent press release from Williams outlined the new financial aid policy that now accompanies the student housing policy. The release explains the college's intent to reserve more financial aid to award to students who choose to live on campus.

No aid that has already been awarded will be taken away, Williams release explained, but freshmen "dependents" who choose to live off-campus beginning next spring can expect to have \$3,500 removed from their institutional financial aid package.

All students who will be affected by the policy change have already been notified in writing, Williams said.

Exemptions to the residential policy may be granted but are purely situational. Exemption requests must be submitted in writing to the dean of students.

Students learn proper meal etiquette

AMY GEORGE
Spectator Staff

Picture it. You are in the running for a great job, and your prospective employer invites you to a dinner at a nice restaurant with the others who are in the running for that same job. What can you do to make the best impression possible?

Knowing a little about restaurant etiquette and your role as a dinner guest could go a long way in landing you that job. Where can a college student learn those skills, however, when the three square meals are enjoyed in the school cafeteria?

There is help for the meal etiquette challenged in the form of a power dining experience, also known as the Protocol Dinner, like the one held last Thursday evening at The Upper Room in downtown McPherson.

The meal was offered to McPherson College students, faculty and local business leaders, and was meant to be a mutually beneficial and informative experience for the 44 individuals who attended.

Some of the local business leaders in attendance included Ted Odle, Home State Bank and Trust president; Gary Mehl, McPherson Sentinel publisher; Linus Linaweaver, president of First Bank; Lori Pauley of Hospira and McPherson dentist, Dr. Troy Wiens.

According to Chris Wiens, director of career services, "We invited people from the community to the dinner not only to add a more real-life networking experience for the student, but also to show the community some of what McPherson College is doing."

"I think it has great value for young

people," Mehl said. "I was glad I got invited. It was a great learning experience for me. I didn't know not to eat a lobster with a curly

tail, especially a male one. Mike (Schneider) was a terrific host."

Michael Schnieder, vice president of advancement, facilitated the evening's activities and Penny Selzer catered the meal. The delicious five-course menu consisted of crackers and pate, asparagus and ham crepes with white cream sauce, tomato dill soup, filet mignon and lobster with mashed potatoes and vegetables and a caramel pecan tort for dessert. The meal, which would easily be worth \$60 in a restaurant, was offered to students for \$15.

Chris Wiens added that some of the other topics highlighted at the event were the role of the host and the guest at functions, the table settings and what utensil to use when, the correct passing of food, what to do if you don't like the food and general restaurant etiquette.

The Business Club helped sponsor the event, and Chris Wiens said there is a possibility of another dinner next semester that would tie into the Leadership Forum on diversity. That event would center around cultural dining etiquette and would give students a much better understanding of how other cultures view and engage in a dining experience.

In a world where the competition is fierce, Chris Wien's words are sage advice.

"We wanted the students to learn proper etiquette so that they can make a good impression. It's a skill that could make or break a deal, make the difference between getting the job or not."

NEWS BRIEFS

Blood drive scheduled for Nov. 19

The blood drive will take place in the small gym on Nov. 19. It will run from 9 a.m. to 2:15 p.m.

In order to give blood donors must be at least 17 years-old and weigh more than 110 pounds. They must not have any existing health problems or have donated in the last 56 days.

It is recommended that donors get a good night's sleep and not skip any meals before donating.

After donating they should not lift any heavy objects or do any physical activity for about five hours. They should also drink extra liquids.

It is recommended that students reserve a one-hour slot with Rebecca Stover at extension 7605 to give blood, but walk-ins are also welcome.

If anyone has any questions about giving blood they can contact Stover or visit www.redcross.org.

Church of the Brethren featured on TV for Christmas special

CBS has invited the Church of the Brethren to air its Christmas Eve Service. The taping will be held at Bethany Theological Seminary in Richmond, Ind. on Nov. 23, 2004. It will air on Christmas Eve at 11:35 p.m. - 12:35 a.m. eastern standard time.

Each year CBS invites a different church to host the Christmas special

DVD and videotapes will be made available with behind-the-scenes footage of the making of the service. A Web site with more information will be available.

Mac to host 1A-4A boys' state soccer tournament

The 1A-4A boys' state soccer tournament will be hosted at McPherson College tonight at 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. and tomorrow at 12 p.m. and 2 p.m.

Admission is \$6 and there no passes will be accepted. No one is allowed to enter through the Sport Center.

The college's men's and women's soccer teams will be running the event.

STAFF EDITORIALS

On-campus rules need to be revised

The McPherson College student housing guidelines state, "All full-time students except those who are married and/or have dependents, are living in a parental home or are at least 23 years of age on official enrollment day for the semester are expected to live on the McPherson College campus and participate in the college meal plan."

Starting next spring, with current and incoming freshman, this regulation will be backed by a \$3,500 deduction in financial aid for any student who is still claimed as a dependent and chooses to live off-campus.

It is understandable that the college wishes to keep the upperclassmen on campus to provide leadership, and obviously there is always a financial factor involved, but what about the students? The students who voluntarily stay on campus already are the ones that administrators want as role models, not those begrudgingly forced to stay in the dorms.

In addition, the financial aid reduction could have the opposite effect that the college is looking for. If students do not want to live on campus and would suffer monetary loss by living off-campus, what is to stop them from attending another school where they could live as they wish at a lower price? We think the college should have considered student's opinions and wishes more before enacting such a heavy financial penalty to living off campus.

BCA presents opportunities

Most students dream of someday being wealthy enough to take long vacations to exotic places such as Europe, Australia and Japan. Most never realize the possibility of spending a semester or more in such places while still in school.

Europe, Australia and Japan are only a few of the amazing places where Brethren Colleges Abroad (BCA) are located, and it is probably the cheapest five-month "vacation" any one could ask for.

Most students immediately write off the BCA exchange program because of preoccupation with sports, lack of money, and of course, their demanding social lives. Really think about it though. When else, in our lives, are we going to have more time or money? Do any of us really expect to take month-long vacations to foreign countries when we have full-time jobs, mortgages, and families of our own?

As Ocie Kilgus, BCA coordinator, pointed out recently, studying abroad can provide amazing opportunities to learn about different cultures and how "the universal themes of friendship, family, and love are played out in other societies."

We challenge students to take advantage of the opportunities available to us through the BCA program. We challenge you to learn more about other cultures—and probably more about yourselves.

What are your feelings about the outcome of the election?

"I am very thankful that Bush won. He may not be the best for the world but he is the best for moral and social progress of our nation."

Tim Stangohr, fr., Newton



"I expected Bush to win, but I didn't think it would be as close as it was. It was exciting."

Rod Boatner, sr., Seattle, Wash.



"I wasn't very involved in the election but I was glad to see Bush won."

Ashlee Douglas, fr., Eureka



"I think that whatever should have happened happened. Everyone gets a chance to vote so they shouldn't be upset about the outcome."

Abby Suiter, soph., St. John



"Democracy has been carried out: now it's our job as U.S. citizens to represent our own personal political beliefs."

Amanda Smith, jr., Hutchinson



DOG BITES



Nothing in life ever stays the same

ENJOY THE CHANGES

At the risk of getting looked at sideways, I'm going to say this: life is a huge tossed salad these days.

We used to say America was the melting pot, but now it's the tossed salad. What used to be known, as a "sale" is now a "bi-annual blowout to beat all others!" What I used to know as normal is no longer. Just when you get used to something, it changes. Just when I get used to listening to Montgomery Gentry, the playlist changes to Fu Manchu (a little different kind of music). Just when I was enjoying the awesome weather, it got chilly and wet.

Oh, and suddenly it's OK for perfectly fit people to park in handicap zones. All this time I thought those were for people who couldn't walk, but now I know they're painted blue so people know, "Oh hey, I can park there and walk a shorter distance!" Your uncle must not be in a wheelchair, your grandmother must not have bad hips.

I was complaining about some work I paid to have done on my truck that didn't satisfy and a freshman told me, "You should have had us (the college) do it." All these years I thought we restored cars, but we're

INDIANA INSIGHTS Luke Eberly



a fix-it shop!! I never knew!

Growing up is hell; I'll give it that. That is one thing I was told, many times.

Old men told me, "Play the field as long as you can." I was playing the field, got snagged like a pop fly to center field when there's no breeze and the sun's behind a cloud. Thought I had that one figured out, guess what: it changed, too.

There's only one thing in life that stays the same: everything changes. That's in a song somewhere. There's another something: new music used to be good. The most exciting thing in music these days is Eminem's "AhAhAhAhAh," or however you spell that...sound.

I've been going to school my whole life; you'd think I'd have it figured out. Nope, it changed, too.

Being a senior, I should think of a better way to say it. It altered. I altered.

Things went askew. A virus entered the system. I feel much like I did my senior year of high school, like everyone is weird, I'm weary of school, and I just want to get on with the next step.

Weird how when you're a senior, at least at my high school, suddenly everyone understood it was cool to talk to everyone and cliques didn't matter. Now, here, I am realizing a lot of people I didn't really hang out with are really cool; some would even hire me for 50 bucks an hour!! Others, however, make me embarrassed to be here. Did you guys miss the part where you change from high school? College is where you quit letting people hold your hand and you do it yourself. Be responsible, make smart decisions, and if you get your truck stuck, by god, get it out by morning!

I'm going crazy I think. For once I can't handle school with the off-hand

simplicity I'm used to; I can't blow it off and do what I want and still get by. You can bet I'm going to try though!

I'm having a hard time growing up just like everybody else. I feel like I'm in the middle of a whirlwind, and a piece of straw just blew through my forehead! But there was a Benjamin on the end of it!

Bad things happen, and then good things happen. For instance, I thought I had a 10-page paper due last Friday. Found out it wasn't, but now I'm six pages closer than I was the day it was "due!"

Hang in there people. Obviously, life is getting crazy. You've just spent several minutes reading 777 (count 'em) random words. Things are bound to change soon. We've got Thanksgiving break, then not quite a month, some serious cramming, some stupid tests, and then a month off.

Then, we'll do it again, after that a three-month break, and we're one year closer to paying off our loans!

Life is an ugly cycle; you've got to find enjoyment where you can, enjoy the changes, and keep a pretty blue/green/yellow eye peeled for the future.

America Votes 2004

I haven't been the best citizen I can be throughout my lifetime. And I haven't really paid much attention to all of the political things that go on in our country, but I did make the time to vote on Nov. 2.

I managed to make it back to my small hometown of Waterville, Kan., to fulfill my civil duty. I feel proud. The race this year was a lot closer than I expected it to be, and I am glad to be one of those 21 million Americans under the age of 30 who expressed their political views. Bush won America's vote, 51 percent, with 274 electoral votes. Kerry was right behind him with 252. I must say though, I wasn't

OPINIONS EDITOR Courtney Roepke



very optimistic when all the campaigning was taking place.

With the constant anti-Bush barrage of the last year, it has been hard to keep my spirits up. But why did Bush win? The question to answer isn't why Bush won, but why did Kerry lose. I believe that Kerry lost because of what he represents. I am so thankful that America didn't give into the lies of Kerry.

I know a lot of

Americans voted against Bush because of the war we are still in today.

According to CNN polls, most of the eastern states voted for Kerry because they still felt victimized by the terrorist attacks earlier in Bush's term. CNN reported that the states, Ohio and Florida ranked the Iraq War as the most important issue in choosing their next president. Out of the people who agreed with this issue, 70 percent of them

voted for Kerry. Most of these voters were probably solid anti-war Democrats. I know people were unhappy with Bush and the Iraq War, but Kerry never showed an alternative.

The lesson of 2004 is that until the Democrats grow up and face the realities of national security and that the U.S. just has to use force sometimes, they are going to have trouble in the elections. The question should be not about whether we use force, but when and how we use it.

Kerry and the Democratic base are still debating the first question, so they were unable to make any marks on the second.

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ACTIVITIES BOTHER STUDENT

GROUND LEVEL PEDESTAL

Michael Warner



Recent campus activities have left me feeling left out. It's been fun watching others get recognition for what they do on campus, like recognition for senior football players and women's week for women on campus.

Maybe I'm a little bitter that I've been involved with the pep band for four years and played at all the home football games, and I've yet to see any members of the pep band get any recognition for what they sacrifice on their weekends to contribute to Bulldog pride.

I can imagine what it would sound like to have pep band seniors receive recognition. The announcer would blare through the PA system, "And the next senior is Michael Warner. Michael is from

Hutchinson, Kan., majoring in communications with an emphasis in journalism. He has played in the pep band for four years. He is being accompanied by everybody else in the pep band. Give it up for Michael Warner. YAY!"

In all honesty, I think it's great seeing some of my peers getting the attention they deserve for representing our school and playing good ball.

Women's week was a good idea, I think. It was a good way to get women's

attention concerning their health and learning how to keep themselves safe and protected from rape.

Have there been any plans for a men's week? I'm a little afraid to see how that would turn out, but isn't it only fair that men on campus should have some attention, too, and be taught how to take care of themselves? The student population is male-dominated, and there should be some ways to educate us about important issues.

Some activities may include a night-long toga party, a multiple choice quiz revealing interesting facts about all male faculty on campus, and a long table in front of the cafeteria with a line of fake testicles that students are to fondle and figure which testicle has a lump.

Though it sounds laughable, such measures to educate men about their personal health is important. Did you know that testicular cancer is the most common cancer in men ages 15 to 35, and most of those

tumors are not benign? It's important for us to know.

On a different note, I have been questioning how student activities are being funded, including Homecoming and contests faculty and students engage in. There has been a lot of money left over from club spending and has been given to people who make booths for homecoming no matter how silly their cause and going towards expensive prizes in contests such as the Halloween costume contest.

In all my years as a student at McPherson College, I have watched the prices for attending this institution rise year after year after year. I don't regret my decision to attend McPherson, but I question where a lot of this money is going. If we can afford iPods and DVD players as prizes for a Halloween costume contest, something is wrong.

Some of the money that is being used for these expensive prizes is being paid for by us students when it

comes time to pay for attending this school. I feel that the price for studying here could be lowered if money could be spent more wisely by school clubs, and not have some of the students who choose not to get involved in such activities to help fund expensive prizes for other students.

While I sometimes choose to get left out of activities, that doesn't mean I will let the occasion be unfair and just shrug it off and continue on with my business.

I am all for campus activities and to give students an outlet to have fun and let them get the recognition that they demand, but not everything is fair for the less obvious contributors when it comes to campus activities.

If you feel the same way as I do about your role in school and you feel left out despite your hard work or see something wrong with how the school functions in any way, the best thing to do is to make your presence felt and challenge what you see.

Talk to SGA, SAB, or people in the business office if you feel this school is not working towards creating a fair environment for its students.

We all have an equal voice. We must learn to use it.

YOUNG VOTERS LEAVE THEIR MARK IN POLITICS: OVER 21 MILLION VOTE

No reporter covering the recent election has been able to resist commenting on the low voter turnout of young adults. On how it's so terrible that in an election with so much publicity focused on recruiting young voters that only 18 percent of the voting population was under the age of 30 according to the MTV website. Last election it was 16 percent. We were encouraged to "rock the vote" to be "20 million loud." Well, you want to know how loud we really were?

Twenty-one million. That's five million more voters under the age of 30 than voted four years ago.

With the overall increase in voter turnout, our numbers were hidden in percentages. Yeah, we were only 18 percent of all voters, but there were 21 million of us, and it definitely made a difference. President Bush only won the popular election by about 3.6 million votes.

Too many adults think that our generation is so self-involved and consumer-driven that we don't care about any of the issues.

If I remember correctly, there was even a commercial saying "What do you mean I don't have values? I bought this shirt for 13 dollars, that's a value." It's these kind of ridiculous stereotypes that give adults the idea that our generation does not care.

That is simply not true. Fifty-two percent of 18-29 year olds voted. This number is very similar to how many "adults" cared to vote. The fact is, we are a concerned generation.

And why shouldn't we be? Those jobs that were the topic of so much debate during the election are ours. We're the ones that are going to have to pick up the slack and fix the problems that our current leaders are leaving behind. We are, and should be, very concerned that the right person is elected.

Adults are so con-

Editor in Chief

Tricia Ritcha

cerned about the war and the possibility of the draft being reinstated. Why? It's not going to be the 40-year-old store

owner who lives down the street that is going to get sent off to risk his life for something he might not agree with. It's going to be us, our friends and classmates risking their lives, and for what?

I'm not trying to take a political stance in this column. The election is over, and I'm glad John Kerry had the dignity not to pursue the legal battles that were expected. Now is not the time to bicker over whether the right person won. As Kerry said in his concession speech, it's time to start the healing process.

A lot of things are screwed up, and it will only make things worse if the nation stays divided.

I for one hope that the current administration can fix at least some of the problems it has created before they are our responsibilities. I'm sure we'll have enough of our own problems to face without having to clean up after the prior generation.

Many people think our generation has it so hard. We have had to deal with a greater drug problem, violence in schools, and simply having to grow up too fast. Even more people that think we have it way too easy, that everything has been handed to us on a silver platter and we don't know the value of a dollar.

I think we are very lucky. We are a generation that has so many possibilities.

We can look beyond the barriers of race, gender, sexual orientation, party affiliations and maybe even nationality, to hopefully leave a better world for our children than what is being left for us.

Dreams: the key to success

I don't want this column to sound like a diary entry, but to get the point across I have to tell you a little story.

When I moved to college, I was involved in an on-again, off-again relationship for a period of about three years. My boyfriend and I knew that a long distance relationship would be tough, but we still decided that we would continue to date while at school.

Overtime, I feel that we have just grown apart. A few weeks ago he started acting weird, not really showing any interest in seeing or talking to me. I kept asking him what was wrong, and still he insisted that everything was fine. Finally, I forced it out of him.

"Times have changed," he told me. "I don't know what I want anymore."

You see, in high school, he wasn't the partying type, or even the social type. It was just he and I. His closest friends were his brothers and some older boys in

his brother's class.

We both got pretty good grades in high school, but that was because we had each other to study with. We pushed each other. I depended on him for everything, and now, at college, I didn't know what to do.

When we got settled in at college, we both agreed that we didn't like it. We weren't used to being away from each other for more than a day at a time. Now, it was rare if we saw each other once every two weeks. It was hard on us both.

My boyfriend moved out of his dorm, where he didn't really know anyone, and moved into a frat house. He needed someone like himself to talk to, and since there was this one boy that we attended high school

with in that frat, he moved there. I, on the other hand, always had someone to talk to. I room with a very good friend, whom I've known a long time. I didn't ever feel alone.

You may not know the point of this story yet, but you soon will. Once my best friend of three years left my side, I learned to look for friends to fill my time. Thanks to these friends, I have taken my attention away from this and onto many other things.

When we were all little, we had a dream of what we really wanted to be, right? Well when you get to college, these dreams become a reality. You either realize that this was what you really want or that you have a passion for something totally different. It doesn't mat-

ter, as long as you set goals and have a dream.

At different points in our lives, we might find ourselves confused and losing control, as I have with this long distance relationship. What I have learned is that life isn't supposed to be easy. Otherwise, everyone would be successful and have everything they want. Everything in life worth having is worth working for. We all need a little challenge in our lives to keep us on our toes.

Students like you and me face many challenges today. I'm not just talking about relationship problems because there are things in life so much more important. Have a dream and follow it, whether it be a career or whatever. My dream of becoming successful in whatever I do is being worked one everyday.

Don't let anything or anyone bring you down. Pick yourself up and "keep on truckin'" because all your hard work will lead you to someone or something that will make you happy.

OPINIONS EDITOR

Courtney Roepke

Letter to editor: Why dissection in schools is bad

Dear Editor,

When students at a high school "Participation in Government" class were asked to invite outside speakers to debate controversial issues, I accepted this opportunity to discuss why I believed the school should stop purchasing animal "specimens" for teaching biology, and should instead use lifelike three-dimensional plastic models with removable parts and/or interactive computer programs.

I showed the class a

People For The Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA) video, "Classroom Cut-Ups," which depicted, among other abominations, workers at a dissection supply house embalming animals - from cats to crabs - while they were still alive.

Frogs are usually dropped into an alcohol solution, which takes about 20 painful minutes to cause death.

According to Physicians Committee For Responsible Medicine, the formaldehyde used to pre-

serve the animals' bodies can harm people exposed to it. Formaldehyde is a carcinogenic irritant to eyes, skin, throat, lungs and nasal passages.

The National Association of Biology Teachers has urged schools to offer alternative to dissection.

I shared all this with the students, and asked if their biology class dissection experiences helped them learn biology. Most replied no.

One student wondered if it was unethical to dis-

sect fetal pigs that were taken from the bodies of their butchered mothers. They would not have survived anyway. I replied that dissecting fetal pigs was perhaps a lesser evil than killing live animals for dissection, but why dissect any animal?

Serial killer Jeffrey Dahmer told Dateline NBC, "in ninth grade, in biology class, we had the usual dissection of fetal pigs, and I took the remains home and I just started branching out to dogs and cats." I suggested

to the students that while I trusted their dissection experiences had not demonized them, I nevertheless agreed with Adelphi University Biology Professor George Russell, who wrote that "dissection not only fails to promote reverence for life, but encourages the tendency to blaspheme it" by desensitizing students to cruelty and to the sanctity of life.

But most schools and college in America continue to emphasize dissection. Education administrators should listen to what

one student told PETA - "I passed geography without leaving my home state, and passed geology without seeing planets collide. It's insulting to argue that students can't understand anatomy unless they stick scissors into a frog's brain."

Joel Freedman
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PHOTOS BY MICHAEL JARDON

Above: Dan Hudachek, soph., Stillwater, Minn., works on the set of "Antigone." Left: Jason Olson, fr., De Kalb, Ill. prepares the stage for opening night. The production will be held, Nov. 18, 19 and 20.

[Greek] Tragedy strikes Mac campus

"Antigone" to be performed Nov. 18, 19 and 20

LARA LICHTY
Staff Writer

Look out, McPherson College, a tragedy is about to hit campus and it is bound to be a good one. Entitled, "Antigone," this tragedy will be presented by the theatre department as the senior project of Janell Klenke, McPherson. The play is set up as the aftermath of a Greek tragedy in which two brothers, Eteocles and Polynices, have fallen at one of the

gates of Thebes after feuding over the throne. King Creon allows Eteocles to be buried, but he forbids any funeral rites or burial to the corpse of Polynices. Antigone and Ismene are the sisters of the dead brothers and the last children of the ill-fated Oedipus. The story of Antigone tells the run of events that happens when the younger sister, Antigone, buries her brother against the king's orders. Creon, the king, will

undergo a gender change and be played by Klenke as a female character.

The rest of the cast is relatively new to McPherson College's stage. Antigone will be played by Althea Harding, sr., McPherson, and her sister will be played by Lara Lichty, soph., Quinter.

Antigone's lover, Haemon, will be presented by Travis Walker, fr., Coffeerville. Maribeth Turner, sr., Olsburg, will portray the nurse of the two sisters, and Brandt Busse, sr., McPherson, will frequently intervene as the narrator to help the audience understand the story.

Three guards, Alex Tyler, fr., McPherson, Megan Peterson, fr., Gypsum, and Akeisha Kaufman, soph., Moundridge, will be on the stage as well. The messenger will be played by Alicia Schoen, soph., McPherson, and the page will be played by Kate Johnson, McPherson. Heidi Bailey, jr., Greenville, Ohio, will join the others on stage as the Queen Mother.

Others involved in the show are Katherine Whitacre, director; Mary Hughes, sr., McPherson stage manager; Jen Taylor, costume construction; Rick Tyler, professor of theatre, set design; Jennifer King,

sr., Eskridge, sound design and Tech I Theatre class, props.

Whitacre said she is excited about "Antigone"'s debut because it opens in a time of heavy political debate.

"When this show opens, I believe the lawsuits being filed related to the 2004 Presidential Election outcome will have grown to outlandish proportions," Whitacre said.

"This show is a timeless reflection of those same age-old conflicts over politics, power, moral superiority, armed conflict, family dysfunction and internal psychological conflict.

Only the names have changed. The struggles remain the same," Whitacre said.

"People should come to this play because they've changed the character Creon from a man to a woman," said Turner. "They should find relevance in the play because it is about a war-torn society."

"I am really looking forward to the end result and am excited to be working with the cast. This will be a play that no one should miss," said Harding.

"Antigone" will be performed on Nov. 18, 19, and 20 at 7:30.

Move that body

MALLORY YUNGBERG
Staff Writer

McPherson College is hosting Pilates classes every Monday evening at 6:30. They last for an hour. The first class was Monday, Oct. 28.

Anybody is invited to come and join the class. Right now the majority of the class is faculty members. A few students come as well. A few staff members from the hospital also attend the class.

Pilates is an exercise that focuses on balance and core strength. It creates flexibility and breathing patterns that build

longer, leaner muscles than you would get from lifting weights. It increases lung capacity and is also used for rehabilitation purposes. There are many benefits to be reaped from this type of exercise including: posture, abdominal strength and joint health improvement. Pilates is becoming very popular globally and nationally.

Dani Crist, a McPherson college graduate, is in charge of the classes. She is also runs the Hess Fitness center for the hospital.

Tricia Musgrave, resident director of Bittinger

Hall, is a regular attendee of the classes.

"I have been two of the three times. I missed last week," Musgrave said. "The first time mostly just faculty and staff came. The second time it was about 50-50 with faculty and staff and with students."

"I like the classes because they make me feel relaxed because of all of the stretching," Musgrave said.

"I feel more energized," Musgrave said.

She agrees that Pilates is good for your core muscles. "You can really feel it in your abs."



PHOTO BY SARAH VERMILLION

Lisa Sader, jr., Salina, demonstrates the Pilates 100 that she's learned in the Pilates class meeting every Monday evening in the Sport Center.

McPherson throw back

This article was taken from the April 27, 1971, edition of the McPherson College Spectator. It reports on the activism of McPherson students during the Vietnam war.

Marchers protest war

Marchers gathered around the flagpole last Friday, to march downtown in a peace procession. During the day the United Nations flag flew under the United States flag. A request to fly the U.S. flag was denied.

At the flagpole, Lynn Kleiber, fr. said "It's a good thing if people are serious, maybe people in town will wake up and think that the kids just won't stop after tonight but will continue in feeling that the war is wrong and think of ways to stop the war machine."

Reuben Krehbiel, a farmer from Moundridge, thought the march

"showed concern for the things that are going on in the United States and would alert people to the fact that there are some who think we should not be out there killing." He said he was "interested in coming" and remarked that "There are a lot of rural route people who feel that the government is involved in a very immoral way in dealing with people in Vietnam."

Penny Brainbridge said, "I felt pretty good about things, there were 88 people there and in proportion to national participation, that it was "good to see people in

the community participate."

The National Student Association and the Student Mobilization Committee were in charge of the present peace activities nationwide. They asked that business not be carried on as usual on college campuses, and that students support a consumer strike.

McPherson College faculty were also involved. Dr. Les Fraley, physics department, and Dr. Wesley DeCoursey, chemistry department, sent notes to all faculty requesting that the Vietnam War be discussed that day.

This article is very interesting in the fact that we can look at what people on the McPherson College campus and in the community thought about war in these times. It is relevant to what people feel today (especially with the election) and interesting to compare the opinions.

- Courtney Roepke

FABULOUS FAD FACULTY

Michael Reynolds, Tricia Brothers New faculty have high hopes for their futures at McPherson College

AMY JANTZ
Staff Writer

Editor's Note: As a way of introducing new faculty members at McPherson College, the Spectator will be featuring interviews with two new members in upcoming issues. This is the first of those articles.

What do you get when you cross a professional mime of six years and someone who lived in twelve different places by the age of 14? In this case you would get two of the things that are true about Michael Reynolds, new professor of mathematics at McPherson College. This reporter took some time to ask this very interesting faculty member about some of his favorite things and was pleasantly surprised by what was discovered.

Spec. Where did you grow up?
MR. I was born in Bremerton, Wash., but moved from there when I was less than a year old. During the first 14 years of my life I lived in Uncasville, Mass.; Honolulu, Hawaii; Granby, Conn.; Newark, Del.; Burlington, Kan.; Midland, Mich.; Granbury, Texas; Glendale, Ariz.; Las Cruces, N.M.; Olympia, Wash.; and Harvey, La. So I don't really have a "home town," and I grew up all over this great nation. Most recently I lived in Orlando, Fla., before moving here.

Spec. Tell me about your family.
MR. My wife's name is Cynthia and my 7-month old daughter is Hannah. Both are native Floridians, who have never seen snow.

Spec. What do you enjoy doing in your spare time?
MR. I am a movie buff and enjoy watching and collecting all types of movies.

Spec. What is your favorite soda or beverage and food?
MR. Iced tea and barbecue ribs.

Spec. What is your favorite bible verse (if any)?
MR. Nahum 1:7: "The Lord is good, a refuge in times of trouble. He cares for those who trust in Him."

Spec. What is your favorite holiday and why?
MR. I have always loved Christmas, because it is a time of home, family and love. I also enjoy it because of all the great Christmas music!

Spec. What is your impression of McPherson and McPherson College?
MR. I am impressed by all the college graduates who have come back to teach and work here, or who support the college in any number of ways. I can tell there is a real sense of community here.

Spec. What is one thing that people don't know about you that may come as a surprise?
MR. Before going to college I worked as a professional mime for six years.

Spec. What are you most excited about when it comes to being a faculty member at McPherson College?
MR. Getting to know students who come from a variety of backgrounds.

Tricia Brothers, new assistant professor of business and marketing, also shared an excitement for her future at McPherson as she talked about why she feels the education opportunities are great for students here.

Spec. Tell me about your background and family.
TB. I grew up on a farm in Lyons. I am the youngest of four- one brother and two sisters. I have one daughter who is a freshman in college.

Spec. What do you enjoy doing in your spare time?
TB. I like to travel and play golf.
Spec. What is your favorite soda or beverage and food?
TB. Diet Coke with lime and cheese enchiladas.

Spec. What is your favorite holiday and why?
TB. My favorite holiday is Thanksgiving because of its focus on the family. Fall is my favorite time of year.

Spec. What is your impression of McPherson and McPherson College?
TB. I knew the moment I stepped foot on campus that this where I belonged. The warmth of the people overwhelmed me! I felt right at home. The students have been great and it is fun to get to know most of them on an individual level. I truly feel that these relationships are what makes McPherson college valuable.

Spec. What is one thing that people don't know about you that may come as a surprise?
TB. I have always had a hidden desire to be a race car driver!

Spec. What are you most excited about when it comes to being a faculty member at McPherson College?
TB. One of the things I would want students to



Michael Reynolds works an algebra equation in his new office.

PHOTO BY MICHAEL JARDON



Tricia Brothers is the new business and marketing teacher at McPherson College.

PHOTO BY MICHAEL JARDON

realize is the opportunities that they have available to them.... For example, internships and international travel. As a student at a small college, they are more apt to have these opportunities presented to them than if they would be at a large university. So

take advantage of every opportunity!! I'm also excited about developing the marketing emphasis for the business department. The new emphasis has been

approved and the classes are on the schedule. I wouldn't be a good marketer if I hadn't mentioned it! Thank you for allowing the glimpse into your lives,

Prof. Reynolds and Prof. Brothers, and welcome to McPherson College. Check the next issue of the Spectator for interview with two more new Mac faculty members.

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Harriers finish fourth in KCAC

To compete in NAIA Region IV on Saturday

ALEX MEYERS

Spectator Staff

The Bulldog harriers overcame cold weather and a tough Lake Pomona course to finish fourth out of the nine teams competing KCAC cross country championship at Ottawa University on Oct. 30.

The Bulldogs scored 134 points to finish behind nationally-ranked Southwestern's 17 points. Ottawa was second with 69 points and Friends third at 79.

Southwestern's score was just two points away from a perfect score.

As he has in all but one meet this fall, freshman Jeff Ford led the way for the Bulldogs. Ford's 15th place finish in 29:55 earned him honorable mention, All-KCAC honors.

"We improved a lot as runners and as a team and it was fun," Ford said. "We are recruiting great

runners for next year to give us more depth as a team and ultimately being the KCAC champions in cross country."

Freshman Jacob Merrick finished his first season of collegiate cross country on a high note, finishing 21st with a time of 30:41. Junior Bryan Grosbach finished 25th (31:27) while freshman Chad Richert was 36th (32:42) and freshman Andrew Paul 40th (33:51).

"This season has been great," Merrick said. "The entire teams' times have all dropped by at least two minutes." He also said it was great to get closer as a team to Junior Bryan Grosbach."

In the future, with just one senior, Mac cross country looks to continue their success.

The Bulldogs will wrap up their season at the NAIA Region IV Championships on Saturday, Nov. 6.



COURTESY PHOTO

Freshman Jeff Ford led the way along with fellow freshman Jacob Merrick and lone junior Bryan Grosbach follows close behind to help the harriers to a fourth place finish in the KCAC championships last weekend.

Bulldog basketball springs into '04-'05 season

DERRICK MEAD

Spectator Staff

The '04-'05 McPherson College men's basketball team is fired up and ready to play after a preseason full of hard work and preparation.

After a "Midnight Madness" practice to open the season on Oct. 15 and scrimmages against Neosho County Community College and Mac alumni, the 'Dogs are eagerly awaiting the start of regular season action.

The Bulldogs opened play with a road game against Haskell Indian Nations last night, and left with a 97-68 victory. They are on the road again this weekend to play Johnson & Wales University in Denver.

The first home action for the Bulldogs comes next Friday and Saturday when they host the McPherson Classic on Nov. 12 and 13.

The McPherson men are led by two players that received honorable mention, All KCAC honors last season—senior point guard Roy McDonald and senior swingman Brian Hooks.

Returning starters Cody Rierson and Lee Gustafson along with veterans Tim Cox, Jamar Turner, Art Soto, and Jordan Carter give the Bulldogs an experienced group of players who saw quality minutes last season.

Junior college transfer Chris Nixon should add a spark, providing rebounding and athleticism to the mix, while

sophomores Travis Allen, Cody Chaffin, Donta Cherry, and Austin Klumpe should also contribute this season. The Mac men also have a good group of freshmen that will look to gain some experience.

Mac said goodbye at the end of last season to very possibly the greatest player ever to don a Bulldog uniform "With the loss of the college's all time scoring and rebounding leader, Kenny Romero, leadership and team chemistry will be important challenges facing this year's team," said head coach Roger Trimmell. "The conference appears to be very well balanced which should provide some exciting games this winter."

Trimmell and the 'Dogs are coming off an impressive 20-10 overall record last season, tying for third in the conference with an 11-7 mark against KCAC foes..

Women's Preview

The McPherson College women's basketball team also had a solid preseason and looks to start the season off strong with a trip to Bethany, Okla., where they'll tip off tonight and tomorrow night in the Southern Nazarene Classic. The Mac women had scrimmages against Hesston and Brown Mackie this preseason to go along with their annual alumni scrimmage.

The women are led by some returning players from last

year, but will play considerably deeper than in the past, with 10 players likely to see quality playing time.

Heading into tonight's game, the projected starting lineup consists of returning seniors Brenna Schierling, and Crystal Richardson, transfers Janelle Brunk, senior, and April Bryley, junior, along with returning junior Ashley Kline.

Head coach Mel Wright feels optimistic about his deep bench going into the season.

"We have several girls who should contribute this season," Wright said. "We have a few girls who are very solid defenders, so our rotation will often depend on matchups, but several girls will get the chance to play," Wright said.

Five other players should see quality floor time. Junior Christa Blose was a solid contributor last season and brings experience and hustle to the lineup. Freshmen Rebbecca Bratcher and April Woody, along with junior Crystal Thomas, and sophomore Sheila Bevan will also look to contribute this season. Other promising freshmen include Stephanie Wakefield and Christa Ingram.

Last season the Lady Bulldogs posted an overall record of 11-16, and were 5-13 this season. With a much larger, more versatile team this year, the Lady Bulldogs look for a vast improvement throughout the program.

Bulldogs need win to salvage '04 season

DERRICK MEAD

Spectator Staff

Two teams heading in opposite directions collide in Wichita Saturday when the McPherson College football team meets Friends University on the Falcons' home field.

The Bulldogs are on a three-game skid while the Falcons are riding the momentum of two straight wins, including a 20-16 road victory over the defending league champion Ottawa Braves last week.

The Bulldogs are a disappointing 3-5 overall and 3-4 in the KCAC. In addition to the Friend's contest, Mac must beat Ottawa at Cook Field to finish .500 for the season.

Bulldog seniors played their final game at McPherson Stadium last Saturday, but the game failed to go according to plan. Facing the Kansas Wesleyan Coyotes, the 'Dogs struggled to find any consistency on offense, as regular starting senior quarterback Erik Johnson sat out due to recurring injuries to his shoulder and ribs. Senior Sean Eason filled in, making his first start at the position, despite having played the spot frequently due to Johnson's injury.

The Coyotes struck first with 2:45 remaining in the first quarter with a 48-yard touchdown pass to take a 7-0 lead. Defenses prevailed from there, with neither team scoring points of any kind until KWU found paydirt again with 10:12 remaining in the game.

Down two touchdowns, junior wide receiver Kris Smiley kept hope alive by taking the ensuing kickoff and scampering 93 yards to the opposite endzone. Back within striking distance, the Bulldogs recovered a Coyote fumble just moments later, but an interception again ended a Mac College opportunity.

Still down by just a touchdown, the 'Dogs appeared to regain some momentum when senior defensive back Lagan Holmes picked of a KWU pass in the end zone, but Holmes was flagged for pass interference. The Coyotes took advantage by notching another score and putting the game away. A missed PAT left the final score 20-7.



PHOTO BY MICHAEL JARDON

Sophomore linebacker Alex Holtry goes head to head with KWU defender in last Saturday's disappointing 7-20 loss. Two Bulldog teammates rush to assist in the play as junior Tim Benyshek (#93) looks on.

Two weeks ago, the Bulldogs took a 3-3 overall record of (3-2 in the KCAC) into Hillsboro to face the undefeated Tabor Blue Jays. Mac struck early and looked promising after a solid drive, capped off by a 16-yard touchdown pass from Johnson to sophomore wide receiver Deke Belcher.

Senior kicker Ziya Gunay added to the excitement, executing a picture-perfect onside kick that the Bulldogs were able to recover. However, the 'Dogs picked up only one yard on the ensuing possession, and seemed to lose

momentum from there. The Blue Jays seemed to move the ball at will throughout the rest of the game, racking up 30 consecutive points against the Bulldog defense.

The 'Dogs were able to put together one more solid drive in the fourth quarter, including passes of 18 and 15 yards to junior wide receiver Troy McBrook and Smiley, respectively. Senior running back Nick Griggs capped off the drive with a four-yard run into the end zone. But it was too late for the Bulldogs, as they dropped their second straight conference game by a final score of 30-14.

Lady Bulldogs upset Bethel Threshers in five

To host first round of KCAC conference tournament

LINDSEY LATHAM

Spectator Staff

The Lady Bulldog volleyball team continues to make history this season. The women defeated long-time rival Bethel College 3-2 in front of a large McPherson crowd on Thursday, Nov. 4.

The ladies fell to Bethel in game one, 24-30, but feeding off the energetic crowd, they were able to come back and defeat the Threshers in game two, 30-23.

In game three, Bethel came back and beat Mac, 25-30. In game four Bethel served eight consecutive points before the ladies were able to get the ball back. Coming from behind, the women stayed focused to end the game 30-25.

With the game count split 2-2, game five became the deciding factor. The Bulldogs went point for point with the Threshers until pulling away for the game-winning two-point margin, 18-16.

Senior co-captains Alexis Garcia and Andrea Gonzales were recognized before the game for their dedication to the Mac volleyball program.

Sophomore Chandra Mayhan led the Lady Bulldogs with 15 kills, 16 digs and one ace serve. Gonzales followed with 13 kills and six digs. Freshman Jessica Miller had 11 kills, one solo block and three digs. Sophomore Jen Marquette had nine kills and two solo blocks.

Freshman Ashlee Douglas had five kills. Sophomore Kelsey Crist led the Bulldogs back row with 37 digs and three kills. Renee Hall had 13 digs while Garcia had seven.

Sophomore setter Kendra Stephenson had a well-rounded night with 43 assists, two kills, two aces, one solo block and 13 digs. Freshman Amy Hollowell added to the success with one kill and one dig.

"I am very proud of the volleyball team," said head coach Nathalea Stephenson. "They worked very hard and to not give up after being down 8-0 in game four was amazing. The girls fought for every point. I have the greatest respect for these girls. They are tremendous volleyball players."

The Lady Bulldogs traveled to Winfield Tuesday, Nov. 2 determined to add another loss to the Southwestern Lady Moundbuilders' list, but unfortunately, Southwestern had the same mindset. A month ago the Lady Bulldogs conquered The Builders in three games, and that's exactly what the Builders returned to Mac on Tuesday, a three game loss of 25-30, 32-34, and 23-30.

"This was a match that I was concerned about because we were going to their place, and I knew that if we didn't come to play we would have a difficult time," Stephenson said. "Southwestern had nothing to lose, and we were fighting for home court advantage in the playoffs."

"All night, we just couldn't get everyone on the same page. We seemed to play with little emotion," Stephenson said. "Little things just weren't happening for us, and I felt



PHOTO BY MICHAEL JARDON

Kendra Stephenson prepares for one of her 43 assists in Thursday's 3-2 victory over the Bethel Threshers.

we didn't play with the intensity we could have."

"This was a very disappointing loss for us, and we have to come back and refocus for Thursday against Bethel."

With home court and crowd advantage, the Lady Bulldogs used the support and sent the University of Saint Mary back home on Oct. 27. The ladies dominated the game and sent the Spires on their way with a 3-1 loss.

The Lady Bulldogs played well in game one, putting the ball into the right hands. The ladies defeated the Spires in game one, 30-23.

In game two, Saint Mary came out with an early lead of 3-0 against the Bulldogs and never fell behind. It wasn't until the Spires were ahead by nine that the women woke up and tightened up the score 26-24, and again at 29-27 before dropping the 30-27 loss.

Game two seemed to be repeating itself as game three started with the Spires leading Mac again, this time by as many as four points. With the score standing at 17-13, the women executed some miraculous digs, volleys, and kills, scoring 13 straight points to take a 28-18 lead.

Maintaining the run with kills was sophomore outside hitter April Stos, sophomore setter Kendra Stephenson, senior outside threat Gonzales, and Marquette with huge blocks. Mac finished with a 30-20 win.

In game four USM once again was on top, but known for coming back, Mac took a 6-5 lead. After running the score to 10-6, the Lady Bulldogs never looked back, handing USM another loss of 30-24.

Stephenson finished the evening with a 50-assist, 10-dig double-double. Crist picked up 31 digs while Miller topped the kill chart with 17. Gonzales added 14 kills.

Marquette put down 11 kills in addition to five solo blocks and one assisted block. Stos notched seven kills and junior Julie Wondra had six. Sophomore defensive specialist Sarah Vermillion and freshman Stephanie Schmidt picked up five and six digs respectively. The regular season sweep of Saint Mary was the first for McPherson and moved the Bulldogs' KCAC record to 10-6, 17-14 overall.

When you're playing the conference leader, you want to be in full strength, with all of your players healthy and ready to play, but when you're missing two valuable starters, it could be an interesting battle. Trying to fill the shoes of Chandra Mayhan (injury) and Alexis Garcia (ill) was a difficult task.

Even though they played well the Lady Bulldogs came up short against Tabor with a 1-3 loss with scores of 17-30, 30-27, 25-30, and 17-30.

"Tabor is a very good team, and they come at you from the outside and middles," said head coach Nathalea Stephenson.

The Lady Bulldogs will host Sterling the first round of the KCAC conference tournament on Tuesday, Nov. 9.

Bulldog strikers finish 4-4-1 in KCAC

Five men receive KCAC honors

VICTORIA SALAS

Spectator Staff

The Bulldog soccer season ended in a first-round, double-overtime heartbreaker to Ottawa University last Wednesday. McPherson dominated the whole first half, but they could only hold off for so long. The opposing Braves had a deep bench while the Bulldogs were plagued with injuries.

"We had very few healthy players," said head coach Doug Quint, "and we even had players out of position."

Starters out for the game included defenders D.J. Townsend, Matt Herber and D.J. Seghers. Tyler Lawrence also left early in second half with an injury.

Surprisingly, the Dogs still held off the Braves 0-0 through 90 minutes of play going into overtime for the third straight match and fifth time this season. Fifty-three seconds into the second overtime, the Braves followed up a rejected shot to score the golden goal ending the game.

Coach Quint said he was happy that the men qualified for the playoffs and was pleased at to how they ended their season. He felt they played hard the entire game.

Prior to the Ottawa game, McPherson College played Oklahoma Wesleyan on Oct. 23 and tied 2-2 with double overtime, once again.

Sophomore Jesse Beard scored the first goal with 24:20 left in the half. Beard started up top. The assist was credited to freshman Trey Hutchins. Sixteen minutes later, junior mid fielder Robert Magana-Garcia was taken down inside the box by OWU defenders making for a penalty kick. The kick was scored by sophomore John White to build a 2-0 lead at halftime.

The Bulldogs, who have developed a reputation for being a first-half team, let OWU score with 13 minutes left in the match. Then, with 5:22 left, a mistake resulted in a foul in the box, which the Dogs capitalized on. That tied the score and set up overtime. Neither team scored, although both had opportunities.

The Bulldogs ended their season in sixth place in league play with a 4-4-1 KCAC record and a 5-12-2 overall record.

"This year was very frustrating because we had the talent individually," Coach Quint said. "Our 11 players were better than every single team we played. We couldn't get past ourselves individually."

The Bulldogs had several post-season honors. D.J. Townsend earned the prestigious KCAC "Newcomer of the Year" as well as All-KCAC first team. Townsend, a junior transfer from Northern Oklahoma College, was team captain and sat out the last game due to a ruptured tendon.

"I thought I played well in most of the matches," Townsend said. "I had some mistakes but I tried to make up for them. It was a tremendous experience because this was a building year for McPherson."

Also receiving post-season honors were sophomores John White and Tyler Lawrence, who made All-KCAC second team. Junior Robert Magana-Garcia and freshman Deno Bell received All-KCAC honorable mention. This was John White's second year making All-KCAC second team.

Bell said he did not expect post-season honors. However, he commented, "I felt honored." Looking forward to next season, Bell said, "We're going to come out more prepared and get the job done."

Women's soccer sets school record with six season wins

Three recognized in KCAC

JEN MARQUETTE

Spectator Sports Editor

The McPherson women's soccer team grabbed their sixth win of the season when they defeated Oklahoma Wesleyan, 1-0 on Oct. 23. This sixth victory made history as a school record of number of games won by the women's team. The ladies just missed the play offs, finishing seventh in conference with a KCAC record of 3-5-1.

In the first twenty-five minutes of the game, sophomore Nikki Harkins found junior Becky Amiot who put the ball past Oklahoma Wesleyan for a one-point lead that would stand the rest of the game.

The victory over OWU led the ladies to a 6-11-1 overall record, a four game improvement from the previous season.

Head coach Doug Quint was quite pleased with Amiot's shot against the OWU keeper, noting there was no way their keeper could have stopped such a nice shot. Quint was proud of the way the girls played, recognizing the limits their defense put on OWU. He felt the girls really were able to create some nice chances to score.

"This was a great way to end the season. We've had a great year and have made so much improvement. I can't wait until next season," said Quint.

Lone senior and team captain, Samantha Bishop from Fort Worth, Texas was recognized during half time of the game.

"She is a young lady that has been solid for us the last two years, and such a leader for this team. We will definitely miss her," said Quint.

Not only were the ladies able to make such a vast improvement from last year, three women were recognized with KCAC honors.

Freshman Lindsey Latham was named to the KCAC honorable mention and was credited with two shut outs and an 82.9%

"We had a great season and have made so much improvement."

—Head Coach Doug Quint

save rate with 194 saves on 234 shots as the Lady Bulldogs' keeper.

"Lindsey kept us in a lot of games this year," said Quint. "As a team, we had the third best defense in the conference and Lindsey had a lot to do with that. Lindsey has what it takes to be one of the premier keepers in the conference and we are going to continue to push her for that recognition."

Sophomore defender and mid fielder, Laura Engquist was recognized as KCAC second team. Engquist's six goals and one assist led her to 13 individual points. "Laura is one of the hardest working young ladies that I know," said Quint. "She spent so much time bettering herself this past off-season. That makes this honor very deserving. Laura played this season with so much passion and confidence. She has really developed into a very dangerous player. When I think about where she was last year as a player, compared to this year it makes me smile thinking about what she can be over the next two years."

Freshman, Kate Deputy was also recognized as part of the KCAC honorable mention. Deputy topped the Lady Bulldogs individual scoring list with 15 points. She ranked second among her teammates with three assists while her six goals tied the Lady Bulldogs for the lead.

"Kate had a great rookie year for us," said Quint. "She had an immediate impact in a lot of ways. Together with Laura, we had a couple of the best flanks in the conference. Kate is a tremendous one-on-one player. She is about being a team player"

Four study abroad students discuss their experiences

KANA BEESHO

Spectator Staff

Students attending a special Study Abroad Night on Sunday, Oct. 24, were encouraged to consider studying abroad.

Four students shared their recent experiences studying abroad. Jennifer King, sr., Eskridge, and Maribeth Turner, sr., Olsburg, both studied in Wales for a year. Danielle Lucore, sr., Springfield, Mo., and Heidi Bailey, jr., Greenville, Ohio, both spent a semester in Australia.

"When you think about all the good reasons to study abroad, such as the value of learning about different cultures, or the opportunity to see how universal themes of friendship, family, and love are played out in other societies, those reasons endure the test of time," said Ocie Kilgus, assistant professor of Spanish, and Brethren Colleges Abroad coordinator. "However, when you think of the excuses or negative reasons why students don't want to study abroad, those reasons often don't hold up over time.

"For example, 20 years from now, the good reasons will still be good reasons; the negative reasons, such as not wanting to miss a semester of sports, or not wanting to be so far away from sweetie, or that it's too expensive, don't stand the test of time, and often students regret not making a study abroad opportunity a part of their student experience."

BCA promotes international understanding, awareness of global citizenship and academic scholarship through educational exchange. Today BCA

offers programs in more than 20 locations worldwide.

The expense of BCA exchange program is the airplane tickets, room and board, and personal expenses. Students do not need to pay tuition because they pay tuition at McPherson College.

Lucore and Bailey said it was huge challenge for them to get to know how things were and what people were talking about in Australia because of the slang and idioms native Australians used.

They reported that didn't always have hot water for showers; in fact, four days a week with hot showers was really lucky. Over 5,000 international students attended the university they went to, and their dorm was like McPherson College.

Bailey said that people can live on a diet of cheese and mayonnaise sandwiches for half a year. That's how she survived in Australia.

Lucore said studying abroad broadened her perspectives and that it is nice to compare learning here to another culture. She said the experience helped her become stronger and more independent. It also helped her realize who she really is.

Bailey said studying abroad gives one a whole new perspectives on American culture and how the world feels towards us. It was just interesting to see how different it is.

Turner and King said that in the university they attended in Wales the classes were taught in English. They had a lot of essays and exams, but some courses were easier to get credits than here. They reported



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Junior Heidi Bailey, Greenville, discusses her time studying abroad in Alstralia.

that there was only one shower for 20 people and two toilets for 40 people.

Sometimes they needed to deny being Americans because of the protest. Their favorite time was celebrating Thanksgiving with people from six different countries. King said studying abroad taught her how to adapt to different cultures, how to live with different people, and how to express her own personality. Turner said studying abroad expands world knowledge and is a good way to question your own beliefs and finding out who you really are.

Lisa Sader, soph., Salina, who attended the meeting said "it was interesting to see students' perspectives. The kids who actually did it can tell a lot more than an advisor. The meeting helped a lot."

Studying abroad is one of the best experiences in your life, which may come around only once, King said.



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Ocie Kilgus, assistant professor of Spanish and Brethren Colleges Abroad coordinator talks at Study Abroad Night.

HLC accreditation coming again to Mac

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How much is a college degree worth? Not much if it isn't granted by an accredited institution.

McPherson College is in the process that should result in its continued accreditation and assure students and graduates that their McPherson College degree will be recognized and honored wherever they go.

A team of consultant evaluators from the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association will visit the campus April 25-27. During the visit, the evalua-

tion team will determine whether the college is upholding the standards of the commission and working vigorously to keep improving its services and programs.

While the on-site visit doesn't occur till next spring, the college has been preparing for the evaluators' visit for well over a year, said Rick Tyler, professor of theatre and chair of the college's HLC Steering Committee.

Accreditation is a way of telling people that the college is meeting its requirements. "Without [accreditation] we could teach anything," Tyler said.

In the accreditation process there are five criteria that the college has to meet. A report must be submitted to the commission explaining how the college is adhering to the criteria.

The first criterion is that the college's purpose must be stated clearly and publicly. Secondly, that it has the resources organized it needs to meet its purpose. Third, the college must prove that it is meeting its purposes—especially its academic purposes—and, fourth, they it can continue to accomplish that purpose. Finally the college has to prove how it shows "integrity in its practices

and relationships."

Sub-committees originally drafted reports addressing one of the five criteria last spring. The Steering Committee is now editing and updating those reports and combining them into a final Self-Study Report that will go to team of academics that will visit the campus in April.

The self-study that is required in preparation for the accreditation visit is a "good way to get honest feedback," Tyler said. Not only does the college receive the evaluation and advice from the visiting consultant-evaluators but it also requires the college to

examine itself critically and to involve the entire community in assessing the college's strengths and weaknesses.

Eventually students will get a chance to look over the reports and say if they agree with them or not.

The entire process is of real importance to students, Tyler said. If students don't graduate from an accredited college, some employers might not even look at them.

McPherson College was last accredited in 1995 for ten years, which is the maximum amount of time before the school has to be reaccredited.

Annual fall trustees meeting scheduled this weekend

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The annual fall Board of Trustees meeting is scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 6, on the McPherson College campus.

The board's standing committees will begin meetings on Thursday afternoon and will continue Friday. The actual board meeting is from 8 a.m. to approximately noon.

The board has five standing committees: the Executive Committee, the Committee on Trustees, the Academic Affairs and Student Life Committee, the Advancement and Marketing Committee and the Financial Affairs Committee.

"The purpose of these meetings is so the board can receive updates and review the progress of the college in fulfilling its mission."

—President Ron Hovis

The Committee on Trustees will review a pool of prospective trustees. Members will be considering the expertise and characteristics needed on the full board and identifying those prospects who might best fill those needs in the future.

The academic affairs and student life committee will be examining enrollment, admissions and financial aid trends. They will also hear reports on student life,

athletics and career services. The academic reports will consist of program reviews, the cost of instruction, the Higher Learning Commission self study, and the degree completion program.

President Ron Hovis said he believes the reports will show that the college is on track with its mission.

The agenda for the financial affairs committee includes receiving the annual audit and updates on

the current budget, the three-year financial projections, the endowment fund and plan maintenance.

The advancement and marketing committee will examine current and proposed fundraising initiatives, alumni and constituent relations and marketing and communication activities.

The 25-member board meets three times a year, during the fall, spring and summer and is composed of alumni, Church of the Brethren members, parents and community members. The board members are essentially the owners of the college, Hovis said. They set the mission and formulate the strategic plan.

"The purpose of these meetings is so the board can receive updates and review the progress of the college in fulfilling its mission," Hovis said. "They can then provide direction and make major decisions."

Although the meeting is not open to the public, the faculty chair, a faculty representative, the SGA president, and the seven members of the president's cabinet observe all processes except the executive sessions.

While on campus, the trustees have been invited to eat dinner Thursday evening in Hoffman Student Union and to attend the volleyball match that night.

NEWS BRIEFS

Volunteers needed to visit with inmates

The Match Two (M-2) Prison Visitation Program, offered by Offender Victim Ministries, is currently looking for volunteers to be matched with inmates at the Hutchinson Correctional Facility.

This would require a monthly visit on a Tuesday or Thursday evening. If anyone is interested and would like more information, call 316-283-2038 or email ovm@southwind.net

KNEA to host Parents' Morning Out

The McPherson chapter of the KNEA-SP will be hosting Parents' Morning Out on Dec. 4 from 9 a.m. to noon."

Parents will drop off their kindergarten through sixth grade students and get a possible chance to go Christmas shopping without the children.

There will be lots of fun activities for the children to do including crafts, story time, games, snacks, and kick ball in the gym.

If anyone is interested in helping out on Saturday they can call Casey Durst at (620) 386-0460 or Lindsay Krehbiel at (620) 388-0106.

SGA needs reps in 4 positions

SGA has four positions that need to be filled: Morrison rep, Metzler rep, Bittinger rep, and Junior rep.

Any qualified students who are interested can get a petition from any SGA board member or from Janice Haldi in the Deans Suite.

Petitions are due Friday, Nov. 12 and elections will be held Tuesday, Nov. 16.

Ullom receives scholarship for academic performance

Robert Ullom, sr., Wiley, Colo., received the Recognition Scholarship for \$2,500.

Ullom is a biochemistry/chemistry major who is currently studying abroad in Barcelona, Spain.

He received the scholarship based on his academic performance and essay.

It is given to one student from an independent, accredited college or university in Kansas.

The award was established by Kansas Independent College Fund in 1952. Since then it has given out \$23,794,196 to colleges for programs and activities in the form of support targeted to specific programs and institutions that matched donors' special interests.