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Tiger guard Earl Tyson, Washington, D.C. junior, celebrates a great play against the University of Nebraska-Kearney. The Lopers gave the Tigers a wake-up call by ending their 49-game winning streak the Tigers had previously held. Photo by Mark Bowers, illustration by Mark Bowers.

Darrell Sander, Hays freshman, surfs the World Wide Web. The University provided internet access to all students. Photo by Courtney Taylor.

At the UAB back to school picnic, Sara Stallbaumer, Frankfort freshman, Alison Terryberry, Imperial, Neb. freshman, Staci Cuthbertson, Norton freshman and Jennifer Burns, Norton freshman prepare to begin their first semester at Fort Hays State. Photo by Courtney Taylor.
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Waking UP... to reality.

Pickens Hall. Part of our campus. Part of our lives. This was the reality we experienced everyday as University students.

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We came to the University not only for the all important degree, but also for the experience. Through our friends, classes and everyday lives, we realized college is so much more than finals and all-nighters. We were given the opportunity to become ourselves. That was our reality.

It took awhile for us to understand. Sure, college was going to be this great place where you party all the time and magically receive exactly the job offer you wanted the second the diploma hit your hand. Unfortunately, it didn't seem to work out that smoothly. It only took a short time for us to realize how different dreams could be from reality.

Perhaps the most vivid example of reality came to new and returning students who moved in with new roommates. For those not used to sharing their limited space, problems were encountered and adjustments had to be made.

"It was hard to live with a roommate," Lindsey Fry, Abilene freshman, said. "I've always had my own room (at home)."

How did Fry and her roommate deal with the privacy conflict?

"I got my own room, that's how we adjusted," Fry said.

Older students also had problems adjusting, although not with roommates. Seniors and graduate students were about to make the

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The family of University President Edward Hammond gathers at halftime of the Jan. 18 basketball game. As a surprise to Dr. and Mrs. Hammond, a giant birthday cake was presented to Vivian. The appearance of son-in-law Chris Williams, daughter Julie Hammond and daughter Kelli Williams also surprised the Hammonds and helped celebrate the occasion. A phone call over the public address system from son Lance, who could not attend the party, topped off the halftime event.

Stacy Luntsford, Kingman freshman, and Angela Krier, Pratt freshman, show their Halloween spirit by dressing as mice. The two, along with Kim Waldschmidt, Ellis freshman, dressed as the three blind mice for the Volleyball team's smash night, which was held on Halloween night in conjunction with a volleyball game. There was also a haunted house at the Coliseum for fans to spook themselves at after the game.

Waving their pompons high as they get into formation, members of the University Tiger Deb dance team perform for the crowd at a home football game. The Tiger Debs danced to music provided by the band before and after each game, as well as performing their halftime show. The squad was made up of members who tried out the previous spring for a spot on the dance team.
In a blast of excitement, the University band blares forth a tune during a football game. The band was present at almost every football and basketball game to delight the crowd with every kind of music, from the University fight song on. For the last football game, the band traveled to Colorado to support the Tigers.

University Greeks joined together to fill the Sigma Phi Epsilon fire engine that whistled its way down the Homecoming parade route. All six Greek houses had most of their members riding on the fire engine or walking along with it throughout the parade. The Sig Ep fire engine had not been in working order for a few years, but house members were able to get it up and running to celebrate Homecoming in October.
transition from college to the real world. For these students, the job search was on.

Eric Larson, Hays graduate student, had better luck than most students. Larson was employed by Hays Medical Center, a job which he did not get through the University. Larson seemed to be the exception in the downsizing job market many graduates found.

Reality also sunk in for those of us who had everlasting money problems. Even with part-time, and sometimes full-time jobs, there never seemed to be enough money to go around to cover all the expenses of being a student.

"I want to maintain a high GPA, so I need to study more," Cody Staab, Pratt sophomore, said. "This, in turn, takes away from the amount of time I have to work, to cover all of my necessary, and unnecessary, college expenses."

We realized things weren't always what they seemed when we signed up for those early morning classes. We told ourselves it surely won't be that hard to get up so early. But the reality was that it was very tiring to wake up early and make our way to class. Especially when the campus was half-deserted except for the other students who were forced into a 7:30 a.m. class.

In winter, the University campus was blanketed in white, filling us with the false hope that we would be excused from classes for a day. No such luck, though, as classes were held as planned.

We got a jolt in mid-January when the men's basketball team lost its first game in the last 49 to the University of Nebraska-Kearney. The Lopers' victory was short-lived, however as the men revenged their loss

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weeks later by beating UN-K by 30 points in front of a full crowd at the Coliseum.

"We knew we could beat this team," Sherick Simpson, Elgin, IL junior, said. "We didn't play our best (at Kearney) and we knew we could play better than that."

Though we were proud of our basketball team, we realized there was more than school than just sports. There was more than academics too. When it was all over, we realized the University we experienced was infinitely better than the one we had envisioned. Throughout our time as students, we realized much not only about ourselves, but also what we wanted to be. Some of us wanted to stay at home, while others yearned to see the world. Whichever path we chose, it was ours. That was the reality.

Freshman Jana Ventress, Overland Park, gets help from her mother, Nancy Beaver, while moving into McMiddles Hall before the spring semester. Students began returning to campus a few days before classes began, making moving back after winter break not as hectic as moving into the residence halls in the fall, when everyone moved in within a day or two.
Chris Torres, Topeka senior, and Barb Neuhauser, Hays special student, help to enroll students for the start of spring semester classes. The University tried to help ease enrollment lines by offering a new Express Enrollment, in which students could enroll early, as long as they did not make any schedule changes. The new way of enrolling was much faster than the conventional way, and students who received financial aid simply enrolled, then waited for their aid to come in, at which time they received their money.

Bumping into each other, Lisa Purcell, Paxico senior, and Paoli Henry, take advantage of University Activities Board's sumo wrestling activity in McMinides Hall. As part of Tailgreat, before the first home football game, UAB sponsored a band and various games. Because of the rainy weather, however, all had to be moved into McMinides Hall.

Tiger tracksters T.J. Trout, Minneapolis senior, and Jason Shanahan, McKinney, TX. junior, keep pace in front of an opponent during a cross country meet. For the year, the men finished fourth place in the NCAA South-Central regional finals. Trout was one of the top three finishers at the regional, which qualified him to run in the National meet in Arcata, CA.
As the sun rose over
Picken Hall each morning,
the campus awoke
with color, motion and sound.

From far above,
\textbf{Campus Life}
the figures moving about the
quad may have seemed
peaceful and at ease,
without a care in the world.

But in reality, there were
tests to take, papers to write, people
to meet and bills to pay.

At the back-to-school picnic in August, Heath Holloway, Chapman sophomore, gets dunked. Holloway was participating in the
dunk-tank as a member of the cheerleading squad.

\textbf{OKTOBERFEST}
There's more to
Oktoberfest for some college students than
just beer and
German food. To
some, it was a source
of money for their
campus organizations.

\textbf{HALLOWEEN}
When else but
halloween can you see
geeks of ghosts
and ghouls
haunting the halls of McMinnes?
On Oct. 31, many children visited the
hall.
For most students, jobs were a far cry from a glamorous career. They were not fun, not easy, but they provided much needed paychecks.

Campus greek women shattered stereotypes as they decked the halls with holiday cheer at local nursing homes, singing for the elderly.

Three little letters evoke such strong images in the minds of people of all ages. From the typical to the taboo, explore the intimate lives of university students.

There was a special place on campus for students to go for relaxation and recreation. But did anybody really go there?
Oktoberfest was more than just an opportunity to participate of the German heritage. It was an opportunity to meet new people, learn traditions, and even make money. To many university students, a big part of Oktoberfest was the mass consumption of alcohol, but the clubs and organizations saw it as a great opportunity to take advantage of the day and bring in revenue.

Sternberg Geology Club, with president Scott Cumming and booth chairmen Roger Moses and Don Breit, made approximately $600. The club sold approximately 150 pounds of bratwurst at $2.00 each. Along with the bratwursts, pop and raffle tickets were sold for $1.00 a piece. The raffle prizes included a twenty-five inch television, a Dewalt drill, and an Igloo cooler.

"I think Oktoberfest is a great fundraising opportunity for the different clubs and organizations. It is also a way for the community to find out who these groups are and what they do," Sabrina Richards, Russell freshman, said.

There were a total of 63 clubs and organizations with booths. Twenty-three of them were university sponsored clubs and organizations, while the rest were community groups. The various groups used their booths to increase their treasuries. Clubs such as SPURS, a sophomore honor society, sold t-shirts weeks before Oktoberfest so students could display their support for the event. Hats, t-shirts and condom roses were also sold. The International Student Union sold international foods to counter the effect of all the German foods.

"Oktoberfest is our only money-maker," Carol Solko, SPURS sponsor, said. This year, SPURS members sold t-shirts with the Budweiser frogs on the back. SPURS members depended on the money made to help fund the year's activities. With almost 700 t-shirts sold, Solko said they did very well.

Sandy Johnson, Block and Bridle adviser, said this was the first year in several years Block and Bridle participated in Oktoberfest. Members wanted to try different ideas to fund their trip to the National Block and Bridle meeting in
Francis Schippers, head of the Hays Volga society, raises his glass in a toast to Dan Rupp, Hays city mayor, to celebrate the local holiday, Oktoberfest. A total of 63 booths were set up in the park as part of the festivities, and a large variety of foods were sold, from the traditional bratwurst to international foods to hot apple dumplings and cider.

Florida. Different ideas indeed, they gave everyone an opportunity to milk a cow. "We had gotten the idea from other schools," Johnson said about their money-maker.

Campus organizations were not the only people to benefit financially from the celebration.

When activities at the park died down, a place to sleep became a high priority. Most of the hotels in town were booked with more than half of the rooms reserved to alumni and other people in town for Homecoming festivities.

Restaurants also earned their fair share of money. On Saturday, Gaylene Wear, manager of the Corner Garden, was especially pleased with the new time for the Homecoming parade. "We were swamped. Everyone came in for lunch, then sat through the parade."

With the parade time at 1 p.m. rather than the usual 10 a.m., Wear's business did better than it had in past years. She felt the major reasons for such a profitable business day were the new parade time and her business location on Main Street. Needless to say, Wear hoped the new parade time was kept for years to come.

After the park quieted down and the football stands fell silent, organizations counted their profits while the weekend participants counted their losses. Shelley Strong, Spearville senior said, "I spent like $30.00 the whole weekend." She said she spent most of her money at the park on food and drink. But, whether there were gains or losses, most agreed with Strong's "I had a good time."
"Cherished Years and Souvenirs" was the theme for Homecoming, and for many alumni, class reunions helped to relive those 'cherished years.'

Hays attorney Norbert Dreiling was part of the class of 1946. Dreiling said his class gathered 10 years ago, but in the meantime some classmates had passed away, which made the 50 year reunion even more special.

"We lost some (classmates) during the time between our graduation. It's our last reunion. There were also some (classmates) that I hadn't seen in 50 years, so it was a pretty joyous occasion," Dreiling said.

Dreiling and his wife, Donna Jean, who was also part of the class of '46, hosted a reunion at their home. After receiving a political science degree from the university and then a law degree from Washburn University in Topeka, the Dreilings moved back to Hays where Norbert started practicing law.

"Since I have lived in Hays most of my life, I haven't noticed the changes as dramatically as some of (the former classmates) did. They saw the track, Beach-Schmidt auditorium, the grandstand, Tomanek Hall and the work on Sternberg Museum and some (classmates) were just flabbergasted," Dreiling said.

Since only 62 students were in the class of '46, Dreiling said that many of his former classmates were surprised with the increased enrollment at the University.

"We were one of the smallest classes because of World War II. Now, with 5500 students (at the University), many (former classmates) were surprised at so dramatic a change," Dreiling said.

University President Ed Hammond stands by the Homecoming Queen and King. Melissa Nulte, Jewell senior, was sponsored by Mortar Board, while A.J. Bolesk, Topeka sophomore, was sponsored by Wiest Hall. The couple were crowned during the half-time ceremony at the homecoming game.

Other classes holding reunions included 1936, '56, '71, '76 and '86.

The class of 1966 relived college memories at their former, and still popular night-spot, the Brass Rail.

Jack Jackson, class of '66 and assistant professor of communication, also received a " neat little twist" when he met a former classmate whose son was a co-worker at the Center for Teaching Excellence and Learning Technology, where Jackson was in charge of the Photo and Multimedia department.

"There were some classmates I had not seen since graduation. It's interesting as you go through different things to talk about. People talked about their kids and some had grandkids," Jackson said.
"Fort Hays is grrrr-cat!" The Tiger mascot entertains many fans, especially children, at the football games. At the homecoming game, the Tiger got to see an outstanding number of fans in the crowd.

The cast of 'Lil Abner participated in the homecoming parade, riding in their colorfully spray-painted Chevy Luv. Members of the musical brought out the game ball at Lewis Field that day.

The crowd went wild at the homecoming game. The Tigers took on Mesa State at Lewis Field, and defeated them with a score of 46-7. The Oct. 5 win brought the Tigers' record to 3-1.

**Queen Candidate:**
- Summer Smith, Hays Freshman
- Queen Melissa Nulty, Jewell Senior
- Shannon Tibbetts, Derby Junior
- Brandi Wilhelm, Soldier Junior
- Gretchen Bell, Shawnee Junior

**King Candidate:**
- Mike Rush, Eskridge Sophomore
- Kahn Powell, Pontiac, Mich. Senior
- King A.J. Baleski, Topeka Sophomore
- Tom Moody, Shawnee Mission Senior
- Travis Crites, St. Francis Senior
Stephanie and Charlene were joyriding in a truck while enjoying the weather on a sunny mid-September day. Suddenly, Stephanie slammed on the brakes.

"Grandma," Stephanie said, "get out of the truck! We have a flat!"

"We have lots of flats," Charlene replied, as she struggled to get out of the truck. "But I like that better than getting stuck in the sand and having to push."

With those words, the 64-year-old "Grandma" and the four-year-old little girl with blonde pigtails climbed out of their stationary "truck" (which doubled as a jungle gym on the playground) to "fix" the tire.

The two were actually on the playground of Jefferson Elementary School in Hays. Stephanie was a student at Hays High School while Charlene was her "grandma" through a new foster grandparent program at Head Start.

Charlene Weigel and Marie Hertel were enjoying life as community volunteers after retiring when they were approached about the new program. For both, the benefits have been enormous.

Hertel said she was interested in becoming a foster grandparent because she was retired, and had always been involved in volunteer work. At the time Jolene Niernberger, University Senior Companion Program Director, approached her, she was realizing she "needed something more fulfilling" in her life. Her fulfillment came as a foster grandparent, which was evident as she watched the children play.

Meanwhile, Stephanie has solved her problem. She's placed the tire she and Weigel got right next to the "flat" tire which is still on the truck.

"The flat's fixed, Grandma," she said to Weigel. "Hop in!"
During a quieter moment, Marie Hertel, foster grandparent, reads a story to one of her "grandchildren." The grandparents did not stay all day at Head Start, but worked in the afternoon, which they preferred. "I like then because I have an opportunity to get some things done in the house before I go to work," Hertel said. "When I get home in the afternoon I am done for the day."

Both Charlene Weigel and Marie Hertel, Hays, residents, worked approximately 20 hours per week on community service; Hertel exclusively for Head Start and the foster grandparent program, and Weigel for Head Start and at Dream, Inc., a counseling center. She spent two weeks during the summer working at Dream Camp with children from alcoholic and abusive families.

"I helped them with breakfast and then with crafts and projects," Weigel said. "They [were] at a good age - so sweet."

As part of her day at Head Start, Charlene Weigel helps the children with an afternoon snack. The foster grandparents were not to discipline the children, rather they were to enforce what the teacher said. "The first day of class this year, I had one child who wanted to sit on my lap. The teacher wanted her to sit on the floor. I had to make her sit on the floor," Hertel said.
"Last year, about 2 a.m., loud footsteps went down the hall to the bathroom several times. Finally I went and looked. There was no one in the hall or in the bathroom."

-Willy O'Neil
-Imperial, Neb. sophomore

The Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity house had a spiritual presence which made herself known "on holidays, in the summer, and late at night," Mike McDonald, Kansas City sophomore, said. "(She comes out) at times when hardly anyones around."

Willy O'Neil, Imperial, Neb. sophomore, said, "Last year, about 2 a.m., loud footsteps went down the hall to the bathroom several times. Finally I went and looked. There was no one in the hall or in the bathroom."

Before the fall semester began, when there were only a handful of people in the house, the Sig Eps heard someone running upstairs and slamming the door. This happened for a few times before they opened the door of the room they were in. The running stopped when the door was open, but when it was closed, the running resumed.

The ghost was believed to be Marge Sacketts, a retired English instructor who died in 1982. She lived next door to the Sig Ep house.
The spooks were out, children ran loose and wind blew through glowing pumpkins. All was heavenly at McMIndes Hall where children were allowed to go trick-or-treating. For the past eight years, children from the community of Hays were allowed to trick-or-treat on Halloween in McMIndes Residence Hall.

From their doorways, girls handed out goodies to all the little spooks trailing through with their parents. Children knocked on designated doors of residences that signed up to hand out candy.

"I liked talking to the endless streams of kids that went by, and it was fun handing out candy because the kids were having a good time," Mary Newell, Salina freshman, said.

"(I felt) this was a good opportunity to get involved with kids. I like kids," Tammy Reif, Great Bend freshman, said.

"The babies in strollers seemed to be the cutest that were dressed up because you didn't expect to see a baby dressed up and at your door," said Mary Dickson, Galva freshman.

Besides receiving candy, children were lined up to go through haunted houses on each floor that women on the floor designed. A new edition to this year was the Hall Council of McMIndes designed a haunted house in their East Living Room. Due to the number of kids lined up and impatiently waiting for their tour guide, the haunted house alleviated antsy children ready to go out and get candy from virtually four neighborhoods combined into one.

"I think this is the best way for our hall to reach the community because we can take children off of their parents hands for an hour and a half in a safe environment. Many other organizations reach the public and this is our way of thanking the public for helping out the University. The funniest thing that happened in our haunted house that was so ironic is that a little girl dressed up as Cinderella lost her slipper in our haunted house," Jeannie Johnson, Atchison junior said.
While attending the University, students may have asked themselves, "what is cultural enrichment?" As Director of Student Activities, Eric Tincher had to answer that question.

"(Cultural Enrichment) is taking the effort to believe that the different cultures which encompass this world have similarities as well as differences," Tincher said.

The Special Events Committee and University Activities Board (UAB) played a major role in broadening the experiences offered to students at the university.

UAB brought in entertainers and lecturers from all over the country to perform on campus. They also helped out with the International Spice series that was directed by Joe Potts and was at the Tiger's Den. That project brought international students at the university together to provide information about their cultures to the rest of the university as well as the public.

In November, there was a campus-wide Cultural Enrichment Week. The event was called "Embracing Diversity - Harvesting Unity," and included many activities and performances on campus.

"The celebration was well attended, but the important idea is not only to celebrate for one week, but to celebrate all year long," Tincher said.

The Encore Series was another cultural enrichment project organized to bring university students as well as the community live performances of different kinds.

The Special Events Committee sponsored performances ranging from "42nd Street," a tap-dancing musical, and "Imago," which was a human animation.

UAB and the Special Events Committee teamed up to bring two special performances to campus. The first, which took place in August, was "The Festival," Up With People, which is a
Members of the cast of 42nd Street perform the number "We're in the Money." The song and dance ballyhoo that sneaks a backstage peek at the world of musical theatre, tap danced into the Beach-Schmidt auditorium.

A group of performers from all over the world. The second, held in November, was called "Souvenirs de Paris 1950," a musical which was held in the Ballroom of the Union.

The goal of all cultural enrichment projects sponsored by campus activities was to bring diverse entertainment at a minimal cost to the university students.

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It begins quietly. No one is around except for a few people who are maybe sweeping floors or preparing for the event about to happen. Then, slowly, things begin to happen. People arrive, and the noise gets louder and more excited. All of the sudden, in a burst of energy, the team runs in full view of the crowd, and everyone goes wild. Welcome to a typical Tiger sporting event.

Whether football, basketball, or a sport in between, University fans of all ages turned out in droves to support their favorite teams.

"You can tell the difference when there is a bigger crowd, even in the basketball team," Matt Schroder, Salina junior, said. "They play better when there is a big crowd, because they play for the crowd."

Besides attending the home games, many fans followed the Tigers to whatever venue they were playing in, especially if the game was not too far away. Sometimes, however, distance just did not matter. Fans would go anywhere to see their Tigers in action.

"Last year, I went to (basketball games in) Kearney, NE, and the Louisville National Tournament," Chandra Daffer, Norton junior, said. "I've been following the basketball teams ever since I was a freshman."

Watching sports also became almost a social sport, as students met at games, or would go with their friends.

"As a student, I feel basketball is a fun and exciting part of college life," Daffer said. 

"They (the basketball team) plays better when there is a bigger crowd, because they play for the crowd."

Matt Schroder, Salina Junior

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Cheerleaders Jessica Scott, Bucklin junior, and Sandi Jones, Wichita freshman, lifted by yellers Matt Schroder, Salina junior, and Kevin Bronson, Kensington senior, rise to support the Tigers at a home basketball game. Cheer squad members attended home sporting events and basketball games in Kearney, NE and also the RMAC tournament to show their Tiger pride.

Barry Wolf, Olathe senior, David Howard, Lenexa junior, and Tom Moody, Shawnee Mission senior, show their spirit by making sure everyone knows a call was bad by making fun of the referees and the opposing team. “I get absolutely crazy (at the games),” Wolf said. “There’s nothing better to do in Hays, so (people) may as well go to the games and support FHSU.”

The University Tiger mascot walks along the annual Homecoming parade route to get fans ready for the afternoon football game. Although Chris Walters, Elwood junior, was the usual Tiger mascot, University President Edward Hammond took over the tiger suit for a game after he lost a bargain that the University surpass its record of donations towards the United Way of Ellis County. The final tally of donations revealed $24,829 was given to the United Way by the University.
Minimum wage was a term most college students were familiar with, since it was the amount most commonly received by students who worked and went to school. On October 1, the federal minimum wage was increased from $4.25 to $4.50, a change that affected many students.

Kathy Radke, student employment coordinator, said there were about 1,100 students working on campus in departmental jobs and work study in the 1996 fall semester. Many students also worked off campus.

Radke said the raise in minimum wage caused departments to give students less hours to stay within their budgets. This was good for the students because they worked less hours and received the same amount of money, but bad for the departments because some of them became understaffed.

Some departments, such as Forsyth Library, did have the option of requesting additional dollars for student workers. Janice Basgall, secretary to the director, was in charge of the student labor for Forsyth. She said, "That increase would not be enough to take us through to the end of the fiscal year; and, therefore, I was not able to have as many students on departmental as I was in the past."

Many students preferred to work on campus because of convenience or because their jobs related to their desired professions.

"I like what I'm doing in my job on-campus better than I liked my job off campus," Marsha Magnett, Onaga junior, said. Magnett also said that her job as the advertising manager of the University Leader was geared more to what she wanted to do after college than her previous off campus jobs.

Students who had a heavy work load and still needed to work found that on-campus jobs were usually the best choice.

"I like having a job on campus because they understand that your focus is on your classes. I can go to work in between classes and my evenings and weekends are free for studying," Laura Koster, Tescott senior, said.

However, because of the limitation on the amount a student could make on campus, many students sought work elsewhere.

"I work off campus because an on campus job doesn't offer the wage and hours I need to pay my way through college," Alan Nuzum, Garden City senior, said. Many others that were working on campus were persuaded to work off campus.
Emily Hafner, Clay Center freshman, works answering phones and taking messages as a student secretary in the art department. Campus jobs were offered in almost every department of the university. Some students were able to work within their major's department, while others had to be content with another department. Hafner obtained her job through the university's work study program.

for better pay, more hours or better benefits.

Simone Werth, Jobs for Tigers program coordinator, helped students or their spouses find employment full-time, part-time, temporary or spot (one-time) job opportunities, normally off campus. She said she didn't feel like the minimum wage was in effect long enough to make an impact as of the end of the 1996 fall semester. However, many of the positions offered paid slightly higher than minimum wage. Werth said that many companies wanted college students as employees as opposed to high school students or non-students of college age.

The Job Service Center was an off campus company that helped people find employment. Nancy Guthrie, office manager, said they had a lot of college applicants looking for part time or temporary employment. According to Guthrie, one of the biggest part time employers was Sykes Enterprises which hired people with basic computer knowledge and trained them. Radke said that the campus computing center was greatly effected with the arrival of Sykes Enterprises, since Sykes offered better pay.

Based on inflation, the minimum wage had reached a 40-year low and it had not been raised for five years. The impact of the minimum wage increase was significant on University departments but less so with off campus employers. The minimum wage was scheduled to eventually increase to $5.15 by the fall of 1997.
The things you could do with $2,500.00. You could shop, pay for school, or, heck, buy kegs and have a party. For some University students, the latter was the obvious choice.

The occupants of 200 W. Fourth Street realized partying was something that just couldn't be avoided.

James Berry, Bonner Springs junior, and his roommates, Clint Albers, Chapman junior; Kendall Payne, Bonner Springs junior; Jami Deters, Vermillion junior; and Matt Larson, Hays resident, resided at one of the local "party houses."

"Sometimes it gets old. Our house is just known as a party house and people expect a party," Berry said.

Precautions were always taken before a party began at Fourth and Fort. Private rooms were locked, as well as the downstairs level and the kitchen cabinets, if they had food in them. Major damage was never encountered, except for a broken lamp and table. The next day, however, was a different story. It usually took around two hours to get the place back to normal. "We (had) the neighbor kids pick up cups for a dollar," Albers said.

Partying turned out to be an expensive hobby. For an average party at Fourth and Fort, the hosts ended up buying two kegs at $62.00 a piece. During the fall semester alone, $2,500.00 was spent on alcohol and various other alcoholic beverages.

Most partygoers would also go to the local bars before calling it a night. Cover charges of around $3.00 per bar could add up quickly for minors.

"I never realized how expensive it is to go out. I usually end up spending around $40.00 a month on going out. Between my roommate and I, we have spent around $200.00 this year on just bar expenses," Emily Hafner, Clay Center freshman, said.

Partying could take a toll on a student's grade point average, but only if the student let his or her studies slide.

"The house (at Fourth and Fort) has an overall GPA of 3.2" Berry said. "So you can party and be a student at the same time."

"I'm still sociable," Hafner said. "And I have a 4.0."
Drinking was a big part of the lives of many University students, as most alcohol consumption occurred while in the company of friends. Mike Zerr, Quinter freshman; Shawn Ryan, Junction City sophomore; Griff Tracy, Highland junior; Phil Johnston, Gardner sophomore; Jeremy Capo, Grinnell sophomore and Clay Scanlon, WaKeeneys sophomore, mix alcohol and cards on a warm afternoon.

"The house has an overall GPA of 3.2, so you can party and be a student at the same time."

JAMES BERRY, RONNIE SPRINGS JUNIOR

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Trina Tyler, Hays senior, Amy Pfannenstiel, Hays freshman and Corrina Orr, Gaylord sophomore, try to get a resident involved in singing. Panhellenic Association members traveled to three separate nursing homes and facilities to spread holiday cheer. The event also helped the sorority members to become better acquainted with those in other greek houses.

A resident chimes in with the greek women as they sing popular Christmas tunes. Many residents, if they were physically able, came from their rooms into the hallways to watch and join the caroling. Some requested their favorite songs and many residents clapped as the sorority members went by.

Ann McKean, director of programs and activities at the Good Samaritan Center, said “(We) get a lot of different organizations caroling; the residents enjoy that kind of thing. They always enjoy the songs of the season because it triggers so many pleasant memories of long ago when people really did go out caroling door to door.”
Sororities. Typically known as clubs for little rich girls. But University female greeks proved this stereotype false, espically around the Christmas season.

On December 11, sorority members decked the halls with holiday cheer in three area nursing homes, spreading the holiday spirit through Christmas caroling.

The three sororities, Alpha Gamma Delta, Delta Zeta, and Sigma Sigma Sigma, combined to form Panhellenic Association, which helped to unite the three houses for a better campus and community. Members caroled at the Hays Good Samaritan Center, Sterling House and the St. John's Rest Home. Before the caroling, the sorority members met at the home of Lisa Heath, Panhellenic advisor and assistant vice-president for student affairs, for cookies, hot cocoa and hot apple cider.

Brandi Wilhelm, Delta Zeta Soldier junior, said about 25 women went caroling. The members all spoke very positively about going to the nursing homes to sing for the residents. Wilhelm said that she went to give the residents a little bit of Christmas spirit, especially for those who did not have family to visit them.

“It was really neat to have them sing along with us and make requests.” Wilhelm said.

Tina McCarty, head nurse at Sterling House, said the women did a very good job and the residents loved it.

Aggie Lang, Sigma Sigma Sigma Hill City sophomore, said “Caroling at the nursing homes was a way to give back to the community.”

Katy Friedrichs, Delta Zeta Cheyenne Wells, CO sophomore, said “It was really neat that we could go out in the community and bring some Christmas joy to the nursing home residents; they really seemed to enjoy it.”
As the popularity of the internet and the world wide web exploded, many University students found themselves wondering, 'just what is this Internet thing?' In order to familiarize students with the growing phenomenon known as 'surfing,' the University made several computer labs with internet access available to students. Classes integrated the internet into homework assignments, and seminars were offered to help students make the most out of their experiences on-line.

"In my economics class, we took a tutorial to learn how to use the internet," Keith Singleton, Hays sophomore, said. "I think it's really great the students can have access to the net all over campus, it provides so much useful information."

Besides campus-wide internet access, the university also provided e-mail accounts for all students.

"I like using e-mail to communicate with my old friends from high school. It's better than writing letters, especially if I don't really have much to say besides 'hi,'" Heather Padfield, Nashville freshman, said. "I've used the internet for class a couple of times, but mainly I use it just for fun."

At the beginning of the spring semester, a new program was offered to further promote internet use by university students. A dial-up plan was developed which students could apply for.

The dial-up accounts were a new "tool for accessing the World Wide Web from off-campus using modems on (the students') computers," Dave Schmidt, interim director of the Computing Center, told The University Leader.

"I like having dial-up internet access from my apartment because now I don't have to fight for a spot in the lab," Dayne Herren, Pratt senior, said. "Now that I have the internet right here, I use it every day." Herren found the internet useful for many of his graphic design class projects, as such a variety of images were available on the internet.
The University made its presence known on the world wide web with its very own homepage. The site offered information about the University which could be accessed from all over the world.

Some students even learned enough about the internet to create their own homepages which could be accessed by anyone in the on-line world.

"I basically taught myself how to make my homepage," Brandon Strecker, a Hays High senior taking college courses, said. "Since I've had my page on the net, I've gotten e-mail from a lot of people who share my interests."

"I decided to get the internet at home because I wanted to have e-mail access to communicate with my dad and my daughter, and I wanted my sons to be able to use the internet for their education as well as enjoyment," Scott Barrett, Assistant to the President for Institutional Advancement, said.

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Let's Talk About Sex

Have you ever wondered just how many sexually transmitted diseases there are at the University? Just so you know, the Student Health Center has these statistics:

- 137 people were tested for gonorrhea
- 137 people were tested for chylmedia
- 77 people were tested for HIV
- 57 women were tested for pregnancy

-These were the number of tests from August 1996 to January 1997

Student Health also provided 10,000 condoms to University students per semester.
Editor's Note: All names have been changed per request.

Susie and Bob have had a great date so far. After a spectacular expensive dinner and the latest movie, Bob drives slowly towards Susie's home. The occupants of the car are both wondering what will happen next. Will one of them make a move? Sure, they've kissed, but Susie and Bob are wondering what the next step will be. Will this date end with a gentle peck or some serious action?

This scenario was all too true for most University students. Sex was one of the essentials of college life; as was wondering what the other person was going to try later.

"I'm always wondering what (guys) are thinking. I never know if they like me or if they just want something" June, a sophomore, said.

The biggest problem with dating seemed to be understanding the signals another person was sending.

"Girls just like to flirt. They dress up to go out and they act like they want you, but when it gets right down to it they say they didn't mean to lead you on," Mark, a junior, said.

"I think dating in college is hard," Allison, a freshman, said. "There is so much emphasis placed on whether or not you had sex. You can't just enjoy a guys' company because you're wondering if you should invite him in when he walks you home from the bar. And you're wondering what he's thinking too."

Another freshman, Lindsay, agreed. "I'll talk to guys and sometimes go out with the ones I like," she said. "But when they try to make out with me, they totally turn in to someone else. I can't tell whether they just wanted something or if they are really kissing me to show me they like me."

Other students, though, were more casual about sex and dating.

"I'll see a girl out and decide to get on her," John, senior, said. "We usually end up going home together."

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JUNE, SOPHOMORE

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Stephen Wood, Memorial Union Director, takes a call in his office. According to Wood, the recreation center was one of the many useful services offered to students in the union.

Amidst the hectic buzz of classes, meetings, and other happenings on campus, where could a student go to for some fun? The staff of the Student Recreation Center in the basement of Memorial Union provided the answer.

The center, which included bowling lanes, billiards and arcade games, was a place students could go in between classes for a tension breaker, or in the evenings to have a good time with friends. Besides the recreational facilities, the center also housed a meeting room and the Non-Traditional Student Organization’s lounge.

“I like to go bowling in the Union because it’s not very expensive, and it’s convenient since I live on campus,” Emily McDonald, Hays freshman, said.

“I’m a really bad bowler, but I can always get better scores in the Union bowling alley because when you hit one pin, they all fall down,” Kathy Hanson, Ellsworth senior, said.

According to student employees in the recreation center, use of the facility was not very high.

“It picks up a little in here on the weekends, but it’s usually pretty quiet in here during the week,” Rodney Clews, Garden City senior, said. Clews obtained a job in the Student Recreation Center.

Patrick Crain, Larned junior, challenges himself to a game of pinball in the Student Recreation Center. “I like to come down here. I come here more than most people,” Crain said.

Eric Everhart, Hays junior, enjoys taking time out of his class schedule to play one of the arcade games offered in the Student Recreation Center in the Union.
Rodney Clews, Garden City senior, tests out one of the lanes in the Student Recreation Center. Clews was a student employee in the facility, performing cleaning and maintenance duties and serving customers.

Recreation Center through the university's work study program.

According to Stephen Wood, memorial union director, bowling classes were no longer offered as in the past, because of lack of interest.

"When the addition to the Union was done in the early seventies, bowling was very popular," Wood said. "Then in the mid eighties, cigarettes went out of the union and the drinking age went to 21, and the popularity of bowling began to decline."

In addition, the age of the machines in the bowling lanes was beginning to harm their reliability.

Another factor leading to the emptiness of the facility, according to Clews, was that many students were unaware of the existence of the facility.

"I don't really ever think about it being there," Jason Schmidt, Catherine freshman, said.

Rumors circulated around campus that the bowling alley would be removed from the Union.

"Yes, down the road the bowling lanes will probably have to go," Wood said. However, there was a committee formed called the Union Dream Team, which met to discuss plans for the ideal new student union.

"There's a lot of things we'd like to do in the future," Wood said. "Right now we're just at the start of the process. Of course, money is the hurdle." Wood said that the remodeled rec center could include a theatre with a coffee house atmosphere.

"I think the rec center has a lot to offer students. It's a great place to just relieve stress and have some fun," Clews said.
As every religious group had its own beliefs, there were also different ways of celebrating and sharing the higher power. Some groups held suppers, while others sponsored discussions or speakers.

TNT, or Tuesday Night Things, was a contemporary type of service, a time for praise, worship and different Bible studies. It was for people who wanted an "atmosphere that's uplifting," Carin Cochran, co-director of the Christian Challenge, said. They also had a drama group called "Know Greater Love" that performed for the Christian Women's Group.

The Catholic Campus Center held a Halloween party for the residents of Developmental Services of Northwest Kansas, which helped to mainstream individuals into everyday society. On January 22nd 12 University students went to Washington D.C., for the Pro-Life March.

Over Christmas break six members of Intervarsity Connections went to an International Intervarsity Conference called "Urvana" that occurred every three years. They also held retreats with students from different campuses with a different college hosting each time.

The Protestant Campus Center took a different approach to religion. They held a lecture series the community was invited to and students and/or faculty from campus spoke. This series discussed some controversial issues in Christianity, such as "Do miracles exist in the face of science and to believe in them or not?"
Since we were little, we may have been taught to go to church, or we may not have had any ties to a specific church. There were University groups that aimed to continue our faith, or help to develop our beliefs, no matter what denomination we were. The Baptist Campus Center, Baptist Student Fellowship (BSF), Christian Challenge, Catholic Campus Center, Intervarsity Connections and the Protestant Campus Ministry were those such groups.

The Baptist Campus Center was maintained by Reverend Jerry Sprock. "The center is open at all times," Sprock said. Normally a Sunday evening supper was served free to students and faculty to help friendship develop. "I try to make myself available," to students who need counseling, Sprock said.

The BSF Christian Challenge was an organization that used the Baptist Campus Center on Tuesday nights. They also provided students with different resources and areas of support. For example, during Christmas Break a local family held a dinner for students who were unable to go home. The first week in January, the organization sent a group to Austin, TX, for a national conference called "Passion '97."

Father John Toepfer lived on the second floor of the Catholic Campus Center and held masses for the Center. He said the center wanted to offer students a "home away from home," by being a parish students could attend while in college. Masses were held on weekends and weekdays, while the Center hosted a supper every month for anyone who wished to attend. For example, at one dinner sloppy joes were served, while another gave mexican food.

Intervarsity Connections was the only group that was not tied to any church. It was an organization headed by a student, Phil Henrickson, Logan senior. He said they "try to introduce Jesus Christ with small group bible studies" where they tried to be a source of encouragement and to be there for one another. This was a weekly activity in the fall and then in the spring it was held three to four times a week with different people leading the study.

The Protestant Campus Center was headed by Peer Minister Dave Roth, Green junior. This center offered weekly student Bible studies geared more toward the needs of college students. Roth said at the Protestant Campus Center they "try to offer an open and understanding environment. We welcome all people to our meetings even if they are not Christians."
In November, students made a path to the courthouse and helped make the decision of who was going to run the country for the next four years. Would it be the incumbent democratic president Bill Clinton? Would it be the locally grown republican Kansas Senator, Bob Dole? Or would the reins of power go to Ross Perot? In the end, Bill Clinton won the election without much competition.

According to Dr. Richard Heil, professor in the political science and justice studies department, Clinton was the first democratic president since Roosevelt to win a second term. Dr. Heil also said "voter turnout went down to less than half the voters; only forty-nine percent."

Dr. Don Slecta, chair of the political science and justice studies department, said "(Dole) was always rambling." Slecta felt Dole wouldn’t stick to the speeches written for him, and Dole didn’t appeal to the students of America. He looked "dour, like the 'Grinch who stole Christmas,'" whereas Clinton was just the opposite, Slecta said.

"He relates to students... Clinton has painted himself the 'educational president.'" Clinton made such a push towards education in his first term, that it remained with him during the election. Slecta said that "you can’t go wrong when every mother and/or father has a concern for the education of their children."

Most of the university students who voted did so by absentee ballot, which allows people to vote for their county even if they do so in another county. Janel Muller, Ness City sophomore, said she voted by absentee ballot because she "knew the people there (in the Ness County elections)." Muller believed that "every vote counts."

Sarah Varjgrt, Smolan freshman, said she felt "it was a privilege to vote as an American citizen."

"The electorate has spoken," Slecta said. He believed that the system still worked. Americans voted to keep congress in Republican hands and to keep the democratic President.

"(It) shows Americans want a good balance."
President Clinton greets America, holding his hand high with his daughter, Chelsea Clinton. Chelsea had attracted a lot of media attention during her father's first term. Newspapers reported on her life at the private school she attended, as Saturday Night Live skits parodied the first daughter.

William Jefferson Clinton began his second term in January 1997 as the 42nd President of the United States. He placed his left hand on a family bible held by his wife, Hillary, and took the 35-word oath of office administered by Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist, who wished him "good luck."

Ross Perot, an independent candidate for the "reform party," was visible in the election, although he didn't make as strong an impression as in the 1992 election. Perot trailed in the polls behind Dole and Clinton throughout the campaigning.
Water in hand, Carl Banks points towards the audience at the Tiger's Den. Banks performed the show for different prices. Students got in free when they showed their student ID, while faculty and staff paid $3.00 and the general public was charged $4.00.

Comedian Carl Banks laughs while telling jokes and stories to a full audience. University Activities Board sponsored Banks to perform at the University on Jan. 23. Banks has appeared on the national television show "In Living Colour."

With a skeptical look, Carl Banks continues his performance. Banks traveled to different college campuses, sharing his sense of humor. The Tiger's Den, in the basement of Custer Hall, was a full house when Banks came to Hays.
It's not that the audience did not like him. They were not making fun of him. In fact, the effect was quite the opposite. The peals of laughter coming from the Tiger's Den were those of appreciation. Appreciation of the humor by comedian Carl Banks.

Banks, who has performed on such national shows as 'In Living Colour,' preformed for a packed crowd at the Tiger's Den. University Activities Board sponsored the performance and was responsible for bringing Banks to the University.

"We saw (Banks) at a conference," Eric Tincher, University Activities Advisor, said. "We block scheduled him with other schools in our area (so it wasn't hard to bring him to the University)."

The conference, attended by Tincher and six UAB members, was sponsored by the National Association for Campus Activities and held in Omaha, Neb.

"When we saw (Banks) at NACA, he performed a 20 minute show, but he gave an hour show here," Tara Vires, Imperial, Neb. junior said. "So we had seen some of the stuff before, but not much of it."

The comedian's show proved to be a success, demonstrated by the over capacity crowd.

"We ran out of chairs it was so packed," Tincher said. "

Eric Tincher, UNIVERSITY ACTIVITIES ADVISOR

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Enjoying the spring-like weather, Abby Bair, Schoenchen junior, blows bubbles outside Rarick Hall. As temperatures soared, so did the number of students in the quad. The yo-yoing temperatures lasted well into March. Just when students thought it was finally spring, they would wake up to a wind chill of 20°, or, worse yet, flakes of snow.

Matt Leikam, Hays resident, casts a long shadow while taking advantage of the weather to run outside. Leikam ran under the foot bridge by Wooster Place. Besides running, students and Hays area residents took walks or strapped on rollerblades instead of the usual shoveling snow that occurred in January and the late winter months.
Shorts? In January? Around the University campus, this became the norm as temperatures soared when any other year students would have seen snow.

"Unseasonably warm" became the understatement of the year. The middle of January gave the University community temperatures as high as 67°F, which left students wondering why they were sitting in class instead of enjoying the sunshine they could see while gazing out the classroom windows.

"The weather is so unpredictable. One day I went rollerblading, the next I had a snowball fight with my friends," Lynette Ring, Salina sophomore, said.

In the afternoon, rollerblades, bicycles and footballs were broken out of their dusty corners. All over campus, students whizzed by in shorts, taking advantage of the warmth while it lasted.

While it lasted, indeed, because it seemed as if students were being teased by mother nature. Students had a week of good temperatures, only to have a few chilly days of a normal 30°F. Then the temperatures would rise again for a few days before they might fall again.

"One of the most confusing few days I've had here in Hays was when I was making a snow angel one day and wearing shorts the next," Leonard Allen, Dodge City junior, said.

Just when we thought the warm weather was here to stay, a freak snowstorm hit Kansas in the middle of April, blanketing the campus with six inches of snow. On Friday, April 11, afternoon classes were canceled because of the snow and ice. By the next Tuesday, however, the temperature was back up to almost 70°F.

Most students seemed to be accustomed to the crazy temperatures, though, and some even expected to wear their summer and winter wardrobes in the same week.

"It's just typical Kansas weather," Christy Briggs, Garden City freshman, said.
Barry is Mr. Tiger. He is the most loyal, avid fan we have.

Edward Hammond, University President

There were both positive and negative aspects of the Rock Pile. The group was very avid and would sometimes get out-of-hand. Tom Spicer and the University Police were at the games to make sure the crowd did not get out-of-control.

Wolf was recognized as the leader of the group and would be the first member contacted at the games to calm the group down.

With University officials, we have open communications. Tom Spicer would look across the court at me or even come over to the student section and tell me personally that things were getting out-of-hand.

Patrick Minner, Bonner Springs freshman, follows in the footsteps of Barry Wolf, Olathe junior, and the other Rock Pile "founding fathers," by cheering on the Tigers. Newer fans began imitating the group during the team's successful 1996-97 championship season.

"I like to get excited and watch the basketball games. I love to support FHSU," Moody said.
Barry Wolf, Olathe junior, is “Mr. Tiger.” Wolf tries to attend every tiger game, but sometimes it is not possible. “I did not go to Louisville last year. I had to work, and things to finish up,” Wolf said. “I do have a life.”

"We were the only four that stood up during the game and cheered on the Tigers before the team got successful."

Barry Wolf,
Olathe Junior
It was easy to forget every now and again the real purpose for our presence at the University. Classes occasionally took a backseat to the other priorities of college life, such as jobs and socializing.

But after every long night of partying or working, we woke up to do our best, making our way through the academic hurdles.

Tomatek Hall housed the University’s newest computer labs, which included access to the Internet as well as programs for writing and graphic design. Karen Potts, Ulysses junior, utilizes a computer in the Macintosh lab. Students also had the option of accessing the internet from their homes, using dial-up accounts provided by the University.

FHS music director John Berry, Dodge City senior, fills the airwaves of the campus radio station. Berry not only served as a conductor for the station, but also music director. He reviewed the CD’s sent to the station and made the playlists. “We don’t have a lot of funding or support. I think if we did, more people would know about it and get involved,” Berry said.

Karen Follis, Ulysses junior, utilizes a computer in the Macintosh lab.

The Student Health Center offered the perfect opportunity for nursing students to further their knowledge of the medical profession.
Sometimes students' knowledge gained in classes gleamed in silver and gold. Art students created jewelry as a creative outlet.

Students waded through the many volumes of information offered at Forsyth Library. This year they faced the extra challenge of the library being completely remodeled.

From rocking Lewis Field Stadium at football games to the rich sounds of concert performances, student musicians shared their talents with the rest of the University.

After countless hours of classes and studying, students finally accomplished the ultimate goal of their college careers: graduation.
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DEGREE

For many students, attainment of a college degree in four years was a dream. Long days and late nights became the extent of their existence. A four year time limit loomed over their heads, but many woke up to the reality of how difficult it would be.

According to statistics compiled by the Kansas Board of Regents, the University had less than 20 percent of first-time freshmen in 1990 graduating within four years. Only 40 percent of the students who were beginning freshmen in 1986 graduated after eight years.

In a press conference on October 11, President Edward Hammond announced a guarantee for students in most programs to graduate in four years.

Hammond specified the importance of this program. The foremost reason was the economical advantage. Graduating in four years saved money for parents, students, and the state of Kansas. An additional year of schooling cost between $6,000 to $10,000.

After four years, most federal and state scholarship and grant programs normally expired. Therefore, many fifth year students created debt through student loans. In the last four years, the debt level of the University climbed from $5.7 million to over $14 million. However, that increase was not all due to the fact that students were cut off from state aid after four years of college.

The stipulations of this program raised many concerns.

"I feel that the students who don't graduate in four years, would have if they hadn't had problems. Most had some conflict, major changes, or illness," Jill Isernhagen, Agra senior, said. "This program only guarantees graduation without any problems! No transfers, more than 15 hours per semester, no dropped classes; this sounds like the 20 percent that are already graduating in four years!"

Jill Isernhagen, Agra senior

Here are a few guidelines that students had to follow in order to be included in the guaranteed degree program that began in the fall semester of 1997:

1. Students could major in anything but nursing, music, and teacher education. These three majors required more than 128 hours, which was not included in the guarantee.

2. Students had to apply to the degree program, including choosing a major, by the end of their freshman year.

3. Students also had to enroll at FHSU as a first-semester freshman and complete early enrollment each semester.

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steadily growing at the University. "So few students either fit or can fulfill the criteria of the guarantee that it was essentially nonexistent," Pat Schumacher, Hays senior, said.

Another non-traditional student, Jim Dolven, Paradise sophomore, said, "The only thing new is that the University will pay for the additional classes needed. You can graduate in two (years) if you can carry 32 hours a semester, and have always been able to. All the exceptions make the program applicable to very few students."

However there were some positive effects that could be derived from this program. The four-year plan will cause the University to be cautious in adding requirements to the curriculum so the programs remained under 128 hours.

Lawrence Gould, dean of the college of arts and sciences, said this program "forces us to critically look at ourselves." He said that the advisers must make sure there was a high level of efficiency with respect to the student's class schedule over the four years. It was important to both the student and adviser that they both knew exactly what classes to take and when to take them.

Although a large percentage of the student population was unaffected by the program, the University was the first state regent's college to finalize a guarantee of this sort.

Wisdom Fundamentals of Oral Communication class, also known to students as COMM 100. The dreaded class! Students all over campus were in 21 sections of the course during the fall semester. Did they survive? Could they actually speak before a class and live to tell about it?

According to The Book of Lists, speaking ranked even of the 10 worst human fears in the United States. Public speaking ranked even before heights, dogs, insects and bugs, financial problems, and deep water.

Students in COMM 100 in the fall semester just finished their round of speeches when I asked students in 7:30 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. classes to give some advice to future students enrolling in the course. After all, they were the experts now. Here is a few of the responses.

"Pick you topic as early as possible. This way you have time to read and learn about (it) rather than stumbling around during your speech. Also, pick a subject that interests you.”

Misti Gaston, Hays freshman

"Have a good introduction. It is very important and has a major impact on your grade. It gains the audience's attention and maintains it."

Danny Kuhn, Victoria junior

"Don't be nervous because everyone is in the same boat since this is your first college speech."

Wendy Lunsford, Topeka freshman

"Practice, practice, practice and make sure you pace yourself for the time limit.”

Joseph Pugh, Hays sophomore

Fundamentals of Oral Communication didn't have to be a big deal. For students contemplating whether to enroll next semester or to put it off a little longer, perhaps some of the advice helped in making up their minds. Because, after all, everyone survived the dreaded speech class!
It started when you were just a young child: "When I grow up I am gonna be an actress...or a fireman, a veterinarian, a gymnast or a doctor."

Sometimes you woke up to reality and had to change your dreams. After all, there were not too many five-foot tall professional basketball players. Also, as job markets changed so did the demand for different types of jobs. For instance, 1996 was the year high-tech jobs were in the most demand.

"Demand is high in the technical area computer science and engineering," Dan Rice, director of career services, said.

Rice also said careers in health-related areas, such as physical therapy and speech pathology, were "hot items," as well as careers in teaching and special education.

According to the article, "Successful Job Search Strategies for the 90's," published by Planning Job Choices: 1997, technology has changed the look of the job market, eliminating many jobs and created many more, such as:

1. Special education teachers
2. Speech language pathologists and audiologists
3. Medical records technicians
4. Surgical technologists
5. Paralegals
6. Dental assistants
7. Medical assistants

8. Corrections officers
9. Detectives (except public)
10. Adjustment clerks
11. Teacher aides and educational assistants
12. Data processing equipment repairers
13. Nursery and greenhouse managers
14. Securities and financial services workers

All other physical scientists (excluding chemists, geologists, geophysicists, oceanographers, and meteorologists)

1995 University graduates reflected the trend for demand in health and education jobs. According to the 'Undergraduate Employment Data Class of 1994-1995,' compiled from Career Services, the university had 112 graduates in elementary education. Nursing was second with 74 graduates, followed by Accounting with 44 graduates. Sociology and English majors both placed in fourth place with 36 graduates, and agriculture came in fifth with 35 graduates.

Even though these jobs were in the highest demand and most popular with students, Rice said there were more job seekers than jobs.

"Supply and demand was in favor of the employer," Rice said.

Rice suggested students started planning life after college their freshman year. He said internships should be done during the sophomore and junior years. By the the senior year the student has laid the "groundwork and certainly enhanced credibility to a prospective employer," Rice said.

According to the article, "Successful Job Search Strategies for the 90's" published in the magazine, Planning Job Choices: 1997. In terms of what most students graduate with a degree in.
Chad Manning, Norton freshman, studies to fulfill his dreams of a promising career in the future. "I am majoring in physical education and would like to be a successful football coach and teacher," Manning said. Although most students had a tentative major when they arrived at the University, that major often changed throughout the years at school because of the job market and the students changing interests.

Dorilou Oiler, Columbus, Ohio graduate student, works on an art project. The piece was made of stoneware clay. When asked what made Oiler want to become a ceramics major she said, "I met someone very influential in my life who loved ceramics, and ever since then I started loving to work with clay also," Oiler said.

Designer
Becky Stegman

Promising Jobs * 49
Four years of hard work finally paid off for Mike Madden, Department Chair for the Allied Health Department. A physical therapy graduate program finally became a reality. In the fall of 1998, classes will begin on the first floor of Albertson Hall.

Madden tried to start the program four years ago when he first attempted to work with University of Kansas Medical Center for two years, but "never got any cooperation." He then contacted Wichita State University for help and things went "extremely well." The reason another school was needed, Madden said, was because it was a "very big and very expensive thing for Fort Hays to do alone."

Madden contacted granting facilities and applied for federal grant monies, and even obtained private money from foundations for the interactive systems (ITV) for the classrooms. This would enable the classes to be taught by instructors at Wichita State University and faculty at the university. Assignments would be transmitted via the internet. Some of the courses taught would be lab courses for clinical experience which would be held in regional facilities.

"(That is) one of the novelties of this program," Madden said. One reason he liked the use of the ITV systems was because "we can get the best teacher" for a course.

What was distinctive about this program is that it would give preference to western Kansas students... and it would bring more people out here, (where they could) realize there are a lot of good opportunities in western Kansas."

From experience, Alwin knew it was very difficult to get into physical therapy school. "It's very competitive," he said. "At a school in Iowa, they reviewed 580 applications for only 44 spots."

Alwin started the physical therapy club because it was "a goal to be able to have an organization where other pre-physical therapy students could meet and learn more about physical therapy and how to be accepted into school." The club held its first meeting in October of 1996 and had 25 members. Alwin went through the student organizations committee and followed the guidelines to make the organization recognized by the University. Although Alwin graduated in May, he hoped the organization would continue after he left, and would continue to allow pre-physical therapy students to get involved after the new program begins in 1998.

The new program will make the University the third school in Kansas to offer a Physical Therapy program. The program was scheduled to take eight students the first year then, depending on how things go, increase to 16 the following year.

"The program was developed for the benefit of the students because so many were graduating without being accepted (to graduate school) and not able to pursue a career in physical therapy," Madden said. "If they can't get accepted, they have to pursue another (career)."
Scott Alwin, Colby senior, practices his physical therapy techniques on Terrie Coyle, nurse at Hays Medical Center. Alwin was president of the physical therapy club. In the fall of 1998, the physical therapy classes will begin on first floor of Albertson Hall.

Phil Coyle, Administrator of Rehabilitation at Hays Medical Center, gives a presentation to a class. The new program will make the University the third school in Kansas to offer this program.

Aaron Wenburg, Beaver City, Neb. freshman, performs a demonstration on Brigitte Broadhead, Wichita senior. The program was scheduled to take eight students the first year then possibly increase to 16 the following year.
Have you ever imagined, instead of reading three chapters over psychology and then taking a test, that your homework assignment was to go out and work as a nurse in the community? In the Community Health Nursing class, undergraduate students had the chance to do just this. In the class, students were taught by Susan Boos, assistant professor of nursing. Outside the classroom, students learned about the sides of nursing.

Places such as nursing homes and immunization clinics were of most interest to the class. Also, scholars spent a day in the student health center as part of their credit.

"Undergraduate students usually focus on completing leadership skills and observing what is done. Students gain a good idea of what health service is at the college level," Patricia Scott, head nurse of the student health center, said.

The main purpose of the class was for students to gain needed knowledge for the outside world. Boos described this as a subtle shift from the classroom to real life.

"We look at various sites because some students may or may not encounter these settings. This enables them to know how to deal with the situations in different areas of care. One area in particular has been the student health center," Boos said.

Giving immunizations and treatment of student medical conditions were skills students learned on sites. Nursing students traveled from nursing homes to the student health center to experience the different areas of nursing.

Marla Farrell, Hill City senior, checks the heart rate of Roberta Barc, Hays senior. "I chose this university because of the really good nursing program and because of the great staff and teachers," Farrell said.

Checking for an ear infection, Marla Farrell, Hill City senior, practices nursing with her internship at the student health center. "I have always wanted to be a nurse and most of it is because I love working with people," Farrell said.

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Sharon McComas, Hutchison senior, gets her blood pressure checked by student nurse Marla Farrell during the flu outbreak. Farrell was a member of the small group of students who interned at the Student Health Center. "I really enjoy the small class arrangements because you get more individual help from teachers," Farrell said.

Student Health Center

OFFICE HOURS

Health Center Hours:
8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
every school day

Doctors Hours:
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
every school day

Summer Hours:
7:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
every school day

Doctors Hours:
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
(Monday-Thursday)
10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
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Crutches
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“We found the type of student we wanted to produce and then worked backwards to develop the program,”

Mike Leikam
INT Department Chair

Remember when "you have mail" were the words that came from the postman—not a computer? Remember when the "net" was something that caught butterflies or scooped up bugs from the community swimming pool in the summer? Remember when the telephone used to ring and you walked to a location to pick up the headset instead of pulling the telephone out of your pocket?

Technology changed so fast our checkbooks couldn't keep up. Information came from both traditional and not-so-traditional sources. To be prepared to meet the experiences the next century would bring, students needed to be readied to manage the barrage of information they were subjected to each and every day.

To meet that need, in September the Kansas Board of Regents approved a new department at the University. An offshoot of the department of communication, the department of information networking and telecommunications was born to meet the needs of the marketplace in the 21st century.

What distinguished this program was the fact it was the first of its kind in the nation. Bill Watt, department of communication chair, said the new INT department was necessary because of the increasing importance of technology. The information explosion forced people to depend more on technology to disseminate information. This new department would prepare students to manage that information.

In speaking about the break from the department of communication, Mike Leikam, INT department chair said, "Our time had come. We had to be able to maintain our own direction, develop our own sense of mission, and we had to be able to administer our (own) program. The department of communication treated us very well...were very accepting of (the) change."

According to Leikam, an outcome of the new department was to have "students from other colleges be working for our graduates." Leikam stressed the program was developed from a philosophical standpoint in that the program would not be "technologically dependent," but rather "technologically sensitive" because to develop a program based upon current technology "would guarantee obsolescence."

"We found the type of student we wanted to produce and then worked backwards to develop a program," Leikam said of the three year process. "We went through a very detailed instructional design model to develop this curriculum. It's as comprehensive you are going to see."

Students who planned to graduate with a communication undergraduate degree with an emphasis in INT had the option of continuing along that path or changing to the new INT degree. Leikam believed it would be juniors and seniors who would likely continue along the old path while freshman and sophomores would choose to switch to the new program.

Graduate status within INT would still be handled under the department of communication.Another option for graduate students would be a master of liberal studies with an INT emphasis. Leikam said it was the "department's intent to have it's own graduate program" but it would be something which would happen in the future.

Leikam said the transition for students wanting to move from the communication department to INT would likely be "more confusing for (faculty) because we are trying to advise from several different programs of study." However, he believed the transition would be fairly easy on the students who wanted to transfer.

Leikam said faculty were excited about the program and were pleased with the alliances the program had developed within the different University departments. The ability to break down barriers to offer a quality curriculum was important to the program's developers.

The new department hoped to recruit 250 students into INT within the next three years. The program this year had 80. Could the department do it? With all that information which needed managed? Certainly there would be no problem, because...hold on! Your fax or my cell phone? Mine? Oh well...just let my computer take the message.
Mike Leikam, INT department chair, discusses the final trials and tribulations of a day at work. The INT department broke from communication because, "Our time had come. We had to be able to maintain our own sense of direction, develop our own sense of mission, and we had to be able to administer our own program," Leikam said.

Music Director of KFHS, John Berry, Dodge City senior, works the control board for the radio. Campus radio could be taken as a class but was also ran by student workers. The KFHS news crew worked also on production and writing parts for the University television station.

RaeLyn Hartley, Medicine Lodge senior, Berry Wolfe, Olathe junior, and Marcella Marez, Phillipsburg junior, practice their voices on the air. Most amateur DJs concentrated on trying to work out their radio personalities, which is what a DJ wanted to convey.
Did you ever wonder where the money you paid for student fees ended up going? In many cases, the majority of the money went toward bond fees such as the Memorial Union renovation bond fee, housing system renovation bond fees, and the Lewis Field renovation bond fee.

The parking fee and Internet Technology fee was added to allow students more access with both parking and the world wide web. Proposals for changing student fees were brought up by the group that wanted to use the money from the increase in the fee. Then the proposed fee change went through the appropriate arms of the university, like the Student Government Association.

“Student fees increase because there is a need to increase the level of service that the fees pay for,” Lisa Heath, assistant vice-president for student affairs, said.

An increase usually depended on what fee it was as to who wanted it to pass. For example, housing referred to the residence hall association, while the general fees went to the student government. These student groups served as an advisory role and their recommendations were used.

“Remarkably, FHSU has the lowest fee structure around. It seems student government and students in general like the low fees and do not want them to increase,” Student Government President Chad Nelson, Lincoln senior, said.

Manny Ngole, Houston, Texas post graduate student, signs his check on enrollment day. “The Board of Regents mandated that state institutions must seek students’ input on decisions regarding student fees,” Lisa Heath, assistant vice-president of student affairs, said.
Housing Rates

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These figures include the 20 meal plan and the cost of living in a campus residence hall: Agnew, Custer, McGrath, McMindes or Weist.

Information provided by the Kansas Board of Regents.

Darin Richards, Salina sophomore, makes his payment for the Spring semester. Once a fee is in place it is very hard to discontinue the fee. "This year the student housing fee was cut to a five-year period and by the year 2003 it will be nonexistent," Chad Nelson, Lincoln senior, said.
Imagine your car is packed and while you wait for everyone else to arrive you go over a mental list just to make sure you haven't forgotten anything.

- Tent? Check.
- Sleeping bag? Check.
- Extra socks and rain gear in case it rains? Check.

What you are doing is preparing for a trip with Melissa D'Antonio, instructor of health and human performance, and the rest of the wilderness skills class.

On Friday, April 25 at 9 a.m., fifteen students, D'Antonio, and Joel Maiorano, Memorial Union recreation director, traveled to Kanopolis Lake for three days and two nights of camping to utilize what they had learned in class.

The class was a nine week course and began on March 11. During those weeks before the required camping trip, D'Antonio focused her lectures on the essentials of camping. Tents, sleeping bags, the three-layer system (a clothing system which allows the body to keep warm and dry), how to build a fire, footwear, and menu planning.

D'Antonio had a lot to consider before taking the class on the trip. She had to go and coordinate efforts with Kansas Wildlife and Parks and Kanopolis Lake. I had to schedule the nature leading, figure out how much it would cost, make sure everyone had the proper equipment, figure out a risk management plan (a plan that told what would happen in case of an emergency), and making sure everybody has the skills necessary to make it safe and that they are properly prepared and understand all that's involved.

Once the group arrived at the camp site, the students put up their tents and joined the rest of the group for a hike through Horsethief Canyon and by Sentinel Rock. Toward the end of their hike, the group came to a muddy creek which required problem solving and teamwork to get across.

"We couldn't have planned it better," D'Antonio said, when in reality it wasn't planned at all.

On Saturday morning, Kelli Whitney, Hays senior, B. J. Staab, Hays junior, Chris Helm, Hays junior, and Charlie Taylor, Salina sophomore found they had a visitor or two in the night. Racoon(s) had gotten into their food.

"They took our bagels and cappuccino," Whitney said. "It was scattered up to the road."

That afternoon, the group went on a guided tour by a park ranger through a different part of Horsethief Canyon and to Faris Caves. Faris Caves was a two room cave chiseled out by a man in the late 1800's. His last name was Faris, hence the name. D'Antonio also had activities planned while at the campsite. There was a name game, trust falls, and activities with D'Antonio's "bag of tricks."

"(The activities) come from experiential education or adventure education. It's also a part of the recreation courses we hold. (With the name game) personal characteristics come out. It sort of breaks the ice. The river crossing (on Friday's hike) was a good example of problem solving activity."

On Sunday, the group packed up their cars and, after one more campsite activity, left for Mushroom Rock State Park where a group picture was taken.

Everyone was responsible for keeping a journal about the weekend.

"I see one thing, but I want to hear from the students. Almost half the class had never camped before and they did, and they had a good time. Sitting around the campfire somebody asked me, 'Do you like doing this?' and I said yeah. You can see it on their faces and see they are having a good time. Hopefully it will be a life long leisure activity," D'Antonio said.

"I saw a lot in the group. The class is so diverse, from all different disciplines. We put them into a setting where everybody was equal. It was incredible," D'Antonio said.

"It was a good trip, everybody came back safe, everybody worked together, everybody was involved. Everybody got along."

"It was amazing how we never talked to anybody in class and as the weekend went by, the way we bonded was near," Jodi Berens, Denver senior, said.

The class was part of the recreation curriculum and an elective for physical education. It's a fun class. I like to teach it. It's neat to teach somebody and see them use it," D'Antonio said.
Melissa D'Antonio, health and human performance instructor, and Wayne Brown, Concordia sophomore, cross a makeshift bridge while on their wilderness skills trip. Students in the wilderness class took the skills they learned and put them into practice throughout the two-day trip.

Melissa D'Antonio, Memorial Union recreation director, Jeff Breeze, Littleton, Colo. sophomore, Jay Sharp, Norton freshman, Matt Willis, Hugoton freshman, Brian Sealey, and Chad Karr, California, Mo. freshman, hike up a trail. This was part of the requirements of the wilderness skills outing.

The wilderness skills class takes time out for a group photo. Throughout the two-day trip, students became more familiar with their classmates, many of whom they had hardly spoken to in class.
Just as other majors had their classes to pass before they could graduate, an education major must have done some student teaching. Art Hoernicke, director of professional services/student teaching, said that every semester about 100 students joined a grade school or high school for 12 to 16 weeks; 12 weeks for elementary and 16 weeks for secondary. Most students taught in Hays since they were living here. Some were in other parts of the state, including the Kansas City and Topeka area.

Jeanie Michaelis, Hays senior, taught at Hays High School in the business department. What she liked most about her job was "the kids - they're great. Trying to meet all the different needs is really challenging," she said. Michaelis did not decide to become a teacher until she had two daughters of her own. She felt that growing with them helped in making her decision.

Michaelis said the important thing she learned from student teaching was the preparation. She learned a wide variety of planning, grading, decision making and how to handle situations inside and outside of the classroom. It gave her the experience of every aspect of teaching.

Before becoming a student teacher, many requirements had to be completed. Other than being in teacher education, a student had to pass with a grade of "C" or higher in the following classes: Educating Exceptional Students, Multiculturalism in the U.S., Educational Psychology, Reading and comprehension of Text (secondary) and all content methods courses. The student also needed a cumulative grade point average of 2.75 or higher. Students also had to show adequate preparation in teaching fields to perform the Directed Teaching assignments and have passed the Pre-Professional Service Test (PPST). Finally, the student had to fill out an application before the deadline and be accepted.

After all the requirements were completed, the student was ready to become a student teacher. The importance of being a student teacher was immeasurable, especially for Michaelis. She felt what she learned from student teaching will help her in her career for years to come.

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* Designer Becky Stegman
Sarab Anshutz, Hays sophomore, points out a project from the last assignment at Wilson Grade School in Hays. Student teachers needed a cumulative grade point average of 2.75 or higher.

Tera Delzeit, Ensign freshman, makes a presentation to her class at Wilson Grade School in Hays. Every semester about 100 university students joined a grade school or high school for 12 to 16 weeks to experience student teaching.

Pam Baldwin McCracken, junior, explains a picture to one of her young students at Wilson Grade School in Hays. Students had to show adequate preparation in teaching fields to perform the Directed Teaching assignments and have passed the Pre-Professional Service Test (PPST) before being assigned to a school. “I loved working there, it was a lot of fun,” said Baldwin.
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The protective mom stands behind her daughter just in case an accident should occur while she explores on the jungle gym. Though Kylee played like a child, she didn’t always act like it. “Kylee sits crosslegged and sometimes calls me Kari, because she thinks it is funny to act grown-up,” Sparks said.

Kylee enjoys a day at the park with her mother. “She talks so grown-up, the other day, she walked into my uncle’s house and said ‘What an attractive house!’” Sparks said.

Kari Sparks, Garden City senior, and three-year-old Kylee get their picture taken while clowning around at a local playground. “Hearing Kylee laugh always brightens my day,” Sparks said.

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Kari Sparks

Designer
Becky Stegman
When shopping for jewelry have you ever considered how a ring or necklace was made? If you have ever pondered this question or any others about jewelry, then Jewelry Design, taught by James Hinkhouse, should have been the class for you.

After learning eight different techniques, students learned how to successfully create a jewelry project. Projects included flat overlay project, simple brass etching on a brass ring, making a silver ring, forging techniques, a conceptual project, waxing, and a stone setting project.

"My favorite project out of all the assignments so far has been forging which is a beginners project because it seemed to be the easiest and simplest," Brandy Hoffman, Hays freshman, said.

Included in the first project was saudering, sawing, and antiquing techniques. An example of this type of project was the flat overlay project where students sawed metal into the shape they desired, saudered it down to the smoothness needed and antiqued it to the shade they wanted.

"I think it has been important in the past, and with this class as well, to start out with a fairly simple project. This has proven to give students a chance to work with elements and get experience for how jewelry has to be started. Also, this has been an inexpensive way of creating jewelry which you want at the start of a class as this," Hinkhouse said.

The silver ring project followed the flat overlay project. When students received silver rings, they were given the choice of creating their own masterpiece with techniques such as inlaying stone or etching.

"One of the students created an exceptional ring. This is just an example of how students have created personal things to wear that express their own attitude," Hinkhouse said.

Followed by the silver ring project, students completed a forging, roll print and repousse project. Objects hammered into a form such as silverware are examples of forging. Old-fashioned nails with flat ends and silverware are examples of forged products. Many jewelry projects were created this way.

In another project, students had the chance to stimulate creative juices from a found object to form an idea of any type of artistic jewelry object they wished to create.

"This project is simply a springboard of an idea from any type of an object from a penny to a seashell," Hinkhouse said.

Along with a found object, students also created a piece of jewelry based on a poem or song.

Stone setting and wax forms constituted the finishing projects. In stone setting, students learned to masterfully create a piece of jewelry by inlaying a stone in a piece of metal. Wax forms went through a process of a created wax form that was put in a plaster mold and then heated until the mold melted. Metal was melted and then poured in to substitute for the lost wax. The metal eventually took on the wax form. A piece of jewelry was formed.

"In high school I had done casting, which is similar to wax forms. I had never done this before so it was a new experience and frustrating," Kara Howery, Hays senior, said.

Within a semester, students completed eight projects that increased their knowledge of how to successfully create jewelry.
Kansas Haefner, Blaine senior, finishes up one of her projects on the grinder. Creativity, skill and technique were considered requirements for the jewelry making class.

Devie Meadows, Garden City senior, uses a hand saw to perfect her project. The classes' creations of a three-dimensional nature were gained from poems or songs to create a piece of jewelry.

Kansas Haefner, Blaine senior, uses power tools to put the finishing touches on her bracelet. The jewelry making class made rings, necklaces and bracelets during the semester.

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Becky Stegman

Writer
Amy Riffel
Imagine being in a new country, seeing new faces, hearing a language that is not your own. Imagine the courage it would take to overcome that fear.

This is what international students faced every day. What most students wondered is how did they find Hays out of all the other, much bigger schools, in the United States? Hiroshi Majima, Tokyo Japan junior, grew up outside of Tokyo and said he could never see the stars through the smog that covered the city. "I like rural area . . . I like to see the stars and buffalo."

Majima had been at the University for three years and hoped to get a degree in business management. A major difference, he said, between an American school and a Japanese school was the difficulty of entering a Japanese university. He said the entrance exams were very hard to pass, so once a student made it in, they never studied.

According to I. B. Dent, coordinator of special events & international student advisor, approximately 200 international students enrolled at the University each year. Almost all went on to graduate. Majima said that even after graduation he wanted to stay in the United States if he could get a job. "I want to get a green card," he said.

Dent said a major portion of international students came from Thailand, Taiwan, Japan, and Korea. On the first day of enrollment after the freshmen had their orientation, there was a separate orientation for international students. This helped the students adjust to the cultural differences in the U.S. The University also offered international students a host family through a program called Friends and Family. The students did not live with their family, but went there for help in getting acquainted with the American culture. Dent said that the international students sometimes cooked supper for the host families to share the culture of the homeland.

Another event that helped the international students was an International Fair, a large two-day affair when students cooked food from their home country and sold it. There was a stage for dances, skits, and karate so students could display some of their culture. In November, a Thanksgiving dinner for the students and their host families was held to give the international students a taste of American history and culture.

Students were not the only ones who could be international; there were also some instructors from different lands. Dr. Pelgy Vaz, assistant professor of sociology, taught at the university for four years. She was originally from Bombay, India. She earned her undergraduate degree in India, then went to University of Nebraska at Lincoln and earned her doctorate. She said some major differences between schools in India and in the U.S. were that U.S. schools were less structured and formal. She was surprised at how "adolescents longed to leave home at the age of 18." She liked the ideals of the U.S. "It's a land of opportunity," as opposed to India where opportunity was not so readily available.

Too often students took for granted the easy access they had to an education. To those who traveled from another country, however, saw it as an opportunity to earn an education without restriction.
Masanori Izumi, Japan undergraduate student and Jaehoon Chung, Korea undergraduate student, wait for class to begin. It is known that approximately 200 international students enroll at the university each year.

Chang Min, Korea undergraduate student, writes his answer on the board. There was a separate orientation for international students. It helped the students adapt to cultural differences in the U.S.

Katia Schultz, Paraguay undergraduate student, finishes studying her English grammar. The University hosted a program called friends and family. The students did not live with the family, they just helped the students get accustomed to the American culture.

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International Students * 67
Many advisors spoke about the down-sizing of America, but do you know what the reality was? Non-traditional students were resizing it.

Non-traditional, as they have been labeled, were not only idealists— they were practical idealists. They had ideals and were very practical about it, hence the reason for the increasing numbers attending college in their senior years.

"Many think that non-traditional students are just a bunch of old fogies who have nothing else to do because of this, have more time to study harder," President of the Non-Traditional student Organization, Karlin Stewart, Great Bend senior, said.

"The opposite of this is true because most non-traditional students have full-time jobs, are married or have children or both and are full-time students. This means that they carry a minimum of 12 hours per semester," Stewart said.

Non-traditional students were passionate about life and learning. "We are not just setting an example, we are setting the standard." Pat Schumacher, Hays senior, said.

At age 65, many people tend to consider retirement, but it seemed that the opposite was happening. This category of students was the fastest growing segment across the United States.

Non-traditional students formed a large part of the tuition-paying population at the University. Thirty-six percent of the 5,500 students enrolled were non-traditionals. This meant there were 2,000 non-traditional students at the University. There was an aging population in this state; and, hence the probability existed that the largest source for more students would be from the older group.

Did non-traditional students fit in the system of things? Contrary to the apparent prejudices which tended to pop out of the "woodwork," non-traditional students blended in very well. So well, in fact, that they are difficult to detect in a classroom situation, except when a class discussion picked up. Non-traditional students brought with them a wealth of experience to the classroom. They were, literally, walking databases. There were four criteria, according to the University, which qualified a student as non-traditional.

Any student 24 years or older, married, a parent with dependent children or a war veteran qualified as non-traditional. The NTSO added two more criteria: commuting students and those returning to college after two years. However, all students were welcomed to join the NTSO. One merely needed to pay a five dollar annual fee and the facilities in the NTSO lounge was your to enjoy. Free coffee was always available in the lounge coupled with an atmosphere of camaraderie for non-traditional students. •

Karlin McCulley, Great Bend senior, studies in the lounge available for non-traditional students. The non-traditional student lounge was in the basement of Memorial Union, and provided a place for non-trade to relax while not in class. Any student 24 years or older, married, a parent with dependent children or a war veteran, qualified to be a non-traditional student.
Douglas Clore, Wakeeny senior, makes a call while passing time between classes. Non-traditional students formed a large part of the tuition-paying population at the University.

Nantaporn Aspasiripol, Bangkok, Thailand, graduate student, and Johnny Coomansingh, Petrotrin Santa Fl, Trinidad, graduate student work on an assignment together. It was not common knowledge that 36% of the 5,500 students enrolled were non-traditionals. This meant there were 2,000 non-traditional students at the University.

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Students in the physical science courses had an assigned project that was bound to keep them walking on eggshells, literally. The reason was because the assignment was to drop eggs from the top of Tomanek Hall without the eggs breaking.

Students were divided into groups to design a package for an egg that would allow the egg to be dropped from the top of Tomanek Hall without breaking. Paul Adams, assistant professor of physics, and Asad Hasan, assistant professor of physics, gave this assignment to enhance the students' knowledge of physics and to have them apply that knowledge in a practical sense.

"We have this assignment so students will take ideas from the course, work with them and apply them to a situation to make them their own. It is a way to help students construct their own understanding of some of the concepts that we study in the physical science course," Adams said.

The students had to follow several guidelines. One guideline was the weight of the package and the egg had to be greater than two Newtons (a mass greater than 300 grams). The package itself, and all appendages extending from it, could be no bigger that 25 centimeters on each side. A rule added in the Spring '97 semester stated no liquids or fluids could be used. The rule was implemented to cut down on the mess. Each semester, the professors eliminated elements that proved to be potentially dangerous the semester before. Next semester, Adams said, bricks will not be allowed on the projects.

The assignment took ingenuity and creativity. Hasan said a successful and unique design from the Fall '96 semester was a gutted out football filled with peanut butter and jelly (and the egg). If it would not have been successful; however, it would have resulted in a big mess.

"I thought it was a neat assignment because we got to learn hands-on about the concepts and how to successfully work as a team," Shannon Tinkel, Hays junior, said.

Tinkel and her group had a design that was composed of bubble wrap and layers of Styrofoam. She said her team tried three times unsuccessfully. They then took the good concepts of each design and combined them into a successful final project.

Brian Wicheal, Wichita junior, and a member of Tinkel's group, said "It's a fun idea and it gave a lot of people a chance to make a mess." He said that it was also a good learning experience for student.

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STUDY SKILLS

WHEN TO STUDY

Good organization will help you complete your homework. Plan a block of time each evening at home to complete your assignments.

Start by studying for your hardest class first since it will require the most time and energy. Move on to the next hardest subject and so forth. This way, the longer you go the easier it gets.

Arrange your time in manageable blocks.

Allow more time for subjects that need vast improvement.

During the time you plan to study, avoid the temptation to call your friends, or do anything other than study.

WHERE TO STUDY

Find a quiet place to study, it will help you focus on your studies.

Sit in a straight-backed chair. It is easy to get sleepy sitting in a soft chair or lying on your bed.

A well lighted area will also make it easier to read and keep you alert.

Open a window for fresh air.
Stress related to college life is not caused only by pressure to excel academically. College students experienced numerous stressors, including changes related to being away from home for the first time, climatic differences between home and school, pressure to make friends in a new and sometimes intimidating setting, the feeling of anonymity imposed by large classes, test-taking anxiety and pressures related to time management.

“When I am under stress I like to exercise. I normally don’t have time to, but I make time to relieve my stress,” Megan Carlini, Wichita freshman, said.

Some students were stressed by athletic team requirements, dormitory food, roommate habits, peers’ expectations, fraternity or sorority demands or even financial worries.

The first step in dealing with stress management was to examine thoroughly any problem involving stress. Dealing with stress involved assessing all aspects of a stressor, like what the cause was and how one could change that. After recognizing what the stress was, it was then time to assess it. But changing your responses to stressful situations required practice and emotional control.

“I just do everything else I need to do and just forget about what is stressing me out,” Lynette Ring, Salina sophomore, said.

Adopting the attitudes necessary for effective stress management seemed to have little effect. However, developing successful emotional and mental coping skills was actually a satisfying accomplishment that helped one gain confidence in oneself. Learning how to use physical activity to alleviate stress helped support and compliment those emotional and mental strategies employed in stress management. Exercise, relaxation and eating right was just a few ideas of how one could deal with a stress overload.

“It depends on what causes my stress. Last semester, when it was my parents, I cried. When I try to deal with homework or a really bad class, I try to just forget it and sleep or watch television. But all in all, going for a walk or some type of exercise always helps, too,” Nicole Schafer, Topeka freshman, said.

Amanda Batt, Fowler junior and Daryl Strecker, Colby senior, stretch out their muscles before they exercise to relieve stress. Every student seemed to have their own way to deal with stress. The first step in stress management was to examine thoroughly any problem involving stress.
Family Heideman, Colby freshman, enjoys an afternoon jog to relieve some of the tension from a difficult class. School was a common stressor among students because of difficult classes or too many papers and tests all due at the same time. Dealing with stress involves assessing all aspects of a stressor, like what is causing it and how to change that.

Jodi Wentz, Norton senior, and Jamie Jeffries, Salina senior, play a game of catch while passing the time between classes in Rarick Hall. Adopting the attitudes necessary for effective stress management may have seemed to have little effect, but really a person was doing themself a favor by dealing with stress positively.

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Along with many different events that all of the four different activity bands had participated in, students had differences in how they viewed band. Differences between majors and nonmajors in music had risen as students thought back upon band.

The four different activities bands were marching, symphonic, jazz, and pep band. Some of the activities they were involved in were performances for football and basketball games, the marching exhibition, the February Jazz Band Tour, a performance in Golden, Colo., and the wind ensemble in May.

Marching band was the first band to begin. Practice began a week prior to school in preparation for the upcoming season of football. Performances included two different varying sets of music for each halftime performance. Marching band also performed for high schoolers at the marching exhibition, which was held before a football game. After marching band had ended in the fall with the football season, students interested in band had the chance to audition for pep band. Two practices were held to read over music, and then this band met to play at all the basketball games. Also, pay was approximately $300.00, although students were paid each game they played at.

Two other bands that students were involved in were symphonic band and jazz band. Jazz band toured Colby, Dodge City and Russell schools in February. Due to icy roads however, they missed playing for the Leoti schools. Symphonic bands also had two concerts. They were mainly performance bands that performed in February, as well as in May.

Besides just being involved in band programs, students had different views of what band consisted for them.

"I think that more people aren't involved in our band program because they think that it is only for music majors," said Scott.

Students commented about differences between being a major or non-major and the way it affects their view of band.

Amy Bruntz, who was a non-music major, said that "more pressure is put on music majors when they are in band over non-majors. It should be that way because that is what their major involved."

"I feel that my involvement in band had helped me to be a more well-rounded person. It also helps me to deal with my studies. I have met many people. These are many of the reasons why I have stayed in band," Gretchen Bell, Shawnee Mission junior, said.

"I learned a new instrument for marching band which was the bells. I am a music major because I have always enjoyed music, and I feel it is a release for people not majoring in band," Leslie Schlittenhardt, St. Francis freshman, said.

"I do band for the extra experience, even though I am a voice major. I won't be for sure if I will teach voice or band from different jobs, so this will give me experience if I ever do direct a band," Tracy Hommon Smith Center senior, said.

In all four bands many people with different educational experiences joined in the fun. Band was fun for all.

Victoria Schmitburger Hays senior, Scott Griffith Hooisington sophomore, and Mike Weber Junction City sophomore practice a piece of music for an upcoming concert.

"We do not have a show the same way twice which adds variation to our halftime shows," said Ron Scott, Activities Band Director.
Ron Scott, Activities Band Director, directs the band during an afternoon practice. "It was hard to see the basketball team lose at SDSU when we had followed them all those years through school and to see them build up into the wonderful team they are. It was hard for many of the seniors because after they lost we knew it would be our last performance in pep band," Amy Brunts, Bazine senior, said.

Robyn Martinez, Hays senior, and Tyler North, Ellis freshman, practice their parts on the tuba. Students were paid for their performance at each game.

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Realizing there was a new world waiting for them, 985 students graduated on May 17. Complete with black robes, beaming parents, tradition and history, the University hosted graduation at Gross Memorial Coliseum.


Special awards were given at the beginning of the ceremony. The President’s Distinguished Scholar Award, the Torch and Pilot awards were distributed. The Torch award was given to Travis Crites, St. Francis senior, and the Pilot award was presented to Tom Jackson, psychology department chair.

Other honors at the ceremony were those for academics. This honor was mentioned as the graduates walked across the stage. A student could receive Cum Laude, which was achievement of accumulative grade point average 3.60-3.79 on the University’s coursework; Magna Cum Laude – 3.80 to 3.89; or Summa Cum Laude – 3.90 to 4.0 GPA.

Whichever or not a student received honors, graduation was something to remember, students said.

“It was neat and I was proud to be there. I only wish that everyone would not have been so serious and that my row would have done the wave,” Katie Durbin, Kansas City senior, said.

“My experiences at FHSU will never be forgotten. The memories, knowledge and friends I take from here will remain with me for the rest of my life,” Jimmy R. Brough Jr., Great Bend senior, said.

Countuing on with the tradition, graduates were attired in black robes. The origins of academic dress date back as far as the 12th and 13th centuries, when universities were taking form. The ordinary dress of a scholar, whether student or teacher, was the dress of a cleric. For all academic purposes, including trimming of doctors gowns, edging of hoods and tassels of caps, the color was associated with the different disciplines.

For some, the color of the gowns was not comfortable.

“Black was not the right color to be wearing on Saturday because it was VERY hot,” Cory Nagle, Ulysses senior, said.

In his address to the students, Edward H. Hammond, University President, said, “Today you become a member of a select group of men and women numbering in the thousands - graduates of Fort Hays State University. Remember the University kindly, for it gave you several years of its very best.”

Graduating students take their places on the gym floor. "Graduation was very special for me because it was a goal I set out to accomplish as a child. I had family and friends from all over the United States to watch me walk across the stage," Pamela Becker, Hays senior, who majored in accounting, said.
The graduates patiently await their moment of recognition. "Graduation makes me feel great. I plan on going to graduate school so I am not totally done with school, but at least I accomplished part of it," Kelly Dickinson, Hays senior, said.

Pondering the future and perhaps excited for his time to walk the stage, Great Bend senior Jimmy R. Brough Jr. enters with the graduates. Graduates had worked hard for their accomplishment. "For me this was something I have worked long and hard for. I felt it was a great achievement because I am a non-traditional student. As for now, I am starting a job search pertaining to something dealing with my major," Leonard Queen, Hays senior, said.
Sarah Anschutz, Hays senior, smiles at the crowd upon receiving her diploma. Overcome with joy, many graduates hugged President Edward Hammond as they walked across the stage. “This was just a stepping stone for me. I am going to attend medical school. I am glad I graduated from the University because of the strong science department and talented professors. After all, it did get me accepted into the University of Kansas Medical School,” Timothy Hoskins, Hays senior, said.

Laurie Bean, Great Bend senior, waits patiently to enter the commencement. “The whole time I was thinking ‘I wish my son was here to see this,’” Bean said. “I was so proud of what I’d done, I wanted him to be proud too.” Bean’s son Courtland, 2, did not attend the ceremony because, “He’s too active, and I didn’t want my family to have to chase him.”

The moment has finally arrived for these graduates. They were prepared to feel the thrill of graduation after many years of rigorous work. “For me graduation was a nice closure, especially seeing people from my department for one last time. But it is not over yet. In August I am planning on attending law school,” Michael Shepherd, Hays senior, philosophy major, said.

COMMENCEMENT
The Singers gather for a group picture before rehearsal. "A lot of time has been involved lately because we have a concert coming up and that takes a lot of preparation." Tracy Hommon, Beloit sophomore section leader, said.

University singers perform at a concert. "It has been a lot of fun this year. We have been really busy and working hard to raise money for our trip to Italy," Tracy Hommon, Beloit sophomore, said.

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Imagine the chance of a lifetime staring you in the face. Would you take it? Well, Rager Moore, assistant professor of music and director of choral activities, found himself in that position. He had been invited, along with two other American colleges, by the President of Coro Vico Alto Of Sienna to sing in their first annual choral festival in May. After considering the financial aspect and the educational aspect, Moore decided it would be a wonderful educational experience for the students involved in the Fort Hays Singers and the Fort Hays Concert Choir.

Fifty-nine students took the opportunity to go to Italy for 10 days and perform at various concerts. The tour started in Rome where they stayed for two days and gave a concert where they had the chance to sing some American music. They then travelled to Sienna where they rehearsed with the other choirs assembled to perform the two concerts of Mozart's "Requiem" at the festival on the fourth day in Sienna. The group from FHSU was also given the opportunity to put on another concert with the two other American colleges. After traveling to Florence, the choir then performed Mozart's "Requiem" again.

Singing and performing was not all these students got to do. They could also tour the land. They travelled through the Tuscan Valley, "the heart of art, education, wine, and food." They saw the Leaning Tower of Pisa. In Sienna, "a very old and small town, the walls that surrounded the city in the middle ages still stand." In the middle of this city is a Palazzo, a town square, where "you can soak in the culture of Italy," Moore said.

Before they could go, the students had to commit themselves to paying just under $2,000 for the trip. But they hoped to earn some funding from outside sources. They took donations from businesses, local alumni, Student Government Association and a private individual.

Performing abroad was not the only thing the singers did this year. They also put on five performances locally. This first concert was in October, which involved both the singers and the concert choir at their fall concert. Then the Madrigal Dinner, which had been around for 30 years, was performed the first weekend in December. Then, the singers teamed up again with concert choir, Hays Community Choir, Hays High Choir and Kanopolis Choir for the Cathedral concert in Victoria at the St. Fidelis Church during the last week of classes in December.

"Singing in a big beautiful church," is what Brandy Gabel, St. Fidelis senior, enjoyed most about that concert. In March they performed a concert with the concert choir singing different styles of music. Finally, in May they put on their Spring concert where they performed the Mozart's "Requiem" which they had been practicing all year.

Gabel, who sings alto had this to say about Moore, "Rager is a wonderful director, kind of like a second dad." And Tracy Hammon, Smith Center senior, sings baritone and bass for the Singers, said he finds the practices "relaxing, a lot of fun to go and sing." He also said he meets a lot of good friends.

Moore said his philosophy was to "teach life experiences through music." The trip to Italy was an opportune time to teach some of those experiences. "Being able to see how these kid's lives will be changed by broadening their horizons," is the thing Moore considered would be a great satisfaction for him.

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Rager Moore II, University director of FHSU Singers and Concert Choir, announces the next piece to be performed at a concert. "I am very excited about the opportunity for them to go to Italy because of the educational opportunity it will provide. I experienced an opportunity like that at their age and I know it helped broaden my horizons," Moore said.

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FHSU Singers * 81
Moss-Thorns Gallery of Art and the Hays Arts Council had numerous exhibitions throughout the school year. Many were student thesis shows for their master of fine arts degree.

For students to receive their MFA they were required to have an exhibition of their own work pertaining to their major. A bachelor of fine arts degree did not require an exhibition, but many teachers encouraged students to have one.

Linda Ganstrom, assistant professor of art, said, "I try to encourage all my students to have an exhibition because it is good professional development to learn how to organize for a show and find out what it really takes to become a professional artist."

All students were required to design a catalog to accompany their exhibition; containing photographs of their work, themselves, their biography, their exhibition record and a thesis statement that told the concept of their show.

Kathleen Kuchar, professor of art, said that the exhibits usually stayed up for about two weeks, and the amount of work required was determined by the student and his or her major professor.

Kuchar said that the student had at least two meetings with a designated committee. During the first meeting, the pre-oral exam, the committee viewed the artwork prior to the exhibition. The second meeting, the oral exam, was required by the graduate office. Kuchar said this was where the committee discussed the final collection of work, and other topics such as the student's future plans.

"An exhibition prepares the student for professional life. An artist is constantly exhibiting and this gives the student some practice on what that will require," Gandstrom said.
William Sharp, Palo Alto, CA, graduate student, brings up the walls of a cylinder on the wheel. "I chose to have my exhibition off campus because I previously had an exhibit at the Moss-Thorns Art Gallery for my bachelor's degree and wanted to try setting up my work in a different setting," Eulert said.

Amy Eulert, graduate student, poses by some of her work for the latest show. "My exhibition was very rewarding and educational," Eulert said. She was one of the few students during the year that had an exhibit at the Hays Arts Council.

Linda Gansstrom, assistant professor of art, helps sell pottery at the union for a fundraiser. "Since art is a visual expression, an exhibition was the student's thesis as opposed to a thesis paper for a master's program in another area," Gansstrom said.

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Art Shows * 83
A group of students challenged not only their minds, but their bodies also, as part of their college experience.

Some students enrolled in physical education classes, while others devoted their time to one of the University’s competitive sports teams. The many devoted athletes offered hours of enjoyment to their loyal fans.

Celebrating a Tiger victory, Jessica Farmer, Holton Freshman, hugs her teammates as Melissa Vahling, New Almeno junior, throws her arms in the air. Vahling debuted on the Lady Tiger basketball team this year, last playing for Lenora High School in 1994. Vahling, a physical education major, was a guard for the Tigers.
Before leaving for the NCAA Division II playoffs in Brookings S.D., the men's Tiger basketball team took a moment to listen to head coach Gary Garner. At the airport pep rally, Bob Lowen, Director of University Relations, and team members Anthony Pope, Carthage, Texas junior; Tyler Newton, Seattle, Wash. junior; Ethan Kruse, Eagle River, Alaska junior; Tim Nunnery, Oxnard Calif. freshman; and Gerard Coops, Gary, Ind. junior, prepare for departure.
Lady Tiger setter Tara Pruter, Lansing junior, finds the ball to make the perfect set. Pruter was the main setter for the Lady Tigers. She finished the season with 263 sets.

One could not have asked for a tougher season. The Lady Tigers endured a rough one finishing the season 0-27.

What happened? Karah Dankenbring, St. Francis senior, said she thought, “it was a transitional year for the coaches.”

Dixie Wescott had just come on board as the new volleyball coach for the Tigers. Once the slump started, it was tough to reverse it and get back on track.

Kendra Fish, Pueblo Colo. sophomore, said the coaches worked really hard to try to pull the players out of the slump, “but we were frustrated.”

“It was a growing experience for all of us,” Fish said. She blamed many of the problems on injuries.

“We had 14 players when we started the season, and we finished with eight.”

Dankenbring said one of the setters, Katie Burrell, Liberty City, Iowa junior, came down with mononucleosis. She was designated to be the starting setter, however, she didn’t play the rest of the season.

“Another had a foot injury,” Fish said. Still others would suffer Achilles problems and different pulled muscles.

“We spent the entire season with different hitters trying to adjust to different setters,” Dankenbring said.

“We had high expectations when we entered the season,” Fish said. “We’ve really thought about it and can’t come up with one definite reason for why the season’s record happened.”

Dankenbring said the coaches reassured the players throughout the season that they were good players.

“We knew a lot of people were questioning our talent. But we also knew we had a lot of talented people on the team. Things just didn’t click.”

Fish said she didn’t know what would happen for the women’s team next year. Some of the players were hesitant to come back, while others were planning to wait to see how spring ball went before deciding.

Dankenbring said she knew the coaches were out recruiting for all the positions. Who would be returning would be entirely up to the coaches.

“We only sign a one year contract,” Dankenbring said. “It’s all up in the air.”

Whoever might be playing next year, the team will be looking to turn their record around.

The Lady Tigers finished the season with good statistics. They ended up with 569 total kills, averaging 7.7 per game. Defense was a big part of the game. On the average, they dug 11.1 times per game. Kristen Johnson was the leading attacker with Shannon Maloney close behind her.

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Writer Debby Werth
Kari McIlrath, Roland, Iowa junior, and Karah Dankenbring, St. Francis senior, reach to block the Denver opponent. During the Denver match, the Lady Tigers finished with 23 kills and 28 defensive digs. The match was played on October 4th at Hays. McIlrath was first team all-conference volleyball selection in high school, while Dankenbring has played at FHSU for three years, and lettered since her freshman year.

Courtney Taylor, Kristen Oakley, Hays sophomore, gets low to receive the ball. Oakley averaged 2.27 digs per game, while the team, as a whole, averaged 11.1. The women worked hard to make defense one of their strongest points.
Tara Pruter, Lansing junior, passes the ball to her teammates. Pruter was one of the team leaders, as well as the main setter for the Lady Tigers. She also played volleyball for two years at Cloud County Community college before playing volleyball for the University.

**Lady Tiger Volleyball**

| Hastings College | L – 0–1 | Colorado Christian | L – 0–15 |
| Henderson | L – 0–2 | Nebraska-Kearney | L – 0–16 |
| Truman | L – 0–3 | Chadron State | L – 0–17 |
| Missouri Southern | L – 0–4 | Regis University | L – 0–18 |
| Drury | L – 0–5 | Washburn University | L – 0–19 |
| UC-Colorado Springs | L – 0–6 | Colorado Christian | L – 0–20 |
| New Mexico Highlands | L – 0–7 | Metro State | L – 0–21 |
| Southern Colorado | L – 0–8 | Colo. School of Mines | L – 0–22 |
| Adams State College | L – 0–9 | Nebraska-Kearney | L – 0–23 |
| Fort Lewis College | L – 0–10 | University of Denver | L – 0–24 |
| Mesa State College | L – 0–11 | Emporia State University | L – 0–25 |
| Western State College | L – 0–12 | Chadron State | L – 0–26 |
| Colo. School of Mines | L – 0–13 | Regis University | L – 0–27 |
| Metro State | L – 0–14 | | |

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88 * Reveille
Greely, Colo. sophomore Andrea Ladwig prepares to kill the ball, while junior Tara Pruter stands ready. Ladwig was a returning starter at middle hitter. In high school, Ladwig was a three-time unanimous all-conference volleyball selection.

Head coach Dixie Wescott calls a time-out for a huddle. It was Wescott's first year of coaching the Lady Tigers. Wescott came to Hays from Missouri Valley College, Marshall, Mo. While at MVC, she compiled a 170-89 record during her five years. She also taught in the Health and Human Performance Department.

Setter Tara Pruter, Lansing senior, sends a back set to Lady Tiger newcomer Karri McIlrath, Roland, IA junior. McIlrath played at Southwestern Community College for two years before becoming a Lady Tiger. She was also a second team all-region selection her sophomore year at SCC and an honorable mention team honoree her freshman year.

Volleyball * 89
Travis Jenkins, Salina sophomore, tackles a New Mexico Highland Cowboy while Keith Eck, Andale senior, and Josh Gooch, Wellington senior, rush to help him out. The Tigers lost to the Cowboys in a close contest 19-22. Jenkins earned a letter as a freshman, while Gooch recovered from a knee injury that forced him to miss nine games last season.

S alina sophomore Justin Jenkins tackles an opponent as Keith Eck, Andale senior and Brock Hutchinson, Smith Center junior, are ready to assist. Eck was recognized many times by the RMAC for his defense. Hutchinson was all-state, all-area, and all-league in high school.

Ennixt Pride, Houston, Texas senior, heads for the goal line as Aaron Rusher, Derby senior, gets ready to block for him. Pride led the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference in rushing and came in second in scoring. Rusher played at Hutchinson Community College before becoming a Tiger.
"I got dogpiled on the field. It was great! It was my last home game ever, and it made me feel good that I could help the team out."

Jason Browning
Senior Kicker

Picture this: Five former football players sitting around with their grandkids in the year 2040 telling stories about the glory days.

Perhaps the most popular story told will be the game against Western State played on October 19. That certain game will also be remembered by many fans. One of the most exciting games of the year, the Western State game could not have been played on a more fitting day, Tiger Visitation Day and the final home game for the Tigers.

Seven seconds left. The score was tied. Jason Browning, LaCygne senior, went for the extra point, after the Tigers scored a touchdown. His try failed, and the score remained tied. However, he got another chance. The Tigers intercepted the ball, and were forty-three yards from the goalposts. Browning redeemed himself by completing the field goal and winning the game.

"I got dogpiled on the field. It was great! It was my last home game ever, and it really made me feel good that I could help the team out," Browning said.

"You could hear and see the hope in the crowd during the kick. As the call was being made, there was dead silence. You could see the anxiety and anticipation in their faces. Then, there was an unbelievable rumble in the crowd--they were just going wild," Mitch Weber, Junction City sophomore, said.

Coach Bob Cortese also was happy with the win. "The rewarding part was that going into the game, they were undefeated, but we ended up beating them."

Several Tigers received recognition from the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference throughout the season. After the Adams State victory, Keith Eck, Andale senior, was recognized for his defense. He had 13 total tackles, five unassisted. He also contributed one interception that led to the Tigers' third touchdown of the game. Also during that game, the trio of Emmitt Pride, Houston, Tex. senior, Xavier Brown, Thornton, Colo. senior, and Joel McReynolds, Stockton junior, were recognized for their offensive accomplishments. They combined for 473 yards of total offense. McReynolds completed 12 passes in 21 attempts for 149 yards and two touchdowns. He also contributed seven rushes for 45 yards.

RMAC compiled a list of notable statistics in which several University players were recognized. Pride showed up on the list of most rushing touchdowns per game, and also on the longest touchdown run during the Nebraska-Kearney game.

Brown was also noted as the RMAC offensive player of the week after the Tigers beat eighth-ranked Chadron State. He had 11 catches for 201 yards, including a long reception of 72 yards. He led the Tigers to 23 second-half points with five catches for 124 yards.

Also after the Chadron game, Ryan Buchanan, Maywood, Ill. junior, was recognized for his defensive accomplishments. He finished the game with 10 total tackles, nine unassisted. Included in the 10 tackles were three for a loss of six yards.

Also a noted player of the week, McReynolds grabbed a co-offense award after the famous Western State win. He had 101 yards rushing and 173 yards passing. He carried the ball 20 times and completed 15 passes in 26 attempts. Also after that game, Browning was recognized for his field goal that won the game in the final seconds. Pride was named the offensive player of the week after the Mesa State win. He had 183 yards rushing on 21 carries and two touchdowns, averaging 8.7 yards per carry during the contest.

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"I think we had a good group of guys, we just fell short some games, but their hunger to win was apparent especially in the last three games," Assistant Coach T.J. Slansky said.

Slansky also said, "The seniors were a great bunch of guys; and, like each year, it is sad to see them leave. It is one of those things involved in college football. The younger guys just step up to fill the positions."

The fighting Tigers ended the season 7-3.

"The season went well this year, considering the injuries we've had. Next year, I think they'll be a young team with a lot of experience. But they'll do all right," Brandon Bergstresser, Whiting senior, said.

Another good aspect of the season dealt with the coaching staff. Head coach Bob Cortese went over the top this season. He is now known as the winningest coach in University history. With 50 wins, Cortese passed previous head coach Wayne McConnell, who had 49.

"Before I came to Hays, it was not a very good program. Watching the players, stadium, and everything grow has been great for me," Cortese said. •

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Trying to elude his opponent, Emmitt Pride, Houston, Texas, senior, cuts and heads for the goal line. He scored 84 points on the year. Pride recovered from off season shoulder surgery to play on the Tiger football team.

Norton junior Jeremy Hawks is ready to block a pass from the Chadron State quarterback. Hawks was a member of the Tiger defensive line. He was a returning starter at defensive tackle and has started every game since coming to the University.
Finding a hole, senior tailback Emmitt Pride, Houston, Texas, rushes towards the end zone. Chad Fuller, Wellington senior, makes a critical block for Pride. Fuller was a returning starter at offensive guard, and a three-year starter at both center and guard.

Patrick Minter, Bonner Springs sophomore, prepares to make a catch. As a sophomore, Minter continued his play as a Tiger. Minter earned a letter his freshman year and he also holds his high school record for touchdown passes.

Leaving everyone in the dust, tailback Emmitt Pride, Houston, Texas, senior, runs toward another touchdown. Pride's speed gave the Tigers more than just one touchdown. In high school, he was an all-district tailback and he rushed for 1,200 yards his senior year.
Xavier Brown, Thornton, Colo. senior, carries the ball. Brown was a wide receiver for the Tigers. He was top on the RMAC list of receiving yards per game, averaging 126.9 yards. Brown was also an RMAC Honorable Mention receiver last year.

Waceyeney freshman Clay Scanlon does his job by tackling a Chadron State Eagle. Scanlon played defensive back for the Tigers in his first college performance. He was named outstanding senior athlete at Trego Community High School.

Quarterback Joel McReynolds steps back to make a pass. McReynolds, Stockton junior, was on the RMAC list for total offense. He averaged 229.4 passing yards per game for the Tigers. McReynolds played in the Shrine Bowl following his senior year.
Avoiding a tackle, Houston, Tex. senior Emmitt Pride leaps towards the goal line. Pride was a definite asset to the Tiger team.

Tiger Football

Emporia State University  W- 42-30
Washburn University  W- 21-6
Fort Lewis College  L - 21-24
Mesa State College  W- 46-7
Nebraska-Kearney  L - 14-42
Western State College  W- 26-23
NM Highlands University  L - 19-22
Chadron State College  W- 30-27
Adams State College  W- 52-21
Colorado Mines  W- 44-26

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Trying to push their way through the pack, Chris Bohannon, Overland Park freshman, and Matt Elliott, Sterling freshman compete against each other.

Jennifer West, Abilene senior, leads the pack of girls at the Tiger Invitational. West was named to the NCAA Division II South-Central All-Region team and was also an Academic All-American. In addition to those honors, she was also a letter winner.

In the lead, Jason Shanahan, McKinney, Texas, junior tries to distance himself from his teammate T.J. Trout, Minneapolis senior. Shanahan and Trout were both recognized by NCAA Division II as Academic All-Americans.
On your mark...get set...bang!! A flurry of feet and grunts of exertion marked the start of a long distance race.

The race would be either eight kilometers for the men's team, or five kilometers for the women's team. This might change in the next two years. "The middle distance runners are too dominant. They're talking about increasing it to almost 5 miles," Jennifer West, Abilene senior said. The current 5 kilometers is 3.2 miles.

Training for the cross-country team relied on running, lifting, and a lot of rest. Jim Krob, head coach of the cross country and track teams said, "I set goals. In the middle phase, the men can run 85 miles per week at the highest mileage and the women can run 65 miles at theirs." Mileage was the miles ran over time. He also said that he prefers "quality rather than quantity."

Training was year round because most of the team members also participated in track. "Cross-country lasts from August to November, then we get two weeks off. After that, we run indoors from December to February, then we get a week off. Spring track starts in March and lasts until May," T.J. Trout, Minneapolis senior said. "During the summer, coach will mail us a workout." He also added, "You have to have self-discipline, which means you can't go out and party every night."

The teams traveled to six invitational meets. They opened at Texas A&M, where Krob commented, "The Tigers opened the season in great style with a double victory." After Texas, the team traveled to Colorado College, Kansas State University, Emporia State University, University of Nebraska-Kearney and the Hays invitational. The Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference (RMAC) Championships took place in Alamosa, with both men and women finishing third. After the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) South-Central Regional meet in Canyon, Texas, "On to California! The top five qualified and our Tigers made it easily," Krob said. The women finished fourth. For the men, who also finished fourth, Krob said, "Close. Only the top three qualified. The Tigers ran well." Nationals were held in Arcata, California. T.J. Trout was one of the top three individuals out of the region that qualified for the National meet.

So he traveled with the girls to California. Unfortunately, the team had a rough time getting there. "The trip was a real nightmare," Krob said. "We were on the plane, ready to go, then they made us get off because of mechanical problems. We were supposed to leave Wichita at 8:00 a.m., and be in California by 2:00 p.m. However, we didn't make it there until 5:00 p.m. the next day. We were awake straight through," said West said. "It didn't go as planned. We had a 5-hour layover in Wichita. Then they sent us to Chicago instead of Portland where we had a 4-hour layover. Then, they flew us to San Francisco, then to Medford, Oregon, where we drove to Arcata. We were up almost 24 hours." Stacy Weatherman, Sylvan Grove junior, said.

As for Nationals itself, "The races were a lot of fun," Weatherman said. "The trip was horrible. Now we look back and think it was hilarious."

Cross-country was not only a way to show off athletic skill, but also a way to meet new people. "A lot of cross country people hang out. It's kind of like a family. We have a great coach. He's a really nice guy to talk to and very knowledgable," Wic hael said. "Some of my best friends come out of the team. It's a family of sorts."

"The Tigers had a great year. We had a great bunch of kids. It was a fun season, and it seemed to be over with really quickly. This team is as good a team as I've ever been associated with," Krob said.

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Taking spirit to New Heights

"Practice makes perfect" was a concept that the cheer squad and the Tiger Debs knew all too well. For the cheerleaders, practices began during the summer, with an intensive and rigorous two week training period. After school began, the usual ritual for the squad involved conditioning and practicing stunts and tumbling four days a week.

For the Tiger Debs, practices began with a dance camp they attended in Texas the first week of August. Then they attended a band camp the week before classes began. Practices continued throughout the year with three to five practices a week lasting about an hour and a half each.

"I've gotten to meet a lot more people through the squad, plus I meet a lot of people at the games. It's good because it's a lot of exercise. Plus, there is good fellowship on the squad—everyone really gets along well," Tiger Deb Melissa Nowak, Salina freshman, said.

As with any organization or club, the cheer squad had many other events they participated in. The cheer squad sold chances for individuals to win money at each football and basketball game, with half of the profits they made going to the winner and the other half going toward their trip to National Cheerleading Association National Cheerleading Tournament. In addition to the raffle, they sponsored a cheerleading camp for high school cheerleaders during the summer, raising more money for the squad.

"After one of the days at the cheerleading camp we sponsored this summer, all the girls were eating watermelon and we got into a huge watermelon fight. Plus, we were dumping the water and leftover watermelon on each other. It really turned out to be a fun and exciting way for us to raise money for our trip to nationals," cheer squad member Kim Waldschmidt, Ellis freshman, said.

Overall, members of the Tiger Debs and the cheer squad said the best times were the performances. The cheer squad always tried to encourage team spirit and boost morale, while the Tiger Debs focused more on entertainment. Their goal was to provide enjoyment for the crowd through their half-time performances. Sometimes, however, mistakes were made, to the embarrassment of at least one person on the squad or the dance team.

"One of my most embarrassing moments is when I would mess up or forget something in the dance. Also, when we were laying on the floor during a routine, our skirts were flipped up. That was embarrassing," Tiger Deb Tamrin Olson, Salina sophomore, said.

"My most embarrassing moments were when my partner and I were doing stunts. I stepped back and slipped on a pom pon. I brought the stunt straight down and fell into the splits. There was also the time when we were doing fall backs and I wasn't paying attention to her, and I didn't catch her. I felt bad, but we survived," Mitch Weber, Junction City sophomore, said.

According to many squad members, this year proved to be one of the most memorable with the cheer squad participating at the NCA National Cheerleading Tournament in Daytona Beach, Florida. Not only were they able to build team spirit for players and Tiger spectators, but national recognition was also gained. The cheer squad, with the help of the Tiger Debs, made this year one of the best.

Writer Terran Kallam
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During a halftime performance, the Tiger Debs take a minute to smile for the crowd. The women performed at many football and basketball games. The Tiger Deb squad danced to band music at the football games, while using taped music at basketball games. Performances were the most favorite times for the Tiger Debs.

Having a great time, the Tiger Debs perform a pom pom routine at one of their many halftime shows. They also performed high kick routines. Performances were the most favorite times for the Tiger Debs.
Josh Gooch, Hays, senior, is pictured with his all-American wrestler trophy and beloved football. Gooch was an outstanding student-athlete at the University. He participated in both football and wrestling for the Tigers, as well as maintained a good GPA and managed to get married at the same time.
I really was excited about getting to come here because I could play football and wrestle. Before, I couldn't do both at the same time.

Josh Gooch
Football Player and Wrestler

Born and raised in Wellington, Kansas, Josh Gooch lead a childhood full of sports. He always looked up to athletes such as Dan Marino, Dale Murphy, and many of the athletic high schoolers in his town. He always envisioned sports as a major part of his life. Although sports were a thought in Josh's young mind, he did not consider all his victories to be achieved, having completed college, and a wife to be part of his future.

His college career started out at Pittsburg State University where he played football. Then, he moved to Coffeyville Community College for two years. After that, he decided to come to Hays and has attended for three years.

"I really was excited about getting to come here because I could play football and wrestle. Before, I couldn't do both at the same time.

Gooch's football career was cut short because he had an ACL tear, a tear in the tissue of his knee. Even though this occurred, he continued to wrestle until he graduated. He was a two year starter and a team captain.

"I think that I played better at the junior college level than the Division II Level because I was healthier in junior college," he said.

Besides having played football, Gooch wrestled. He was named twice as an All-American Athlete and was a team leader.

"I feel that in order to be a team leader, you should learn to get along with everyone. Everyone has a different personality, so they should all be treated differently. It is the golden rule applied which is treat others as you want to be treated," he said.

When he was in college and even before, Gooch developed and maintained goals and achievements. He wanted to get a degree and have all of school paid for.

"It felt wonderful to get named twice as an All-American athlete and to complete my degree without being short a few hours like some people do," he said.

While Josh played football and wrestled, he also studied. He majored in communication and had an emphasis in interpersonal communication.

"My degree unlimits me to go wherever I want to. With this and my sports background, I feel that I can do almost anything. I would like to work within a leadership or a sports role within a community," he said.

Also, he married Kristi Villare in his senior year here. He claims he has loved married life so far and that it is a commitment. Although Gooch loves being married, he admits there have been ups and downs.

"Patience and faith in Jesus help me through everything. We consider how each other feels when making a decision. I always involve Kristi in everything and she loves it," he said.

Kristi said, "I support Josh in his beliefs, values, and all of his sporting events. I am ready to go wherever we happen to be after he graduates. The options are limitless."

Writer Amy Riffel
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Season has many highs

Next year, we will be even stronger!

Megan Ryan
Hays Sophomore Forward

Michele Watton, Derby freshman, searches for a teammate to pass to. As a freshman, Watton played in 13 games.

The Lady Tigers had their ups and downs. The low points were discouraging, but the high points were greater in number and had more impact on the team as a whole.

The Lady Tigers started the season with eight returners and completed the season with a 22-6 record. One of the high points of the season was when they beat Nebraska-Kearney at home, in front of a packed house in overtime. "Nebraska-Kearney hadn't been beaten in approximately 29 conference games over a two year period," Tom Mahon, head coach, said.

Another big win of the season was when the women beat Metro State on the road in the first round of the play-offs. They suffered an unfortunate loss in the conference finals to Mesa State.

"The season ended on a sour note because we didn't get to the NCAA play-offs; but, overall, we had a pretty good year," Mahon said.

Several of the Lady Tigers received honors for their season. Mindy Lyne, Beverly senior, was named to the first team all-conference, as well as MVP of the Central Missouri State Tournament. Shelby Hayden, Valley Falls sophomore, was named to the RMAC tournament team and received all-conference honorable mention. Melissa Nulty, Jewell senior, was named to the second team East division all-conference. Mardy Robinson, Reedsport, Ok., junior, was picked for the All-Tournament team in the Central Missouri Tournament and was named to the GTE Academic All-American District Seven College Division Basketball second team.

The Lady Tigers also had several accomplishments as a team. The 22-6 record was the third best in school history, and they were ranked nationally for the first time in Division II basketball. They were also ranked as high as seventh in the North Central Region.

"It was a good year. Anytime a college basketball team wins 20 or more games, you have to be somewhat satisfied with your team," Mahon said.

"We were successful even though I think we could have gone farther in Region Six. We did make it to the championship game, and next year we will be even stronger," Megan Ryan, Hays sophomore forward, said.

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Writer Kari Nuzum
Struggling to keep the ball, Jessa Farmer, Holton freshman, uses her strength to get control. Farmer started six games as a freshman. She scored 186 points for the Lady Tigers.

Playing defense, Jewell senior Melissa Nulty gets her arms high in the air. Nulty was a team leader for the Lady Tigers. She averaged 10.1 points per game and 6.5 rebounds.

Trying to make a great play, Shelby Hayden, Valley Falls junior, looks for a teammate to pass to. Hayden had 104 assists, averaging 3.7 a game. She scored 206 points, averaging 7.4 per game.
Scrabling, Jesica Farmer, Holton freshman reaches for the ball Fort Lewis game. Defense was an important part of the Lady Tiger game plan. They held Fort Lewis to just 41 points.

Lady Tiger Basketball 1996-97

Cul.-Stockton W- 67-51     Denver U. W- 77-49
Abilene Christ. L - 64-70    Chadron St. W -72-54
Western State L - 64-71      Regis University W -67-47
Mesa State W - 76-65     Neb-Kearney(OT) W -66-65
NM Hlunds W - 84-63         Chadron St. W -71-61
U Colo-Springs W - 65-54     Colo. Mines W -61-46
So. Colorado W - 79-60       Metro State W -60-56
Metro State L - 50-60        Regis University W -78-53
Neb-Kearney L - 52-66       Metro St.-RMAC W -60-57

Mesa St.-RMAC L - 60-42

22-6
Trying to pull off a shot, Beverly junior Mindy Lyne concentrates on the hoop. Lyne was the leading scorer for the Lady Tigers, averaging 13.6 points per game. She scored 381 points for the year.

Celebrating after the Nebraska-Kearney win, the Lady Tigers jump off the bench. They beat the Lady Lopers 66-65 in overtime. "It was a very exciting game. We were definitely happy to beat them," Mindy Lyne, Beverly senior, said.

Attempting a shot, Beverly senior Mindy Lyne shoots over her opponent. Lyne ended the season averaging 5.1 rebounds per game. She also had 16 blocked shots and 47 steals. In addition, she was named to the all-conference first team, and the MVP of the Central Missouri State Tournament.
Ready for the steal, Elgin, IL, senior Sherick Simpson gets his hand on the ball while teammates Alonzo Goldston, Washington, D.C., senior, and Anthony Pope, Carthage, TX, senior, prepare to be on offense. Pope led the team from beyond the arch, averaging 7.7 three-pointers per game. He scored 357 points on the year.

Raying low, Donnie Collins, San Diego, CA, junior, plays defense on a Regis University player. The Tigers beat the Rangers each time they met up with them. Collins was leading scorer against them with 14 points.

Searching for a teammate to pass to, Eagle River, AK, junior Ethan Kruse makes a decision. The Tigers averaged 84.1 points per game and 40.5 rebounds. Their opponent averaged 59.3 points per game and 32.5 rebounds.
Although the team was very disappointed at the end of the season, in time, the team will look back on the 63-2 record and feel like the champions they are.

Gary Garner
Head Men's Basketball Coach

The men's basketball team roared its way to a fourth consecutive NCAA Division II Tournament bid.

The Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference expanded to 14 teams this season. The expansion did not stop the Tigers from claiming the RMAC Conference and Tournament title for the second year in a row and the tournament title for a fourth year in a row.

Over the past two seasons, the Tigers accumulated an amazing 63-2 record, including a 29-2 overall record and an 18-1 RMAC record. "The players really handled the pressure well. You wouldn't believe how much pressure the kids had on them," Gary Garner, head coach, said.

"It was a lot of fun to coach this team. They were so competitive and willing to pay the price in practice. I can't tell you how hard they worked every day in practice," Garner said.

The Tigers started the season with an early win over then ranked number three Washburn University by 22 points at home.

In the middle of the season, the Tigers' 49 game winning streak came to a halt with a 96-84 loss on the road at the University of Nebraska-Kearney. The streak was the fourth longest winning streak in NCAA history including all divisions. "It was a strange feeling to lose that game. Most of us hadn't been used to losing, so an adjustment had to be made. We knew after that, the streak wasn't a goal we should have been trying to attain; but it was difficult because we were so close to the record number of wins," Mark Eck, Wichita senior, said.

Two weeks to the day later, the Tigers blew-out Nebraska-Kearney by a 30 point margin in front of a packed house at Gross Memorial Coliseum.

"The 83-79 Conference Championship victory over UNK and being ranked Number 1 were the highlights of another great season," Garner said.

Several players received numerous post-season honors. Alonzo Goldston, Washington, D.C. senior, left the University with a bang. For the second consecutive year, Goldston was named Most Valuable Player of the RMAC Tournament. He scored 30 points and had 10 rebounds in the overtime victory against UNK in the title match-up. He went on to be named to the RMAC East Division, All-Conference and All-Tournament teams. Goldston was also named the RMAC Player of the Year. He led the team with a 17 point per game average and 8.6 rebounds per game. Goldston became the University's All-Time leading scorer in front of a home crowd against Metro State.

Two other players, Sherick Simpson, Elgin, IL, senior forward, and Anthony Pope, Carthage, TX, senior guard/forward, joined Goldston on the RMAC East Division team. Simpson also joined Goldston on the All-Conference and All-Tournament teams. Mark Eck, Wichita senior guard/forward, received Honorable Mention All-East Division recognition.

After a season ending in a loss to South Dakota State University in the third round of the NCAA (continued on page 108)
Division II tournament, Garner said, "Although the team was very disappointed at the end of the season, in time, the team will look back on the 63-2 record over two years and feel like the champions they are."

Commenting on the loss, Eck said, "It was tough because the seniors realized that it was the end of our career. Just like any other loss, it was disappointing, but it was by far the most disappointing."

"The seniors had a great two-year run with a 63-2 record. Not many people can say that. Everything—the fans, the coach, the players—were all great and I wouldn’t have wanted to play for any other team," Eck said.

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Writer Chad Simon

Anthony Pope, Carthage, Tx., senior, plays defense. Pope averaged 11.5 points per game. He had 54 assists and 40 steals on the year. Pope was also known as "AP" throughout his years at the University.

Before one of their many home games, the Tigers huddle up. The team consisted of 11 players and two red shirts. Three of the five starters returned, as well as seven letter winners.
Senior guard Mark Eck, brings the ball down the court as Donnie Collins, San Diego, Ca. junior, Ethan Kruse, Eagle River, Ak., junior, and Tyler Newton, Seattle, Wa., junior, follow. "Eck was a major asset to the Tiger team," said head coach Gary Garner. He averaged 10.7 points per game.

Making a move, Eagle River, Ak., junior Ethan Kruse eludes the Colorado Christian defense. Kruse came off the bench and averaged 1.2 points per game. The Tigers beat the Colorado Christian Cougars each time they played them.

Dribbling around the defense, Washington, D.C., junior Earl Tyson makes his way towards the hole. Tyson led the team with 114 assists and 66 steals. He averaged 2.1 steals per game making him a defensive threat.
Going in for a lay-up, Washington, D.C., junior Earl Tyson prepares to score two for the Tigers. Tyson played at Midland College before coming to the University. He averaged 9.2 points per game.

Courtney Taylor

Tim Nunnery, Oxnard, Calif., junior, plays defense against a Nebraska-Kearney opponent. The Tigers had their first loss to the Lopers, but came back and beat them the second and third times they met up with them. The Tigers beat Nebraska-Kearney 97-67 and 83-79 in overtime.

Sherick Simpson, Elgin, Ill., senior takes a jump shot against Fort Lewis. Simpson was one of the team leaders for the Tigers. He was the second best scorer averaging 12.6 points per game and 5.5 rebounds per game.
Trying to fake out an opponent, Elgin, Ill., senior Sherick Simpson prepares to shoot the ball. Simpson was named to the NCAA Division II second team. He was also selected for the RMAC All-Conference team.
Turning to the athletic department for help, Abilene senior, Michael Willey is assisted by Matt Luthi, Kingley senior. Willey needs the rehab for his ankle after rolling it while playing basketball. Trainers, such as Luthi, help with all types of rehab.

Getting ready for practice, baseball player, Steve Ysac, Scottsbluff, NE, sophomore gets his ankle wrapped by Ransom junior trainer, Candy Kastle. The trainers also had to know how to tape for various injuries.
Imagine being at a football game. Now imagine after the action that an athlete lies on the ground injured. If you observed this, one knows that athletes are treated for their injuries. This was where the athletic training department came into play with athletic injuries.

With their expertise and training, the trainers guided injured athletes to recovery and back into the mainstream of participation.

"Athletic trainers are someone that is in a supportive role of athletes so they can successfully complete their athletic duty," said Brian Razak, head of athletic training.

Many techniques were used to cure common problems from sprained ankles to back problems to any other type of athletic injury. Some of the treatments include ice packs, heat packs, whirlpools, and ultra sound.

"Mainly we use warmth to heal. Electrical stimulus can be used many different ways. Basically, there are all kinds of parameters that can be used to treat injuries," Razak said.

Senior football player, Jeremy Hawks, was injured when his ankle rolled during a game.

"There are a number of ways that my ankle could have rolled and been injured. My treatment was electrical impulses which make my ankle feel better," said Hawks.

Also, athletic trainers took notice of psychological aspects of athletes.

"We look out for the health and well-being of athletes. Anything from something minor to major is what we are concerned with. When athletes are hurt, we are a friend to them," said Nanette Opat, a football trainer.

Hawks also says that "my injury slightly affected my playing because I was always thinking about it."

Besides being helped, many students had participated in the athletic training preparation. Many had prepared for a career in athletic training and received jobs.

"We have to have 1,500 observational hours to be a certified trainer. Anatomy, physiology, and rehabilitation classes are also requirements," said Chris Morrissey, Phillipsburg sophomore.

"Students must work with athletic trainers to get hands on experience," said Razak.

After the games were played and crowds went home, athletic trainers played their part within an athlete's life with rehabilitation and prevention of injuries. Besides athlete's aid, students that wished to be an athletic trainer were guided through hands-on experience with their course of study. As the year moved on, athletes were guided through injuries with the helping hands of the athletic department.

Writer Amy Riffel
Designer Tara Stegman
Indoor and outdoor track seasons have differences.

This year's indoor track team had the first ever All-American athletes for indoor at the University.

Becky Keeler, Gypsum sophomore, and Jeremy Hawks, Norton junior, were the two All-Americans on the indoor team. "Keeler placed third in the high jump with a season best of 5'7", and only missed out on second because of missed jumps. Hawks set a school record with his fifth place heave in the shot of 57'4"," Coach Jim Krob, head cross country and track coach, said. The outdoor track season was productive, also. After the first meet at Colby Community College Invitational, Krob said, "This was a good meet to begin the season. They broke three school records, provisionally qualified three for the NCAA meet, set five meet records, tied a meet record and won 13 events."

The difference between the outdoor and indoor seasons was that there was no javelin or discus throw in indoor, and a weight ball was thrown rather than a hammer. Also, the tracksters ran 55 meters instead of the 100 meters and the hurdles.

Chantay Brush, McPherson senior, ran the 100 meter hurdles, and competed in the long jump and the triple jump. "During the outdoor season, running times seemed to be better, and we're out in the fresh air. Indoor seems so stuffy and closed in," Brush said. She qualified for the national meet in Indianapolis in triple jump. "That was really exciting. Since they combine Division I and Division II for the meet, it was neat to get to watch some of the best athletes in the world participate," Brush said.

Jennifer Zabokrtsky, Barnes senior, did the shot put and discus. She also preferred the outdoor season. "It's a lot nicer and more fun. More people come out and watch," Zabokrtsky said. She missed going to Nationals by six inches. "The team has had a really good year," she said.

Kahn Powell, Poniac, MI, senior ran the 100 meter, 200 meter, 4x100 meter relay, 4x400 meter relay, and the split medley. He set a record with a provisional time for Nationals, but never got an automatic bid. "At the very first track meet, he broke the school record in the 100 meter," Krob said. He also qualified to go to the Drake Relays in Des Moines, IA. "For the Drake Relays, we are taking those few who are fortunate enough to get into one of the best track and field meets in the U.S.," Krob said.

The weather in the middle of April caught quite a few by surprise when it dumped enough snow to cancel afternoon classes. This cancellation caused the track team's trip to Emporia State to be cancelled and the team had to take a loss.

"Overall, the indoor season held the strongest men's team we've had since I've been here. The women's team was very competitive, also. As for the outdoor season, the men were ranked number one in the nation early in the season for Division II, and the women were ranked number two. For the national meet, we provisionally qualified more than we have in the past. We had five ladies and nine men. But, to get into the meet, a committee has to choose you," Krob said. *

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Jeremy Hawks, N Marron senior, prepares to heave the shot put. Hawks earned the title of Men's Athlete of the Meet at the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference Championships with two first place finishes in shot put and discus, along with a third place finish in the hammer throw.

S\iving to jump farther, Andrea Ladwig, Greeley, Colo. sophomore, competes in the long jump. The women's track team did well during the outdoor season. They placed third, overall, with 120 points at the RMAC Championships.
Competing in the steeplechase, Brain Wichael, Wichita junior, and Jason McCullough, Effingham junior, race against each other. McCullough placed fifth in the steeplechase at the RMAC championships, while Wichael placed fourth. McCullough also competed in the 10,000 meter run, placing eighth.
Racing to the finish line, Rod Smith, Holton senior, keeps up with his opponent on the back stretch. Smith placed first in the 400 meter run at the Hastings Invitational. He also ran on many relays including the 4x400 and the 4x100.

Bob Lowen, Director of University Relations, gives a speech for Alex Francis. Francis was a former cross-country and track coach for the University. He was recognized and the Fort Hays Relays were dedicated to him.

Hayes sophomore Greg Lang competes in the long jump. Lang placed fourth in the triple jump at the RMAC championships. He placed first in the long jump at the same meet.
Newton senior Eddie Woody struggles to get on top of his opponent. Woody was fifth in the NCAA Division II 158 pound weight category. Woody was a two-time NCAA II All-American.

Attemtping to pin his opponent, Newton senior Eddie Woody uses a wrestling move. Woody ended the season with a record of 37-7. In the NCAA Division II Tournament, Woody beat Andy Rouse from Truman State and Chris Blair from Nebraska, before falling to James Branch from West Liberty State.

Wrapping himself around his opponent, Yuma, Co. sophomore R.J. Price tries to get a pin. Price placed fourth in the Nebraska Omaha Open, first at the Borah Invitational, sixth at the Central Missouri Foger Denker Open, and fourth in the RMAC Regional Tournament in Chadron, Nebraska. His final record was 33-16.
All over campus were wrestlers, members of an elite team. Aiming high and reaching successful goals were components of their season. Successes included three All-American wrestlers, a record of 6-5 in duels, and 11th place as an All-Academic wrestling team.

Wrestling their best on the mat was one of the things behind all of the key features behind the three All-American wrestlers. Those chosen were Myron Ellegood, Garden City junior, Eddie Woody, Newton senior, and Josh Gooch, Wellington senior. Honorable mentions were awarded to Brian Allender, Hutchinson junior, Brian Hanson, Atwood freshman, and R.J. Price, Yuma, Co. sophomore.

"The main thing I thought through college was that when I received an award, I owed it to everyone that helped me attain it. I picture the plaque I received for being an All-American wrestler as being split into many slivers. All the different slivers from the award would be for my many coaches, my wife, and fans that have cheered me on," Gooch said.

Another list of honors included having a record of 9-5 in dual meets, and second place RMAC finish, and a third place in regionals. As a team, another accomplishment included having qualified four wrestlers for the NCAA tournament.

"I feel this was a great season. It was my best ever in my five years here," Robert Smith, head wrestling coach, said.

Besides having accomplished other obstacles, the wrestlers made their mark as tenth in the nation. They were also eleventh in academic standing. Because the team had an overall 2.940 GPA, they earned the honor of the NCAA Division II All-Academic Wrestling Team.

"Sometimes there is a stereotype about athletes being dumb jocks. I don't feel this is true, and that this award helps to break down the barriers of what some people think," Gooch said.

"This is just another sign of support and it made me feel good as a student," Woody said.

Behind all the awards was the actual team itself. Coach Smith dictated in a letter of closure which expressed his belief of what the "road to the #1 team" consisted of. Over the past five years, Smith started setting goals to build the program. Direct evidence in comparison of seasons has proven this to work.

"Coach Smith encouraged me a lot and was always pushing everyone to their maximum potential," Trevell Smittick, Sapulpa, Ok. freshman, said.

Many of the other teammates had good things to say about the team.

"I think we had a nice team. They were all around good, and I think this says a lot of the team. Everyone led on and off the mats," Cody Bickley, Otis, Co. senior, said.

"It felt good to be coming in as a freshman. I succeeded in reaching most of the goals that I set," Smittick said.

Finally, after all the awards were given, the harsh practices were over, and all the blood, sweat and tears were shed, the season came to a close. Having pulled together, the wrestlers made this another thrilling year.

"We worked through our adversities during the year, and became a focused and concentrated team," Coach Smith said.

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Writer Amy Riffel
The women's tennis team had two goals for the season: to win seventy-five percent of the matches and to create a sense of team unit they called "team togetherness." The team had an exceptional season, and the women accomplished both goals by excelling in both wins and spirit.

By finishing 14-5 in team duels, the women's tennis team reached an all-time new win mark for University tennis. Another team high mark was that they beat Bethany nine out of 11 matches in the home duel. They also finished fourth in the RMAC league race.

Brian Flax, women's tennis coach, said all of the team members did really well this year. Six out of the seven team members had 20 or more wins for the season. Flax said all the women were determined to improve on their game.

"The girls were a real joy to work with. They came to practice everyday, wanting to get better and working to get better. They always thought about the team first, instead of individuals. That's what it takes to win 14 out of 19 matches," Flax said.

The women's tennis team excelled by practicing both on and off season. "Many people don't realize that tennis is a year-round sport," Flax said. A year-round regiment of training, running, lifting and seven a.m. swims helped condition the women to play to their fullest potential.

The only considerable disappointment of the season was a result of bad weather. The last event of the season, the RMAC championship, was cancelled due to snow. "That was pretty disappointing to us. It is the only thing that would stick out in my mind as being a low point this year," Flax said.

The men's golf team had goals similar to the women's tennis team, although they were unable to achieve many wins for the season. They were, however, able to achieve a sense of team unity that would help to improve the team in future seasons.

"One of the best times we had was when we went to Phoenix for districts. We didn't play as well as we would have liked, but we had a lot of fun and really came together as a team," Mike Butler, Hays junior said.

The team consisted of six members in the fall with two additional players in the spring. The most notable accomplishment of the season was to tie for third in the RMAC tournament, their best finish for the last two years.

Tom Johansen, men's golf coach said the men trained during the entire year since golf was another year-round sport. It was a young team, consisting mostly of freshmen and sophomores, and they improved considerably from last year.

"We should have a lot of new guys next season. We should be pretty good and even be able to compete for the RMAC title," Jason Kanak, Atwood senior said.†

Mike Butler
Hays Junior Golfer

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Ali Moore, Kingman sophomore practices with another teammate. Moore was 6-9 on the year. She also participated in double with Rebecca Bailey, Larned sophomore and Shannon Gottschalk, Hays sophomore as her partners.

As Mike Butler, Hays junior tees off, Jayme Medina, Sublette freshman, Cody Staab, Pratt sophomore, and Jason Kanak, Arwood sophomore watch and wait for their turn. Kanak had the best finish at the Eagle Mountain Tourney. He placed 14th and was 12 over par.
C
alled safe, Steve Ysac, Scottsbluff, Neb., sophomore, slides into second. Ysac was a starter and a team leader. "I was happy to start and be a team leader even though I was only a sophomore," Ysac said.

W
atching the ball go by, Steve Ysac, Scottsbluff, Neb., sophomore, bats for the Tigers. Ysac was a conference leader for his batting average and runs batted in. He played second base.
Best season ever:
RMAC Champs
earn a trip to California

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We lived off that the rest of the season.

Jerry Valdez
El Paso, Texas Senior Catcher

The men's baseball team accomplished something no other baseball team has in University history. The Tigers qualified for the NCAA Division II West Regional in California.

On the way to that victory, the Tigers accumulated a 46-13 record to reach the playoffs. They won 19 of 20 games at one point in the season and finished the year ranked Number 22 in the country.

Despite early season success, their batting was like the Hays weather, in a deep freeze. "If our hitting comes around and our pitching stays the same, we will have a good team," first year head coach Bob Fornelli said. The batting did come around, and the team had its most successful season yet.

In a surprising 13-17 loss to Division I powerhouse Wichita State University, the Tigers showed they could play with anyone in the country. "We wanted to prove a point and come out fighting. People said we didn't belong there and we showed we could play ball too," pitcher Jason Jennings, Salina senior, said.

"After the WSU game, we realized that we were a good team. We lived off that for the rest of the season," Jerry Valdez, El Paso, Texas, senior, catcher said.

The regular season brought a lot of exciting moments to the Tigers and their fans. Nate Field, Littleton, Colo., junior, set a Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference record with 10 saves. Valdez had 76 runs batted in and collected 24 doubles on the regular season. Both were University and RMAC records.

In the mean time, he played all other seven positions.

The University had a relatively young team. That allowed for some younger players to get a considerable amount of playing time. Starting left fielder, Ryan Wasinger, Russell freshman, had a lot of playing time. He looked back on his freshman year with a lot of fond memories. "The first game I started, I was as nervous as you could be. It was a great day, and very memorable," Wasinger said.

"The homer at WSU was my first ever in college, and to do it there was great, but that didn't compare to winning the RMAC title. You can't hardly have a better feeling."

For the seniors, senior day was great. "I'll always remember senior day. That was when I realized I didn't want the year to end," Jennings said.

This year's team had a relaxed family feeling. "This team likes to have fun and play hard. Before each pregame we told a joke. Josh Hensley, Liberal junior, was the team clown. I can't say some of the stuff he did," Fornelli said.

As the season came to an end, the team realized how special the season was. It was topped off with a come back win in the RMAC post-season game against the University of Nebraska-Kearney. The Tigers couldn't get anything going until the late innings. "The Kearney game was when I realized we had a special team. We couldn't hit, but we came back to win the game," Jennings said.

While in California for the regional games, the Tigers defeated Mesa State in the first round. In second round action, the Tigers ran into top-seeded Chico State (Chico, Calif.), and lost two out of three games to be eliminated from the regional playoffs, only one win away from the NCAA Division II College World Series.

Mark Bowers

Littleton, Colo., junior Nate Field hustles to the dugout between innings. Field played shortstop for the Tigers. He was recognized by RMAC for his performance and saves.

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Sliding into third base, Ryan Lopez, Wichita sophomore, attempts to score a run for the Tigers. Lopez was recognized by RMAC as a leading triple hitter and also for runs scored. He played in the outfield.

Steve Ysac, Scottsbluff, Neb., sophomore, tags an opponent. Ysac transferred to the University from Garden City Community College. Many players were transfers from community colleges.
Third baseman Matt Mueller, Littleton, Colo., junior, throws the ball to first base. Mueller was named April 28 RMAC player of the week for his performance. He had seven consecutive hits in two games against New Mexico Highlands.
Rodeo began in the Wild West.

"It's the bulls and the blood, the dust and the mud, it's the thing called a rodeo," Garth Brooks sang about a sport few people at the University had the opportunity to participate in.

The FHSU Rodeo Team was able to follow a way of life that began in the wild west. At the University, six women and 11 men dedicated themselves to strive for the top of their sport. Team members participated in nine rodeos throughout Kansas and Oklahoma.

National Intramural Rodeo Association rodeos included more events for women contestants than were offered at Professional Rodeo Cowboy Association rodeos. Women competed in barrel racing, breakaway and goat tying. Men competed in events seen at every PRCA rodeo. Events consisted of calf roping, team roping, steer wrestling, bare back, saddle bronc, and bull riding.

"Riding a bull is like having a package of dynamite underneath you and knowing you control all that power in the palm of your hand," Scott Davied, Lyndon sophomore, said.

Preparation for the sport of rodeo was a year-round process. Team members practiced a minimum of four to five hours a day, three times a week during the rodeo season and four to five times a week in the off season.

"You have to practice with the intensity and attitude you would have in a performance. During practice, you build muscle memory to where you're like a machine and can be in any position on the animal and keep going," Jason Dvorak, Lecoma, Mo., junior, said.

Along with practice, each team member was responsible for the daily care and maintenance of their horse or horses depending on the number of horses they used for competition. As many as four different horses were used by athletes during a season. Each animal had a job to perform. Team members also shared the responsibilities of caring for the practice livestock, calves and rough stock.

"Rodeo animals are some of the most well cared for animals in the world. There are a lot of rules and regulations regarding how they are treated. Plus, if you don't take care of them, they don't perform well which causes you not to perform well," Davied said.

Rodeo was a very tough and demanding sport for athletes at the University. They had a job to do and trained their bodies, animals and minds to get it done.

"Being on the back of an animal is almost an out-of-body experience. CONsciously you see what you are doing, but your subconscious is in control of your ride. Eight seconds sometimes feels like eight minutes," Dvorak said.

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Writer Melissa Graham
Brian Sawinski, Base­
or sophomore, spurs his
horse in the Saddle Bronc
event at the Alumni Rodeo.
The Alumni Rodeo, held in
the fall, allowed students to
compete against former team
members of the University.

Like a streak of lightning, Suzette
Long, St. John sophomore, rounds the first barrel and heads to
the second. Barrel racers had the option of starting
with the barrels on the right or left side of the arena.

Scott Swayne, Coldwater sophomore, gets ready
to heal a calf. Team roping involved two people, a
header and a healer. The header roped the calf around
the horns, and the heater caught the back leg.
In Gross Memorial Coliseum, the basketball players enjoy playing on the new hardwood floor. The new floor replaced the old rubber-topped one. In addition, a new sound system was installed.

Recently redone, the locker rooms are a great place for athletes to relax before their games. New balls, nets, practice gear, medical supplies, and towels were also purchased. The athletes were provided with a comfortable atmosphere to compete in.

Showing his team spirit, Olathe senior Barry Wolf tries to pump up the crowd at Lewis Field Stadium. The stadium received new bleachers and chair back seats. A press box was built which included an elevator for handicapped access to the seats.
"There have been improvements every year I have been here. We have some of the nicest facilities of any Division II school I have seen."

Jack Kuestermeyer
Sports Information Director

The sports facilities at the University saw some much needed attention this year. Renovations were made to bring facilities up to the American Disabilities Act specifications, to maintain the general upkeep of the structures and to improve the aesthetic of several locations at the University.

Two types of improvements occurred in the athletic department. Renovations or additions to existing facilities were improvements made when there was a need for a new service or to meet certain requirements set by the University or by state or federal laws. The other changes that happened in the department were classified as planned expenses. New balls, nets, practice gear, team uniforms, medical supplies and towels were classified as these types of expenses. These costs could have been yearly, such as medical supplies, or purchased on a set number of yearly rotations, such as uniforms purchased every three years.

This year saw many improvements to Lewis Field Stadium and Gross Memorial Coliseum. Lewis Field Stadium received new bleachers and chair back seats in the summer of 1996. To meet the standards of the ADA, a new press box was also built that included an elevator. This allowed for handicapped access to seating. Gross Memorial Coliseum received a new facelift on the basketball court. A new hardwood floor was installed, replacing the previous rubber-topped floor. Tiger fans also enjoyed a new sound system during the home basketball and volleyball games and the wrestling matches. The athletes were not left out. They were able to utilize updated dressing rooms during practice and during the games.

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Depending on the extent of the renovation and the cost involved, all improvements took a minimum of six months to one year before any physical action was taken. All plans were subjected to a facilities planning committee to begin the initial steps. The renovations, which occurred this year, were not made due to deadlines from the government; but, instead, were made due to the need shown at the University.

Funding for the various projects came from a variety of sources. Private donations were a large source of revenue for the department. Other money came from state grants, Title Nine grants and money set aside to meet the ADA requirements. "No student fees are being used for the renovations, unless they have been approved through the allocation of money from the University," Tom Spicer, Director of Athletics, said.

Spicer felt it was important for improvements to be made to the facilities. The improvements allowed the students to have positive experiences at the University and at the sporting events. "We are very fortunate to have leadership that not only wants to have excellent academic facilities but also excellent athletic facilities. That kind of leadership has enabled us to have excellent facilities for the students of this campus to enjoy and be proud of," Spicer said.

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As she passes the ball, Lincoln senior Mindy Lyne shows off the 'Tigers' new uniforms. Buying new uniforms for the teams was just one of the many improvements made in sports. "We appreciate all of the things that the University does for us," Lyne said.
If the rigor of homework was getting to be too much for students, one way they could unwind was through intramural-recreational sports.

"This is a service for students to do stuff on campus with activities where people enjoy participating and playing," Ron Haag, intramural director said. There were 158 different activities available which were open to any faculty, staff, students or spouses that wished to play. There were also occasional events that were open to the general public, such as the Easter egg hunt.

"Intramural sports are a way for students to get to relax, have fun, meet other people and play different games. We have games that are suitable for anybody: basketball, football, billiards, volleyball, bowling, 10-point pitch, and several others," Dustin Porter, Glen Elder junior and vice-president of the intramural department, said.

Jodi Hurren, Glen Elder senior, was a member of the department for the past year but had participated in it since arriving at the University. "Intramurals are a good way for those students who like to play sports, but might not be at a level to compete in the Tiger athletic program," Hurren said.

The department consisted mostly of the employees of intramural sports who worked as officials, referees and scorekeepers and helped organize for the events. "The officials worked hard trying to provide a fun atmosphere for the players," Porter said.

There were approximately 60 to 80 workers for the events. Total participation in events rose 3,212 individuals from the previous year. The events were free of charge, except for big team events, and were held every Monday through Thursday, most Sundays and occasionally on Saturdays.

The biggest event was basketball with approximately 80 teams that participated. The club tried to constantly come up with new events to attract more students. One of the newer events was fantasy football. This event consisted of picking professional football players for an imaginary line-up and getting points based on how the members did in real life. There were weekly prizes consisting of t-shirts, shorts and cups for the highest scores.

Haag said there was something for everybody in intramural sports and it was a resource that all students should have taken advantage of.

Designer Tara Stegman
Writer Kari Nuzum
Searching for someone to pass to, Eddie Ryser, Clyde freshman looks for his teammates as Mike Wimberly, Riley freshman, defends him. The men's intramural basketball was very competitive. The games were played Monday through Thursday from 6:30 to 9:30 in the evening.

Almost stepping out of bounds, Kim Mellies, Clay Center sophomore tries to catch herself while her opponent, Kristin Bull, Clay Center sophomore gets ready to grab the ball. Intramurals were a great way to relax and take a study break. "I loved playing intramurals. It helped me keep my mind off of tests for a few hours," Emily Hafner, Clay Center freshman said.
Once the books had been read, the lectures had been given, and the tests had been taken, students realized that while the academic knowledge provided by the University was indeed valuable, just as important were the social skills gained from the college experience. A plethora of people from all walks of life merged within the boundaries of the campus.

Leslie Terry, Waldo sophomore, watches the cheerleading squad perform in Gross Memorial Coliseum. Terry was an alternate cheerleader. "The squad's unity was outstanding and the moral support given by team members really helped everyone keep focus," Terry said.

Tommie Williams, costume designer for the University's theatrical productions, brightened up stages all year for the University community.

A few brave souls served as guardians of the residence halls. The nighttime security staffs kept watch over campus residents.
Not all students had to
 cram themselves into a
dorm room or worry
about rent and bills.
Students that called Hays
their hometown often
stayed in their parents'
homes throughout college.

The instructors and
staff at the University
provided not only
knowledge, but also
offered insight and
occasionally humor
into the lives of
students.

It was often easy for
University students
to get caught up in
everyday college life,
but real world
happenings were
closer than they
thought.
Participation was the keyword for McMindes, Agnew, McCuster and Wiest Hall Councils. Being a part of a hall council, students planned, participated in, helped out with and sponsored events. Besides having participated in events, students also held many activities that helped the community. Such events were service projects that all the halls created to help the community. Some of the events the halls participated in, were sponsorship and support for the wrestlers Pack the House and a visit to the Humane Society of the High Plains.

"One great thing system-wide in hall councils are service projects done for the campus and the community. All four of our councils spend time and energy doing service projects, which is important to the community and FHSU," Noalee McDonald, Beloit graduate student, said.

Wendy Lunsford, Topeka freshman, said.

Another helping hand was initiated by McCuster Hall Council when they decided to cleaned up Big Creek within the residence hall area of campus. McCuster Hall Council was a combination of McGrath and Custer Hall members.

"I felt that Big Creek clean-up makes the place look better and that there’s no need to wallow in trash. We look to help out where we can," Justin Sperry, Clearwater senior, said.

One of the service projects that Wiest Hall took part in was sponsoring a biddy basketball team named the Wiest Hall Warriors. Biddy Basketball teams were made up of grade school children that participated in and competed in a maximum of seven games.

"It was fun cheering them (the Wiest Hall Warriors) on. It’s important to show support and it gets FHSU’s name and the hall council’s name out," Dennis Henry, Wellington sophomore and Wiest Hall Council President, said.

Tiffany Monical, Cimmarron freshman, prepares to deliver roses to residents on campus on Valentine’s Day. McMindes Hall Council sold roses, carnations and balloons as a fundraiser for profit. Students who didn’t want to spend a lot of money on Valentine’s could buy them much cheaper than off campus.

Surrounded by balloons are Jennifer Rohling, Oxford junior, and Brandi Cornett, Eureka freshman. Valentine’s Day was a big day for McMindes Hall Council members. Many of them spent part of their day delivering gifts to students, faculty and staff on campus.
McMindes Hall

Allmon, Deana Ellsworth, KS
FRESHMAN, COMPUTER INFORMATION SYSTEMS

Anderson, Kristin Shawnee, KS
SOPHOMORE, ART EDUCATION

Bags, Angela Rago, KS
SOPHOMORE, SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY

Benfer, Sarah Salina, KS
FRESHMAN

Bird, DeAun Deerfield, KS
JUNIOR, RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGY

Bleh, Andrea Russell, KS
FRESHMAN, COMMUNICATION

Bowman, Amanda Clay Center, KS
FRESHMAN, ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

Brandenburg, Mandy Dodge City, KS
SOPHOMORE, ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

Brown, Angela Garden City, KS
SOPHOMORE, BUSINESS COMMUNICATION

Brown, Shelby Oberlin, KS
FRESHMAN, PSYCHOLOGY

Burghart, Sara Wright, KS
FRESHMAN, RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGY

Burns, Jennifer Norton, KS
FRESHMAN, ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

Burton, Kindra Salina, KS
JUNIOR

Cartmill, Janette Dighton, KS
FRESHMAN, ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

Chang, Mei-Ling Taiwan
GRADUATE, COMMUNICATION

Chrisman, Stacie Assaria, KS
SOPHOMORE

Coble, Abby Salina, KS
FRESHMAN, CHEMISTRY

Cuthbertson, Staci Norton, KS
FRESHMAN, AGRI-BUSINESS

Davis, Germaine Topeka, KS
FRESHMAN

Farmer, Stacy Wichita, KS
FRESHMAN, ART/ENGLISH

Fitch, Amy Larned, KS
JUNIOR, ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

Friesen, Charity Hillsboro, KS
SOPHOMORE, PSYCHOLOGY

Goodschmidt, Tricia Larned, KS
JUNIOR, SOCIAL WORK

Gower, Sarah Agra, KS
FRESHMAN

Hahn, Sarah Hanston, KS
FRESHMAN, ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

Harper, Tracy Hill City, KS
FRESHMAN

Heil, Audrey Loup City, NE
SOPHOMORE, SOCIAL WORK

Hibbard, SaraHarper, KS
SOPHOMORE, AGRICULTURE

Hornbuckle, Elizabeth Ottawa, KS
SOPHOMORE, MATHEMATICS

Hortravanond, Varaporn Thailand
GRADUATE, COMMUNICATION

Jacobson, Heather Abilene, KS
SOPHOMORE, MEDICAL DIAGNOSTIC IMAGING

Jeantuavorn, Khanittha Thailand
GRADUATE, COMMUNICATION

Kammer, Sascha Brewster, KS
FRESHMAN, ACCOUNTING

Koch, Amanda Mulvane, KS
FRESHMAN

Koehn, Amber Scott City, KS
FRESHMAN

Liu, Su-Ju Taiwan
SENIOR

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Creating A New Look

McMindes Hall went through some much needed changes this year. The changes included a complete renovation of the East Lounge, renovation of the two oldest elevators and improvements on each floor in the lounges.

No renovations had been performed in the East Lounge since the building of McMindes hall in 1965. The construction workers completely gutted the room. The ceiling, lighting, walls and carpet were redone. A new sound system, outside door and inside entrance were also added. New furniture was also added to the room. The only furniture the East Lounge kept was the baby grand piano and the oak tables.

The room was to be used for a study lounge, a meeting room for groups, a room for seminars and for tutorial sessions. The total cost of the renovations were between $30,000 and $40,000.

The two oldest elevators were completely modernized. They were made to meet the American Disability Act requirements. The ADA required that all entrances and elevators be made handicap accessible. This project was completed in January of 1997. The total cost for this project was $134,000.

Each floor was also given $1,000 to improve or redo the floor lounges. Improvements included: new curtains, carpets, wallpaper and furniture covers. The decision of which improvements were made was decided by each floor individually.

Most of the expenses for the renovations came from the last of the money from the Housing System Refunding and Renovation Revenue Bonds, Series E 1994. The rest of the money ($30,000) came out of the fees that students pay to live in McMindes Hall.

“I think the renovations are great for the image because they present a more modern view for prospective students,” Angela Baggs, Rago sophomore, said. 

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McMindes resident Brandy Cornett, Eureka freshman, re-enters the residence hall building after an early morning fire drill. “I just wanted to finish eating my breakfast,” Emily Hafner, Clay Center freshman, said of the early fire drills.

Justin Mader, Quinter freshman, plays a relaxing game of pool. Residents in Wiest, as well as other halls, found time to play pool. “Pool is a way to relieve the stress from school and pick up on chicks,” Randy Horning, Syracuse freshman said.
The cast of "Sister Mary Ignatius Explains It All For You" gathers for a group shot. The cast practiced for five weeks before performing the four scheduled performances. "Practices usually lasted four hours. You learn to be focused throughout rehearsals and to get the most out of them," Jennifer Boyer, Shawnee freshman, said.

Tommie Williams and Jerrad Langlois, Spearville sophomore, interact on stage. Langlois has helped Williams in past productions with make-up and costuming. He has also appeared in Children's Theatre Project productions.

Tommie Williams performs one of her many long explanations of life in general. Topics from Catholic doctrine, types of sins, and her very large family were humorously explained to the audience. In the shocking ending of the play, Sister Mary killed several people in order to save them from going to hell.
Among the spools of thread, yards of material, scattered pattern pieces, and old and new costumes, Tommie Williams, costume designer for the University's theatrical productions, could be found. In this wilderness of ribbon and lace, Williams said she had never been the organized type. "I believe there are those who are organized and those who are creative," she said. She went on to comment that she really did know where everything was.

Along with costume design, Williams had other roles. She also handled the make-up, wigs, and provided a shoulder to those who needed it. "She's like a mother hen," Lloyd Frerer, professor of communication, said about Williams' character. "She's a good listener and is sympathetic to other people's problems." Williams said that she was always there to give support to the people on stage. There were times when an actor came off the stage crying because of their performance and she was there for them to lean on. She dried their tears and perked them up for their next entrance.

Williams was born and raised in Hays. She graduated from Hays High and got her degree in communication here at the University. After graduating, Williams lived in Denver, Houston, and San Diego before returning to Hays. It was then she took the job as costume designer six years ago. "I'm really happy here. The students don't seem like students," Williams said. It was the "mother hen" in her that once again brought her close to the cast members in the plays, musicals and the classes she taught.

Williams' gentle humor, irony, and maturity landed her a role as Sister Mary Ignatius in "Sister Mary Ignatius Explains It All For You" by Christopher Durang. "It's zany," Williams said. Frerer said he felt the role required a certain amount of maturity and skill at doing comedy. "Even though Williams was moaning and groaning about not being on the stage in 20 years, she still did a wonderful job," Frerer said.

In dress making, Williams made one or two "specialty" dresses a year. She designed and sewed the costumes herself. She had on hand 12 to 15 gowns that represented different periods of time, called period gowns. These gowns were used in productions of the time periods, some of which Williams had made. "They're 'generic gowns' that can be used anywhere from 1800 to 1890," Williams said. Period gowns cost about $300 and take around 40 hours to complete.

One of Williams' favorite plays to design for was "The London Assurance," which played three years ago. Williams and her assistant at the time, Jennifer Mays, University alumni, made eight gowns. Two different girls playing the same role required two different dress sizes; therefore, they had to make two different dresses. "It was a very pretty show--very pretty to look at," Williams said. She said she felt she ended up making some of her best costumes for the show.

After the last performance of a show, Williams would "turn out the lights, lock the doors, and head to my favorite restaurant for a big dinner." She then went home to relax and watch a movie channel. After a week or two break, she had to fall back into the hectic schedule of costuming again. All together, Williams designed for all five plays that went through the theater in a year. If an opera was performed, she costumed for that also.

In her spare time, Williams said, "I have major sewing space at my house and I like to make frilly dresses for my nieces." She particularly enjoyed attending operas and other professional theaters in Denver and Wichita.

In the words of Steven Shapiro, professor of communication, "Tommie is one of the most creative costumers imaginable. She is always willing to go the extra mile to make sure the costumes for a production is as good as can be. She is an excellent collaborator and consummate professional." According to those she works with, she would be dearly missed if she ever decided to leave, but as she said "I plan to be here for the rest of my life."
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Designer Charissa L. Burgess
Preparing dinner together are roommates Leslie Terry, Waldo sophomore (left), and Shawna Brummer, Beloit sophomore. Students who lived off-campus had the added responsibility of preparing meals which on-campus students did not have. However, dinnertime was an excellent opportunity for bonding between roommates.

Leslie Terry, Waldo sophomore, found that living with several roommates made preparing for school more difficult than when they lived in the dorms. Some off-campus students found that by living off-campus, they were forced to start their mornings earlier than those living on-campus. Finding parking spaces was a morning problem faced by many off-campus students.
To pass time on a lazy afternoon, Jeremy Hawks, Norton senior and Clay Neal, Dexter junior, play a game of rummy. Cards were a very popular past time of many students. Various pitch tournaments were held throughout the year as fundraisers for University organizations.

Spicing life up, Aaron Wiman, Olathe junior pours another round for David Howard, Lenexa junior. Many students off campus chose different ways to let out daily anxieties and cool off. Drinking, eating, and being merry are one of those many joys some took part in.
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Speech Language Pathology
Jewell, KS

Nuzum, Alan
Senior
Hays, KS

Nuzum, Kari
Senior
Hays, KS

Nyland, Jennifer
Junior
Hebron, NE

O'Callaghan, Jennifer
Junior
Medicine Lodge, KS

Ohl, Chad
Senior
Technology Studies

Oiler, Dorilou
Graduate
Hays, KS

Olson, Tyler
Junior
Salina, KS

Osthoff, Kalyn
Junior
Computer Information Systems

Parke, Kathryn
Freshman
Collyer, KS

Peters, Melanie
Senior
AGS Business

Peterson, Tammy
Senior
Lenora, KS

Pfeifer, Mandy
Junior
Elementary Education

Pollman, Suzanne
Senior
Hays, KS

Polzin, Kurt
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Hoisington, KS

Proberts, Darin
Senior
Marketing

Pruter, Tara
Senior
Lansing, KS

Purell, Amy
Junior
Management

Queen, Leonard
Senior
Paxico, KS

Racke, Danielle
Freshman
Accounting Management

Ragsdale, Todd
Sophomore
Agriculture

Rahim, Erin
Sophomore
Hays, KS

Rahim, Sumair
Sophomore
Caram, NY

Ramzan, Imran
Senior
Hanover Park, IL

Ratzaflf, Jennifer
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Reaves, Crecia
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Spearville, KS

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Smith Center, KS

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Junior
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Catherine, KS

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Junior
Psychology

Sebs, Tami
Junior
Nursing

Sebs, Teri
Sophomore
Hanstion, KS

Schmidt, Catherine
Junior
Elementary Education

Schmidt, Christine
Junior
Elementary Education

Schmidt, Contemporary
Senior
Elementary Education

Schmidt, Malena
Senior
Elementary Education

Sebs, Teri
Sophomore
Elementary Education
While most college students were out having fun on the weekend, a few dedicated students stayed at the dorms to let them in. Night security at Wiest and McMindes residence halls was a group effort between both halls and the campus police to keep all residents safe and secure.

Don Smith, coordinator of public safety, said the Kansas Bureau of Investigation kept statistics concerning security on campus. "For November of 1995, we had the lowest crime or incident rate in all categories." He said it was due to the fact that the University is relatively far away from metropolitan areas and keeping the campus safe was a cumulative effort between the area residents and the security personnel.

From 11 p.m. to 6 a.m., seven days a week, the doors were locked at both McMindes and Wiest to prevent unauthorized people from entering. "Visitors must be escorted all the time," Adam Smith, Kansas City junior said, concerning McMindes' policy of male visitors. Corey Bandel, Goodland sophomore, said Wiest also required female visitors to be escorted. If a female was leaving the building at night and did not have an escort, she was escorted to her vehicle by one of the men working security.

Mick Moss, Hoxie sophomore, said McMindes had a total of seven employees for night security. One shift was from 11 p.m. to 3 a.m., and the second shift stayed until 6 a.m. On Wednesday, Friday and Saturday nights an additional person worked from 11 p.m. to 6 a.m.

Wiest Hall had four security employees, who worked one at a time, from 11 p.m. to 2:30 a.m., and from 2:30 a.m. to 6 a.m. James Vrtiska, Pratt junior, said on Wednesday nights Wiest Hall had a roamer from 1 a.m. to 3 a.m. to go throughout the building making sure there were not any disturbances in the building and to check the back door.

More security at McMindes just evolved over the years, Adam Smith said. Various employees had theories as to why there was more security at the girls' residence hall. "We have kind of a protective view since it's a female dorm, where as at Wiest, they're just trying to make sure everything goes all right," Adam Smith said. Wiest employees, Vrtiska and Jared Smith, Garden City senior, both agreed with this opinion.

Vrtiska also attributed McMindes' larger staff to the fact that there were more entrances to monitor than at Wiest. "We don't patrol floors like McMindes," Jared Smith said. If a person of the opposite sex was in the building, it was less of a threat in Wiest than in McMindes, Jared Smith said.

Moss and Bandel said that each residence hall had a direct link with campus security officers via a radio in case of problems. There was also someone from the campus police patrolling the campus or in the office 24 hours a day.

According to Don Smith, McMindes had a new lock system that used cards instead of keys. If the card was lost, it could be erased from the system and if someone tried to use it, the computer would record the attempt. Moss said that the card system was expected to be up and working between Thanksgiving and Christmas of 1996.

Most security workers said they felt that the residents in the halls appreciated them. Bandel said that most residents at Wiest felt better because they knew security was downstairs. Parents also felt better knowing that the area had efficient security. Moss said the McMindes residents were also usually glad the security people were there; it made them feel safer.
Working McMindes night security is Mick Moss, Hoxie sophomore. For most of the night, two people worked at McMindes as opposed to only one at Wiest. The halls were roamed at McMindes to help keep the residents safer.

Jared Smith, Garden City senior, radios the campus police. The radios were used as a connection between the halls and the campus police in emergency situations or if the phone lines went down. City Police also monitored the radio in case of an emergency.

Quarter Dinh, Dodge City senior, checks the identification of a resident. Identification was requested of some residents as well as some visitors for added safety. All non residents were to be escorted by a resident at all times to secure the safety of the other residents.
Andy Pfeifer, Hays freshman, and her mother Laura Mahood, Hays resident, spend some quality time together. Pfeifer and many other students who lived at home said they enjoyed the extra time they got to spend with their family. Family bonds often improved because of the changed relationship between parent and child.

Danny Kuhn, Victoria junior, spends part of his afternoon studying math. Many students who lived at home remarked that besides the obvious benefits of living at home, such as not paying rent and getting home cooked meals, they also had a quieter environment to study in.

Danny Kuhn, Victoria junior, takes a little time off from his studies to watch some television. Many of the students who chose to live at home while attending college did so because of the money factor. Kuhn also found that because he chose to live at home, he was able to afford luxuries, such as a new truck, that other students had to forgo.
Danny Kuhn, Victoria junior, attended classes at the University by day. At the end of the day, he jumped into his new truck and headed for home. Home—not a dorm room and not an apartment. Kuhn went home to a place he described as a spot "where the food is better" than what he could get at school. A place where his mom also lived.

Kuhn was just one of the many students at the University who lived at home. Many of the students who lived at home chose to live there because it was cheaper than living in an apartment or dorm.

Kuhn said he lived in the dorms at the University of Kansas and had a "bad experience." He said the food was bad. Kuhn decided to transfer to the University after his sophomore year and moved back home because "it was cheaper." He said instead of paying rent, he bought a new pickup.

Kuhn said a definite disadvantage of not living closer to campus was that he did not meet as many people. An advantage was that he got to spend more time with his family and when his mom took him to lunch, she paid.

Mandy Pfeifer, Hays freshman, was another University student who chose to live at home. While Pfeifer cited one of her main reasons for living at home was because of money, she also said she just "wasn't ready to leave [home] yet."

Pfeifer's mother, Laura Mahood, agreed and said that while Pfeifer was "very mature for her years," she was not quite ready to leave yet.

Mahood said that the family had recently moved, and Pfeifer finally had her own space which was totally separate from that of her brothers. "I think when Mandy finally got her own space, she didn't want to leave," her mother said.

Pfeifer said another reason she lived at home was because of the closeness of her family. "Sometimes I didn't want to see my family," she said. "I lived with two little brothers. Sometimes they do things and I wish I would have left. But five minutes later, I know I would have missed them."

Guy Moeckel, Hays senior, said he made the decision to move out his freshman year. Twelve months later, he was back home. "I didn't have to pay rent," he said, "and I got home cooking."

Moeckel said his parents were "glad to have me back." So instead of paying rent, he bought a new truck.

Moeckel said his relationship with his parents did not change when he moved back home. He said that once he moved out his parents realized he was on his own. They continued to realize it even after he moved back in.

"I still listen to my parents and I still respect them," he said.

Pfeifer thought that one of the reasons her situation was so positive was because she had a younger mom. This helped both of them to relate to the other and what was happening in the other's life. "I think it made a difference," Pfeifer said.

Moeckel said one definite disadvantage of living at home is that he was never by himself. "There's always somebody around," he said.

So while some of the more traditional students ended their university day in a not-so-nutritional manner, both Kuhn and Pfeifer headed "home" were they believed that the food was better than in the cafeterias.

"Mom always had something good cooked," Pfeifer said. 
Ryan Watkins, Hartford freshman, plays a game of Frisbee with friends. During warmer months, students as well as faculty enjoyed this activity. "We play Frisbee golf to get out of the house, get some exercise and to hang out," Watkins said.

Ray Thornton, Norcatur freshman, passes time by playing a Sony PlayStation. Many students both on and off-campus spent numerous hours at this favorite pastime. It was not uncommon for "tournaments" between friends to be held.
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Heath, Lisa
Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs
Steve Nolte, Fort Hays Educational Development Center Director, taught classes this year for the Leadership Studies program. He also taught classes for advanced training for teachers in the Hays area. Of the year, Nolte said, "It was the best of times; it was the worst of times."

Leland Powers, Assistant Professor of Art, reviews lecture notes for one of his classes. Instructors were required to hold office hours throughout the week. These hours gave students time to communicate with their instructors when help was needed.
David Ison, associate professor of English, taught Composition I and II, Introduction to Fiction and World Literature at the University. When asked about his feelings of the year, he remarked, "Students are stronger than ever this year. And changes are swirling through the institution."

Raymond Wilson, professor of history, taught mainly United States history. He specialized in the study of the American West and the American Indians. Besides teaching students, Wilson and Keith Campbell, professor of sociology and social work, were the co-directors of the Ethnic Studies Program at the University.
Mary Kay Schippers, instructor of mathematics and computer science, has taught at the University for 13 years. She has taught various math classes, such as Calculus Methods, Elements of Statistics and Fundamentals of Mathematics. When asked about being part-time, she remarked, "I'm actually 3/4 time. The rest of the time I'm at home."

Howard Sloan, accountant for Airline Incorporation, and Gene F. Anderson, attorney and part-time judge, enjoyed teaching on a part-time basis at the University this year.

Sloan taught the Introduction to Computers class in the computer information systems department. He taught Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings from 7:30 to 8:20. Sloan also taught on Monday nights from 6:30 to 9:20.

"I like teaching," Sloan said. "I like going to school and teaching the students."

Sloan had taught these classes for the University for the past three years. He said most of the students were good students. He had many students who worked hard. There were some, however, who upset him by not coming to class. "They don't come to class enough to do well. If they come to class, they usually do well," Sloan said.

Since Sloan was a part-time instructor, the students had very little chance to see him. "The department has my number and the secretary can take a message. They can make an appointment with me," Sloan said. "I'm here before and after my night class. I'm available for six hours a week."

Sloan said he preferred teaching earlier times because some instructors do not like the real early and long night classes. His full-time job did not really need those hours. That's why he had a chance to teach here. "I like my part-time job very much and I really appreciate that they let me do this teaching."

Anderson, a full-time lawyer, was also a part-time judge for the city of Hays. He taught Legal Issues in Journalism for the department of communication during the spring semester of each year. Anderson taught on Tuesday and Thursday nights.

"I enjoy that area of the law and I enjoy teaching," Anderson said. "I have done this off and on for about the last 10 years."

Anderson was a student at the University in 1961. He had been a student or a teacher here for the last 36 years. He held a bachelor's degree in English and a master's degree in history.

Even though he was a part-time instructor, Anderson said he was available at any time for his students. If they had problems or did not understand their lessons, they could call or come to his office.

"I require attendance in my class because most of my classes are lectures," Anderson said.

"I don't teach from the book. I require the students to read the book and I assume they can read the book. I don't summarize the book for them," Anderson said.

He said he also gave the students material outside the book in addition to normal work. They could not pass by only reading the book.

"I enjoy the area of law dealing with legal issues in journalism which is also called mass communication law," Anderson said.

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Rolling information into the computer is Ryan Achilles, Hesston senior. Achilles was the hall director for Custer and McGrath Halls. Some of his duties were to be in charge of the resident managers and resident assistants and to also keep everything in the halls running smoothly.

Ryan Achilles and AJ Boleski, Topeka sophomore, joust at the Health and Fitness tour. In addition to working, Achilles also found time to spend with friends. The Health and Fitness tour was a perfect chance for this because of the many activities students could participate in.

Ryan Achilles tends the goal during an afternoon practice for the rollerhockey club. The club was formed during the fall semester by Achilles and several of his friends. They began the club in hopes that it would continue to expand over the next few years.
After getting out of classes for the day, one has passed many people with different lives and interests. Among them were the students that led in one aspect of life or another. One student and leader focused on campus-wide was Ryan Achilles. From the start to the end, he stayed active and well-rounded throughout his college career. Also, Achilles completed a degree and became a part of the residential life system.

While in college, Achilles completed many activities and positions campus-wide from the residential life system to having been the president of the communication honor society, Lambda Pi Eta. Also, within the past year, he helped form and was the president for the roller hockey club.

One of the many details that one may not have known about Achilles was that he played football his freshman year. He had a scholarship for this activity.

"I decided that football wasn't for me, and that I wanted to do other things in life," he said.

Also, Achilles changed his major after his freshman year from English to communication with an emphasis in public relations. Changing his major was influenced by one of his general education classes, and the teacher, as well.

"I found my oral communication class so interesting because I love to speak in front of people. Mahboub Hashem was my teacher, and he teaches in such a positive and energetic way. I decided to switch over to this major because I felt more in tune with the many options I would have for a job in this field, and I would like it more," he said.

After his freshman year, Achilles' interest in the residential life system took form when he decided to run for the president of second floor for Wiest Hall Council. Although he had just started to become active then, he applied for a residential assistant position and was accepted for his junior year. After he had fulfilled the position of an RA, he went on to be a Residential Manager for Wiest Hall his senior year. When Christmas break rolled around, he applied for the vacated position of the hall director for Custer and McGrath Halls. He was accepted for the position.

"I feel that I must dig deep in order to reach everyone in my hall. It has stress at times, but it has balanced out with all the good rewards of the position," he said.

One of his many activities, besides having been active in the residential life system, was that he formed and was the president of the roller hockey club. In the 1996 spring semester, Achilles and a group of men dreamed about forming a roller hockey club. As life turned and went on, Achilles and his friends saw their dreams turn into reality when they completed paper work in order to have become the club they are today. Also, Student Government Association granted their club $1,341.00 for equipment and $216.00 for travel appropriations. The club competed in three games and a four team tournament in Joplin, Mo.

"I feel we had one of the best starts of a club and that we will grow and expand as a club to be one of the best on campus. It was wonderful to go up against different teams in competition. It's fun to us, and highly competitive, though. Different guys from the team also helped coach little league hockey as well as myself. Many of the guys from the team help the kids when they have time," he said.

Achilles was also the president of the communication honorary society, Lambda Pi Eta. He was also a co-chair of the honor society with Sherri Unrein, Jennings graduate student.

"I want to be more than just a member. I want to be a leader and achieve something while I am here. I want to fit in as much as I can in the smallest amount of time. My relaxation is when I study, and I am always on the go," Achilles said.

In the spring, he graduated with a degree in communication emphasizing in public relations and was a leader in many aspects of college. He was also one of the many leaders on campus that was active in Mortor Board, the Kansas Association of Resident Assistants conference, Mid-West Affiliates of Colleges and University Residence Halls and National Affiliates of Colleges and University Residence Halls.

Ryan Achilles, Heasimon senior, announces at the Slime the Pig Contest at Tag'em. Tag'em was sponsored by McGrath and Custer Halls. Achilles' enjoyment of public speaking allows him to do this well.
A week of unity

Greek Week was a time for fun, festivities and getting to know fellow fraternity and sorority members. The celebration lasted four days, but the memories and the sense of Greek unity would last for years to come.

Greek unity was celebrated April 7th through 10th. Delta Zeta and Sigma Phi Epsilon hosted the annual celebration known as Greek Week. During this time, the three sororities and three fraternities at the university joined together for different nightly activities.

All activities were planned by the Greek Week planning committee. Janice Kelley, Hutchinson DZ junior, and Chuck Miller, Plainville Sig Ep freshman, were in charge of the planning committee. Christina Wolf, Hays DZ sophomore, helped plan the activities. Andy Mingenback, Great Bend Sig Ep sophomore, was in charge of the talent show and Megan Carlini, Wichita DZ freshman, asked for donations of prizes from local businesses.

Wolf said Greek Week took a lot of planning because they wanted everyone to have fun. "I thought it was really neat because I got to meet people in the other houses and it brought us closer together in the Greek system. It also helped show other people the kind of activities that we do," Wolf said.

Many of the activities were planned to be outdoors, but Mother Nature had other plans for these brothers and sisters. The festivities were dampened due to bad weather, but the committee came up with some backup plans and still made it a week to remember.

The first night was the opening ceremony with drawings and games. These activities gave everyone a chance to get to know each other. There were drawings held every night of Greek Week with prizes donated by local businesses which included gift certificates, cologne, and clothing.

The second night was originally planned to be an outdoor volleyball match, Kelley said, but because of weather conditions there was a basketball tournament in a gym in Cunningham Hall.

"The basketball tournament gave us a chance to compete with each other, regardless of which fraternity or sorority we belong to. Each team had people from each house," Miller said.

The talent show was held on the third night in the basement of the Sig Ep house. Kelley said the show included several acts, including a song duet by two Alpha Gamma Deltas - Sarah Thompson, Liberal freshman, and Sarah Ochs, Utica sophomore. There was also a drum duet by Sig Eps; Travis Kreutzner, Hays freshman, and Travis Watson, Hays freshman.

Greek Week came to a close with an awards presentation and a cook out. "It was actually more of a cook-in due to the weather," Kelley said.

"It turned out well, despite the weather," Mingenback said. "It was a good bonding experience, and I think it brought all of the houses on campus closer together."

The turn out for the activities included a diverse collection of all the fraternity and sorority members. "The houses always do activities individually for philanthropy projects. This is a time for us all to get together, interact with each other and get to know others better," Kelley said.

"It was a good time. I hope we all got a little closer together as a Greek community and I hope we let people know we were here," Miller said.

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Eddie Ryser, Clyde TKE freshman, performs "Take It Easy," by the Eagles at Wednesday night's talent show. The talent show gave students an opportunity to show off hidden or unknown talents. Acts ranged from vocal acts to skits to other various musical performances.

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Sig Eps (shirts) Travis Watson, Hays freshman, and Craig Miller, Healy freshman, compete in the Greek Week basketball tournament against TKEs Kevin Ruda, Atwood freshman, and Casey Cleveland, Ulysses freshman. The tournament was originally planned to be a volleyball tournament but was changed due to weather conditions. "It was a good time for all of the Greeks to get together and participate in athletic competition," Ryan Bourchell, Hutchinson Sig Ep freshman, said.

Performing in the talent show are AGDs Stephanie Stockamer, Colwich freshman, Sarah Thompson, Liberal sophomore, Elizabeth Berning, Scott City freshman, Sarah Ochs, Utica sophomore, Kristine Doerfler, Hays freshman, and Heather Miller, Phillipsburg junior. They performed "Squirrels," an AGD chant. "There was lots of Greek unity at Derby Days and everyone had lots of fun," Kristi Schremmer, Hesston AGD sophomore, said.
James Nugent, Coordinator of Drug, Alcohol and Wellness Network, has been advisor for BACCHUS and GAMMA at the University. He was also in charge of counseling students with alcohol and other addictive problems. After retirement, he and his wife will be moving to Arkansas.

Ruth Pruitt, instructor of mathematics and computer science, has taught at the University for 18 years. She has taught various mathematics and computer science classes such as Pre-Calculus and Introduction to Computing Systems. "I'm going to do some reading, both professional and fun," she said of her retirement plans.

Don Slechta, chair of the department of political science and justice studies, has taught classes such as Introduction to Law, Constitutional Law and American Civil Liberties at the University. He had been at the University for 38 years. After retiring, Slechta planned to "reinvent my life on a day to day basis."
Beginning a new life

You have worked hard from the time you were 15 to 16 years old. Day in and day out, the alarm clock went off bright and early every morning. Through school, different jobs, vacations, pay raises and promotions, you still yearned for the day when you could finally rest. When that day came at last, you took a deep breath and looked back at your accomplishments and smiled. It had been a long haul that you never thought would end, but at last it was here.

For those at the University, a reception hosted by President Edward H. and Vivian Hammond and Provost Rodolfo Arevalo honored 12 retiring faculty members on April 24.

Don Slechta, department chair of political science and justice studies, had been at the University for 38 years. He said he planned to "loaf and invite my soul. I'm going to do some writing and reading and get tooled up on the computer. I will miss my students. There isn't a day that goes by that I don't learn something from my students."

Slechta felt his greatest accomplishment at the University was, "We've graduated 753 political science majors. One hundred fifty-six of those have become attorneys, and that's probably low. Those are the ones I can account for. I'm so proud of those people." About retiring, he said, "There's a quote by Lawrence Peter Berra, 'When you come to a fork in the road, take it.'" Slechta said he planned to continue living in Hays and using the library and computing facilities on campus. "Leaving will be kind of sad for me."

Claire Matthews, associate professor of communication disorders, said she had been here for six years. "I'm going to start relaxing a little bit. I live in the country in an old house. I'm going to be doing a lot of work on that. I'm going to get a horse, get myself in shape and do some riding. And I'm planning to write."

"(I remember most) my fondness of working with the students. I'm going to miss them and the patients we work with," Matthews said.

Matthews said that since she had been at the University, the graduate program for speech pathology had grown. She helped build the medical end of the training program. The program had full time staff at the hospital and "graduate students are getting a lot of experience. We have six graduate students doing their clinic practicum with me, and they are seeing between them 11 patients that have had strokes," Matthews said.

For Tom Griffith, associate professor of business administration, this was his second retirement. He retired from Boeing where he had been a senior executive for 55 years before coming to the University. Griffith worked at the University for five years. He said with a chuckle, "I'm going to stay retired." Then he said he would like to start a consulting practice. He also said he would miss the students the most.

"I hold a union card in the British Organ Grinders Guild. There are only 10-12 organ grinders in the United States," Griffith said. "I plan on traveling a lot (with the organ grinders). I also plan to go to England to the county fairs with the organ grinders. And we hold a convention every year. We also do that at the Kansas State Fair, although not everybody there holds a card for the Guild." An organ grinder is someone who stands on a street corner, often seen with a monkey, who holds a box and turns a crank to produce music.

The above three were just a few of those honored, the following faculty members also retired from the University. Carolyn Ehr, professor of mathematics and computer science; Carolyn Gatschet, associate professor of nursing; Virgil Howe, dean of the college of health and life sciences; Tom Kerns, associate professor of health and human performance; Jack McCullick, professor of economics and finance, dean emeritus; James Nugent, coordinator of drug, alcohol and wellness network; Nancy Popp, associate professor of health and human performance; Ruth Pruitt, instructor of mathematics and computer science; and Weldon Zenger, professor of educational administration and counseling.

Virgil Howe, dean of the college of health and life sciences, retired this year. Howe has been at the University for the past 9 years. After his retirement, from 1998-1999, he will be the Rotary District Governor for Northwest Kansas.
Alpha Gamma Delta
Ahern - York

Ahern, Mary Ann
Salina, KS
Sophomore Speech-Language Pathology

Berning, Elizabeth
Scott City, KS
Freshman Elementary Education

Bollig, Allison
Hays, KS
Sophomore

Browning, Kimberly
Scott City, KS
Sophomore Business Communications

Carney, Sarah
Hoisington, KS
Sophomore

Dalke, Shana
Leoti, KS
Junior Communication

Doerfler, Kristine
Hays, KS
Freshman

Eckberg, Karin
Wichita, KS
Freshman Information Systems & Telecommunications

Frank, Nicole
Salina, KS
Senior English

Gottschalk, Megan
Hutchinson, KS
Senior

Griffith, Nancy
Scott City, KS
Senior Speech-Language Pathology

Howell, Januea
Ulysses, KS
Junior Foreign Language

Lightwine, Jamie
DeSoto, KS
Junior

Miller, Heather
Phillipsburg, KS
Junior Accounting

Nealy, Lisa
Colorado Springs, CO
Junior Elementary Education

Ochs, Sarah
Ulica, KS
Sophomore Medical Diagnostic Imaging

Oleen, Brooke-Alise
Manhattan, KS
Freshman

Orr, Corrina
Gaylord, KS
Sophomore

Pfannenstiel, Amy
Hays, KS
Freshman Business Communications

Sandstrom, Jessica
Hays, KS
Junior Foreign Language

Schremmer, Kristi
Hoisington, KS
Sophomore Speech-Language Pathology

Sederln, Lisa
Courtland, KS
Junior Psychology

Stockemer, Stephanie
Colwich, KS
Freshman Accounting

Tice, Jessica
Hoxie, KS
Senior Management

Timken, Stacie
Hays, KS
Sophomore School of Medicine

Wehkamp, Mandi
Montezuma, KS
Senior Nursing

Winterberg, Jenna
Overland Park, KS
Senior Psychology

Witthuhn, Dana
Hays, KS
Senior Psychology

Wright, Tiffany
Hiawatha, KS
Senior Speech-Language Pathology

York, Angela
Dodge City, KS
Senior

Designer Charissa L. Burgess
Sigma Chi

Asher - Woods

Asher, Seth
Bandel, Corey
Bell, Scot
Buchanan, Ryan
Dyro, Jason
Faust, Ira
Hertzke, Bradley
Korf, Brent
McKenzie, Matt
Peichl, Russell
Precht, Justin
Rail, Jeff
Sealey, Brian
Voorhies, Stephen
Woods, Casey

Dodge City, KS
Goodland, KS
Red Cloud, NE
Council Grove, KS
Overland Park, KS
Overbrook, KS
Greeley, CO
Hutchinson, KS
Goodland, KS
Hays, KS
Liberal, KS
McDonald, KS
Lebo, KS

Alpha Gamma Delta - ΑΓΔ

Founded: Syracuse University
May 30, 1904

Philanthropy:
Alpha Gamma Delta Foundation

Flower: Red and Buff Roses
Colors: Red, Buff and Green

Founders:
Estelle Shepard Beswick → Emily Helen Butterfield
Georgia Otis Chipman → Georgia Dickover
Ethel Brown Distin → Grace Mosher Harter
Edith MacConnell Hickok → Flora Knight Mayer
Jennie Titus Smith Morris → Marguerite Shepard
Mary Louise Snider

Sigma Chi - ΣΧ

Founded: Miami University
June 28, 1855

Philanthropy:
Children's Miracle Network

Flower: White Rose
Colors: Blue and Old Gold

Founders:
Thomas Cowen Bell → James Parks Caldwell
Daniel William Cooper → Isaac M. Jordan
William Lewis Lockwood → Benjamin Piatt Runkle
Franklin Howard Scohey

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Delta Zeta

Bieker, Tracy
Hays, KS

Bircher, Molly
Ellsworth, KS

Burgess, Charissa
McPherson, KS

Carlini, Megan
Wichita, KS

Conn, Lesley
Salina, KS

Daffer, Chandra
Norton, KS

Deppenschmidt, Darcie
Hays, KS

Edmonds, Diana
Goddard, KS

Fobes, Misti
Beloit, KS

Friedrichs, Katy
Cheyenne Wells, CO

Hafner, Emily
Clay Center, KS

Hanna, Stephanie
Riley, KS

Herrman, Caroline Jo
Dickinson, ND

Kallam, Terran
Hays, KS

Kelley, Janice
Hutchinson, KS

Lachner, Virginia
Junction City, KS

Morris, Stacy
Wichita, KS

Ring, Lynette
Salina, KS

Smith, Jessica
Salina, KS

Snell, Sandy
Johnson, KS

Stegman, Tara
Bucklin, KS

Tyler, Trisa
Hays, KS

Waldschmidt, Kimberly
Ellis, KS

Wilhelm, Brandi
Soldier, KS

Wolfe, Christy
Wichita, KS

Wood, Bianca
Wichita, KS

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Pennies for children

For thirty years, University sororities have been competing. Every year, the same old thing for one week in the spring, rivalries ran rampant. But it was not because the women couldn’t get along. It was because they were raising money for Sigma Chi Derby Days.

Derby Days was a week-long event that all Sigma Chi fraternity chapters nationwide participated in. The Sigma Chis organized activities for the sororities to compete in, from chasing the men to grab their hats for points to an airband competition. The three sororities, Alpha Gamma Delta, Delta Zeta and Sigma Sigma Sigma, competed in the events for points which was added to the number of points for money raised. The team with the most points was declared the winner and received a traveling trophy and bragging rights for the next year.

Victorious in the competition were the AGD’s.

“We put most of our efforts into raising money,” AGD Sarah Thompson, Liberal sophomore, said. “For the (air band), we stressed about that day.”

The week of contests began on Tuesday afternoon with a Derby Chase in the Quad. Because a derby is a hat, sorority women chased the fraternity men to grab their hats. Each hat was worth a set amount of points, with the special derby hat giving double points to the lucky woman who snatched it.

A co-ed basketball tournament was the next evening’s event. The week concluded Thursday evening with a Pack-the-Car event. Each team crammed as many people as they could into a car. The teams also performed an air band skit they had prepared earlier. Each team was given points for not only the places they received in competitions, but also the percentage of team members that were in attendance at the events.

Though the events provided a week of fun, money seemed to be the key element for Derby Days. Since each dollar was worth ten points, collecting cash could have been the determiner between first and second place.

“We raised donations throughout the community,” Thompson said. “We collected cans and cashed them in. We also asked our parents for donations.”

The grand total of money raised for Children’s Miracle Network was approximately $1,227.00. The spare pennies and nickels people gave added up quickly, as the houses soon found out. Delta Zeta members collected 100.00 of pennies alone, which helped the women win the award for most money raised — $600.00. The AGD’s raised $567.00, while the Sigma house raised $60.00.

All of the money was then collected by the Sigma Chis, pooled together and given to representatives of CMN.

“We find a holiday, then we all drive to Wichita and give the children the money,” Sigma Chi Seth Asher, Dodge City freshman, said. “The money was given to children at the St. Francis Hospital in Wichita.

The Derby Days contest that took place this year was set apart from all others because it happened to be an anniversary year. Sigma Chi had hosted Derby Days competitions for 30 years.

“Every year (Derby Days) has been here,” Asher said. “Every year for thirty years.”

Derby Days was not only about giving to others, though. The houses also used the week of April 14 - 18 to improve Greek relations.

“Since (the men) divide into teams with each house, we have to go to their houses to practice skits and stuff,” Asher said. “It helps us to know the newer members better. I think it also helps the girls get to know other girls better, too.”

“It was my first Derby Days,” DZ Molly Birch, Ellsworth freshman, said. “I wasn’t really sure what to expect, but it was really fun working with everyone. I thought it was neat how we all pulled together for CMN.”

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Tri-Sigmas Carrie Cleveland, Ulysses sophomore, April Miner, Kiowa senior, and KC Wakefield, Wray, CO, junior, attempt to grab Russell Parks', Larned sophomore, hat during the Derby Chase. The Sigma Chis lined up on one end of the quad and ran through sorority women who tried to grab their hats. "The best part of Derby Days was when they had to call the (basketball) game off because it was so violent," Kim Norton, Tri-Sigma Plainville freshman, said.

Melissa Gallaugher, Sawyer Sigma junior, and Rob Kilman, Hays Sigma Chi junior, lip sync to "Son of a Preacher Man" by Dusty Springfield. Six Sigma Chis participated with each of the sororities to help with the week's events. "We do Derby Days every year to help Children's Miracle Network, our national philanthropy," Brent Korf, Dodge City sophomore, said.

Sigma Chis Rob Kilman, Hays junior, Justin Precht, Goodland sophomore, George Rivas, Lecetl sophomore, Russell Parks, Larned sophomore, and Aaron Hazen, Dodge City sophomore, dance to "Macho Man" by the Village People. The skit seemed to be the most popular event of the week. "The skit was one of the best activities of Derby Days because we got to see the creative sides of the other houses," Chandra Duffer, Norton junior, said.
Many mothers dream of having daughters, but three “moms” had more this year than many other moms might have been able to handle.

Yvonne Rohleder, Hays resident, Jo Ann Schroller, Hays resident, and Joyce Stewart, Hays resident, were house moms this year at the three sororities on campus.

“It’s been wonderful. We’ve even had fun joking around,” Sigma Sigma Sigma house mom Joyce Stewart said. The spring semester was her first semester as Sigma Sigma Sigma house mom.

The house moms’ responsibilities varied. They were mainly responsible for buying groceries and cleaning supplies for their house, planning menus and preparing meals. However, it was not uncommon for them to lend advice or a shoulder to one of their “daughters.”

“They all call me ‘mom.’ I just love being around all the young people,” Jo Ann Schroller, Delta Zeta house mom, said. Schroller also said that she had made many good friendships with Delta Zetas over the past five years that she had been their house mom. Besides the “regular” duties of a house mom, Schroller also participated as a member of Housing Corps for the Delta Zeta sorority.

Alpha Gamma Delta house mom Yvonne Rohleder said that she enjoyed getting to know the the women in her house, as well as learning more about sorority life. “I also like seeing how they work together as a family,” she said. Rohleder has been with the Alpha Gamma Deltas for the past two years.

According to members of all three houses, the house moms were an essential part of sorority life. "She's more than just a cook, she's like a mom away from mom," Chrissy Wolf, Delta Zeta, said.

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Story by Charissa L. Burgess
Tau Kappa Epsilon

Carlson - Zachman

Carlson, Jon  
JUNIOR

Cecile, George  
JUNIOR

Cleveland, Casey  
FRESHMAN

Holsch, Karl  
FRESHMAN

Holsch, Kevin  
JUNIOR

Howard, David  
FRESHMAN

Labato, John  
FRESHMAN

Miller, Eric  
FRESHMAN

Moody, Tom  
FRESHMAN

Nash, Trevor  
FRESHMAN

Rippe, Kevin  
FRESHMAN

Ruda, Kevin  
FRESHMAN

Ruda, Ryan  
FRESHMAN

Sears, Kenneth  
FRESHMAN

Vaughn, Travis  
FRESHMAN

Wiesner, Ryan  
FRESHMAN

Wiman, Aaron  
FRESHMAN

Zachman, Curtis  
FRESHMAN

Formoso, KS  
JUSTICE STUDIES

Hollenberg, KS  
RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGY

Selden, KS  
JUSTICE STUDIES

Hays, KS  
MARKETING

Lenexa, KS  
JUSTICE STUDIES

Sehles, KS  
PSYCHOLOGY

Shawnee Mission, KS  
ENGINEERING

Garden City, KS  
AGRICULTURE

Atwood, KS  
TECHNOLOGY STUDIES

Hays, KS  
MARKETING

Ludell, KS  
AGRICULTURE

Atwood, KS  
TECHNOLOGY STUDIES

Joes, CO  
AGRICULTURE

Rexford, KS  
TECHNOLOGY STUDIES

Garden City, KS  
AGRICULTURE

Olathe, KS  
TECHNOLOGY STUDIES

Dodge City, KS  
MARKETING

Sigman Sigman Sigman - ΣΣΣ

Founded: Longwood College  
April 20, 1898

Philanthropy:  
Robbie Paige Memorial

Flower: Purple Violet

Colors: Royal Purple and White

Founders:
Margaret Batten ↔ Louise Dins
Martha Featherston ↔ Isabella Merrick
Sally Michie ↔ Leila Scott
Elizabeth Watkins ↔ Lucy Wright

TKE

Founded: Illinois Wesleyan University  
January 10, 1899

Philanthropy:
Special Olympics

Flowers: Red Carnation

Colors: Cherry and Gray

Founders:
Roy C. Arkinson ↔ Clarence A. Mayer
James C. McNutt ↔ Joseph L. Settles
Owen L. Truitt
Some students might have heard about the Kelly Center and wondered what it was about. It had been a lot of things, but to Eddie Tejeda, coordinator of Academic Support Programs, it was a job. Tejeda’s sector of the Kelly Center specialized in the organization of small group and one-on-one tutoring.

“We focus on the new students ... (because) if you make it to your sophomore year, the best thing about being a sophomore is that there’s a real good probability you’re going to be a junior. The real good thing about being a junior is you’re probably going to be a senior. If you’re a senior, then you’re probably going to graduate. For 75%, or 3 out of 4 students it’s a transition issue. How you make the transition both inside and outside of the classroom is an adjustment to what college is about, generally and specifically,” Tejeda said. “The academics, doing the coursework and making the grade, gets back to transition and adjustment. If they’re not adjusting, it hits back to the coursework and grades. We try to address (that) issue by providing individual and small group tutoring.”

“All of our tutors and graduate students have ‘been there and done that,’” Tejeda said. He felt that experience offered two advantages. First, the tutors had been in the specific course under a specific instructor, so they could relate to the student. The other advantage was that the tutors had also been through the “transition and adjustment” to college life, if not personally, they usually knew of somebody who did. “Hopefully the students can relate back and forth. Students are getting help and students are providing help.”

“Any student we help, we encourage them to do two things. The first thing is to work with the professor. Sometimes they may be reluctant to do that, though. The second is to make a connection with fellow students in their class. Then they can develop friendships in the classroom and maybe study together. This will have a positive effect on the coursework and grades, and a positive effect on the transition and adjustment.”

Tejeda said there were four different categories students would classify in. The first was the transition and adjustment which made up about 25-35% of the new students and varied in degree. The second group were individuals that had “just skated by” in high school. The third group was the “individual that just learns differently to the extent he or she just studies, learns, and prepares for tests differently.” The last group were those with physical and mental learning disabilities.

Tejeda said they usually had about 15 to 17 undergraduate students and one or two graduate students working with him. When a student needed help, they could do one of two things; “They can call and tell us who they are taking a course from and then set up an appointment or they can just walk right up here and say they are having trouble. Some students may never even have to come up here. They are told in class about a small group session,” Tejeda said.

“Some people do both, they get the individual help as well as small group help in one course, or get small group help in one course and individual help in another,” Tejeda said.

Tejeda had been at the University for nine years, and he said there were two aspects he liked most about his job. “Hopefully (we are) giving the real opportunity for students in transition and making the adjustment to fit in here. I dearly love working with the students, graduate students, and faculty. Although they have got their own coursework and lives, they care—care about seeing students succeed. The only thing I don’t like is that I think we have an excellent committed staff here and at the Kelly Center. We give wonderful support and (students) don’t take advantage of it. Not having the chance to work with the students,” Tejeda said. “We are going to make a real good effort next year to help students make the connection (with the himself and the Kelly Center); and, hopefully, they will see us as a good partner in their succeeding at the University. We have a good program to help students succeed.”
Eddie Tejeda's favorite aspect of his job is working with the students, tutors and clients. "I enjoy seeing the 'lights' go on," he said. Students could either get help one-on-one or in small groups.

Eddie Tejeda, Coordinator of Student Services, is an employee of the Kelly Center. The Kelly Center offered a broad range of free services to University students. Some of these included academic support and alcohol and drug prevention programs.

Tejeda watches videos to prepare for a meeting with a student. In the next few years the Kelly Center will incorporate visual and multimedia effects into their services. These will be used to "give the programs more color instead of being black and white," Tejeda said.
Olympic gold medal winner Michael Johnson has what track coaches call speed endurance—the ability to carry top speed. He proved he had endurance-plus. Johnson won an unprecedented double win in the Summer Olympics in Atlanta; he won the 200 and 400 meter races.

The New York Yankees brought a world championship back to the Bronx by edging the defending champion Atlanta Braves 3-2 in Game six of the World Series. This was the first championship for the Yankees since 1978, and their 23rd overall.

A deadly explosion disrupted the Olympic games. A pipe bomb packed with nails exploded in the crowded Centennial Olympic Park. More than 100 people were injured and, as the school year opened, nobody was charged with the crime.
It was late in the third quarter when Desmond Howard of the Green Bay Packers returned his first NFL kick off for a touchdown. And it was a whopper — a 99-yard return for the longest kick-off return in Super Bowl history. The Packers went on to beat the New England Patriots 35-21 in Super Bowl XXXI.
Gore maintained a strong and consistent lead in the polls during their campaign for four more years in the White House. The Democratic team campaigned on a "four more years" platform that featured a strong economy and a lower crime rate. During his first term, Clinton formed a close partnership with Gore, who served as confidante and advisor.

Hillary Rodham Clinton addresses the Democratic National Convention in Chicago. The 48-year-old First Lady championed the massive healthcare reform plan, but it never became law. Nevertheless, Mrs. Clinton pushed ahead and had a long history of work on children's issues.

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For the first time in its history, the House of Representatives voted to reprimand and fine its speaker for bringing discredit on the House. The House Ethics Committee ruled that House Speaker Newt Gingrich was involved in using tax-exempt foundation money for his political ends.

Months after TWA Flight 800 exploded in midair in the summer of 1996, investigators were still searching for a cause. The Boeing 747 jumbo jet plunged into the Atlantic ocean near Long Island, N.Y., minutes after taking off from Kennedy International Airport for Paris. All 230 people on board were killed.

Shannon Lucid is a new world record holder. The 53-year-old shuttle astronaut veteran set the women’s record for consecutive days in orbit — 188 — beating Russian cosmonaut Elena Kondakova. She also amassed 223 days in orbit since 1995, making her America’s most experienced astronaut.
The "Macarena" hit all the charts – from Latin to pop – and enlivened dance floors all over the world. The song was first released three years ago and became a big hit in Spain. Then someone had the bright idea to market the song internationally. Numerous "Mararena" versions have added variations to the basic moves of the dance, which requires a 360° turn to be completed in four jumps to the right.

George Strait began recording hit songs 25 years ago and he is still at it. Each one of his more than 20 albums for MCA records went at least gold, and his total sales reached almost 30 million albums. His hit "Blue Clear Sky," was well on its way to gold sales. As one critic said, "Blue Clear Sky" carries on the tradition of excellence in country music with a collection of performances that continue to make George Strait the definition of country music.

Three years ago Jewel was a fledgling singer-songwriter living on carrots and peanut butter sandwiches. The 22-year-old performer from Alaska was a smashing success. Her debut album of bittersweet folk songs, "Pieces of You," went platinum. Jewel sang many of the songs of the album in a crystalline voice while playing her acoustic guitar.
Celine Dion had the impossible good fortune of taking two movie songs—“Beauty and the Beast” from the movie of the same name, and “Because You Loved Me,” from “Up Close and Personal,” and took them to the top of the charts. The Canadian performer had a dynamic voice that took the most modest material to a level above. Her latest release, “Falling Into You” was a runaway hit.

Toni Braxton, rhythm and blues singer, hit the charts three years ago and has not left. Her latest hit album, “Secrets,” blended her rich, smooth voice with a versatility that continued to grow with each new hit. “Secrets” had the firepower to carry Braxton to the top.
To further their skills and knowledge in their specialized areas, students grouped together with others who shared their interests and goals, forming campus organizations. Groups like these were visible on campus nearly every day. They held fundraisers, awareness events and recreational activities. Valuable lessons were learned, preparing students for the day they would wake up and find themselves facing the realities of a career.

Wearing the hat that earned him the nickname "Jester," J.J. Rupe, Hutchinson senior, plays the guitar with the pep band at the last home basketball game. Rupe's nickname was given to him by his brothers in Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, the men's music honorary. Kent Schauster, Great Bend freshman, a.k.a "Stickpig," and Corey Sinclair, Osawatomie sophomore, also contributed to the band.
performing is a key element for members of the Rodeo Team. Darcy Schneider, Hays junior, barrel raced competitively. The Rodeo Team was a part of the Rodeo Club.

From humble beginnings just a few years ago, the Men’s Volleyball Club rose up to claim a national ranking in competition, all while having fun.

For the Student Government Association, it was not just another year. Along with the usual allocations debates, SGA updated its Constitution.

Helping others to make mature decisions when dealing with alcohol, these two groups helped to bring the Jeep/Eagle Health and Fitness Tour to the University.

Spreading information through campus television and radio, student workers at station KFHS gave the news while learning how to run cameras, microphones and other equipment.
FOCUSING ON

Accounting Club


Agnew Hall Council


Agnew Hall Staff

organizations

**Alpha Epsilon Rho**
(Broadcasting Honorary)


**Alpha Kappa Psi**
(Business Honorary)


**Alpha Kappa Psi Pledges**

*Front Row:* Aynalem Eulert, Michelle Hattrup, Beth Schaller.  *Back Row:* Carla Sucht, Ronald Chartier, Jacque Vice, Corrina Orr.
JODY Hall, Sylvia sophomore, types up a bill for the University Leader. Hall was the Business Manager for both the Reveille and the Leader. Most students devoted their time to only one publication, but six students were on both Reveille and Leader staffs.

DEVIN Strecker, Hays sophomore, designs a page for the Reveille during a worknight. Each of the publications held worknights two nights each week. Worknights occasionally lasted until the early hours of the morning.
For the student publication staffs, it was all about overcoming the odds.

Marc Menard, Hays senior, was selected to serve as editor-in-chief of the University Leader, the student newspaper, for the fall semester. During the summer, Menard became sick and was hospitalized after a kidney transplant failed. While Menard was out, Janella Mildrexler, Colby graduate student, volunteered to serve as editor. After Menard was well enough, he came back. However, the hectic schedule and late nights were more than Menard's health could handle, and he stepped down, leaving the position open for Jennifer Burkhart, Spearville junior.

"I stepped up from being the sports editor and offered my skills and knowledge to be editor," Burkhart said. "I didn't think the transition was too tough."

Burkhart had been the editor of the Dodge City Community College magazine before coming to the university to be sports editor.

"I think things are going well for us. We've been meeting our deadlines, and we haven't had to stay past 1 a.m. when we've had work nights," Burkhart said.

The staff of the student yearbook, Reveille, had only two members returning from the previous year, and the rest of the staff were newcomers. Rather than letting that be a disadvantage, editor-in-chief Jessica Smith, Salina sophomore, and managing editor Devin Strecker, Hays sophomore, turned it into an advantage.

"There was a variety of new ideas and a lot of enthusiasm since this was the first year most of the staff members had ever worked on a college yearbook," Smith said.

The new staff took a fresh look at the publication. The fact that a new yearbook company was used meant everyone could learn together, and it gave a whole new perspective to the book. Another change was sending the yearbook on computer disks.

"The decision to change companies was made in the spring of '96. We wanted the Reveille to be completely computerized and submitted on disk, and Jostens offered us the program we wanted," Smith said.

On top of having a new staff and company, the Reveille was also under a new adviser, Andy Stanton, Logan graduate student. Stanton served on the Reveille staff three years as an undergraduate, and had been editor of the 1993 yearbook.
**FOCUSING ON**

**Alpha Lamda Delta**  
(Freshman Honor Society)  

**Alpha Psi Omega**  
(Drama Honorary)  

**AmeriCorps**  
Front Row: Linda Mills, Carla Warriner, Carrie Cleveland, Sarah Perez, Melissa Weaver, Laurie Bean, Dan Kahl. Back Row: Patricia Duffey, Matt Warriner, Jaime Woods, Nicole Schafer, Terran Kallam, Lori Spittles, Dina Ross.
Association of Radiologic Technology Students

Boost Alcohol
Consciousness Concerning the Health of University Students

Black Student Union
FOCUSING ON

Block and Bridle

Catholic Campus Center

Chemistry Club
Organizations

Collegiate Music Educator National Conference

Communication Club

Creative Arts Society
Front Row: Kathleen Kuchar, Laura Wilson, Justin Deges, Melissa Nowak.
FOCUSING ON

Custer/McGrath Hall Council


Custer/McGrath Hall Staff


Debate/Pi Kappa Delta

organizations

Delta Tau Alpha
(Agriculture Honorary)

Data Information Systems Club
Front Row: Jenny Liss, Mindy Towns, Jan Hubbell, Gayla Huhl. Back Row: Aynalem Eulert, Jim Rucker, Karlyn Osthoff, Clint Steiner, Chad Heinz, Leland Befort, June Grumbien, Sam Nataraj.

Disabled Students Association
FOCUSING ON

English Club


Epsilon Pi Tau
(Industrial Education Honorary)


FHSU Players

organizations

FHSU Volleyball Club

Financial Management Association

Greeks Advocating Mature Management of Alcohol
FOCUSING ON

Graduate Assistants of Students of Psychology
Sylvia Trevino, Lisa Litchman.

Hispanic American Leadership Organization

Interfraternity Council
Front Row: Corey Bandel, Ryan Wiesner, Ryan Ruda. Back Row: Jeff Rall, Craig Miller, Ryan Robl.
organizations

International Student Union

Kappa Mu Epsilon
(Mathematics Honorary)

Kansas Student National Education Association
SETTING up for a play is club member Paul Murray, Dalhart, Tex., senior. The volleyball club was began by a group of friends who just wanted to have a good time. As the team got older, they learned more about the sport and improved their winning record.

WAITING for the ball to come his way, Kevin Holsh, Washington Junior, takes his position. Although the volleyball club was in its first year of existence, they placed 17th in National Competition. This ranking was out of 110 teams.

COOPERATION is key for Nate Keller, Quinter sophomore, and Paul Murray, Dalhart, Tex., senior. Members worked together on and off the court. Some members of the volleyball club lived off-campus together, with the message, "you have reached the house of the (University) Men's Volleyball Club," on the answering machine.
They started small. In the fall, there were just a few practices, a few games. But then the spring came around the corner. Before they even knew what was happening, they headed to Arizona for national competition and were ranked sixth out of 110 teams. The group? The men's volleyball club.

"During the fall, we play just a little schedule," Trent Herrman, Garden City senior, said. "We try to play the Kansas schools: University of Kansas, Kansas State, Wichita State. During the spring we go to bigger things to get ready for Nationals."

The club began four years ago and has attracted recruits from Kansas and other states ever since.

"I came over after Hays had had a team for two years," Harvey Sanders, Salem, Ohio senior, said. "I was pretty much the first big recruit they had. This year, we had one kid, Brandon Engelsman from Denver, Colo., who was a good help for us." Sanders previously played volleyball at Kansas State University.

"Our first year (as the men's volleyball club) we played strictly for fun," Paul Murray, Dalhart, Texas senior, said. "We weren't very good at all. We just played to have fun and learn about the game. Now we're much better; we still have a good time with each other but we play much better."

Not only was the caliber of play improving, but also was getting funding for the men to attend tournaments and games.

"We get a little funding from (Student Government Association), but it's barely enough to scratch the surface. We make the majority of our money ourselves by selling programs or hosting tournaments," Murray said.

"Next year we hope to host a large tournament with 24-50 teams. That would be our funding for the next three years."

Besides trying to host a large scale tournament at the University, Men's Volleyball Club also tried to help begin a women's counterpart.

"We've been trying to start a women's club for a few years, but it kept falling through," Herrman said. "It finally started this year."

"There was just no interest in a women's club," Murray said. "Now there is one, but they only have about eight players and have had some injuries, which has hurt them."

The hurt carried through to the men's club at national competition in Tucson, Ariz. Going into the tournament ranked sixth, the club had a few problems.

"We finished seventeenth of 110 teams," Murray said. "We ranked sixth going in, but we kinda fell apart."

"There aren't many Division II schools in this area, so we play Division I schools. It makes our win-loss record look bad," Murray said.
Knights Reserved for Evening Walkers
Front Row: Noalee McDonald, Randy Hiyane.
Back Row: Jennifer Johnson, Jeanne Johnson, Ryan Dodd.

Leadership Studies Association

Mat Cats
organizations

McMindes Hall Council


McMindes Hall Staff


Mortar Board

FOCUSING ON

National Agriculture Marketing Association


National Residence Hall Honorary

Front Row: Lisa Purcell, Tiffany Jones. Back Row: Craig Toews, Mike Ediger.

National Student Speech/ Language/Hearing Association

Order of Omega


Panhellenic Council


Phi Alpha Theta

(History Honorary)

The Student Government Association made many accomplishments around campus, but perhaps most importantly, they adopted a new constitution for the University. The document, passed by the students in January, was meant to update the original constitution.

"It was a long time coming," Terran Kallam, Hays senior and Student Senator, said. "There were just a lot of little things that needed updated."

A major aspect of the new constitution was the way the senate was made up. The new constitution provided for senators from organizations as well as departments. The change was made too late to go into effect during the school year, but was planned to begin the following year.

"I think it (will be) kind of a balance; we have a student house and a senate, but all in one body," Chad Nelson, Lincoln senior, said. Nelson served as president of SGA.

Besides the adoption of a new constitution, several other milestones were reached by the group of senators.

SGA also worked on promoting a safer campus. Not only did they install more lighting on campus, but they also worked to make students' social security numbers less accessible to others.

Allocations, the process in which SGA awarded campus organizations with money from student funds, saw a heated competition. Several groups represented themselves at the meeting which dealt with allocations.

"I was really proud of the job we did this year, I think we did a very good job representing our constituents," Pollman said. "I think the student's voices were heard."
SGA senators wrapped the year up at Dr. Hammond's house. Each senator had represented a total of 130 students within their respective departments. The new constitution, which was adopted in January, changed the way students were represented, giving student organizations senate seats.

MEGAN Carlini, Wichita freshman, Katy Friedrichs, Cheyenne Wells, Colo. sophomore, Chris Meiers, Hays senior, Molly Bricher, Ellsworth freshman, and President Edward Hammond wait in line for food. The group gathered one last time at Hammond's house for a barbeque.

CHAD Nelson, Lincoln senior, served as SGA president with Terry Bruce, Pretty Prairie junior, as his vice-president. Bruce was voted as the following year's president in the campus elections on April 8 and 9. Bruce's running mate was Suzanne Pollman, Topeka junior.
FOCUSED ON

**Phi Eta Sigma**
(Freshman Honorary)

**Phi Epsilon Kappa**
(Health & Human Performance Honorary)

**Physical Therapy Club**

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Pi Omega Pi

Psychology Club

Rodeo Club
FOCUSING ON

Rodeo Team


Sigma Alpha Iota
(Women's Music Fraternity)


Sigma Tau Delta
(English Honorary)

organizations

Student Alumni Association


Student Government Association


Spurs


Organizations * 207
A common myth around campus was that BACCHUS (Boost Alcohol Consciousness Concerning the Health of University Students) and GAMMA (Greeks Advocating Mature Management of Alcohol) were the anti-drinking organizations. The truth was, these groups were not against drinking itself, their purpose was to educate others on the dangers which came with drinking. These two different organizations both worked together to achieve a common goal.

At the football games, members tossed miniature footballs out into the crowd with each Tiger touchdown to promote awareness of the groups. As a fundraiser, the groups held a pancake feed at the Golden Q, 809 Ash. The profits were set aside for a trip to the National BACCHUS/GAMMA conference in Orlando, Fla. Four members from the organizations attended the conference along with six members of Tiger By The Tale, the peer theatre group which shares the same alcohol awareness message.

“All three groups worked together for the same goal, but in different ways,” Jim Nugent, coordinator of drug, alcohol, wellness network and sponsor of BACCHUS and GAMMA, said.

In the fall semester, a display was made and exhibited on the quad for all students to see, as part of National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week. The crashed car surrounded by white crosses was a symbol representing all those who have died in alcohol-related automobile accidents.

“The Alcohol Awareness Week was our biggest effort, and it was very successful,” Nugent said. On October 24, a candlelight vigil was held in front of the Memorial Union to commemorate the victims of drunk driving accidents in the past year.

“When you consider all the effects, there were 107 deaths in Kansas and 2,750 injuries,” Jenna Winterberg, Overland Park junior, said. Winterberg was the president of GAMMA.

Both groups had fundraising booths at Oktoberfest. BACCHUS sold “Buds for Life” mugs, offering hot chocolate to fill them up with as an alternative to alcohol. GAMMA sold condom roses and different types of coffee.

In the spring, a more positive approach was taken to inform students of healthy choices. BACCHUS brought the Collegiate Health and Fitness tour to campus. Among other activities in the tour, BACCHUS presented an alcohol IQ test for the students to take.

“The health and fitness fair was definitely the highlight of the year,” Nugent said. “It was the crowning glory of any year, and we really hope to get them back again next year.”
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—Jim Nugent, coordinator of drug, alcohol, wellness network

SLAM! Chuck Bisby, Hays sophomore, slaps around Barry Wolf, Olathe senior, in a Bouncy Boxing match during the Plymouth Jeep Eagle Health and Fitness tour. The tour ended with it's stop at the University. BACCHUS and GAMMA had tables set up to promote healthy lifestyles, and they also sponsored a seat belt relay.
FOCUSING ON

Technology Education Collegiate Association


Tiger by the Tale


University Activities Board


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VIP Student Ambassadors


Wiest Hall Council


Wiest Hall Staff


Organizations
Rolling into its place on the University was a brand new club. While most students and faculty took in-line skating as just something to do on a sunny afternoon, these club members were serious about their sport. Well, mostly serious.

"We were terrible at everything sport, so we went to hockey," Hunter McMillian, Clearwater junior, said.

McMillian was a self-proclaimed "founding father" of the club, but his interest in hockey began long before the club came into reality.

"Hockey came to Wichita and we all started liking it," McMillian said. "That (year) we all got blades for Christmas."

"A few years back a small handful of guys played hockey whenever we could," Ryan Achilles, Hesston senior, said.

"More and more people joined and... last year we went to the Student Organization Committee and were recognized as an official student organization."

The official roller hockey club began this year, but its members hosted a roller hockey tournament in fall 1995.

"Hunter and I put on the first tourney... in the Wiest Hall parking lot," Tyson Baize, Hutchinson senior, said.

"We had six teams and it was an all-day event."

Now the club was on its own and having practices and games.

"We practiced two or three times per week," Achilles said. "We usually practiced at Roosevelt Elementary school, but when the ice (on Big Creek) was frozen solid enough to skate on, we were there."

As far as actual roller hockey competitions, the club had a few, all of which they had to travel to different towns.

"Last semester we went to Salina and played a team from Wichita," Achilles said. "We went to Wichita and played Wichita State and then to Wichita again to play Pittsburgh State. We played in a tournament in Joplin, Mo, where we placed third out of four teams."

The club had a record of 1-2 in their games excluding the tournament, but winning games wasn't the only goal the club members had in mind.

"One of our goals was to get away from school and stress and everything," Craig Toews, Salina senior, said. "We all work together (in Wiest Hall) and it was a good social break."
CLUB members race each other to get ahead during a hockey practice. Although the idea for the club had been tossed around for some time, a group of men formed the official club this year. "I was a founding father of the roller hockey club," Hunter McMillian, Clearwater junior, said proudly.

Mark Bowers

TRYING to slide the ball into the net, a roller hockey club member practices his shot. The club was a way for members to unwind from everyday life. It was also a way for students to meet new people while "having fun and getting a good workout," Craig Toews, Salina senior, said.

Mark Bowers
Kandi Jo Jackson, Hill City senior, gets the show rolling. The event was not only a fundraiser for KFHS, but also was a program to air while the workers were in Chicago at the National Broadcasting Conference. The show was taped and aired many times on local cable television.
Celebrities on campus. That's exactly what some students were because of their work on the campus radio and television station, KFHS.

KFHS provided news, sports and weather reports, as well as a morning talk radio show. All programs were student run, from the anchor positions to the camera operators. Students also assigned stories and produced the newscasts.

"It usually takes about five hours to produce a 15 minute newscast," Mitch Weber, KFHS news assignment editor, said. "And that's taking into consideration all the stories are done and the editing and stuff."

KFHS and the local chapter of the National Broadcasting Society (NBS) worked closely with each other. Many NBS members were involved with producing programs for KFHS. The two groups held a fund-raiser together, along with Alpha Epsilon Rho (AER), the broadcasting honorary society. The event, dubbed 'Get Lucky,' was a spoof of the hit MTV show 'Singled Out.'

"(Get Lucky') was an NBS/AER fund-raiser we did, mostly for the fun and experience," Barry Wolf, KFHS news anchor, said.

The fund-raiser was taped and aired on local cable television. Proceeds went towards a trip to Chicago which NBS members and KFHS workers took for the national conference.

"(The trip to Chicago) showed me what I need to get to the next level (of broadcasting)," Wolf, Olathe junior, said.

Going to Chicago was not only a learning experience for the 12 individuals and two advisors that attended, but also for KFHS as a whole.

"We didn't submit anything for awards," Weber, Junction City sophomore, said. "We took a year off so we could get a feel for things. A lot of people who went are returning (next year), so we saw what we'll be up against. If we give it our all we should be able to win some awards."

Designer/Writer: Jessica Smith
RYAN Dodd, Linn freshman, Lea Hess, Smith Center freshman, Tammy Reif, Great Bend freshman, and Monica Cook, Bunker Hill freshman, begin their journey walking out of McMindes Hall. Dodd and Reif were KREW volunteers and escorted students across campus to night classes and the like. KREW did not receive a vast amount of students wanting help, but they continued to offer their services.

GETTING ready to serve her volunteer hours for KREW, Jennifer Johnson, Atchison freshman, settles in at the table. KREW, from the acronym Knights Reserved for Evening Walkers, provided company for students who did not want to walk across campus during the evening. Volunteers sat at a table in McMindes Hall until a student wanted an escort.
KREW
FOCUSING
on safety

It wasn't a rowing club. Rather, KREW was for walkers, specifically, walkers who wanted an escort across campus during the evenings.

KREW stood for Knights Reserved for Evening Walkers. KREW was made up of volunteers who walked students and staff to and from campus, to their cars, dorms, classes, campus buildings, fraternities and sororities.

"We walk students that don't want to walk by themselves after dark. It's kind of a buddy system," Jeanne Johnson, Atchison junior, KREW coordinator, said.

This organization was started in the spring of 1996. There were four coordinators that were paid. They were the ones responsible for answering the phones and sending out volunteer walkers. They usually sent out pairs to answer each call, a male and female. The volunteers each worked four hour shifts a night, from 6 p.m. to 2 a.m. The KREW desk was located in front of the McMrides Cafeteria. KREW also sponsored a reception once a month for the volunteers who had worked that month.

KREW members helped provide a safe campus for all students and faculty.

ANSWERING a call, KREW volunteer Ryan Dodd, Linn freshman, listens to see if the caller needs an escort. KREW walkers had a table by the McMrides Hall cafeteria which they manned nightly. If someone wanted an escort, they called or stopped by the table for help.

WALKING through campus, Holly Ney, Hanston freshman, Toni Brown, Ford sophomore, and Dennis Henry, Wellington sophomore, keep each other safe. Both Ney and Henry were KREW volunteers. When a student called KREW for an escort, two volunteers were provided, one male and one female.
DENVER had lots to offer the Management and Marketing club by way of the corporate world. "I joined the club (in part) because I knew they would be taking a trip and I thought it would be a good opportunity to make contacts," Chris Tully, Cimarron junior, said.

COORS Brewery, in Golden, Colo., was just one of the corporations the group toured. After touring the brewery, the group toured the Coors stadium. "After the tour, we took in a Braves vs. Rockies game," said Curtis Zachman, Dodge City Senior, said.

"I switched (majors) to Marketing and decided to join the club because some of my friends were in it and said it was a good opportunity, and a lot of fun, plus I wanted to go on the trip to Denver. Through the club, I got an internship with a local employer."

-Chris Tully, Cimarron junior

AVOIDING the cliché "all work and no play," the club relaxed while watching a baseball game at Coors Stadium. "We took the tour of the stadium from a managing perspective," Jodie Gross, Hays junior, said. The trip to Denver lasted two days.
Beer, bombs, and baseball were the prevailing icons in the Management and Marketing club's year-end field trip. Twelve students and two sponsors from the organization drove to Denver for a weekend, where they visited several corporations, including the Coors Brewery and Lockheed Martin, a manufacturer of missiles. For entertainment, the group took in a baseball game in the Coors stadium after receiving the grand tour of the stadium from a management perspective.

"The first firm we toured was MCI High Performance," Patrick Meier, Hays junior. "We mainly talked with the people in charge of incentives and promotions."

"The main intent of the trip was to get out into the corporate world and get an idea of what it's like," Jodie Gross, Hays junior, said. Gross served as the group's president. "We voted on what businesses we wanted to tour, and I think we had a very good trip. We took some very interesting tours of quality businesses."

In order to raise funds for the trip, the group sold lollipops. "We made about $326 in profit from the sucker sales," Gross said.

In addition to the trip to Denver, the group also held meetings every other week. "We keep members updated on jobs and career opportunities in the field," Meier said.

"We had a lot of guest speakers come in and talk to us," Curtis Zachman, Dodge City senior, said. "The manager of Applebee's came in and told us a little about their philosophy and how they work."

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The group also had a booth at Oktoberfest which was a coin toss. The prizes were donated by such corporations as Coors and Coke, as well as local businesses.

"I joined the club to meet people in my major, and become more familiar with the students and professors on a personal level," Zachman said. "Through the club, I get outside knowledge as well as leadership skills."
"We had a good year, we increased our membership from about eighteen to thirty, and we hope to keep that momentum up into next year."

-Tom Wapp, Frankfort senior, NAMA president

AT the NAMA end-of-the-year picnic, Chad Brummer, Tipton senior, waits as John Minet, Ingalls senior, prepares hamburgers on the grill. The gathering was held at Minet's house. The group's proposed "meat extender" was not used in the hamburgers served at the picnic.

What Is NAMA?
The National Agri-Marketing Association was an organization of professionals and students involved in agriculture, marketing, sales, journalism, and other related areas.
Down was the name of the game at NAMA's picnic at the year's end. Dr Brent Spaulding, advisor, Tammy Gerlits, Lenora senior, Clint Shapland, Dighton senior, and Kelley Paikowitz fill their plates. "The year went pretty good, we had a good time doing things together," Shapland said.

NAMA's successful year of increases in membership and activities was mirrored by their marketing project, a proposed meat extender which would be added to hamburger to reduce fat and cholesterol while increasing flavor. The agri-business organization's membership was extended from about 18 members last year to a grand total of 30 members, and more events were held.

One of the activities NAMA conducted was the Mentor Program, which helped members go out into the industry for a day and experience hands-on lessons in the field of their choice.

Tammy Gerlits, Lenora senior, spent her time in the Mentor Program at DACO Commodities, 2703 Hall. "I watched the markets on the computer, learned how to chart different commodities, and I called in a trade to the Chicago Board of Trade," Gerlits said.

"I went to Bank IV in Goodland and spent the afternoon with the bank's president. We visited about the industry, possible careers, and his daily activities," Troy Laughlin, Goodland freshman.

"It definitely helped me. I learned the steps involved in the process of entering into a career."

According to Brent Spaulding, associate professor of agriculture and NAMA advisor, "our chapter sent six people to the national convention to compete in the marketing competition." The students traveled to Nashville, Tenn, and gave their presentation on the meat extender in front of an imaginary board of advisors and were judged.

"We didn't advance to the finals, but if we did we would have competed with schools such as Texas A&M, Cal-Poly, Florida, and Michigan State," Tom Wapp, Frankfort senior, said. "We did very well, since it was our first year at Nationals."

"The best thing this year was the trip to Nashville, meeting people out there in the industry who might be prospective employers," Laughlin said.

"We did a lot of little things this year, such as helping with the Endowment Association's telethon and Block and Bridle's Ag Awareness Day," Wapp said.

In addition, they sold t-shirts at their booth at Oktoberfest, and raffled off a limestone post.
Leading the way for the rest of the University, the Leadership Studies Association (LSA) came into existence and hosted an annual week the University could count on to help them develop leadership skills.

Leadership Studies Week (LSW), held April 28-May 2, was the biggest event LSA sponsored. The week began as LSA members talked to high school students about the association. Members also distributed information about their group by way of pamphlets and brochures at a booth in Memorial Union on Wednesday and Thursday of LSW. The articles included information about careers in leadership and the leadership curriculum at the University.

LSA, however, was not just trying to increase their membership by hosting their educational week. They wanted to help incoming and current University students increase their leadership skills in all areas of campus and community, such as sports and academic organizations, according to Melissa Severson, LSA president.

"Everyone can identify with at least one of the topics," Severson, Hays junior, said. "The purpose of LSA is to promote leadership development campus wide among all students," Curt Brungardt, director of leadership studies, said.

Wednesday night of LSW, a panel discussion was held in the Union for anyone who wanted to attend. Panel speakers included Wayne Billinger, Hays city commissioner; Keith Campbell, professor of sociology and social work; Bob Cortese, head university football coach; Myra Gordon, Kelly Center director; and Brungardt, director of leadership studies.

The speakers addressed such issues as team leadership, women in leadership and multicultural leadership, according to Severson.

"LSW went very well in building awareness for LSA on campus," Megan Carlini, Wichita freshman, said.

Leadership Week was not the only event campus leaders sponsored. Throughout the year, LSA hosted three major activities. Each activity corresponded to each of three different types of leadership awareness. The leadership week encouraged community leadership awareness, while a LSA member retreat early in the school year focused on individual leadership awareness. The retreat gave members a chance to get to know each other through the Project Adventure program.

"Project Adventure was a motivator for us," Carlini said. "It got our group organized and when we went back to everyday life we were more cohesive. In essence, it was a team builder."

The third event LSA hosted was Koats for Kids, which collected coats for area children. This activity promoted campus leadership awareness.

"Koats for Kids' was our way of serving the community and focusing our work on the community, which is a big part of what we learn through LSA," Carlini said.
University Football Coach Bob Cortese shares his thoughts on leadership during the Leadership Studies Association (LSA) panel discussion as part of leadership week. LSA began meeting this fall and saw their membership increase as interest grew in the Leadership Studies Program.

SPKAKERS Keith Campbell, sociology and social work instructor, Curt Brundgardt, director of leadership studies, Wayne Billinger, Hays City Commissioner, and Bob Cortese, head University football coach, listen attentively during the panel discussion. The discussion was the biggest event of Leadership Week. It was held on April 30 in the ballroom of Memorial Union and was open to anyone who wanted to attend.

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From the Editor...

I think I’d speak for the whole Reveille staff if I said ‘I can’t believe its over, but I’m glad.’ It seems like we just began work on this book, and even though I’m finishing up the last pages, I’m trying to think of a photo that’s not taken or a page that is not finished. But we’re done! And, of course, there are lots of people I want to thank.

First of all to my staff. I know you guys sometimes just wanted to be done forever with yearbook (I felt that way too every once in a while), but look at the great job we did! Courtney, I’ve always wanted to tell you I’m really proud you took it upon yourself to start scanning photos. Not only is it so much easier, but I was so glad you wanted to improve our quality by trying something new. I also want to thank Devin for helping me finish the organization pages that would not go away. I really did notice that you finished them without complaining, and I really appreciate that. I hope that I will see you next year. You do have talent; don’t let it go to waste. To Charri, Terran and Tara – I love you guys!! Thank you for all your hard work here in the office and the pep talks at home. I’m so proud of you all; I think you accomplished things you never thought possible (Charri and Tara finishing pages and Terran just graduating!). I will miss you all around the offices tremendously. Billi, Amy, Kari, thanks for always finishing your stories and never turning any new things down – even when you already had five stories assigned to you. Jody, thanks for keeping us out of debt. I’ll miss sitting through Student Pub Board meetings with you. Also, thank you so much for encouraging me to apply for 1998 Reveille Editor. I didn’t believe you, but I guess you were right, huh? Melissa, thanks for reading all the pages. I know you were very busy, but you did a good job for us. And Becky, the one who cannot write three sentence cutlines; great job on graduation cutlines! I was very proud.

One of my biggest thank-you’s is to Andy. I do not really know how to thank you. I was so happy and scared when you called me so long ago to offer me the position of Reveille Editor. The job has been so stressful, but I always knew I could count on you to listen to my problems or help out with the dirty work. I hope we’re working together next year; maybe we’ll receive yet another kind of proofs. Thank you for being there for me every step of the way. You have shown me leadership, people, and journalism skills that I know I will use throughout my entire career.

I also need to thank Nick Schwien. Even though I’m under strict orders to not put his name on this page, my acknowledgments would not be complete without him. I don’t think I need to tell you how much better you’ve made my life. You were always around to listen or pick me up from Picken when it was dark and I was too scared to walk home. You never complain, but I know how much you do for me, and how you give things up for me. I’ll never be able to thank you enough for not letting me listen to my doubts when I wanted to withdraw my application for ‘98 editor.

Of course there is not enough room to thank everyone I want to, (Derius, Trish, Sharon Martin, my family and my sorority sisters), but you all know how long winded I am.

My goal as Editor was to produce a book the students liked. I hope the student body enjoys this edition of the Reveille as much as I enjoyed putting it together. I’m sure we’ve messed something up, but I promise, we didn’t do it on purpose.

Jessica Smith
Reality

It was not as easy as we thought it would be, but it was a lot more fun. Our time at the University was full of accomplishments, but we also had our sorrows.

For Marc Menard, Engelwood, Colo., senior, graduation could not have come at a better time. Because of health problems and surgeries, Menard attended six colleges over a span of 18 years, but on graduation day he proudly received his diploma from the University.

Menard's successes were shadowed by the deaths of two University students, both Nursing majors. One, Mary C. Horinek, Phillipsburg senior, was killed when a blood clot formed in her lung the week before graduation. Horinek, or 'MaryC' as she was nicknamed, was to graduate May 17; instead, she was buried with the diploma she had worked so hard to receive.

Another death occurred May 17 when Celeste Fritz, Hildreth, Neb. freshman, was killed in an automobile accident. Fritz had completed her freshman year at the University as a Nursing major and member of the indoor track team.

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Morgan Press, Quinn senior and Hall, moved out of McMendes Hall. Students living in the residence halls were required to move out of their rooms by Friday night after finals week. No belongings could be left in the rooms, even if students planned on returning in the fall, because the halls were used to house people attending various camps held at the University in the summer.
accident occurred near Lawrence.

These tragedies brought to us the reality of life. The reality was that no matter how things were planned, they were always out of our hands.

Such was the case of the infamous Sternberg Museum. Because of funding difficulties, the slated opening date of Fall 1995 was far from being reached. Remodeling work was continuing as the school closed, with no new opening date set.

In other University improvements, work began to update Picken Hall. An addition was being added for handicap accessible restrooms and an elevator. A completion date was set for sometime in November.

No matter if we were most involved with academics, sports, organizations or just with our friends, the path we chose was our reality. And we realized it was up to us to make our reality better.

Writer/Designer: Jessica Smith

Climbing the wall, Courtney Taylor, Norton freshman, enjoys the events at the Health and Fitness Tour, while a worker watches to see who is next in line. The tour was at the University May 4th and 5th and was held in the quad. Besides wall climbing, the tour also offered boxing, bungee runs, jousting and a seat belt relay, as well as a chance to win two new cars.

Terran Kahim
Colophon

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Full color was used throughout signatures one and two. Each section had a flat of spot color; those used included were Pantone Maroon, Pantone Violet, Pantone Forest Green and Pantone Royal Blue.

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