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Gerald Tomanek, president of the university, along with other presidents and faculty members of Kansas Regents schools, listen intently during a Regents' board meeting Thursday afternoon in the Stouffer Lounge.

Photo by Don King

Homecoming lacks traditional concert

By LISHA BARKOW
Staff Writer

The traditional Homecoming has always been a fun-filled weekend. It all starts on Friday with some good old-fashioned German food, beer, and entertainment in the park. The mayhem continues on Saturday with a parade in the morning and the crowning of the queen at the game in the afternoon. Then it's all topped off with the excitement of a concert on Saturday evening.

This year, the tradition will be a bit different. The fun in the park, the parade, and the game will still be included in the weekend, but the concert has been postponed.

In an effort to provide a quality concert, the Memorial Union Activities Board found it beneficial to hold off on the concert until a bigger name band was available to play in Hays.

"There weren't any bands in the area that we felt were good enough for the ticket price," I.B. Dent, director of student activities, said. "If a good band doesn't have a reasonably close gig before and/or after they play here, it's hard to get them here unless you have tons of money."

Bids had been placed on two bands, one of which was outdone by Miami, and the second band cancelled their tour.

It's not only money that restricts big name bands from playing in Hays. Fort Hays State has a relatively small facility for a lot of bands.

Five to 10 years ago, Gross

own or touring with a bigger name band as an opening act. Most will go with opening for the larger bands because they get more exposure," Dent said. "The bigger bands are looking for a fairly decent opening act also to boost ticket sales."

The Homecoming activities that are in store will still provide plenty of fun and entertainment. While it will be an adjustment not having the concert in the same weekend, some students won't really mind the change.

"Sure it's kind of disappointing not having it all in the same weekend because it's such tradition. But there is so much to do that weekend, and least there is going to be a concert," Sherry Haynes, Salina junior, said.

"Homecoming is an awfully full weekend anyway. As long as it's a good concert, that's what counts," Paulette Dodd, Hill City senior, said.

The concert has been tentatively scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 25. The name of the band will be announced by MUAB as soon as negotiations have been settled. Memorial Coliseum was one of the larger concert facilities around, but since then much larger arenas have been built in the area.

"A lot of bands won't play less than 10,000 capacity," Dent said.

Gross Memorial seats up to 7,300.

Talks were made with some bands that were more at the mid-range level but were decided against.

"A lot of the bands we get have the choice of either touring on their

80 students leave Hays Monday

Career opportunity begins for teachers

By KRISTY LOVE
Staff Writer

Approximately 80 Fort Hays State students will be leaving school as of Monday.

No, they haven't flunked out. They will be student teachers in 19 schools across Kansas.

The student teachers will be learning how elementary and high school classrooms are run. They will begin by observing their supervising instructors, and will gradually assume all the responsibilities of a regular teacher.

All students majoring in education have to complete student teaching coursework before they can graduate. They must have a good grade point average, have completed a fairly extensive teacher's education

program, and pass preliminary tests in writing and language before they can be assigned to schools.

"I would estimate that all the student teachers going out this semester are in the upper 25 percent of their class," Richard Baker, professor of education, said. Baker is in charge of the student teacher program at FHSU.

Students who do not pass the criteria for fieldwork in teaching can retake the classes in which they did poorly or retake the preliminary tests and appeal the decision against their becoming student teachers.

The schools that students are assigned to generally have been taking students in for several years. They are chosen on the basis of their cumulative history, access to

communication lines needed to monitor the students, their willingness to have a student teacher in the system, and the capabilities of their instructors.

"A lot of times they take on a student teacher because they had it done to them sometime years ago. They feel like it's their obligation," Baker said.

Regular classroom teachers generally appreciate having student teachers. "It's like a breath of fresh air for them," Baker said. Teachers may begin to feel isolated in their careers. Student teachers can bring in new ideas and give a school district access to materials at the college that the district might not otherwise get.

Baker said that having a student teacher in the classroom does not

seem to affect the students' grades very much. "In spite of the teachers, kids seem to do pretty good," he said.

Student teachers remain in the classroom until the end of the semester. They are graded on their work, but receive no pay because it is illegal to pay student teachers.

Before students can get a paid teaching job, they must be certified. In order to do this they must take a test called the National Teachers Examination. The Kansas version of this test is offered two or three times a year on the FHSU campus.

Baker sees the student teaching program as a benefit to education graduates. "It's a good opportunity for them to learn how school systems function," he said.

Chairman of advisory council resigns under heat

By DAVID BURKE
Copy Editor

The chairman of the Kansas Student Advisory Council resigned yesterday, under pressure from pressure from other members.

The SAC also debated drug testing for athletes.

The council serves as a sounding board to the Board of Regents, expressing the views of the student bodies of the institutions. They met yesterday in conjunction with the Board of Regents meeting.

The council includes student body presidents of all six regents universities, as well as the Kansas Technical Institute.

The concept of a rotating chair was brought up by one of the board members. The conversation then progressed to the quality of the job done by the chair, Steven Johnson of Kansas State University.

For more than 45 minutes, the council debated a rotating chair, then whether Johnson should step down.

"There's problems with leadership in the SAC," Jeff Kahrs of Wichita State University said.

"SAC has gone from a unified body to one that has gone in all directions; Steven was elected when some of the members weren't here," David Epstein of the University of Kansas said.

The question of impeachment was brought up.

"From my understanding, we couldn't impeach you if we wanted to," Kahrs said.

"I guess what I want to know is why," Johnson said.

Johnson was told by some board members that a retreat earlier in the year was deemed ineffective. Issues were not discussed, they said.

Gene Casper, adviser to the committee on Johnson's behalf. He said that considering Johnson was sent into his first meeting with no experience, he had done well.

"In Steve's defense, I say he's done a hell of a job," Gene Casper, adviser to the council, said. "We're

too busy looking at our navels, and not what the problems are."

"I think the group could have greater potential," Kevin Amack, Fort Hays State student body president said at the meeting. "I'm not sure what, but we need leadership in the right direction."

"I think we've got a great deal of animosity here," Steve Collins of KTI said.

After debate had subsided, Johnson asked for nominations for the new chair. Epstein was the only nominee, and was elected by a unanimous vote.

Amack said after the meeting that he was satisfied with the change in leadership.

"I feel a more positive sense of direction. I feel that a change was needed in the leadership," Amack said.

"The committee will be more effective in working for state issues, and more effective at the state level."

"The animosity was too strong for committee progress," Amack said. "The old members were not willing to cooperate with the new chair."

As for the drug testing, Amack said the council is preparing a position paper for the drug testing of athletes.

"You wonder if next year they'll test for people on financial aid; then next for everyone," Amack said at the Student Government Association meeting last night.

Results announced in SGA senate race

The election of five new senators was announced last night at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Student Government Association's student senate.

The newly elected senators include: J.D. Belfort, Hays senior, at large; Curtis Pahls, Tipton senior, education; Ted Bannister, Hays freshman, and David Anne Brewer, Dodge City junior, general studies; and Lola Windes, nursing.

The senate disapproved a resolution asking that graduate teaching assistants be permitted to purchase faculty-staff parking permits. The resolution received 13 yes votes, six no votes, and three abstentions. The 13 yes votes were not enough to give the resolution the necessary two-thirds majority approval.

The resolution was presented by the senate affairs committee. Eric Krug, Great Bend senior, argued for the proposal.

Krug said that in the past, faculty-staff permits had been issued to graduate assistants. He said that since graduate assistants are paid positions like other teachers, and since they receive no academic credit, they deserve the permits.

In other business, appointments to the student-faculty committee were approved unanimously.

Mark Tallman, Associated Students of Kansas legislative assistant and FHSU graduate, spoke on issues facing ASK this year.

Tallman and the other guests were on campus for this month's Board of Regents meeting yesterday and today.

Board of Regents receives sight-seeing tour of campus

Fort Hays State showed off yesterday for the Kansas Board of Regents. Regents members Richard Reinhardt and Bill Roy were given a tour of the campus by Dale Johansen, vice president of administration and finance.

The tour began at the Memorial Union. Johansen took the Regent members to Davis Hall, where he explained the renovations under the energy conservation fund. He also explained the computing center in Martin Allen Hall.

Johansen pointed out that Rarick Hall is the first university building in the state of Kansas with solar heating. He estimated that the members that this cuts heating bills for the building by about 40 percent. Johansen explained to the

members that all administrative offices are located in Picken Hall. He said that a 10-year building program sent one month ago includes plans to renovate Picken Hall for the business department after Sheridan renovations are completed.

The Regents members were shown the inside of Sheridan Coliseum, and Johansen explained that it will be changed into a performing arts center which will seat 1,105. He told the Regents that five years ago, tests were done on the hall to find out if it is solid. It was determined that it would be cheaper to remodel Sheridan than to build a new hall.

The tour ended at Sternberg Museum. Johansen said eventually the building by about 40 percent. Johansen explained to the

Bloodmobile works for 200-pint goal

The Red Cross Bloodmobile will be at Fort Hays State from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 30, in the Memorial Union.

The Bloodmobile is being sponsored by the Alpha Kappa Psi fraternity. "We do this every semester as a service project for the fraternity," Linda Stimpert, Kingsdown senior and sign-up volunteer, said.

"Our goal is to get 200 bags of blood," Betty Schlegel, executive

secretary of the Ellis County Chapter of Red Cross said.

Kathy Douglas, director of student health, encourages people to donate blood. "It's only a pint of blood, and there are no long term effects," Douglas said.

She also said there is no way a person can get AIDS from donating blood.

Douglas said there are many benefits to giving blood. "Someday you may need blood,

and it may be Red Cross blood that you will receive. Also, when a person receives Red Cross blood, they are not charged for it," Douglas said.

People donating blood will get their blood pressure taken and will be screened for anemia at no cost. Also, a card will be sent to the donors to let them know the type of blood they have.

Walk-ins are welcome, and there will be free soup, doughnuts, and milk.

Features

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Ronen heads country, '50s, blues band

By KRISTY LOVE
Staff Writer

Variety is the spice of life for the Always Near Band. The group's country and '50s-rock sound is seasoned with the personal touches of the four band members, giving the sound a separate identity from the original recordings. Besides country rock, the group also adds hints of blues and rock to their repertoire.

Brent Ronen, St. John senior, is the founder of the group. He also sings lead vocals and plays guitar, fiddle, harmonica, and drums.

Ronen said that the group got together while he was attending school at Barton County Community College. Two other band members, Floyd Norlin and Bob Kisner, were playing with Ronen's uncle in the group Slim Pikins at that time. After Slim Pikins broke up, Ronen asked the two to join the Always Near Band.

The name for the group had been around about a year before that. "The way I remember it, my uncle Dennis Teichman came up with 'Always Near' out of the blue, and it stuck. I liked it because it's different. There's no other bands around with a name like it, and it doesn't restrict us to just country music," Ronen said.

In the three and one-half years since Kisner and Norlin joined the group, the Always Near Band has gone through two drummers and two bass players. Another member, Mike Adams, joined the group last spring. He plays guitar and bass with the group.

"We'd like to expand the group to include another bass player, so we can move Mike to keyboard," Kisner said. Adams also plays banjo, which the band would like to incorporate into their act.

"Every new member brings changes to the group, because everyone plays a little bit differently," said Ronen. "So far it's been for the better, not to put down the rest of the guys who've been in the group. But we haven't gone downhill yet."

"I love to play, but it's important to put on a show and talk, use some P.R. It's a good release from having an everyday job."

--Bob Kisner

Kisner, a Quinter resident, plays guitar and sings harmonies and some leads. Norlin, a Great Bend resident, plays drums and bass as well as singing harmonies and some leads.

The band plays regularly at several local establishments, including Judge McGreevy's and the Tee-Box in Hays, and Kennedy's Claim in Great Bend.

They also perform at VFW halls and wedding dances.

The group is hoping that all their experience will pay off for them on recording work which they have planned. "We're buying our own equipment so we'll have total control over the outcome," Ronen said.

The group has also done some songwriting. Mike Adams traveled with the group Cheyenne, which had some songs released nationally. "I wrote a couple of songs while I was with them. Bob and I have done some writing together, and we plan to do some more of that," he said.

According to Kisner, the most important part of performing is the entertaining aspect, rather than just the music.

"I love to play, but it's important to put on a show and talk, use some P.R. I started when I was 10, and I found out it was something I could enjoy. If it wasn't I couldn't have done it as long as I have. It's a good release from having an everyday job," Kisner said.

No matter what it provides for its members, the Always Near Band provides pure fun for its audience. The music they play includes everything from older country to the latest hits, including mellow ballads and foot-stomping fast tunes. The fact that their act is a crowd pleaser is evident from the number of people on the dance floor.



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Calendar

TODAY

- Kansas Board of Regents on campus.
- Hays Association of Helping Professions meeting at noon in the Memorial Union Frontier Room.
- Agriculture Department meeting at 11:30 a.m. in the Memorial Union Frontier Room.
- Social Studies Workshop from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Memorial Union Black and Gold Room.
- MIA/POW Reception in the Memorial Union Sunset Lounge.

SATURDAY

- BRET (Real Estate) Course at 8 a.m. in McCartney 213.
- ECEC Conference in the Memorial Union.
- Hunter's Safety Course from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. with one hour lunch break at the Army Reserve Center.
- The Homecoming parade committee will be selling Homecoming sports shades inside the ticket windows at the football game. For more information contact Suzanne Klaus at 628-8879.

SUNDAY

- BRET (Real Estate) Course at 8 a.m. in McCartney 213.
- Hunter's Safety Course continued from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Army Reserve Center.

MONDAY

- Panhellenic Council meeting at 3:30 p.m. in the Memorial Union State Room.
- President's cabinet meeting at 9:30 a.m. in the Memorial Union Prairie Room.
- MUAB meeting at 4 p.m. in the Memorial Union Pioneer Lounge.
- Delta Sigma Phi Fraternity meeting at 7 p.m. in the Memorial Union Pioneer Lounge.
- Last day for 25 percent refund. Last day to enroll in classes. Last day to drop classes is Nov. 7.

Campus

- The Singles Square Dance club invites singles (all ages) to a potluck supper and beginners lessons at 6 p.m., Sept. 23, in the Ecumenical Center Basement. For more information call 625-6890 or 625-7446.
- Kelly Hull Art Exhibit, Sept. 23 through Oct. 13, in the Memorial Union Stouffer Lounge.
- Guest speaker series: Morton Kondracke, "Can America Survive Without Reagan?", at 7:30 p.m., Sept. 23 in the Memorial Union Ballroom.
- Sigma Alpha Iota formal rush at 5 p.m., Sept. 23, in Malloy 112.
- Senior Companion Advisory Council at 3 p.m., Sept. 23 in the Memorial Union State Room.
- Campus Bible Fellowship at 6 p.m., Sept. 23, in the Memorial Union State Room.
- Tryouts will be held for News 12 anchor positions and "People to People" tryouts from 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., Sept. 23 and Sept. 25 in Heather Hall. A sign-up sheet with various tryout times is available at the main desk in Heather Hall. All students, regardless of their field of study, are welcome to tryout. For more information contact Mike Schrant at 628-5807 or 628-5373.
- Blood Pressure clinic from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Sept. 24, in the Memorial Union South Lobby.
- Industrial Education Drive-In Conference at 9 a.m., Sept. 24, in the Memorial Union Black and Gold Room.
- Alpha Kappa Psi meeting at 7 p.m., Sept. 24, in the Memorial Union Black and Gold Room.
- Arts and Sciences department chairmen's meeting at 3:30 p.m., Sept. 24 in the Memorial Union Trails Room.
- Block and Bridle Club meeting at 7 p.m., Sept. 24, in the Memorial Union Trails Room.
- Midweek Meditation at 7 p.m., Sept. 24, in the Ecumenical Center.
- Alpha Phi Omega meeting at 3 p.m., Sept. 25, in the Memorial Union State Room.
- Campus Crusade for Christ meeting at 7 p.m., Sept. 25, in the Memorial Union Frontier Room.
- Student Personnel Staff meeting at 1:15 p.m., Sept. 25, in the Memorial Union Prairie Room.
- SPURS meeting at 5 p.m., Sept. 25, in the Memorial Union Pioneer Lounge.
- SGA meeting at 7 p.m., Sept. 25, in the Memorial Union Pioneer Lounge.
- Retired Faculty coffee at 9:30 a.m., Sept. 25, in the Memorial Union Stouffer Lounge.
- Fall English Workshop from 8:45 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Sept. 26 in the Memorial Union.
- Agriculture department meeting at 1:30 p.m., Sept. 26, in the Memorial Union State Room.
- Real Estate Seminar from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sept. 26, in the Memorial Union Trails Room.
- Willis M. Watt, assistant professor of communication, and several members of the Fort Hays State debate team recently participated in a two day workshop at Central State University in Edmond, Okla. "The workshop was designed to encourage effective debate on the 1986 fall Cross Examination Debate Association's topic, resolved: That improved relations with the Soviet Union is a more important objective than increased military preparedness," Watt said.
- FHSU students involved in the workshop were Eric Krug, Great Bend junior; Chris Crawford, Great Bend junior; Dorathea Kelly, Hays senior; Shawn Montgomery, Wichita freshman; and Marsha Gribble, Garden City sophomore.
- All student organizations or anyone who would like to make an entry in the 1986 Homecoming Parade can pick up an entry form in the Alumni Office, located upstairs in the Alumni-Endowment Center. For more information, please call 628-4430. Entries are due Oct. 2.
- The "Outstanding Alumni Exhibition" continues until Sept. 26 with the drawings of Lynn Havel (M.A., 1970) and ceramics by Robert Chism (M.S., 1961). The exhibition is open to the public Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Both artists have exhibited their works extensively throughout Kansas and the United States. They both teach at Butler County Community College at El Dorado.
- All students interested in joining Collegiate Young Republicans should contact Allan Busch, chairman of the department of history, in Rarick 353.
- The George Kelly Psychological Service Center will sponsor a free eight-week workshop, "Assertiveness in Every Day Living," on Wednesdays from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the Center located in Wiest Hall. Dates will be set by the group following individual pre-registration. Workshop leaders will be psychologist David Klein and graduate assistant David S. Anderson. For registration information contact the clinic at 628-4401.
- The Reading Service Center is offering two courses designed to help students acquire techniques for improving their reading and study skills. Each course is scheduled for two 8-week sessions on a pass-fail basis for one credit. It will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays for 75 minutes. Emphasis will be placed on small group interaction plus one-on-one tutoring with the instructor during the lab period. Interested parties should contact Gerald Calais, assistant professor of education, at 628-5344.

Kondracke brings new life to lecture series

Newsweek's Washington Bureau Chief, Morton Kondracke, will approach the topic "Can America Survive Without Reagan?" at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Black and Gold Room.

I.B. Dent, director of student activities, said that even though this may be a controversial subject, "It's intellectually challenging to take either side. You should be able to bring in real radical people to take position statements and (intellectually) challenge students."

MUAB, Society for Collegiate Journalists and the University Leader chose him to speak as part of the

Art, Film, and Lecture series because of his extensive cross-media qualifications.

As Newsweek's Washington Bureau Chief, Kondracke supervises the activities of 35 reporters and administrative personnel and writes articles on domestic and foreign policy. He serves as a panelist for The McLaughlin Group, a weekly public affairs program on WRC-TV, Washington, KNBC Los Angeles and syndicated on 160 PBS stations since June of 1982. Locally, the show appears Sunday afternoons on KOOD-TV. He also

appears monthly as a panelist on This Week With David Brinkley, ABC-TV.

Kondracke has been the executive editor of The New Republic, columnist for The Wall Street Journal, The Chicago Sun Times' White House Correspondent, commentator for National Public Radio, and a talk show host WRC-AM, in Washington.

"Fort Hays State has some very impressive faculty, and one can learn a lot from them. It is nice, however, to import other sources of knowledge. Someone like

Kondracke has a lot to share with a college community because of his first-hand contact with the people who make decisions affecting all of our lives," Wayne Laugesen, SCI member, said.

A 6:45 p.m. press conference in the Stouffer Lounge for campus and local media will precede the lecture.

Kondracke's speech is a part of the speaker series that MUAB is trying to re-establish.

"It died out before I was here. The reason we didn't have it sooner is we didn't have the money sooner," Dent said.

Grant offers high school students college credit

Gifted high school students will have a new opportunity next summer.

Because of a federal grant, 150 students from across the state will be selected to participate in college courses specifically designed for these students.

Fort Hays State will be the first site for this program. During the month of June, these specially selected high school sophomores and juniors will meet for two courses.

The two courses, "Living Reflectively in a Scientific World" and "Societal Transition and

Emerging Futures" are especially designed for these students by the sociology, philosophy, and biological science departments.

Anna Luhman, Director of the Kansas Regents Honors Academy, said, "We wanted courses to be issue-oriented. And we want a mingling of science and social sciences. We have experts here on this campus in a wide variety of fields."

Students selected to participate in the program may take the courses for college credit. It would count as an elective and would be transferrable to the other Regents universities.

Students electing to take the courses for college credit will also have to pay tuition.

"The purpose of this program is to bring our best and brightest together. They are the future of Kansas," Luhman said.

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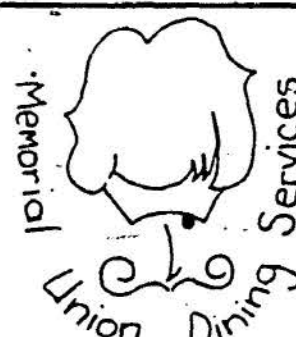
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editorial

French worried

Paris is having an anxiety attack. For a long time, it had a tough time trying to lure Americans to travel abroad and spend money in its shops because of the fear of airline terrorist bombings. After finally convincing Americans that it was safe to travel to Paris, five terrorist bombings in 11 days killed three people and injured 112.

Once again, Paris is worried about losing the American dollars. U.S. travelers also are beginning to worry, as many of the shops and restaurants they go into examine each customer's parcels. Americans are describing the situation as tense. Because of this, the number of American shoppers has dropped almost 20 percent in some stores.

Terrorist incidents are compelling people to spend their vacations in the United States, something Paris and the rest of the world don't like. According to the American Automobile Association, Americans will take an estimated 586.3 million trips of 100 miles or more inside the United States this year. This figure is up 5 percent from last year.

However, the majority of Americans traveling within the United States will travel by land. More than 80 percent of American travelers will use automobiles, light trucks, and recreational vehicles. Air travel will total 15 percent, whereas only 3 percent of the travelers will journey by trains, buses and cruise ships.

When more Americans decided to spend their vacations here in the United States, the French felt snubbed.

Too bad for the French. Americans should be spending their vacation dollars in America anyway. Many U.S. states rely heavily on tourism. They need that income to strengthen the economy.

With an increase in U.S. travel and countless advertisements promoting American-made products, a "pro-America" sense is beginning to emerge.

This, combined with the sluggish French tourist season, has the French in a frenzy. Presently, the United States does \$15 billion in trade with France. This includes imports from planes to wines and exports from computers to coal.

The French need the American dollar. Until they get it, they will continue to try to lure Americans over.

C'est la vie.



leslie ragan

Students miss out on entertaining evening

Last Monday evening I attended the Memorial Union Activity Board's first Gallery Series featuring a musician named Dave Wopat. Wopat had also given a free performance the day before.

Nearly 6,000 students and faculty missed out on a really great show as only about 60 people attended the performances.

The music ranged from serious love songs to hokey comedy and good old rock 'n' roll.

The tunes Wopat performed were a combination of his own songs as well as compositions by his family, friends, and some well-known artists such as Jackson Browne.

A one-man act, Wopat's backup music was created by a computer. He said he programmed the computer in advance using a synthesizer, stored the music on a floppy disk, and used the flawless score during his performances.

The night I went, Wopat played for about two hours. And it was probably the best two bucks I've ever spent.

I was really disappointed in the turnout at the Gallery Series. I didn't go to the Sundowner Sunday, but my roommate said there were only about 40 people there.

MUAB does a great job recruiting talent for the Fort Hays State campus. A lot of entertainers

make their way through Hays as the result of MUAB.

Maybe they aren't always big name groups, but the quality of talent is excellent.

It's a shame more people from campus (and the community) don't support the entertainment MUAB brings here.

Yesterday marked the end of Blue Jean Week which begins the MUAB entertainment season. FHSU was given a preview of the types of acts sponsored by MUAB that will be performing this year.

Now it's up to the people of the university and Hays to support these events. Other programs have been canceled in the past due to lack of interest.

And with a turnout like that at last Monday's event, I don't see how MUAB could come close to breaking even.

But then, money is not the issue.

The issue is the lack of culture or the lack of interest in cultural events. There is a lot more to entertainment than loud music and beer.

I'm not saying everyone at FHSU falls into this category, but attendance at Dave Wopat's performances doesn't say much for the student body or faculty of this school.

What are some of the most popular excuses? "I have too much homework." "I am too busy." "I have to work then."

For some people these are legitimate excuses. But I am sure more than the 20 people who showed up at the Gallery Series Monday evening could have gone to the show.

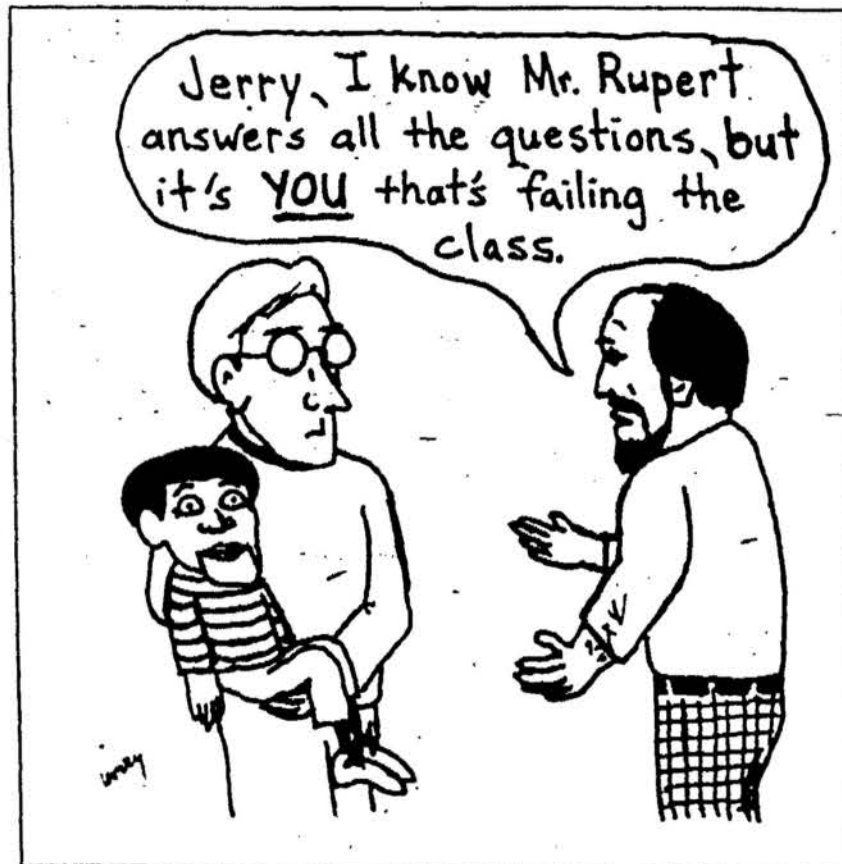
I am not a performer, but I wonder what it must feel like to do a show for only a handful of people.

I'm sure audience participation would have been much greater if the audience had been larger. It can be a little embarrassing when the performer asks for audience participation and there aren't very many voices to hide in.

The next complaint is "There's nothing to do in Hays."

There are many forms of entertainment in Hays and the surrounding areas besides MUAB events if the initiative to find it is there.

MUAB brings entertainers to FHSU for the students' enjoyment and that of the faculty and community. It's just too bad that these people don't take advantage of inexpensive, quality entertainment.



carl petz

Personalized tag spells PROBLEMS

As each new semester begins, I often wonder what new items will be noticed.

This semester, as I started my new experience of (legally) parking on campus (when I can find a space or two that is), I noticed many cars both new and old, sporting personalized license plates. This, to many of you, may not seem a major astonishment, but to me, it's rather interesting since I've been trying to think of something for myself.

I've often wondered about getting a personalized tag for my car, but I've never really thought it was worth it. Well maybe as I look at some of these new tags I'll come up with some reasons.

Let's first look at the different types of these luxury items. They definitely catch people's attention as they set in the parking lot or while they drive by.

As I see a tag on certain cars it makes me wonder what image the owner is trying to portray. Is this old beat-up thing a classic or something? Maybe my car should have something special to improve its looks. Those of you who know what I drive certainly can swear (I do) that it needs something.

How about that brand new Iroc Z? I bet that Z

ITLDO is trying to get someone's attention. Z, I wonder whether I should get a tag making people wonder what my car will do.

Many autos have the personalized plates with drivers' names or initials on them. Maybe that's what I should do? I think to myself as I walk past Dave's car. But I guess I know it's mine when I walk into the parking lot so that's out.

C A R, well yes, I think, that is certainly a car. Maybe that's their initials though as I laugh to myself and try to come up with something else.

I think as I walk by CRASH's car, that's it! I should have my nickname on my car. Then I think no, they probably wouldn't print some of the things I've been called on there.

If my nicknames won't work let's try some things I've called my car, no that won't work, no, too big, wait I've got it, no those are some more things that the state won't allow, maybe I could just use "Z" or something like that. Guess not, let's think some more.

Let's try something generic like BUDYZER, for instance. Now that would work because I certainly drink enough of that to justify a personal logo. But I'd hate to get that guy mad at

me for copying his idea. Let's see, what could I do? Well, I don't know of anything else that I qualify for a personal logo for. Let's try something else.

Wait, maybe I just thought of something. My brother-in-law tried this once with KU, but since I like the Hawks' let's try this, SCREWKSU. Nope it's one letter too big isn't it?

Maybe I should do something sarcastic. There's a tag that would certainly be cynical for my car -- TRY ME. This would bring drag racers to their knees with laughter, but I would hate to see anyone cry when they caught sight of that.

Darn, I think to myself maybe there really isn't a justifiable reason for doing this. My last hope -- maybe I should have one of those contests that they have for logos or something. I could let people see my car and then write down their ideas. Surely someone could help, or maybe someone has been in this predicament before and would share their secret for survival with me.

No, now that this column is through maybe I'll just be satisfied with my first impressions of having a personalized plate: IT'S JUST NOT WORTH IT!

jean gier



letter

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Illiteracy local problem as well as national

Can the person sitting next to you in class read -- really read -- the assigned material? Maybe not. It is estimated that one in three adults in this country cannot read.

"Twenty-five million American adults cannot read the poison warnings on a can of pesticide, a letter from a child's teacher, or the front page of the daily paper. An additional 35 million read only at a level which is less than equal to the full survival needs of our society." These figures come from the author of *Illiterate America*, Jonathan Kozol.

It is estimated that 150,000 to 160,000 Kansans cannot read, Vikki Stewart, literacy coordinator for the Kansas State Library, said in the report.

In the Ellis County area there have been three people who have made inquiries about a literacy program offered at the local city library. Sharon Savage, assistant director of adult services and director of a literacy program at the Hays Public Library, said. The program is part of a nationwide program called Project Literacy U.S.

At Fort Hays State, instructors I contacted in the education, English, and reading departments could give no estimate to the number of students who have reading and writing difficulties.

But Bob Chalender, chairman of the department

of education, and Clifford Edwards, chairman of the department of English, both said between 10 and 12 percent of incoming freshmen have difficulties in writing skills.

If these students have writing skills they probably have reading difficulties also.

To combat the problem we first have to understand what causes it.

The problem starts in grade schools and with the students themselves. Perhaps a student has a problem with his reading or writing skills and his teacher for some reason or another cannot help the student.

For example, maybe the teacher is overworked and does not have the time to devote the proper attention to the student. Or possibly the student does not care enough about reading and writing and does not try hard enough to become more adept at these necessary skills.

I know about this from experience. All through school my younger brother hated to read. He simply would not read. I used to worry about him but not anymore. One day he discovered that he did like to read and now he always has his nose in a book, as the old saying goes.

Another suggested reason why people do not read or write as well as they should is the fact

that more time is spent in front of the television, listening to the radio or watching videos.

If someone watches television all day, when would he even have time to crack a book? Perhaps a solution would be to have the networks shut off the network feed for a few hours every day. This would force people to spend their time doing something else.

And this isn't a new problem. Illiteracy has been with us for years. The only reason it has drawn attention is the fact the new advanced technological jobs require these very basic skills. No longer can people get a job and hide their problem. Even jobs such as auto mechanics have become increasingly more specialized and require specific knowledge that can only be obtained from reading technical manuals.

Will illiteracy ever be completely wiped out? I think not. There will always be people who cannot read and write but it is the intelligent people who try to do something to help themselves with their problems.

One optimistic thing Edwards told me was he thinks few people in Kansas are affected by poor reading and writing skills than in the large urban areas.

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CALENDAR

TODAY

•Intramural touch football entries due in the IM office at 4 p.m. Play is scheduled to begin Monday, Sept. 22 at 4:45 p.m.
•FHSU volleyball at LaVerne Invitational all day.

SATURDAY

•FHSU volleyball at LaVerne Invitational all day.
•FHSU football 2:30 p.m. at Lewis Field Stadium with Black Hills State.
•FHSU women's tennis 1 p.m. with Southwestern College on the FHSU courts.
•FHSU cross country 10 a.m. at KU Invitational.

SUNDAY

•All intramural and recreational officials are to meet at 7:30 p.m. in Cunningham Hall, Gym 121 for a touch football rules session.

MONDAY

•Intramural touch football play 4:45 p.m. on the Intramural fields.
•Intramural Co-Ed tennis entries due and play begins at 7 p.m. on the FHSU courts.

Tigers need Black Hills remedy

By KEVIN KRIER
Sports Editor

Black Hills State College may be just the remedy the Fort Hays State football team needs to cure their aches and pains.

The Yellow Jackets are making the 800-mile journey on the heels of FHSU's 44-21 thrashing at the hands of Northwest Oklahoma State University and just may fill the prescription that Dr. Victory prescribes on Saturday.

Linebacker coach Larry Portwood knows his Yellow Jacket squad is going to be in for a long afternoon, but he and his team are approaching the game with a realistic attitude.

"We realize Fort Hays State is tougher than nails," Portwood said. "We're just approaching it as a professional type of deal and use this game as a learning experience while we are getting ready for our conference season."

The Yellow Jackets are closing out the pre-season against the Tigers,

and Portwood wants his team to give a good game in Lewis Field Stadium.

"Our first three games are on the road and we've had to play some tough competition," Portwood said. "Dickinson State is rated 14th in the nation in our division and they beat us in the first game and now we play Fort Hays State, a team that was ranked in Division I."

"In the long run, the tough schedule will help us, but it sure doesn't help the old won-loss record," he said. "We open conference play next week and as long as we're not too decimated with injuries, I think we can do real well."

Black Hills State knows a win Saturday is a remote possibility. But, for FHSU football coach John Vincent, a win may not be enough. The Tigers may need a big victory on the scoreboard to help save the wounds from last Saturday's debacle.

"Practice has been very business-like and it's kind of what you'd expect after a loss," Vincent said. "There wasn't a whole lot of talking and joking going on. They felt kind of embarrassed and they were shocked that it (the 44-21 defeat) happened. We just didn't play very well."

Vincent, however, is not so sure that Black Hills State is the type of team that he wants to face right after a loss.

"There are different beliefs on that," Vincent said. "The thing is, no matter what, we have to play well. We physically out-match them. But, if we don't play well Saturday, that's going to be pretty scary."

The strength of Black Hills State lies in the skilled positions:

"We have pretty good talent at running back and wide receiver," Portwood said. "We have good people there with a lot of

experience."

The problem area for the Yellow Jackets lies in the offensive and defensive lines.

"We have a very young, small offensive line," Portwood said. "We can match up at the skilled positions, but our liabilities are in the lines. We just don't have the size that Fort Hays State does."

"If we just go down to Hays and give them a good ballgame, I think the experience will help us," Portwood said. "We can come out of this thing with a positive experience and that is what we want to accomplish."

Netters improve in loss

By ROBERT CAMPBELL
Sports Writer

Driving four hours for a sporting event and returning home winless might cause some coaches to grow gray hair prematurely, but not head tennis coach Jim Chambers.

Even though the Fort Hays State women's tennis team returned from a dual with Baker University at

Baldwin City without a victory, Coach Chambers remains optimistic.

"I thought all our girls played well," Chambers said. "We played better than we did a week before against Bethany."

Chambers said the No. 2 doubles team of Kim Marchard, Salina freshman, and Susan McQueen, Liberal junior, started off on the right foot as the duo took the first set from Baker before dropping the next two sets and the match.

A pair of juniors in Rhonda Bronson of Great Bend and Michelle Birt of Hutchinson comprised the No. 1 doubles team while sophomores Rhonda Hanken of Larned and Monica Morin of Plainville teamed together for the No. 3 doubles pair.

In singles action, Marchard "probably played their best player," Chambers said, and the FHSU netter turned in a respectable performance, winning four games in the second set before falling 4-6.

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Kevin McKinney, Austin, Texas sophomore, strokes a putt on the fourth hole in the Fort Hays State Invitational Thursday afternoon at the Smoky Hill Club. McKinney tied for medalist honors.

FHSU linksters finish close second

By KEVIN KRIER
Sports Editor

The old saying, "Close only counts in horseshoes and grenades," can pretty much sum up the day the Fort Hays State golf team endured yesterday afternoon at the Smoky Hill Country Club.

The Tigers fired a combined team total of 311 to fall one stroke shy of capturing the team title at their own invitational.

Hastings College captured team

honors with a 310 score. The two teams also battled on even terms for medalist honors with Kevin McKinney, Austin, Tex., sophomore, and Robert Yoswa of Hastings College each shooting 73.

Bob Lowen, Tiger golf coach, expected the tough battle for both team and individual honors.

"We knew it would be tough and I said it'd be a fight for top honors and it was," Lowen said. "We weren't totally unhappy with the outcome."

Besides the 73 from McKinney, no

other Tiger enjoyed a particularly happy day on the links.

Tom Perkins, Scott City senior, and Randy Akins, Great Bend junior, shot 79 for the Tigers while Chad Bowles, Atwood junior chipped in with an 80. Ron Storz, Phillipsburg junior carded an 87 to round out the Tiger fortunes.

"Kevin (McKinney) had a good day with a 73, but he could have played better," Lowen said. "Perkins shot a 79, but he's five shots better than that every day of the week."

Akins and Bowles are both five shots better than what they shot and Storz just had a bad day," Lowen said. "He triple bogied number 10 on the back-side and just could never get it started."

Despite the lackluster performance by some of the members of the team, Lowen is still encouraged with his team's play.

"We'll get better each time out," Lowen said. "We're showing signs of improvement and we'll get there before the end of the year."

Harriers hope for better times

By LAYNE BERRYMAN
Sports Writer

The Fort Hays State men's and women's cross country teams will travel to Lawrence this weekend to perform in The Kansas University Invitational.

FHSU cross country coach Joe Fisher is expecting his team to better their performance from one week ago at the Wichita State University Invitational.

"My runners need to concentrate more on keeping an even pace throughout this meet," Fisher said.

"Last weekend at Wichita, some of our runners went out too fast and ran out of energy at the end of the race."

The course at Kansas is very tough. It consists of a variety of rolling hills and sharp curves.

According to some of the runners, it is one of the toughest courses they will have to run in the state.

The Harriers usually run a five-mile course, but the Kansas course is 6.2 miles.

"We need to concentrate on running a five-minute mile pace because this is what we run in practice," Fisher said.

There are no apparent injuries, just some sore ankles from the holes in the course at Wichita State.

Fisher was pleased with the performance of Rick Walker, Englewood junior.

"Walker ran the best race of his life last weekend," Fisher said.

Fisher added that Tom Welker, Woodston sophomore, and Kent Lorenson, Salina sophomore, need to go out a little faster and work on

running with the lead pack a little better.

On the women's side, Shellie Stahley, Newton junior, Chrissy Sitts, Valley Center freshman, and Jana Atchison, Kirwin freshman have been this year's top three

finishers.

Fisher said that Patty Bergneier, Wakefield sophomore, is starting to come along real well.

"With a little more hard work, Bergneier should be competing strongly for us," Fisher said.

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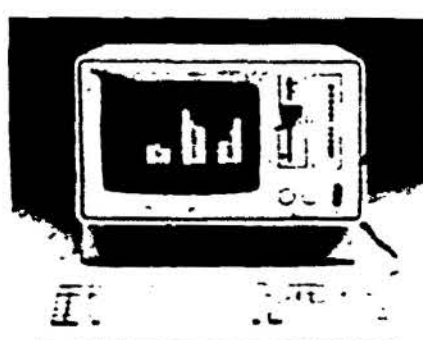
With EGA monitor (640x350 res.) **\$3894**

With standard color monitor (640x200 res.)... \$3554

With high resolution monochrome monitor... \$3309

Including one 360K drive ADD:..... \$ 175

Including 40/60Mb tape backup add:..... \$1295



NCR PC4i

The PC4i has 2-360K drives, a special high resolution graphics monochrome monitor (640X400), an expanded keyboard, 256K with 640K main board capacity, parallel and serial ports, 8 expansion slots, RAM Disk, DOS, PC-Tutor and PAL software.

LIST PRICE \$2615

DISCOUNT PRICE

Same as above with color monitor..... \$1699

Same as above with mono and 10Mb..... \$1699

Same as above with color and 10Mb..... \$1999

\$1299



NCR PC6

The PC6 provides speed and flexibility with a switchable 4.77 or 8MHz clock, 2-360K drives (with room for two more drives), high resolution monochrome monitor and adaptor, an expanded keyboard, 256K with 640K main board capacity, parallel and serial ports, 8 expansion slots, RAM Disk, DOS, PC-Tutor and PAL software.

LIST PRICE \$2740

DISCOUNT PRICE

Same as above with color monitor..... \$2104

Same as above with mono and 20Mb..... \$2259

Same as above with color and 20Mb..... \$2504

Including 10Mb internal tape backup ADD..... \$ 500

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