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Campus & Community

Club offers workouts

The newly formed Fort Hays State Martial Arts Club will be sponsoring workouts in the coming week.

The organization is open to the public regardless of experience level in the martial arts, according to Stephen Flora, assistant professor of psychology, one of the group's founders.

Workouts will be 7 p.m. Monday in the gymnastics room in Cunningham Hall and 7 p.m. Thursday in the modern dance room in Cunningham.

There is no fee to join the club.

Stolen permits to be printed

The University Leader will begin publishing the numbers of reported stolen parking permits beginning Tuesday.

Sid Carlile, campus police chief, said 10 permits have been reported as missing or stolen.

Publicity of the stolen permits should help in their recovery and prosecution of the permit thieves, he said. No reward will be offered.

Anyone caught with stolen permits will be prosecuted in Ellis County court and may also face up to a \$25 fine from the campus traffic committee.

Carlile said two people have been caught with stolen permits and will be prosecuted in Ellis County court.

The numbers of stolen permits will appear in the Campus & Community column weekly.

Theater details on telephone

Full information about the season of Fort Hays State theater is available over the telephone.

Descriptions of upcoming performances and details on season tickets can be obtained by calling 628-4225. The number provides a recorded message with the information.

KFHS radio debuts Monday

The campus radio station, KFHS, is scheduled to begin broadcasting for the semester at 2 p.m. Monday.

The station can be received in the residence halls at 600 AM, and off campus through cable FM at frequency 94.9.

The station will air 2 p.m. to midnight Mondays through Fridays.

Teacher applications available

Applications for various teaching programs need to be filled out and returned soon, according to Connie Tabor in the Office of Teacher Education Admissions and Certification.

Registration for the Pre-Professional Skills Test in reading, writing and mathematics must be completed by Sept. 16. The test will be given Saturday, Oct. 27. The next test date will be in January.

Students planning to enroll in Directed Teaching in spring 1991 must have their applications filed by Oct. 1.

Students who plan to complete a teacher education program should apply for admission when they have completed 50 hours of coursework.

Admission to teacher education is a prerequisite for upper division education and methods classes, and student teaching. Admission to teacher education should be granted at least one full semester before the application for directed teaching is filed.

All application materials and additional information can be obtained in Rarick 209.

Margin, open admissions back on agenda

Regents' visit outlines legislative priorities

By Andy Addis
Managing editor

Open admissions and the Margin of Excellence: the Board of Regents' new chairman said they are back on the agenda.

Bob Creighton, regents chairman, and Stan Koplik, executive director for the regents, arrived at the Hays airport Tuesday afternoon while touring all the regents institutions and introducing Creighton to the state.

"The visits we've had at the other campuses indicate that there is good morale throughout the regents system this year," Creighton said.

"One of the concerns that these schools have, in terms of the Board of Regents, is passage of the third year of the Margin by the legislature in the next session."

"The passage of the Margin is the number one item on the agenda for the Board of Regents this year," Creighton said.

The Margin is a regents program that supplies additional funding to regents institutions. Originally, the program was scheduled for three years, but was cut on its last leg.

"We believe that the passage of this has a real chance for reasons that the governor of Kansas has made a strong commitment to the third year. He has even indicated a specific tax to fund the third year of the Margin," Creighton said.

The tax referred to would be a 10 cent cigarette tax to raise \$20 million to cover the funding needed for the Margin. Although a similar bill failed last year, Creighton said the board is optimistic that the tax will receive sufficient legislative support.

Koplik said democratic candidate Joan Finney also shows positive signs for Margin support.

Current financial problems stem from a 1.75-percent appropriations cut from the state last year.

"We already knew before those

cuts were imposed that we were looking at a very modest budget," Koplik said.

But that modest budget became closer to scimp when funding for the third year of the Margin was lost, Koplik said. According to Koplik, funding provided before the appropriation cuts and loss of Margin was merely going to let the regents institutions keep pace with inflation.

With the additional cuts, the financial future grows even more bleak, Koplik said.

"The reductions imposed additional burdens on us because the budget we were facing was already significantly inadequate," he said.

He then went on to list a variety of ways in which the financial crunch will be shown, including unpurchased computers, needed library materials and even smaller salary increases.

President Edward Hammond, who welcomed the regents to Hays and

also spoke at the press conference, said the budget changes affected Fort Hays State in three ways.

"One was there was no increase in the Other Operating Expenses budget. Second thing that happened, of course, was with salary increases. Instead of looking at a 6-7 percent salary increase, Fort Hays had to give a 2 percent," he said, although salary increases were based on merit.

"Thirdly, because that 1.75-percent reduction occurred simultaneously with our shrinkage, it eliminated a lot of our flexibility to respond to opportunities that come up during the year," Hammond said.

The third effect worries Hammond most because he has no contingency plan to deal with new financial problems in the near future, he said.

Still Creighton and Koplik maintained that regaining the third year of the Margin is the priority

way to get back on the right financial road.

The money is needed to keep Kansas competitive in the educational field, Creighton said.

As Hammond explained, without that money it is difficult to attract quality instructors on the basis of pay and available resources.

The only other plan the regents have to brighten the financial outlook for state schools revolves around a state request for fiscal year 1992 for \$57.5 million. That money would go above and beyond the current appropriated budget of \$600 million.

"It's a significant sum, but it's a sum we can justify in terms of direction," Creighton said.

"We want to change our image in Kansas from one of watching the game to getting into the game. Two years of the Margin of Margin

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Darris Degood, St. Francis senior, stretches to swat down a pass at an intramural football game Thursday afternoon at the intramural field behind Cunningham Hall. Intramural football is played there Wednesday and Thursday afternoons and softball is played there on Mondays and Tuesdays.

Sandstrom calls on students to fill holes in campus government

By Scott Roe
Staff writer

Making students aware of the Student Government Association's actions and its progress is SGA President Eric Sandstrom's main goal this year.

There are still 66 student positions left on the 27 standing committees, and Sandstrom said he does not feel that SGA's maximum potential can be reached until those openings are filled.

"We are looking at approximately 70 students needed to fill these positions so that we may efficiently accomplish this goal."

"Never underestimate the potential of the influence of these committees," Sandstrom said.

Sandstrom said he also feels that serving on these committees can help to shape a student's group participation skills, and make a student feel like an important part of the university.

"These university wide committees present an excellent opportunity to serve the campus community, an avenue for voicing student's concerns and is a method of getting involved in the decision making process," he said.

Applications for these positions are available, and may be picked up at the SGA office in the Memorial Union. The final day for returning the applications is Sept. 21.

Along with the university-wide committees, there are five open seats in the Student Senate. These positions would enable students to work not only on campus problems, but also on the state and national level.

The senate seats available are in three areas, the first being general studies. This includes general arts and sciences, and undecided.

The second area is business education and office Administration. The areas under this heading are business education, office administration, secretarial administration and business communication.

The third area with an opening is health, which includes speech language pathology, radiologic technology, physical education and nursing.

These positions are important to the university, Sandstrom said.

"I encourage any student interested in a better FHSU to contact the office for more information. Students having input is important in making the university a better place," he said.

Committee endorses resolution against current state legislation

By Bryna McDaniel
Staff writer

The Legislative and Political Committee has brought before the Student Government Association a resolution that would show a united effort to encourage voters to defeat the House Concurrent Resolution 5010 when it appears on the general ballot Nov. 6.

LPAC's resolution was presented to SGA for its first reading last night. It will be brought up for discussion and a vote at the next meeting.

House resolution 5010 is an amendment to Article Six of the Kansas Constitution. It was originally intended to affect the State Board of Education but has come to involve the Board of Regents.

"Basically what they want to do is remove all mention of the State Board of Education and the Board of Regents from the constitution so that it isn't a necessary entity, so it doesn't have a constitutional identity," Kari Austin, LPAC chairperson, said.

This would give more power to the Legislature over higher education in Kansas. The major concern of LPAC is that eventually

this resolution could give the Legislature the opportunity to diminish the regents influence and power to make decisions.

LPAC is very concerned about making sure the voters are informed on the issue of House resolution 5010 and how it could affect state education in the future. They are concerned that voters will not realize that the House resolution is affecting the regents at all.

Career day Large turnout of employers for fair sends successful message to officials

By Kami Legere
Staff writer

The Career Development and Placement Service is expecting record numbers for the career fair this year.

It is sponsoring the event to help pilot the quest for lifetime employment.

The Fall '90 Career Exploration and Internship Day, set for 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. next Wednesday in the Memorial Union Ballroom,

is open to all students and features employers from industry, non-profit organizations, the private sector and government organizations that hire for permanent, summer and intern positions.

The career fair is not solely for recruiting employees, it is also an opportunity for students, with or without career direction, to obtain the answers to their career search questions. Dan Rice, director of Career Development and Placement, said.

"Everyone stands to gain a lot at this year's career fair," he said.

Rice said at present, 52 organizations have reserved booths at the fair, 14 more than last year's total, and more organizations are joining every day.

Such a large turnout of employers participating in the career fair shows that it offers opportunities for all that attend, Rice said.

The fair allows seniors and graduates to showcase themselves to employers and gain information

about opportunities and openings within their organizations, so they may be entitled to a future interview.

However, the fair also caters to the underclassmen and women's needs, since it shares information on featured organizations and the skills and qualities they seek in employees, and gives insight into career preparation while the student is still in school. It also acquaints the student with applying for internships, Rice said.

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Editorial

Aborting topics

Stephen's opinion only political gimmick

Responsibility for deciding the abortion issue in Kansas just seems to keep getting pushed away from the state.

Abortion in the last year has gotten buried under debate about taxes and budget cuts, but it may become a hot topic during this campaign and next year's legislative session, especially after an opinion issued by Attorney General Robert Stephen earlier this week.

Stephen said in the opinion that cities have the right to enact their own legislation concerning abortion. Already, activists on each side of the abortion issue are expecting battles in practically every city in Kansas.

The opinion was requested by a Johnson County representative, but the reason for the request was not revealed.

Because the motives behind the opinion are not publicly known, it appears this is just a slick political maneuver on Stephen's part. This is an election year, after all, so what else could we expect from politicians?

The timing of the opinion could have two motives. First, the opinion increases debate on abortion. Abortion is one of those topics that always becomes more emotional than logical, and is sure to draw the public's attention away from other campaign issues. Second, should cities follow through and act on the opinion, it could draw the heat of abortion debate away from state officials so they won't have to deal with such a serious topic.

It would be a shame if this were to happen. Elections should never be decided on the basis of one issue, and politicians at any level should not duck the responsibility of dealing with the public's concerns. But that could be the result thanks to these political games.

It's easy to understand why the public doesn't take a more interested role in their government when gimmicks like this are put into play.

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The University Leader welcomes opinion columns from its readers. The article must be an original essay between 500 and 550 words, submitted typed and double-spaced. Publication is not guaranteed. Guest columns will be selected by the editor in chief based on the timeliness and newsworthiness of the subject and the quality of writing.

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Opinion

MEANWHILE, IN A NEARBY RESIDENCE HALL...



Modern machines create modern frustrations

Our societies have been advanced with distribution of high technology. Our lives are getting more comfortable and more convenient. We are happy with those microchip-stuffed products.

But when I saw a toaster that had a microchip, I thought people were no longer fixing even a toaster by themselves. Its mechanisms had gone too far.

For those who believe in a simple, traditional mechanism, this world is apparently getting hard to live in.

Computers are everywhere, just like the number of Japanese tourists in America. I know how much they contribute to our lives. I am one of the people who takes benefits from high technology. But sometimes I feel like those high-tech machines hate me.

I worked in a software house for two years as a systems operator. I had been getting along with a huge computer system, and working with people who talk to their computer terminals.

There were three VAX780 host computers that were interfaced with modems and other devices to ex-

change information with our users.

It was exciting to face a monitor screen and watch to see if the information was sent or received properly without any information disappearing on the way. What we were usually doing was just like kids playing a Nintendo.

"Oh yes! yes! yes! ... Hey, what does that message mean?"

That machine had a silly behavior. We used to receive humble messages from the console: "SYSTEM HAS BEEN EXHAUSTED."

In other words, it was telling us, "You are not going home yet."

It usually happened an hour before time to get off duty, and it took another three hours for us to recover the system. That is why all the operators were talking to the computers. They just wanted to take off at closing time without doing any extra work. I became one of them.

When the computer sent me the same message 30 minutes before my time to go home, I almost killed one of the host computers.

When I put my hands on the moni-

tor terminal to throw it onto the floor, I heard God warning me, "I'll be \$100,000. You can't pay for it with your income, caaan youuu?"

Believe it or not, I had enough knowledge to manage the computer, even to find system errors. I couldn't help it when the computer said it was exhausted. What does it mean by "the computer is exhausted"? Does it need a coffee break or something?

For me, who was born to be a liberal arts major, dealing with those machines brought me nothing more than frustration.

There was a time when people could fix TV sets by hitting or kicking them. Such cavemen's technology worked on most machines some decades ago. Machines never complained of their pain then.

If you beat your remote-controlled TV set, word processor or high-tech toaster when it doesn't work properly, you will damn yourself when the store asks you more than \$100 to fix it. Today, machines seem to take revenge on us.

I believe I am bright enough to



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keep up with any high-tech products. I have been using the latest computers and VCRs without panic. I am one of those people who likes to change the channel while lying on the bed.

However, if it was a hot summer afternoon, and I went to the bank to withdraw cash for supper, I only had a few cents in my pocket, my checkbook was all deposit slips and no checks, and the ATM was out of order, I am 100 percent sure that I would damn this high-tech society.

America lacks necessary elements for victory

Holy War.

For many who have strict definitions of each word independently, it may appear to be an oxymoron. Still, the religious leaders in Iran have called for a Holy War on the West.

Despite a U.S. technological advantage, I believe America may face a fiercer opponent than they can imagine. It all boils down to the single element that the fighting brothers of Iran and Iraq, whether fighting with or against each other, always have something to believe in.

The forces we are facing are armed with guns, like the United States; diplomacy, like the United States; pride, like the United States; but only they have a true and real faith.

America, founded on the drive to find religious freedom, was once a nation filled with people diversified in background, but united in idea.

It was the American founders, so

many years ago, that fought off the onslaught of European persecution with squirrel guns and soldiers with no uniforms.

There was no America to be proud of, there were no elite fighting forces. There was only faith in the Christian God and a burning desire to be free. With those supplies they won.

But today, I fear there are few who hold strong enough convictions in their faith, family or country to make what would be a supernatural effort to defend it. The kind of effort we will find in our Middle Eastern opponents.

The two countries we now face once fought each other, and each country lost nearly half a million in battle. In no way do I deprecate the value of countrymen when I contrast that number to the 50,000 lost in Vietnam.

They were so strengthened by their personal religious beliefs and cultural

pride that they seemed, not invincible, but unstoppable.

Those same convictions are alive and well in Iran and Iraq today, and the effect is still the same. It's a psychological war that America is not prepared to fight.

How long will it be before the heat wears us down, before homesickness aches, before a superficial gung-ho American pride turns to rebellion when friends begin to die?

Over there and back home, if a war, holy or not, should erupt, America needs something to believe in. Something so strong that it's worth fighting for, and then finding the strength to fight for it no matter what the cost.

I never thought of the mental conditioning we must undergo before we fight a people with lives based solely on personal beliefs and unified convictions. I never thought of it, until the



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first reserves called in Kansas were from my home town.

I can hardly imagine the young man sitting next to me at graduation, holding a gun in the Saudi Arabian heat, wondering why he's there.

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News In Brief

Westerners terrorized

British women who have had to leave husbands behind in Kuwait report that Iraqi troops are terrorizing Western men in the captive nation and are searching house to house for more hostages.

Armed gangs kill 50

Violence raged through Johannesburg, South Africa Wednesday as armed gangs burned homes and chased people through the streets, killing at least 50 people, police said.

More than 700 people have died due to the black faction fighting that has been raging for a month in the townships around Johannesburg.

Soviet plant burns

No one was killed, but several people were injured in an explosion and fire that hit a plant in Soviet Central Asia yesterday.

The Ulbinsky metallurgical plant, in the city of Ust-Kamenogorsk, produces fuel for nuclear power stations, and discharged gases into the air before the blaze was extinguished.

Speeds should be limited

In an interview published Monday, French Environment Minister Brice Lalonde said the European Community should impose lower speed limits throughout its member countries to fight air pollution.

Lalonde said the EC has no jurisdiction over traffic safety rules in the 12 member nations, but if limits were set for carbon monoxide emissions speeds on the European level could be limited.

Lalonde did not suggest specific speed limits.

Ferry capsizes, kills 90

An argument over the fare between passengers on an overcrowded ferry and the operator of the boat started a brawl that caused the boat to capsize, drowning about 90 people, officials said Wednesday.

About 150 people were on the boat when it overturned in the Mahava River in Uttar Pradesh state in India, officials said.

Rain, fog hinder search

Rain and fog hindered the search for a Boeing 727 airliner that appeared to ditch in the North Atlantic off Newfoundland's south coast Tuesday.

The jet was carrying Peruvian airline crew members and their relatives.

The plane was headed for a refueling stop in Gander, Newfoundland, when it disappeared about 200 miles offshore after the pilot radioed that he was low on fuel.

Reservists become active

The 15-member 13th Quartermaster Detachment, a Great Bend Army Reserve unit began active duty Wednesday.

The detachments specialty is purifying water from natural sources.

The detachment can process 3000 gallons of water an hour for drinking, cooking and showers.

Largest crop in 84 years

Kansas farmers should harvest the largest corn crop they've had in 84 years, Kansas Agricultural Statistics said Wednesday.

Farmers are expected to cut 1.45 million acres of corn with an average yield of 130 bushels for a total production of 188.5 million bushels.

If the 188.5 bushel crop is realized it would be the state's biggest corn crop since 1906 when the crop yield was 197.8 million bushels of corn.

Rodeo team prepares for contest in Pratt

The Fort Hays State rodeo teams have been working hard to prepare for competition at the Pratt Community College Rodeo in Pratt Sept. 21, 22 and 23.

"We have a big team this year, probably the biggest ever. We have a lot of strength at both ends of the arena. We're going to be really competitive this year," Joe Clevenger, Colony senior and rodeo team member, said.

"We have a lot of new people that will be really helpful to the team. We have a transfer student (Rob Hendrickson, Rapid City, S.D., junior) that won the region in bareback riding, and he will be really tough to beat."

Clevenger said the rodeo club has been helpful in the preparation for competition.

"Doc Brower (rodeo club sponsor) and the rodeo club members are working hard to support the team by helping team members practice and being supportive morally," he said.



Dawn Hansen, Steven Orth, Wichita sophomore, left, and Dustin Raupe, Douglas sophomore, rodeo team members, hone their calf roping techniques during practice last night at the Doug Philip Rodeo Arena.

Margin

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Excellence put us into the game. We hesitated and stumbled last year, and I don't know what the effects of that hesitation will be," Creighton said. "You don't want to repeat that kind of situation."

Board members hope a combination of fiscal year 1991 and Margin funding will do the trick.

"Another item on the board's agenda that we're quite concerned about is qualified admissions," Creighton said.

This is the policy that requires high school students to take 15 recommended courses in order to attend a regents school.

"The reason for qualified admissions is preparation, not exclusion," Creighton said. "We want students coming to our universities prepared to do university work."


The idea is in its second year of debate, and still faces the same

obstacles: student resistance, program availability at the high-school level, varying effectiveness and a question of motives behind the action.

"The issue of qualified admissions is just the right decision for the state to make, regardless of which political party claims the governor," Hammond said.

He went on to say that many legislators have indicated support to him, and cited Rep. Delbert Gross, D-Hays, who he said has come to accept the idea of qualified admissions in the last year.

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