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Judge dismisses 2 of Petty's 4 felony charges

Madeline Holler
Editor in chief

A confidential informant, who helped the Ellis County Drug Enforcement Unit secure information in one of two drug raids in October, testified Wednesday at the preliminary hearing of Harvey Petty, Shelby, N.C., junior.

Alfred Bernard Smith, former Fort Hays State athlete, said he purchased crack cocaine on two different occasions from Petty under audio surveillance of DEU officers in October.

Larry Litson, district magistrate judge, dismissed two counts of failure to pay the Kansas drug tax; however, Petty was bound over on two counts of sale of crack cocaine.

Petty's arraignment will be 9 a.m. Jan. 13.

Petty, former Tiger basketball recruit who was suspended following his arrest, was one of seven people arrested in the two different drug raids late in October.

The court heard two and one-half hours of testimony from the DEU officers and Smith, who was wired with recording devices by the DEU. Smith made the first purchase Oct. 23 at Petty's apartment, 328 W. Ninth.

In the testimony, the Smith said he bought crack cocaine from Petty on two occasions while wired with recording devices from the DEU.

Don Martin, defense attorney for Petty, said there was no evidence the sale was made by Petty, since none of the officers saw who gave the drugs to Smith.

Also he said Smith's credibility is questionable.

During his testimony, Smith said Lonnie Schmidt, coordinator for the Ellis County Drug Enforcement Unit, gave Smith \$150 to purchase the crack

cocaine. He said he then gave the cocaine to Dave Zellmar, a DEU officer.

Smith made a second purchase two



days later.

"They arranged for me to put on the pack (recording devices) and go to Harvey's and I bought a gram and a half of cocaine and gave him the \$150," Smith said.

Smith said he went to Zellmar to become a confidential informant in exchange for help to get into drug treatment and to negotiate charges he faced. And, Smith said he wanted revenge on Melvin Oliver, who Smith said held a gun to his head and threatened his life.

"He's going to pull a gun on me and say I ripped him off — hey, it's like revenge," he said.

"I had charges against me, and my life had been threatened by Melvin,"

Lack of evidence forces Tatum's charges to be dropped

Madeline Holler
Editor in chief

Time told the truth, Rodney Tatum, Jacksonville, Texas, senior, said.

Ellis County Attorney Glen Braun announced yesterday the charge of conspiracy to sell crack cocaine against Tatum has been dropped.

"I just had to let time set in — I had to let time tell the truth," Tatum said.

The former FHSU athlete was arrested and charged last month following two drug raids by the Ellis County Drug Enforcement Unit. Six others were arrested as well.

Braun said in an interview yesterday that statements made by a confidential informant led the DEU to believe, without a doubt, Tatum was involved in a controlled buy.

Alfred Bernard Smith, former FHSU athlete, was a confidential informant who led to information about the alleged cocaine sales in Hays.

However, Braun said he learned Tatum had not been involved in the buy when preparing for Smith to testify at the preliminary hearing of Harvey Petty, Shelby, N.C., junior.

Petty, who was arrested after the November drug raids, faces two

counts of conspiracy to sell crack cocaine. Two counts of failure to buy a Kansas drug tax stamp were dropped.

"Smith said to me, 'you shouldn't have arrested him (Tatum),' " Braun said. "When I discovered this, I immediately went out to the drug enforcement officers and asked them about Tatum's involvement."

Braun said he then realized they had misunderstood what Smith said. "Then I said to drop the charges," he said.

Braun said he wanted to emphasize Tatum made no bargain to get the charges dropped.

"There is simply no evidence," Braun said. "And Mr. Tatum professed his innocence to the point of going to the newspapers." Tatum went to the University Leader three weeks after his arrest to say he was innocent.

This is the first time a case has been dropped because of no evidence, Braun said. "At least since I have been county attorney."

Braun said the arrest and charges against Tatum caused much personal tragedy.

Tatum, the former Tiger men's basketball player, said he hopes to regain his position as student-coach for the Tigers.

Gary Garner, head basketball coach, suspended Tatum from the team following the arrest.

Garner said last night he did not want to comment on whether Tatum would return to his position as student coach. However, he said he has a meeting scheduled with Tatum this morning.

Currently, Tatum said he does not feel it is necessary to take any action against the county for the misunderstanding that led to his arrest.

"But if me and my lawyer feel it is necessary, then we might," he said.

Right now, Tatum said he wants to enjoy the relief.

"This is not going to stop me from doing what I came here to do — which is get my degree," he said.

And while Tatum said he tried to keep going during the past month, knowing he was innocent, it was tough.

"It was really hard knowing people were turning against you — feeling the stares from students when I was walking on campus and knowing people out there were saying 'I'm into drugs,'" he said.

"It was hard, but I feel I was strong."

While Tatum said would have stayed confident until he was finally proven innocent, he said he did not



Tatum expect to hear his charges were dropped yesterday.

"They had set my court date back until January, so it came as a surprise. I didn't think it would happen so soon," he said.

Although the events will have a lasting effect, Tatum said he will not make any changes.

"I'm still going to be the same ol' Rodney Tatum."

SGA changes election regulations

Scott Roe
Staff writer

The Student Senate took steps last night to clarify confusion regarding Student Government Association voting procedures.

Last night the Student Senate unanimously passed Student Senate Bill 91/F/109 designed for the prevention of further disparities in the election process at FHSU.

Last year, four presidential candidates and their running mates were disqualified from elections because they failed to file statements of campaign expenses by the deadline.

Running mates Andrew Irwin, Junction City senior, and Jack Wagon, Topeka junior, appealed the decision on the grounds that the regulations were open to different interpretations.

The Student/Faculty Court, which considered the appeal, ruled in favor of Irwin and Wagon and mandated a second election. The Bannister/Vicior ticket won by a wide margin.

The purpose of the bill is to improve the original wording of the SGA constitution and bylaws by clarifying their intent.

An excerpt from the bill states, "These vague areas can be improved by amending the documents in order to specifically state the intended meaning."

Several changes were made in the text including the change in phrasing from "Candidates for senate seats and executive offices shall file intent-to-run forms no later than 5 p.m. on the second Friday before the election date," to "Candidates for senate seats and executive offices shall file intent-to-run forms no later than 5 p.m. 12 days before the election date."

The other main topic of discussion on this bill was the change from "Election expenses for a ticket of two shall not exceed \$250. Election expenses for a single candidate shall not exceed \$250" to "Election expenses for a presidential/vice presidential ticket shall not exceed \$250."

Although this bill does not address the issue of deadlines for expense reports, Grant Bannister, student body president, said he expects that issue to be cleared up next.



Santa Claus dips into his bag to pull out a gift for a small child at the annual tree-lighting ceremony on the Fort Hays State campus. President Edward Hammond pushed the button that lit the tree Tuesday night.

Picken tree lights way to Christmas season on cold, windy night

Harry Lin
Staff writer

"5-4-3-2-1." At 18 degrees Fahrenheit on Tuesday night at 6:35, more than 50 people standing in front of Picken Hall held their breath, waiting for the Christmas tree to be lit. But it was still dark for a moment.

"Light the tree," yelled someone from the crowd.

All the bulbs lit suddenly, and the audience cheered. Then with the choir music, Santa Claus came from around the corner. The music of the Thomas More Prep-Marian High School Concert Choir opened the holiday season with Fort Hays State's annual tree lighting.

"I was pausing because I was waiting for the people to count down to zero," button-presser President Edward Hammond said.

Hammond, also the special guest, said in the ceremony that in the future

things are looking bright, "bailing out Russia's economic collapse, the majority of the mideast hostages have been released and we are expecting soon to get the remaining Westerners released."

"Hays has economic benefits due to the commitment of our people. We hope we can do the things extremely well," Hammond said.

After the speech, Hammond electrified the Christmas tree and the silent crowd burst into cheers and laughs.

At the same time Santa Claus who looked like he underwent liposuction, mingled with the crowd accompanied by the music of the choir. The children encircled Santa Claus immediately.

This ceremony has been conducted for more than 10 years and the Student Alumni Association has been the sponsor for the last 3 years, Melanie Dyer, SAA president, said.

Survey shows students desire condom machines

Madeline Holler
Editor in chief

Nearly four to one of those who responded to a University Leader survey think the Student Government Association should approve the installation of condom machines on campus.

Twenty-nine readers responded to the survey; 23 voted in favor of installing the machines, six voted against.

A ballot was printed twice in November issues of the Leader.

Grant Bannister, student body president, said at a Student Senate meeting last month he had been contacted by a company about installing machines on the FHSU campus.

The company, C and G Marketing in Grand Junction, Colo., installs and maintains the machines free of charge.

Several readers included comments with their ballots.

One reader who voted yes said condom machines should be installed instead of handing condoms out free.

"After all, if they think they are responsible enough to have sex, then they should also be responsible enough to protect themselves and their

partners against disease, etc." the reader said.

"Also, I realize it was because of the AIDS epidemic that the practice of handing condoms free of charge began. However, I believe that this is (in a way) promoting sexual activity."

I think that the university sends a message that it endorses sex outside of marriage. I think that idea will destroy our society

— Survey respondent —

The reader said if machines are installed, they should be installed in areas where minors do not have access to the condoms.

Another reader wrote that condom

machines send a message that would seem to be endorsed by FHSU.

"I think that the university sends the message that it endorses sex outside of marriage. I think this idea will destroy our society," the reader said.

The issue was passed to Michael Shimek, SGA executive assistant, who said he was currently trying to contact other schools the company services.

Shimek said he is asking the other universities when their machines were installed, whether there was support or opposition to the installation, the percent of profit the school makes and what they do with the profits.

Condoms are sold from C and G Marketing machines for 50 cents for one, \$1.25 for three, if the school chooses not to take a profit. Gacia Saenz, company president, said.

There is a 25- to 50-cent addition to the charge for a school profit.

Shimek said he plans to contact three or four schools before bringing it before the Student Senate for a vote.

"This is one of the issues we want to get information about so we can develop a stance," Shimek said.

"This is an issue we don't want to rush."

ZEN A POLL OF 29 F.H.S.U. STUDENTS

23 FAVORED THE INSTALLATION OF CONDOM MACHINES IN THE SCHOOL, WHILE ONLY 6 HAD ANY OBJECTIONS (HOWEVER SMALL)

INNOCENCE MISTAKE

Tatum deserves coaching job back

Several people owe Rodney Tatum an apology.

Tatum, Jacksonville, Texas, senior, was arrested and charged last month with one count conspiracy to sell crack cocaine following two drug raids that were supported by work from confidential informants.

A misunderstanding between one informant, Alfred Bernard Smith, former FHSU athlete, and the Ellis County Drug Enforcement Unit led to the arrest of Tatum.

Glen Braun, Ellis County attorney, and the DEU officers have apologized for the arrest.

Braun said after he clarified the mistake with Smith and then the DEU officers, there was no evidence that Tatum should have been charged.

Now Tatum needs the support of the university.

With the charges dropped, there is no reason Tatum cannot resume his status as student coach of the Tiger men's basketball team.

Moreover, there is no reason he cannot regain the respect given him by the team, coaches, students and the community before the arrest.

Tatum is innocent, just like he said, and his arrest should be forgotten.

NIGHT HIKE

SGA schedules walk for safety

This time, there could be light.

More determined student leaders with the new physical plant director in tote could mean better lighting on the Fort Hays State campus.

The Student Government Association has scheduled a campus safety walk to determine where it is unsafe to walk on campus at night.

And they have invited everyone to join the walk to point out areas of concern, including those who could produce some results.

Campus safety walks have been done for the past four years at least. But little follow-up to pave the way to changes seems to indicate the walks were simply a ceremony performed to pacify those involved in an annual panic about dark corners and tall bushes.

Not so this time.

Students have reason to believe that this timethere could be some changes. Grant Banister, student body president, and Lane Victorson, student body vice president, have been promising action since their campaign.

While it will take the legwork of everyone, it will be worth it. Many students work late at night on campus, and there is not an active escort service to transport the students safely to the residence halls or their cars.

While it's one thing to be scared of the dark, it is another to admit the small town of Hays has its criminals too.

Help to make the campus a safer place to walk at night and join the group 7 p.m. Wednesday in the Sunset Lounge.

You don't want them to miss the dark, covered corner that threatens you every night.

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Media responsible for hostages

Journalists must limit news reports to lessen burden on terrorism victims

After almost seven unimaginable years, Terry Anderson, the last of the American hostages held in Lebanon, has been released.

Seven years. Many Fort Hays State students were still in grade school when the hostage crisis first reared its ugly head in 1984 with the kidnapping of Frank Reiger.

Sixteen U.S. citizens, as well as many Europeans, were taken into captivity by a pro-Iranian Shiite Muslim group over the next eight years.

Three American hostages were killed, one was rescued, and one escaped. Five hostages were released by mid-1990. Within the last six months, the remaining American hostages have been freed.

As wonderful as this is, it is tempered by the fact that we Americans are partially responsible for this hostage crisis to begin with.

Consider the following.

- Certain Lebanese groups wanted to help the Palenstinians re-establish their homeland which was lost after World War II. In order to do this, they needed certain concessions from the United States and Israel, concessions we would not and could not make.

- The groups needed international news coverage, particularly in the United States. Taking American citizens hostage would gain them immediate media attention and provide them a forum for voicing their philosophies and political agenda.

- Most Americans have a morbid



Cecily Hill

Staff writer

fascination for horror, death and pain. Let's face it. We are sickened but mesmerized by automobile accidents, fires and slasher movies.

- Playing on our interest in such graphic violence, network news gave us a blow-by-blow account of the crisis, playing and replaying every video clip available, no matter how graphic or gut-wrenching.

The worse the video, the better for the network — we all wanted to see the gory stuff. Take, for instance, the sickening video of the hanging of Lt. Col. William Higgins.

The networks rationalized their extensive coverage by claiming that it might aid in the release of the hostages. Besides, the American people had a "right to know," they insisted.

- By horrifying us, the terrorists moved us into pressuring the U.S. government to give in to their demands. The more horrified and fearful we became, they reasoned, the more we would pressure our government.

- The more hostages taken, the more adamant our government became. We would not negotiate

with terrorists. Period.

The passage of time and a changing world brought the hostage crisis to an end, not extensive media coverage.

Current world events (specifically, the end of Communism) eliminated the Soviet Union as a superpower in the Middle East. The Persian Gulf War proved America to be a moderate Arab ally (in fact, the only superpower Arab ally). Syria and Iran had only one direction to turn — West.

It just wasn't politically savvy to hold hostages (or support terrorist groups) with America as a leading superpower.

The terrorist groups that took our citizens hostage knew that the political motivations were irrelevant to the American people. Few would understand or care about the pro-Iranian Shiites in Lebanon.

What the terrorists did was play on our emotions. Through the media the terrorists grabbed the heart of Americans.

If our media had been a little more responsible in their reporting of the crisis, the terrorists would not have had an audience for their actions.

Ignore it? Give it a media blackout?

No. Networks simply needed to carefully measure the importance and relevance of the video clips. For example, a simple statement that Higgins had been killed would have sufficed.

News coverage gave credence to the terrorists' cause. It legitimized

the event.

Why the hostages were taken was secondary. As Americans, we wanted, no, demanded their release. Families of the hostages begged and pleaded with our government to rescue their loved ones.

Organizations and committees formed to pressure our government into negotiating for the hostages' release.

This is exactly what the terrorists were hoping for.

Americans wanted coverage of the hostage crisis. They wanted to see what was happening. They wanted to know what was going on. Every network carried graphic visuals of the terrorists and hostages.

Terrorists began making their own videotapes of the hostages reading forced statements. What they said was, again, secondary. Just seeing American citizens, held captive in a foreign nation, some in obviously poor health, being forced to make false statements about themselves and their captors, blinded us with rage.

And the more outraged we became, the more we wanted to see. And the more we wanted to see, the more the terrorists did to gain media attention.

Desperate networks, in attempts to win the ratings war, covered the hostage crisis extensively.

It was a vicious cycle.

If there had been no media coverage, no "Live at 5 in Lebanon," there would have been no hostage crisis.

We are all to be held accountable for this.



Financial assistance very tiring

Following are the trials and tribulations of a voyage to pay for college. First stop was the Financial Assistance Office.

If you received financial assistance, you can relate to the frustration I went through. If not, consider yourself lucky. Sometimes I wondered if it was all worth it.

When I decided to transfer to Fort Hays State in late July, the first thing I did was call the Financial Assistance Office and ask them what I needed to do, both at the school I was leaving and here.

I am not complaining about how the Financial Assistance Office does their job. I understand there is a lot of paperwork that must be filled out. I was the one who had to fill it out.

I also understand it is a complicated procedure. If just any Peter, Paul and Mary could get free money or a loan to go to college, there wouldn't be any money left for those students who really need it to get a good education.

What I don't understand is why,



Angela Leggett

Staff writer

after filling out the proper paperwork from both schools, having all of the "right" forms transferred and waiting patiently, it took three months to receive the money I needed to pay tuition and why some of my friends are still waiting (even though it is almost Christmas).

The biggest question I have is why a month after FHSU received my financial assistance transcript did I receive a letter asking to have it sent from the school I had attended?

I called the school I transferred from well into the first month of semester. I assumed they had not sent it like they told me they had,

but they said it had already been sent and since it was a busy time for them it would be better if FHSU could locate it or it would take another month to get it to them.

I called the FHSU Financial Assistance Office and they told me they couldn't find it and couldn't I just have another one sent. I said no, find it, please.

They did. The letter they sent requesting the form said they had everything else they needed.

A month later I started wondering about my money. The office on campus said, "it takes time."

Then I received another letter asking for a form they did not receive. This time I was furious. I couldn't believe it.

I decided to visit the office in person, as I didn't want to get rude with anyone on the phone.

I took into account the time it took for them to realize they were missing the form, type the letter, have it arrive at my parents' house, them to call me and then me to

wait for the weekend to pass.

I could not believe all of this time had been wasted.

When I arrived at the front desk, I showed the woman behind the counter my letter. She produced my file and laying inside was a copy of the letter I had received. I told her I had sent the form to her in the previous two months. She looked again, and stapled to the inside of my folder was the form she was waiting on!

I was no longer patient. Being impatient did not produce the check to enroll in the classes I was taking mid-terms in, but once it did arrive I was very relieved to have school paid for.

Will I do it again? No. Luckily, I am a senior. And next semester will be easy — all the office has to do is give me the check since they already have their money.

My recommendations for those of you who won't be graduating is start preparing now for next year. It is never too soon.

campus briefs,
CALENDAR

Tiger Tots to extend hours during finals

The Tiger Tots Nurture Center will be open Saturdays until final examinations are finished.

Saturday, Session 1 will be from 8:30 a.m. to noon, and Session 2 will be from 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 14, Session 3 will be from 8:30 a.m. to noon and Session 4 will be from 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Tiger Tots is located in Rarick 109.

The cost is \$2 per family for a 3-and-one-half hour session.

Children must have proof of a physical exam.

Parents must provide a sack lunch for their children if they want their children to eat during the sessions.

There is limited space available at the center and registration in advance is advised but not required.

For additional information, call Director Natalie Unruh at 628-4101.

Club meets for final time during fall semester

The Accounting Club will meet 6 p.m. Tuesday in the Sunflower Theater.

All accounting majors and minors are welcome to become a part of the club.

This is the final meeting of the club this semester.

Sparks' exhibit shows 'Satan Made Me Do It'

Ralph Sparks, Hays graduate, is currently exhibiting a compilation of his small, colored-pencil drawings.

The exhibit, "Satan Made Me Do It: Images of Sexual Politics and Behavior," is currently on display in Forsyth Library.

Sparks said the exhibition deals with a broad range of contemporary sexual issues, including violence, religious hypocrisy, bimbosism, homosexuality, abortion and old-fashioned lust.

The drawings will be up until Dec. 20.

Research positions open to undergraduates

The U.S. Department of Energy's Student Research Participation Program has made several 10-week research positions open to undergraduates for this summer.

The program is for sophomores, juniors and seniors majoring in engineering and physical and life sciences, mathematics, computer science or the social sciences.

Students would spend the 10 weeks collaborating with federal scientists in research and development.

State-of-the-art equipment and direction from the researchers at the facilities will be available to students.

Students are selected by the DOE facility staff on the basis of the applicant's academic record, aptitude, research interest and the recommendation of instructors.

Participants must have the potential for graduate study and scientific careers.

Certain travel expenses are reimbursed and stipends of \$250 per week for seniors, \$225 for juniors and \$200 for sophomores will be paid to participants.

The application deadline is Jan. 21.

For application materials contact Pat Pressley at (615) 576-1083.

AIDS information on display at city library

An exhibit on AIDS is currently on display in the adult department at the Hays Public Library.

Information is available on the causes of the disease, how it is contracted, safeguards against it and who is at risk for contracting it.

Noxious fumes still problem in Rarick; cause undetermined

Cecily Hill
Staff writer

An increasing awareness of environmental concerns — air pollution in particular — has led many Fort Hays State professors to raise questions about Rarick Hall.

Noxious fumes and large quantities of dust created in the art department, located on the first floor of Rarick, have many people concerned about the long-term physical effects caused by constant exposure to such air pollution.

Designed and built in the late 1970s and early 1980s, Rarick architects and engineers did not fully consider the need for proper ventilation for the fumes and dust generated in the art department.

The problem, however, was not entirely their fault, according to Erik King, director of facilities planning.

"It was partly an architectural and engineering mistake," King said, "however, the university hadn't been real specific about their needs."

"Also, in 1980, when Rarick Hall opened,

people weren't as aware of the environmental concerns."

The architects did make provisions for some ventilation, but even the best-laid plans are subject to change. For example, King said, architects designed ventilation for the graphics studio. Then the art department moved the studio to another part of the building.

Although university officials are aware that there are dust problems and airborne fumes, no one has been able to confirm the exact problem, King said.

"I think there are some serious concerns, but they could be coming from various sources."

"I personally called KDHE (Kansas Department of Health and Environment) and asked them to come out and try to help us determine what chemicals were in the air and in what quantities," King said. "Frankly, they weren't much help."

In the 11 years that Rarick has been open, three engineering firms, in addition to KDHE, have been to FHSU to inspect the building. So far, no conclusive tests have been made to

confirm or deny the problem, King said.

Additional ventilation was installed prior to 1987 at the recommendation of the engineers, but with little success.

"Apparently it didn't satisfy anyone," King said. "They (university administration) ended up making changes on what the engineers had done."

The third engineering team told officials that it was not just a matter of adding more ventilation, King said. Installing more fans would create additional problems with the heating and cooling system.

"The mechanical system in Rarick is inadequate to provide additional ventilation," King said.

University officials did purchase a dust collection system which, when installed, will help eliminate the excess dust in the crafts, ceramics and jewelry area, King said.

Moving the art department to the third floor of Rarick or out of the building completely was one solution discussed by the Facilities Planning Committee, but it is not a cost-effective

solution, King said.

"Right now the art department is in a tailored space," he said.

If the department were moved elsewhere, the university would have to restructure space for the new location, and then restructure the first floor of Rarick to make it functional for other purposes, King said.

In the meantime, he recommends faculty and staff in Rarick keep their windows closed. The building's windows are for aesthetic purposes, not functional purposes, he said.

"The windows were not meant to be opened except in cases when the air conditioning goes out," King said.

Also, some faculty have relocated their offices and classes to other buildings on campus.

Determining what chemicals are in the air and at what levels is the number one priority for the Facilities Planning Committee, King said. He plans to bring in an industrial hygienist to study the problem.

"If we can figure out what the problem is, we'll take steps to correct it," King said.

Professor elected as treasurer for state dietitians

Pam Norris
Staff writer

The Kansas Dietetic Association, a chapter of the American Dietetic Association, has a new treasurer.

But Glen McNeil, home economics department associate professor, is anything but new to KDA.

McNeil has been a member of KDA for the past 11 years.

He began his membership to the organization for professional interests. The organization has approximately 25 members.

"I enjoy the company of others who share the same interests," McNeil said. "KDA promotes my profession and interests."

"There are so many options in the

field of dietetics, and a lot of jobs are being offered right now."

KDA members meet four times a year and conduct two state-wide meetings per year.

"It's a nice feeling to be elected for a position by my peers," McNeil said.

KDA is dedicated to the promotion of optimal health and nutrition for the population.

McNeil assumed office for his two year term last month.

McNeil comes from a family interested in dietetics. His mother is a retired dietitian, and his wife, sister and sister-in-law are also registered dietitians.

He believes it is important to promote a healthful lifestyle through example and education.

"Health should be important to everyone," McNeil said.

"When you are physically healthy then you perform better mentally and vice versa."

McNeil also encourages his students and others to learn by asking questions and challenging themselves to continually seek any new information.

Informing the public on nutritional concerns is a responsibility of KDA.

They sponsor a National Nutrition Month every March, organize monthly news releases dealing with health, nutrition, and wellness issues and air small spots on news segments.

"The more we inform the public, the more response we'll receive," McNeil said.



McNeil

"We rely mainly on the media to promote our cause."

Because he believes it is important to serve his community and profession, McNeil has been active in many organizations.

McNeil has served the KDA as secretary and has chaired various committees in the past.

He is a former president of the Hays Lions Club, and currently serves on the board of directors.

He also serves on the board of directors for Hadley Regional Medical Center Women's Clinic. As well, McNeil has served in various capacities at FHSU, including president of the Faculty Association and on the athletic association.

"As long as I feel I have something to contribute to the association I will be a part of it," he said.

Accreditation team to look at all academic programs

Madeline Holler
Editor in chief

One down, one to go.

Fort Hays State and its academic programs make up an open book that will soon come to a close following a visit from the second group that evaluates the programs of FHSU.

A North Central Association accreditation team will be on campus next week to compare the actual function of FHSU educational programs as opposed to the goals set by the university.

It is the second accreditation team to visit FHSU in two months.

Last month, the National College Accreditation of Teacher Education focused on the College of Education with a 14-member accreditation team.

Students from around campus have been invited to meet with members of the NCA accreditation team to relay first-hand accounts of how students see their education.

An open forum for students will be 3 to 4 p.m. Tuesday in the Memorial Union Trails Room.

An open forum for faculty only is scheduled for 3 p.m. Tuesday in the union Frontier Room.

The team will probe into every area of campus in just a few days.

However, the team is somewhat familiar with the philosophies and function of FHSU, Provost James Murphy said.

A steering committee, made of FHSU faculty, administrators and staff, began composing a 207-page

manual which acts as a self report of the university.

The report includes a history of FHSU, improvements made since the last NCA visit in 1981, the mission statement, goals and objectives, and the areas and types of students the university traditionally serves.

It also assesses undergraduate and graduate educational programs, and support services available at the university.

Murphy said the study allows NCA to look at what the university's intentions are and to see if proper resources and capabilities exist.

"They look at the university to see if we have met the concerns outlined," Murphy said. "They validate it by exploring records to determine if the report is accurate."

Following the on-site evaluation, the team drafts a report that will be returned to FHSU within one month, Murphy said.

The university responds to the report to make any corrections and then the team makes its final report.

The final report is prepared, according to the NCA handbook, no more than seven weeks after the team's visit.

Later, a university representative and members of the team meet to discuss the evaluation verbally.

"It will be next spring before the university knows the final outcome of the accreditation," Murphy said.

Inviting an accreditation to a university is completely voluntary but nonetheless important, he said.

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Bruce Bardwell, technical director for Felten-Start Theatre and the Beach/Schmidt Performing Arts Center, helps students during a theater workshop. Workshops are required for students in Introduction to Theater.

Technical director threatens resignation 2 stages too much for Bardwell

Juno Ogle
Senior copy editor

Having to be in two places at the same time was almost too much to handle for Bruce Bardwell, assistant professor of communication.

Bardwell is technical director for Felten-Start Theatre and the Beach/Schmidt Performing Arts Center, responsible for setting up the stage and directing the lighting and sound for productions.

Working both places, especially with the increasing use of Beach/Schmidt, led to time constraints for Bardwell and his student crew.

"It's too much for one person," Bardwell said. "Everyone short of the cheerleaders can schedule something in (Beach/Schmidt) and they do."

To compensate, a graduate assistant has been hired and will be in charge of technical direction at Beach/Schmidt under Bardwell's supervision. The assistant, George Auffert, will begin his graduate studies here

next semester.

The problems with doing double duty as technical director almost led to Bardwell's resignation. He had drafted a letter of resignation and shown it to Bill Watt, acting chairman of communication.

Watt said Bardwell's frustration with the job was no secret, but he did not view the letter as an official resignation.

"In my opinion, (the letter) was Bruce showing his frustration and unhappiness," Watt said.

After seeing the letter, Watt said, he and Steve Shapiro, director of the area of theatre, met with Bardwell, as well as Steve Wood, director of the Memorial Union, the dean and the provost, to smooth out the problems.

Wood, along with Bardwell and I.B. Dent, director of student activities, supervises the scheduling of events in Beach/Schmidt.

Watt said he also spoke with President Edward Hammond to convince him Bardwell needed assistance.

"We were trying to clarify the role

and to try to get ((Hammond) to understand the workload," Watt said.

Those involved with the two theaters agreed the job is quite a workload, but were not in total agreement whether it is a two-person job.

"The problem is that so much of the time is exact duplication," Wood said. "Felten-Start time demands go over Beach/Schmidt. I don't know that it's a job for two, but it's certainly a burden for one."

But, Wood said, that was to be expected.

"That's the way the job had been set up. You can't have two buildings and not schedule one just because you don't have two people," he said.

Watt and Bardwell disagreed. "It's unconscionable to put Bruce in a position like this," Watt said.

He cited one example in which Bardwell had to ask a janitor in Sheridan Hall to complete some work in Beach/Schmidt in order for him to finish work on a set in Felten-Start. He and his student crew also had to work all night in order to complete the

set for "The Henrietta" before opening night.

"It's a two-man job and I walked on water for one and a half years," Bardwell said.

Despite the frustrations, Bardwell said he does not have bad feelings and appreciates the cooperation of those involved in resolving the problems.

"A lot of wonderful people worked very hard and performed miracles," he said.

"I'm not upset with anyone as a whole. Some decisions were made and they didn't know what it takes to get (the work done)," Bardwell said.

Although he had, at one time, planned to leave at the end of this semester, Bardwell said that now, with the help of Auffert, he will stay at least through next semester.

Auffert will be in charge of the technical work in Beach/Schmidt and supervise the student technical crew.

"It will be important that we keep contacting each other as we'll be using the same students for labor," Bardwell said.

Semester ends on probation

Low grades may result in academic suspension

Sarah Simpson
Copy editor

Students may find themselves on academic probation or suspension if steps are not taken to avoid poor grades.

To be placed on academic probation, a student's grade point average must be between six and 17 points below a C, or 2.0, average according to the Fort Hays State catalog.

Suspension comes when a student's GPA is 18 or more points below a C average.

Students on probation are still allowed to enroll in courses and need only raise their GPA to be removed from probationary status, Provost James Murphy said.

"If their grades fall below the standards they are notified and then given the opportunity to improve. When they enroll they have the chance to bring their grades back up and be taken off probation," he said.

Students are allowed to remain on probation for the duration of their education, Murphy said, if they fail to raise their grades but keep them within the standards for probation.

"Students can stay on probation until they're ready to graduate as long as they stay in the probation window. They only go to suspension when they fall below the 18 grade point limit.

"Students can be placed on probation and come off and go back on. Probation is simply a warning. It just lets them know their grades aren't meeting the standards," Murphy said.

Students can appeal grades that lowered their GPA in order to be taken off of probation.

"We've never had anyone appeal the probation itself, it's more an appeal of the grades.

"They can file an appeal against grades that got them onto probation and that can bring them off," he said.

If a student is placed on academic suspension, they may enroll in the summer term, but not spring or fall unless an appeal of the suspension is approved, Murphy said.

Students can appeal academic suspension immediately after being suspended if extenuating circumstances exist, he said.

The appeal includes filing an Application for Academic Reinstatement

as well as a written statement describing the situation and showing how it has changed.

Murphy said if a student does not appeal, they can go through a re-application process following one semester of suspension.

"We treat each case individually. Re-enrolling depends entirely on the merits of each case," he said.

Academic probation and suspension do not go on the student's record, Murphy said, though they are mentioned on the grade reports that go to the students and their advisers.

Freshman made up 63.74 percent of all students placed on probation or suspension; 18.72 percent were sophomores; 11.13 percent juniors; and 6.16 percent seniors in spring 1991.

These numbers are not unusual, Murphy said.

"We always find the number of freshman higher. There are a lot of reasons for that — study habits, culturalization, getting familiar with college life. Primarily though, they aren't prepared academically in basic skills," he said.

The basic skills encompass all portions of the core curriculum, Murphy said, but most problems lie in English and mathematics.

"I think all academic people would like to see students be better prepared in these skills.

"In some situations, not all, students avoid the grammar types of English courses. Many students also

can and do successfully avoid math. That is a serious problem," he said.

Murphy said preparation before entering college and communication with university instructors can keep students from probation and suspension.

"If they can be as well prepared when they come to any university, especially in basic skills, that's a real help.

"Secondarily, when a student arrives and begins working and senses a problem in some class, they should talk to the instructor as soon as possible to help determine what the problem is.

"It may be something simplistic that the instructor can fix on their own," he said.

If an instructor is not able to assist a student, the student can then be referred to an agency, such as the Student Affairs Office or the Kelly Center, that can better help them, Murphy said.

Student mentor programs are also available in some courses, he said.

A student mentor attends the class regularly and gives advice to other students on important information to study.

"The instructor is always key to finding what needs to be done," he said.

"You have to key in on the source of the problem. Until you find what it is you can do, absolutely nothing can be done."

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Madrigal dinner starts tonight

Crystal Holdren
Staff writer

Tonight and tomorrow the Madrigal Dinner will take people back in time to the Renaissance period.

The Madrigal is now in its 28th year. It was begun by Donald Stout, former professor of music, and John Thorns, former chairman of the art department, and modeled after the Madrigal that was taken to England from Italy during the 16th century.

Rager Moore, director of the Fort Hays State singers, said this evening is used to celebrate the Advent season and to help set a festive atmosphere for the season.

The three-hour evening begins with the calling of the guests' names, or surnames. The introduction of the lord, the lady, and the chamberland of the evening follows.

This year's lord is Robert Firestone, retired educator from Colo.; the lady is Ruth Firestone, foreign language chairwoman; and the chamberland is Robert Luchrs, professor of history.

The program is then mixed with dialogue, singing and food. A five-course meal is served and in between each course the FHSU Singers, consisting of 18 members, entertains the audience with music from the Renaissance era. At the end of the evening, the Singers give a concert.

"Almost every year this event is either sold out, or a couple of seats are left," Moore said. This year is no different. The last available ticket was sold Wednesday.

"Those of us that have been in it in the past, look forward to it. It is like putting on a show because we get to be in costumes and be characters in the Renaissance Period," Lori Peter, Ellinwood senior, said.

Tickets usually go on sale around Nov. 1. The members of Singers get to purchase tickets before they are sold to the general public.

Written requests postmarked after Nov. 1 get second priority on a first come, first serve basis. If there are any tickets left, they are sold in the Memorial Union.



Juno Ogle/Contributing photographer

Pledges are initiated into the Delta Zeta sorority through a group ceremony. The women held candles on the FHSU campus last night.

Computer professor loves teaching, prepares to leave university after 22 years

Tim Parks
Managing editor

Jack Logan has seen quite a few changes in his 22 years at Fort Hays State.

But the one thing that he has said always remained a constant is his love for teaching.

Logan, associate professor of computer information systems/quantitative methods, will be retiring effective Jan. 22, 1992.

"I don't think my work has changed in 22 years," Logan said. "I'm still teaching."

Jack McCullick, dean of the College of Business, said Logan was a friend of the student without giving them too much leeway.

"He probably has more compassion and concern and wants students

to excel," McCullick said. "He cares very much about the student."

Logan is teaching 12 hours this semester.

"Being around youngsters keeps you young, at least at heart," Logan said. "It's got to be the most enjoyable part."

While his teaching has remained the same, the department Logan now works in has changed, he said.

When he came to FHSU in 1970, business and finance were in a single department.

The two departments separated, and the economics department became computer information systems/quantitative methods.

"The biggest change is we now have a department of our own single department," Logan said.

He also said he remembers when he

started at FHSU the computers were the IBM 1401.

"They were big and had limited resources," Logan said. "They only had 15,000 bytes of memory. We have at least that much in the micros now."

Logan also said punch cards were needed to use the computers at the time.

"I remember computer majors walk-

ing to class carrying stacks of punch cards," Logan said.

McCullick said Logan will be hard to replace, but that a search has already in the works to find his replacement.

"If he would tell me tomorrow he would come back, we would take him back," McCullick said. "He's going to be missed in the College of Business."

Petty

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one count of failure to buy a Kansas drug tax stamp. He was also charged with intent to sell crack cocaine.

Don Martin, Petty's defense attorney, began by asking Smith about his past involvement with Petty and his own past with drugs.

Smith said he first met Petty at the beginning of the fall semester at a gym in Gross Memorial Coliseum. Smith said he thought of Petty as a friend, and he had purchased cocaine from Petty between 30 and 40 times over the last few months.

"I bought it everyday, when he had it."

Smith, who first came to Hays in 1985 to play football at FHSU, said he was a drug addict. He said he began selling drugs about seven months ago.

"I first started using rock cocaine about June 1991. Before, I smoked marijuana," he said.

Smith said getting clean, going home and getting revenge on Oliver were his motives for becoming an informant.

"My life was threatened here. I don't want Harvey to get caught up in

it," Smith said.

Martin also asked the three DEU officers to what extent they were involved in the controlled crack cocaine purchase.

Dave Zellmar, officer, said he followed Smith on foot to keep him in continuous view.

"He stayed in view until he entered a narrow hallway," Zellmar said.

Zellmar said he did not see Petty make the sale. "I broke visual contact only once, when he made the sale," Zellmar said.

While Zellmar said he had not heard of Petty until the first buy Smith made as a confidential informant and the DEU was after Oliver, he said they used the information.

"I'm going to get all I can out of a confidential informant — even if he

leads me to someone else," Zellmar said.

Schmidt said he listened to the conversation between Smith and the seller in a van parked nearby. Smith identified the seller as Petty.

Blaine Dryden, the third DEU officer to testify, said he watched Smith get out of the van at 11th and Walnut streets and meet up with another black male.

Dryden said he kept the two men under surveillance until they entered the apartment building. However, he could not identify the other black male as Petty.

"I did not see anything while they were inside. I saw Smith exit by himself," he said.

During his testimony, Smith described what he said happened in-

side.

Smith said he made the first purchase in the hallway of Petty's apartment building. "Some girls were coming out."

"I said hurry man, I need to get out of here quick," Smith said.

"I just stood at the door. I told him to make it quick so I could leave."

He said he was at Petty's for about four minutes.

He said there were other people in the apartment, but Oliver was not there.

"Yeah, I saw some girls and his roommate came by. No, Melvin was not there," he said.

The second time, Smith said he spent about 10 minutes.

"I came over, talked for a little while. We watched some sports. Then I handed him the money, he handed me the dope and I left," Smith said.

He said during the second purchase, he was alone with Petty.

In his closing arguments, Martin argued the two tax stamp charges should be dismissed. He said his client did not fall under the description of a drug dealer.

Kansas law defines a drug dealer as anyone who distributes more than one gram of a controlled substance. The evidence in Petty's case is said to

weigh less than one gram.

Schmidt said Kansas Bureau of Investigation chemists detected .4 grams in the first sale's cocaine and .2 grams in the second sale's.

Martin also argued that Smith's credibility was questionable. "That testimony was so full of holes you could drive a truck through it," Martin said.

Braun said there was enough evidence to show probable cause and Litson agreed.

Petty is still free on bond and has been granted permission by the county to return home to North Carolina for Christmas break.

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Snyder receives honor

The Kansas State University Wildcats' Head Football Coach Bill Snyder was named the Big Eight's Head Coach of the Year Wednesday.

Snyder helped guide the Wildcats to a 7-4 record, which was their most wins in a season since 1954 and only their fifth winning season since 1936.

The Wildcats were just one Division I victory from receiving a bowl bid for the first time since 1981.

A National Collegiate Athletics Association rule states that a team must win six games against Division I schools to be considered for the playoffs. But the Wildcats only had five victories against Division I schools.

The Wildcats appealed the rule late in the season saying that they had tried to drop one of their Division II schools off of their schedule but the NCAA still would not allow them to play in a bowl game.

Snyder received seven and a half votes in the balloting beating Colorado University's Bill McCartney who received three and a half votes.

Knight bars reporter

Indiana University's Head Basketball Coach Bobby Knight barred a female sports reporter from the Hoosiers locker room following a basketball game earlier this week.

Beth Harris, a reporter for the Associated Press' Indianapolis bureau was kept out of the Hoosier locker room following Indiana's game with Notre Dame.

Harris has covered Hoosier basketball for the past three seasons but had never been denied access before.

Knight was reportedly following an Indiana University policy that keeps reporters of the opposite sex out of locker rooms following any athletic event whether it is football, men's basketball, or women's basketball.

The National Collegiate Athletics Association leaves the decision of whether or not to allow reporters in the locker room after sporting events to the discretion of the individual universities.

Dr. J, Kareem to play

Kareem Abdul-Jabar, formerly of the Los Angeles Lakers, and Julius Erving, formerly of the Philadelphia 76ers, are going head-to-head in a one-on-one basketball game.

The match is scheduled for Feb. 28 in Atlantic City on pay-per-view television.

Abdul-Jabar used a devastating sky-hook to gain fame in the National Basketball Association, while Erving used a finger-roll and various styles of slam dunks to gain fame.

Abdul-Jabar has been out of professional basketball since 1989, while Erving retired from the sport in 1987.

The match will be refereed by retired NBA referee Earl Strom. The game is scheduled to take place in the Trump Taj Mahal.

Burns retires

Minnesota Vikings Head Coach Jerry Burns has announced this will be his last season as head coach of the Vikings.

Burns has compiled a 50-42 record as head coach of the Vikings and has taken them to the playoffs three times since being named head coach in 1986.

The Vikings currently hold a 6-7 record and need to win their final three games of the season and receive help from other teams in order to have a chance at the playoffs again this year.

Spikers open play in NAAIA championship

Claudette Humphrey
Sports writer

The Fort Hays State women's volleyball squad opened up its play in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics women's volleyball Championship tournament losing three matches yesterday.

The Lady Tigers first match was against the squad from Fresno (Calif.) Pacific. The Tiger women held close in the first game of the match, but were unable to come away with the win losing 13-15.

Fresno came out quick in the second game, but the Lady Tigers refused to be defeated easily and fought back. However Fresno proved to be tough as they won both the second game and the match with a 7-15 victory.

Next up for the Lady Tigers was Northwestern Iowa.

The second game, however, was a complete turnaround. The Tiger women came out quickly and took a big lead early in the contest on good overall team serving and defensive play. FHSU came away with the victory 15-6 to force a third and deciding game.

In the final game the Lady Tigers fell behind early with the score 8-3 but fought back to take the lead at 9-8. Then it was back and forth with the most crucial tie coming when FHSU served to knot the score at 14.

Southwest State won the next point to take the lead at 15-14 and took the winning point on a kill to account for the final score of 16-14.

Despite going 0-3 on the day, Head Coach Jody Wise was pleased with the play of the Lady Tigers and said she believed FHSU was playing the best it had all season.

I think we are playing really good volleyright now, and that is what you want to do when you get to this point, and then if you win, you win and if you lose, you lose, but you know you gave it all.

Jody Wise

The Lady Tigers came out strong in the first game and took the win 15-11. Northwestern Iowa came back in game two and routed the Tiger women with an easy 3-15 win.

Game three was a hard fought battle for the two squads as both teams refused to go down without a fight. The Lady Tigers put on a strong showing but again were unable to come up with the victory as they lost, 13-15.

The Tigers' last game of the evening came against Southwest State-Minnesota.

The Lady Tigers fell behind early in the first game of the match as they could not take advantage of their scoring opportunities. FHSU lost the contest, 15-5.

"I think we are playing really good volleyball right now, and that is what you want to do when you get to this point, and then if you win, you win, and if you lose, you lose, but you know you gave it all.

"I think we are playing some of the best volleyball we've played all year. We're coming from behind and working hard," Wise said.

Wise said she does not consider any one player as standing above the rest but rather the team is playing tough and together.

"They're all playing great volleyball. We have to nominate three members to the all-tournament team and that is really hard at this point," Wise said.

The Lady Tigers' next match is today at 10 a.m.

Athletic funds do not meet needs of all sports programs

Tim Parks
Managing editor

Editor's note: This is part one of a series on scholarship ratios in Fort Hays State athletics.

The old sports axiom says the coach has to play the players he is dealt.

The same holds true for the collegiate athletic director.

He must deal his coaches the money for their programs, and sometimes the money for scholarships is far short of the set amount of scholarships a sport can offer.

Fort Hays State athletic director Tom Spicer faces that situation, and has asked the Student Government Association for money to increase the budget pool.

"I'm asking for assistance to upgrade. The larger number of scholarships we can offer, the more people we can bring in for the educational experience," Spicer said.

"We are far from fully-funding our programs. We're not satisfied where we're at."

According to Spicer, the non-revenue sports at FHSU are not offering the maximum number of scholarships allowed by the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics.

Those sports that do not make a profit include baseball, women's basketball, men's and women's cross country, golf, women's tennis, men's and women's track, volleyball and wrestling.

Men's basketball and football are the only money-making sports at

FHSU.

He said most of the programs are operating at 50-70 percent of their potential scholarship money, but used the baseball program's situation as an example.

"...we are allowed 8-10 equivalent scholarships in baseball. We now offer 1.6 (full-ride scholarships)," Spicer said.

He said all sports are funded according to the in-state cost.

"It's tough to expect a program to compete against other schools that have better funding," Spicer said.

Jim Kroh, cross country, indoor and outdoor track coach must pinch pennies even more than his coaching counterparts.

Kroh has the money equivalent to more than three full-ride scholarships for the men and just under three scholarships for the women.

But that is for all three sports Kroh coaches.

He said one person on his team receives \$400 per semester.

"That's not close to the in-state tuition costs," Kroh said.

Baseball Coach Curtis Hammeke said he has to take a different approach when recruiting for his team.

"We offer the opportunity to play now," he said. "We get a good athlete to come in and play right away. If he came in as a freshman somewhere else, he might have to sit for two years."

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Bill Bennett/Photo editor

Keeping the ball in play, Penny Weber, Scott City senior, bumps the ball to a Fort Hays State teammate in action against California Pacific College.



Bill Bennett/Photo editor

Niki Mock, Plainville sophomore, lunges to save a point against Northwestern Iowa in Fort Hays States' first match yesterday.