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Gubernatorial candidate speaks

Slattery addresses students

Stephanie Baccus
Staff writer

Gubernatorial candidate Jim Slattery (D-Kans.), addressed Fort Hays State students at 6 p.m. Tuesday in the Pioneer Room of the Memorial Union.

Slattery, originally scheduled to speak in the Frontier Room, was moved to accommodate the more than 40 students in attendance.

Slattery, called a "maverick moderate" in USA Today, covered several issues, from economic development to Washburn's admittance as a Regents institution.

Slattery, who was thirty minutes late due to a meeting with President Edward Hammond, discussed his background and his interest in telecommunications, calling FHSU "a model (of telecommunication technology in education) worthy of replication."

He emphasized in his speech his intentions of improving economic development in Kansas, including "selling" Kansas to attract business to the state and of improving Kansas' infrastructure.

"My point is this: historically, people worked in the big cities because they had to go there to get the information they needed to do business, and now that is all changing," he said.

Slattery spoke of the importance of education, health care access and crime, including he supports a limited version of the death penalty, before answering questions from students.

On the Washburn issue, Slattery said, "I don't think they should be

penalized in Topeka for living there when it comes to having access to a college or university. It's very expensive to attend Washburn University."

Slattery is a graduate of Washburn University, in Topeka.

In other issues, Slattery said he supports home schooling combined with effective testing, he called the voucher system "a frontal assault on the public educational system in the state," because he said he doesn't expect taxpayers to support the religiously-affiliated schools.

The voucher system allows the average amount of money spent per student to be given in the form educational vouchers to parents for each school age child.

Parents can use that money to pay to send their child to a private or public school.

Slattery responded to a Desert Storm veteran who said he supported the B-2 stealth bomber, a project Slattery helped stop production of. Slattery defended conventional warfare and stressed the expense of the bomber.

Slattery also discussed sentencing guidelines, (keep nonviolent offenders out of jail), abortion (he agrees with Kansas' law, but says the government can't and shouldn't control a woman's right to choose), and the North American Free Trade Agreement (he was against it).

Slattery was elected to the state legislature at 24 years of age and served three terms.

In 1982, he was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives and served six consecutive terms.



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Jim Slattery, gubernatorial candidate, answers questions from Fort Hays State students during his speech in the Memorial Union's Pioneer Lounge Tuesday.

SGA and Provost Arevalo discuss evaluations

Melissa Chaffin
Features editor

Fort Hays State is ahead of other Kansas universities in its assessment of faculty by utilizing student evaluations.

Provost Rodolfo Arevalo, Student Government Association's guest speaker, addressed the issue of student evaluations of faculty at last night's SGA meeting.

Arevalo said student evaluations of instructors are one of the initiatives that has come from the Board of Regents.

"FHSU is the only institution that allows students to rate all faculty in all

classes each semester," Arevalo said. "In addition, we're the only institution in the (regents) system to develop evaluations for academic faculty's ability in advising."

Arevalo said he plans to propose evaluations to be made at mid-semester rather than at the end so that instructors can modify what they are doing in that class.

"What evaluations at the end of the semester do not do is show faculty members that they're not reaching that particular group," Arevalo said.

"The intent is to move into a summative evaluation," he said. "If you do a summative evaluation, you get students to say why they aren't

understanding rather than saying the faculty member is good or bad."

These evaluations are used in the assessment of faculty for merit raises or criteria for the purpose of obtaining tenure or promotions. Arevalo said any written statement on the evaluation form is never seen by the instructor because the information is typed up.

The evaluations are also used for improving the quality of teaching. Based on the student evaluations, faculty members can look at areas that need improvement. Faculty can then seek help from FHSU's Center for Teaching Excellence in teaching ability or find other ways of presenting material more conducive to student learning.

Arevalo said faculty members are assessed in three areas: teaching (60 percent), research (20 percent), and service (20 percent), and students are rating the area of teaching.

He said student evaluations are

count for one-third to 90 percent of faculty assessment. The variation in the weight placed on student evaluations is because some departments use other variables such as in-class observation to evaluate faculty. In most cases, student ratings are close to 50 to 70 percent of the faculty assessment.

"Given the weight we're putting on it, I think it's very beneficial. The heaviest weight is always given to assessment by students," Arevalo said.

In addition, Jim Dawson, vice president for student affairs and institutional development, said the university is developing an evaluation form for administrators on campus, and they are looking for a way to incorporate students' evaluations also.

SGA President Nate Halverson discussed Gov. Joan Finney's higher education package. The Partnership for Excellence is a tuition increase that goes to pay faculty salaries which Finney said she will support if the

Board of Regents supports the integration of Washburn University into the system.

Halverson said he opposes both the Partnership for Excellence and the integration of Washburn into the regents. He requested a formal vote from the senate within a month.

"Salaries for faculty are lower than they should be, but funding shouldn't come out of students' pockets," Halverson said.

Addressing another aspect of SGA, Halverson said Attorney General Bob Stephen has stated no mandatory student fees can be used for lobby efforts.

As a result, FHSU will no longer engage in any lobby activities at all but will concentrate on education. Associated Students of Kansas, the lobby organization of the state's universities' students, will meet on Feb. 5 and at that time will determine the future status of the organization.

"Under no circumstances will stu-

dent fees be used for transportation or housing for lobby activities," Halverson said.

In regard to the possible FHSU-Barton County Community College merger, Halverson said the Chief Executive Officer and executive councils of both institutions need to compare constitutions and mission roles. If the merger becomes reality, only one person will be able to serve on the Student Advisory Council, which is the organization of president of the Regents University's student senators.

In other business, Wayne Rziha, executive assistant, said the kiosks (information booths) on campus will be finished by the end of February. He said everything should be in place in five weeks.

Lynette Brazda, Goodland sophomore, resigned her senate position which has opened up another SGA humanities seat. Anyone interested in the position should contact Tracy Bitter, SGA vice president.



PATRICK L. RICHARDSON / UNIVERSITY LEADER

Backdoor serenade

Michael Johnson performs at the Backdoor Wednesday night. The concert was sponsored by the Memorial Union Activities Board.

Program improves English

Accent Reduction Program now offered

Upendra Sabat
Staff writer

Fort Hays State's Herndon Speech Language Hearing Clinic, Malloy Hall, is offering a nine week Accent Reduction Program for international students and faculty members this semester beginning Feb. 1.

The orientation meeting will be held Tuesday, January 25, at 3:30 p.m. in Malloy 106.

The program is designed for those who have good basic skills in English grammar and vocabulary, but need precise verbal skills in individual and group situations.

Marcia Bannister, clinic director

and program coordinator, said the program is aimed at helping international students and faculty members to speak English with the intonation and phrasing patterns of the general American dialect.

She explained that all participants will be scheduled for an individual assessment and interview session at the clinic.

On the basis of the interview, various students will be selected to participate in additional individual or small group clinical sessions.

The individual sessions, which stress the individual needs of the students, benefit them a lot, Lisa Brunel, assistant coordinator of the clinic, said.

The clinic analyzes the individual student's needs and accordingly, tries to suit the program to help him," she said.

"A student gets a better chance to learn a language if he lives in that culture and the campus life provides that to international students here," Bannister said.

She said the clinic provides the students with opportunities to apply their learned skills with members of the local community and other international students.

Pelgy Vaz, associate professor of sociology, took the course for improvement of her verbal skills last year.

She said it is the student's interest and the time he or she devotes on the subject that really matter the most.

Vaz said those who desire to work in America should take this course and improve their oral skills.

Ed Desouza, Cuahua, Brazil senior, said, "I benefitted a lot from this course. It was really interesting."

"If you want to work in the USA, you should try to speak as closely as possible to their accent so that they are not forced to concentrate on you to understand you."

Bannister said a \$25 enrollment fee will be due at the time of orientation to cover the cost of practice tapes and materials.

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EDITORIAL

Topeka undeserving of special consideration

Jim Slattery (D-Kans.) said in his speech Tuesday at Fort Hays State that Washburn University should be admitted to the Kansas Board of Regents system (see related story, page one).

He said he didn't think Topeka students should be "penalized" by not having access to a public university in their town. With this stand, Slattery is ignoring the needs of the rest of the state.

Topeka students are far from being "penalized." Topeka is located between the two largest regent schools in the state, Kansas State University and the University of Kansas. Neither is over an hour from Topeka.

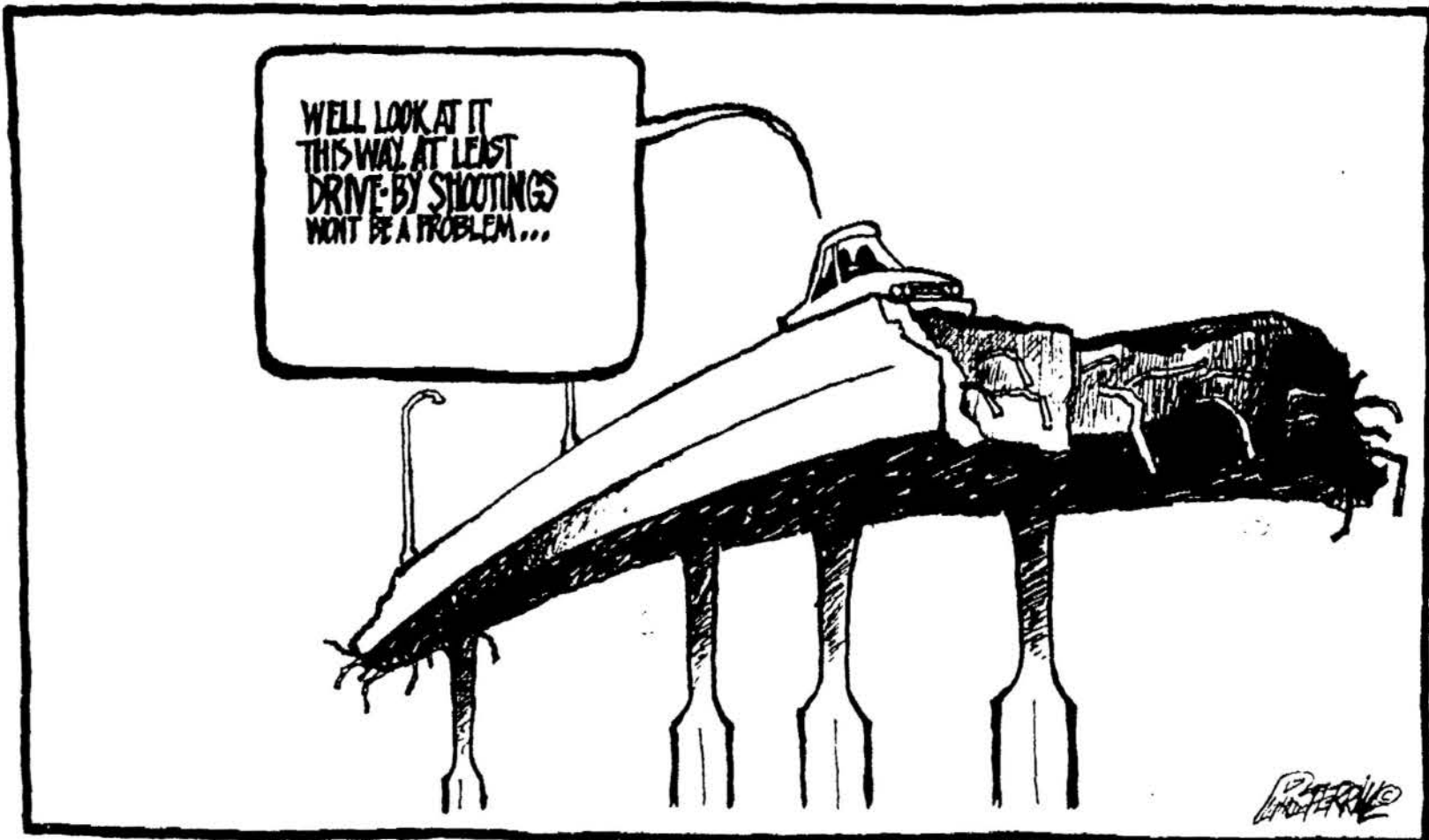
Topeka residents have the opportunities to commute to either of these schools, pay a lower tuition and save the room and board costs.

If they choose to attend Washburn University, it is not because they are lacking in regent institutions in their area. They have a choice in paying the higher tuition of a private school.

If you want to speak of penalized, what about the students of Southwest Kansas? Their closest regent opportunities are in Hays or Wichita, those being over four hours away from some Kansas towns. These students don't have the luxury of having three universities in a 60-mile radius of their hometown.

Instead of wasting Kansas tax dollars on adding Washburn University to the regents system, legislators should consider building a new university in the Southwest Kansas area. This would be much more beneficial to the state as a whole.

Slattery has a lot of good ideas in other areas. However, he needs to reconsider this issue with the needs of all Kansas students in mind, not just the ones in Topeka.



Chiefs put Kansas back on map

No, pigs still can't fly, monkeys didn't fly out of anyone's rear and hell is still burning hotter than ever. So what are the Kansas City Chiefs doing in the AFC Championship Game, one win away from a trip to Super Bowl XXVIII in Atlanta?

What they are doing is putting the great state of Kansas back on the map.

When the KC Royals won the World Series in 1985, it made people realize that there is more than just flat land and wheat in this midwestern territory. It was a statement saying that we were as American as any of the states in the Union and we had a winning baseball team to prove it.

Now we have a winning football team and it is bringing national media attention to a state where normal coverage consists of a weather report on the back of USA Today.

Now maybe the Missourians would disagree, saying that the Chiefs and Royals play in Kansas

City, Mo., so they are Missouri teams. Ask them why, then, they are not called the Missouri City Chiefs. It's all in the name.



Tim Gratzer
Guest writer

Well, it has been eight years since the Royals' Championship, and the only item of significance Kansas has had is a media-hogging politician turned comedian (Sen. Dole has been asked to appear on Saturday Night Live) who only uses Kansas with his

job title.

The Chiefs will at least attempt to represent the state it carries in its title.

But think of states such as Wyoming or South Dakota. Without winning professional sports, most people do not have the slightest idea what is in those states, much less where the state is located. Kansas was in much the same predicament until the Chiefs started winning.

Now the Chiefs have established themselves in the National Football League, and they are bringing the state of Kansas up with it.

Who knows what will happen Sunday afternoon when the Chiefs play the Buffalo Bills, but if the Chiefs win, the word "Kansas" will be on the front page of almost every newspaper in the country.

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Journey provides insight

Road trip transforms true love

The road trip—the ultimate test of true love. I never really knew my boyfriend until I spent seven and a half hours in the car with him. It was an experience I will never forget. You think you know someone, and then—bam!—he turns into Dr. Jekyll with driving gloves.

After several years of dating, I thought I knew my boyfriend pretty well, good and bad sides. And, of course, I had been in the car with him on numerous occasions—a short jaunt to Wal-Mart, the occasional trip to the grocery store, even a couple of hours on our way home. However, none of this prepared me for the transformation that occurred.

His eyes glazed over, his grip tightened on the steering wheel and we took off about as fast as my poor car could handle. (It's one of those models that does zero to 60 in 3.5 minutes.) All of a sudden I wasn't sure if we were going to my grandmother's house or racing in the Indy 500.

Although some of it wasn't pretty, I did learn a few things from our journey, and I would like to pass them on to you unsuspecting females who are contemplating such a trip.

1. Realize that if you have lived in a state 16 years of your life and your boyfriend has been there for

five minutes, he will still know the way better than you. And he will not ask you for directions no matter how lost he is.

2. Be prepared for No. 1. Have your map handy to follow just how off course he has gotten and be ready to tell him the actual route when he finally breaks down and asks.



Tracy Whitlock
Editor in chief

3. Practice bladder control. He will be hell-bent on getting there in the shortest time possible. Nothing short of cardiac arrest is going to get him to pull over.

4. Regarding No. 3, a sudden Snickers™ craving will not constitute a national emergency in his eyes. Bring along your own snacks for the road—times three. He won't stop when you're hungry, but he'll

certainly eat whatever you were thoughtful enough to bring along.

5. The best time to ask if he wants you to drive for a while is right in the middle of a large city. A scared look will come over his face, and he'll say, "No! I mean, no, honey. I can drive at least 500 more miles."

6. The radio is a constant source of conflict. When we take my car, I am in charge of the tunes. But I realize not everyone is so fortunate. If he really wants to hear that Dwight Yoakum song, let him. But make him pay for it. I like to tune in to an oldies station and sing along to the Beach Boys. Next time Dwight comes on, and I change the station, I don't hear a word.

7. Bring extra clothing. It's easier to put on a sweater than it is to listen to "It's so hot in here!"

8. And last but not least, try to remember that somewhere underneath that crazed exterior is the love of your life who will hopefully emerge when you reach your destination. I realize that's hard to see, but I promise he's there somewhere.

Well, ladies, there it is. I hope these tips will help you on your next journey. And if you're so lucky as to have a boyfriend who displays none of these annoying habits, marry him.



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Campus Briefs

Seats open

Student Government Association has several open seats for this semester. For more information, call 628-5311 by noon on Jan. 28.

Group to meet

Live Poets Society will be meeting at 7 p.m. on Thursday at the Protestant Campus Center, Sixth and Elm Streets.

History faculty will be presenting their favorite poetry. For more information, call Kim Gower at 625-4834.

Club to meet

The Accounting Club will be meeting at 6 p.m. on Tuesday in the Sunflower Theatre.

New members are welcome. There will be a film on the accounting profession and the application for the Certified Public Accountant exam will be discussed.

Grad School deadlines

The final date to file an Intent to Graduate form for Spring '94 Master's and Specialist in Education degrees is Jan. 21.

The final date to sign up for Spring '94 comprehensive examinations is March 4.

Please contact the Graduate School in Picken 202 or call 628-4237 for more information.

Groups starting

The following groups will be starting this month at the Kelly Center: Interpersonal Group for Undergraduates, Wednesdays 6-7:30 p.m., starting Jan. 19, and Thursdays 6-7:30 p.m., starting Jan. 27; Substance Abuse Group, Wednesdays, 6-7:30 p.m., starting Jan. 26; Career Exploration Group, 3-4:30 p.m., starting Jan. 27.

Study Smart Workshops will take place at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 25, and Wednesday, Jan. 26, in the Frontier Room in the Memorial Union.

Interview sign-up

The following interview sign-up schedules will be available on Tuesday at the Career Development and Placement Service, Sheridan 214: Lincoln Mutual; Hastings Books, Music and Video; Smoot Grain; and Servi-Tech.

Mock interviews set

The Career Development and Placement Service is sponsoring a Teacher Mock Interview Day for graduating seniors in all education fields.

A group of local school districts will be conducting mock interviews on Thursday, Feb. 10. Sign-up for these will be at 8 a.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 25 in Sheridan 214.

Tigers to host doubleheader

Ryan Buchanan
Sports editor

Coming off a 96-82 win against Colorado School of Mines, the Tiger men's basketball team is set to host a doubleheader weekend. Fort Hays State will take on Mesa State College tonight and Western State College tomorrow night. Both games are set to begin at 8 p.m. in Gross Memorial Coliseum.

The Tigers carry a 10-4 overall record and a 1-1 conference record into tonight's game. Mesa State, who is picked to win the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference, is currently 12-3 overall and undefeated in the RMAC at 3-0. They also lead the nation in field goal percentage with 55.5 percent.

"Mesa State is picked to win the

conference, and they should. They're a junior and senior dominated team that won 20 or 21 games last year and have everyone back. They're definitely the favorite to win without any question," Coach Gary Garner said.

"Mesa State's for real. I expect them to play very aggressively and to play hard and execute well. They are going to try to take away our running game. They rebound the ball exceptionally well," he said.

Probable starters for FHSU tonight are Chapanez Hale, Kenneth Haywood, Jerry Dixon, Steven McElvey and Dennis Edwards.

Edwards was named the RMAC player of the week for the second consecutive week. Edwards also leads the RMAC in scoring, averaging 26.4 points per game, and field goal percentage with 66.5 percent.

After tonight's game, FHSU will turn around and play Western State tomorrow. Western State is currently 7-8 overall and 2-1 in RMAC play. Garner said he is taking one game at a time and is unsure of what exactly to expect from Western State tomorrow.

"Western State started off kind of slow this year but they're coming on. They lost to Mesa, 107-104, in triple overtime. They could be a pretty big team. I know they have a couple of big guys at 6-7 and 6-9."

"Western beat Missouri Southern, who was picked number one in the NAIA, so apparently they're a good basketball team," Garner said.

Last Saturday, FHSU gained their first conference win, downing Colorado Mines, 96-82.

The Tigers jumped out to an early

12-point lead, but Mines cut FHSU's lead to five at half-time.

FHSU shot 75 percent from the field during the second half and built up a 21 point lead with 1:40 remaining. In the final minutes, Colorado Mines' Varela hit six three-pointers in a futile effort to close the gap. However, the Tigers kept up their momentum and went on to prevail.

Garner said, "We played really well against Mines. It was probably one of our more consistent games of the year. There was never any doubt who was in control. We had control of the game from the opening buzzer until the final buzzer."

"It was our best game from the half-court offense standpoint. Half-court offense has been the weakest part of our game and we haven't played very well out of it, but at Mines we played extremely well out of our half-court offense," he said.

Garner said he is seeing much improvement in the Tiger's defensive game.

"Our defense is getting better all the time. We're beginning to improve game in and game out with our

defense," he said.

Edwards led in scoring against Colorado Mines with 32 points, while Dixon led with 11 rebounds.

Box score vs. Colorado Mines:

(Three-point field goals) two-point field goals - freethrows - personal fouls - total points

FHSU:

Hale 3-2-2-8, Haywood (2)5-3-0-15, Edwards 13-6-4-32, McElvey (1)3-0-1-7, Dixon 3-0-5-6, Creamer 2-3-1-7, Trenkle 0-1-0-1, Eshbaugh 0-4-5-4, Johnson 3-1-3-7, Guliford 1-0-0-2, Schnakenberg 0-2-1-2 and Hammond 0-5-1-5. Totals (3)33-27-23-96.

Colorado Mines:

Bray (1)1-8-4-3, Olson (2)4-1-5-11, Johnson 4-1-4-9, Kenyon 3-4-3-10, Varela (6)13-9-4-41, Babcock 0-0-3-0, Melzer 0-0-1-0, Abbott 1-0-3-2 and Barrett 1-4-3-6. Totals (9)27-19-30-82.

Women's basketball team has two conference games in store

Kristin Holmes
Staff writer

Two home conference games are in store today and tomorrow for the Fort Hays State women's basketball team.

The team opens its first home conference game tonight at 6 against Mesa State University.

Mesa State's 7-8 record and pre-season conference favorite status will be obstacles for FHSU to overcome.

"This will be our first game of the season with Mesa State, and our first objective will be to play good defense," Tom Mahon, head women's basketball coach, said.

"Another one of our main concerns will be trying to slow down Mesa State's Tonya Stites."

Mahon said Stites was conference player of the year last season and averages 23 points and 9.9 rebounds per game, which gives her top ranking in the conference again this year.

On Saturday at 6 p.m. the Lady Tigers will face Western State.

"Western State has been kind of a surprise in the conference this season," Mahon said.

Western State has beaten Mesa State and Adams State, but lost to New Mexico Highlands.

Mahon said they are 2-1 in conference play, but only have a 4-10 record overall.

"They are an up and down team. They have just come off a loss to Highlands, so they will be looking to win as badly as we are," he said.

Mahon said the team is going to work on not turning the ball over.

"We want to keep the ball moving and in our hands as much as possible," he said.

In addition to watching their turnovers, the team will also be concentrating on playing good defense.

"We want to step up our defense in these games," Kristin Wiebe, senior center, said.

"We want to hold them down defensively. We are going to work really hard on that."

Wiebe said she has been working

especially hard on defense.

"I will do whatever I can for the team so that we can win the games."

Amy Scoby, junior guard, said she too was working on her defense.

"I think if we play good, tough defense, our offense will come naturally," she said.

"We have been working on our man to man defense, so if we play as hard as we can we will win. Mesa State is one of our biggest conference rivals and we really want to beat them."

Beating Mesa State and Western State is very important to both the players and coaches.

Mahon said that while looking at other team's scores and records is important, it isn't as important as concentrating on his own program.

"I am more concerned about us and about our wins. We have to stay confident and play good, sound basketball," he said.

"I think if we keep the momentum going throughout the entire game, we have a very good chance of winning this weekend."

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Tigers open indoor track season at Kansas University Invitational

Wendy Crum
Staff writer

The Tigers opened their '94 Indoor Season by competing in the Kansas University Invitational at Lawrence last Saturday.

A very small squad of Tigers participated in the meet since it took place just after the semester break.

There were nine teams present and many athletes competed unattached in the meet. The meet was scored in two divisions: NCAA Division I and schools smaller than division one.

The Tiger's results were:
Shot Put - Men's: 7th, Jeremy

Hawks; Women's: 2nd, Tammy True
Long Jump - Men's: 3rd Keith Eck.

55 Meter Hurdles - Men's: 2nd Keith Eck.

1000 Meters - Women's: 1st Leslie Nielsen; 4th Heather Cromwell.

Pentathlon - 3rd Kelly Cook.

4 x 800 Relay - Men's: 1st (Jamie Wren, T.J. Trout, A.J. Lee, Chris Smith).

Women's: 1st (Leslie Nielsen, Danielle Stohs, Heather Cromwell, Krista Adams).

4 x 400 Relay - Men's: 4th (Jamie Wren, Chris Smith, A.J. Lee, T.J. Trout).

Women's: 2nd (Krista Adams, Nicole Cordill, Danielle Stohs, Summer Vann).

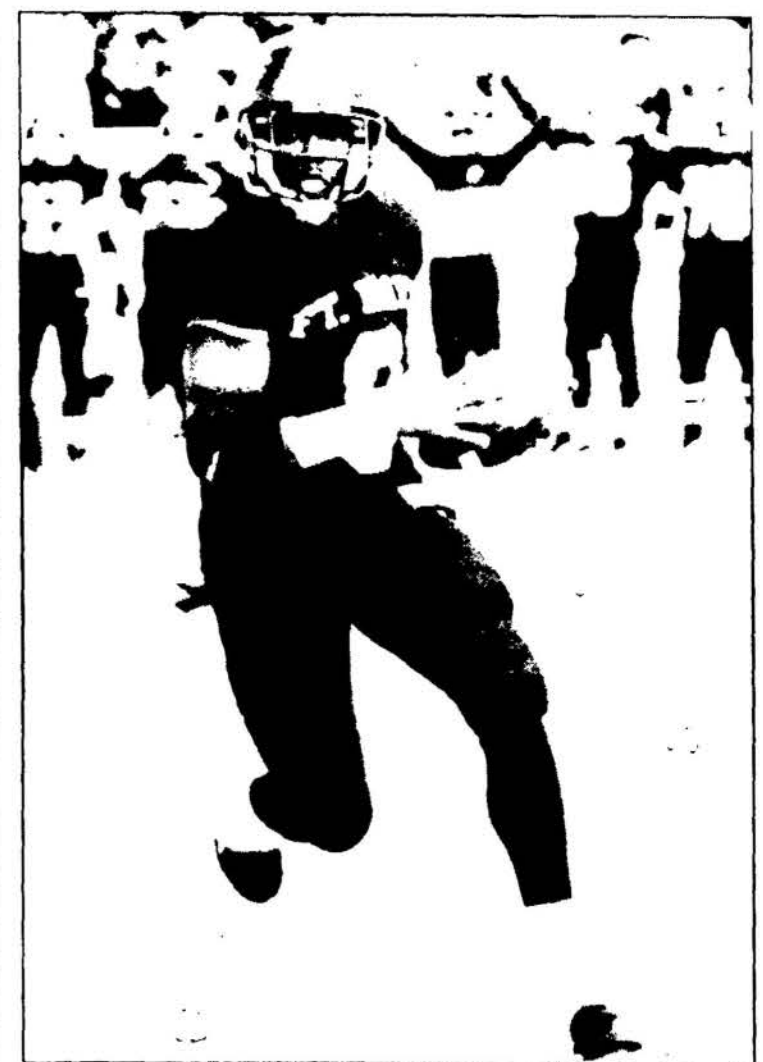
Coach Krob said, "We were pleased with the few Tigers who we took to Lawrence. We had a number of very good early season performances, especially after coming off of break."

This week the team will be traveling to Lincoln, Nebraska to participate in the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Invitational. It will be held on Saturday, Jan. 22 and is expected to be a very tough meet.

The Tigers will be taking 12 women and 23 men to the UNL Invitational.

Competing for the women are Tammy True, Chantay Brush, Summer Vann, Kim Hein, Jennifer Nowak, Tina Jackson, Cody Thomas, Nicole Cordill, Danielle Stohs, Leslie Nielsen, Krista Adams and Heather Cromwell.

The men competing will be Chance Clutter, John Jirak, Philip Henrickson, Jeremy Hawks, Warren Funk, Mike David, Kelly Cook, Cedric Drewes, Lance Schwindt, Slade Girk, Keith Blackwill, Tom Wapp, Jay Konzem, Rod Smith, Andy Rucker, Quentin Choice, T.J. Trout, James Wren, A.J. Lee, Jason Shanahan, Mike Leiker, Manuel Torres and Chris Smith.



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Fort Hays State defensive back James Hardy Jr. returns an interception during a home game during the '93 football season. Hardy was part of the RMAC Championship team.

RMAC championship football team to be honored at half

Ryan Buchanan
Sports editor

signify the championship.

The banner will be moved to Lewis Field next fall to be flown during the football season.

On their way to the title, the '93 Tigers posted a 6-1 RMAC record. It was FHSU's first conference championship since 1966, when the Tigers tied Pittsburg State University for the Central Intercollegiate Conference title.

The '93 football team tied a university record for regular season wins in a season with eight. Their overall record was 8-4.

FHSU also qualified for the NCAA Division II play offs. They were defeated, 37-34, by the University of California - Davis in an extremely close game.

It was FHSU's first NCAA Division II play off berth since the Tigers left the NAIA in 1992.

The only other play off appearance by a Tiger football team occurred in 1990 when the team qualified for the NAIA play offs.

The '93 Fort Hays State Tiger football team, that captured the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference championship and qualified for the National Collegiate Athletic Association Division II play offs, will be honored at half-time of the tomorrow night's Tiger men's game against Western State College. Tip-off is set for 8 p.m.

The members of the Tiger's RMAC championship team will be presented framed certificates courtesy of Tiger Club.

The members of Tiger Club's board of directors will present the certificates to the players, coaches and other individuals that were involved in FHSU's conference title.

A banner will also be displayed in Gross Memorial Coliseum during the winter sports season to

Lady Tigers down Colorado School of Mines, 56-53, for first conference win

Kristin Holmes
Staff Writer

The Fort Hays State women's basketball team experienced its first conference win of the season last Saturday against Colorado School of Mines, 56-53.

In the opening of the second half, Colorado Mines scored no points, while the Lady Tigers went on a 15 point scoring streak.

"I felt that those first eight and a half minutes of the second half is what won the game for us."

"I was really happy with the way

we played in the second half," Tom Mahon, head women's basketball coach, said.

Mahon said he felt the team's defense came together in the second half as well.

"Our defensive intensity was also a factor in winning the game. There were several times during the game where we kept Mines scoreless," he said.

Colorado Mines went scoreless on its six possessions in the first half and again in the beginning of the second quarter half.

Mahon said although the team

played well in the second half, he felt they could have played better overall.

"If we can just play all 40 minutes of the game, we will do even better. It seems we tend to let down at times, instead of keeping the intensity level throughout the game," he said.

The Lady Tigers scored the last seven points of the first half, taking the 34-30 lead.

"I feel we had some players who really did a good job for us in this game," Mahon said.

"Karla House did a tremendous job for us on both ends of the court. She scored in double figures and shut down the offense on the other side of the court. She is becoming a very complete player."

House, senior forward, scored 16 points, had five assists and four steals.

Mahon also said Mindy Lyne, freshman guard, played well.

"Mindy had a great game. This was her first time to play in a game that was tight, instead of coming in when we were way ahead. Since she is a freshman, it has taken her a little longer to adjust to college basketball. She is doing a good job and will only continue to get better and better."

Lyne was 4-4 from the field with 10 points.

"Kristin Wiebe was also a factor. She always plays consistent and usually scores in double figures. She is a very smart player," Mahon said.

Wiebe had 13 points and pulled down a game high 10 rebounds.

"I don't want to take anything away from the other players, because they all do a good job and play hard," Mahon said.

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