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Students find bicycle theft not child's game

Kari Sparks
Staff Writer

The number of bicycles stolen on campus this semester has already surpassed the amount of bicycles thefts during the entire previous year.

"The thefts have been more (of a problem) this year than in quite some time," Campus Police Chief Sid Carlile said.

In previous years, stolen bikes could usually be found after being abandoned on campus, according to Carlile. This semester, six stolen bikes have not been recovered.

Carlile said there is no indication of a prime area where the bikes are stolen.

"Usually the thefts take place at night, but just recently a bike chain was cut, and the bike was stolen in broad daylight," Carlile said.

"In this day and age, it is unfortunate, but you have to protect your belongings."

According to Carlile, "common sense" is the best way to protect your bike.

"Park your bike in a well lit area

and don't take the chance of leaving it unsecured.

"If you spend \$2 on a lock, figure that it will not be as strong as a more expensive one," he said.

Carlile also encourages people to register their bikes with the campus police located in the Brooks Building. "At least then we will have a description of your bike on file," Carlile said.

To help prevent more thefts, the campus police are practicing "community policing."

"Each week an officer attends the dormitory resident assistants meeting to exchange information," Carlile said. "The more eyes we have, the better."

Another effective tool is OfficeVision, "a kind of e-mail," where messages and descriptions of stolen property can be sent to all the offices and staff members on campus, Carlile said.

Further, Carlile said to be careful where you secure your bike.

"Frequently, we get reports from the academic area about students securing their bike to railings, which blocks access into a building for a handicapped person. Do not chain bikes to handrails," Carlile said.



NO CHEAP DATE Jaime Kern, Olathe sophomore; Debbie Dolechek, Hoisington junior; Lisa Harbour, Ulysses freshman; and Sarah Gilger, Ellinwood junior, participate in the Sigma Chi Date Auction in the Memorial Union Tuesday night. Blind dates were auctioned off to the highest female bidder based on what the fraternity brother had planned for the night of the date. (University Leader photo by Mark Bowers)

Classes recommended to remain cancelled

Melissa Chaffin
Senate Reporter

Faculty Senate passed a recommendation to continue to cancel classes on the Friday of Homecoming festivities.

Steve Sedbrook, student affairs committee chair, presented a recommendation to maintain the

Oktoberfest scheduling as is unless a legal opinion states there is university liability. In case of liability, "innovative and alternative ideas" for celebrating Homecoming will be used.

Faculty Senate passed an amendment recommended by Provost Rodolfo Arévalo to change the wording to state the Friday of Homecoming weekend rather than Oktoberfest.

Board of Regents legal staff is

researching the issue of university liability.

Arévalo said, "There is potential for liability especially in one regard, and that is the Tiger Club, which is under the university, has one of the biggest beer booths (at Oktoberfest)."

Faculty Senate will readress the issue if university liability is apparent.

Card's applications still growing

Melissa Chaffin
Senate Reporter

The University Card has passed the start-up phase and administrators are now open to suggestions for new applications.

John Ross, director of University Card Center, Bruce Shubert, assistant vice president for administration and finance, and Pat Mahon, interim registrar, updated the Student Govern-

ment Association on the progress of the University Card at last night's meeting.

Ross thanked SGA for supporting the card and being patient in its initial phase.

"In all cases, the vendors we've worked with have provided solutions to the problems we've encountered."

"Now that we've progressed past the start-up phase of the card, I think it's important to start new applications," Ross said.

Some of the applications which may be implemented in the near future include an automatic deposit of student paychecks option, final enrollment with the card and an addition of a security system to the residential halls.

The card has already been used to vote in SGA elections and distribute

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Fort Hays State students attend convention

BACCHUS/GAMMA gain national attention for awareness efforts

Jenna Winterberg
Managing Editor

Representatives from Fort Hays State's Boosting Alcohol Consciousness Concerning the Health of University Students (BACCHUS) and Greeks Advocating the Mature Management of Alcohol (GAMMA) organizations made their presence known at last weekend's national convention through an award, a presentation and an announcement.

Eight representatives from the FHSU chapters of BACCHUS and GAMMA were on hand at the na-

tional convention in Washington, D.C. Thursday through Sunday to receive an award on behalf of Tiger by the Tale, a peer theater group in its fifth season of using students to "speak out with their own ideas in their own style," according to Jim Nugent, coordinator of the Drug, Alcohol, Wellness Network at FHSU.

Tiger by the Tale, a "self-functioning" branch of BACCHUS and the Drug, Alcohol, Wellness Network, was awarded one of the Outstanding Program Awards presented to only seven of the "hundreds and thousands of schools who belong to BACCHUS," according to Shelly Roben-Lojka,

BACCHUS/GAMMA advisor.

Though the award praised the programming at FHSU, Roben-Lojka felt the conference was beneficial to students "as a way to get new ideas and new programming...we can use with our students to get more people motivated and involved."

According to Nugent, the students also went to "network with students from other colleges."

More than 700 students attended the convention, according to Marsha McAdoo, president of FHSU's BACCHUS chapter. Chapters of BACCHUS and GAMMA exist in all 50 states as well as in Canada and

Mexico.

In addition to student delegates, "two of the gentlemen who began BACCHUS at Florida State University," were on hand, according to Roben-Lojka. Their presence was part of the celebration of BACCHUS's 20th anniversary.

According to Nugent, FHSU students were "a major part of the party itself with the Seat Belt Relay presentation."

"The Seat Belt Relay," according to Roben-Lojka, "is more or less Fort Hays State's trademark."

The relay resembles "a Chinese fire-drill, except you buckle-up every

time. You're running against time,"

McAdoo said. "The fastest time wins."

The purpose of the event was to express the idea "it only takes a minute to buckle-up and save your life," Roben-Lojka said.

Nugent also related the use of seat belts to other decisions students make. "Seat belt use is a conscious decision in the beginning," he said, "but later it becomes an automatic response. If you consciously decide that you're going to use alcohol in a responsible way, then you'll continue to do so."

Almost 200 of the delegates from other schools participated in the presentation, according to Roben-Lojka,

and many of those universities expressed the desire to do the presentation at their own schools. An accomplishment, Roben-Lojka said, of which the FHSU students should be proud.

Some of the schools who participated in the relay will be attending a regional conference, similar to the national but incorporating about 200 students from Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska and Iowa.

According to McAdoo, the announcement regarding the dates of the regional conference, Feb. 16 and 17, and the location of the conference, FHSU, was also made at the national convention.



OPEN WIDE Joleen Beiker, Grainfield junior, performs the part of Emma Brookner, and Jake Steward, Hays freshman, performs the part of Ned Weeks during Wednesday's rehearsal of "The Normal Heart" in Felten-Start Theater. (University Leader photo by Fred Hunt)

'Normal Heart' bleeds extraordinary history

Jessica Sadowsky
Entertainment Reporter

The Fort Hays State Theater will present its interpretation of "The Normal Heart" at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, and at 2 p.m. Sunday. There will be no Thursday performance, as there has been in the past.

The performance will take place in the Felten-Start Theater, Malloy Hall.

Tickets can be bought and reservations can be made at the Malloy Hall Box Office at 628-4225.

Student tickets cost \$5 and non-student tickets cost \$6.

The play is autobiographical, chronicling the life of the play's author, Larry Kramer, as he attempts to "awaken the world to the AIDS crisis," according to a press release.

Kramer founded the first organization to deal with AIDS. His organization was the model for other AIDS awareness organizations, according to Director Lloyd Frerer.

"He wanted to get recognition for this disease that was killing people. People who were his friends."

"The Normal Heart" is a history of the discovery of the AIDS virus when no one knew what it was," Frerer said.

According to Frerer, the play has the potential to cause controversy because it is dealing with the homosexual community and their relationships with each other.

"Southwest Missouri State performed 'The Normal Heart' and caused upheaval."

Frerer believes students should attend the play because they may become more aware of a lifestyle different from their own.

"It gives an inside look about how gay people interact with each other."

"Some wanted to confront the AIDS problem, while others didn't want to 'come out of the closet' at the risk of losing their jobs," Frerer said.

Frerer also said the play will dispel the stereotypical image of homosexuals.

"It's a fascinating drama about a lifestyle and a subject we needed to deal with," Frerer said.

Frerer also said this is the first time a play about homosexuals has been performed on the FHSU campus since the 1970s when "The Boys in the Band" was performed.

"It promises to be an exciting show...bringing up the issues of promiscuity, and showing confrontations between gay men and how they deal with it," Frerer said.

Forum of city leaders to be presented

Students encouraged to voice opinions on city improvements

We are all caught up in the daily drudgery of attending classes, writing term papers and making sure we have clean clothes to wear tomorrow.

Because we are students, we focus on what we need to do today, on campus, or maybe off campus at the laundromat.

Often, when we have a problem on campus, we know who we can talk to, which administrator or faculty member to call.

However, what do we do when we are off-campus and note a prob-



LaNette Schmiedler
SGA President

lem, like the condition of our off-campus housing? Who can we call then?

As some of you may know, Fort Hays State was annexed to the City of Hays this past summer.

That means students are now part of the city and have as much right to provide input into our city affairs as native Hays citizens, who were born and bred here.

More importantly, it means we have a responsibility to familiarize ourselves with the community so we can enhance our lives.

At 7 p.m. Thursday in the Memorial Union, the Student Government Association is sponsoring a "City Leaders Forum."

Hannes Zacharias, Hays city manager; Sharon Leikam, Hays city mayor; and Eber Phelps, Hays city

commissioner, have enthusiastically agreed to take part in this open forum.

This means you have the opportunity to ask those questions about housing, the Hays recycling program and speed limits.

After having spent any time in the community, you certainly have noticed areas needing improvement, like those ever present one-way streets.

You probably have ideas, too, which may help solve some of these problems. While the City Leaders

Forum occurs once a semester, we in SGA began working with the city last summer.

For example, when the city formulates its budget over the summer, it reconsiders how much money it wants to provide to the Hays City Scholarship program.

President Edward Hammond and I spoke at a city commission meeting to emphasize the importance of this program to FHSU students. As a result, we received \$100,000 from the city for scholarships this year. In addition, SGA has provided a

liaison to the city commission meetings so we may be informed about what is happening in the community, and so our city leaders will know we are committed to helping create a better community.

We feel opening the lines of communication between the city and the students is the first step in resolving any conflict which may arise.

We are excited our city leaders have agreed to hear and respond to our concerns, and we urge you to take a night off from studying and drop by the forum.

Editorial

An interesting topic came up while discussing grocery shopping and clipping coupons with some of my friends yesterday.

That is, remember a few years back when one could wander down the grocery aisles and there would be special sections where one could go and find rows and rows of products in black and white wrapping?

The "jailed and condemned" products as I used to think of them.

Yes, I am referring to the "generic" products. One could spot them from the opposite end of the aisle. Every shopper knew exactly where those cheaper products could be found and was aware they were indeed the cheaper products.

For some it was unthinkable to be seen purchasing them with their blatant advertisement "generic." But times have changed.

As the obsession of materialism continues to grow and economic situations continue to worsen for many, new marketing strategies have been developed to snag the public's attention.

And so now, we still have what used to be comfortably known as "generic" products. But something has changed. They are not called "generic" anymore. Seldom will one find the old, familiar black and white packaging.

Advertising consultants have come up with crafty labels and there are new titles such as Food Club or Mega.

Perhaps these are not the "generic" items we used to know, but they are cheaper than other brand names, and I am fooled into feeling safer about selecting them for some food items whereas I used to fear being seen with the black and white packaging.

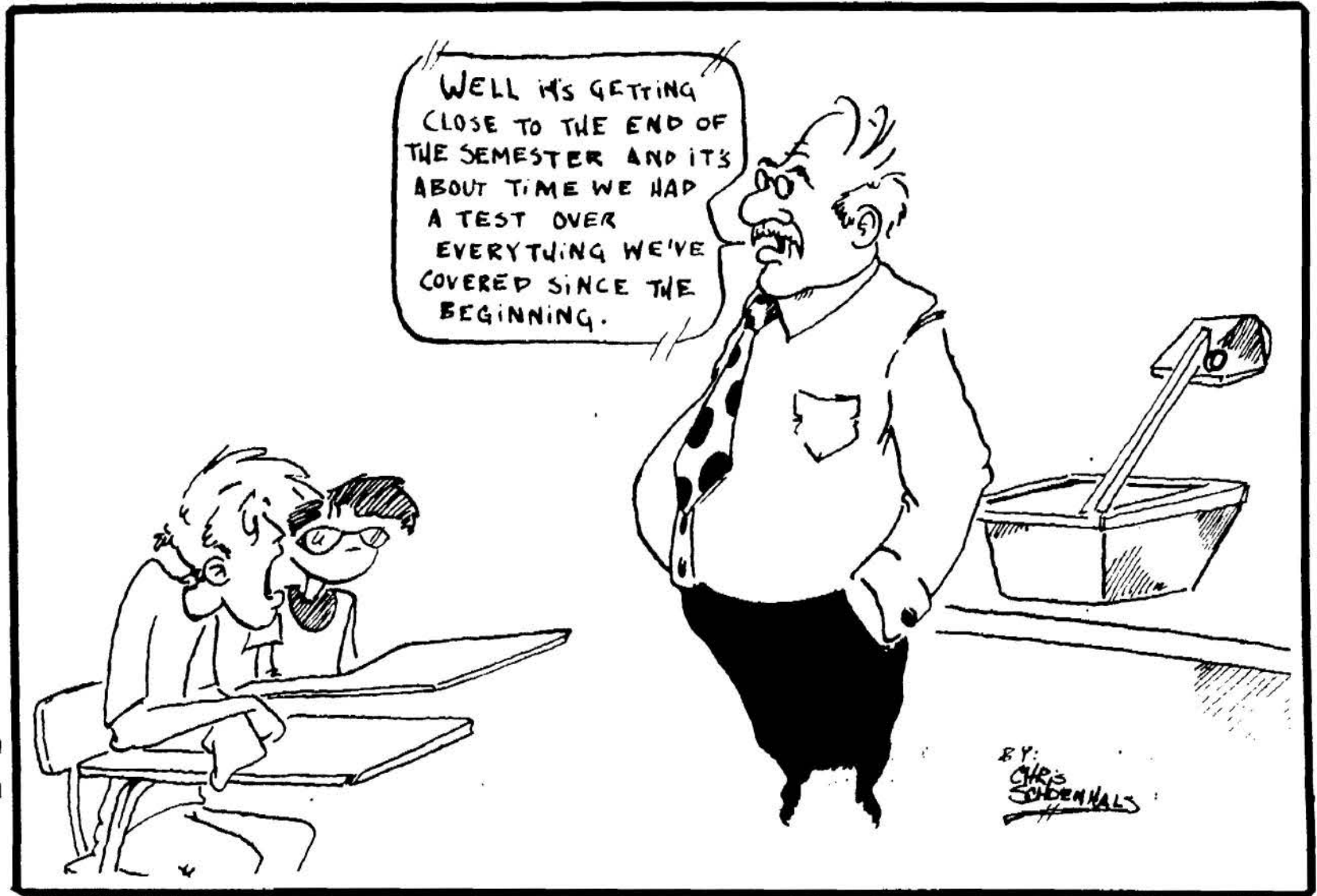
Whatever the reality, marketers have found a way to delve just a bit further into the American public's consciousness. And we continue to consume.

The concept of massive global marketing plots are evident outside of the food market arena as well. Everywhere one turns, there are messages. Buy this, try this, no money down, no payments until...

This is bigger and better. This is newer and shinier. This is the ultimate new wave item. This is the future.

Perhaps this is the reality of the future. As an overwhelmed consumer, I sometimes wish I had just been content with the black and white packaging.

Rebecca Schwerdtfeger
Editor-In-Chief



Provide simple answers, check yes or no

When was the last time you gave a simple "yes or no" answer to a question asked of you?

"Do you want to see a movie?" "Well, I don't know... I have a quiz tomorrow, a paper due in the morning and I need to wash my hair..."

While flipping through the channels last weekend, I came upon a video (George Strait, no less).

The video, "Check Yes or No," brought back memories of fourth grade.

My best friend, Natalie, and I would spend the majority of the day passing notes back and forth ending in "check yes or no."

We were always content with the simple answers we got, and just in case we weren't, there was always the option to send another "check yes or no" follow-up question in another note.



Amanda Engleman
Ad Rep.

What would life be like today if we were all as frank as we were back then?

We could carry around little note pads with "check yes or no" pre-printed at the bottom.

All we'd have to do is insert the question.

"Should I wear this shirt with these jeans? Check yes or no."

"Am I having a bad hair day? Check yes or no."

"Am I holding your attention? Check yes or no."

"Mom, can I have \$20? Check yes or no."

Not only could our own lives be

easier, but television could also be much simpler.

News shows, such as *Dateline*, could bring you special "yes or no" reports.

"Well Dan, the president just said 'yes' to the Medicare bill..."

Talk shows could be virtually eliminated.

"Did you cheat on your husband? Check yes or no."

"Are you really the mother of your best friend's first cousin's nephew's son? Check yes or no."

Think back to a time when you were just begging for a "yes or no" answer. No one would give it to you straight.

With a "yes or no" answer, the "I don't know's" would no longer exist, and those who tend to avoid the question would be forced to answer.

"Do you love me? Check yes or no."

"Did I get the job? Check yes or no."

"Can I go to Bermuda during Spring Break? Check yes or no."

Consequently, as simple as "yes or no" would make our lives, could we really be satisfied?

We are a complex society with complex intellectual capabilities and in our collegiate atmosphere, critical thinking is essential.

We, as human beings, crave more than just a black or white answer. We also need to know what is in the gray space.

So, I guess as simple as we would like things to be, something would have to be sacrificed (an argument or stimulating conversation, for example).

And, as much as I would like to get simple answers to my questions, some things are just not possible.

Agree? Check yes or no.

Letter to the Editor addresses homosexuality

Dear Editor:

This letter is in response to Myron Morgan's letter in the Tuesday, Oct. 17, issue.

I agree with only one of his points. Being gay is a choice. But, he has no idea what kind of choice it is to be gay. I think one is given the choice to be straight or gay, but the choice is really whether or not to be happy.

But, if one chooses to live his or her life without telling people the truth about his/her sexual preferences, then he/she has chosen a path which will only lead to lies and probably a very lonely life.

Another point addressed by Morgan is the "lack" of sex among gays. He said there is no real sex involved in being gay: Only foreplay, masturbation and manipulation. I think if people were honest, they would tell you these are parts of sex and sometimes, the most enjoyable parts of sex.

Because of his belief there is no real sex between gays and lesbians,

he implies there is no real, natural homosexuality. According to him, gays don't exist. They very much exist, or he wouldn't be complaining about them.

As for being gay, there is much more to it than just the sex. Being gay is a part of one's self. It shapes the way one interacts with others and also the way they treat him/her in return.

Unfortunately, this does not always turn out well. Some people are so uptight and self-conscious they cannot accept there are people out there who are not like them.

They can't deal with the reality homosexuality is normal and exists everywhere, even in nature.

If Morgan really believes homosexuality is unnatural and does not exist in nature, then he has never met a dog. Dogs will attempt sex with almost any other dog, regardless of sex. Is this not homosexual behavior? But, dogs are not the only animals to practice this "immoral" act.

Ask a cattle farmer sometime and he'll tell you they have to deal with bulls which prefer another bull over a female cow.

How about the theory homosexuality developed from a lack of responsibility, i.e. - not wanting children?

If he honestly thinks people turn out to be gay because they do not want to have children, then he is more of an idiot than I thought. Many straight couples do not want children.

Does this make their behavior deviant and unnatural? I don't think so. Besides, this argument does not hold water anyway.

Recently, gay couples have been allowed to become foster parents and in a few cases, they were allowed to adopt children. Some lesbians have even been artificially inseminated so they could have children.

Also, people do not turn out gay so they can be with someone who is a lot like themselves. Most people end up with someone they have a lot of things

in common with. This is not a trait of homosexuality. It is a trait of human sexuality.

Closed mindedness is the reason we have to fight for things we believe in. If there were less Morgan attitudes in the world, there would be much less hostility against others.

They are very scared of things they don't understand. People like him make life very difficult. Some have to stop their lives to defend themselves and others against the growing stupidity in the world.

Morgan has made his choice and I have made mine. I cannot say his choice is wrong, but I can say I respect him less for it. I believe no choice is wrong.

It is the result of those choices which hurt us. Each of us learns from the choices we make, but no one learns from those choices when we are not allowed to make them.

Cory J. Loomis
Russell sophomore

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BRIEFS

Accounting Club

The Accounting Club will meet at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Trails Room, Memorial Union.

Communication

The Communication Club will meet at 4 p.m. Tuesday in Malloy 112.

Mat Cat meeting

The Mat Cats will meet at 7:30 p.m. Monday in Cunningham 143.

Spanish movie

The Spanish Club will show the movie "El Francotirador Fenómeno" at 8 p.m. Friday in the Sunflower Theater, basement of the Memorial Union.

The movie is a comedy with "Resortes," the Mexican dance legend.

Everyone is invited to attend.

Brown Bag group

There will be a Brown Bag lunch discussion from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. Wednesday in Picken 307.

Lynnet Proctor from Developmental Services of Northwest Kansas will speak on the topic "What you don't know about integration."

Diversity Awareness Programs encourages anyone interested to attend.

Faculty and staff

University Association will host Caffeine and Conversation IV from 2 to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Teal Room, Memorial Union.

Faculty and staff are welcome and coffee, tea and cider will be served.

Student Alumni

Student Alumni Association is now accepting applications which can be picked up in the Alumni Office, Custer Hall.

Applications are due by Monday, Nov. 27. For more information, call 628-4430.

Book sale

Phi Alpha Theta, the History Honor Society, is sponsoring its annual book sale Wednesday and Thursday on the third floor of Rarick Hall.

Money from the sale will go towards scholarships and other projects of the organization.

Any book donations are appreciated and can be left at the History Office in Rarick 344. Arrangements can also be made up have donated books picked up by calling 628-4248.

Interviews

An interview sign-up sheet will be available Tuesday for those who want to be interviewed by the Career Development and Placement Office.

They will be on campus Monday, Nov. 27.

For more information, contact Career Development and Placement Office at 628-4430.

Jazzin' up campus

Jessica Sadowsky
Entertainment Reporter

The Fort Hays State department of music will present a jazz concert at 8 p.m. on Thursday in Beach/Schmidt Performing Arts Center.

The concert will feature two jazz ensembles performing songs such as John Berry's "Night Wind," Don Menza's "Groove Blues" and Pat Metheny's "Have You Heard."

Tickets are on sale at the Memorial Union: \$5 for adults, \$3 for senior citizens and students age 13 and older, and free for FHSU students and those 12 and under.

Brad Dawson, assistant professor of music, directs the ensembles.

"The two jazz ensembles will perform contemporary big band jazz," Dawson said.

Dawson said students will benefit from this concert, especially those who have never been exposed to jazz music.

"Those who have never been exposed to jazz may gain an appreciation or begin to like it," Dawson said.

"I know people who have never attended a jazz concert and have come away surprised after coming to one of ours."

There are two different jazz ensembles, according to Dawson.

"Jazz ensemble one is going to perform at the Kansas Music Educators Association." The group was the only jazz genre ensemble selected from a Regent school to perform at February's function.

Dawson encourages students to audition at the beginning of the semester if they know how to play an instrument in the ensemble and wish to do so.

For more information call Dawson at 628-5353.

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Reveille yearbooks.

"We're seeking to improve the program continuously. I'm always looking for suggestions," Ross said.

Although the process of enrollment by the student debit card is only an informal discussion at this point, Shubert said he hopes to have it in place by Fall 96.

"Students would not have to come to the two-day process of final enrollment if they did not choose to," Shubert said.

"This is a really exciting time for change," Mahon said. "It's a time when you can have some input."

Mahon said changes will first be made to the off-campus enrollment procedures benefiting students who "never set foot on this campus."

In other business, Vice President Travis Crites reported 31 parking spots have been opened up for students.

The parking spaces are located on the west side of Albertson Hall toward the Memorial Union. Nine additional spaces will be allocated for students at a later date.

Beauty treasured in exhibit

Dina Ross
Staff Writer

Seoul, Korea, junior, said. "It was really fun and fantastic."

Since the exhibit is from the Romanov era, one of the richest periods in Russia's history, there are paintings, literature, music and clothing, which have an impressive effect on those who see them.

"I think the exhibition is worth seeing," Sheryl Hofstetter Towns, professor of English, said. "It is so phenomenal that each room was decorated to resemble some palace, from the frescoes to dome ceilings."

"The way the treasures were displayed was impressive," Towns said. "You are almost overwhelmed with so many riches over and over again."

Though the exhibit was pleasing to the eyes, according to most of the visitors, it raised some controversy in some of them.

"Treasures of the Czars" definitely flaunted (the Russians') wealth, glamour and exquisiteness," Peigy Vaz, professor of sociology and social work, said. "This was pleasing to the eyes."

"I am not sure if it was pleasing to my soul. What about the commoner?"

Students in the English department travelled to Topeka to see the exhibit: St. Petersburg, Florida, and Topeka. The first city was chosen for its name, equivalent to the Russian city. Topeka, however, was chosen due to the strong Volga-German population.

Treasures of the Czars, which will continue through Dec. 31, is the most significant collection of royal and state treasures ever to leave the Moscow Kremlin Museums.

Most of the exhibit is comprised of artifacts showing the beliefs of Old Russia and God's manifestation through truth and beauty. The craftsmanship and extravagance stunned the Fort Hays State students and faculty. They were impressed by the wealth and luxury displayed.

"Even though I didn't catch everything that was written. I enjoyed the exhibit," Je-Young Goo,

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The University Leader

is now accepting applications for spring staff positions.

Editor-in-chief applications due by 5 p.m. Friday, Nov. 17.

Applications for other positions include: Managing Editor, Advertising Manager, Sports Editor, Photo Editor, Circulation Manager, Copy Editor, Staff Writers, Staff Photographers and Publishing Representatives.

Applications may be picked up in Picken 104 and should be returned to Linn Ann Huntington, Leader Adviser, in Picken 109.

Tigers to play in RMAC championship game

Marc Menard
Staff Writer

This is it. The game the Fort Hays State Tigers have waited for all season. The team travels to Gunnison, Colo., to face the Western State Mountaineers for the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference championship Saturday.

It will be a battle against the unbeaten Titans as both teams come into the title game with identical 6-0 RMAC records.

"This is the game we have waited for all year. They went through the conference undefeated, we're undefeated. It will be the two best teams playing for the championship," Head Coach Bob Cortese said.

The Tigers, having disposed of one RMAC title contender in Chadron State last week, are poised and ready as they head into the biggest game of the season. At stake is the RMAC conference championship as well as a bid to the NCAA Division II playoffs.

The winner of the game is not guaranteed an automatic bid to the playoffs. Bids for the playoffs will be officially extended on Sunday afternoon.

The Tigers will play the first half of the game without the services of their all-purpose receiver senior Kahn Powell. Powell was ejected early in the third quarter of last week's game against Chadron after allegedly throwing a punch at an opposing player following a running play had been

called dead by game officials, (see side bar).

The Mountaineers will pose a threat to the high powered No. 18 ranked FHSU offense. The Mountaineers are first in the RMAC in scoring offense allowing just over 18 points per game. Western State is ranked second in scoring offense just behind the Tigers, averaging 34.4 points a contest.

"We can't go into the game thinking they are just a one-dimensional team. If we don't play a balanced game, they can rip us on the pass or the run," Cortese said.

The Tigers, who have put extra effort into their conditioning in recent weeks, will head to the thin air of the Rocky Mountains once again. But,

according to Cortese, the Tigers are prepared for the altitude factor.

"I think we are better prepared for it now. It helps that we have done some conditioning. The altitude shouldn't be a shock to us," Cortese said.

The weather may also be a factor, as there is snow in the forecast for Gunnison. Cortese, who lived in Colorado for 25 years, warns Colorado weather can be a bit unpredictable.

"You can't tell what the weather will do out there. It could be nice and sunny or it could be 20 degrees," Cortese said.

Kickoff for Saturday's championship game will be at 2 p.m. central daylight time, at Mountaineer Bowl in Gunnison.

Powell to sit out due to ruling

Marc Menard
Staff Writer



Kahn Powell

As the Tigers face Western State for the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference championship Saturday, they will be without

the aid of senior receiver and return specialist Kahn Powell for the first half of play.

Powell, Pontiac, Mich., was ejected in the third quarter of last week's game after allegedly throwing a punch at an opposing player during a dead ball situation.

The NCAA, which adheres to strict rules on fighting, states a player must sit out the next game following an ejection.

According to Tom Spicer, director of athletics, the RMAC follows the guidelines set by the NCAA.

The Tigers had a commanding lead in the game and were driving for another score when the incident occurred.

The Tigers ran a pass play on a first and goal from the Eagles 10 yard line when Powell, who was blocking downfield on the play,

was blocked in the back by an unidentified Chadron player.

"I think they were getting very frustrated at that point in the game. I was downfield making a block and then I got a nice little shot in the back," Powell said.

Game officials apparently felt Powell had tried to retaliate by throwing a punch at the player after the play had been called dead.

Powell was then removed from the game by Head Coach Bob Cortese, but did not realize until later that he had been ejected.

"Coach took me out after the flags were thrown, but that was no surprise. I figured he would for a couple of plays. I was surprised by the ejection. I thought it was uncalled for," Powell said.

Though ejections are for a full game, Powell will only sit out the first half on Saturday having sat out almost all of the second half of last weekend's game.

"I'm not griping, but I just feel that it was a bad call. I'll sit out the first half and be ready to go for the second half," Powell said.

Powell admits it will be tough sitting out the first half, but contends he will be ready when the second half starts.

"It will be real hard just watching the first half. Hopefully in the second half I can get in there and do what I have to do to help the team win," Powell said.

Tiger Basketball team to host exhibition game

Heather Randolph
Sports Editor

As football draws to a close the beginning of basketball season quickly approaches.

To mark this event the Fort Hays State men's basketball team is hosting an exhibition game on Sunday, against the Topeka Merchants.

The game is scheduled to begin at 7 p.m. at Gross Memorial Coliseum. According to Head Coach Gary

Garner, the Merchants have an excellent team.

Topeka's team consists of veteran players from Washburn University, University of Kansas, Kansas State University, Emporia State University and Missouri Western.

The Merchant team is equivalent to a city league team from the Topeka area.

The Tigers, unlike Topeka, have a line of new faces this season and according to Garner it will take some

time for them to gel.

"Last season we had five returning starters, so the gelling part was easy," Garner said.

Garner admitted he is very proud of his team.

"We have a really good group," Garner said. "All the guys are working very hard."

According to Garner, Sunday will be a very hard game for the Tigers since the Merchants have such a tough team.

"We will be very fortunate to win this exhibition game and if we do it is probable that we will have a great season," Garner said.

Garner hopes the fans can be patient during the Tigers transition period because it may take some time for things to come together.

The game will be general admission at the gate but students can get in at no charge with the use of their university student identification card.

Tiger cross country team qualifies one to Nationals

Rod Smith
Staff writer

It wasn't her fastest race of the season, but it was fast enough.

Summer Vann, Lakin senior, finished 14th at the South Central Regional in Alamosa, Colo. Her effort nabbed her all-Region honors and the regional's last qualifying slot for the national meet.

On the women's side, the top four teams automatically qualified for nationals.

The Tiger women, who went into the Regionals ranked sixth, finished

fifth with a total of 140 points.

The top four team finishers in the Region are also the top four teams in the latest NCAA Division II poll.

Teams from Adams State, Western State and Air Force will join Abilene Christian at nationals.

The top two runners from non-qualifying teams also earned national slots.

Vann got the last one of these slots. Jennifer West, Abilene junior, was the second Tiger to cross the finish line, earning 20th place.

On the men's side, Jason Shanahan led the Tigers. The junior from Elizabeth, Colo., finished 14th, earning

all-Region honors.

Despite his efforts, Shanahan did not receive an at large birth to nationals.

These two slots went to runners from Abilene Christian, who both finished in the top five.

As a team, the Tigers finished sixth, scoring a total of 148 points.

Western State won the regional and

will be joined at nationals by Fort Lewis and University of Nebraska-Kearney.

According to Coach Jim Krob, Vann, West and Shanahan are candidates for academic all-American honors.

The national meet will be Nov. 18 in Spartanburg, S.C., with the women's race beginning at noon.

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