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"I am living proof that if you want it bad enough, you can do it."

— Garrett Porter, Topeka sophomore

Wheelchair doesn't confine student's goals



Partial paraplegic working to attain goal of helping others

Johnny Coomansingh
Staff Writer

Garrett Porter, Topeka sophomore, has no intention of giving up his goal — to acquire a degree in social work at Fort Hays State.

Porter is a partial paraplegic, who is slightly paralyzed on the left side. His disability came as a result of a brain tumor. The tumor was discovered when he was nine.

Confined to a wheelchair, Porter is carrying a nine hour study program this semester. Moving around the campus with him is his special friend, a Golden Labrador service dog, "Cruiser."

"I have a learning disability. I track things a little slower than others, but that doesn't mean that I don't get it right," Porter said.

Porter said his tumor disappeared after a six week treatment with radiation and biofeedback. He said biofeedback is the art of fighting disease by mentally controlling the body's immune forces to target the affected area; in his case, the tumor.

Porter, the social work

undergraduate who no longer has a tumor, said despite his disability, he has formed his purpose in life, which is to serve his fellow man.

"I feel that social work is the best way to do that," Porter said.

Porter, whose study time per week amounts to about 38 hours, still finds time to work with the Civil Air Patrol, a part of the Air Force which specializes in search and rescue operations.

Porter is the only son of Richard and Sue Porter. His parents and his fiancée, Vicky Doyle, Jamestown, are very proud of him for his willpower and determination to succeed, he said.

Porter, who hopes to graduate in 1999, said FHSU has come a long way in making arrangements for people like him, but there is still room for improvement.

"Anything you want to do is worth doing. I'm living proof that if you want it bad enough, you can do it."

"You don't know what you have until it's taken away from you," Porter said.

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Garrett Porter, Topeka sophomore, and his service dog Cruiser, a Golden Labrador specially trained to assist disabled persons, wait for Porter's fiancée, Vicky Doyle, in Memorial Union.

Express Enrollment to be available for spring semester

Kari Nuzum
Staff Writer

On Monday, Fort Hays State will begin its first "Express Enrollment" for the Spring '97 semester.

This is the first time Express Enrollment will be available. Students have more flexibility regarding the arena enrollment.

"If they express enroll, they don't have to go to arena

enrollment," Patricia Mahon, associate V.P. student affairs/ registrar, said.

There are four criteria a student must meet to be eligible for Express Enrollment:

1. The student must have pre-registered already and not require any changes to registered schedule.
2. The student must not have any outstanding holds.
3. The student must be in good academic standing (not on academic probation or suspension).

4. The student must be willing to make fee arrangements, anticipated financial aid and scholarships must be verifiable.

If a student uses Express Enrollment and then decides to make a schedule change, Mahon said they must wait until classes begin on Jan. 15, when they can use a drop/add slip.

To use this method of enrollment, students will go to Stouffer Lounge in Memorial Union, complete an Express

Enrollment form and arrange for payment option on his or her designated days between 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. Once the student does this, they will have completed official enrollment for the Spring '97 semester (providing the payment option is fulfilled).

Graduate students and seniors can enroll Monday, juniors on Tuesday, sophomores on Wednesday and

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Art professor exhibits 'Great Mothers'

Johnny Coomansingh
Staff Writer

Linda Ganstrom, assistant professor of art, is presently exhibiting three of her sculptures in a prestigious international all-media exhibition, "Planetary Renaissance," featuring artists from eight countries.

The show, which began Dec. 3, runs through Dec. 23 at the St. Paul Landmark Center in St. Paul, Minn.

Ganstrom's sculptures, "The Great Mothers," are individually titled, "The Earth Mother," "The Death

Mother" and "The Rainbow Sister."

In Shukantala's Gallery, Nicolet Mall, in downtown Minneapolis, Minn., Ganstrom's "Mother of Fear" is being displayed simultaneously.

This sculpture elucidates the stifling of creativity, the exact opposite of

"The Rainbow Mother," which depicts the creative aspect of humanity — the weaving of strands of life.

"The Mother of Fear," on the other hand, is hidden, covered with vines and brambles, emits fear, anxiety and depression, symbolic to what happens to someone who cannot express his or her creativity.

"The Death Mother," Ganstrom said, illustrates the fact that most cultures acknowledge and respect

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SGA senators host City Leaders Forum

Janelia Mildrexler
Senate Reporter

The first hour-and-a-half of the Student Government meeting last night was devoted to the City Leaders forum. Three city commissioners, as well as Hannes Zacharias, city manager, Edward Hammond, Fort Hays State president, and several others, were available to answer the senators' questions.

Several of the senators voiced concern over the recent decision by

the commission to discontinue the Hays City Silver Scholarship.

"Are there going to be any plans to reincorporate more money back to Fort Hays State University to encourage students," Peter Olson, social sciences senator, said.

He was answered by Errol Weurtz, city commissioner, who stated that Hays has fallen behind in the amount of taxes collected in the past six-eight months.

"If more money doesn't come in, we need to start cutting some place,"

Weurtz said.

Mike Rush, at-large senator, asked about the condition of the streets in Hays and if steps were being taken to improve on them. He was told that the commission was in the process of renewing and replacing the streets through the next five years, but that the city would need to set a sales tax revenue of 1/4¢ to 1/2¢ before voters in the next 12-18 months.

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Twist and shout

Tiger junior Tony Patner applies his weight to University of Southern Colorado sophomore Lucas Trujillo in their match in Gross Memorial Coliseum last night. The Tigers won 23-15. See Wrestling page 5.

Old Fort Hays to host 'Christmas Past'

Beth Norman
Staff Writer

The Christmas spirit will be in full swing at the fort this weekend as the Kansas State Historical Society hosts the 26 annual Christmas Past at Old Fort Hays from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. today and tomorrow.

The annual event involves decorating the halls and rooms of the blockhouse and officers quarters with Christmas decorations from the Victorian era. According to Bob Wilhelm of the historical society, many of the decorations were handmade in

that time period. In addition to paper chains, Christmas trees and wreaths will adorn the halls and rooms.

In addition to the decorations, candles and kerosene lamps will illuminate both the interior of the buildings and the walkway surrounding the fort.

Other events include the singing of Christmas carols in the blockhouse by volunteers dressed as soldiers and ladies of the 1870s. The soldiers costumes are rented but the ladies costumes are all handmade, according to Tammi Younger, touristic counselor for the Kansas State historical society.

A film, "The Great Toy Robbery," will be shown in the guardhouse — popcorn will be provided. The film has both a western and Christmas theme to it, according to Younger.

Visitors can also enjoy hot chocolate and a cookie while listening to a musician play the dulcimer, an old time stringed instrument.

Outside, living history soldiers will be camped out recreating Christmas as it was celebrated on the prairie. All activities are free and open to the public, the Historical Society asks that visitors bring a flashlight as the parking lot is not well lit.

Hours extended for holiday

The Hays Post Office will be extending window hours on the next three Saturdays — Dec. 7, 14 and 21.

In addition, the window will be open for the three Sundays prior to Christmas on Dec. 8, 15 and 22.

Knowing many people utilize their weekends to prepare and mail Christmas presents and packages, the Hays Post Office will remain open until 2 p.m. on the three Saturdays.

Sunday hours will be from 1 to 4 p.m. on the three Sundays prior to Christmas.

"Preparing for the holiday season is often hectic enough without having to worry about getting to the post office before the normal Saturday closing time," Tom Lippert, Postmaster, said. "Staying open a little longer is one small way of trying to help people manage the holidays."

In addition to service at the Hays Post Office, packages may be mailed at either Dillon's postal contract stations, located at 1902 Vine or 2700 Hall.

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Chris Meiers, natural sciences senator, asked if the annexation of FHSU was working out as expected.

"I think it's living up to both of our expectations," Zacharias said.

"I think, from the university side, we are very pleased with the situation," Hammond said.

Jessica Sadowsky, social sciences senator, moved to take from the table student senate resolution 96/F/113. This resolution pertains to the new constitution.

After approximately 14 amendments were made in the constitution, the resolution was passed 17 to two, with two abstentions.

"I'm all for it... but let's remember next semester when we put it into effect, we do still have some cleaning-up to do. Let's not leave someone a bum deal," Olson said.

In new business, student senate bill 96/F/109 was read, introducing Christine Scheibmeir as a candidate for humanities senator. It was then moved into emergency business, and passed by unanimous consent.

Scheibmeir took her oath of office and SGA president Chad Nelson signed the bill enabling her to vote at the meeting.

Nominations for the Educational Opportunity Funding committee were also held. The purpose of the EOF is to provide a student controlled funding source to new, creative and innovative programs which serve to increase and enhance the educational opportunities of the students at FHSU. These services include salaries for students who tutor or who do peer counseling or those who receive needs based grants, to name a few.

Those nominated were: Jennifer Watkins, natural sciences; Julie Nelson,

social sciences; Tiffany Motley, humanities; Suzanne Pullman, business. Those elected to serve on the committee are chosen by the SGA president.

Next week, senators will be carrying a petition to be sent to the Hays commissioners. It states, "the Hays City Silver Scholarships should not be cut as it is tremendously beneficial and relieves financial burden for many students."

This petition also urges the commissioners to reconsider their decision to reduce funding for this program.

Anyone wishing to sign this may contact their senator or is welcome to stop by the SGA office.

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"We are defined by our mortality and so we try to make each day count. When we acknowledge death, we live our lives more deeply. Death comes as a reminder to live your life well," Ganstrom said.

The nurturing aspect of life, the planting of gardens, the growing of things, health, motherhood and the expression of love are what "The Earth Mother" stands for.

Ganstrom is also showing her works in Toronto, Canada. The exhibition in the Del Bello Gallery shows four miniatures under four inches tall.

Some of the countries included in this show are China, France, England, Poland, Ukraine, Latvia, Russia, Finland, Estonia, Germany and Australia.

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freshmen on Thursday, Dec. 13, 16, 17 and 18 will be open to all students, the 16 hours will be extended until 6:30 p.m. for that day only.

Mahon said that in the future, there will not be as many days offered for Express Enrollment, once they get a better idea of the number of students that will use it.

Mahon said FHSU will not do the same thing for Fall enrollment because there's too great a gap between May and August.

An option they are considering is Express Enrollment with a billing plan.

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Midnight Hours
(in preparation for finals)

Dec. 2-5	8 a.m. to midnight
Dec. 6	8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Dec. 7	8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Dec. 8	2 p.m. to midnight
Dec. 9-12	8 a.m. to midnight
Dec. 13	8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Dec. 14	9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Dec. 15	2 p.m. to midnight
Dec. 16-18	8 a.m. to midnight
Dec. 19	8 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Dec. 20	8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

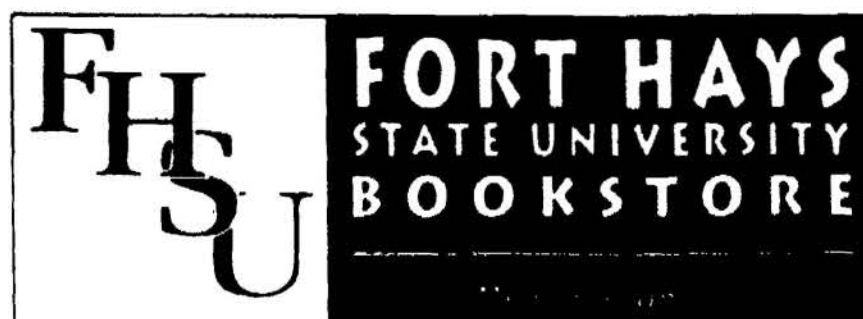
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Campus events

Appreciation scheduled
Fort Hays State University will have a student appreciation day Dec. 10 to 11. Selected items will be 20-percent off.

Tots collection

Fort Hays State University is sponsoring Toys for Tots on Saturday, 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. in Davis 150. Call Joe at 628-4211 for more information.

to feature Sharp, HACK

Dec. 10 episode of "Our Town" will feature Bill Sharp with host Wright. Richard Romker will speak on behalf of the Hays Area Spanish Club on Dec. 12 with host Heidi Huber. Both shows can be seen on the news at 6:15 p.m. and 9:15 p.m. on KFHS.

Spanish Club to sponsor dance

The Spanish Club, in conjunction with AmeriCorps, will sponsor a dance in the Black and Gold Room of the Memorial Union Sunday at 5 p.m. to 10 p.m.

The cover charge for the event will be non-perishable articles which will be donated to the Community Assistance Center of Ellis County. For more information, call Ernie Fernandez at 628-4444 or Dina Ross, 628-4540.

DISC Club to meet

The Data Information Systems and Communication club will meet Dec. 10 at 7 p.m. in the Pioneer Room of the Memorial Union. Bob Green from DPMA will be the featured speaker. New members are welcome.

AmeriCorps announces job openings

Fort Hays State AmeriCorps program currently has job opening in various schools, medical centers or child care facilities in the Hays area. Students may use these jobs as part of their 900 working hours for the AmeriCorps program or volunteer their time.

AmeriCorps is a two year program in which students may earn over \$2,000 a year. For more information, contact AmeriCorps director Dan Smith at (913) 628-5897.

Handmade pottery for sale

Have some space on your Christmas shopping list for some original handmade pottery by the Fort Hays State ceramic students. The sale continues today from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Union in front of the cafeteria.

Featured are some decorative waves in stoneware and raku, cute porcelain piggy banks and functional pottery. Prices are reasonable and help fund our visiting artist series.

For more information, contact Linda Ganstrom at 628-4273.

Thesis exhibition showing in Moss-Thorns

Two MPA Thesis Exhibitions will be in the Moss Thorns Gallery of Art in Rarick Hall through today. The exhibition's hosts are Bill Sharp, Palo Alto, Calif. graduate student, and Ellen Ho, Taiwan graduate student. Sharp is showing a ceramics exhibition entitled, "... But Ecstasy is a Ripe Watermelon," while Ho is showing "Palette" in painting.

Scholarship applications available

The College of Business scholarship applications are now available outside the College of Business Dean's office, McCartney 208. The application deadline is Feb. 14, 1997. For more information, contact Kathy at 628-5339.

AL-ANON meeting scheduled

Weekly AL-ANON meetings, for families and friends of alcoholics, have been scheduled on Tuesdays, noon to 1 p.m. in Picken 307. Those attending may bring lunch, if they want.

Brown Bag AA schedules meetings

The Brown Bag Alcoholics Anonymous group will meet Fridays at 12:30 p.m. in the Kelly Center, Picken 307.

Support group announces schedule

The Alternative Lifestyle Support Group for men and women who are interested in discussing issues related to sexual orientation, the coming-out process and the impact these issues have on their relationships with themselves and others will meet on Tuesdays through Dec. 10, 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the Kelly Center, 308 Picken.

Issues discussed may include gender identity development, relationships with family and community, expression of anger and self-esteem. The focus will be on developing a safe, supportive environment to express feelings and thoughts. This group is open to FHSU students, faculty and staff.

For more information, contact Brian Williams-Rice at 628-4401. Call to set up a pre-group interview.

Interview sign-up schedules available

Interview sign-ups schedules are currently available for the following companies:

- Security Benefit Group — Dec. 10
- Commerce Bank — Dec. 11

For more information, please contact Career Services at 628-4260.

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Why did the chicken cross the road?

Because it didn't go to FHSU

Johnny Coomansingh
Staff Writer

I am not so good-looking to be a traffic-stopper and I never staked any claim to be a chicken. I certainly do not have a gizzard, but I almost relieved myself, just as the rooster did in the Forsyth Library, when I was nearly run over by a car while on the crosswalk on Park Street.

Two or three days after that incident, I had a near miss being 'taken out' by another car just in front of the library.

In the first instance, I was on my way to the Endowment Association to complete an assignment for the *University Leader*. I do not have a big insurance, no inheritance or an endowment plan — I am not worth killing.

In both instances, the drivers were women. Now, now, don't ever think that I am chauvinistic, not at all. There are good women drivers and there are rotten women drivers. Make your own evaluation on these two.

Is Park Street becoming a death trap? I visited several other places in the United States, even New York City, and I never experienced such an attack.

For heaven's sake people, this is Hays! Could it be that this environment is so calm, rather sedate that people even sleep with their eyes wide open, and driving a car at that. Are they so preoccupied that no notice is made of the 'chickens' who wish to cross the street?

I ask myself everyday — where are we all going with all this speed? Are we in such a haste to catch up with the Jones? I think not.

However, I humbly submit that under no circumstance, while driving, should people be rummaging through their attaché cases, purses or pocketbooks, painting on lipstick, changing high heels, reading the newspaper, eating pizza and cleaning the sauce off shirts and blouses, attending to children in the back seat, cramming for a test or daydreaming.

A motor vehicle is not a toy.

I have the right to live, and so do are those other people with whom I spoke who also had near misses being run over at Fort Hays State.

Twice is a bit too much for me in one semester. You should have seen the reaction of the driver after the first incident when I threw in my instant 'reverse' gear. I'm sure she couldn't live with her conscience for at least that day thinking she could have damaged or killed someone. The second driver was much younger. She couldn't care — expressionless she drove away.

Maybe students at FHSU need to develop the art of jumping six feet in the air and 20 feet across at the same time to cope with the problem. This art could probably become one of the core requirements for earning a degree here.

If there is a problem, there has to be a solution. More traffic lights, employment of eight-hour shift crosswalk guards with 'stop' signs, overpasses at strategic points. Yes, these can work, but where's the money going to come from to do such exploits.

Finding a new 'inconvenient' parking lot, well, that's another problem, and we really don't want to create another problem in the quest for a solution to the primary problem.

The situation with the traffic and mindless drivers around FHSU, I have come to realize, is probably part of the culture, something that we students who walk must cope with during our tenure at college.

My suggestion is, before crossing the street at any point, crosswalk or not, remember the rule that I learnt at elementary school, "look right, look left, look right again, and if all is clear, cross the street quickly."

We just have to be a little more careful — we all want to live 'til Christmas, don't we?

Entertainment —

Bridges keeper, PUSA 'II' sleeper

Brandie Elliott
Staff Writer

Finally, after what seemed like an eternity of waiting, *Bridges of Madison County* has finally arrived in stores.

In my opinion, this is a most beautiful love story. Based on Robert James Waller's best-seller, it details a passion-filled romance between a world-traveling National Geographic photographer and an Iowa housewife.

Clint Eastwood (as Robert Kincaid) and Meryl Streep (as Francesca Johnson) seem to have the chemistry so desperately needed in a film such as this.

The story alternates between present-day and early 1960 in the sleepy-eyed town of Winterset. Francesca's adult children are debating their now deceased mother's burial request: to have her ashes thrown off the Roseman Bridge.

They are convinced their mother was senile until they read the three journals detailing her passion-filled affair with Robert Kincaid.

While her husband and children went to the Illinois State Fair, Francesca stayed home to relax. The next day, Robert came to the farmhouse to ask for directions to the Roseman Bridge. Francesca, surprising even herself, offered to take the long-haired stranger there.

From then on, the romance begins to bloom. The next night they realize they are in love with one another.

Francesca and Robert tried to squeeze a lifetime into four days. When those four days are up and Francesca's family is on their way home, the two don't want to lose the love they have found.

Eastwood and Streep were convincing as the two lovebirds. Eastwood is also the director and producer of the film.



Mick Moss
Music Reviewer

The Presidents of the United States of America recently released their album, "II" on Nov. 5 — the day of the presidential election, how fitting. "II" is the band's second album with the same flare, silly lyrics and garage-rock sound that made their first album a huge success.

The first single of "II" is "Mach 5," which is doing well on the MTV charts. Both "Mach 5" and "Volcano" have the same spunk and grooves that can be ranked with such singles as "Lump" and "Peaches" from the first album. Other singles like "Tiki God" and "Teenage Girl" are just plain silly, played to a catchy beat.

The problem with this album is that it sounds too much like the first. "II" is filled with similar, sometimes identical, beats and rhythms that sound just like some of their previous work. I'm not sure if this lack of musical progression is from the amount of time they spent in the studio or if it is the extent of their musical capabilities.

If you're looking for another Presidents album like their debut, then "II" is for you, just don't expect anything new from it.

Leader Rating: 5

If you enjoyed the book, if you're a romantic at heart or if you're in the mood for a good old-fashioned love story, then this movie is a must-see.

I strongly recommend this movie to everyone. Warning: this movie may make you shed a few tears, so keep a box of tissues handy.

I loved this movie, but I was rather disappointed at one time. You'll see why.

Leader Rating: 9

Welfare reform not all it's cracked up to be

Laurie Bean
Columnist

In the past, I have written my column letting you, the readers, know my opinion on welfare reform.

This week I attended an orientation for what is known as the JOBS program. This is a program available for people who receive aid through the Kansas Social and Rehabilitation Services (welfare).

As I sat through this meeting, the orientation leader advised us of possible upcoming changes in the welfare program.

One of these potential changes greatly, and I can't stress that word enough, disturbed me.

Apparently, legislators would like to knock students off welfare. Students will have to make a choice, go to school and work or receive welfare.

My problem with this notion is this: few student parents can afford to go to school without some form of financial help.

Yes, financial aid is available. However, even with my loans and grants, I cannot make ends meet. Most other parents attending school will agree.

One of the biggest reasons is paying for day care. This is a big crunch on the pocketbook. Welfare helps absorb this cost.

Yes, I do have a part-time job. You are reading my work now.

However, the pay doesn't meet my financial needs. Yet I

need this experience to work in the field I have chosen to be my career.

If this form of welfare reform passes, aren't we discouraging student-parents from achieving an education. Aren't we suggesting it is easier not to attend college. Just go get a menial job for meager pay and hope to climb the ladder of success.

Aren't we saying, if you really think you need that degree, we're not helping you do that.

Aren't we saying we would rather pay for a nation of poorly educated people than help our nation become more marketable.

Yes, I do believe that welfare reform is necessary. However, I think we are penalizing the people who are really fighting to get off welfare.

Most welfare recipients are trying to enhance their lives and get off welfare.

Evidence of this was the group attending the JOBS program. This is a volunteer program to help people get off welfare.

In this program, people learn how to interview, write a resumé, and job training is available, among other things.

At least half of the group attends college. This tells me that these people want to improve their lives.

Let's not penalize those who are willing to work while we allow others to suckle off our nation's breasts wastefully.

I am referring to those people who abuse the system by refusing to work or who are in this country illegally.

We need to decide who in this country we wish to help. Write or call our state representatives and let them know how you feel about this issue.



First semester gives knowledge

Christy J. Briggs
Copy Editor

As my first semester of college draws to a close, I find myself realizing quite a few things.

The first of these things is that procrastination is bad. In high school, I was a terrible procrastinator, but for some reason, coming to college has worsened my lack of punctuality.

I'm not quite sure why that is, but I do know that my New Year's resolution is going to be to get everything done on time next semester. Things are just so much easier if you don't wait until the last minute to pull out those books and do your assignments, or even worse, to read all the chapters that are going to be on tomorrow's test.

Another thing that I have come to realize is that time is precious. While in high school, I thought I had absolutely no time whatsoever, but I find myself longing for those far-gone nights when I was in bed by 1 a.m. with all my homework tucked safely away in my book bag.

In college, there are many more things that you have to deal with. You have all your classes, your homework, your extracurricular activities, your job — or in some cases, your two jobs, eating, sleeping and paying the bills (especially if you're not lucky enough to have everything paid for by either scholarships or your parents).

College is not all that bad; there are high points and low points.

In college, you have so much more freedom. My favorite part is that I have control over my schedule. I can set it up to work with me: I don't have to start at 7:30 a.m. and go straight through until 3:30 p.m. Next semester my schedule starts at 10:30 a.m. and ends at 2:45 p.m.

One of the hardest things to adjust to about college is being away from home for the first time and living off campus. I have had to take more responsibility for my own life and not let mom and dad take care of everything for me — especially hearing my own alarm.

All in all, college is a pretty good experience, if you go for this kind of thing.



Today's Question ...



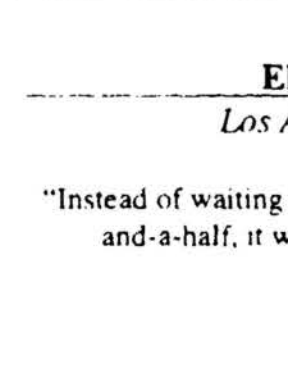
Connie Ellerman
Effingham senior

"It will speed the process of enrolling up and make it a less torturous experience."



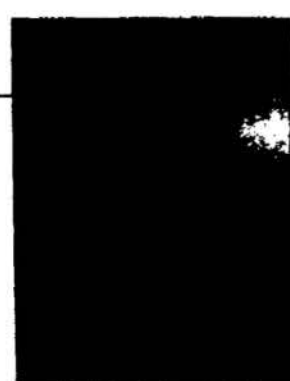
Amanda Randall
Gove freshman

"I think it's quite convenient — a good idea."



Elizabeth Hein
Los Angeles junior

"Instead of waiting an hour or hour-and-a-half, it would be easier."



Justin Hiltgen
Linn freshman

"A good idea, although I don't know much about it."



Judy Carol Dankenbring
St. Francis graduate student

"It's wonderful. It should have been implemented years ago."



Adam Ketzner
Cimarron senior

"A good idea to give students the opportunity to enroll quicker and prepare better rather than waiting until the last minute and rush through it."



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Ron Clause, Gering, Neb. graduate student (standing); John Roberts, Lakin junior; Kevin Russell, Columbus, Ohio junior; Dori Oiler, Columbus, Ohio graduate student; and Mary Ann Cook, Manhattan graduate student, display and hopefully sell their ceramics works in the Memorial Union yesterday. They will also be on sale from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. today.

MARK BOWERS / UNIVERSITY LEADER

Wallace makes good on old promise to Red Cross Shelter

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. (AP) Back in 1980, Albert Wallace remembers, he would awake at the Red Cross Shelter and be startled.

"I thought I was back in the military in the barracks," said the veteran who was struggling then with alcoholism.

He also remembers his meals there, simple but nourishing. Sometimes it was only an apple, sometimes cheese and bread.

"There were a lot of little kids there," he said. "The government would give out cheese and I gave mine to the families. I said if I ever got out of there, I would do something to make it a little better."

Now Wallace, 54, is still at the shelter. Or rather, he's back at the shelter. After pulling his life together, he's making good on his promise to return and help.

These days, Wallace arrives at the shelter on Sundays with a big smile

and giant tubs of fried chicken. He buys the chicken, along with beans, coleslaw and rolls, with money he raises through the Good News Foundation, a nonprofit Christian organization he now directs.

At the shelter, Wallace is affectionately known as "Chicken Man," because of the hot meals he provides.

This Thanksgiving, Wallace packaged and delivered 100 food baskets to needy families living outside the shelter. At Christmas, he plans to play Santa, with toys and food for another 100 or so families.

"Lots of people are just a paycheck away from homelessness," Wallace said. "I spent my time in that shelter. I know how they feel."

Wallace said he's always felt the urge to help, sharing lunches in school and salvaging Army scraps for the needy in the Dominican Republic 30 years ago. He also worked on projects

in South Korea and Vietnam.

But after leaving the Army in 1971, he couldn't adjust to civilian life. And he admits alcoholism created its own problems.

He finally landed at the Red Cross Shelter. But with help from a friend and months of counseling and hospital treatment for his drinking problem, he pulled his life together and started working for service organizations.

"I didn't want to be rich," he said. "I just wanted to make someone happy."

Then two years ago he became executive director of the Good News Foundation, which, basically, is a one-man operation raising money for its mission.

He lives on a small military pension and about \$50 a week for his work as director of the foundation. Every other dollar he receives goes into his food fund, he said.

TUBACHRISTMAS to be presented in Beach/Schmidt

Alesha Bedore
Staff Writer

This Christmas, Hays will enjoy a traditional concert found in large cities across the United States. Lyle Dilley, retired professor of music, and Robert Harrold, assistant professor of music, are bringing a Merry TUBACHRISTMAS to Beach/Schmidt Auditorium on Sunday, Dec. 15, at 3 p.m.

Harvey Phillips, a professor at Indiana University, started the Harvey Phillips Foundation. This organization also sponsors tuba-playing Santa's and "several tuba and euphonium events throughout the year," Harrold said.

The Harvey Phillips Foundation, in conjunction with the Fort Hays State music department, will present Hays' first Merry TUBACHRISTMAS. Harrold has conducted TUBACHRISTMAS in other cities and said that he considers this concert to be the first of an annual event.

Merry TUBACHRISTMAS is a concert of traditional Christmas carols played on valved low-end brass. Anyone who plays the tuba or euphonium is welcome to participate.

TUBACHRISTMAS' often appear in malls or outdoors, but Beach/Schmidt is the only place large enough to hold all of the players.

Harrold has received calls from as far as Smith Center and Larned and expects as many as 75 participants. People of any age or skill level can play.

Participants must pay a \$5 registration fee and \$5 for the music book. All participants will receive a commemorative button and get to keep the music for use at future events.

Proceeds from registration fees will go to the Harvey Phillips Foundation to help promote tuba and euphonium awareness.

"We really need to expand awareness," Harrold said. In order to help awareness, the FHSU music department is selling chocolate CD's.

The CD's are made of European chocolate and the case is reusable. The CD's can be bought at Merry TUBACHRISTMAS or through Frances Gordon, secretary of the music department.

The CD's sell for \$5 and make great stocking stuffers, Harrold said. Not only is the FHSU low brass ensemble striving for awareness by selling chocolate CD's, they are raising money to buy tubas.

The number of people playing tubas has increased this year and there is a tuba shortage.

Most students can't afford to buy their own tuba because they cost \$6,000 to \$12,000.

Merry TUBACHRISTMAS is free to the public and no tickets are needed. For more information, contact Harrold at 628-4486.



"I've

had people from nine to 87-years-old play," Harrold said.

Rehearsals will be held as a group in Malloy 126 on the FHSU campus Saturday, Dec. 14 and Sunday, Dec. 15, at noon to 2 p.m. on both days. Participants may register at 11 a.m. on either day.

Wichita runaway shot 11 times by police

WICHITA, Kan. (AP) A 16-year-old runaway who was shot 11 times by Wichita police was still holding his gun after he fell face down on a sidewalk, an autopsy showed.

Jeremiah Bashline was still alive and trying to move the pistol when officers handcuffed him and took the gun away, according to an autopsy report filed Tuesday in Sedgewick County District Court. He later died.

Tests also showed the teen had recently used marijuana and that his blood-alcohol level was 0.133 percent when he was shot. In Kansas, the blood-alcohol legal limit for driving is 0.08 percent.

Bashline was killed Nov. 16 after police chased him to the backyard of a vacant home. He reportedly asked police to shoot him, then pointed the gun at several officers. Police had responded to a report of a person firing a gun in a Wichita neighborhood.

The autopsy report says Bashline was shot ten times with the officers' 9 mm Smith and Wesson pistols: once in the left shoulder, three times in the chest, twice in the groin, once in the right knee, once in the left thigh, and once in the right buttock. A bullet also grazed his left leg.

Bashline also was struck in the lower stomach area by seven lead pellets from a 12-gauge shotgun blast by police.

The paths of the bullet suggested

that the officers were in front of Bashline when they fired, and the shot in the buttock came after the teen had fallen.

Nine officers put on paid

administrative leave after the shooting have returned to work, Lt. Terry Nelson said Wednesday. The Sedgewick County District Attorney's office is investigating the incident.

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COACH'S CORNER

By
Steve Kimpel,
Asst. Wrestling Coach

When people think of the sport of wrestling, they probably envision two scantily-clad brutes mauling each other in a televised spectacle, but amateur wrestling, void of theatrics and display, is a game rich with history and deep with emotion.

Modern-day wrestling traces its ancestry before the time of Christ. "The Epic of Gilgamesh," written about 2,000 B.C., recounts an early match when sport was tied to religion. According to myth, the gods responded to the prayers of the oppressed citizenry of Uruk and sent a wild, brutish man, Enkidu, to challenge Gilgamesh. When the contest ended, neither was a clear victor, and Gilgamesh and Enkidu became close friends. They journeyed together, sharing many adventures.

Although the rules of modern wrestling prohibit submission holds and other dangerous techniques described in literature, the game has changed little in 4,000 years. Much of the original strategy and technique is used in today's college wrestling. Although it is difficult to explain the sport's longevity, it is interesting that such a primitive activity still holds a place in today's industrialized world.

Requiring a minimum of equipment and a small arena, wrestling has always been a sport in which the working-class can participate and excel. During the 1800s and throughout much of the 20th century, wrestling was a popular choice for farmers and unskilled laborers who enjoyed contests of strength and endurance.

Although research has linked wrestlers to white, middle-class backgrounds, the ethnic and socioeconomic diversity of the participants is increasing. In fact, an

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Tiger wrestlers win dual



MARK BOWERS / UNIVERSITY LEADER
Tiger sophomore R.J. Price prepares to put the hurt on University of Southern Colorado senior Justin Roth in their match last night in Gross Memorial Coliseum. Price won 9-2, and the Tigers won 23-15.

Nick Schwien
Sports Editor

The crowd was ready, the official was ready and the Fort Hays State wrestlers were ready for action last night at Gross Memorial Coliseum.

The Tigers hosted the University of Southern Colorado in a dual match-up.

The Tigers came away with a team victory by a score of 23-15.

"Their performance was great and astounding," Bob Smith, head coach, said.

"The crowd did a great job of getting into the matches. They were an important part of the team's success."

Leading the charge for the Tigers were Kevin McCullough, Effingham freshman, R.J. Price, Yuma, Colo. sophomore, Brian Allender, Hutchinson junior, Myron Ellegood, Garden City junior, Billy Mills, Commerce City, Colo. freshman, and Josh Gooch, Wellington senior.

All six of these wrestlers defeated their opponent in their respective weight class.

Tony Pelnar, McPherson junior, Eddie Woody, Newton senior, Corey Alfonsi, Pampa, Texas sophomore, and Chris Thyfault, Hays junior, each were defeated by narrow margins in their respective weight class.

"I was impressed with our two freshmen's performances," Smith said. "I was also impressed with R.J. Price and Brian Allender, who both beat two good wrestlers from Southern Colorado. Also, Josh Gooch did a good job for only being out for 10 days."

Smith said that patience played a key part in these victories.

"We were patient and took our shots when we were able to," Smith said.

Smith said that the Tigers need to improve on mat strategy and technique before tomorrow's tournament.

The Tigers will host the FHSU Open tomorrow at Gross Memorial Coliseum. Matches begin at 9 a.m.

FHSU Volleyball Club named co-champions of 'Shootout'

Jennifer Burkhardt
Editor-in-Chief

After being named co-champions at the Kansas Shootout men's pre-season volleyball tournament, the Fort Hays State volleyball club is in the midst of a break from competitive action.

As the final tournament of the pre-season, the Shootout saw action from four teams in pool play — Wichita State University, Kansas State University, FHSU-A and FHSU-B.

In the first round of the tournament, FHSU-A met with FHSU-B and defeated them in two, 15-0, 15-4.

"K-State beat Wichita State to advance (to the finals) and then WSU had to withdraw from the tournament because they were worried about the road conditions for the trip home," Paul Murray, Pratt senior, said. He is the team representative and club founder.

Since WSU forfeited, FHSU-B advanced into the semi-finals.

"We beat K-State 15-10, 15-13. Then the B-team met with K-State to see who would be in the finals with us," Murray said.

FHSU-B defeated K-State in three, 13-15, 15-13, 15-8.

"It was going to be the A-team versus the B-team in the finals, so we just decided to call co-champions and not play it. It was a great accomplishment for the B-team to make it that far."

"Most of them have never played before," Murray said. "This was their first time to play major competitive collegiate volleyball."

"This was the second tournament for our B-team and the first time that they had all actually played together," he said.

In the three years of the volleyball club's existence, they have put together the Shootout for Kansas schools.

"Each year, we try to organize something with all the regent schools. The University of Kansas has never come."

The team's ultimate goal is to return to the national championships. Last year, they were ranked ninth and finished 17 in the national tournament, Murray said. "We were beaten by Boston College."

In addition to their competitive schedule, the volleyball club also does exhibition games. "We recently did one for Thomas More Prep-Marian High School as a fundraiser for them," Murray said. "We are willing to do that with any high school to help them make some extra money."

The exhibitions also serve as a way for the team to get awareness. "We appreciate people that watch. We don't see a whole lot of fans where we go," he said.

The team is coached by Perry Robinson, the assistant Tiger women's volleyball coach, Murray said. "We would also like to thank TR Sporting Goods; Chris and Lisa Munsch at Sip 'n Spin; Elgerine Gross; Tiffani Wright, who is making a video yearbook for us; and Gwen Klaus, our team manager, for all the support they give us."

Even though the team won't be taking on any competition until the beginning of the spring semester, they will continue with practices until that time, Murray said.

"Anyone interested in doing anything with the club is welcome — we're open to new thoughts."

The club has recently added a women's team to the court. "We have been trying to start a women's team for the last three years. Now we have one — 10 play on it."

The women's team will play in its first tournament at WSU on Saturday. "They will play a United States Volleyball schedule," Murray said, "meaning they won't play as many college teams, but will play at nationals with us."

Not Yets, Aints, Fal-cants vying for TT title

Marc Menard
Staff Writer

Thanksgiving has come and gone and I've come to the conclusion that the biggest turkeys are those of us who continue to suffer with NF of I, mediocrity. Yes, it's time for that weekly chore we call the Toilet Ten. Actually, the selections are getting easy as the Not Yets, the Aints and the Fal-cants continue their three-team battle for TT supremacy.

1. **New Jolley Not Yets** (1-12): The Not Yets remain grounded and so does QB Neil O'Donnell. After missing six weeks with a separated shoulder, O'Donnell had been cleared to play last Sunday against the Awtlers. However, he pulled up lame before the game even started. He was carried off to the locker room and declared out for the game. Apparently, New Jolley has the mandatory eight-count. The Not Yets, like their QB, also pulled up lame, losing to the Awtlers 35-10. As the ol' song

goes, it looks like the Not Yets will be home for Christmas.

2. **Nawtins Aints** (2-11): The Aints just aint what they used to be as they continue to chase the Not Yets for that elusive TT crown. The Aints did, however, make a good showing against the St. Loo Sheep, losing 26-10 in the Sub-par dome. Aints fans also made a good showing, or, rather a good no-showing. 17,234 to be exact. These days it's hard to tell the difference between paper bags and empty seats. But hang in there Aints fans, in January you'll finally get to see real champagne (football) when the Sub-par bowl rolls into town. Fortunately for those paper-bagged wonders of the hayou, the Aints will not be one of the participants.

3. **Atlanta Fal-cants** (2-11): That beautiful music you hear coming from the south is the chorus of hoo's from the Gawr-ga dome. The Fal-cants, being the generous sorts they are, gave the S.F. Whiners every opportunity they needed to win. First, QB Bobby Hebert collided with halfback Jamal Anderson, causing one fumble, then Hebert tripped and fell on a third down passing play and backup QB Browning Nagle was tickled for a safety. Those boys from Gawr-ga also allowed the Whiners to score on their first seven possessions, en route to a 34-10 hush-whuppin' on Monday Night. It was an ugly that Elvis (the singer) instead of Elvis (the backup QB) could have thrown for a couple of TD's against the lowly Fal-cants.

4. **Tampa by the Bay Yulk-a-neers** (4-9): The Yulks have finally ended their three-

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Lady Tigers defeat Kansas Wesleyan

FHSU starts season at 3-1

Chad Simon
Staff Writer

The Fort Hays State women's basketball team (3-1) easily defeated Kansas Wesleyan University (1-3) at Gross Memorial Coliseum 82-48, Nov. 26.

Jessica Farmer, center, and Mindy Lyne, guard, led the team with 16 and 14 points each. Jessica Farr, forward/center, came off the bench to add 11 points.

FHSU started with baskets by Melissa Nulty, center, Lyne and Farmer on their way to a quick 7-0 lead.

FHSU went on a 10-0 run to increase their lead to 28-11 with a Brooke Beckley, forward, layup with 6:09 remaining in the first half. The Tigers built a 45-19 lead by halftime.

FHSU didn't let KWU within 24 points in the second half. The Tigers built their biggest lead of the second half, 82-40, with a Farr layup with 1:45 remaining in the game.

The Tigers exploited the size difference they had over KWU all night long by continuously pounding the ball



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Tiger junior Shelby Adams protects the ball while looking for one of her teammates in the Lady Tigers' 67-51 over Culver-Stockton last month in Gross Memorial Coliseum.

to the forwards and centers. "We planned to pass the ball down low, then we found out their tallest person wouldn't play and we really wanted to pass it down low," Farr said.

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African-American lawyer has won the bronze medal for the U.S. in the 1992 Olympics. Competitive wrestling has drawn female participation also. During the past eight years, American women have competed in women's divisions of tournaments, including the U.S. Nationals and the World Championships.

Although wrestling is an ancient sport, it has never gained popularity as a spectator sport. It is not a beautiful sport to watch compared to figure skating and gymnastics. The nature of the game draws people who like action, but the technical aspect of scoring points is not highly noticeable. Therefore, it is hard to follow for people who are unfamiliar with the rules.

Some wrestlers wish the sport was more popular, but a dramatic increase in popularity would change the nature of the game. A hard-working wrestler training and competing under the blanket of obscurity is a representation of purity and commitment that makes the game special. Although competitors appreciate community interest and support from their peers, wrestling is not about playing to a crowd. It is about striving to overcome oneself.

The satisfaction and personal fulfillment that comes from defeating the barriers of pain and fatigue overshadow the excitement of besting an opponent. In fact, wrestlers typically have a high level of respect for their opponents, which may not be obvious to the spectator. There is an interesting bond between competitors, because the unique

demands of the sport draw the participants together, much like Gilgamesh and Enkidu.

Wrestling will never be popular like some spectator sports. The nature of the game does not lend itself to call-in radio discussion or to record-book statistics. Wrestling's place in the American society lies in the heart of the competitor. A quote by Theodore Roosevelt exemplifies this attribute:

"In the battle of life, it is not the critic that counts; not the man who points out how the strong man stumbled, or where the doer of a deed could have done better. The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena; whose face is marked by dust and sweat and blood; who strives valiantly, who errs and comes up short again and again because there is no effort without shortcoming; who does actually strive to do the deeds; who knows the great enthusiasms, the great devotions, spends himself in a worthy cause; who, at the best, knows the triumph of high achievement; and who, at the worst, if he fails, at least fails while daring greatly so that his place will never be with those cold and timid souls who have tasted neither victory nor defeat."

Wrestling is a lot like life. Many of the wrestlers at Fort Hays State have dedicated themselves to the sport because they love it. They don't expect honor and recognition for their achievements, and they don't want to dramatize or brag about their hard work. However, most wrestlers want people to know about their sport and be aware of the kinds of things wrestlers do to participate. FHSU will host the FHSU Tournament tomorrow. Students and faculty are welcome to attend.

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game skid, losing to Carolina 24-0. The Yaks looked sharp doing it too, with QB Trent Diller losing one fumble, being intercepted twice, sacked four times and knocked down 13 times. It was all in a day's work for Diller. Carolina linebacker Kevin Greene, who had a day himself with five tackles, one sack and a recovered fumble, said it all, "Man, what a blast. Rooting around, having fun. It was like a hog going for a sweet potato in the middle of the mud." This coming from a man who apparently hasn't missed too many Thanksgiving meals.

5. **St. Loo Sheep (4-9):** The Sheep finally found a way to look good — unfortunately they can't play the Nawlins Aints every week. The Sheep have one of the NF of L's worst offenses and their defense has more gaps than David Letterman's teeth. Last weeks game at the Sub-par dome is the closest the Sheep will get to that Sub-par feeling. The Sheep should snap out of their one game winning streak and return to old form when they travel to Chi-town this week to play the snarling Bear-lys.

6. **Bal-tee-more Brownies (4-9):** The Brownies were able to fool the Steel Men of Pitt-town rather easily on Sunday, disguising themselves in purple and black uniforms and calling themselves the Ravens. Apparently it worked, as they upset the Steel Men 31-17. The latest line on the Brownies is the investigation of QB Jon Stark in his possible involvement in gambling. The Brownies are interested in adding Stark to the lineup. Perhaps Art Schlichter is available, if he's not doing time any more for his gambling charges. The safest bet is that Vinny is still the odds on favorite in the mistake by the bay.

7. **Seattle Seachickens (5-8):** The Seachickens experienced an ol' fashioned barb-b-cue mile-high style on Sunday. Defensive back Cory Harris did his part with senseless penalties that kept the Donkeys in the red zone as they cruised to their first AFC Worst Division title since 1991. "We got our rear kicked every way we could get it kicked," said head coach

Dennis Erickson. And at that altitude, that's got to smart a little. But that shouldn't hurt half as much as the Seachickens struggle through the remainder of the season.

8. **Dee-troit Lyins (5-8):** Head Coach Wayne Fontes enjoyed what will certainly be his last turkey dinner in the Motor City. The Lyins played like roadkill, losing to the K.C. Chets in the annual holiday appetizer to that other game in Dallas. For the first time in four years, the Lyins will play a meaningless game (Well, that's not completely true, the Lyins are actually fighting for a strategic place in next spring's draft.) I say next Thanksgiving, cancel this annual turkey of a game in Dee-troit and watch reruns of the Macy's parade instead.

9. **Meadowland Gi-aints (5-8):** In last week's loss to Philly, the Beagles played as if they were headed to the Sub-par Bowl, while the Gi-aints played as if they were headed to Disneyland. How goofy were the Gi-aints, you ask? Philly scored twice before Gi-aint QB Dave Brown hit his first pass. Brown then went on an inspiring 3 for 11 passing performance before being benched. "It was a snowball effect and it got worse on every play," Brown said. The Gi-aints, after all, are the team that knows a little something about snowballs. Perhaps they should reinstate the fan who was banned for life for throwing snowballs a couple of seasons ago. Unlike the Gi-aints, at least the fan hits what he aims for.

10. **Chi-town Bear-lys (5-8):** These TT wannabes sometimes play better than their record indicates, but despite this minor flaw, the Bear-lys are hanging on to the No. 10 spot. It look as if the Bear-lys had given their playbook to Green Bay, making them look like Cheese Whizzes. The big play was Green Bay's Desmond Howard returning a punt 75 yards for a TD. "There was a big hole and a big wall (of teammates) in front of me. I'd have had to be blind not to see it. The rest was history. I could have walked to the end zone," Howard said. Then again, so could've a blind man.

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