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Fort Hays State University

Ready, set, recycle

 Janella Mildrexler
 the university leader

They're new. They're blue. And they're different.

They are the paper recycling containers and they mark the beginning of a new program being implemented by Fort Hays State.

"We had everything in place and ready to go at the beginning of (last) summer. But the recycling vendor, L & R, quit

taking paper," Bill Deeds, environmental safety officer, said.

The containers are emptied daily by custodial staff. The paper accumulated is taken to the large, white "blue-sashed" dumpsters located on campus.

These dumpsters are kept locked to keep the paper



segregated paper," Deeds said.

Even though the campus recycling program is related to the program of the city of Hays, FHSU's paper recycling differs from that of the city. To remain more efficient and to not create more waste, the university has eliminated the blue bags Hays uses.

"We've been on exactly one week last Thursday. The participation is good. We expected a surge at the beginning because people have been saving up."

"We have 17 dumpsters on campus and four are full of paper," Deeds said.

"We're doing 'Point-of-origin' that's why the blue trashcans. It's a little different in the Residence Halls. There, the containers are in the common areas," Deeds said.

On the blue containers are labels stating what is considered appropriate paper goods. Text books, magazines, newspapers, cardboard, computer paper, office paper and envelopes, including those with plastic windows, are all products that can be recycled.

Paper products that can not be recycled include: personal hygiene products, waxed paper products, carbon paper, clear or plastic based paper, any metal

larger than a staple and any packaging containing food. "We are not recycling plastic as of yet. We wanted to take something substantial, like paper, to make sure the market is there," Deeds said.

"It looks very feasible as long as the market stays. I've had over 40 PROFS notes with very good responses and questions and people anxious to participate. The conscience of the community is up."

Group looking for support

 Shannon Grant
 the university leader

Feeling the need to share their faith, several students at the Catholic Campus Center are starting a pro-life organization on campus.

The first meeting is scheduled for tomorrow at 8 p.m. in the lounge at the Catholic Campus Center, 506 W. 6th St., and is open to any student interested in joining the pro-life organization.

"(It is important to get people) involved in life, and let people know life is sacred."

SUSIE RZIHA
 Tampa freshman

Organizers are interested in seeking university recognition, but first need to know the amount of interest in students who want to get involved.

Earlier in January, six Fort Hays State students marched at the nations capital to stand up for their beliefs opposing the

Roe vs. Wade decision which legalized abortions in every trimester. After returning to campus, they thought they needed to organize a pro-life organization at FHSU, Susie Rziha, Tampa freshman, said.

While in D.C. "We worked with CALL, Collegians Activated to Liberate Life, and they suggested that we start a group on campus," said Rziha. She said they gave the group a lot of ideas on how to go about starting a group, and so did some of the other colleges that were attending.

Justin Deges, Damar sophomore, said that he has been a pro-life advocate his whole life and that starting a pro-life group on campus will let him and other students "respond to our beliefs about abortion."

Rziha said that it is important to get people "involved in life, and to let people know that life is sacred."

Deges said there is only one side of the issue portrayed on campus, and that is why there is a definite need for a pro-life group.

"When you come to college, there are a lot of open minded people. If only one side of the issue is portrayed — the pro-choice side — then that is how people are going to act later in life," Deges said.

Father John Toepfer, O.F.M. Cap, Campus Minister at the Catholic Campus Center, said that he would like to see a pro-life group "help people come to a more profound respect of the sacredness of human life, from the moment of conception in our mother's womb to the moment of natural death."

"We feel that life is sacred from the moment of conception to natural death, which would cover abortion, assisted suicide and everything," Deges said.

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Johnson honored for work

 Amy Eck
 the university leader

Ray Johnson, assistant professor of educational administration and counseling at Fort Hays State, received the Outstanding Mediated Classroom Teacher Award for February.

He acquired this award from a faculty recognition program committee for his performance in the College of Education, according to a press release.

"Dr. Johnson has actively been involved in teaching interactive television courses, adapting courses for video tape offerings and most recently created the university's first full Internet delivery of a course which is called School Law," Dean Charles Leftwich, college of education, said in a press release.

No special password is needed to access this course along with 22 other students currently enrolled, according to Johnson.

The address is <http://www.fhsu.edu/aces/850>. Once opened, students can find everything needed for a class, including a course syllabus, case scenarios and examinations. "It's condensed on one page," but it is also linked to other law schools and information through hypertext, according to Johnson.

"The flexibility (of this course) is tremendous," he said, "you can finish in two months if you work real hard."

Next month, tentatively, a real-time chat room discussion group will be "field tested on this course," Johnson said. Currently, the students can access a bulletin board to gain help and talk to others in the class, according to Johnson.

"It's (the new course on the Internet) not only fun, but an experiment for acceptability for other programs and courses," Johnson said.

To enroll in this course, interested individuals must contact the Continuing Education Office or Johnson. With students entering credit card numbers onto the system, there was the "security worry of putting payment on the Internet," Johnson said.

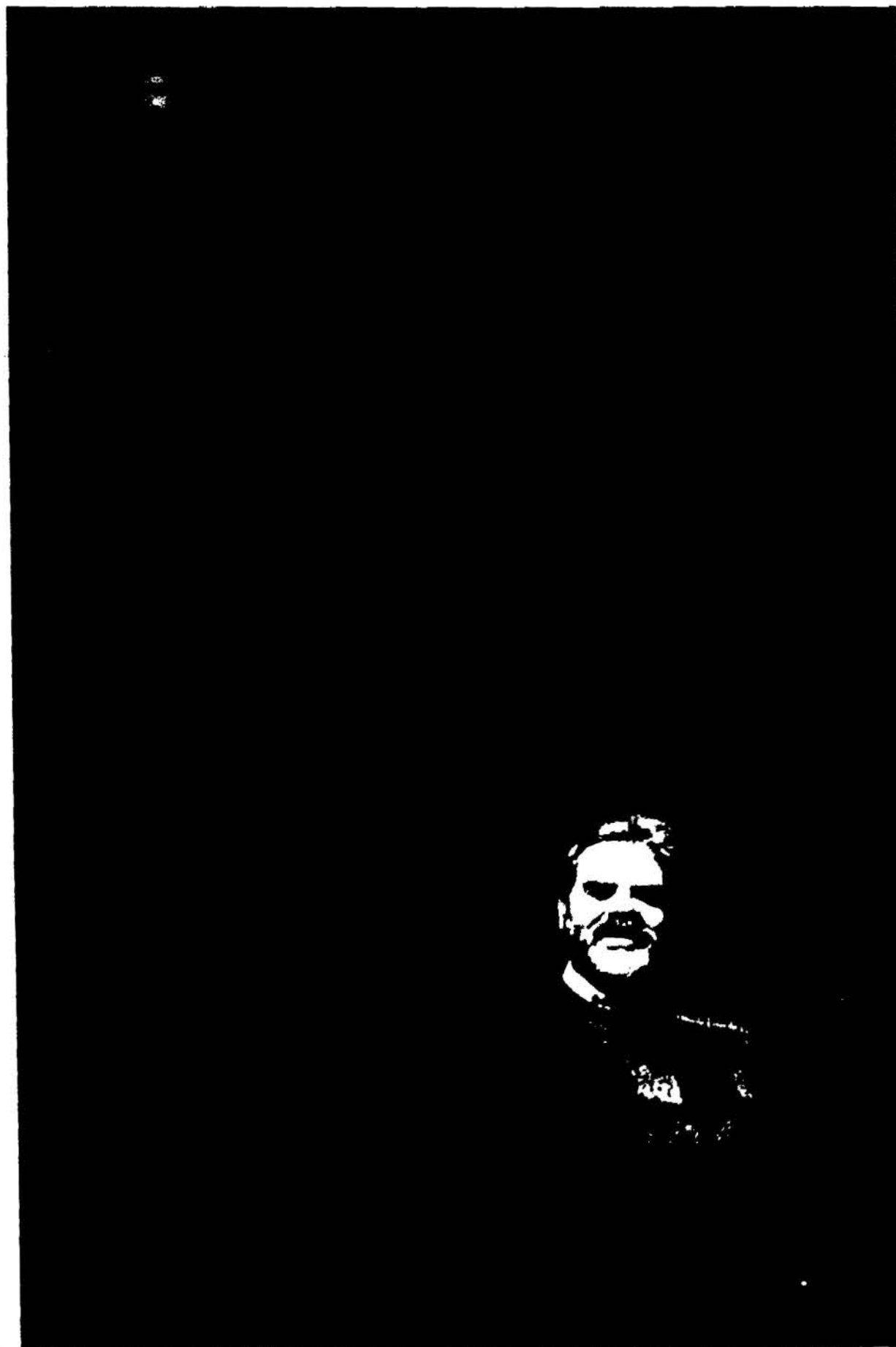
"I teach most of my classes through interactive television (ITV). It takes a lot of preparation, more so than traditional classroom delivery," Johnson said.

Leftwich also said Johnson is active in teaching his courses through mediated instruction, according to the press release.

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— Mark Bowers / The University Leader



Family fights long battle for help, compensation

BENTONVILLE, Ark. (AP) — A local family may be a step closer to persuading several congressmen to sponsor a bill that would offer financial compensation for families affected by transfusion-acquired HIV.

Gene Wall, 14, acquired the human immunodeficiency virus, or HIV, in 1982 through a blood transfusion while his family was living in California. The virus, transmitted in bodily fluids such as blood, causes AIDS, an often-fatal disease of the body's immune system.

Gene and his mother, Barbara Wall, recently visited Washington in the hope that

Sen. Dale Bumpers, D-Ark., would sponsor a bill tentatively titled The Gene Wall Transfusion-Acquired Compensation Bill.

"I've had the idea for the bill in my head for about a year," Barbara said, "contacted Bumpers' office with it about four months ago."

Barbara said a labor and resource committee has been organized to review the bill.

"Labor committees are formed to listen to bills before they go before Congress. If they receive any interest about the bill, Bumpers would be more likely to take it on," she said.

The board includes Arizona, Indiana and Massachusetts congressmen.

"My next step will be to contact mothers such as myself in those states to see if they have any interest in the bill," Barbara said. "If they do, they will contact the labor board."

The more feedback the board gets, the more probable it is that the bill will be sponsored.

Gene receives assistance through Medicaid and government disability, but money is still tight in the Wall household.

"I am not allowed to have any assets or make any money," Barbara said. She said that

limits her ability to provide her three children with any kind of a normal life.

"This allowance, or compensation, would help Gene with everyday expenses," she said. "Better yet, it would not affect his disability or Medicaid."

Currently, Gene is undergoing experimental treatment for HIV at the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, Md.

The "drug cocktail" he is given at the NIH is composed of the powerful drugs Indinavir, 3TC and AZT.

Previously, Gene visited the NIH every other week.

"He now goes monthly, and it will then drop back to every other month," Barbara said. The visits are made to monitor Gene's tolerance for the experimental drugs.

Visits to the NIH are just another thing that keeps her children from leading the lifestyle of other children, but Barbara hopes approval of the bill will help provide her children with some semblance of normality.

"This bill would allow the children to have normalcies," she said. "They'd like to have a computer that works. They'd like a skateboard."

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Underage drinking under fire

Bryan Valentine
the university leader

On Jan. 1, 1997, a new Zero Tolerance law went into effect in the state of Kansas.

Zero Tolerance is exactly what it says: None, Nada, Zip. If you are under the age of 21, you cannot drink alcohol — not one drop — and then drive.

Zero Tolerance makes it illegal for those under age 21 to operate or attempt to operate a motor vehicle with a breath or blood alcohol content of .02 or greater.

This affirms the Kansas law that makes it illegal for those under age 21 to purchase, publicly possess or consume alcoholic beverages.

"This law is a giant step in the effort to reduce the human toll of alcohol-related crashes in Kansas," said Rosalie Thornburgh, Chief, Kansas Department of Transportation Bureau of Traffic Safety.



Zero Tolerance laws are being passed in the United States because alcohol-related crashes are the leading cause of death for adolescents and young adults.

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, a total of 2,222 youths, aged 16 to 20, died in alcohol-related crashes during 1994.

"In Kansas, eight drinking drivers and four passengers of drinking drivers, all between the ages of 16 and 20, were killed in alcohol-related

crashes in 1995. None of these young adults were wearing a safety belt at the time of the crash," Marvin said.

Drivers who are under the age of 21 and whose breath or blood alcohol content is between .02 and .07 are in violation of the Zero Tolerance law, Marvin said.

On the first offense, driving privileges are suspended for 30 days. On the second and subsequent offenses, driving privileges are suspended for at least 90 days.

Drivers with a breath or blood alcohol content of .08 or above, regardless of age, will be charged with Driving Under the Influence (DUI).

Penalties for DUI include serving jail time, loss of driving privileges, community service, mandatory drug and alcohol safety education classes, fines, plus court costs and evaluation fees. The cost of car insurance will increase, too.

three day weather outlook

Tuesday

hi 36°
low 25°

Wednesday

hi 55°
low 23°

Thursday

hi 64°
low 34°

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She said her other children — Lauren Wall, 11, and Spencer Wall, 12 — are much more mature than their peers.

"They just want to be kids," Barbara said. "I mean, here you are in Washington when you should be home on a skateboard. They attend the funerals of other kids, instead of being at a birthday party."

Barbara said Lauren and Spencer harbor the fears and worries of people twice their age.

"They worry about losing friends,"

she said. "They worry about how we are going to continue to take care of Gene. They have lost their childhood because they didn't have time for one."

Barbara said if the bill is eventually passed, the disbursement of compensation will be determined by the total amount requested by individual families.

"As far as we know so far, there would be a lump sum asked for by eligible families, and it would be divided equally," she said.

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The group has ideas on how to get students on campus involved and let them know that unborn children are dying. Rziha said, "We could put up a cemetery of the innocent," showing how many unborn babies are killed each day.

The group should "encourage people to reflect on the sacredness of life, to try to realize how precious human life is," Toepfer said.

"We want this to be a pro-life

organization by the Catholic Campus Center but open to any denomination and anyone on campus," Rziha said.

Toepfer said that he wants the pro-life organization to "help us reflect on the purpose of human life, to reflect on the values we hold dear, and to reflect on why we are in this world."

He urges students to remember that "life is God's gift to us and convince ourselves that human life is important at every age and every stage."

weekly horoscopes

Melissa K Beckett
the university leader

If you were born this week: Goodness! Are you the most wanted person in town this week. Have a great birthday, and enjoy your celebrity.

PISCES

February 20 - March 20
The demands of life have been wearing on you. You feel as if you are carrying a ton on your back, and maybe you are. Get rid of some excess baggage. Soon.

ARIES

March 21 - April 20
You are a bit reserved this week due to a recent disappointment. You need to find what your problem is and fix it so you can enjoy your week.

TAURUS

April 21 - May 21
You may have thought that the good times were never going to end, but now it's time for a reality check. You can't have your way all of the time.

GEMINI

May 22 - June 21
You have been through quite a few changes recently, but all for the better. Your life couldn't be going better, and you couldn't be happier than now.

CANCER

June 22 - July 23
Your financial worries have been your major cause of stress these past few weeks, but that problem will soon pass, and you will find your accounts in order.

LEO

July 24 - August 23
Something different is coming your way.

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One award per month, from August through May, honors this type of instruction from each of the four colleges of the university.

The award consists of "a check for \$300 and a university lapel pin which signifies teaching excellence," according to the press release.

According to the press release, "two-thirds of the financial award is provided by the university. The other third comes from Commerce Bank of Hays, which established a fund with the university in

and you couldn't be more thrilled. You need this break in routine more than you thought that you did.

VIRGO

August 24 - September 23
You have been moping around long enough. Life will never get better if all you do is sit around and feel sorry for yourself, so get off of your butt and go out.

LIBRA

September 24 - October 23
You need to remember that there is time and a place for everything, because lately, you have been acting very immature. Grow up a little.

SCORPIO

October 24 - November 23
You have been making some very important people VERY angry, and you are starting to feel wretched. But remember, you did bring this upon yourself.

SAGITTARIUS

November 24 - December 23
You have hit on something good. You are the happiest that you have been in weeks. Keep up with whatever is causing your happiness and keep it up.

CAPRICORN

December 24 - January 20
You have been searching for something that may bring some meaning to your life. But beware, you may find something that you didn't want to know.

AQUARIUS

January 21 - February 19
You have been feeling lifeless for a few days, and you can't figure out why. Take a step back and examine yourself, or if that doesn't work, ask for help.

Campus events

HHP classes to begin

The Hays State Department of Health and Human Performance will begin classes March 10. HHP 120A Beginning Tennis, Monday 12:30 to 2:30 meet in Gym 100; HHP 125A Beginning Golf, Monday and Wednesday 12:30 to 1:20 meet in Gym 101; and HHP 125B Beginning Golf Monday and Wednesday 3:30 to 5:20 meet in Gym 101.

The following classes in the HHP Department will begin March 11: HHP 125C Beginning Golf, Tuesday and Thursday 12:30 to 1:20 meet in Gym 101; HHP 127 Wellness Skills, Tuesday and Thursday 12:30 to 1:20 meet in Gym 101; and HHP 126 Advanced Golf, Tuesday and Thursday 12:30 to 5:20 meet in Gym 101.

Physical Therapy Club to meet

The Physical Therapy Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Hays State Student Union. All Fort Hays State students interested in physical therapy are welcome to attend. For more information, contact Scott at 628-4723.

Alpha Phi Omega to meet

Alpha Phi Omega is having an organizational meeting at 8 p.m. Thursday in the Pioneer Lounge of Memorial Union. The group is petitioning to become a recognized campus organization. Everyone is welcome.

Sign up for contest

The Little International Fitting and Showing Contest is set for April 19 at the University Pavilion, highway 183 bypass, north of the interstate. Sign up in Memorial Union or the Residence Halls. Beef, swine, sheep, horse and dairy entries are due by March 19.

Alpha Kappa Psi to meet

The Alpha Kappa Psi meeting has been rescheduled for 7 p.m. Wednesday in the Sunflower Theatre.

UAB to sponsor guitarist

The University Activities Board is proud to bring you Edgar Cruz. He is a classically trained guitarist who enjoys playing a variety of music. His showstopping Top 10 rock and roll countdown is not to be missed. If you are a music fan, then come to the Tigera's Den (Custer Hall) tonight at 8. Admission is free for Fort Hays State students, \$4 for general public and \$3 for faculty/staff. Everyone is welcome.

Agnew Hall selling boxers

Agnew Hall council is selling Condom Boxers for \$10 each. They are boxer shorts (three different colors and sizes) with a velcro pocket that stores a condom (condom included). They have a design printed on the right side. ON sale and display at the Agnew Hall front desk. For more information call 628-5400.

Job Fair set

At 9 p.m. Wednesday, Student Residential Life will sponsor Job Fair '97 in the Agnew Hall front lobby. They are looking for people to fill positions for next year.

Positions available are: office assistants, maintenance personnel; night security, resident assistants, resident managers and program coordinators.

Fee Installment payment due

The second payment of tuition for students who entered into the Fee Installment Agreement for the Spring 1997 semester is due Friday. If you have any questions regarding the amount due, contact the Student Fiscal Services Office at 628-4253.

Pilot Award nominations being accepted

Nominations for the Pilot Award will be accepted until Friday. Graduating seniors may nominate an outstanding teaching faculty member for this prestigious award. Nomination forms are available in the Alumni Office, Custer Hall, or call 628-4430.

Help nights scheduled

From 4 to 7 p.m. on March 10 and 11 the office of student financial assistance will be in Forsyth Library to answer questions about filling out the free application for federal student aid (priority deadline is March 15). Students are welcome to stop by with questions.

Financial Aid priority deadline nears

Fort Hays State reminds students interested in financial assistance for the 1997-1998 award year to complete the Free application for Federal Student Aid.

The FBSU priority deadline for the form is March 15. Continuing students who received aid during the 1996-1997 award year should have a renewal application for the 1997-1998 award year.

Students can pick up the FAFSAs and renewal applications at the office of financial assistance in Custer Hall.

Mid-Term help is here

The Kelly Center is offering small group and individual study sessions for mid-term preparation. The small group sessions are on the third floor of Rarick Hall, while individual sessions are at the Kelly Center, Picken Hall. Students interested in attending any of the sessions should contact the Kelly Center at 628-4401 to find out specific times.

Small group sessions include Human Biology 121, University Chemistry 120, Intro to Computer CIS 101, World Geography GSCI 110, College Algebra MACS 110, General Logic PHIL 100, Personal Wellness HHP 220, General Psychology 100 and Introduction to Sociology 140.

The individual study sessions include the above courses, as well as Oral Communications 100, Chemist View of World CHEM 100, Basic Algebra MACS 011, American Government POLS 101 and Spanish I, II, III.

Language test date set

Students desiring to enroll in the beginning Spanish course should contact the department of languages, Rarick 303, or call 628-4244. The cost is \$15 per course. This needs to be done immediately (there is a two-week processing time). The test will be given today at 3:30 p.m. in Rarick 303.

Students must bring their business office to the test. Bring your business office to the test.

Support group schedule

The support group will meet 5 to 6 p.m. on Wednesday. It is for women and men who are dealing with sexual orientation. The group has been discussed my include family and community. The group will be on developing and thoughts. This group is for women and men. For more information, contact the support group.

Interviews

Interviews for the following positions are being conducted.

JD's
Country Style
CHICKEN
740 E. 8th St.
Delivery On/Off Campus
625-3013

Win a chance to spend a day with President Donald.
Spend \$197
Spend \$197
Tickets from now until March 15, \$1.
• In Memorial Union from 10:30 to 3 p.m. daily.
• In Memorial Union from 5 - 6 p.m. on Wednesday and Thursday.

McDonald's
RMAC
Meal Deal
59¢ Big Mac
with the purchase of any size fries and any drink
59¢ Egg McMuffin
with the purchase of a hash brown and any drink
YOUR HOMETOWN McDonald's... simply the best value in town!
Hays • Russell • WAKEENEY

GOOD LUCK, TIGERS!
from PFM
Come in & Celebrate with our
99¢ TIGER BURGERS
Every day, all day long

WEEKLY NEWS
TUESDAY AND THURSDAY
AT 10 P.M.
OUTTOWN
DON'T MISS THE NEWS
CHANNEL 12
Check it out!

Agreement: not this time

She said kids should follow rules

He said rules should apply to all

Rules, regulations, laws and Legislation.

Will Kansas legislators ever get everything regulated they want to? Well, you have to give them one thing: they're trying awfully hard. I must agree with their stand on the issue of minors drinking and driving.

I retrieved all of my information from the Internet, especially at the site <http://www.state.ks.us/public/governor/releases/bill/kidstuff.html>.

Governor Bill Graves has signed House Bill 2603. This bill is better known as the "zero tolerance bill."

It states that anyone under the age of 21 cannot "operate or attempt to operate a motor vehicle (with a) blood or breath alcohol concentration of .02 or greater."

If caught, the minor could face a "suspension of driving privileges for at least 30 days."

Although I don't feel 30 days is nearly long enough, I do agree that something needs to be done about underage drinking and driving.

Take for example, just those people who drive underage. If

caught, these violators lose their license until they turn 16 years of age.

Maybe, legislators should have enacted the bill with a statement that underage drinkers and drivers lose their licenses until 21, the legal drinking age. This may seem extreme, but that definitely would deter prospective violators.

Since the bill states "for at least 30 days," this is better than nothing. This also leaves the judge open to sentence a suspension for as long as he pleases; it just has to be at least 30 days.

Kansas needed something more in its attempt to deter these drunk drivers. Hopefully, House Bill 2603 is a step in the right direction.

We can hope that the minors of today will raise a future generation who will not fathom driving under the influence. A bill that is signed now to influence one section of society will, hopefully, become a natural action of society in the future that doesn't really need the law to enforce the behavior.

Although some might argue that this discriminates against one

section of society, I must disagree.

How can this bill be discrimination, when it only reinforces a law that already bans this section of society from drinking to begin with?

Is the Kansas law stating that a person must be 21 before an alcoholic beverage can be consumed discrimination?

Or, is it just enforcing an acceptable way of life?

I'm not saying that if a parent wants to give their minor an alcoholic drink at home, they shouldn't have this right. This is the parent's prerogative; but it should be regulated in public.

Kansans must realize that if people can't control themselves, then, the legislators must give law enforcement officers a means of control for these self-unregulated people.



AMY



DOUGLAS

Let me first take this absolutely clear—I do not believe in living under the influence.

However, the new zero tolerance law in Kansas as it applies to those under the age

of 21, stinks. I can think of a lot of other words to apply to it, but this is not the forum to demonstrate my creative ability with four letter words. I'll leave that up to our readers.

The law recently passed by Kansas legislature is both discriminatory and unfair. It is not right to segregate and discriminate against one segment of the population with regards to DUI's. It would be no more correct to single out people with different ethnic or religious backgrounds, and stick them with a zero tolerance policy with regards to DUI's than anyone else.

It seems to me, in the 90's, it has become quite fashionable for every groups' or organizations' sacred cow

or agenda to be put forth through the sacrifice of our constitutional rights.

Each group of well meaning, good sounding causes, always has some agenda of so overwhelming importance and sociological significance, that we the people, need to give up rights on whatever their issue is, to try and get at the problem.

I am resoundingly against any modification or statute that involves giving up essential freedoms just to fix the "crisis of the day." How would our aging population in Western Kansas feel if they were ever handed a zero tolerance policy by our esteemed law makers on DUI's or anything else?

Perhaps, part of the problem is that some of the responsibility for this situation lies with those under the age of 21. If a significant percentage of those under 21 would register and vote, there would at least some fear of retribution on the part of the lawmakers. As it stands now, with almost no one in that age group actually voting, the lawmakers can act with impunity.

Let me again make this absolutely clear—I do not approve of driving under the influence.

Zero tolerance laws have become the fad of the nineties. As far as I'm concerned, there is only one zero tolerance law that is effective. That's the one employed by U.S. Marines guarding nuclear weapons. There is a red line and if you cross it without authorization, you get shot, period.

Anything short of that is just layer upon layer of regulation. We don't need any more laws. We need enforcement of the laws that we now have.

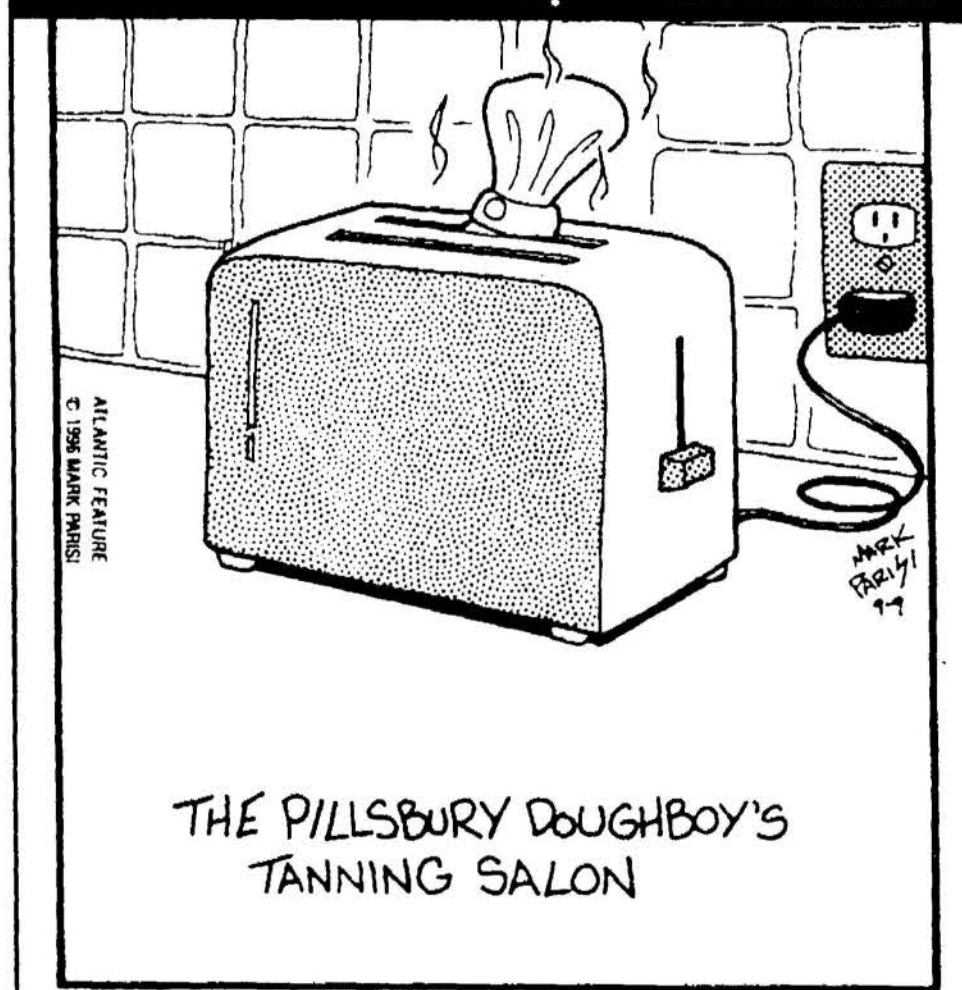
Just because we say we have zero tolerance of something, doesn't mean it doesn't occur, or even decreases the likelihood of it occurring. Unless we are willing to enact extreme measures with regards to zero tolerance policies, they will not meet their desired goals.

At the very least, if a zero tolerance policy is needed, for any issue, it must be applied to everyone. It is not fair to single out a particular group of people in our society and persecute them. I think everyone realizes this law would never have been passed if it had applied to all ages uniformly.

If a law is good enough for one group, it should be good for all.

off the mark

by Mark Parisi



Let your voice be heard in...

the university leader

Reader response encouraged

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Concealed weapon debate continues

Doug Clore
the university leader

In our Feb. 21 issue we began a debate on the concealed weapons issue. This is part two of my column on the concealed weapons bill.

I'd just like to say that I wish it were not necessary to have to talk about concealed weapons in our society. However, the hard, cold, brutal facts of the situation are that there are huge numbers of hand guns and assorted firearms already in circulation.

I'm not even disputing that there is a correlation between that huge number of guns floating around and all of the gunplay and violence that takes place on a regular basis. Every day in the news there is another story about some shoot-out, hold-up, or some other senseless act of violence perpetrated by criminals or citizens that have access to guns. My point is, however, if we try to keep average citizens from carrying weapons legally, how does this make them anything but ready-made victims?

Just recently, we heard about a bank robbery gone bad in Los Angeles and all of the shooting and combat tactics associated with it. It made for great television copy. I submit that no amount of regulation would have prevented that situation from taking place. The tools necessary to expedite such an endeavor are already out in circulation and will be for many generations to come, no matter how much we regulate it. I wish this were different, but we do NOT live in an ideal world, as many sociologists and political scientists seem to feel that we do. I'm not telling you that if "I'm packin'" I'm safe. I am telling you that as a law abiding, tax paying citizen, I should have the right to defend myself.

Especially when the current system of citizen protection is either slow or apathetic in its response to crisis. One example I can think of was that case in Florida, where the convicted

rapist from California was murdering a prostitute in his garage, in front of his neighbors, and it took the police 38 minutes to get there.

They did not respond any faster because they felt it was a domestic situation. All of the neighbors were armed with cell phones, the weapon of choice for law abiding, tax paying citizens (potential victims).

To use our wild west scenario, it was pointed out that in many towns your guns were checked at the city limits. If there was a realistic way to do this now, that would be fine, but there is not.

Perhaps the example of a bar fight in the "Home" was a bit too limited by geography. In most bars in big cities when a fight breaks out, it's pretty likely that you're going to be the only person that is not armed, if you're obeying the law.

One common sense suggestion from me might be that you don't go to bars that routinely have fights in them.

My trammled wit tells me very simply; if the bad guys have guns, why can't the citizens be armed also? Kansas is one of only eight states that will not allow their citizens to legally carry concealed weapons.

If we were to listen to the rhetoric of those who say that guns are the problem, then the only people with the guns will be the ones that ARE the problem. I know it comes out sounding like a bumper sticker, "when guns are outlawed, only outlaws will have guns," but the unfortunate truth of that is: that they WILL have them. Law abiding citizens should be afforded the right to carry concealed weapons WITH regulation.



Snuggle up with your significant other, open a vintage bottle of wine, and put on some Diana Krall.

Ms. Krall's latest release, *All for You* (A Dedication to the Nat King Cole Trio), sits heavily with that warm and cozy feel of jazz music.

This is good ol' jazz, the kind the early musicians played. The kind of jazz you hear musicians playing in smoky lounges. Musicians like Nat Cole, balladeer, Nat Cole, pianist (yes, there were two Cole's); Oscar Moore, guitarist; and Johnny Miller, bassist. The Nat King Cole Trio

Which brings me back to Krall's album, it contains

twelve songs originally recorded by the Cole Trio.

Krall, who's voice is described as "wild honey with a spoonful of scotch," can croon like the wind. Or swing your socks off with that thick, smoky purr that's just quite delicious.

Not only does she perform vocally, she plays the piano on this album.

Russell Malone, guitar; and Paul Keller, bass; work with

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The funky piano mixed with the bass gets those 'ol feet to tapping. The rhythm grabs you like the smell of smoke when

you walk into a piano bar.

Others like "Boulevard of Broken Dreams," "You're Looking At Me," and "I'm Thru with Love" remind you of the bittersweet sorrows of love. The pain drips out of her voice like a leaky faucet. Yet there is a strength in her voice that compels your heart into believing everything will be alright.

This is the first work of Krall's I've heard. Her musical ability is impressive. Her ability to emotionally persuade the listen is exceptional. However, it isn't just Krall that makes the album. Without the other artists, the work would be bland.

I gave this album a Leader rating of 10. And then some



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Nice day for mid-terms

Above: Travis Beam, Bogue junior, helps out with the McCusker Hall council's efforts to clean up Big Creek Monday afternoon.
Above right: Abby Bair, Hays junior, takes advantage of warm afternoon temperatures to blow bubbles on the steps of Ranck Hall yesterday.
Right: Mandy Stout, Seiling, Okla. junior, takes her at-bat in a game of wiffleball while her dog, Hailey, sits between her feet yesterday near Lewis Field.

Camera angles: sharp pictures require more than a sharp eye; support, simplicity necessities

(AP) Amateur photographers often complain that their pictures lack sharpness — blaming the camera, lens, film or photofinisher for their disappointing pictures.

True, the camera, lens, film and photofinishers do make a difference when it comes to picture sharpness. However, there are several other very important factors that contribute to the sharpness of a picture.

- Holding the camera steady is of the utmost importance. Pressing the shutter release button as gently as possible is the key. This avoids what's called "camera shake."

- During a long exposure, especially when using a telephoto lens (which exaggerates camera movement), a tripod or other camera support is recommended to reduce camera shake. To totally eliminate

camera shake while using a tripod, a cable release or using the camera's self-timer is recommended.

Photographers using telephoto lenses can hand-hold a telephoto lens without a tripod if they follow this rule: never shoot at a shutter speed slower than the focal length of the lens in use. In other words, if you are using a 500mm lens, don't use a shutter speed slower than 1/500th of a second.

- The shutter speed is important in "freezing" action. A shutter speed of 1/500th of a second is fast enough to "freeze" most moving objects. Selecting a slower shutter speed when photographing a fast-moving subject may cause the subject to look out of focus. To get the fastest shutter speed, use film in the ISO 400-1000 range.

- The selected aperture on a lens

also contributes to the sharpness of a picture. Basically, the smaller the aperture, the sharper the subjects will look in front of and behind your subject. For example, if you select an aperture of f/22, you will have more depth of focus than if you

select an aperture of f/5.6.

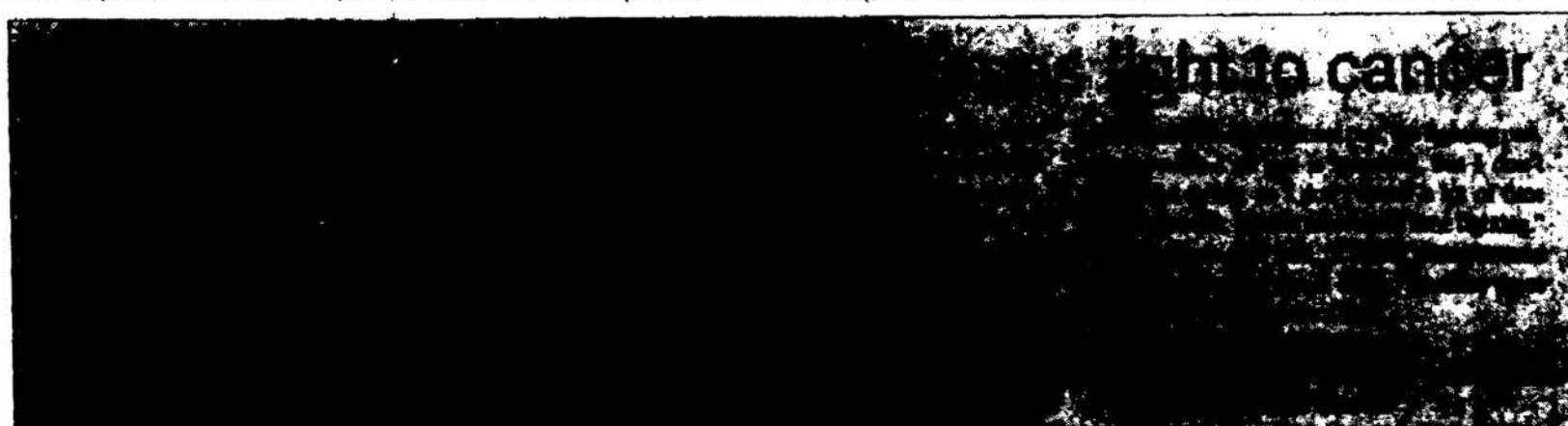
- Sunlight falling on the front lens element can also affect picture sharpness. When direct sunlight hits the glass element, "lens flare" occurs. Strong lens flare appears as a white blur in the picture. When

just a bit of sunlight is falling on the lens, it can create a soft focus effect. Lens flare is the reason to use a lens hood for all outdoor pictures.

- Dust and fingerprints also affect picture sharpness. A fingerprint smudge on the front of a rear lens

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- Lighting conditions have an impact on picture sharpness. Pictures taken on crystal clear days often look super-sharp — if all of the above suggestions are followed.



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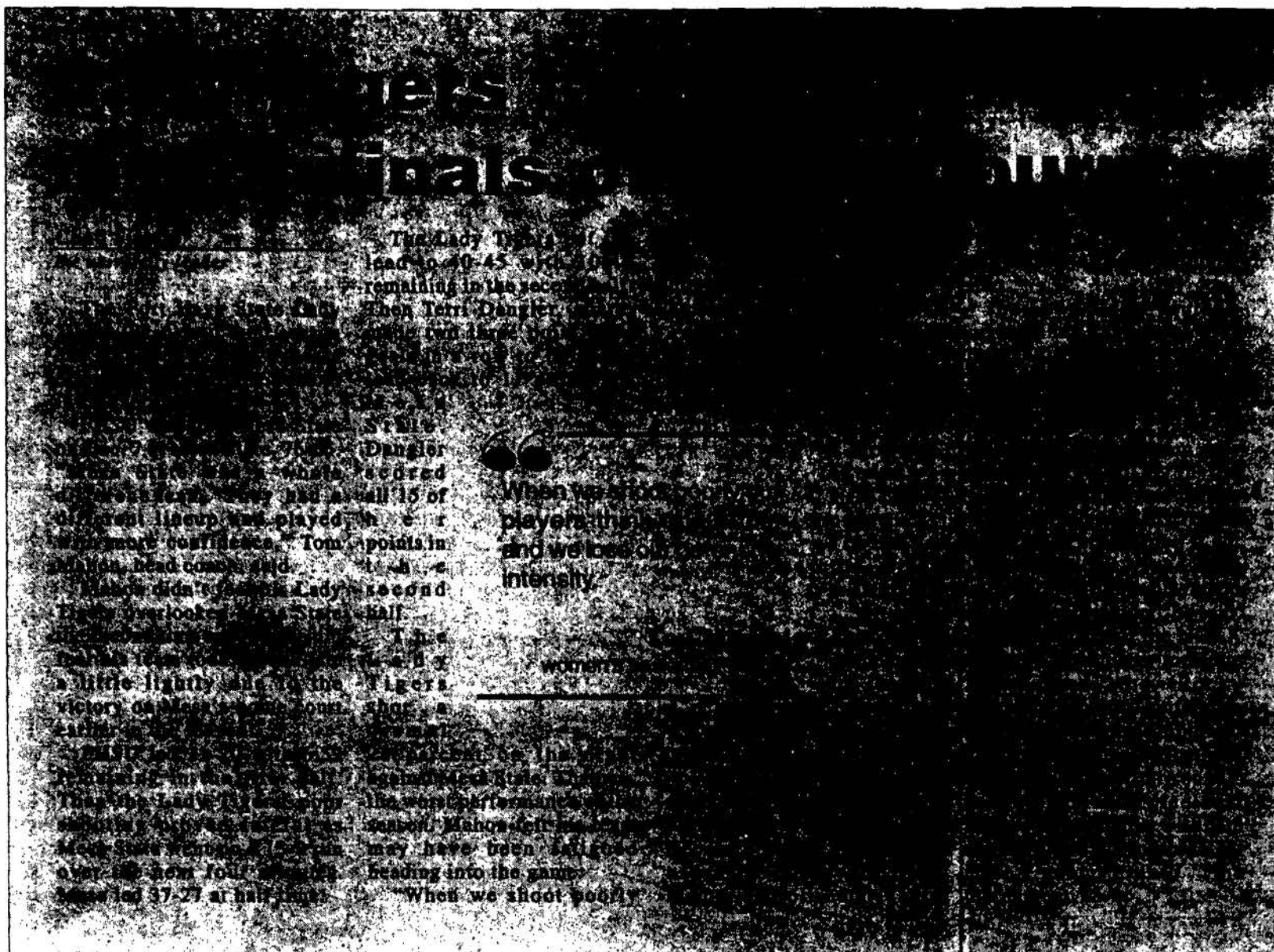
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Billy Scogin, Tucson, Ariz., junior, pitched four innings for

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The loss set the Tigers record at 2-1 for the season.

The Tigers will be in action next this weekend as they travel to Joplin, Mo., to take part in the Missouri Southern Classic. The Tigers will take on four teams in the Classic. Friday, FHSU will take on Hillsdale College (Mich.) at 2:30 p.m. and Missouri Southern at 5 p.m.

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All four games will be seven inning games.

—RMAC

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For the second year in a row Goldston was named the Men's Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference Mile High Shootout Most Valuable Player. Simpson joined Goldston on the All-

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To prepare for the North Central Regional games Garner said he would get game film in by Wednesday on NDSU and NSU.

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Kansas could have three national champions

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Well, it's time again for post season basketball to begin. With Fort Hays State traveling to Brookings, S.D. to play in the NCAA Division II North Central Regional on Saturday, the hopes of another national title loom close for the Tigers.

The Tigers received a bye and will play in the second round of the regionals on Saturday night.

The Tigers, though, are not the only team from Kansas in the post season in the Division II ranks.

Other teams in Kansas will also have a chance to travel to Louisville and compete for the NCAA Division II Championship.

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Pittsburg State has also received a tournament spot in the same regional as Washburn. The Gorillas will play in the first round of the regional on Friday night.

In the Division I playoffs, Kansas will also have a top team competing. The University of Kansas will probably receive a No. 1 seed in one of the regions.

Also, in the Juco ranks Butler County Community College could possibly end up winning the NJCAA title. Butler County is just one of the juco schools in Kansas that has played well this season.

At one point in the season, Kansas had three different teams in three different divisions ranked as the No. 1 team in the nation. The University of Kansas, in the Division I ranks, Fort Hays State, in the Division II ranks, and Butler County Community College, in the juco ranks, were all ranked (in their respective divisions) as the best team in the nation at the same time.

If the cards are dealt right, Kansas could possibly produce three national champions at the end of the basketball seasons.

South Dakota State to host men's NCAA Division II North Central Regional Playoff

BROOKINGS, S.D. (AP) — South Dakota State will host the NCAA Division II Central Regional basketball playoffs Friday through Sunday.

The Jackrabbits (23-4), who won the North Central Conference title, are an automatic semifinal qualifier in the six-team field.

First-round games and the semifinal games will be at 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday. The championship game will begin at 7 p.m. Sunday.

The champion in each of the eight Division II regions advances to the national tournament that begins March 19 in Louisville, Ky.

Friday's games have Northern State (22-5) against North Dakota State (21-8) at 6 p.m., and Nebraska-Kearney (22-7) against Minnesota-Duluth (21-5) at 8 p.m.

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