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Julie Hoss, Ness City freshman, moves weight from the bar while joking with her coach, Chuck Tournear, after practice yesterday in Cunningham Hall.

Olympic Dreams Lifter sets sights high

Imagine spending 16 to 18 hours a week training for a shot at the 2000 Olympics. Sound like a far fetched dream? Well, not for Julie Hoss, Ness City freshman, who recently won first place in her weight class at her first Missouri Valley Conference Weightlifting Competition.

"There wasn't a lot of pressure," she said. "It was a smaller meet — only 12 girls there. Most of the pressure came from myself to accomplish the goals that I set."

Chuck Tournear, strength and conditioning coach, said the competition was a senior class. "She is only 19, so according to the United States Weightlifting Association, she classified as a junior lifter. She won first place at a senior meet."

The win qualified Hoss for both the Collegiate Nationals in Savannah, Ga. and the American Championships, Tournear said. "The Collegiate Nationals are the first weekend in October followed by American Championships the first weekend in November at St. Joseph, Mo."

Hoss, who is relatively new to the Olympic Weightlifting scene, has her sights set on the 2000 Olympics. "Women's Olympic Weightlifting will be new at the next Olympics — there aren't many in it."

Tournear said Hoss' goal for the Olympics is realistic. "There are two and a half years to the next Olympics. To her it seems like an eternity. To me, it seems like we don't have enough time. All we need to worry about is

getting more strength — that is the easy part."

He said it has been unusual to find women in this sport. "It is a rapidly growing sport for women. There are 3,000 registered weightlifters in the country and only 350 of them are women."

So while Hoss is ultimately working for the 2000 Olympics, she is focusing on the near future. "My goal is the Olympics, but right now I am focusing on the Collegiate Nationals."

In order to achieve her goals, Hoss pushes herself in training. "I work out two to two and a half hours, four days a week — alternating the clean and jerk and the snatch each day. I also do squats. I go in on Sunday, Monday, Wednesday and Friday when I am done with class."

The lifts, according to Tournear, are explosive. "Olympic Weightlifting consists of two lifts in an event. The snatch is from the floor to above the head in one motion, while the clean and jerk is from the floor to above the head in two motions. First to the shoulder — the clean — and second above the head — the jerk."

She began in January. "I started out in spring



Julie wears shoes specially designed for weightlifting. "The shoes help to keep your heels on the ground. You're supposed to push from your heels — it is where the power comes from."

volleyball, but it took too much time. I enjoyed this and just kept doing it."

"I want to keep improving and adding weight ... improve my technique and strength."

Tournear said Hoss has all the qualities of being a successful lifter.

"She is extremely athletic. She has a lot of flexibility and coordination. Without those three — if you lack any — you don't

have a chance at being an Olympic lifter. A lot of this comes natural to her."

"Her overall strength is her only weakness," he said, "but that is the only thing. She has everything else — strength comes last. Strength is the easy thing to get."

Tournear said motivation is the key for Hoss' success.

"She has to be a lot more motivated than other athletes. It is an individual sport and she has no work-out partner."

Support is one thing Hoss is not lacking in.

"My parents support me in everything I do. "My friends think it's neat," she said. "No one has ever heard of this."

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California residents want circus to 'stay away' after TB scare

REDONDO BEACH, Calif. (AP) — A small group of residents and animal rights activists have a message for Circus Vargas — stay away.

Their concern is that two elephants used in last year's show died of tuberculosis.

The circus has denied that Joyce and Hattie died of TB and said it is no longer using the company that had leased them the sick animals.

Mary Wagner said she took her 3-year-old son to Circus Vargas last year but he has tested negative for TB.

"When I found out about the tuberculosis I was nauseous. I can't imagine why we would want a group like this coming to town," Wagner said.

Animal rights activist Debbie Famiglietti said the elephants looked sick and were housed with elephants used to give children rides.

"I don't think we can trust Circus Vargas. The risks far outweigh any entertainment value," Famiglietti said.

The city council is scheduled to discuss Circus Vargas' permit request April 15.

Circus spokeswoman Rolanda Kaiser said no children

rode the sick animals and it has not been determined that either had full-blown TB. One elephant died of cancer and the other died during tooth surgery, Kaiser said.

However, the Los Angeles County Disease Control Program concluded otherwise.

"The diagnosis was tuberculosis," Shirley Fannin, a spokeswoman for the county program, said Wednesday. None of the circus staff contracted TB, she said.

"We think the potential for transmission to an audience is zero," Fannin added.

AmeriCorps to provide tutor training

Michelle L. Jones
the university leader

Continuing with their mission to build communities, the AmeriCorps program at Fort Hays State is providing free training through the Hays Public Library for tutoring volunteers to help with the First Book Program.

According to Dan Kahl, AmeriCorps Director, the only training need to become a reading tutor is to attend one of the one-hour training sessions held on April 5 at 2 p.m. or on April 7 at 7 p.m. in the children's section of the Hays Public Library.

The AmeriCorps program that began on campus in the fall of 1995 has tried the literacy program before, but did not call on as much volunteer support. "This was tried one or two years ago, but it was never done at this level before," Kahl said. "It was not as big or organized, and we didn't seek as much help on the volunteer level. Before only AmeriCorps members were used."

Adults and children in the surrounding area of Hays or anyone else can receive help from the volunteers. In the program Kahl hopes to pair up an individual with a volunteer over time. "There are no requirements on time limits, but it would be more effective to match a child with a volunteer for as long as they need help," Kahl said. "Every time is beneficial whether it's one visit or a routine schedule."

According to Kahl, he would like 12 volunteers to be trained by the end of April. "I'd like to start out with 12 people now and then go on a supply and demand basis later," Kahl said. During the training, "Volunteers receive tools and work under the supervision of the AmeriCorps members," Kahl said.

As the program begins, "Reading tutors pair up with a person of their choice. Then the individual has 30-40 minutes to read a book of their choice. Then the volunteer tests for reading comprehension," Kahl said.

Age and reading level are contributing factors in determining how to help the individuals. "Each lesson has to be different because the age and reading level of everyone is different," Kahl said. "We hope to give the volunteer a good tool kit to help anyone who comes in."

Also, there is an included bonus for individuals who receive tutoring. "First book allows us to distribute 5,000 free books to those in the programs," Kahl said. "We hope they will come in and get a book of their own."

According to Kahl, after training, the volunteers will continue to meet with clients at the Hays Public Library through a coordinator who Kahl is currently seeking to work over several semesters. "We need someone to coordinate the program. To make sure the tutors are on time and so every person who wants a tutor gets one," Kahl said. "I'm looking for a full-time designated person to steer the program through the summer and fall."

If anyone wishes to volunteer their services as a tutor, needs tutoring, or wishes to become the coordinator of The First Book program, they can contact Dan Kahl at the AmeriCorps Office at 628-5977.

According to Kahl, volunteering has many fulfilling aspects. "Volunteering gives someone the sense of having helped someone else accomplish the goal and knowing their future is a little brighter," Kahl said. "If someone is looking for a significant way to make an impact on the world, they can step up and make a difference. Volunteer."

Search for jet, bombs moves to Colorado

TUCSON, Arizona (AP) — The search for a missing military jet carrying four bombs switched from central Arizona to southwestern Colorado on Saturday based on new radar information.

The search for the A-10 Thunderbolt and its pilot had concentrated on central Arizona since Wednesday, when the 8.8 million aircraft vanished while en route from Tucson to a training session in southwestern Arizona.

The attack jet was carrying four 500-pound (225 kilograms) live bombs. They would have to be activated by the pilot.

On Friday, three children in the central Arizona town of Young told Air Force officials they had seen the A-10 fly northeast towards Colorado — away from the training base — on Wednesday afternoon.

Air Force officials had no explanation for why the aircraft and pilot — Capt. David Buffon — apparently was headed in the wrong direction.

The Federal Aviation Administration used its radar logs to track what is believed to be the missing plane to Colorado. It was last sighted the aircraft about 30 miles (50 kilometers) southwest of Telluride, a mountain resort town about 230 miles (370 kilometers) from Denver, said Col. Barry Barksdale, commander of the 355th Fighter Wing at Davis-Monthan Air Force Base in Tucson.

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Beer-spitting: Bad manners or art?

OSLO, Norway (AP) — In a conflict between etiquette and art, a Norwegian court has ruled that beer-spitting members of the faux-hillbilly band Rednex were engaging in legitimate artistic expression.

Two members of the Swedish band, whose hopped-up version of "Cotton-Eyed Joe" was a hit in

Europe and briefly appeared on U.S. charts, were charged with drinking beer on stage during a 1995 concert in Trondheim.

Jonas Ake Nilsson and Mats Urban Landgren were briefly jailed and fined dls 450 for illegal public consumption of alcohol. But they refused to pay and took the case to

Trondheim Municipal Court.

After viewing a tape of the concert, the Trondheim Municipal Court said they didn't appear to actually swallow any beer, but just filled their mouths and spat it out as part of their backwoods wildman act, newspapers reported Thursday.

"Artistic freedom can have its

limits, but in this case the band's show — including the use of beer and beer bottles as props on stage — is within those limits," a three-judge panel, which included a blues musician, wrote in Wednesday's ruling.

"This ruling is triumph of justice," Landgren told newspapers.

"The beer's on us tonight."

Nickname causes problems for mail delivery

CLEVELAND, Miss. (AP) — Jo Ann Ussery has come to be known as "The Airplane Lady" ever since she turned the fuselage of an old 727 jet into a home that now sits on the bank of Lake Whittington in Benoit.

The problem with her knew nickname is that her mail often comes addressed to that name — and that name only.

"This really happens," said Benoit rural mail carrier Earl Coleman, who delivers Ussery's mail. "I'm constantly getting mail addressed to 'The woman who lives in the airplane, Benoit, MS.'"

Ms. Ussery, whose home has gained national attention, confirmed that she does indeed receive mail from around the country addressed in such a

manner. And according to other area rural mail carriers, her mail is not unique to such skimpy addressing.

"I'll see mail that's addressed to 'The brown house on the corner with the picket fence around it,'" said Kelly Beevers, a Cleveland rural mail carrier. "I'm not joking. We see mail addressed like that all the time."

Though postal workers do their best to see that such mail makes it to its intended destination, the day is soon coming that this kind of mail will be sent back to the sender, or even be lost forever in the dreaded dead-letter file.

That's because Cleveland is scheduled to go automatic, Beevers said.

"The Cleveland Post Office was scheduled to go to an automated mail system last November," he said, adding that unexpected hindrances have delayed the system from coming to Cleveland as of yet.

Automated mail is a computer system that "reads" the addresses on letters and lines them up according to their route or post office box number, Beevers said.

"All of that work is being done manually now. With the big budget cuts the postal service is experiencing, they're trying to cut down on work hours. The automated system is supposed to do that."

"After we get on automated mail, I'm supposed to just walk in and pick up mail — which will already be sorted — to deliver," Beevers said.

three day weather outlook

Tuesday	high 44° low 34°
Wednesday	high 35° low 25°
Thursday	high 38° low 25°

Alumni Association announces nominees

Members of the senior class at Fort Hays State have nominated 27 faculty members for the 1997 Pilot Award, given annually by the FHSU Alumni Association.

The award recognizes an outstanding faculty member on the basis of professional excellence, high standards of personal conduct and commitment to good teaching.

The winner will be announced at the FHSU commencement ceremony on May 17.

Nominees include the following:

Professors Gary Hulett, biological sciences; Tom Jackson, chair, psychology; Allan Miller and James J. Murphy, interim chair, educational administration and counseling; Jean-Marie Salien, modern languages; Stephen Shapiro, and Willis Watt, chair,

communication; Ninia Smith, teacher education; and Raymond Wilson, history.

Associate professors Jean Gleichner, agriculture; Tom Griffith and Dale McKemey, business administration; Tom Guss, educational administration and counseling; Mahboub Hashem, communication; Dick Heil, political science and justice studies; Marilyn Maier, nursing; Claire Matthews communication disorders; Zoran Stevanov, art; and Judith Vogt, biological sciences.

Assistant professors Judy Caprez and Alice Humphreys, sociology and social work; Ellen Collins, allied health; Jo Ann Doan, nursing; Art Morin, political science and justice studies; Germaine Taggart, teacher education; Steven Trout, English and Julia Drake, business administration.

weekly horoscopes

Melissa K. Beckett
the university leader

If you were born this week
You are so happy that you feel like you could explode with joy! Keep this feeling, and all will be well in your life.

ARIES
March 21 - April 20
If all is fair in love and war, then war must be very pretty, or so it seems. Your love life is gliding on smooth seas, and nothing can disrupt your bliss.

TAURUS
April 21 - May 21
You have been feeling like a failure, but all of a sudden, you are going to find exactly what you need to feel useful and loved. You will be happy for a long time.

GEMINI
May 22 - June 21
You have made a certain someone very happy. What they had once thought impossible, you have proved possible. Keep up the good work, and you'll go far.

CANCER
June 22 - July 23
Did you ever get that feeling that, while you were walking around, minding your own business, something that could change your life for the better happened?

LEO
July 24 - August 23
You are getting more than you bargained for once again, but this time it is in your favor. All that hard work may finally start to pay off, and you can get a little rest.

VIRGO
August 24 - September 23
You feel very happy recently. You have made new friends and have succeeded in doing

good for others, and now it is time for you to get something in return!!!

LIBRA
September 24 - October 23
After what may have felt like an eternity of being tied down to that one thing that you cannot stand, you have finally been granted your pardon and released.

SCORPIO
October 24 - November 22
You feel as if something good has smacked you upside your head. You have been searching for this for a long time, and when you turned your back on it, WHAM!

SAGITTARIUS
November 23 - December 21
You are on cloud nine, and the timing couldn't have ever been better. You have been wishing for this happiness for months, and the appearance has left you dazed.

CAPRICORN
December 22 - January 20
A lull in your ever active social life was getting you down, but all of a sudden, you are the center of attention everywhere that you go, and you love it!

AQUARIUS
January 21 - February 19
Someone very important to you has finally told you what you have been wanting to hear for the longest time. You don't need to be told to treasure this info.

PISCES
February 20 - March 20
Your significant other has been acting strange lately, but once you find out why, you will be overjoyed! You should let them know how happy you are.

— Jet from page 1 —

Searchers in Colorado faced the same problems with snow, rain and low cloud ceilings that had hampered the search as it centered around Roosevelt Lake in Arizona through

Friday night, Barksdale said. Button, 33, an instructor pilot based at Laughlin Air Force Base in Del Rio, Texas, had been assigned to the Tucson base for about six weeks.

Check the Leader for complete SGA election results

Fall Registration continues

Sophomores
A-M April 9
N-Z April 10

Freshmen
A-Z April 15

The last day to register for Summer Term is May 16; the last day to register for fall is July 25. Registration is not final enrollment.

VOTE MEIERS & WOODS
for SGA President / Vice President
April 9 & 10

INTERESTED IN BEING A V.I.P. STUDENT AMBASSADOR?

VIP's serve as hosts and hostesses for Fort Hays State University. This undergraduate student group is a volunteer organization which assists at functions held at the President's home and elsewhere on campus for special guests of the university.

Application forms for membership in this prestigious service organization are available in the President's Office, Sheridan 312 (see RoJene Broeckelman).

Fifteen minute interviews will be individually scheduled for the afternoons and evenings of April 21, 22, 23. Deadline for application is Monday, April 14.

Staff Appreciation Luncheon & Fashion Show

10th annual Spring Fling 1997

11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Thursday, April 24
Memorial Union
Fort Hays Ballrooms

In conjunction with National Secretaries Week. Tickets are on sale April 7 through April 18 at the Memorial Union Student Service Center. \$6 per person.

Campus events

University Bookstore to have forum

This is your invitation. This is your opportunity. This is your chance to ask those questions you were afraid to ask (or didn't know how to ask).

At 7:30 p.m. tomorrow in the Memorial Union's Sunset Lounge, the University Bookstore will have an open forum about its new book policy, who picks your textbook, answers your questions. For more information, contact the bookstore at 628-5315.

Wiest Hall to sponsor Casino Night

Wiest Hall's annual Casino Night is set for 7 to 10 p.m. on Thursday. It is open to all persons living in the residence halls and participating students. Those participants who bring a friend will be allowed an extra \$1,500 of play money. Tickets are on sale at 10 p.m. Contact Tyson Baize at 628-4602 for more information.

Palco to meet

Palco will meet at 6 tonight in Wiest Annex 418. Refreshments will be served.

AKG to meet

AKG will meet at 6:30 p.m. in the Memorial Union. The regular meeting will follow, but please remember that Wednesday is initiation night and pictures will be taken at 7:30 p.m.

Presentation set for Thursday

A presentation will be given at 8 p.m. on Thursday in the Memorial Union's Sunset Lounge. Russell Clouch, an anthropology professor at the University of Kansas, will present his research on the evolution of the human brain. He will specifically focus on the evolution of the human brain from the time of the first hominids to the present. The 45 to 60 minute presentation will be geared to all ages.

Classes omitted from fall schedule

All of the ENG 126: Introduction to Literature sections were inadvertently left out of the 1997 Fall Class Schedule. The classes that are available for the fall semester are:

- 1501 ENG 126A Intro to Lit 3 10:30-11:20 MWF RH208W 888 Towns 30
- 1502 ENG 126B Intro to Lit 3 11:30-12:20 MWF DH 204 505 Meade 30
- 1507 ENG 126C Intro to Lit 3 1:30-2:45 TT RH 312 505 Meade 30

DISC Club to meet

The Data Information Systems and Communication Club will meet at 7 p.m. April 15 in the Pioneer Lounge, Memorial Union. Featured speakers will be Brian Allender, Clint Bateman, Clint Steiner and Phil Thomas on the topic of Student Internships. Everyone is welcome to attend.

RHA Elections April 16

Residence Hall Association Elections are set for 9 p.m. on April 16 in the Wiest Hall East Living Room. Open positions include: President; Vice-President; Secretary; Treasurer; and Publicity Chair. If you are interested in any position, please attend the meeting.

Tag 'Em set for May 2

Custer/McGrath Halls are sponsoring the annual Spring Thing, entitled Tag 'Em. Events kick off at 3 p.m. on May 2 and will be located in the area near McGrath. The event is open to everyone on campus and in the community. For more information, contact Ryan Achilles, Custer/McGrath Hall Director, at 628-5700.

Support group sets schedule

An Alternative Lifestyles Support Group will meet 5 to 6 p.m. on Wednesdays in the Kelly Center, Picken 308. It is for women and men 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. 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 Fort Hays State students, faculty and staff.

For more information or to set up a pre-group interview, contact the Kelly Center 628-4401.

Career Services schedules interviews

Interview sign-up schedules are available for the following companies:

- Seaboard Farms — April 15
- Community Living Opportunities — April 18

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

THE WILD ROSE

109 W. 7th Street
Hays, Kansas
(913) 628-3911

Wednesday..... 2-Fer Wells
Best Chaps Contest
with cash prizes

Friday Dance Lessons
from 8:30 - 10:30 p.m.
\$4 Pitchers

Saturday Limbo
15 to enter

What a concept —

Parking in the driveway

It was one of those movies that I'd never heard of, but rented because the video store was out of everything else.

"Bulletproof," starring Adam Sandler and Damon Wayans.

turned out to be a really good movie. Not only was it hilarious - like any movie with Sandler - but it had an entertaining plot too.

The movie opens with the duo leading a life of crime. They steal cars and deal drugs, but what Archie Moses (Sandler) doesn't know is that his best pal Rock Keats, played by Wayans, is an undercover cop.

As a cop, Wayans is trying to get in on a high-tech drug operation that Moses is part of. But when Wayans goes to meet the drug lord, the wire taped to his chest is discovered. Then, oh horror, a riot breaks out as the police sting goes haywire.

As bullets and bodies fly through the warehouse, Moses ends up pointing a gun at Keats. Moses can't believe how he was deceived; his gun goes off and hits

Keats in the head. The shooting is accidental, but of course Keats doesn't believe that when he recovers from his wound.

After the shooting, Moses escapes the police, only to be

caught a few days and states later passed out behind the wheel of his car. Moses asks for Keats to escort him back to jail.

Of course the trip doesn't go as well as planned. While walking to the plane, shots are fired from the bushes. Moses and Keats flee, while still being pursued by the gunmen, who are henchmen of the drug corporation.

For the rest of the movie, the audience is treated to the escapades the two face as they try to escape the druggies.

I really enjoyed this movie. It was not only one of the funniest movies I've seen in a while, but it had enough action to keep the suspense going.

I recommend renting this movie if you want a good laugh and an action-packed movie all in one.

Leader rating: 8



Imagine a world in which you can receive parking tickets in your own driveway, or even your own front yard!

Many of you find this thought ridiculous, as did I until early Sunday morning.

Upon coming home from work on Saturday night at 11:15 pm, I was dismayed to find that, once again, all of the parking spots on the street in front of my apartment were taken. So, instead of parking a few blocks away and hiking home (as my roommate and I



MELISSA PUCKETT

have done in the past), I decided to park in my driveway behind my roommate's car. I had thought nothing of it, after all, my roommate probably wouldn't want to leave again that night.

Upon waking in the morning, I stepped out onto my front porch to take in the day, and didn't pay any mind to the yellow piece of paper placed under my wiper. However, this paper got the better of my roommate's curiosity, and she went to retrieve it, and I was shortly handed my parking ticket by my roommate who could hardly contain her laughter.

I was given a parking ticket for parking in my own driveway and "obstructing the sidewalk."

After several minutes of laughing with my roommate and a few friends, I stepped outside to

take a look at the sidewalk in question.

Sitting beside my car, and equally obstructing the sidewalk is a very large, overgrown lilac bush. However, I didn't happen to see any parking ticket hanging from the branches of this bush.

Once again bursting into a fit of laughter over this ridiculous situation, I went inside and read my ticket.

For parking in my driveway, and obstructing an otherwise impassible sidewalk, I am required to pay \$5.

However, if I had decided to park in my own front yard, a fee of \$20 would have been imposed.

Once again, I had to scratch my head and wonder why. I didn't know that parking in one's own yard was such a violent offense!

I am now wondering who comes

up with these parking laws. Back home, in Garden City, cars parked on yards are a common sight, especially in the summer when youngsters are fixing their cars by porch light. I didn't see it as a crime then, and I don't see that a change of location has changed my opinion at all.

What one does in their own front yard is, in my opinion, their own business, and unless they are otherwise breaking any laws, should be ignored by the local police.

But that's only the opinion of one parking violator, and I'm sure that the local police station has a reason for these parking tickets, although I have yet to find out if they are good reasons or not. In the meantime, I plan on paying my \$5 and refrain from obstructing our already obstructed sidewalk.

Campus voice

Student opinions on pending election

Meiers/Woods ...

To the students:

With the impending Student Government Election of tomorrow and Thursday, I would like to discuss some of the issues and their ramifications for the students.

This year, as a student member of the Student Senate, I have witnessed a complete lack of communication between the executives and the student body. They have concentrated on a state-level, ignoring the voice of the student, and have alienated many organizations.

One of those organizations is the *University Leader*. In the past, the executives have written a monthly column describing legislation and detailing the items being discussed in committees. That was not done this year. This fact, along with the lack of communication between senators and constituents, led to an adverse situation regarding a Residential Life fee.

In the fall semester, a resolution was before Senate that dealt with the abolishment of a fee charged to all students by Residential Life.

This resolution was written and brought before the Senate for first reading before any

student in Residential Life knew what was going on. The only word they received was from the *Leader* report that said something to the effect of, "Resolution 96/F/112 was up for first reading last night." This information did not help anyone who did not attend the Senate meeting. It gives a number and brief description, nothing else.

Needless to say, the resolution was approved. This created much confusion and anger in Residential Life. Administrative Assistant/Parliamentarian Casey Woods went to the halls, explaining the resolution and answered questions, along with Senator Chris Meiers to do damage control. They did not have to do this, but they felt it was an important subject that needed to be dealt with.

This is one reason why I urge students to vote Meiers/Woods tomorrow and Thursday. They exhibited the kind of leadership and courage that FHSU needs. One of the highest priorities is better communication among the executives, staff, senators and students. They don't want a repeat of the fiasco that occurred following resolution 96/F/112.

They plan to do this by reinstating a better relationship with the *Leader* and working with them on a weekly column, listing the agenda and what the bills and resolutions entail, not just numbers.

Also, the FHSU Student Government web site will be expanded so that students can e-mail their senators, not only the executives and the staff. This will allow senators to hear what constituents have to say about issues pertaining to them.

Both Meiers and Woods have shown that they have dedication and energy to do the job at hand. Meiers is the present chair of the allocations committee. Woods, as the Administrative Assistant/Parliamentarian, wrote the new constitution for Student Government. It took him weeks to finish the 42-page document that was approved last semester.

Student Government is not just a group of about 40 people sitting in a room in the Union on Thursday nights. It is each and every student enrolled at FHSU and they have been left behind in the last year for the prestige of the big-whigs in Topeka. The duty of the executives is the listen to their voters and do the things they ask.

The Meiers/Woods ticket is committed to doing just that.

Sincerely,

Senator Travis Bartholomew
Lindsborg freshman

Bruce/Pollman ...

To the students of FHSU:

I am sure that by now many of you have heard the different Student Government Association candidates explain the issues that they feel are important to you and me. After hearing the different candidates express their viewpoints, I feel that there is some information that you should know about the candidates. Chris Meiers and Casey Woods have stated that they would like to improve communication with organizations and make it easier for them to go through the allocation process.

The current chairman of the allocation committee is Chris Meiers. He has stated that he wants to make the allocation

process easier, but so far no one knows what money they are going to receive from the committee because the committee has not sent the bill before the Senate with their decision. This bill was to have been sent to the Student Government Senate by March 15th. The allocation committee has not met a single deadline yet, and Mr. Meiers states that he wants to make this process easier. As chairman of the current committee, he should make the process easier by ensuring that the deadlines are met and getting the bill out to the Senate. Do we want a leader who can't seem to get things done on time?

Earlier this semester a new constitution was passed by the students. In the rough draft of the constitution, as written by Casey

Woods, the title of parliamentarian (Casey's current position) was changed to Governor of Democracy. The acronym for this position is GOD. He was intending this to be seen as a joke. However, I feel that any individual who wants to be called GOD does not have the interests of the students, but rather is on an ego trip.

Also, at the Student Government meeting Thursday night, several individuals left before the meeting was finished. One of these members was Chris Meiers. These members left before many important issues affecting you and I were voted on. One of the issues they missed was the vote on the tuition increase to fund women's softball.

How can individuals state they want to help the students and yet, miss

important votes affecting us?

Therefore, when you head to the polls on Wednesday and Thursday, be sure and vote for people that understand the students needs and are willing to represent them.

Vote for Terry Bruce and Suzanne Pollman. They are dedicated to the needs of the students. I worked with both Terry and Suzanne while I served on SGA. I know that they are hard working, dedicated individuals that have the students interest in mind.

Go vote on Wednesday and Thursday, and vote Bruce and Pollman.

Jody Hall

Sylvia Sophomore

Cartoon by Billy Elder

IMPRESSIONS of the STUDENT ART COMPETITION...



Gasoline, mail problems cause irritation

Some things in the United States have been brought to my attention that make me go Hmmm

These are not life-threatening things, but, when I stopped to think about them, I said, "Hey, this is messed up!"

There are two things in particular. The first is gas stations that don't sell gas cans. The second is Priority Mail.

Alright, how many of you have run out of gas while driving on a city street, highway or interstate? Don't be ashamed, go ahead, raise your hand.

I have to say that I join your ranks. My husband and I just got a Chevy Blazer. We wanted to see how many miles-per-gallon the vehicle would travel.

The first weekend we had the vehicle, we drove to Phillipsburg and Beloit. On the way home on the Interstate, we ran out of gas two miles from the Bear House gas station.

Now, I'm not picking on this gas station alone, because I have noticed this in every gas

station I've frequented, but it makes a great example.

Pete, my husband, walked to the station to get a gallon or so of gas so we could drive to the station to fill up. When he gets there, they have no gas cans to purchase.

When people run out of gas, do they run to a discount store to buy gas? No.

So, why do they sell gas cans and the gas stations don't? It seems only logical that a place where you buy gas would sell containers to transport it in.

Anyway, on with the story. I go. The Bear House gas station does have gas cans to lend if you have \$20 in cash as a deposit or a major credit card to leave behind.

I realize that the station employees want to ensure that you return with their gas can.

Really, though, they wouldn't accept a \$20 personal check to hold as deposit. Even if he would have had a credit card with him, why should he leave behind plastic money with a \$1,500 limit to cover a gas can that probably cost \$5?

Well, Pete bought some bottled water, poured out the water, filled the bottle with a gallon of gas, and rescued his family from the side of the road.

End of story, gas stations should sell gas cans. IT ONLY MAKES SENSE!

Next, this will be a short complaint: Priority Mail through the U.S. postal service. Shouldn't all mail that travels through the U.S. be priority mail without paying extra money?

For example, my family and I mailed out countless Christmas cards this past year. At least three of those we mailed a card to still haven't received them.

Another example, in the middle of December 1996, I mailed my father-in-law a birthday card to Beloit. We just got it back two weeks ago with a return-to-sender stamp. We assume he closed his post-office box to have his mail delivered to his house, and the post office wouldn't forward it on.

This is fine that they wouldn't forward it, but why did it take three months to get back to us?

I'd like to think that every time I put my 32-cent stamp on a letter and stick that letter in the mail box that it's considered PRIORITY MAIL. I don't think I should have to pay extra money for a service that should already be offered with my mandatory 32 cents.

Well, these were just a couple "foo-foo" things to get you thinking.

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Tigers take first at Relays

Bryan Valentine
the university leader

The Tiger track team took on 13 other squads plus the Kansas wind this past weekend at the Fort Hays State Alex Francis Relays.

The Tigers blew past the other 13 teams with a first place finish of 503.5 combined team points.

The University of Nebraska-Kearney came in second with a score of 170.5 points.

"There were three new NCAA provisional marks achieved," Jim Krob, track and field coach, said.

Those were by Jeremy Hawks, Norton junior; Mindy Lyne, Hays junior; and Chad Zogleman, Cheney sophomore.

Hawks had three first place finishes in the hammer (164'6"), the discus (159'3"), and the shot (52'4.5").

Chantay Brush, McPherson senior, also had three first place finishes in the high hurdles (14.66), the long jump (17'10.75"), and the triple jump (35'11.25").

Craig Bowman, Macksville sophomore, won the javelin throw with a throw of 203'1".

The throw was an improved NCAA mark.

Kahn Powell, Pontiac, Mich., senior placed first in the 200 meters with a time of 10.65 and a second place finish in the 200 meters with a time of 22.05.

The runners performed quite well. Both the men's and women's teams took firsts in the 4 x 400 relays, 4 x 800 relays, and the 4 x 100 relays.

Jeth Fouts, Smolan junior, finished second in the 10,000 meters with a time of 33:56.62.

Jennifer West, Abilene senior, finished first in the 10,000 meters with a time of 39:15.15.

Jennifer Zabokrtsky, Barnes senior, took second place in the shot put with a throw of 42'9".

In the women's javelin throw, there was a one, two finish for two Tigers.

Lyne, took first with a throw of 145'0" and Kristin Johnson, Phillipsburg junior, took second with a throw of 143'0".

"The Tigers for the most part were mentally tough," Krob said.

"Now, we have had a good starting point for the meat of the season that is coming up."



Tiger junior Jason McCullough leads junior teammate Brian Michael in the men's 3,000 meter steeple chase during the FHSU Alex Francis Relays Saturday at Lewis Field Stadium. McCullough placed third in the event and Michael placed fourth.

Batting lifts Tigers to victories over Denver

Chad Simon
the university leader

The Tiger baseball team will hit the road again April 12 and 13 against Colorado School of Mines at 1 p.m. CST.

At the beginning of the season, Bob Fornelli, head baseball coach, said that when his team's batting came around he would have a good team.

The Fort Hays State Tigers baseball team's bats really came alive in four games against Denver University, Saturday and Sunday, at Larks Park.

FHSU defeated DU 12-

4 in the first game of the series. After DU jumped out to a 1-0 lead after the visitors' half of the first inning, the Tigers roared back with five runs in the home half of the inning.

The Tigers scored four more times in the fourth inning for a 9-3 lead. Hays went on to score two runs in the fifth inning and one more run in the sixth inning.

Tim Taylor, Larned senior, improved to 3-2 on the season with five and one third strong innings.

Third baseman, Matt Muller, Littleton junior, went 4-4 with four runs batted in. Second

baseman, Steve Ysac, Scottsbluff, Neb., junior, also had four RBI's.

In the night cap, the Tigers trailed 1-0 going into the bottom of the third. The Tigers came up with a run in the third and two more in the fourth on the way to a 4-2 win.

Jeff Neher, Hutchinson senior, ran his record to 4-1 on the season. Nate Field, Hays junior, struck out batter in the seventh for his fifth save of the season.

Sunday brought more two more high scoring games and two more wins for the Tigers.

FHSU started the game off with three runs in the first. DU

had 10 unanswered runs until the Tigers put a six spot on the board in the bottom

of the fourth.

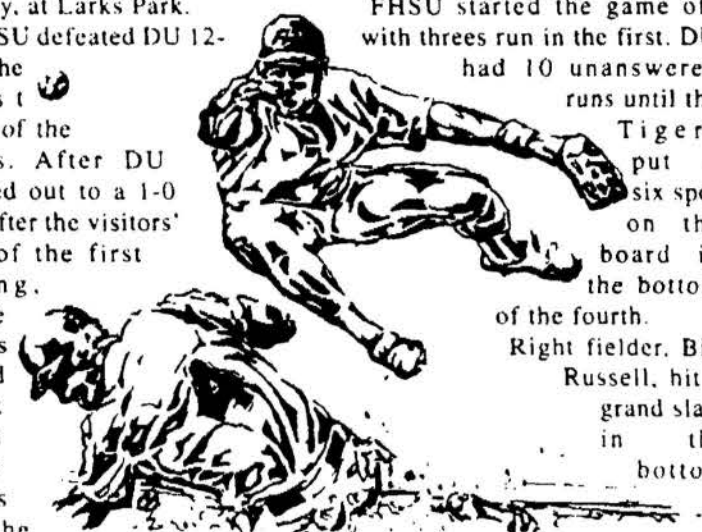
Right fielder, Bill Russell, hit a grand slam in the bottom

of the seventh for the come from behind win.

The Tigers scored 19 runs in the second game of the twin bill.

FHSU scored one run in the second, five in the third and 13 in sixth inning. Field, Russell, Ysac and Muller all hit home runs in the 19-2 win.

Picking up the win for the Tigers was Bill Scogin, Tuscon junior. Scogin ran his record to 4-1 on the season.



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- Tuesday 8: • Bowling Tournament doubles, C, 5 p.m.
- Wednesday 9: • Entries Due, 5 p.m. M-W Sunday Night 3-on-3 Sand Volleyball.
- Thursday 10: • Captain's Meeting 4 p.m.; Sunday Night 3-on-3 Sand Volleyball, CH 129.
- Tuesday 15: • Bench Press Competition M-W, 7 p.m. Weigh-ins 6:30 p.m.

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- Memorial Union

April 9

- 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.
- McMindes Hall

April 10

- 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.
- Wiest Hall

