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The University LEADER



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A season of giving

FHSU receives large gifts for scholarships

Ed Stehno

James Bell
Tiger Media Network

Retired Fort Hays State University professor, Ed Stehno, has pledged \$1 million for athletic scholarships to the FHSU Foundation.

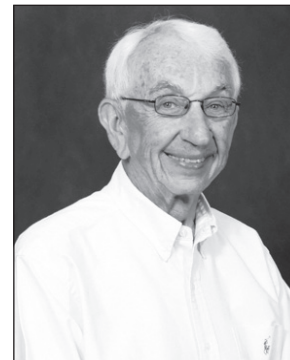
During a news conference last month announcing the gift, Dr. Edward Hammond, FHSU president, spoke about the relationship between FHSU and Stehno.

“Ed Stehno began teaching at FHSU in September 1971 and retired in May 2004 as a full professor in the Department of Education Administration and Counseling,” Hammond said, in a release. “He is a true professional in all the very best meanings of that word, and he helped shape the careers of many teachers and administrators. But the relationship goes much deeper than just the professional dimension. Ed and Donna (his wife) have been part of the Fort Hays State family for decades.”

When choosing who should receive the gift, Stehno and Donna considered many factors, “We have always believed in giving and had a goal of giving a large gift to a worthwhile organization. According to the release, Stehno said “FHSU emerged at the top of the list especially because he and Donna wanted to assist young people. Accordingly, the majority of the gift from the Stehnos will be used for scholarships.”

Ed and Donna Stehno also served as national co-chairs of the Cornerstone Campaign, which was the largest capital campaign in the history of FHSU. The campaign goal was to raise \$60 million, but at the end of the campaign in June last year, that number had been significantly surpassed.

See more of the story online



Lloyd Trauer

Grant Rahjes
Tiger Media Network

Lloyd Trauer, Fort Hays State University alum, has announced that he is leaving his entire estate, valued at more than half a million dollars, for FHSU elementary education student scholarships.

Trauer met with, Dr. Edward Hammond, FHSU president, in Kansas City last month to officially confirm the gift.

“Lloyd’s generosity is a clear indication of his belief in Fort Hays State,” Hammond said, in a press release.

“He represents our history of producing quality teachers and administrators, and he knows that with our current faculty, we are making a significant difference in the lives of elementary students in the western half of the state of Kansas,” Hammond said.

“I’m very happy to be able to provide an education for students in western Kansas,” Trauer said in a press release.

Trauer is a member of the Wooster Society, named for the fourth FHSU president, Lyman Dwight Wooster. The organization seeks to honor individuals who arrange gifts to the FHSU Foundation through planned giving.

Trauer came to FHSU and earned a two-year teaching certificate. He was then recruited to return to Utica, his hometown, where he especially enjoyed teaching young children. Over the 11 years he was teaching in Utica, he returned to FHSU during the summers to complete his bachelor’s degree. He later earned a master’s degree at the University of Kansas.

Trauer, graduated FHSU in 1960 and retired as a principal from the Shawnee Mission School District in 1991.

He has stipulated his estate be used to endow scholarships for elementary education majors. Preference will be given to students from west of Salina, but the scholarships will be open to anyone in elementary education.

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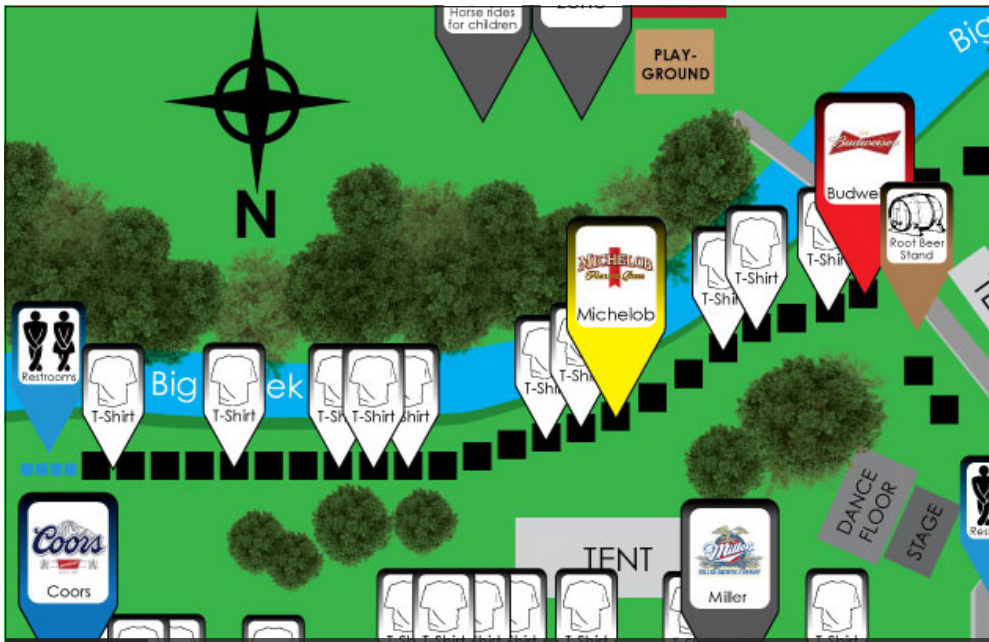
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Embracing the brave new world of media

James Bell
Tiger Media Network

Change is the greatest stressor in the average person's life, forcing people to face new challenges, accept new tasks, meet new people, and understand that some things are outside of an individual's control.

News is facing everyone of those, along with many more. Questions about how people will get their news, who will provide it, and how will it be funded are common place among the highest levels of professional news sources. The segmented student run news sources at Fort Hays State University did so as well.

Large daily newspapers are frequently going defunct, and the ones that aren't are scrambling to find ways to stay viable. Cable news channels find themselves in an

extremely competitive environment, using every tactic available to increase viewership, often at the price of quality journalism. The internet is congested with "reporters" on various social media outlets, making the truth often hidden among exaggeration, misconceptions, and flat out lies.

It is in this environment that FHSU has launched the Tiger Media Network. It was not a quick change, many members of the FHSU family, instructors, administrators, and students, along with members of the community, deliberated, and worked extremely hard to develop this new converged media network.

Margaret Mead was quoted as saying, "Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has," and that is what is happening

here.

The need to develop new convergent media, in step with the internet, and encompassing more traditional news sources is becoming more evident every year and myself and everyone involved at TMN is proud to be apart of what will be one of the first convergent media organizations on a college campus.

There is no road map, there are only a few examples in the professional world of news organizations that are doing anything similar to what we are doing at FHSU, and that is what makes this project so exciting.

As this organization grows, there will be mistakes. Missteps are always a part of something new, but with the support of the FHSU community TMN can become a shining example of what news should be; integrated, timely, and in depth.

It is everyone's at TMN hope that readers enjoy this new version of an old tradition, The University Leader, and that as time goes the Leader as a part of the Tiger Media Network demonstrates what news should be.

More than just readership we hope to create engagement. We welcome contributions from the FHSU community. Featured on the TMN homepage is a section to contribute. News, opinion, civic engagement, or something just fun, are all welcome.

The goal is for TMN to be your news source, giving readers the content they want. Feedback is welcome, good or bad, and as we push forward we will undoubtedly offend some, anger others, but hopefully create a conversation about what news is and what it can be in this brave new world.

Civility and grace:

An Object Lesson in Politics

Nick Kinder
Guest Column

In the United States we gain the right to vote at the age of 18. From that point on we owe it to ourselves, our families, our future children, and generations to come to vote, not simply in presidential elections. We have an obligation to vote in the congressional, state, and municipal elections as well.

We have to understand how each level government operates and what rights we draw from those governments. Most of the time what happens at the local and state level effects our daily lives the

most.

We have to be informed. People should know that the law isn't actually called "Obamacare", it's called the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010. Being informed, you should at least know what isn't included in the law (death panels and the mark of the beast).

Being informed also means knowing the candidates that are running for office. Knowing more than just talking points. Knowing their voting history, their major contributors, and their plans for addressing the problems they identify is a plus.

The final part is doing

something. Talking and doing aren't always the same thing. Volunteering our time and money to candidates and campaigns gives us a voice.

Watch any average political talking head, my personal favorites are Rush Limbaugh and Bill Maher.

Watch or listen to one of their shows and you should be able to quickly find both of them pointing to the other side condemning some attack on our fundamental rights.

Are you upset because of what they are doing or who is doing it?

If so, don't complain unless you are willing to get involved.

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100 years of perfect harmony

James Bell Tiger Media Network

The Hays Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Benjamin Cline, chair of the department of music and theatre, held its opening concert last Saturday in its centennial year with a pops concert titled "100 years."

Matthew Rome, Hays

senior, who plays Clarinet in the orchestra, was very excited to be a part of this historic year.

"Its really cool that we have had a symphony orchestra in Hays Kansas of all places for 100 years," Rome said.

"I am lucky enough to take part in that celebration, that's something that you don't get to do very often."

The concert featured

popular music from the last century according to Cline. The concert was also the primer for a work commissioned by the Hays Symphony Guild to commemorate this year titles, "Hays, America!" by Kansas composer Jeffery Bishop. The piece is a tribute to "the energy and bustle of a small plains town at the end of the 19th century," according to a statement from the guild.

Other pieces performed were Stravinsky's "Berceuse and Finale," "Armed Forces Salute," "Ragtime," "Irving Berlin Medley," "Sousa on Parade," "Trish Trash Polka," Debussy's "Children's Corner,"

The orchestra schedule is available online on the FHSU department of music page, or on the Hays Symphony Orchestra Facebook page.



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A work in progress

Hayley Charles and Shannon Mahon **Tiger Media Network**

The future can be scary, but at Fort Hays State University, change means progress. The Kansas Board of Regents recently approved a plan that will allow the FHSU community to rest a little easier when contemplating unknowns on the horizon.

The new master plan will help the school accommodate a continual growth in

enrollment as well as new physical space for faculty offices and student housing.

Edward Hammond, FHSU president, is a key member of the committee and recognizes the importance of FHSU to Western Kansas.

“When I got here, we had about 4,200 students total. 3,700 of those were on-campus and 500 were located at community

college sites in Western Kansas,” Hammond said.

“We’ve always been focused on outreach. If you go back to the beginning, in the early 1900’s, faculty were going by buckboard to different communities and doing the two-year teacher ed programs for one-room schoolhouses. We have always had a

number of people getting degrees from Fort Hays that were not on campus. Our mission is, and always will be, to serve Western Kansas as a whole.”

There are five general areas of campus being focused on throughout this renovation: the Quad, the South Academic Precinct, the West Academic Precinct, the West Campus and the South Residential Precinct.

Each area has unique qualities that will be featured and essentially contribute to the overall appearance of campus. Heather Hall, a building that previously housed the Informatics Department, will be demolished and replaced with a more energy-efficient and technologically advanced building that is currently under construction (pictured here).

The recently constructed Bickle-Schmidt training facility demonstrates the way in which growth and expansion can positively influence the university as a whole.

While the future is often a scary endeavor, FHSU is focused on improving and expanding the university in a manner that will benefit all involved.

Helping people grow in their knowledge and experiences for over a century, FHSU is moving towards a more succinct and advanced campus every year.



Dr. Edward H. Hammond

Forward thinking, world ready: The Tiger Media Network

Hayley Charles Tiger Media Network

In a time when technology is advancing quicker than you can type a text on your smartphone, it is no surprise that written forms of communication are being faded out.

Fort Hays State University has joined in the social media movement and now utilizes one main hub, The Tiger Media Network, for its portal of information. Through this portal content will be generated for the print editions, the television broadcast as well as radio. This creates a system where students can learn different media modalities.

The Tiger Media Network follows a converged media model housed between the Department of Informatics and Communication Studies. Combining television, radio, and the internet, students at FHSU are able to disseminate information to the general population at the simple click of a mouse.

Dr. Scott Robson, chair of communication studies, believes that it is important to combine social media platforms in order to better prepare students for future careers.

“If we’re talking about this as a learning venture, students are wanting to eventually become professionals,” Robson said.

As students in both the Informatics and Communications Departments prepare for careers after graduation, The Tiger Media Network allows for hands-on experience in a multitude of different venues.

“These are all slightly different things but each medium is important. Students need to know how to write for more than one modality,” Robson said.

In the past, employers may have been looking for a purely print news reporter or someone experienced in radio broadcast. However, with the constant evolution of media and content more readily available at the click



Pictured: Stevon Rochelle, Calhan, Colo. senior
Photo: James Bell | TMN |



Photo: James Bell | TMN |

Pictured: Tiffanee Heinzen, North Platte, Neb., Senior, Taylor Cooper, Hays, junior

of a button, it has become apparent that students wanting to enter the workforce in these areas must be readily equipped in a variety of ways.

“I love the passion that many of these students have for a specific area of expertise but the reality is that businesses want well rounded people in their midst.”

Ron Rohlf, instructor of informatics believes that the integration of different mediums allows for the presentation of news in a whole new format.

“I don’t think it’s necessarily important that we combine them. We have a situation where technology gives us the opportunity to combine all of these modalities without too much friction. We now have access to all of these tools... why not use them?” Rohlf said.

While each avenue of news distribution is important, the story may be presented best in a different format dependent on the nature of it. “Sometimes print is the best way to share news, sometimes it is audio... or maybe it is online. Our students can use the tools at their disposal to tell a story in whatever fashion is most appropriate.”

The Tiger Media Network offers a variety of media outlets, both new and traditional. TV broadcasts run on Tuesday and Thursday evenings and the website, tmn.fhsu.edu, generates daily content in the form of stories as well as videos.

Print journalism is also available with the tangible form of a publication at the scheduled intervals during the semester.

See more of the story online

OKTOBERFEST

2013 HOMECOMING GUIDE

HOMECOMING SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, OCT. 3

Tiger Alumni & Friends Golf Tournament
9:30 a.m., Shotgun start
Smoky Hill Country Club, 3303 N. Hall

Tiger Alumni & Friends Social
5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m.
Robbins Center

Tiger Bonfire
7:30 p.m.
Robbins Center (East Lawn)

FRIDAY, OCT. 4

Homecoming Registration
8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Memorial Union

Campus Tour
10 a.m. & 2 p.m.
Memorial Union

Oktoberfest
11 a.m. - 7 p.m.
Frontier Park (South Main) - See Map

SATURDAY, OCT. 5

Homecoming Registration
8 a.m. - noon
Memorial Union

5K Tiger Walk/Run
7 a.m. Registration; 8:30 a.m. Start
Robbins Center

Tiger Place - Heather Hall Dedication
11 a.m.
Former Agnew Site

FHSU v. William Jewel Football Game
7 p.m.
Lewis Field Stadium

Tyler Parks Tiger Media Network

Since 1972 Fort Hays State University has worked with the Ellis and Rush County Volga German Society to combine Oktoberfest and Homecoming events into a weekend celebration. For the past 41 years the event has continued to grow.

Every year Hays is inundated with FHSU alumni and supporters as well as those of Volga German decent to make the weekend a success, this year looks to be one of the biggest as the number of events continues to rise.

Festivities kickoff with the Tiger Bonfire tonight and continue nonstop until the conclusion of the Tiger football game on Saturday night.

Oktoberfest begins Saturday morning at 11 a.m. and continues until 7 p.m. With more than 60 booths offering over 50 different food items there is something for everyone. There is food ranging from traditional German cuisine, such as bratwurst and sauerkraut, to the not so common, like grilled sausage on a stick or the kabob mapo.

In the effort to become more family friendly the Volga German society has even set up a "family friendly" area on the South side of Big Creek where they will offer horse rides to children from local elementary schools as well as children there with their families. This is part of the effort to make Oktoberfest an event for the encompasses the whole community.

"This year we tried to focus on the purpose of Oktoberfest and focus on responsible drinking," said Jacob Ternes, Coordinator of Student Involvement and Greek Life.

This year, as opposed to years in the past, the FHSU Oktoberfest committee really cracked down on the content of items sold by FHSU groups.

"We had 43 different student organizations apply to do a booth this year and a majority were approved to sell something, but there were a few that didn't meet the guidelines set by the committee," Ternes said.

Despite the more strict guidelines FHSU will have more than 30 booths at Oktoberfest selling various items to benefit their clubs or organizations.

"This is event gives non-profits a chance to make money for their organizations they otherwise wouldn't get," said Janel Moore, ??????????????????????.

Other than the cost of the items they are selling organizations are required to pay a small lot fee to have a booth at Oktoberfest.

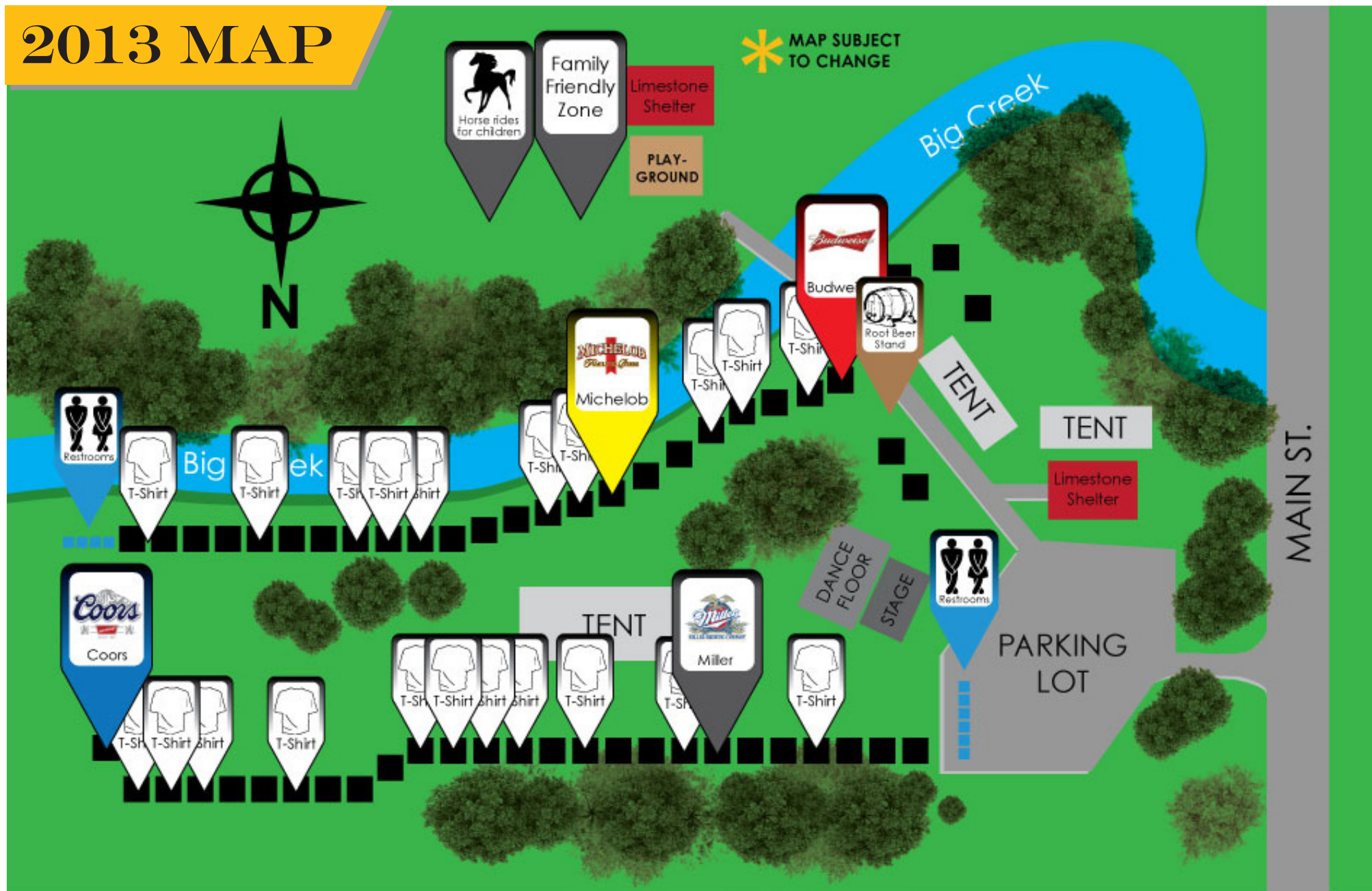
"The money we make from this event goes to benefit the Historical Society as well as the Volga German villages in the area," Moore said.

Besides Oktoberfest there is a full schedule of events that will take place on Saturday starting with a 5K Run/Walk at 8:30 a.m. at the Robbins center.

Throughout Saturday there are Reunions for the classes of 1953 and 1963 as well as for the Music Department, the men's and women's basketball teams and a football reunion tailgate before the football game.

Also, starting at 1 p.m. on Saturday is the Homecoming Parade with floats from various organizations as well as the Tiger Marching band make their way down Main St. This year's theme is "Victor E. Saves the Day." Don and Chris Bickle of Hays will serve as the grand Marshals for the

2013 MAP



event.

The homecoming game features the struggling Tigers against another struggling team, the William Jewel Cardinals of the Great Lakes Valley Conference starting at 7 p.m., with the pregame

ceremonies starting at 6:30 p.m. The pregame ceremonies being with a vocal performance from FHSU alum. In addition to the crowning of the homecoming king and queen, halftime will also feature a performance of the FHSU fight

song and the timeless, Fort Hays favorite, "In Heaven" performed by FHSU band alumni.

Later that evening the Music and Theater Departments will be having a reunion/jam session at Thirsty's Bar and Grill at 2704 Vine

Street. This is open to the public and starts at 10 p.m.

With nine new events to this year's homecoming festivities, there is a diverse and busy weekend that has something for everyone to enjoy.

BY THE NUMBERS

\$0

The cost of a ride home on Safe Ride. (785) 621-2580

60+

Individually sponsored booths at Oktoberfest.

21

Different t-shirt designs at this year's Oktoberfest

41

Years Oktoberfest has been celebrated in Hays.

50+

Different food items that will be offered at Oktoberfest

2X

The amount of police on duty this weekend compared to any other.

Cross country's success doesn't discriminate

Grant Rahjes
Tiger Media Network

Fort Hays State University's Cross Country teams started their 2013-2014 season, and success has been a part of Tigers season so far, and hopefully, it will continue through the end of the season.

In the preseason, the men's cross country team was ranked 5th and the women's team was ranked 9th in the NCAA Central Region rankings.

The men's and women's team opened their season on August 24 with the annual FHSU Alumni Run, a race which included alumni, community members, and other students.

Since then, the men have finished fourth at the Lobo Invitational, second at the Delgo Invitational, second at the CCC Trojan Invitational, first at the Romp

at the Ridge Invitational hosted at Hutchinson Community College, and first at the Emporia State Cross Country meet.

"I think we've had some pretty good performances so far, I think we've had a lot of guys step up, obviously some of our guys started at seventh or eighth in the depth chart, and now are second and third," said senior cross country runner, Chris Ramsgard, Omaha, Neb., senior. "We've done pretty well at the meets we've been at, and hopefully we can continue to do great at the rest of our meets, especially at Conference."

The women's cross country team finished second at Lobo Invitational, first at the Romp at the Ridge Invitational, first at the Delgo Invitational, first at the CCC Trojan Invitational, and second at the Emporia State Cross Country meet.

"I'm very excited for the

rest of the season because we have been doing so well as a team. This is probably the best team I have ever been a part of," said, senior cross-country runner, Kylie Gaughan, Hays, senior. "We work together well and push each other every day. I feel like we will only keep improving, and that means potential for the end of the season to be very memorable.

Throughout the Tigers' season thus far, many of the Fort Hays runners have finished high in the standings, from first place to anywhere in the top 25 at the various meets.

"I think the season's gone alright so far, we've had a few bumps along the way with illnesses, but we're really starting to get into the meat of our season," said Jason McCullough, the head coach of the men's cross-country team. "I mean we still have our home meet two weeks

from now, and the conference meet after that."

The Tigers host their annual home invitational on October 12 and see the strong inter-conference competition their season has lacked so far.

"I think we're progressing along nicely. I think we're kind of under the radar because we haven't had a lot of competition, so I'm very excited to see how we do at our home meet, because we'll get to see a lot of our conference teams," McCullough said. "Hopefully we improve more against them before we face them again at the Conference meet."

The rest of the Tigers' season includes the MIAA Conference meet on October 26, National Regionals on November 9, and the National Championship competitions on November 23.

Volleyball has disappointing start to season

Nick Budd
Tiger Media Network

The 2013 season for the Lady Tiger Volleyball team brought a high level of expectancy within it. The previous two seasons brought success to the team by the means of winning seasons. In the 2011 season, the team experienced their first winning season since 2005 and they built on that season in 2012 with their first 20 win season since 2004.

"Last year we really had a great season," head coach Kurt Kohler said. "But we really want to be able to build on that and move up in the standings."

Despite returning five starters in 2013, things haven't gone quite as planned for the women in black and gold. The Lady Tigers started the season 0-9 with only four set wins throughout their nine contests.

The Lady Tigers started their season with a trip to Hawaii for the Hawaii Invitational. Despite losing all five games, the Tigers did see a little light while on the isles. In their second game of the tournament against nationally ranked BYU-Hawaii, the Lady Tigers fought close with the Seaside. In the first and third sets, the Tigers tied both sets late at 23, but were unable to

finish out, eventually losing to the Seaside 3-0.

After the 0-5 start in Hawaii, the Tigers immediately jumped into MIAA play against another nationally ranked conference opponent in Nebraska-Kearney on September 17th. The Lopers lived up to their hype as they beat the Tigers soundly 3-0 including a 25-8 set win in the second set.

The Tigers then returned home for the weekend after the Kearney loss to face another pair of conference foes in Central Oklahoma and Pittsburg State. Unfortunately, the team experienced a loss in both games. In their first

game of the weekend against the Broncos of Central Oklahoma, the Tigers picked up a 2nd set win after losing the first, but the Broncos would come back in the third and fourth sets for the win.

After the loss, the Tigers returned to the road for more MIAA action the following Tuesday against Missouri Western. Once again, the Tigers would pick up a win in the second set, but the Griffons were too much for the black and gold as they would eventually lose 3-1.

The Lady Tigers will hit the road tomorrow for more conference action in Topeka against the Lady Blues of Washburn.

Men's soccer continues to dominate

**Nick Budd
Tiger Media Network**

The third year for a coach brings high expectations for any coach at any intercollegiate program within the nation. But the expectations for a coach at a three-year-old program, most would say you're just trying to get some exposure, find a player that is a difference maker, and continue to build.

The Fort Hays State men's soccer program is different. In their first year of competition in 2011, the team posted a record of 11-5-2. The Tigers nearly matched the record last year by posting an 11-6-2 despite losing their key scorer, Ricardo Yeverino, during the previous spring due to injury. The Tigers also added a birth to the NCAA tournament to their program resume last year in their first season of post-season eligibility.

The 2013 season brought a high level of expectation for the men in black and gold. The team brings six of their seven all-MIAA selections back into the program and Ricardo Yeverino returns to the squad after sitting out in 2011.

"We want to try to achieve the same similar goals as last year," said head coach Brett Parker. "We know it's not going to be easy and we know there's a lot of good teams in the

conference."

The Tigers began the season with a 2-0 loss to Texas-Permian Basin on September 5th. The Tigers fought close throughout the entire game, but eventually the falcons came through in the later minutes of the match. Since the loss the men in black and gold have simply rolled through their schedule with a 6-0-1 record.

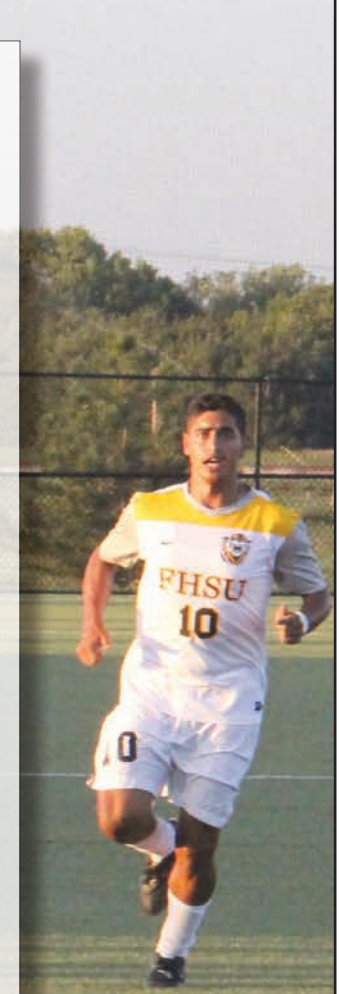
One of their key games against the sixth ranked Riverhawks of Northeastern State on September 26th. Both of the games in 2011 were finished in overtime with one win and one tie against the Riverhawks out of Telequah. The first match between the teams this season lived up to the tradition of close contests.

The Tigers went down 2-0 early in the match against the nationally ranked conference foe. After the Tigers came out for the second half of the game, their offense finally got into sync. The Tigers first goal came in the 54th minute off of a penalty kick by Senior Daniel Peralta. Jacob Rangel would eventually even the score in the 74th minute ending the game in a 2-2 draw. The Tigers finished the weekend with a 3-0 win against Harding.

The men in black and gold will finish their roadtrip this weekend in St. Charles, Mo. against Lindenwood.



<<< Drew Wilson, Overland Park, sophomore



^^^ Daniel Peralta, Tulsa, Okla. senior

Women's soccer has slow start to season despite high expectations

Nick Budd
Tiger Media Network

Despite a young program, the Fort Hays State soccer team has seen success. In just their second year of existence, the women in black and gold earned a conference tournament championship and a berth into the NCAA Tournament.

The lady tigers ended the season with a loss to Central Oklahoma in the first round of the national championship. "To go from six to 14 wins, [from 2011 to 2012] I mean that's unheard of," Craig Shaw, head coach said after the loss to the Broncos. "To be a second year program and do that well, I'm really excited for the future of this program."

The 2013 season brought a high level of expectations after the success the Tigers saw in the previous season. They return a total of 9 starters including All-Central region selection Jordan Hester and All-MIAA honorable mention selection Dani Harris.

"We want to go out and prove that it wasn't just luck," Shaw said. "I think the girls have a lot to prove and they want to prove it to everybody that we weren't just lucky for three games in a row, we were actually a solid team. We want to go out and prove that this year and look for that top four finish [in the MIAA]."

Unfortunately, the Lady Tigers have yet to see the achievement that they expected. The team has started out the year 3-5

overall and they have yet to pick up their first win in the MIAA.

The Lady Tigers began their season with a 1-0 loss against Southwest Minnesota State. The Lady Tigers then pumped out a 3-0 win against the University of Sioux Falls and a 5-1 win against Northwest Oklahoma State.

After the two wins the Lady Tigers went on a four game losing streak. The losses began with a road trip to Colorado where they were defeated by UC-Colorado Springs and CSU-Pueblo.

After the losses, the Lady Tigers entered conference play against Central Missouri and Southwest Baptist. The game against Central Missouri on September 19th lived up to the hype; the game was a rematch of the 2012 conference championship. Unfortunately, for the Lady Tigers, things wouldn't go as well as it did in 2012. The Tigers lost in the closing minutes of the game 1-0 as Central tapped the game winner in the 87th minute. Things wouldn't improve against Southwest Baptist where the Tigers lost their fourth straight to the Bearcats 2-1.

After the four straight losses, the Lady Tigers returned home for a game against Bethany College on September 24th. The Lady Tigers finally got back to their winning ways with a 2-1 win against the Swede's.

The Tigers will face the Lady Blues of Washburn on Friday and then travel down I-35 for a matchup against Emporia State on Sunday.

Football looks ahead to homecoming game

Garrett Sanger
Tiger Media Network

Head Coach Chris Brown has stated after almost every game "I see us getting better from week to week," which is good considering the Tigers are coming into their homecoming game winless. There's nothing more that Brown and the rest of the Tigers would want than to pick up their first victory on the season in their homecoming game.

This will be the Tigers first matchup with the William Jewell College Cardinals who hail from the Great Lakes Valley Conference. Currently, the Cardinals sit at the bottom of the GLVC at 1-3 overall and 0-1 in conference.

They have an offense that averages 31 points a game which is good for second in the GLVC. They are lead by running back Thomas Cook Jr. who currently leads the GLVC in scoring with an average of 12 points a game.

Cook and the cardinals have the potential to pose a problem for the Tigers who currently give up 49.5 points a game which is ranked 157 out of 162 NCAA Division II teams.

"It just comes down to discipline," said Shane Smith, Augusta, senior. "We have to know our assignments"

The Cardinals began their year with a loss to Concordia. In the week two matchup, William Jewell picked up their only win of the season against Division I Football Championship Series opponent Valparaiso University.

They followed the defeat

with two losses to conference leader McKendree and South Dakota School of Mines. The Tigers beat the Hardrockers of the South Dakota School of Mines in 2012 by a score of 41-27.

The Tiger offense is slowing getting their mojo back and gaining more trust in their young quarterback Treveon Albert, Atlanta, Ga, sophomore. In last weeks matchup against Missouri Western, Albert attempted the most passes he has all season which led to a season high in completions and yards. This game has the potential to be confidence booster for the Tigers as the Cardinal defense gives up 286.5 yards a game through the air and have given up 11 touchdown passes this year.

One of the key storylines in this weeks game will be the rush offense for the Tigers. In their first two games the Tigers had trouble getting their rush offense going but over the past two, they have averaged over 120 yards per game.

FHSU as only posted seven first quarter points (which came last week), with both teams coming in giving up over 40 points a game, it's going to be a marathon finish.

Last season the Tigers picked up their first win in their fifth game of the season when they beat Truman State University 37-23 in Kirksville, Mo.

FHSU has yet to win a homecoming game under Chris Brown. Brown lost his first one 2011 against Pittsburg State and lost again in 2012 to Lindenwood.

Kickoff is set for 7 p.m on Thursday at Lewis Field Stadium.

Football starts season against MIAA top three

**Garrett Sanger
Tiger Media Network**

If you're thinking about giving up on the Fort Hays State Tigers after their winless start to the season, you may want to double check yourself.

"I see us progression, little by little we are getting better," said head coach Chris Brown. Yes, the Tigers are 0-4 for the second straight year and yes the scoreboard has indicated that they have been blown out every game, but when you take a dive into the game and really break it down, there's hope for the Tigers yet.

Here are three reasons not to give up.

1. Tigers have faced the top four teams in the conference.
2. Scoreboard lies
3. Young team

Every team FHSU has played this year has been ranked at the time or has since cracked the top 25 (Emporia State slipped into the top 25 the Monday of week 4). Last year three of the four (minus Washburn) either made it

to the playoffs or a bowl game, with Missouri Western making it to the third round of the playoffs and Emporia State won the Kanza Bowl (Northwest Missouri lost in first round of playoffs).

The four teams combined for a record of 37-9 last year and through four weeks this year are 16-0 combined. Pretty impressive right? I mean all are ranked so they must have just had it easy against the Tigers right? Well in the words of Lee Corso "Not so fast my friend."

Let's take out and scrape the embarrassing week one performance to Emporia. Tigers lost 43-13, but it was with a new quarterback, inexperience, and first game jitters so I'll give them so leeway on that game.

Weeks was against no.23 Washburn in Topeka

and lost 54-17, but remember I mentioned scoreboard lies.

Against the Ichabods, on the Tigers first drive all ready trailing 7-0, they orchestrated a 10 play drive, but failed to score due to a blocked field goal. Washburn would take the 10-0 lead, but FHSU answered with a touchdown of their own, but then quick scoring by Washburn and turnovers doomed FHSU.

So while the score might not show it, the Tigers out schemed the Ichabods down the board racking up 217 yards through the air which is the most passing yards given up

by Washburn, which came at the hands of inexperienced sophomore quarterback Treveon Albert.

"We did some very good things offensively and defensively and that's what we expect from our guys, but then we got down and panicked a bit," Brown said. Week three Tigers played the toughest team they will play all year, the no.3 Northwest Missouri State Bearcats, which by now you all ready know they lost big 49-14, but this is another example of the scoreboard fooling you.

Against the MIAA favorite, Northwest rushing game really blossomed. The Tigers had their best rushing performance of the year tallying up 173 yards on the ground against a team giving up on 96 yards a game. Andre Smith, Bakersfield, Calif., senior, had 107 yards on the ground making it his first 100 yard game since returning from the injury a year ago.

"It's a big plus," said Smith. "We're getting better every week."

Keaton Callins, Guthrie, Okla. senior >>>



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6 Things to do in Hays (that don't involve drinking)

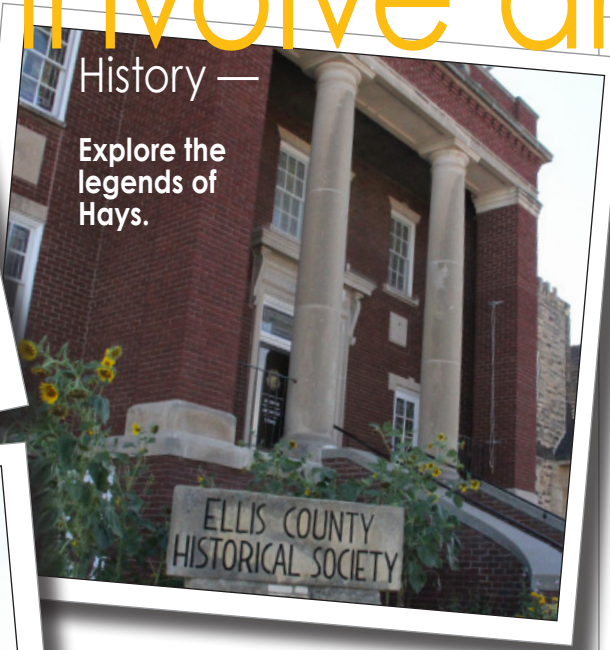
Performance —

FHSU theatre and music is always doing something. Go to concerts or plays, better yet, sign up and get involved.



History —

Explore the legends of Hays.



Art —

There are several art galleries in town, including Moss-Thorns and the Hays Arts Center that have shows year round.



Stars —

Albertson Hall has a telescope to view the night sky.



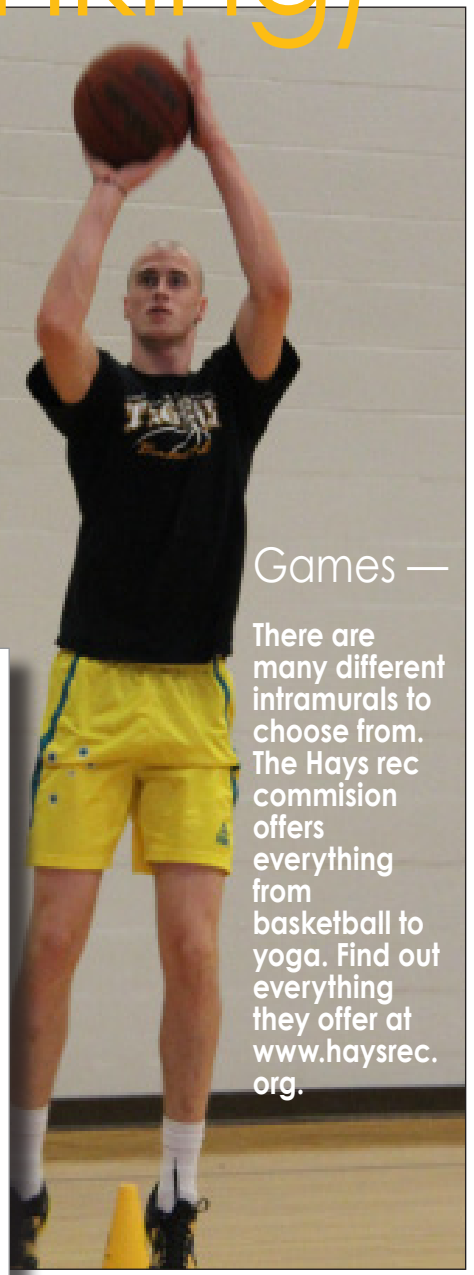
Ghosts —

On the hills near to the FHSU campus the ghost of Elizabeth Polly is rumored to roam. Maybe a legend, maybe not... search and find out and the best part...it's free.



Games —

There are many different intramurals to choose from. The Hays rec commission offers everything from basketball to yoga. Find out everything they offer at www.haysrec.org.



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Notable alumni

Tyler Parks Tiger Media Network

Megan Colson, recently accepted the position of Executive Director of the Downtown Hays Development Corporation. Colson, a Medicine Lodge native, is a 2012 graduate of Fort Hays State University with a degree in Communication Studies and minor in Leadership.

Colson's passion has made her a stand-out since early in her collegiate career, in 2012 she was named Executive Director of the Year from St. Jude Children's Research Hospital with her work with Up 'Til Dawn. That same year her organization was named Outstanding Student Organization of the Year and she was named Outstanding Student Organization Adviser of the Year.

After an internship at Red Frog Events in Chicago, Ill., this past summer she chose to return to Hays accepting a position at the Hays Area Chamber of Commerce.

Colson's passion for the Hays community, along with her event planning experience and public relations skills propelled her into an Executive Director position two months after returning to Hays.

She credits the connections she made during college and the strong support system that FHSU offers.

"Something within me said I needed to be back in this part of Kansas, in this community. I had so many friends and mentors in this community," Colson said of returning to Hays. "I knew I wanted a community based position here in Hays."

See more of the story online



Megan Colson



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Luke Johnson

Hayley Charles and Shannon Mahon Tiger Media Network

For many playing music is a fun hobby accompanying youth, but Luke Johnson, new instructor of music at Fort Hays State University doesn't see it that way, and while he may be a new instructor, his face is very familiar across campus, Johnson first arrived at FHSU as an undergraduate.

"I wasn't doing a lot with music when I first graduated, I was actually involved with retail management," Johnson said. "I missed music though. I wanted to come back and do what I love."

Johnson returned to FHSU to obtain his masters degree, with a 4.0 GPA only to find that FHSU wasn't

done with him yet. This year he was hired as an instructor of music.

"I've always been involved in the Hays area with people, even when I didn't live here," Johnson said.

"This is a great community. I absolutely love it. My grandparents, parents, and brothers all graduated from FHSU. That may just make me biased, but I love the university. It's top notch, it really is."

Johnson offers both private and group lessons as well as teaching music courses at FHSU.

Individual lessons are catered to fit the needs of each student and he instructs those of all ages. Growth and progress vary from person to person and Johnson allows each pupil to move at the pace they feel comfortable with.

See more of the story online

Power from the heavens

Grant Rahjes Tiger Media Network

The newest addition to Fort Hays State University new addition is a pair of wind turbine generators, ending a nearly six-year process to bring alternative energy-producing technology to FHSU

“Fort Hays State University’s effort to harvest electricity from the Kansas wind has also seen some uncertainties, but the outcome was never in doubt,” said Dr. Edward Hammond, FHSU

president.

An energy report filed from FHSU shows that the turbines will provide anywhere from 97 percent to 100 percent of the campus’ energy needs, saving the university anywhere from \$600,000 to \$1 million dollars in energy costs every year.

Sam Brownback, Kansas governor said, in support of FHSU’s decision to add two wind turbine generators, “I believe that Fort Hays State University is paving the way for the future of Kansas. The project will

give students a new avenue in education, as it will help also grow the state economy by adding local Kansas jobs. It [the wind turbines] will make Fort Hays State University one of the most cost-effective state agencies in the state of Kansas.”

“The complete ‘turnkey’ estimate,” according to Hammond, “is approximately \$9 million.”

Along with providing FHSU’s campus with energy, and helping soften the strain of energy costs, the wind turbine generators will also bring another benefit; a

new academic program. According to Hammond.

Fort Hays State University is planning to add a new program centered on renewable energy.

The wind project is currently in its final stages, as the pieces of the turbines have been delivered, assembled, and tested.

The only delay in the project at this time is a piece missing from the generators that is currently in the process of being shipped from Germany. The project is scheduled to be finished in the next two months.

By the numbers...

\$1 million

The potential cost savings in energy, per year.

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Years from project start to completion.

97%

The percent of energy the generators will provide FHSU.

\$9 million

Total project cost.



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