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Sure sign of Fall semester

MACC students at all campuses enjoyed activities in September during the annual Fall picnic

By Aja Gross
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The fall picnic was lots of fun for everyone. Faculty and students came together to eat and have fun. This year’s picnic was sponsored by the Student Government and funded by the National Guard. The National Guard has been funding the picnic for the last few years.

The fall picnic started in the 1980’s. It was held in Rothwell Park until 1996 before being moved to the Moberly Campus college parking lot to be more accessible to students. In the past, events have included break-dancers, caroling, puppets, and dunking booths.

This year National Guard supplied hot dogs and hamburgers. Dr. James Grant, dean of Student Services and Lori Perry coordinated the fall picnic. They received help from servers: Lynn Walker, Debbie Gosseen, Lisa Gentner, and grill master Steven Buckert.

Mallary Belt, a Phi Theta Kappa member, came back this year to enjoy another fall picnic. Her favorite parts of the picnic were "the food and the army booth where people were throwing things at you."

The purpose of the fall picnic is to socialize, and this year’s picnic was a success. The student government is looking to sponsor a foam party in the future.
Learning the law

By Aja Gross
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The law enforcement program at Moberly Area Community College has been established since 1996. According to Ron Dulany, director of the program, the program has 23 students and runs 19 weeks. Students meet Monday through Friday from 8 to 5 p.m.

The law enforcement program is governed by the department of public safety. These students learn to handle domestic disputes, juvenile situations, traffic stops, and building searches. They also learn drug identification, use of firearms, state law, and constitutional law. The students are learning from instructors who are actively working in law enforcement.

The requirements to join the program are simple. Applicants must complete a MACC school registration and be at least 18.

A facility on campus allows students a place to practice their defensive techniques when restraining offenders. This is where one on one interaction between the teachers and the students takes place.

John Murphy, a student from Mexico, Mo., is in the program. He joined on August 1 of this year in hopes of becoming a patrol officer.

According to Murphy, “I have always wanted to be an officer, as far back as I can remember.”

Since joining the program, he has learned lots of laws and basic fighting skills. He recommends this program for anyone interested in law enforcement.

“If you know it’s something you want to do, it’s worth it.”

This is one of the many amazing programs at Moberly Area Community College.

Artists featured in Jorgenson art gallery

By Jermaine Morgan
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Moberly Area Community College has a lot of upcoming exhibits in the art gallery this year. The art gallery, located in the main building on the Moberly campus, was recently renamed the Jorgenson Gallery.

The gallery director and art instructor at MACC is Mr. Andrew Glenn.

The Jorgenson gallery has a lot to offer to MACC students as well to outside visitors. The current exhibit is “Adaptations and Transformations.” This exhibition has a variety of styles and concepts that one can look at and know exactly what it is. Other pieces are more difficult to understand, but that’s art. It should sometimes make one think.

A jury panel of other artists selected the best work and decided the artists for the gallery. The paintings in the gallery are designed by two artists: David Spear and Harrison Bergerson.

The exhibit is scheduled for Oct. 7-31, 2013.

Those interested in art and experiencing new things should attend the art reception for the current exhibit on Oct. 10.
New Hannibal campus set to open in January

By Anna Banton
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The long awaited permanent campus for MACC in Hannibal is set to open for spring classes in January.

In 2000, Robert Clayton, a member of the Chamber of Commerce, approached the college about opening a campus in Hannibal. Clayton and MACC worked together to open a campus at the former St. Elizabeth Hospital, which was owned by Hannibal Regional Hospital at the time. When Hannibal Regional Hospital sold the building, MACC Hannibal was forced to close its location there because the owner could no longer afford the building.

"Thank goodness for the Hannibal Public School system," said Wendy Johnson, the director of the Hannibal campus, "for allowing us to utilize the vocational building over that summer while looking for another temporary location."

Later, AT&T allowed MACC to lease and make renovations to the former AT&T data center so that the college could continue to offer classes to the growing number of students until the new building is complete.

That time has finally come. The new Hannibal campus location will be equipped with a science lab. This will allow science courses that require a lab to be offered during the daytime, which will be a great change for the college and its students. For the past 13 years, MACC has only been able to offer science classes with a lab during the evening because it had to utilize the Hannibal and Palmyra High School labs.

There will also be 10 classrooms, student commons area, resource area, and adequate parking, which had always been a problem in the past. The classroom space will allow more classes to be offered at the Hannibal campus. The student commons area will have a refrigerator, microwave, vending machines, and sink. The college is also purchasing new table and chairs for this area. In addition to the table and chairs in the student commons area, there will be tables and chairs placed at the front of the building along the windows and an outdoor patio area for those who are waiting for their rides or would like another place to study. Additional computers will be purchased for the resource area and E-books will be available through the college’s website.

For those who like to exercise, the Hannibal Regional Hospital is expanding their walking trail to reach the MACC campus. Bring your running shoes; you won’t have to leave campus to get a bit of exercise in your day.

As the number of students grows, the new space will be able to accommodate those attending classes at MACC. The opening of the new Hannibal MACC campus is an event the faculty, staff, students, and the city of Hannibal have been anticipating for 13 years.

Remembering

By Kendra Gladbach
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One of the saddest days in American history was September 11, 2001 when an attack was launched on American soil. It is a day that all Americans have etched in their memory.

Many small towns, cities, universities, and colleges plan activities and other events to commemorate that historical day.

Moberly Area Community College, along with the city of Moberly, honored those who died on that day by putting out American flags and statues. Large flags draped each end of the college and flags were at half-staff. Flags also lined the streets of downtown Moberly in front of every business.

According to Eric Ross, director of Plant Operations for MACC, the college began to put the flags out to commemorate the tragic event 3 years ago. Other commemorations have included speakers who talk about this event and various campus activities.

Madeline Thoroughman, MACC student, said, “When I showed up on campus and saw all of the flags out, it was very emotional to think about everything that happened on 9/11.”
Dance music got the party started for the annual Fall Fling at the Hannibal campus sponsored by MACC. The theme: Football. What a perfect theme for this time of year!

The Missouri National Guard made a beautiful flyer to advertise the event. Drawings for prizes included MACC t-shirts, sweatshirts, a football, and fall mums.

Pizza, cookies, and Pepsi products were served to please all the students’ tummies. College representatives gave out free items such as water bottles, totes, as well as information about their college programs.

“My favorite part of the Fall Fling this year was having pizza instead of hotdogs that were served at the Spring Fling, and all of the free stuff, of course,” said Kalyn Surls. Most students agreed.

Besides the fun at the Fall Fling, students at the Hannibal campus voted for Hannibal student government representatives. Amanda Morris was officially voted into office.

A surprise visit from Dr. Jeff Lashley, president of MACC, added to the event. He stopped in for a few slices of pizza and visited with Wendy Johnson, the Hannibal campus director, about the new Hannibal campus that will open in January 2014.

The Fall Fling was full of fun and excitement for everyone and a nice break.
Area 27
New Moberly campus student hangout

By Kendra Gladbach
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Are you looking for a new place on campus to eat a good meal? Café 27 is now open for business.

Although it’s still under reconstruction, when it is finished Café 27 will be twice the size of the old facility. It will include more seating, games, a lounge, and free Wi-Fi. The café will also have new menu choices.

A patio/new entrance allows students to enter more conveniently from the outside. It will be a place where students can eat, work, and play.

According to Director of Plant Operations, Eric Ross, “I do not have a definite date at this time but hope to have everything complete by the end of the fall semester.”

Café 27 staff member stated that at the present time seating is actually less until the new section is complete. She indicated that the biggest changes were the outside entrance, a new grill and fryers, and new décor. Several new items and new entrees have been added to the menu.

Theresa Johnson said, “My duties include the salad bar, hot meals, drinks, breakfast and lunch items, and cleaning.”

Café 27 is open throughout the day. Student Dora Brooks said, “The food is great, and I eat there every single day.”

Brooks ate in the old cafeteria during the summer and says there is no comparison between the two food service establishments. Her favorite is their salad bar.

One drawback of the new café is the long lines. When the renovations are completed, this problem will be resolved, and the lines will move faster. Come and enjoy a meal at Café 27.

"The food is great."
-Dora Brooks

Students Jermaine Morgan, Jaysean Paige, and Baron McLaughlin relax between classes in a new Area 27.

A patio and other cafe renovations were completed in September. Additional student seating, however, is still under construction.

CAFE HOURS

Monday-Thursday: 7 a.m.-9 p.m.
Fridays: 7 a.m.-5 p.m.

Breakfast: 7:30 a.m.-10:30 p.m.
Hot table/Salad Bar: 10:30 a.m.-1:45 p.m.
How to get the “A”

By Kalyn Surls
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With the dawn of a new semester, new students as well as old may be having trouble getting a grasp of their classes. Maybe the new information is too overwhelming, or maybe it’s just too hard to focus anymore, and procrastination gets worse by the day. But there’s hope to be had! There are several ways to get a higher grade, and some of them don’t require much effort, while others may require a little. Here are some tips and tricks to “Get the A!”

1. Bring a Smile to Class
   This may sound corny (because it is), but the mood you have when you go to class really impacts how you are able to focus and learn. If you go into a class thinking it’s stupid, that the information will never be used outside of a game show, or that you’re just there to pass with a C, then you’re going about it the wrong way. You’re paying for your education, so you might as well enjoy learning!

2. Learn the Motions
   One of the easiest ways to “Get the A” isn’t learning the information but learning how the classroom works. Each instructor has his or her expectations and quirks, and once you figure them out, you’re on your way.
   For example, some instructors may give you study guides, and many of them have some – if not all – the questions on the test. If you do the study guide, then you can do the test. It may be extra work because most study guides don’t get graded, but it will improve your grade by doing it because you have the power to ace the test!

3. Do Your Homework
   What? You’re actually supposed to do your homework? Blasphemy! Homework can account for 30-60% of your grade. Do the math. If you don’t do your homework, even at the 30% of your grade, if you happened to ace everything else, that would still land you with only 70% for a final grade – a C.
   We all know that when instructors say “It’s all in the book,” what they mean is “Only 95% of it is in the book.” But guess what? If you find that many in the book, 95% is an A.

4. Get to Class Early
   I know what you’re thinking – Ew, why would I go to class early? My strategy is to get to class early, that way I am forced to do homework. I show up anywhere between 30 minutes to an hour early and find an empty classroom so I can concentrate on homework or study. If that doesn’t work for you, stay a little late and do the same thing. It also may help impress your instructor if you’re always on time, and many give out participation points just for showing up that can amount to a small percentage of your grade. Missing even a little bit of class could set you way behind.

5. Pace Yourself
   Don’t wait to the last minute, no matter how tempting it is to put it off. Once you do #2, then you should know what kind of work load you may be expecting in a week’s time, and plan ahead to when you’re going to do it. Go at it week by week. Glance ahead into the future every now and then, and don’t forget the past, but take tiny steps and work on acing each week.

6. Enjoy Yourself!
   College is a fun experience for many reasons – friends, parties, and learning everything you need and don’t need in your life. But just because you don’t need something, doesn’t mean you can’t want it. Learning can be really fun, but it can only be fun if you want it be.

Hannibal MACC students Logan Rhodes, Ariana Galluzzio, Debbie Purol, and Britteny Deters get to class early to study rocks and minerals for Earth Science class.

Student Profiles
Scenes from the Fall picnic

Ashley Carson, Centralia
Lisa Barnett, Moberly

Brooke Gravett, Moberly
Nick Davidson, Moberly

Marlene Bussman and Shauna Tuggle, Allied Health

Dr. James Grant, dean of Student Services, tries out National Guard.
Shareese McBrayer and Josh Jackson named assistant women's basketball coaches

By Bryanna Robinson
Express Staff

Shareese McBrayer and Josh Jackson are the new assistant coaches for Moberly’s women’s basketball team.

Coach McBrayer from Toledo, Ohio played basketball for Waite High School. She was also their assistant coach last year and prior to that an assistant at Toledo Start High School.

McBrayer was influenced to play basketball watching her favorite basketball player, Allen Iverson.

McBrayer was named the Toledo Player of the Year on three occasions, District Player of the Year twice, and a member of the All-State Team.

“Shareese was a highly decorated player throughout her career,” said head coach Chad Killinger.

“McBrayer was named to the McDonald’s All-American team following her senior year as an all-time leading scorer in the history of Waite High School.

She started her college career at Trinity Valley Community College. She helped her team reach the NJCAA National Tournament, while being named All Conference and Honorable Mention All-Region 14.

After McBrayer’s sophomore year, she transferred to the University of Cincinnati. She ranked 14th in the Big East Conference in scoring her senior year.

“Shareese was a highly decorated player throughout her career,” said head coach Chad Killinger.

McBrayer graduated in 2011 from the University of Cincinnati with a Bachelor’s degree in Sociology and an Associate’s in Liberal Arts from Trinity Valley in 2009.

McBrayer got her position at MACC as an assistant through one of the men’s basketball assistant coaches. McBrayer teaches Life Sports and Weight Training at MACC. She is also the women’s dorm supervisor. In practice, McBrayer helps the players stay motivated and pushes the girls to their utmost ability. McBrayer hopes to see the Lady Greyhounds make it to the national tournament. McBrayer hopes to be here next season also.

She also wishes to become a head coach someday because she knows the game, and she can help girls get better at basketball. Some of her long-term goals are having a successful career and owning her own house.

Coach Jackson, a native from Chicago, Illinois, played for Oak Park & River Forest High School as a shooting guard. When he was growing up, Jackson and his friends acted like sports analysts and were heavily influenced by basketball. His friends told Jackson to pursue coaching as a career.

After Jackson’s high school career, he graduated from Eastern Illinois in 2012 with a Bachelor’s of Science in Sports Management, minorig in Business Administration.

Jackson also helped EIU as the team manager and video coordinator for the women’s team. Before coming to Moberly, Jackson was an assistant coach for the Rogers State women’s team in Claremore, Oklahoma.

“Josh is an energetic coach who will complement our staff well, said head coach Chad Killinger. “He has been a part of winning programs in the past and that experience should be beneficial as we continue to try and build the program here at MACC.”

Jackson got the coaching position at Moberly working under Quacy Timmons-Barnes, who played in the WNBA and was teammates with Rachel Killinger at the University of Indiana. Rachel Killinger is also head coach Chad Killinger’s wife.

How does Jackson help the players during an intense practice?

He said, “keeping the players motivated, encouraging them to fight the fatigue, and get better each and everyday.”

Jackson expects the Lady Greyhounds to do well this season.

He said, “I predict the team making it to the national tournament and making a deep run.”

Aside from basketball, Jackson wishes to be a head women’s basketball coach at the NCAA Division I level, along with winning multiple championships.

Jackson does not teach any classes at MACC but plans to be here for two to three years as an assistant coach.

McBrayer and Jackson should make a great experience here at MACC with their talents and understanding of the game. Come watch the Lady Greyhounds this season and witness what could be their greatest season yet.
New MACC assistant coach is former NBA player

By Jaysean Paige  
Express Staff

MACC basketball is headed in a different direction this year with a new experienced assistant coaching staff. Coach Darnell Mee knows the game well. This is his first year coaching at Moberly Area Community College. Mee was influenced to become a coach.

“I always wanted basketball to be a part of my life; I’ve been playing for 17 years, so when I retired from playing, I wanted to continue and help others get better by sharing my knowledge.”

The transition from a basketball player to coach was not easy.

“It was very hard because I was so used to being on the court and playing compared to coaching which is so much slower, standing on the sidelines and being a leader for the guys. But I like it, and I am still adjusting.”

Coach Mee has been on the hardwood most of his life playing Division I and professional ball in the NBA and overseas.

Mee stated, “I played at Western Kentucky University, pro with the Denver Nuggets, and pro ball in Europe.

Coach Mee does a lot on and off the court. He stated that he is “sharing my knowledge with the guys on the floor during drills and skill development.”

Mee does not teach any courses at the college.

According to Mee, “All my time goes to the basketball program.”

Mee believes that MACC will be a good solid team this year because of its work ethic and athleticism.

Come out and support your Greyhounds this year.

2013-14 Greyhound cheerleaders participated in the Moberly Homecoming parade in September.

Kyle-Lee Bailey, Morgan Hendricks, Shelby Creed, Shaday Brown, Carolyn Flock. Standing: Head Coach Becky Smith, Kenzie Smith, Cassidy Beard, Katie Cashel, Andrew Feketik, Shelby Wilson, Ashley Sadowski, Rachel Pearman, Assistant Coach Kat Ostermann.

Cheerleaders line up for player introductions during the first home game.

There are those who want more than just a piece of paper when they graduate. They want a degree employers will respect. One that comes with a level of prestige, not a question. And when it’s all said and done, one that comes with a future.