Moberly Greyhounds win Region 16 Championship

By Austin Ward
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The Region XVI Championship game has been a familiar place for the Moberly Greyhounds. Unfortunately, the last three years the Hounds have come up just short. Now, in 2016, for the first time since 2005, the Moberly Greyhounds are Region XVI Champions. After winning the last two region games of the regular season to finish just 3-5 in region play, the Hounds played their best basketball of the season in the week of the Region XVI tournament.

“We played 80 minutes of basketball this weekend, and not one time did we trail in any game,” Coach Pat Smith said.

To get to those 80 minutes of basketball was no easy task. Sitting as the 4 seed at the end of the season, the Hounds needed to win a play-in game against West Plains to even make it to Joplin.

“I was probably about as concerned about the West Plains game as any game we had. Just for the fact that you’re playing a good team, a team you just blew out. I always thought if we could get by that game that we might have some good things happen to us,” Coach Smith said.

Get by the game the Hounds did as they pulled off a scrappy 80-76 win to advance to Joplin to face the 1 seed Three Rivers. Everyone knew there was hope for the game; in the two regular season matchups, the Hounds fell by just three and four. The Hounds were ready to change their fortunes when it mattered most.

After the Hounds hopped out to an 8-0 early lead, Three Rivers would bring it close a few times but would never come out on top in an 85-68 Greyhounds win. Rashad Lindsey played lights out in the first half scoring 19 points, at one point outscoring the entire Three Rivers team 19-18. Lindsey would finish with 26 points, 8 assists, and never committed a turnover.

Daniel Dzierzawski had a 19-point half of his own in the second. He would lead the team in scoring with 31 points. Cecil Williams led the team in rebounding efforts with 9 rebounds while Muusa Dama had 7.

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Students at work

By Kacey Conrad
Express Staff

College can be hectic with classes, extra-curricular activities, and outside coursework. Sometimes it seems that there is no time left for a part-time job, but many students need the extra money whether they are receiving financial aid or not. MACC Hannibal is making that situation easier for students by offering on-campus jobs.

Jobs at the campuses vary. Hannibal campus offers jobs as front desk assistants and tutors while Moberly campus offers positions such as tutors and lab assistants.

Current MACC student Maiya Sorrels is filling the position as front desk assistant at the Hannibal campus. Sorrels said she was not in search of a job, but that the opportunity arose, and it wasn’t one she wanted to pass up.

“Wendy did my schedule for the Spring 2016 semester, and I think she made the decision then that she wanted me as an employee, so she called me back a few days later and offered me the position as a part-time secretary.”

Sorrels was already employed as an event coordinator at the Mark Twain Brewing Company and still currently works at the brewery but said this job has made balancing work and school much easier.

“Scheduling has actually gotten easier because I’m here all the time now. I’m not just trying to go to the brewery after school as soon as I am done with classes. I can work on homework while I’m here at the desk. It made it a lot easier. It was almost too convenient.”

This job has made Sorrels consider moving further up in the school system and possibly pursuing a degree in counseling. She feels it has opened many doors she has yet to discover. Sorrels applied for the full time position and cannot imagine the possibilities that would come with that.

“This is an opportunity that I wish every student had. It’s something that you can use in the real world later on.”

Current Hannibal MACC Freshman, Chelisa Deere, is not employed through the college. Deere is in her second semester at MACC and is struggling to find employment that will work with her college schedule.

“I had an interview at the bank, Commerce Bank, but I’m pretty sure I didn’t get hired because of the hours of my schedule. Right now I’m on A+, but when I transfer to a four year college, I will depend on work to help me out.”

Deere worked three jobs in the summer to help save for college expenses.

“Last summer I worked at the Hannibal Ramp Park, the Community Pool, and the Caveman baseball field. There was a job opening for the front desk, and it would have been easier because I would have already been here (on campus) and been able to work on homework while at the front desk, but I didn’t qualify for the job because I am on A+.”

Both Sorrels and Deere agree that having a job while in college is beneficial, but it can also be hard to manage and can become too time consuming.

Offering on-campus jobs gives students great learning opportunities and an equal balance of work and school, and it relieves the stress of working multiple jobs throughout the summer to support themselves throughout the school year.

Offering these on-campus positions is just one way MACC is working to make students’ college experience the best they possibly can.

“In the news...

Hollywood, CA- The 88th annual Academy Awards were held Sunday, February 28. Leonardo DiCaprio broke his losing Oscar streak when he took home the hardware for Best Actor in "The Revenant".


Los Angeles- Taylor Swift won Album of the Year at the 2016 Grammys. Swift is the first female to win this award twice. Her acceptance speech was up for interpretation; she might have subtly called out artist, Kanye West.

Shafter, Texas- Supreme Court Justice, Antonin Scalia, tragically passed away at age 79 this February. Scalia was appointed by President Ronald Reagan in 1986; Scalia served as justice for 30 years.

Campus Calendar

March 6 PTK Induction Ceremony
March 14-17 NJCAA Tournament, Hutchinson, KS
March 22 Women's History Month Movie, 2-3:30 p.m.
March 24 No Classes (Faculty Professional Day)
March 25 No Classes (Easter Holiday)
Mar 26-Apr 3 Spring Break
Apr 13 College and Career Fair 10 a.m.-1 p.m.
Apr 14-17 Spring Play, Auditorium, 7-10 p.m.
April Spring picnics-all campuses

"You can't learn anything talking."
-Rocky Balboa
Hannibal students who have an interest in art can enroll in these classes. The classes began in Fall 2015. Currently, there are two classes offered: Drawing & Composition I and Art Survey & Appreciation.

In Art Survey & Appreciation II, students learn about the history of art, starting with the 1300s Renaissance.

Drawing & Composition I is a drafting class where students learn and apply skills such as contour of shapes, shading, positive and negative space, and other aspects of drafting using charcoal pencils and newsprint.

Brian and Kelly Moss teach Drawing & Composition I and Art Survey & Appreciation, respectively.

Kelly Moss is working on proposing a digital photography course, but it is not finalized.

“Instead of just passively allowing imagery (and their messages) to wash over the viewer’s mind, I hope students become alert and aware of the information that is being communicated to them through images and are able to be analytical about that information.”

Brian Moss is working on adding a digital art class.

Though there are not as many art classes in Hannibal, its students must still put in plenty of effort and creativity into their projects.

David Asterino, a former student in Art Survey & Appreciation II, said there was a lot of information to absorb, but that Mrs. Moss made it interesting. He was able to gain a greater appreciation for art after taking the class and would take a painting or pottery class if it was offered. He said that he would take a drawing class but was not sure if he would be able to draw well.

“He assured me that anyone can draw and that my drawing style would differ from anyone else’s—and that’s perfectly okay—so there was no reason for me to be nervous,” said former Drawing & Composition I student Rhea Rouse.

“I love how easily you can lose track of time and forget the world around you when you’re so entranced in your work.”

Being fairly new, many students were unaware that any art classes were offered. Wendy Johnson, director of MACC-Hannibal, said that art classes were added because students showed interest in them.

The main campus in Moberly offers nine art classes. There are now plans to increase the number of classes in Hannibal, such as Art Survey & Appreciation I and Intermediate Drawing & Composition, though it is not yet certain as it relies on a growing student interest. As enrollment increases, so may the number of art classes offered. A growth in enrollment can already be seen in Drawing & Composition I as it went from three students to seven over the course of one semester.

Art Survey & Appreciation II is on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10:30-11:55 and Drawing & Composition I is on Thursdays from 4:30-7:25. Both classes are worth three credit hours each. Art Survey & Appreciation II is a humanities credit, and Drawing & Composition I is an elective.
Unlikely Player Becomes True NHL All-Star
John Scott overcomes odds to lead his All-Star team to victory.

By Eric Spratt
MACC Express Staff

Before the All-Star game, many did not know of John Scott and his presence in the National Hockey League. This is to be expected given Scott’s statistics; in his eight total years of play, he scored only five goals. How was someone such as this able to get into the All-Star Game and play with legends such as Sidney Crosby and Jaromir Jagr?

Wanting to shake things up, the NHL decided to change the All-Star Game to a 3-on-3 tournament between the best of its four divisions: Atlantic, Metropolitan, Central, and Pacific, as well as let fans vote on who they wanted to see. Fans on Twitter and Reddit voted under #JohnScott4NHLASG and r/hockey to send one unorthodox player, John Scott. Scott was able to gather enough votes to not only make it to the game but also become captain of the Pacific Division.

After the results of the vote, however, Scott was traded from the Arizona Coyotes to the Montreal Canadiens who, in turn, sent him down to their minor league affiliate, St. John’s IceCaps.

At first, Scott played off the fans voting for him saying that he did not deserve it and that they should vote for his teammates.

Thanks to encouragement from other players and his family, Scott accepted and embraced the fan votes. Despite now being in the minor leagues, which would normally make a player ineligible for the All-Star Game, the NHL let him go.

He technically represented the Arizona Coyotes, but unlike the other players, he wore no patch of Arizona’s logo. Scott was an NHL All-Star, yet he did not play for any NHL team.

At the All-Star Game, Scott was the star of the show. The fans loved his story and the NHL knew this. His All-Star uniform sold the most of any All-Star, and it seemed as though the camera was always on him.

In the Pacific Division’s game against the Central Division, Scott scored two goals and led his team to a nine to six victory. In the final game against the Atlantic Division, the Pacific Division won by a score of one to zero.

Scott led his team to victory and accepted the $1 million check for the winning All-Star team. Despite not being included in the running, fans voted Scott as the All-Star Game MVP.

Scott returned to the St. John’s IceCaps on Feb 14 with fans chanting “MVP” in honor of his success and return. His All-Star week ended with his wife giving birth to twins.
Herb n’ Market

Mother-daughter duo, Vicky Davis and Kady Randolph, had no fear in starting their own funky fresh small business.

By Kohlie Stock
Express Staff

One of the first thing visitors hear as they enter Herb n’ Market is classic music. The warm crackling sound of an old vintage record player softly plays in the background as visitors browse and buy jewelry, dream catchers, antiques, home décor, and other items made by local artists. Stress free scents of homemade, all natural soaps accompany the positive vibe environment.

“‘We jumped in headfirst, and it happened so fast we did not have time to be scared,’” said Davis.

Herb n’ Market is considered a consignment-type store, but the owners have set up the financial side of their business a bit differently. They offer their vendors a booth-fee free place to showcase their work.

“We do straight commission. People can bring their items in at no cost to them. When their items sell, we take our part of it and then they get paid every month. It works out great because we really wanted to help support younger people, young artists,” said Davis.

The business currently supports over 60 different local vendors. A young girl from Huntsville supplies the store with homemade scented candles. Another artist, a senior at Columbia College, sells his pottery at the market.

Randolph feels as though many artists do not have as many options to get their work in the eye of the public. Herb n’ Market’s goal is to offer an accessible avenue.

Retail is not the only route of the business’ branching out into the community. Davis and Randolph literally open their doors each month for the people of Moberly to gather, learn, and exercise their creativity. This past February several members of the community congregated to take a cake decorating class, participated in a scrapbook card making course, and joined a book club led by Davis. Each month the market offers a variety of activities that are open to the public. The schedule of upcoming events are listed on the business’ official website: www.herbnmarketmoberly.com.

While Davis and Randolph share that they have no regrets in managing their own business, they do have a few bits of wisdom to share with a young entrepreneur.

“It is easy to get off track because everyone has advice and opinions as you are going along. You have your own vision and your own dream, and once you start taking that in, it is easy to get off track,” said Davis.

Randolph added, “Our only advice to them, young entrepreneurs, is to just do it, which is really bad advice, it seems. Be brave and do not be afraid to ask people for things. The worst they can say is no. Be brave about stuff; just do it. If it does not work, move on to something else.”

Starting a business can be a risky experience for any individual, but Herb n’ Market is proof that it can be rewarding as well. For these two women, it is a way to inspire others and express your own creativity. They chose to not give in to any fear and simply try something new.

"One step at a time. One punch at a time. One round at a time."
- Rocky Balboa
Winter Weather

How to survive the snowy season and still make it to class

By David DeOrnellis
MACC Express Staff

Spring Semester is a great time: Spring Break, warmer weather, and the anticipation of summer. Before we can get there though, we have to dredge through the ice box that is January and February.

There might not be sunlight for days, and cold snaps might last a week; the inevitable snowfall will come.

For a lot of people, this is a magical time when they can go sledding, have snowball fights, and build snowmen. For the people who dislike winter or have classes or a job to attend, the snow can become a real pain. Then add in ice, and a simple trip to the store can be a real danger.

Driving to class during or after a winter storm can become dangerous. Students must also be careful walking around campus from class to class where the icy parking lots can lead to slips, fender benders, or accidents with pedestrians. Finding a parking spot is almost impossible; the lines may not even be visible.

There are ways to avoid some of the danger and general pain that snow and ice can be for college students. Getting prepared ahead of time for a winter storm is a great place to start.

1) Check the weather forecast so you know road conditions and whether you need to check class cancellations.
2) The morning of classes, go out and start your car early. This gives you time to warm up your car and make sure your windows defrost properly to avoid having any blind spots.
3) It is wise to check your driveway to make sure it isn’t buried or iced over. If it is overly difficult to get out of your driveway, you can expect roads to be even worse. It might be wise to stay put.
4) If conditions aren’t severe, begin your drive, but be cautious of black ice, and especially other drivers. They may not be as cautious as you and can easily lose control and collide with you. It is most important to keep an appropriate speed so that you can adjust to anyone braking or a patch of ice so you don’t slide.
5) More than likely parking lot conditions are going to be sketchy. Watch for traffic and pedestrians. This should keep any accidents from happening. Stairs outside of buildings on campus may not have been cleaned, so watch your footing.
6) Check for class cancellations in the morning and throughout the day. Winter weather might be severe enough that classes might be cancelled. Congrats, you can go back to bed! There is the possibility for an afternoon class to be cancelled while you’re at lunch, so it’s important to check for class cancellations throughout the day. No one wants to show up to an empty class; plus, it might be a dangerous drive home.
7) Sign up for the Hound Alert program. Students are able to receive text and/or email alerts when classes are cancelled whether it be the morning or afternoon. It is simple to do. Click on the myMACC link and sign in. Next, click on Stay Connected. Click Sign Up under Hound alerts. It’s that easy!

Winter can be a fun time, and snow days are some of the best days for students of any age. This winter take precaution if classes are still in session and roads are slick. Make it to class and back home safely.

Student Profiles...

In celebration of the 40th anniversary of Rocky, we asked students about their favorite moments, characters, or quotes.

Adam Lay
 "I like the first one because it was the first one I watched, and I have a lot of nostalgia for it."

Alex Terrell
 "It ain’t about how hard you hit, it’s about how hard you can get hit and keep moving forward."

David Bromagen
 "Mick sets the vibe and adds to the storyline."

Jennifer Rose
 "[Rocky]... I think."

Jake Sullivan
 "Rocky is all about overcoming challenges."

Austin Heidbreder
 "Adrian. I like her role, what she brings to the film."
### Box Scores

#### Men

**January**
- 2 - St. Louis 69-67 L
- 3 - Highland (KS) 98-90 W
- 7 - Three Rivers 70-67 L
- 9 - at SE Iowa 79-61 L
- 13 - at State Fair 86-58 W
- 16 - Mineral Area 58-56 L
- 18 - N Central 89-77 W
- 23 - at Three Rivers 74-70 L
- 26 - Indian Hills 57-56 L
- 30 - West Plains 66-64 L

**February**
- 3 - at Mineral Area 82-58 L
- 6 - Penn Valley 104-79 W
- 9 - at Indian Hills 108-78 L
- 13 - State Fair 92-71 W
- 15 - at Penn Valley 52-48 W
- 17 - at Crowder 71-64 W
- 20 - Jefferson 71-63 W

#### Women

**January**
- 4 - Kennedy King 92-45 W
- 7 - Three Rivers 81-64 W
- 13 - at State Fair 75-61 L
- 16 - Mineral Area 74-65 W
- 18 - N Centr Mo 76-47 W
- 20 - at Jefferson 54-44 L
- 23 - at Three Rivers 85-78 W
- 27 - Crowder 71-64 W
- 30 - at Min Area 77-69 L

**February**
- 2 - Mo Valley JV 74-37 W
- 6 - Penn Valley 68-43 W
- 8 - at AR Baptist 78-66 L
- 11 - CMC JV 78-34 W
- 13 - State Fair 77-67 L
- 15 - at Penn Valley 52-48 W
- 17 - at Crowder 69-64 W
- 20 - Jefferson 71-63 W
- 25-27 NJCAA Region XVI Semifinal vs State Fair 67-57 L

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**Lady Greyhounds conquest over Crowder College**

By Kohie E. Stock  
Express Staff

MACC Lady Greyhounds fought for the win outscoring Crowder College Lady Riders 71-64 during their NJCAA Region XVI season game on January 27, 2016. The game left the team with an overall record of 11-10 so far this season.

With a 12-point lead during the first quarter 16-4, the Lady Hounds held off Crowder in a continuous fight for victory. They led 35-17 at half. MACC continued to slay the Lady Riders starting the fourth quarter with a score of 51-38. It was key free throws from forward, Romekia Wallace and guard, Ashley Irving, that gave the team extra security for the win within the last few minutes of the game.

Though the fan turnout was more quality over quantity for the players with the red pinstripes, the Lady Hounds soaked up their MACC spirit and plunged forward for the win.

Autumn Jones led the team with 24 points. Romekia Wallace tossed in 20 points. Da’Tasia Almon added 16 points.

Kadesha Cooper was the leading scorer for the Riders with 28 points. Thalita Valerio followed with 13 points in their attempt. This loss dropped the Riders to an overall season record of 12-11.

“It is a tough region. A win is a win in this region,” stated MACC Head Coach Chad Killinger during the post game interview. The hopes are high for the remaining season.

“We are getting better, but we can still get better.”

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**Buzzer beaters.** Sometimes you love them; sometimes you hate them. Unfortunately for the Greyhounds, a buzzer beat sealed their fate against West Plains on January 30 in a 66-64 defeat.

“We didn’t handle prosperity. We had a couple of chances we could’ve blown that game open. We could’ve extended a 10-point lead out to 15, but it comes back to five. All of a sudden they’re making a run,” Coach Pat Smith said.

“In the last part of the game, they made some plays and we didn’t,” Smith said.

The game looked to be going the Hounds way holding a 32-24 lead at halftime before West Plains went on a run and tied the game at 43 with 11:19 remaining. The Hounds would go on a quick run of their own taking a 48-43 lead with 10 minutes left in the game.

Leading 64-61, West Plains hit a three to tie the game with less than a minute remaining. The Hounds turned the ball over with just over 20 seconds remaining giving West Plains the last possession of the game. After a miss and offensive rebound, Hounds fans could do nothing but watch as a West Plains putback would roll in as the buzzer sounded giving West Plains the 66-64 victory.

Moberly was led in scoring by Rashad Lindsey who had 22 while Cecil Williams put in 14. The Hounds dropped to 17-8 and 1-4 in Region 16 play with the loss.

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**Hounds Lose Heartbreaker**

By Austin Ward  
Express Staff

Jalen David drives past West Plains player in a 66-64 loss to the Grizzlies team at the last regular home game.
So the stage was set: Moberly vs State Fair, a fourth straight region championship game appearance for the Hounds. Moberly owned the regular season set, but State Fair, as was proven against Mineral Area in their semifinal game, is a whole new team when the lights shine bright.

Moberly would hop out to an early lead once again, starting the game on a 14-4 run. The first half was a series of opportunities for each team, but Moberly held the halftime lead 38-30. The Hounds came out of the half scoring 5 straight, and State Fair would never get within 8 for the rest of the game as the Hounds pulled off a 92-81 win.

The sophomore guards ran the show again as Dzierzawski would lead the team in scoring with 28 points while Lindsey had 26. Leonard Harper-Baker led in rebounds with 14. Cecil Williams finished the game with 10 points along with 8 rebounds.

“Every day I’d walk in there and I’d look up at that banner, and I’d see all the way from 2005 that we had not won a regional title. That drove me, and I think it drove our guys too,” Coach Smith said.

The road to Hutch and the national tournament begins here for the Greyhounds. They will host the Region IV Champion, Sauk Valley, on Saturday after Sauk Valley pulled off an 89-82 overtime victory over Highland in the Region IV Championship on Monday. A win would clinch a national tournament berth for the Greyhounds.

“We’ve won a regional title; now we need to win a district title, and that gets us to the national tournament. That would give these kids a tremendous opportunity to go out there and play at the Sports Arena at Hutch,” Coach Smith said.

The Hounds have met Sauk Valley once already this season. That ended in a decisive 81-55 win for Moberly. But Coach Smith notes that was during the first semester, and Sauk Valley has gone on to have a very successful season.

Sauk Valley will certainly come out ready to play as they are fighting for their first national tournament appearance in school history. Their championship win on Monday was only their second Region Championship in school history; theirs first was in 2003. That year Sauk Valley would fall to Three Rivers 87-58 in the District Championship game.

The Hounds have had much success in the history of the program but are looking to make the national tournament for the first time since that 2005 season. With a win, the Hounds would enter Hutch for the 27th time in program history.

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A Winning Weekend; MACC Celebrates the 50th Anniversary of ’66 National Championship

From near and far, former Greyhounds flock to Moberly for a weekend of reuniting, reminiscing, and reflection…

By Kohlie Stock
Express Staff

Plastered above the doorways and painted in bold black lettering on the side of Moberly Area Community College’s basketball court are the words “Fitzsimmons-John Arena”. To a visiting outsider, one might think these are the names of two contributors to the college. Indeed they are, but what guests do not know is that they are more than two names. Many MACC students, alumni, and fans know the arena’s name carries a rich, highly respected history.

Sweet Springs, Missouri, native, Maurice John, began coaching in 1946 at what was then called Moberly Junior College. Before accepting a head coach position at Drake University, John invested 12 years at the college. He left with an overall 280-79 record and one back-to-back national championship.

Coach Lowell “Cotton” Fitzsimmons from Bowling Green, Missouri planned to continue Moberly’s winning tradition when he took over as head coach following John’s exit in 1958. Fitzsimmons spent nine years at MJC and etched a record of 223-59 along with another back-to-back national championship into Greyhound history.

During the weekend of January 15-16, 2016, MACC celebrated the 50th anniversary of the 1966 NJCAA National Championship. MACC also honoured the other three national championship teams from 1953-54, 1954-55, and 1966-67, by inviting the athletes from the John and Fitzsimmons era back to the junior college that they once called their stomping grounds.

The weekend of reuniting and reminiscing began Friday evening with an informal welcoming reception at the Moberly Inn. MACC Director of Institutional Development & Alumni Services, Susan Arment, had been planning the events for the anniversary celebration since July 2015.

Arment reported that six or seven players who played during Coach John’s time at MACC and 27 players from the Fitzsimmons era were present during the weekend.

Families of the two late coaches attended the anniversary as well. Maurice John’s son, Dr. Maurice John Jr. and his wife traveled from Louisville, Kentucky to attend the event.

“As he (John Jr.) put it, he had moments of ‘sentiment and emotion hearing his Dad’s players talk about his father.’ He learned a little bit about his Dad. At the luncheon, he was also able to talk about what happened to Maurice John after he left Moberly,” stated Arment.

Fitzsimmons’ sister, Carol Lovell, and her family attended the Greyhound game on Saturday night.

One of the original broadcasters from the 60s, Kermit Womack, came back with his son, Steve Womack. Steve Womack is the U.S. Representative from the third congressional district in Arkansas.

The weekend also drew deep reflection and discussion of how MJC had individually impacted each player. The group toured the 4th Street Theatre downtown Moberly, MACC campus, Alumni Museum, and Fitzsimmons-John Arena.

Mabel McCormick, mother of Greyhound basketball, made several appearances during the weekend as well. She received a standing ovation at the Saturday afternoon luncheon when she spoke.

“It really moved her to the point of where she kind of had to compose herself for a minute or two. And then she, just in her Mabel very soft voice, delivered a beautiful explanation summary of what they had done or how they got involved in the Greyhound program, and she was not taking a lot of credit. She was very humble about all of it,” said Arment.

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The hallways of the main building were a trigger of emotions for the former Greyhounds. Though new classrooms and renovation

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has occurred over time in classrooms, and renovation has occurred over time in the Main building at MACC, Arment shared that the hallways are one piece of the college that have not seen change over the years. As the men walked the halls while touring the campus, many were overwhelmed with memories that they could not help but share with those around them.

As for impact, ‘63-64 former Greyhound, Shannon Reading shared with Arment how MJC had been his highest point during his journey of earning his education.

“The one thing I remember was that people lived in the community. They were given housing from different families that were close to the college. They might room with the little brothers, sharing a bedroom, but they also worked in the community. So the community really felt that when they came to the games that they were watching their boys play basketball,” stated Arment discussing Reading’s reaction to MJC’s impact on his life.

News Programmer, J.B. Connoley, has worked in college basketball for 25 years and has spent four seasons broadcasting Greyhound basketball on KWIX-KRES radio. He attended the anniversary weekend and believed it was very beneficial in honouring the MACC athletic program.

“It was a good crowd. I think it was a good weekend. The fans were here; they seemed to enjoy seeing the old players. A lot of the older boosters seemed to enjoy seeing players they have seen before, and the younger fans seemed to really enjoy the history. I mean this is a historic program, and they haven’t quite had the success that they did in the fifties and sixties recently. They wanted maybe to get a taste of that success, and I think it kind of rubbed off on them,” said Connoley.

To close the weekend, teams, players, and the coaches’ families were recognized during half time of the Greyhound game Saturday evening. Though MACC lost to Mineral Area Community College by a heartening-breaking two points, in celebration of the 50th anniversary, fans and alumni still consider it a winning weekend for Moberly.

Alumni, sporting MACC regalia, pose with MaJic, the Greyhound mascot.

Mother of Greyhound basketball, Mabel McCormick, made several public appearances during the anniversary celebration.

Moberly High School Jazz Band entertained MACC fans during half times and between games on January 16 as the Greyhounds and Lady Greyhounds hosted Mineral Areas.