Cheers from students from all MACC campuses resounded as students from Columbia, Hannibal, Kirksville, and Mexico joined in via ITV links to Moberly. A student assembly in Moberly’s auditorium was the kick-off event of MACC’s 90th birthday on Jan. 31, 2017.

Moberly Junior College was founded in 1927 as part of the Moberly school system, one of the first two-year colleges of this type. Classes were held in a temporary location downtown (above the Piggly Wiggly) with approximately 50 students enrolled in classes. The college moved into a new facility on 32 acres at College and Rollins Streets in Fall 1931. Classes were offered for Junior-Senior high school students and junior college students. The main building was used exclusively for college programs beginning in 1968 after the completion of a new Moberly High School. Moberly Area Community College has continued to change and expand its programs and locations since that time.

The assembly of students who gathered in the Auditorium on Jan. 31, 2017 celebrated MACC’s birthday with cupcakes and entertainment. The MACC cheerleaders began the assembly with a chant. As each campus name was announced, scenes of that location flashed across the big screen. Students, led by their site director, added a chorus of cheers to the celebration.

According to Ward, his script included humorous prophecy for class offerings. “Classes in the future include How to Text and Walk at the Same Time and Surviving the Zombie Apocalypse.”

In Moberly, four familiar faces of MACC entertained the crowds of students with history and prophecy. Gary Steffas, vice-president of Finance, Danny Ward, director of Accounting, Scott Taylor, Associate professor, and Nick Oslica, student representative, shared history, prophecy, and humorous prophecy for the next 90 years.

Coaches Chad Killinger and Pat Smith rallied the students with highlights of the Lady Greyhound season (20-4 currently) and Greyhound season (21-1 currently) and an invitation to show their support at the upcoming MACC-Mineral Area contest at home. Students on all campuses enjoyed birthday cupcakes and received free MACC 90th birthday t-shirts. Several special events, not yet announced, are planned for 2017 to celebrate MACC’s birthday.

Student Government President Alex Dreckshage serves on the MACC birthday committee as a student representative. Celebration events began on Jan. 31 with the kick-off event.

Greyhounds Coach Pat Smith and Lady Greyhounds Coach Chad Killinger rallied the students at the retro assembly to celebrate MACC's 90th birthday and to invite students to the upcoming matchups with the Mineral Area Cardinals.
Pink Out
By Mariah Vogel
Greyhound Express Staff

On Wednesday, Feb 15 pink was spotted all around campus to celebrate MACC’s annual Pink Out events. The Lady Greyhounds, the Greyhounds, and their opponents wore pink to support the MACC fundraiser to support breast cancer awareness. At the half of the men's game that evening, kids who participated in the Cheer Clinic performed a half time show.

The Lady Greyhounds played the Marshalltown Community College “Lady Tigers.” The game began with acknowledgment of women who have fought the battle with breast cancer, asking them to stand and be applauded. The gesture gave the event a warm feeling that emphasized the true meaning of the evening.

The Lady Greyhounds and the Lady Tigers enthusiasm shined bright on the court, as both teams were on fire! The score board numbers stayed close with MACC always in the lead. After halftime, both teams had the score board bouncing up and down as each team battled for the win. MACC hit a streak near the end, leaving the Lady Tigers behind and widening the Lady Greyhounds lead from 20 points to 30 points, ending the game at 77-44. A win for the Lady Greyhounds!

In the second game of the evening, both men’s teams had fire. Each shot was a fight for the win. The Hounds played West Plains, a team that stayed hot on their trail the entire night. Throughout the night, sportsmanship was clear; it was a clean, fun game, the teams staying respectful. Near half time, the score at 33-13, the chants and yells from the cheerleaders diminished, and it caused some wonder of where they went. As the half time buzzer sounded, kids ran onto the floor with pink, pink, pink and more…yes, you guessed it, pink.

Children who had participated in the Cheer Clinic on Feb 11 took the floor. Big smiles and bubbly spirits filled the arena as they performed cheers and chants, a cheer routine, as well as stunts. It again emphasized the meaning of that night’s game.

After halftime, both teams were unstoppable. The ball moved from both sides of the court so fast that spectators had to focus to keep up. The last few minutes of the game were crucial; everyone was out of their seats and cheering. The score was 97-78 with 30 seconds left in the game. Missouri State scored once, jumping the score by two points as the final buzzer sounded. The final score, 97-80, was a win for the Greyhounds! Two wins, an adorable performance by the Cheer Clinic and MACC cheer squad, as well as raffle ticket proceeds to the cause, made for a fantastic night! Never did anyone forget the purpose of the game, which left a touching moment to the event that impacted many. Great job MACC Greyhounds, Lady Greyhounds, and the Cheer Clinic Cheerleaders.
At the annual cheer clinics at Moberly Area Community College, Greyhound cheerleaders and Coach Becky Smith teach kids all about cheer!

On Feb 11, 2017, approximately 30 kids from around the area filled the Activity Center as they learned how to get into the spirit of cheer taught by their “big sisters and brother”.

The campers learned a short cheer dance routine to the song “Work from Home” by Fifth Harmony, as well as some popular cheer chants to get a crowd pumped. Coach Becky and her staff of MACC cheerleaders teach more than the routine and chants. “They also learn motions, jumps, how to yell, and basically how to be spirited,” she said.

Coach Becky has been teaching cheer at MACC for seven years; she has taught at Moberly and Macon public schools, where she also sponsored cheer clinics.

Coach Becky has several camp goals. She stated, “The focus of this camp is for us to instill cheerleading in kids, and we hope for them to grow up and maybe one day be a MACC cheerleader or just cheer through their life, as well as learn the skills- the proper skills, to do that.”

This camp not only teaches kids all about cheer spirit but is a great way to raise money for MACC cheerleaders to travel to away games. Throughout the day, the girls looked up to their “big sisters” as the perfect role models. For young girls, a role model to look up to, especially in a skill they are interested in, is beneficial. This event did just that for them.

On Feb 15, the camp participants had the opportunity to perform at the halftime show of the Greyhounds home game. Their adorable faces as they performed said it all!

Two cheerleaders whom the kids looked up to were cheer captain Kayla Maulsby and “big brother” Colton Moots.

Maulsby, a sophomore, and Moots, a freshman, both see cheerleading in their future. Maulsby sees herself in the career of cheer as well as physical therapy. Moots is leaning away from cheer, as he wants to transfer over to culinary school. But he says if he can, he would love to continue in cheer. These two cheerleaders brought a lot of spunk to the gym and taught kids what it’s like to have spirit and drive for cheerleading.

At a cheer clinic, coaches not only teach kids to be great cheerleaders but to be driven, to have tons of spirit, and to be confident. Before the clinic started, kids hung onto parents, shy as ever. At the end of the day, kids had new friends, a fun dance routine/chants stuck in their heads, and lots of big sisters and a cool kid brother to remember for many years!
Student Profiles
What would it be like to star in a Shakespeare play?

Nick Oslica: “Hamlet”
“It’s exciting, it’s one of those playwrights that every actor, or every thespian really dreams about playing. It’s definitely exciting.”

Sydney Ley: “Gertrude-the Queen”
“It’s definitely a challenge, but it’s a good challenge. It’s fun, entertaining, and it definitely stretches you as an actor.”

Jefferey DeShon: “Polonius”
“I feel like for other people, it would be confusing, but for me it’s really fun. I grew up reading sections of the King James Bible, and doing dramatic readings from them. So this kind of language, it feels almost natural to me.”

Hannah Smoot: “Marcellus”
“I’d say it’s definitely difficult, but really it’s all worth it—just the fun of being on the stage in whatever play that’s being put on. It’s fun to adapt.”

Sydney Ley: “Gertrude-the Queen”

Spring Play
Department of Theater set to perform a modern version of "Hamlet"

April 20, 21, 22 7 p.m.
MACC Auditorium
Free Admission for all students
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Mariah Vogel as Ophelia
"I did love you once"
The MACC department of Theater recently held auditions for the annual spring play set to take place on April 20, 21, 22 at 7 p.m. inside the confines of the MACC Auditorium.

The auditions began January 30 and finished the following week after the proper roles had been filled with the right actors and actresses. The typical cast features no more than 10-12 people; this particular play will feature 12 students. Nick Oskica will play the main character of the play, Hamlet. Other characters, The King, Ophelia, and the Queen, will be played by Justin Wilson, Mariah Vogel, and Sydney Ley respectively. Mariah Vogel was especially excited for this particular selection of play. “Hamlet intrigues me because it’s a story of revenge, love, and heartache. If you watch the show or read the script in detail, the behind premise of the play, is heartache. So for a play to be hidden with two plots is a good one to me.”

She hopes for a good turnout for opening night as well. “People should come and see this particular play because for one, it’s Hamlet. Who doesn’t love Hamlet? And second of all, it will be a fun weekend thing to do with your family, and third, it helps support the arts.

Last semester the department took on the challenge of “Wrinkle in Time”. This Spring the department will perform “Hamlet” the classic story about revenge and tragedy by William Shakespeare. The original play was written in London, England in the early seventeenth century.

In May, the theater department will take students to London, England to take part in a 9-day tour. Students will attend multiple different shows and participate in a workshop with a professional actor. Students will also have the opportunity to visit Buckingham Palace, Big Ben, and the St. Paul’s Cathedral.
Movie Review: Logan

In 2000, Hugh Jackman was first cast for the role of Wolverine in Bryan Singer’s X-Men, alongside co-stars Patrick Stewart and Ian Mckellen. Fast forward to 2017. After a long series of films as the centerpiece of the franchise, including X-Men 2, X-Men: The Last Stand, X-Men Origins Wolverine, Days of Future Past, and X-Men Apocalypse, Jackman bids farewell to the franchise with an epic conclusion to the 17 year series.

When the movie begins, Logan is essentially a washed up limo driver who has lost all reason for living. The remaining mutants are few and far between. Logan himself has become sick and simply not the same quick healing machine he used to be. Xavier has become a liability and must be hidden from the public. It’s clear that these particular characters have stuck around for too long, and their time has simply passed.

Without spoiling the rest of the film, Logan and Xavier stumble upon another mutant girl and are tasked with transporting the girl across the country to an area of safety while avoiding a secret government task force with a goal of preventing such things.

The narrative of Logan somewhat breaks the mold of the typical superhero movie in more ways than one. In a somewhat heart-breaking farewell to the franchise, Hugh Jackman gives his best performance yet. It feels like a goodbye to the franchise on and off the screen as Logan struggles with the weight of caring for Xavier, escorting Laura, the new mutant girl, while at the same time struggling with his own health. It’s a fitting and brutal conclusion for the franchise.

Logan also functions as the first R rated movie in the series, Jackman pushed for this change, even taking a pay cut in order to evolve away from the norm of the genre. Stewart, in more of a supporting role, delivers a top-notch performance in his final performance as Xavier. Xavier functions as the more optimistic character that convinces Logan to continue on for just a little while longer and not lose hope just yet.

Jackman essentially portrays “Logan” as less of a superhero and more of a regular man that has lost all the people who he cares about and his purpose for being on earth. He wants it all to end, and that type of character depth is seen rarely in the modern day superhero movie genre.

That depth gives Logan special meaning in every moment, every action scene, and every ounce of dialogue. “Logan” is easily one of Jackman’s best performances, not only in the X-Men series, but also his career, a high level finish to the 17-year journey.
On Feb 4, the Lady Greyhounds held a series of events to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the program. On Friday night, a reception in the Jorgenson Fine Arts Gallery was followed by a luncheon, a group photo, another Booster reception, and then the main event, a showdown with Mineral Area.

Returning Alumni were recognized during the halftime intermission of the men’s game that followed the women’s game. It was a celebration of a program that has won a grand total of 800 plus games which resulted in 34 winning seasons, over 90 NJCAA All-Region selections and 20 plus All American selections. The program holds a 34-15 record in NJCAA tournament games. They are the only NJCAA Region 16 program that has won a national championship. Joyce Campbell was the first coach of the Lady Greyhound team (1977-78) that went 10-5 on the season. Forty years later, Chad Killinger runs the show and 2017 marks Killinger’s 7th season with the program.

The anniversary was capped off with a 68-59 win over Mineral Area in which the Lady Greyhounds made nearly half of their shots, shooting and making 27 of 56. Mineral Area was able to knock down 9 shots from beyond the arc to keep them somewhat in the game but weren’t able to convert from inside the arc, shooting just 19-60 from the field, good for 30 percent.

Anisha George was the high scorer with 14 points on 6-7 shooting; she also chipped in 4 steals. Carnethia Brown added 13 points and 5 assists. The Lady Greyhounds would go on to finish the regular season 23-7.

Lady Greyhound alumni gather at midcourt during halftime of Greyhounds vs Mineral Area game on Feb. 4, 2017

Lady Greyhounds Celebrate 40th Anniversary with win
Moberly women's basketball team defeats Mineral Area 68-59

By Nate Paris
Express Staff

Jan-Feb Scoreboard

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Anna Stewart shoots jumpshot vs Mineral Area
On Jan. 21, the MACC men’s basketball team fell to Mineral Area in a battle of unbeaten teams. In that game, Mineral Area shot 45 percent from the field while simultaneously holding Moberly to just 26 percent from the field. The 26 percent was a season low for the Greyhounds, as was the 58 points. This time around was a different story, however.

In a rematch of the January contest, the Moberly Greyhounds were able to avenge their previous loss, pulling away late in a come-from-behind 63-58 victory Saturday night at the Fitzsimmons-John arena. The Greyhounds were able to hold Mineral Area to sub 40 percent shooting from the field and only 30 percent from beyond the arc. The 38 percent shooting from the field was a season low for Mineral Area.

“Points were hard to come by for both teams; Mineral Area does a good job executing on offense, and we were able to change defenses some and get enough stops” – Head coach Patrick Smith on defensive adjustments

Brandon Better led the way in scoring for Moberly with 18 points, including knocking down 13 of 17 from the free throw line. Mineral Area led the game by 9 at the 7 minute mark of the 2nd half, but the Greyhounds were able to string together multiple stops down the stretch to get back into the game while also knocking down crucial free throws. Coach Smith credited the team’s poise down the stretch.

“I really applaud our players for coming from behind twice tonight from deficits by hanging in there and playing one possession at a time against a really good team.” Zac Cuthbertson was the leading scorer for Mineral Area with 15 points. With the win, the Moberly Greyhounds improved to 21-2 on the year. Mineral Area dropped to 24-1 on the season.