100th Anniversary WWI Mobile Museum visits MACC

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The 100th anniversary WWI mobile museum was on display at Moberly Area Community College from April 4-6. The museum was featured in the auditorium and open to the public. It featured historical artifacts dating back 100 plus years to World War I such as uniforms, tools, letters, flags and a wide-ranging variety of other items. Speaker and owner Keith Colley shared background and stories of the artifacts. The mobile museum also included multiple video presentations.

The Museum serves as a reminder of the service of the veterans of the war while also provides information about the war itself: weapons, tools used, and the impact they added. The museum also sheds light on some of the “firsts” of the war which includes the debut of new technologies such as tanks and certain planes.

Colley says his favorite item would have to be the trench shovel. He says, “There were about 2,500 km of trenches dug in WWI; the shovel played an important role.”

Colley says he gained perspective from teaching a class of senior citizens. He realized that this would be the final generation of relatives of WWI veterans. On the 100th anniversary, it’s important to remember those that fought and the families affected.

The shovel was just one of the many items featured in the museum. Other items included radio equipment used in the process of training new pilots, posters that were used to welcome the troops home from the war, multiple gas masks, type writers, candy and gum items that were rationed during the war, uniforms, helmets, letters, and more. Colley has collected all the items featured throughout the last 3 years. He collects the items using various methods such as antique museums, eBay, sometimes direct contact with people in possession of certain items.

Colley tours his museum all around the country from east coast to west and was recently accepted into the United States World War I Centennial Commission in Washington DC, designed to help educate people on the events of World War I.

Colley said the first day of the museum, April 4, was one of his best turnouts he has had on a first day in a long time.
A typical day in the life of Gary Steffes is not so typical at all. It begins with the mapping out of different projects and other tasks that Steffes would like to accomplish before the day ends. However, by the time 9 a.m. rolls around, new obstacles will have already presented themselves. It may be meeting with members of the MACC leadership team to discuss aspects of the school, working on spreadsheets within Excel, overseeing certain projects within the program to see whether or not they are economically feasible, reviewing financial trends, budgeting, doing insurance, or reviewing accounts, or taking on whatever else the day might consist of.

Steffes gets satisfaction out of completing any number of these projects to help the school move forward in some way and better serve students. After all, that’s what it’s all about to him.

This June, however, it all comes to an end as Steffes will be retiring from his position as the Vice President of Finance at Moberly Area Community College.

Steffes will take with him many fond memories of his time at the College including times of fellowship with the staff.

“A few months ago we were all together doing Karaoke, and my wife got me on stage and sang to me. It was a song from her youth, 'You Are My Sunshine'. She didn't remember how the second verse goes: 'But now you've left me, and you love another, and you have shattered all my dreams.' It was pretty funny.”

Steffes says he learned to appreciate what it means to be part of something bigger than yourself.

“MACC has so many moving parts, so many programs, so many activities, several locations, hundreds of staff, and thousands of students. Yet, somehow, it all works because we are all trying to live our Mission statement.”

Steffes says one thing that he will not miss are the federal and state report deadlines.

For the new generation of MACC faculty members, Steffes says it is crucial to embrace the mission of MACC.

“We are here to empower our student and enrich our communities: When we are doing that, then we are doing something special. The second thing I would tell them is to enjoy being part of the MACC team.

We work best when we support each other. I think new employees catch onto that pretty quickly.”

Steffes plans to spend time with his family including his wife Joy, his three children, and his eight grandchildren. He also plans to spend his time serving God as a permanent member of the Catholic Church. Steffes hopes to spend some time traveling through the country, read some books, cook, and also make time for some golf.

Gary Steffes, KC Wolf, and college president Jeff Lashley at Spring Fling Picnic (2016) on Moberly Campus.
On campuses across the country and state, students may not think it, but we are quite similar in several ways. Whether one is fresh out of high school, a transfer student, an international student, or a returning student, we all struggle with the same things. We are a number in a classroom, we most likely eat ramen most nights wishing we had some of our mom’s cooking instead, and don’t lie, we say we do not binge watch a television show all night, but we do. We all struggle to make ends meet, and an important goal most of us want is: “Finish school with little or no debt.”

What if that is possible? What if it is possible by just getting good grades? What if it is possible to be a part of a compassionate group that wants to see you succeed, to further your education, and to make friends that will last forever.

In PTK, you will learn how to be confident, develop outstanding leadership qualities, and have the opportunity to pay for some or all of your college tuition.

Phi Theta Kappa formed in 1918 in Missouri of all places. Their mission is to “recognize academic achievement of college students and to provide opportunities for them to grow as scholars and leaders.”

Did you know that Phi Theta Kappa is known all around the country? Adding in MACC students, it totals to a shocking 1.5 million members in the country!

Emails were sent to every MACC student on all campuses urging them to check their student emails, to find out if they, “Made the cut”. You, and probably every student on MACC campus, saw this email and either

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Guzel Tuhbatullina, former Phi Theta Kappa president, explained how it’s not just a group of nerds getting together. She stated that you will work with and meet people who want to see you succeed for once. She stressed that students be active with what’s available and get all the information they can about scholarships. Students can even receive full ride scholarships to a larger university. Don’t miss out! All you have to do is ask. Some believe that PTK will out, to no longer blend in with the crowd, this is the place for you. Not only will you be stretched to have great leadership, but you will gain confidence.

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Still not convinced that it’s not just a group of nerds? Yeah, you’re right; they are nerds, but as Guzel stated, “I mean, come on. Nerds are like the coolest people ever…so yeah!”

If you were one of the lucky students to “make the cut” but wonder what the next step is, or if you’re not sure if you even want to be a part of PTK, think about it or attend a meeting. Advisor for Phi Theta Kappa, Dr. William Justus, explained some of the details for new members who are interested in PTK. Students who have completed all the requirements (a minimum of 12 credit hours and a 3.5 GPA) and have been accepted, should read all the information enclosed with the email, or letter, as they always have steps and advice enclosed.

As with most students, each can recall good college experiences, whether it be professors who went out of their way to help him or her be successful or a program that the student was a part.

Some might also think that students at MACC would not have interesting success stories simply because it’s such a small campus, not a huge institution. Dr. Justus spoke about that stereotype as he spoke of the years he has been a part of Phi Theta Kappa. He has seen and heard of tremendous success stories from students who graduated from MACC, students just like you, who now have amazing careers and are now giving the credit to Phi Theta Kappa. Students thank PTK for their success.

Dr. Justus stated, “I hope that students will appreciate the necessities to be proactive and to [look] ahead: staging things and setting things up for themselves to be the best they can be. It’s a competitive world out there, and Phi Theta Kappa can actually help them in that competition for jobs or in the competition for place at a university.”

Think about it. This could be you! If you are interested in joining this prestigious program, not just for nerds, but for students who want to make a difference, this could be your success story! It’s waiting for you.
If you’re going to be a bum, be a cute bum

By Mariah Vogel
Express Staff

Here’s a story of a college student just like yourself. It’s a tale of talking with advisors and looking at classes, hoping and praying for easy professors, and nothing before 10 a.m. Think again dearie. On that freshly printed piece of paper is a 9 a.m. Monday class… have fun with that. You mentally prepare yourself to survive off caffeine, little sleep, and lots of concealer.

Let’s be real here, as the student, you think this will be okay. You have a planner filled with early alarm clocks, bright colored pens, the Pinterest world of student perfection, and lots of coffee in mind. This is where the tale gets interesting. As the first alarm sounds, you sink deeper under the covers, just five more minutes. Twenty minutes later, with ten minutes to get ready, you look as if death has approached you, and you have no idea how you’re going to look somewhat… alive in such a short amount of time. You tell yourself you need some motivation, advice, and just help from other women. Have no fear; all around campus there are students who have advice to help you make the college life a little bit better: quick makeup tips, the perfect cold coffee brew, and, most importantly, how to rock the cute bum look. Tag along with us as we tackle finals together and learn how to handle college life a little bit better: quick makeup tips, the perfect cold coffee brew, and, most importantly, how to rock the cute bum look. The bum look can be cute bum is a look typically donned by women, “What is a cute bum?” We are glad you asked. The student wonders as this tale continues…

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Love, Paige--

“Be yourself! You are beautiful inside and out! Wear what you want and express your own fashion. My go-to outfit would probably be a simple t-shirt and shorts simply because it is comfortable! It’s perfectly acceptable in college, so do what’s comfortable, and be you.

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Love, Laura--

“YOU GUYS, looking like a bum is totally acceptable in college. Some days you might want to look nice, and others you might wanna just roll out of bed, and you know what? It’s all right!”

Love, Hannah---

“A makeup tip that I highly recommend would be to use liquid waterproof eyebrow pen like the (NYX eyebrow gel, or Stila Stay All Day brow pen) so that way you only have to put on your brows once or twice a week. For an outfit, I’d say to dress up, then do so! If you want to dress up, then do so! But remember that you are perfect just the way you are. My favorite go to is looks, a t-shirt, my trust pair of Chacos, and a baseball cap. The baseball cap is key to me; it hides the dry shampoo hair and no makeup face all in one!”

Love, Mariah---

“IF I had to give anyone advice, I’d say to not worry about what others think. Be confident because if you have confidence, then you have empowerment that no one can take away from you. If you can rock a pair of shorts, flip flops, and a t-shirt, then do so! If you want to dress up, then do so! But remember that you are perfect just the way you are. My favorite go to is looks, a t-shirt, my trust pair of Chacos, and a baseball cap. The baseball cap is key to me; it hides the dry shampoo hair and no makeup face all in one!”

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“The Perfect Cold Brew" for the coffee addicts

1) Brew 1 ½ cups of coffee
2) Add your choice of sweetener while it's hot for it to melt properly.
3) Pour the coffee in your favorite to go mug
4) Place in fridge overnight
5) Pour in your favorite creamer in the morning, and you are good to go.

At the end of the long school day, remember that cute bums are totally acceptable now! Good luck with finals, and remember that you are beautiful inside and out!

With love, from girls all around campus who preach faith, trust, and a little pixie dust.

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It’s in these last few weeks of school that two feelings surge through a student’s mind and body. Professors and parents encourage students that the semester is almost over: “Relax. Stay calm. The semester is almost over.”

Yes, it’s almost over. Then the second stage comes in when students think: “Relax? Stay calm? The semester is almost over… which means the deadline is here!”

How are students supposed to relax with 4-6 classes with deadlines and finals in each and find time to sleep, eat, and possibly work on top of that? Some students also have extracurricular activities in which they participate. As students, we don’t know the answers; we only know what can help us right here and now.

Did you know that walking for just 10 minutes a day can reduce stress and can improve brain function? Take a walk with us as we show you some sweet spots on campus that just say...“Take a break”.

Around campus, there are many beautiful relaxing places to sit, get away from the crowds and noise, and think, ponder, relax, and be still. The favorites include a pavilion, big trees and benches, an Agora, and an outdoor patio.

The gazebo: Right outside Komar Hall. This is a popular and favorite spot and oh so beautiful and quiet. Flowers, a warm breeze, shade, and a bud tree are blooming right now! Students can eat a quick snack, get a breath in, and chill out during the crazy finals week.

During the spring time, the back door landscaping of the main building is beautiful. On a sky blue day, the bright green grass, warm seventy-degree weather, and the best part…the violet bushes have a rich scent. If you don’t mind hustle and bustle, there is a bench by the door where you can sit and smell the violet bushes for a nice break.

The Agora: located between the gazebo and the bookstore. One of the quieter spots on campus. It has shade, benches, and a cute bridge to get you to the spot. It’s perfect for the introvert in all of us. Even the extrovert sometimes needs some quiet time to think and ponder.

Between the parking lot of the Main building and the Career Center is a gorgeous tree, bike rack, stone benches, and a picnic table. This is the busiest outdoor location because students are walking to cars and classes. Nonetheless, it is beautiful and a good place to sit and relax.

As students during these stressful times, there is not a lot we can do to make it better; school is stressful. But it is worth it for that degree! Don’t give up! Take time out of your day for ten to fifteen minutes. Sit in one of these quiet places and just take a deep breath! Yes, the deadline may be near, but it just means you are one step closer to your dream.
Student Profiles
What are your plans after MACC?

Name: Anna Schumann
Hometown: Macon, MO
Plans after graduation: 4 year college - University of Missouri

Name: Frank Wilson
Hometown: Moberly, MO
Plans after graduation: 4 year college - Rolla - Missouri S&T

Name: Alexis Cheyenne Knouse
Hometown: Chillicothe, MO
Plans after graduation: 4 year college - Columbia College to get Masters Degree in Speech Pathology

Name: Tarysa Dungan
Hometown: Centralia
Plans after graduation: Graduate with a degree in occupational therapy

Name: Bri Perry
Hometown: Alpharetta, Georgia
Plans after graduation: 4 year college on a basketball team and become a pro basketball player or Sports Interpreter.

Scenes from... Spring Fling 2017
Annual Poetry Reading

MACC campus:
Upcoming Summer Activities

May 19  ADN Pinning ceremony 2 p.m.
May 19  MACC Commencement 6 p.m.
June 17  Art on the Block 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
June 26-29  Summer2 Discover

MACC Commencement 2017
Friday, May 19
6 p.m.
MACC Activity Center

“The dorms aren’t a happy place”

Editorial By Mariah Vogel
Express Staff

Excessive noise and abuse of quiet hours (yelling, loud music, and disruptive behavior) ... 5pts
Untidiness, lack of cleanliness ... 5pts
Possession or use of illegal drugs, including alcohol may result in expulsion from McCormick Commons and Residential Center

“As I pulled out my key to let myself into the McCormick dorms, I looked over to a friend who was coming to my room and said, “I’m sorry; it’s probably going to smell like marijuana in here. So, I apologize.”

Tenants of the McCormick dorms are told in a professional manner that the rules, point systems, and quiet hours will be strictly enforced. But “strictly enforced” is not the correct statement for the dorms in general.

I had become accustomed to the rules not being followed by some students. It seems that the rules are just suggestions to others. Marijuana is candy, and alcohol is water. Residents realize that others are sometimes raised completely opposite their own; however, their “normal” was “rude or disrespectful”. The expectation was that the rules would be enforced or that students would realize the consequences of their actions.

The dorms are filled with a diverse group of students with different backgrounds. Some of the students are sweet and nice. Some don’t care what you think or what the rules are. Some residents get irritated but stay quiet, not wanting to cause conflict. However, forgetting the possibility of conflict between residents, the issues need to be said.

The first issue in the dorms is the loud hallway noises in the wee hours of the morning. Don’t bother asking residents to be quiet one student mentioned. The request is returned with a look of, “Do you really think I care about what you’re asking?”

These are all women living together; of course, there is going to be conflict, but nonetheless people should be respected. The screaming at 3 a.m., loud music, yelling, and stomping is tolerable. It’s a college campus, not your safe, comfortable home. But there still needs to be respect.

A second issue in the dorms is the community kitchen. It’s to be used for students to cook meals and to be able to wash dishes. However, dishes sit piled up and ramen noodles plug the drain. It’s hard on maintenance and not fair to the students who do want it to use it. The rules say to clean up, so why can’t students do that?

And a third issue in the dorms is drugs. The first incident involving the smell of marijuana was reported to higher authority. Drugs are to be reported to security or the RA, and further action will be taken. Residents reported it, yet smells of marijuana still lingered. Also, the corners of the deck turned into a smoking area. Asking others to be quiet at 2 a.m. became old, so dorm residents stopped asking.

The kitchen was always dirty, so the alternative was washing dishes in the bathroom. Those bothered by these problems tire of voicing their thoughts to each other as well as to higher authority.

The school can’t do everything to make it okay. But something must change. Random room checks, security 24/7, or curfew hours, could help make the dorms safe, happy, or even just a respected place again. With all these rules being broken, it seems that some students can get away with more deviant situations than other students. Some residents of the dorm simply want equality among students. A student on a scholarship shouldn’t be treated any different than a non-scholarship student. The dorms should be made better for all future students.
Anisha George
Field Goal %, Blocked Shot, and Most Improved Player Awards.

Carnethia Brown, Nia Flowers, Anisha George, Tion Hunter, Angelice Kinney, Brianna Perry, Shauna Rinehart, TrElShawn Smith, Anna Stewart, and Romekia Wallace.

The 2016-17 Lady Greyhounds finished the season with a 23-8 record. The Lady Greyhounds were 5-5 in NJCAA Region XVI and 6-3 in MCCAC (2nd place). The Lady Grey ranked 8th in steals per game nationally (14.0) and 15th in rebound margin (14.1). Three Lady Greyhounds were named to the All-Region team and four were named All-MCCAC teams.

Ten players were named on the Academic Honor Roll: Carnethia Brown, Nia Flowers, Anisha George, Tion Hunter, Angelice Kinney, Brianna Perry, Shauna Rinehart, TrElShawn Smith, Anna Stewart, and Romekia Wallace.
Dewella Holliday, Eddie Smith, and Marty Wise
Inducted into Hall of Fame

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Lady Greyhound Hall of Fame

Dewella Holliday-Shuck was inducted into the Lady Greyhound Hall of Fame on April 8 during the annual Athletic Banquet.

Holliday (Shuck) played for the Lady Greyhounds 2000-2002. Her accomplishments at MACC include a long-standing record of All-Time Leading Scorer record with 1,408 points. As a Lady Greyhound, she was named an All-American and All-Region XVI Player in both 2000-2001 and 2001-02. Holliday (Shuck) attended high school in Monroe City where she was named to First Team All-State and All-District and All-Conference teams.

She continued her basketball career at The University of Texas-San Antonio (UTSA). She was named Southland Conference Newcomer of the Year in 2003 and was awarded All-Team Letter Winner (2003, 2004) and All-Conference honors in 2004.

Dewella Holliday-Shuck returned to Missouri after UTSA. She has shared her basketball expertise with others by assisting at area summer basketball camps and coaching at Monroe City and other area high schools. Currently, Dewella is working with area youth for the Division of Youth Services as a youth specialist at a teenage boys home. She married Mason Shuck in 2011; they have two daughters, Kinsey (6) and Piper (8 mths).

Greyhound Hall of Fame

Eddie Smith and Marty Wise were inducted into the Greyhound Hall of Fame on April 8 during the annual Banquet. Eddie and Marty played for the Greyhounds during the 2003-04 and 2004-05 seasons.

Eddie Smith, of Springfield MO, came to MACC in 2003 and left behind in 2005 an impressive list of accomplishments as a Greyhound. Honors include First Team All-Region XVI in 2004, All-American Honorable Mention, NJCAA Player-of-the-Year (05), All-Tournament Team (05), and First Team All-American.

Smith led the Greyhounds in scoring in 04-05 with 17.3 points per game. He finished MACC with 1,086 points and 425 assists (6.2 assists per game). Eddie attended Texas A&M and the University of Illinois-Springfield after graduating MACC. Smith played basketball professionally in the Continental Basketball Association (CBA) and in the Canadian National Basketball League (NBL) for the Windsor Express, winning a 2012 championship. Smith retired from professional basketball in 2013. He currently lives in Las Vegas and works as a licensed barber and cosmetologist.

Marty Wise, from New Orleans, was Greyhound Defensive Player of the Year in 2004. He was selected team captain and led the Screaming Eagles to two conference titles and two tournament championships.

Marty transferred to the University of Southern Indiana after graduating MACC. At Southern Indiana, he averaged 10 points and 8 rebounds per game. He was selected team captain and led the Screaming Eagles to two conference titles and two tournament championships.

Marty returned to New Orleans where he is an engineering technician and works as inspector with the Housing Authority of New Orleans. He has two children, Jermark (11) and Brooke (7). He is engaged to Shauna Snyder. Marty was unable to attend the Athletic Banquet and will be recognized as a Hall of Famer at a later date.
More than 100 Greyhound fans celebrated the accomplishments of the 2016-17 Greyhounds at the annual Athletic Banquet on April 8.

Season highlights include national rank throughout the season (ranked 16th in the NJCAA heading into the Region tournament) and membership in the Missouri Community College Athletic Conference (MCCAC) in its inaugural season. Head coach Pat Smith was named MC-CAC Coach of the Year. The team finished the season with a 27-5 record with the last loss coming in the Three Rivers vs. MACC semi-final Region Tournament game. At home, the Greyhounds went 13-1.

At the annual banquet, Greyhounds were awarded special honors.

Delfincko Bogan: Best Offensive Player and Hustle Award. Bogan led in scoring with 12.2 PPG. He avg 46% in Field Goal attempts and 74% at the free throw line; he was second in assists with 3.6 per game. Bogan also received the Greyhound Booster Award.

Leonard Harper-Baker and Brandon Better were named to the NJAA All-Region team. Jabari Antwine, Demarco Owens, and MarQywell Jackson were named NJCAA Honorable Mention. Named to MCCAC All-Conference were Leonard Harper-Baker, MarQywell Jackson, Brandon Better, and Delfincko Bogan.

Greyhound fans, Jim and Deneen Harms, received the Moberly Greyhounds Boosters of the Year Award.

Quatarrius Wilson earned the Sophomore Award and DeMarco Owens earned the Best Field Goal % Award and the Academic Award with a 3.2 GPA.

Other honors included Detrich Cole, Most Improved Award; Mar’Qywell Jackson, Greyhound Award; Jabari Antwine, Leading Assist Award; DeMarco Owens, Brandon Better: Best Free Throw Percentage (76%) and Best 3-Pt shooter (105 of 282 for 37%)