What is it?

Neatly camouflaged but still visible is a furry feline stalking among the branches of a sprouting tree near the Student Center. Perhaps he's looking for signs of spring like the rest of us?

Specifically, the strangeness of the "junior college syndrome", which is the growing athletic future of Mesa College...
Soap Box

Two Sides of Coin?

In its futile attempt to thwart Mesa College's plan to become a four-year, degree-granting institution, last year's Criterion mentioned such weaknesses as lack of sufficient planning, faculty hypocrisy, and the suppression of negative facets on the part of those in favor of the idea. This idea that was not brought out last year, and this was probably because the students had not yet experienced a "mature" four-year atmosphere, was that of faculty ability. The seemingly simple question of whether faculty quality is up to par with the four-year, degree-granting, level. We believe that in some areas, it is not.

No longer is Mesa supposed to be a stopping-off place for penniless locals to reside for two years until they muster the funds and courage to go away to C.U. or Greeley. No longer are we to be a community with a college, but a college community. No longer an overgrown high school with ashtrays.

If we are to assume a "big time" status, then a long hard look should be taken at the capabilities of those who teach the "mature" audience. If the students from Mesa are to graduate mature, well educated individuals, then so must those who teach them be mature and adept in their field. Not necessarily emotionally mature, but academically.

It is true that the administration closely examine the faculty that works under it, and systematically "weed out" the weaknesses, regardless of personal feelings, tenures, etc.

It is true that a transition such as the one we are now undergoing cannot happen in a single year, but if it is to become a reality, the changes must begin in the very roots of the college in those who teach.

Eye Opening

A poll was taken several issues back to compare the response of Mesa students to national figures compiled by the American Council on Education on contemporary issues. Nearly 300 persons returned questionnaires and while most Mesa averages matched the national figures, some noticeably did not.

Mesa's 52% figure was near the 56.8% national mark (190,000 students on 364 campuses across the nation were polled) pertaining to those who felt marijuana should be legalized. Even closer was the 29% who felt college grades should be abolished (national figure 28.3%).

A higher percentage - 89% - felt that students should help evaluate faculty as opposed to the national average of 73.7%. And the highest amount of variance came on the question of "organized sports should be de-emphasized." While 28.5% of the students polled nationally agreed, 54% on the Mesa campus concurred.

Perhaps these figures are examples of the values and priorities Mesa (and national) students are concerned about. If they are, then a closer look should be taken at the traditional foundations that this school, like others, are built on.

And whether or not they should remain standing.

Satisfaction

This issue of the Criterion will be the last one published this quarter and after surviving a management shuffle among other difficulties, bigger and better things are envisioned in the spring.

Although some staffers are drawing salaries on a work-study basis, the majority are just dedicated volunteers who take pride in producing something that benefits others besides themselves. Journalists work hard and spend countless sleepless hours satisfying the urge within themselves that stems from questioning minds.

But in striving to do the best job possible with the number of staff members available, newsworthy events may have been overlooked— not to mention the overworking of several key staffers. In this light, we can only offer our apologies to the neglected and sincere thanks to our tireless colleagues.

And to a student body which has the potential to develop into a crackerjack four-year population, gratitude for the interest shown in the new look of the Criterion.

Have an enjoyable spring break.

Tuition gripe

Dear Editor:

There seems to be an area of college policy that needs to be brought out in the open. We all know that a full-time day student is paying the same amount of money to be a vet, then he could take more hours. And if this poor person who, because of a family situation or working conditions, cannot attend 12 or more hours of college is penalized almost $500 per quarter yet he pays the same amount to go to class that the full-time student does. For some reason this poor person who, because of a family situation or working conditions, cannot attend 12 or more hours of college is penalized almost $500 per quarter yet he pays the same amount for half of the education that he would get if he could take more hours. And if this so called "full-time" student does not have any benefits rights or just wants to take a few classes does he still have to pay the full amount for seven hours.

It is my opinion that a person who pays only half the number of credits or hours here at Mesa should pay only half the tuition. Night school and

Letters

No joke

Dear Editor,

I would like to make a comment on the topic of toilet paper that is presently being used in the dormitory restrooms. Exactly where does the activity fee go? I was wonder what if some of this money could be spent to get a better grade of toilet paper for our benefit. Peace.

Not an apathetic student

Dalton Tanakana

Debbie Eger

Renee Williams

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Judy Hall

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Mesa’s DECA organization capture honors in Denver

Between March 2 and March 4 the DECA Club of Mesa College, sponsored by Mr. Jack Cassidy, participated in the annual Colorado Junior College Distributive Education Convention at the Sheridan Hotel in Denver. The theme for this year’s seminar was “Business Alive in ’75.” Junior colleges in attendance were: El Paso Community College, Aims College, Northeastern Junior College, Community College of Denver, Arapahoe Community College, and Mesa College. Only six students from Mesa College participated, but according to their sponsor, Mr. Jack Cassidy, “Our six performed like sixty.” The opening session was kicked off by John Ralston, Head Coach and General Manager of the Denver Broncos. There were marketing seminars that were divided into four general areas: Banking and Finance, Retailing, Service Industry, and Manufacturing. Following the seminars were competitive events in the four categories. Competing in the Service Industry and taking first place were Tim Cox, Bruce Whiteley, Terry Graham, and Jeff McElroy. Representing Mesa in the Manufacturing competition was Tim Cox who achieved a well-earned third place. The Banking and Finance competition was attended by Susan Watts, who finished in fifth place. Bruce, Jeff, Terry, and Ginny Lane also attended the Retailing competition, but failed to finish in the top three positions.

In addition to these awards, the Mesa College team won the Chevron Award for Sales Representation and a $200 certificate to participate in the Nationals in Florida. Tim Cox also received an award from Chevron for Management Decision Making and Human Relations. He also won a chance to represent Mesa College at the Nationals. The Mesa Team is now in the process of raising funds so they can attend the Nationals in Hollywood, Florida, the first week of May.

Rape talks arouse concern

(Cont. from page 1) I felt myself, but I couldn’t,” Beth said, “No way!” She had, when hitch-hiking previously, always noted license plates, asked numerous questions about the driver and refused dubious rides in order to have positive identification and protect herself. That day, however, she was late and the car and driver looked safe and she did not exercise her usual caution. The rest is history and, despite Beth’s remark, is not always all that comfortable with morals.”

What’s Happening

TODAY
Pre-registration materials due in admissions office
1:00 p.m. Vet’s Club raffle drawing, Student Center Vet’s Office
FRIDAY - SATURDAY
Vocational Industrial Clubs of America Convention, Wubben Lecture Hall
8:00 p.m. Mesa Repertory Dance Concert, Walter Walker Theatre
SATURDAY
10:00 a.m. Rodeo Ag Jackpot rodeo, Ursa Downs Ranch, near cowboy boots and cary I.D. for free admission. Regular admission $1.00.
10:00 a.m. SBA movie, Burn Cassidy and Sundance Kid, Student Center Cafeteria, MONDAY
6:00 p.m. SBA Cabinet meeting, Central Dining Room
MONDAY - FRIDAY
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The thing about cowboys is, you can always tell who they are and their rank on the status ladder by the amount and variety of bumper stickers perfectly placed on the outside of their cars, trucks, horse trailers and tractors. These are declaring the outgoing personality of the owner. Other gems that pronounce the culture of the cowboy include "Only cowboys are tough enough to eat snuff" which goes along with "Pass with care, tobacco chewer," placed appropriately on the rear windows as a warning to passing motorists and pedestrians.

Others simply declare that the occupants of the vehicle, are indeed cowboys, or maybe just caught in that role, as evidenced by "I'm not a cowboy, I just found the hat," "Used cowboy very cheap" or one that declares one of the saddle savers favorite pastimes - "America's number 1 sport." In the world of love, the cowboy has cut through the chauvinistic attitudes, placing "Cowboys do it all (nearly)" on his side of the appeal before the appearance in addition to requesting an appeal without requesting a personal appearance. If you wish to appear before the appeal board you must specifically ask for the appearance in addition to requesting an appeal.

"Appealing' idea on the back of card

On the back of every male American's draft card, the following tongue-twisting words are written: "Personal appearance before the appeal board may be requested if you are eligible to request an appeal to the appeal board. You may appeal to the appeal board without requesting a personal appearance before the appeal board, but if you wish to appear before the appeal board you must specifically ask for the appearance in addition to requesting an appeal."

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Campus Briefs

Library open
Due to the impending finals week, the library will be open all day tomorrow from 9 to 5.

Film missing
A film entitled "Study Skills" has been missing and anyone knowing of its whereabouts should contact the Audio-Visual Department or Mr. Carroll Evans in the counseling office.

Rodeo Sunday
A Jackpot rodeo, sponsored by the Mesa College Rodeo Ag Club, will be held Sunday beginning at 10 a.m. at Uranium Downs. Students wearing cowboy boots and presenting a student ID will be admitted free of charge. Regular admission is $1 for adults and 50c for children.

Vet loans
The Veterans Administration is processing applications for new education loans for veterans attending school under the GI Bill. The loans, up to a maximum of $600 in one academic year, were established by the Vietnam-era Veterans Re-Adjustment Act of 1974, enacted by Congress in December.

For further information, contact the Veteran Affairs Office in the Student Center.

Student bookstore
The Student Bookstore, sponsored by the Student Body Association, will be accepting books next Wednesday through Friday for resale the first week of spring quarter. The bookstore will be held in the North Meeting Room, however, instead of Houston Hall.

Registration reminder
Today is the deadline for turning in spring pre-registration cards to the registration booths on the terrace level of the library administration building. Students not doing so must go through regular registration procedures March 31.

Persons who have pre-registered may pay all fees beginning March 27 through April 2.

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Margaret Fuller-America's first liberated female

By Nancy Mueller
Criterion Staff Writer

She was America's first woman journalist, first foreign correspondent, first woman editor of an intellectual magazine, first professional literary critic of either sex, and first underground revolutionary in a foreign cause — in short, Margaret Fuller (1810-1850) was America's first liberated female.

Educated in New England as thoroughly as her father would have prepared a son for Harvard, Ms. Fuller developed a great enthusiasm for knowledge and earned a reputation for brilliant achievement. In 1840, she was chosen editor of a transcendentalist journal, "The Dial," an idealistic project which contained literature, poetry, and literary criticism. The pages of "The Dial" also held Ms. Fuller's first article on women's rights, titled "The Great Lawsuit: Man vs. Man and Woman vs. Women." The controversial essay appeared in the July 1843 issue of "The Dial," the only issue which ever sold completely out. Typical of her theme, Ms. Fuller was a radical feminist who believed that women and men were equal and that women's rights must be fought for. She criticism was so forceful that she was barred from a lecture to Harvard students on "Woman's Place." Despite this, she continued to speak out for women's rights.

In 1846 Ms. Fuller traveled to Europe. Greeley agreed to pay her $85 for dispatches written as a foreign correspondent for the "Tribune." In Europe Ms. Fuller met several Italian revolutionaries and became involved with their cause. In Rome she accepted a letter drop for secret agents of exiled Italian revolutionary Giuseppe Mazzini and sent dispatches to the "Tribune" on the Italian political turmoil. Also in Rome, Ms. Fuller met the Marquis de la Varenne and Angelo Ossoli. They had a son in 1848 and were married a year later. Revolution occurred in Italy and Ms. Fuller became director of a military hospital in Rome.

When the Republic fell, Ms. Fuller and Ossoli were forced to leave Italy and sail for America in 1850. Their ship struck a sandbar off Fire Island and all passengers were drowned.

Faculty may gain larger classes, more hours beginning fall qtr.

Starting next fall quarter, Mesa's faculty may be teaching more hours and larger classes at their current salaries, according to Herb Weldon, dean of faculty. He said that the reason for the overload is that there is not enough money in the state budget to finance more teachers at four-year institutions.

The governor's executive budget office will recommend an increase in faculty at Mesa with the final decision being left to the state legislature. If Governor Lamm decides to cut budgets, educational systems will be among the first to get a decrease in state allocations.

Weldon said that there is definitely a basis for concern as a number of budgets are submitted to the legislature and there is no way of telling what will happen until June. He continued to say that he does not know what the situation will be next year.

An average class consists of 18 students per faculty member and the minimum students required for a class is twelve, a policy set by the State Board of Trustees and the legislature.

Dance concert set for tonight, tomorrow

"Grand Old Beach," a mime dance drama, will be the featured dance in the Mesa Repertory Dance Concert being staged tonight and tomorrow in Walter Walker Auditorium.

Both performances will begin at 8 p.m.

The featured production depicts rollicking fun and conviviality on the beach during the Gay Nineties with Gilbert and Sullivan on the viola and Donna Williams on the harpsichord.

Tickets for the performances are priced at $1.50 for adults and 50c for children.

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LOSE TURN

GET BIG HANGOVER
ROLL AGAIN
Collective sighs can be heard around campus whenever a quarter nears its end. To further ease one's transition into the quarter break, guest artist Gary Higley has humorously constructed an example of the rat race many Mesa students undergo. Pull out this center page, find one die and play "The Mesa College Game" -- guaranteed to make you smile once.
"Overcoming difficulties is my specialty"

By Max Bryson
Criterion Staff Writer

"My name is Steve Davis and I'm a third-year computer programming student at Mesa College. Overcoming difficulties is my specialty."

From the time Davis left the hospital where he was born, he has been blind. He was a premature baby, placed in an incubator and given too much oxygen, which caused the formation of scar tissue over his retinas. But Davis’ blindness presented only a physical problem and one of adjustment, for his desire and intellectual abilities were of the kind that couldn’t be held back.

Davis often jokes about his impairment and finds in humor a release for his tensions. "If a guy's going to be in my situation, you've gotta have some humor," he says.

Davis, a native of Glenwood Springs, moved in a world tailored for the blind before his enrollment at Mesa. The Colorado School for the Deaf and Blind provided instruction on how to cope with the problem of continuing his education. A counselor prompted Davis to choose a college where sighted students would be the majority. Steve sought a small college where he could study math and computer programming and reasons, "You're not going to be around blind people all of your life."

Jay Tolman, Dean of Students, recalls that school officials were "hesitant" about accepting Davis because Mesa is not geared for blind students in its classes or design. They guessed which he gets free from a non-profit company, if a book has not been taped, however, Davis is required to purchase two books for the agency. One is used by the reader and the other by a monitor who checks the reader for accuracy. One of the books is re-

A typical third-year college student, Davis frequents the Student Center snack bar, discusses the state of the world with fellow students and occasionally downs a round of ale with comrades.

Tape recordings have their disadvantages when studying algebra, calculus and accounting and generally require 50 per cent more time than reading the same material in braille.

Davis utilizes a stylus, an instrument about the size of a ruler which allows him to punch out braille symbols for note-taking in class, and he also has a braille typewriter.

About his adjustment to college living Davis says, "I'm not having it any tougher than most students, except Friday and Saturday nights, maybe." And the creative junior has occasionally overcome even those difficulties as he can be seen brushing up at 7:00 a.m. with comradery.

Davis plans to undertake another year of education, gaining credit toward a baccalaureate degree. And when he enters the job market, should employers be looking for creative intelligence, he should have no trouble overcoming yet another obstacle - further productivity, in his life.

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Graham, a sophomore at Mesa displayed football his freshman year, and is academically inclined. A student of the dance, ballet, and music, specifically the piano, Graham majors in liberal arts.

Graham would like to visit and possibly settle in Africa someday and hopes the racial discrimination indigenous of the area south of the Sahara, "as a man is going to be a man, he is going to have to put one foot forward to try to discover why we war, and why we can live peacefully together."

"At the base of many racial disruptions in our current America society is the question of integration. Graham sees it this way, "Integration is a deterrent to minority, and for that matter majority, culture preservation. Because the history books indoctrinate white history this is so. Educators should start in the lower levels to teach cultural differences and histories."

Graham views life as "something not to be wasted" and enjoys college for its "mind broadening" quality and because it gives him the chance to meet people, an experience which he savors."

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### PEOPLE PROFILE

Many interesting personalities parade around the Mesa campus daily, often unnoticed. In a semi-regular feature, these people will be spotlighted by the Criterion staff to expose the multi-faceted faces of the Maverick diamond.

#### Vonna Miller

**Super singer**

When someone knowledgeable of the singers in the Grand Valley is asked who the best female singer around is, the most common answer given is Vonna Miller.

Ms. Miller, a voice and piano instructor at Mesa, has recently received outstanding recognition through her endeavors in a nationally sponsored voice competition.

The competition, sponsored by the Federation of Music Clubs, involves a rigorous audition held every two years and includes singers from across the United States. Ms. Miller recently completed for, and won, the Colorado-Wyoming district competition for female voices. She won the right to compete on the district level only after having won in Colorado. Now, after being victorious in the two-state district, she has sung her way to the right to compete in Washington D.C. against the winners of the other districts. Should she win in the national competition, she will have earned $3,000 and the opportunity to study in Europe. She would also be requested to perform in a series of concerts sponsored by the Federation.

"I'm looking forward to Washington," she admits, "but I'm a little nervous."

It would seem that nervousness is not a part of her repertoire, though, when one considers the amount of singing that has to be done on a professional level in the auditions. In order to compete, the singer must be ready to perform one complete opera role, one song cycle, an oratorio role, a German lied, French art songs, English art songs, and solo work with an orchestra.

Ms. Miller graduated from the University of Missouri with a Masters degree in music. At first she attended the University with the desire to study piano, but, realizing her potential as a songstress, she began devoting her interests to voice. She used her talents to work her way through college by singing professionally on numerous occasions.

Ms. Miller’s beautiful three-octave, agile range voice, and attractive appearance are considered a blessing by those who have heard her singing from the halls of Walter Walker Fine Arts Building. "The only trouble," says one of her students, "is when she sings, she almost makes you feel bad because she does it so well. You try to compare your own voice to hers and you realize how much there is to learn."

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### Dan Showalter

Only Basketcracker Showalter, and he hopes to have at least part of the time after retirement to travel, but commenting on the difference in the pace of life here and abroad, he remarked that he would return to Mesatics for "revivization and challenges."

Between her junior and senior years at Littleton, she traveled to Europe where she enriched her theatrical talents in classes at the University of London. During her senior year, after turning from London, she was accepted to the prestigious Stella Adler Conservatory of Acting in New York City. The school includes an alumni such acting greats as Marlon Brando and Warren Beatty. Unfortunately for Ms. Ferguson, her probable blessing for Mesa College, she did not have the vast amounts of money required to attend the conservatory. Her alternate choice of Mesa was based on the reputation of William Robinson and the drama department.

Ms. Ferguson’s first real taste was shown in the Drama Department’s recent production of “Agamemnon.” She used her role as a serious actress in the brilliant portrayal of the wicked murderess Clytemnestra.

Ms. Ferguson is very satisfied with Mesa and Grand Junction thus far, but if given the chance, she would like to return and have her education. Or, as she meows on her forehead, “If stardom calls...” But if not, she will be welcomed to the Mesa stage with open arms (curtains?) next fall.

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### Bergman excels as coach for 25 years

Mesa College baseball head coach Walter F. “Bus” Bergman has been an accomplish in athletics since his high school days at North High School in Denver. An all-around athlete, he lettered for the then named Aggies of Colorado State University 10 times in football, basketball, and baseball. Having graduated from CSU, Bergman then served as athletic director at Ft. Lewis College before coming to Mesa. Now in his 25th year at Mesa, Bergman’s baseball teams have won nine NJCAA titles and 10 Empire Conference championships. His Mavericks were second place in the NCAA tourneys in 1961, 1964, and 1970. His 23-year record as Mesa baseball coach includes 399 wins against 192 losses.

Bergman served four years in the United States Marine Corps during World War II, earning the Bronze Star at Okinawa. Thereafter, he returned to CSU to earn his master’s degree before going the Ft. Lewis stiff. He coached football at Mesa 15 years before relinquishing the duties at the end of the 1965 season. Bergman’s football teams, like his diamond squads, were often ranked among the region’s best. His May gridironers won three Empire Conference titles.

"I’d have to have to pick one sport I enjoy the most," said Bergman. "When asked if it was baseball he replied, "I think so. I did manage the Grand Junction Eagles," he said proudly. Over a period of nine years, the Eagles, a semipro club, won 200 games while losing only 83. Bergman retired from that position in 1963.

Bergman was named Baseball Coach of the Year for District 7 in 1969 and 1970. In addition to his head baseball coaching duties, he also coaches various F. E. activities at Mesa.
Mesa music...

Melodies filled the campus air the past week-and-a-half, with concerts ranging from classical to contemporary. Below, the Mesa College Concert Choir presented its winter concert Monday night under the direction of Darrell Blackburn.

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Frank Erikson (above), an Aspen recording artist, warbled mellow tunes to a subdued audience in Walter Walker Theater last Thursday night. The night before, the visiting Concordia Choir of Moorhead, Minn., filled the same room with sound while across campus in the Student Center snack bar Good Question, a local jazz-rock band, jammed for nearly three hours.
Women's sports path taking positive turn

By Janna Beth Vaughn
Criterion Staff Writer

With a little luck and some bureaucratic muscle Mesa College women may get a foot in the intercollegiate athletic door.

Wayne Nelson, athletic director and physical education department chairman, said that plans for women intercollegiate sports are being proposed. The tentative program includes volleyball (fall), basketball (winter) and, in addition to tennis, a non-traveling softball team in the spring.

Sylvia Clarke-Baker, a veteran tennis enthusiast from Trinidad-Tobago, has already organized a tennis team for the 1975 spring season but, at present, the team is operating without funds — although "the physical education department is cooperating in every other way," Miss Clarke-Baker said.

Next year's tentative program includes a $1500 budget request and plans to combine travel arrangements with existing varsity schedules. Possible meets for women would include Western State, Adams State, Ft. Lewis and College of Eastern Utah. In addition, a possible trip to the Denver area would combine encounters with DU, Metro State and Regis.

The success of the program depends primarily on interest and participation. Intramurals, Nelson said, are a good test of interest and, consequently, one indicator of the probable success of intercollegiate athletics. Intramural basketball was lively this quarter and games — with sometimes lopsided scores — showed keen interest.

Women are becoming more sports oriented, Nelson added, which is further justification for athletic programs at the collegiate level. High schools are offering women more extramural and varsity sports opportunities which raise both skill levels and interest.

There is, Nelson feels, a growing need for intercollegiate sports for women.

Despite the problems and obstacles facing its advocates, there is only one direction an intercollegiate program can go: Up. And that's exciting.

Kevin Burke
Sports Editor

The 1974-75 Mesa College Basketball team has endured a long and purely season. Fortunately, it has certainly been worth it. Mesa College has enjoyed the highest winning percentage in its history (81.7) and the team also managed to win its own holiday tournament. This is something that has not been done since its inception six years ago.

A 21-7 record is indeed indicative of a very successful season and when you are in contention for the ICAC championship right down to the wire, you know that you're doing something right. Though it would have been nice to win the ICAC title in Mesa's last year in the conference, we are sure that the other conference teams are glad that they will not have Mesa College to contend with in the future.

Good direction

A basketball team no matter how talented, will go nowhere if a talented coach is not there to give them direction. We are obviously referring to head coach Bruce Haroldson. This man came to Mesa just three weeks prior to the start of fall quarter and in that time assembled the best basketball team that Mesa has ever had.

We are curious to see what kind of team Haroldson can put together for the '75-'76 season now that he has considerably more time to recruit. In addition to that we hope that the players on this years team will stay on at Mesa as it evolves into a four-year college. We have at last got a good thing going and it would be a real drag to see it stifled.

This writer can remember meeting the players the first week of Fall quarter and then took bets at his place of work on how well the team would do. Though he did lose one on whether or not the team would go to the nationals, he did win a bet on the Holiday tourney and another one on whether Mesa would win 20 games.

The team did not let me down and this gambler came out on top.

Hats off

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Championship squad

The Mesa wrestling took its second straight Intermountain Collegiate Athletic Conference title this season under the guidance of Coach Ed Tooker. Members of the championship squad are (bottom row) Adolph Galvan, Steve Sumby, Dave Hansjosten, Chuck Kinkel, John Penikvar, Bruce DeGreetin, Rick Sala and Allen Abeita; (top row) Tooker, Doug Tobouchi, Dave Patterson, Dean Shavers, Jerry Shaw, Steve Linsacum, Scott Williams, John Aragon, Randy LeBlanc and Scott Sangenroth.

Goose pimples

Despite Colorado's near-arctic weather, practice is in full swing for the newly-formed women's tennis team coached by Sylvia Clarke-Baker, a ranked player from the West Indies.

Great job

The 1974-75 Mesa College Basketball team has endured a long and purely season. Fortunately, it has certainly been worth it. Mesa College has enjoyed the highest winning percentage in its history (81.7) and the team also managed to win its own holiday tournament. This is something that has not been done since its inception six years ago.

A 21-7 record is indeed indicative of a very successful season and when you are in contention for the ICAC championship right down to the wire, you know that you're doing something right. Though it would have been nice to win the ICAC title in Mesa's last year in the conference, we are sure that the other conference teams are glad that they will not have Mesa College to contend with in the future.

Good direction

A basketball team no matter how talented, will go nowhere if a talented coach is not there to give them direction. We are obviously referring to head coach Bruce Haroldson. This man came to Mesa just three weeks prior to the start of fall quarter and in that time assembled the best basketball team that Mesa has ever had.

We are curious to see what kind of team Haroldson can put together for the '75-'76 season now that he has considerably more time to recruit. In addition to that we hope that the players on this years team will stay on at Mesa as it evolves into a four-year college. We have at last got a good thing going and it would be a real drag to see it stifled.

This writer can remember meeting the players the first week of Fall quarter and then took bets at his place of work on how well the team would do. Though he did lose one on whether or not the team would go to the nationals, he did win a bet on the Holiday tourney and another one on whether Mesa would win 20 games.

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Doubleheader tomorrow

Mav baseballers meet WSC in opener

By Kevin Burke
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The 1975 Mesa College baseball season will get underway tomorrow at Lincoln Park at 1:00 p.m. The mostly freshman club will meet Western State College in a double-header consisting of nine and seven innings each.

"It's a good deal for Western State and ourselves as well since it will give us some game experience on our home field. Sophomore pitcher Bobby Rupert, one of three returning lettermen for the Mavs, Russell is the most experienced pitcher having seen lots of action in the NJCAA tournament here in Grand Junction last year and "did a pretty good job," Bergman recalled.

Other pitchers that will be under Bergman's watchful eye are Mark Libert, who has already been drafted by the Philadelphia Phillies. The National League team is now 4-6 in exhibition play after defeating the New York Mets last Monday 7-3.

The Mavs and Rough Riders were locked in costly foul trouble with four apiece.

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Mesa had a 7-4-4 lead with 5:59 left before running into a cold spell that was to last for 6:06 without scoring a point. In that time Yavapai picked up 14 points and lead 17-14 with 3:53 remaining.

"We lost a heartbreaker - the momentum died when we couldn't have afforded it," said head coach Bruce Haroldson. "We made a run at the end, but ran out of time. It was very, very frustrating," he said.

During the "cold spell" 5-foot-6 center Ed Carter and 5-foot guard Aubrey Walker left the game in foul trouble with four apiece.

Mesa started the second half off quickly and built their lead to 33-46 with 17:45 left to play and it appeared that Mesa would be setting up for the finals the following night. Unfortunately, the Rough Riders sent the Mavs packing.

Yavapai's Anthony McCoy, taking advantage of the Maverick dead spot, displayed numerous offensive and defensive talents. The 6-foot-4 sophomore scored 29 points - 19 in the second half. He also stole lots of passes and rebounds.

The Mavericks trailed briefly in the first half but built up an 11-point lead with 5:00 left and led 40-28, All-American candidate Terry Gugat paced the shooting. The second year man from Colorado Springs scored 17 of his points in the first half.

Both teams used the full court press but the Mavericks were better able to take advantage of it and forced the Rough Riders into costly mistakes. Both teams were still able to get several fast breaks against the press, however.

Steve Hill scored 10 points and Howard Bowling chipped in eight for Yavapai. May guard Mike Cattivera posted 17 points and Walker and Gugat had 20 apiece. Carter, of Mesa, sat out 10 minutes of the first half having been quickly penalized with three personal fouls.

Yavapai went on only to lose to Arizona Western for the Region I championship. Arizona Western will represent Region 1 at the NJCAA tournament this weekend in Hutchinson, Kansas.

Super Six-minus

A five-man effort did the job Tuesday night and as a result, the intramural voxel volleyball champions were crowned in Saunders Fieldhouse.

The Super Six, who were missing one player due to illness, captured the title with successive wins in a post-season tournament consisting of the top four teams. A 15-4, 15-3, seminal win over the B & H's pushed the Super Six into the finals against Rock City, a 15-15, 15-6, 15-4 winner over the Beer Barrels.

In close but decisive contests, the Super Six walked away winners in the title match with a 15-13, 15-11 victory.

Members of the championship squad are Lisa Williams (captain), Mike Neschbier, Dean Flammenstein, Dalton Tonnak, Lily Lawton and sister Mary, the absent player.

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Basketball year ends with frustrating loss

Mesa College dominated the first three quarters of play against Yavapai College of Prescott, Ariz. this past Friday evening in Yuma, Ariz. It appeared that its team was heading for the Region I championship. But in the last quarter the Mavericks began to wobble and Yavapai toppled them, 86-82 in a hard fought yet ultimately frustrating contest for the Mavs in the first round of the Region I tournament.

Skyin' high

Team captain Marty Carroll seems to know what path the basketball will take in intramural basketball action last week in Saunders Fieldhouse. Carroll's BOSS team, by virtue of its crucial win over second-place Boogie Sneakers, has just about wrapped up the league title.

All-league honors bestowed on Mesa's Gugat, Walker

Mesa College forward Terry Gugat has been named to the All-ICAC basketball team for the second year in a row, the conference office has announced.

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This is Mesa's final shot at the ICAC title since they join the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference next fall. It will also be their last chance to participate in the NJCAA tournament as Mesa will achieve four-year status this upcoming academic year. "We've always enjoyed playing in the Joco tournament. We've played in it 13 times," said Bergman. "You can bet that one of our goals is to try to get in again this last time."

All-Mountain Scholar-Athlete Dick Quinley, who has already been wrapped up the league title.

Mesa College tie for first place with Western in region. Mesa's letterman Jon Zinc of Palisade; Steve Hodson, Chico State; H. B. Bearden, Arizona Western; and Walter England. Phil Deen, Montana College, were named to the All-ICAC basball team. Members of the championship squad are Lisa Williams (captain), Mike Neschbier, Dean Flammenstein, Dalton Tonnak, Lily Lawton and sister Mary, the absent player.