Security’s new toy?

Stun guns spark tempers

Mysterious guard worries students; fear gun abuse

Pamela Larson
The Criterion

“Bubba” has raised his head again. He is a mythical, cattle-prodding, student-torturing security guard who is not qualified to do his job. Some students have voiced concern that he now has a stun gun and plans to terrorize the campus.

Five stun guns, each the size and shape of a handheld remote control, have been purchased to equip the Mesa State College security guards with non-violent control devices, said Ron Gray, director of the Physical Plant.

“I think the stun gun gives us a good non-violent alternative to get someone who is violent and out of control, into control,” Gray said.

The stun gun, a contact device powered by a nine-volt battery, sends a mild electric shock to a muscle’s nerve for 5 to 15 seconds, allowing the officer enough time to disarm or handcuff a person who is violently out of control, said Gough.

Stun gun rumors on campus created a furor among student body representatives at their last three meetings. SBA President Craig Glogowski took a list of student’s fears about the stun guns to President Kief. Kief indicated the administration did not know about the purchase of the stun guns until after they had been acquired.

“As SBA president, I strongly oppose any upgrade or downgrade of security without telling administration or students. Students have a right to know how they are being protected,” Glogowski said.

“I work with security everyday in housing and I think there is a need for upgrading, but I don’t know if stun guns are what’s going to solve it,” said Vashiti Stevens, SBA treasurer and Tolman Hall’s resident assistant.

Kief said the actual use is being evaluated. He said the stun guns are a good use of technology at a lower level of control.

“These are actually a more humane way of dealing with the unpleasant handling of serious, violent situations rather than having to go to the billy club or mace,” Kief said.

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Paradoxical freedom

Freedom is a paradox. Laws bind it. When laws and restrictions are placed on an individual freedom soon reaches a point of diminishing returns. Too often new laws, made in the name of the Constitution, detract from the freedoms it guarantees. We should ask, "Who will profit from adding more laws?"

In theory, freedom is limitless. In action it seems to be making freedom the most paradoxically, it continues to be willing to sacrifice America. These rules look decent to destroy individual freedom in their facade of "rightness" is Constitutional interpretation in the voice yet another opinion on two Amendment struck a nerve, one that compelled me to respond and to interpret the Second Amendment as the living document, to say as to when, where and how our forefathers meant for the government to accommodate College Place.

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Sexual Harrassment, equal rights, feminists

His point: Charley Hancock

This is no point counterpoint. It is point point. There is no such thing as sexual harrassment in society. Yes, it exists, and yes, it is wrong. But what is sexual harrassment? Is it the same for a nurse as it is for a hooker? Does it mean the same for a male stripper as it does for a Baptist minister? Obviously it is a personal call.

So when does harrassment become harrassment? Not until the person, who feels he she is being harrased, speaks up against the actions of the harasser, and those actions continue. Now we come to the problem.

Scenario: You feel the actions of your supervisor, or more pertinent, the actions of your professor, fall under the heading of sexual harrassment. What do you do about it? Do you tell a friend and not tell your supervisor, wanting to keep your job, or grades, and hoping the actions will stop. That's basically the story of Anita Hill, and we have seen what happened there.

Do you confront the supervisor or professor, as the law states you have the right to do, without generalization of opinions? The law says you can. Reality says you had better watch your harassed heinie.

Is there sexual harrassment here on State? You bet! I have talked with ladies who feel they have been sexually harrased. Have they come forward? No! I have begged, pleaded, argued, but to no avail. And this was all BEFORE the Thomas/Hill fiasco.

"Why, I pleaded with them, "won't you come forward and stop this? You'll not only be doing it for yourself, but the precedence you set will help all those who follow."

"Are you kidding?" they answered. "It would only make it worse. We would be the ones who would be at fault. We would be accused of raising a stink over nothing; of misinterpreting the instructor's actions or comments; of trying to get back at the instructor for bad grades; or worst of all, of having solicited the action because of our own behavior."

Remember folks, this was all BEFORE the Thomas/Hill trial, so you will have to excuse my naive. I could not understand how these woman could have such a misguided idea of justice. I could not believe, in this day of equal rights, a person would think such a chauvinistic attitude could prevail. There was no way, in my mind, if what they said was true, the powers that be would not fail to act.

I have grown since then....

When the results of the Senate Judicial Committee came back, I called a few of my female classmates to get their opinion of the results, knowing they would be appalled at the results. Wrong!

"You can't trust a woman," said one lady, "They're treacherous and will stab you in the back every chance they get."

Another woman said, "No, I don't think Hill was harrased. I think she was just out for personal gain."

These are the general trends of my conversations with women talking about a woman. This was not a male making chauvinistic remarks. These were attitudes representative of society's view toward women. This is why men and women are being forced to suffer the demeaning effects of harrassment. It is not just a male versus female problem, but a social problem that, despite NOW and the efforts of other women's groups attempting to bring us out of the 18th century, is pervasive to the point of being unconscious.

My point, Folks, we have a problem with society. When an individual is afraid of standing up for their rights for fear of retributions from the system, then that system needs change. We may not be able to change the bullying, chauvinistic attitude of the few, but we should be able to protect the rights of individuals when those attitudes prevail in the public arena.

As Anita Hill said at the end of her ordeal, "I am hopeful that others who may have suffered sexual harrassment will not be discouraged by my experience, but instead, will find the strength to speak up about this serious problem. It is definitely a problem, but it is not a problem without a solution.

Her point: Lita Wood

What's wrong with this picture? I saw the American flag flying above the White House, I listened to the national anthem, (with goose bumps as always), heard the President of the United States say that Clarence Thomas was unquestionably the most honorable man alive and the best choice available to be a U.S. Supreme Court justice, and wondered if I was the only sane person on the planet. Could it be that I had just witnessed the beginning of the dark ages all over again?

I reject the idea that there is or ever was such a thing as "the average person", and certainly the notion that "average" can be defined by my peers or anyone else. Consequently, I cannot presume to speak for every woman around me. I can, however, speak for myself.

I am very disturbed about the results of the Thomas confirmation for many reasons, not least of which is the fact that what it says about our elected representatives in Washington, and the impartiality of the Court, as well as the exploitative and base nature of the media. Much more importantly however, it disturbed me enough to come to grips with the disparate reality women live with in this country.

Through a male-dominated socialization process, women have been and still are falsely portrayed as less than complete human beings. The attitudes created, cultivated, and perpetuated by the media, and institutionalized "norms" have resulted in the current situation where women are less valued in our society. Their contributions to the overall achievements of human-kind were left out of history, or, as one person put it: included in text books as, "the small box on one page about Susan B. Anthony.

Decades ago the women's movement was viewed by the male power structure as a radical, fringe group of mostly militant individuals. The protagonists of the American Revolution were described in just this way. Somewhere along the line, the name "feminist" became a way to describe any woman who stood up for what she viewed as equal rights to what she was entitled. Any person supporting the rights of all Americans, regardless of their biology, was viewed as a feminist - a heretic.

Now, at the turn of a new century, history books are being re-written to include the other half of time. We are beginning to hear the rest of the story. Feminists are no longer considered heretics by most cognitive individuals, but they are still viewed as a threat by a society that stubbornly resists change. Along the same lines of positivity, a small but promising men's movement is budding.

Locally and very specifically, I would like to see a change in how women are treated on this campus. Let's not kid ourselves. Differential treatment can be either positive or negative, but it is always differential treatment. I have had professors who graded women on a different scale than themselves. I know who are harassed by sexually biased instructors inclined to let their personal lives guide their classroom behavior. (There may be men in this category, but I do not know them.) There is no reason to believe anyone benefits from such treatment. (Least of all the professor who loses credibility.)

It is my opinion that positive change is very much called for in the way this society views women and men. The avenues toward that change are many and are facilitated by feminists and others who work for equitable attitudes and conditions in the lives of all people. Regardless of whether you call yourself a feminist, and whether you are a woman or a man, equitable treatment is what we all deserve. Make a difference.

Trent Wuster
The Criteron

"When I wrote the following pages, or rather the bulk of them, I lived alone, a mile from any neighbor, in a house which I had built myself, in the midst of the woods, rather the bulk of them, Massachusetts, and earned my living by labor of my hands only."

These words were written by Henry David Thoreau in his famous book "Walden." He is considered by many to be the father of the environmental movement and remains an inspiration to those attempting to change the world's ecological views.

"Walden is a perfect forest mirror, set round with the largest, fairest, and most interesting woods in the world, a perfect mirror of all the woods in the world."

"Walden Woods is a symbol of America's environmental heritage. The man who lived there has a vision of a world where man and nature live in simplicity, concentrating on philosophical endeavors and on the spiritual value of Nature. These words are worth saving as a landmark to Nature and as a symbolic reminder of the value of Nature."

"Let us spend one day as deliberately as Nature."

Now Walden Works is threatened by development. Some well-known people like music star Don Henley, are spear-heading the movement to save what has been dubbed "the cradle of the environmental movement."

"The very energy of Walden is on a humble scale, and, though very beautiful, does not approach to grandeur; nor is it a concern one who has not long frequented it or lived by its shore."

The efforts to save the pond have resulted in a fund sufficient to put a down payment on the land around Walden Woods. But now supporters face the task of coming up with a purchase price of more than $3 million.

If you want more information on Walden Works, you can be helping with this cause, call 1-900-866-2888. There is a $3 charge per call which goes toward the conservation of the woods.

All quotes are from "Walden."
Students boycott center; smoking ban protested

Robert Duschabek
The Criterion

Expectations of a new smoking lounge in the refurbished W.W. Campbell College Center have gone up in a puff of smoke with Gov. Roy Romer’s executive order declaring “no smoking” in state-owned buildings. It has left some of the students fuming.

“They be surprised by the number of student smokers who are boycotting the student center because of the decision,” said Don Hedgecock, a senior at Mesa State College, who is himself a smoker.

The ban has created discussion on the legality of the prohibition and on how the state’s chief executive can ban smoking from a building that has traditionally been supported by student fees.

“The students paid for it with their dues. Not Governor Roy,” Hedgecock said.

Mesa State can file for an exemption, but has not done so. After being denied an exemption for the student center “was not considered a resident facility,” it probably would not qualify for an exemption. College dormitories and apartments are the only buildings that fall under the exemption, said Kieft.

The issue came to light last spring after a disagreement between a Criterion staff member and former editor Don Van Wormer. Van Wormer permitted smoking in The Criterion office housed in the college center. At that time, the college had deemed the center a smoking area because it was a student-funded building.

Michelle LaMay, a reformed smoker, embarked on a petition process leading all the way to the Governor’s office. Ultimately, it led to the enforcement of the smoking ban at Mesa State. She said she was not on an anti-smoking crusade. “I just wanted to see the law enforced,” LaMay said.

At first, it appeared the college center exemption would hold when ventilators and air filters were installed in a lounge area of the remodeled student center. However, a recent memo from Kieft’s office said the ban would be enforced in the center when it was reopened.

The cafeteria and snack bar are now open, and the smoking ban remains in effect.

Common issues shared with East Slope

Mynid Hancock
The Criterion

Nine student representatives from Mesa State College took a fact-finding mission to Denver during fall break. They visited numerous higher educational facilities exploring the differences and similarities in student government and policies. “We are not the same SBA that went over there,” said Charles Hancock, Non-Traditional representative. He said they believed, as a majority, the trip was a success and accomplished many of the purposes.

They visited Colorado State University in Fort Collins, Colorado University in Boulder, Metro State in Denver, The Colorado Commission on Higher Education (CCHE), the state capital building, and the Colorado Student Association.

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Influenza season: no joy

Dan E. Yadon
For The Criterion

The winter season is upon us, and so is the flu season. “The influenza virus is a problem,” said Dr. Michael Addudell, director of the Mesa County Health Department.

“However, the greater problem lies in influenza related complications.” Addudell said groups at increased risk are people greater than 65 years old, adults and children with chronic pulmonary or cardiovascular system disorders (i.e., children with asthma), people with metabolic diseases such as diabetes or kidney problems, blood diseases or immune diseases.

Addudell said health care workers in hospitals, outpatient clinics and long-term care facilities should be immunized also, because they might transmit the virus to the high-risk people they meet in their course of work. He said anyone associated with a high-risk person should be immunized.

The optimal time to vaccinate individuals is in November, said Addudell. The highest activity time for flu is at the end of the year and the beginning of the following season.

Flu vaccinations are available.

Experience, pay benefits
of cooperative program

Steve Lowry
The Criterion

Offering academic credit and jobs in the business field, cooperative education is coming to Mesa State College. A limited number of positions will be available from the School of Business starting next semester.

Cooperative education differs from an internship in several areas said Cheryl Whiteley, a senior business student from Grand Junction.

“The working side of cooperative education is administered by the Placement Center, the working positions are to be paid by the company doing the hiring and students are matched with businesses related to the student’s academic interest,” she said.

“The business must provide training as well as a paycheck,” said Robert Stokes, director of the campus Placement Center.

“Sophomore, junior and senior level courses will be offered in the program,” said Dr. Laurence Mazzeno, acting dean of the School of Business.

“A student might earn from 3 to 12 credit hours and from minimum wage to $7 or $8 per hour when participating in the program, depending on their experiences,” Stokes said.

Participation in the program requires sophomore standing, a 2.5 grade point average and a declared major. Any student interested in participating in the program should make an appointment with Mazzeno at his office.

“They should have an understanding of what field of business interests them,” Mazzeno said. The deadline for applications is Nov. 15.”
Who's Who?
These legs belong to some very prominent (or at least well-known) members of the student body, faculty and adminstration. Try to match names with legs. Answers will be in next week's issue.

Brian Barton; MSC football player
Annie Eckert; desk receptionist at the college center
Lyn Godbey; financial aid secretary
Dr. James Paronto; head football coach
Robert Sowada; foreign language professor
Dr. Karen Tuinstra; developmental studies professor

HELL BIKING IN ALASKA

With minimal gear and a mountain bike Roman Dial has been able to make 150-250 mile traverses of Alaska's great ranges - exploring the canyons of the Wrangell-St. Elias Range, the glaciers of the Alaska Range, and the remote wilderness of the Brooks Range.

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Family’s loss inspires action

by Melinda Currier
The Criterion

The calm face and clear blue eyes belie what is underneath. A closer look shows hands that tremble when he lights his cigarette and there is a quiver in his voice as he talks about his dead son.

This past spring, George Neece’s son, Jeremiah, became another number in an alarmingly high statistic of deaths caused by drinking and driving.

“They say time heals all wounds, but it won’t heal this one. You just have to get used to it,” Neece said. “It’s unbelievable to see your family torn apart. I have three boys and it’s devastated all of them. My wife feels like she’s losing her mind — we all do.”

“It kills us to see our son going to be another number in the statistics,” Neece said.

The car his son died in was put on display in the Mesa State College dormitory courtyard as an example to students of what the consequences of drinking and driving can be. “This is my way of dealing with my son’s death,” he said nodding towards the wrecked car.

Neece added, “I’m not telling kids not to drink, but I worry about all these kids being away at school for the first time. They need to make serious choices (now that they are getting on to adulthood, Jeremiah doesn’t have any more choices),” he said. “He had a great future ahead of him — all gone in seconds.” Neece believed Jeremiah was a responsible drinker and said he took his brother’s car keys away from him once when he thought he was too drunk to drive.

“He was a responsible drinker; he just made a really bad choice, and that’s all it takes,” Neece said. The decision Jeremiah made on the night of April 13 was to hand the keys over to a person who had had too much to drink. The result of that decision cost him — and the driver — their lives. A half-mile from their starting point, the car crashed. The driver died on the spot, but Jeremiah lived to be rushed to the hospital. He died there.

Neece and his wife thought at first that Jeremiah had been driving the car. They found out later the girl driving had a blood alcohol content of .244, while Jeremiah’s BAC was only .08.

Under the traffic codes in the Colorado Revised Statutes, a BAC in excess of .10 (grams of alcohol per 100 milliliters of blood) is considered driving under the influence (DUI) and is punishable by fine, imprisonment and/or having the driver’s license revoked. But the minimal charges for a DUI are nothing compared to the Neece family’s ultimate cost.

Jeremiah’s picture sits on the back of the mangled, black Trans Am as proof of the price he and his family paid. His wide smile, laughing eyes and open posture are those of a warm, friendly person with a love of life. That life was lost about a month before his twentieth birthday.

On May 1 he was going to take over his father’s construction company, Neece Concrete, but like the windshield in his car that fateful night, these dreams were shattered. “He was pouring concrete in the building over here the day this happened,” Neece said, gesturing towards the college center, “He was a real professional.”

Several of his friends still come around, and a couple of them quit drinking completely. He definitely touched peoples’ lives here,” Neece said. They could not fit all the people wanting to attend the funeral in the church. “I’m sure Jeremiah never knew he had that many friends and people who cared about him. Kids don’t think about the ones they’ll be leaving behind,” he said.

Left behind to deal with their loss, the Neece family is still grieving, but they want to help aper others from the same tragic loss. “Losing a kid compared to losing a parent is 100 percent magnified. I remember the day I saw him born, and the day I saw him die. To see your kid come into the world and go out is not the way it’s supposed to be,” Neece said. “I want to save other families from the hell my family is going through.”

“Howe person will take a look at this and see what it does — think about the family you might leave behind,” said Jeremiah’s mother, Marilee. There are no tears in her eyes, but the set of her face shows the pain she feels. “There’s always a chance it might be someone’s baby and on April 13 it turned out to be ours.”

Highway Facts

In the nine-year period from 1981 to 1989, 5,473 people died on Colorado highways, with 2,651 of them dying in crashes where one or more of the drivers involved had been driving under the influence of alcohol. An alcohol-related crash is one involving a driver with a blood alcohol concentration greater than .05.

On an average during this time, nearly half of all motor vehicle fatalities involved a driver under the influence of alcohol. In 1989, 38,579 drivers were arrested for driving under the influence in Colorado.

In 1989, 213 of the 527 fatalities, or 40.4 percent, resulted from an alcohol-related fatal crash.

In 1989, 16 to 24 year olds comprised around 19 percent of the licensed drivers in Colorado, but they were involved in 34 percent of the alcohol related fatal crashes.

Drivers age 16 to 24 have a rate of involvement in alcohol-related fatal crashes that is more than twice the rate of drivers age 25 and older.

Alcohol-related motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death and injury for persons 16 to 24.

Facts supplied by U.S. DOT/National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

“You always figure it will happen to someone else,” Jeremiah’s father said.
Student tells of cultural differences

by Aimee Hill

Sky scrapers and McDonalds are not what you might see in your mind's eye when you think of the African continent. Elephants, jungles and tribes of pygmies are more likely to come to mind. However, Lebu Hang remembers those tall buildings and golden arches when he thinks of home in Zimbabwe, Africa.

Hang, a sophomore at Mesa State College, was bom and raised in the capital city of Harare. He was the youngest in a family of eight. Hang's father is a successful businessman in Zimbabwe, and pays to send his son to America for schooling.

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Homecoming . . .

Winners of the Homecoming Parade:

Society for Creative Anachronisms won the first place prize of $100.

Mesa State Activities Council won the second place prize of $50 for their "Lady Godiva" on the horse.

The Drama Club won the third place prize of $15 for their Viking float.

Honorable Mention went to Phi Beta Lambda (Business Club) for their "Mountaineer Roast."

"Jock-in-the-box," played by Kellie Straub (top left), was KMSA's contribution to the parade. Although they won no prizes, they made a good showing with their "recycling" theme. The "box" Kellie is jumping out of is a recycling bin.

"Lady Godiva," played by Megan Mullenix, on the horse (bottom left), was the Activities Council's contribution to the show. This lady is not completely unclothed, however.

First-place winners, the Society for Creative Anachronisms (bottom right), were Medieval mayhem with "swords" clashing, "armored guards" and dress typical of the time.

Little Jenna Hillbrand, age 4 (top right), is a representative of the Mini-camp All-American. She cheered the crowds on and added some youthfulness to the gathering.
The Western State players appeared to be invisible as they took the RMAC title from Mesa State.

Ghosts invade Stocker Stadium, wreak havoc with Mesa State

The ghosts of football present floated into Stocker Stadium and stole the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference title from the Mesa State Mavericks. The defending champs were beaten by Western State at the Homecoming game. The loss began a three-game losing streak for the Mavs that dropped them from the national title hunt.

The ghosts of football future may side with Mesa State. The 2-6 record is allowing Coach Jim Paronto to play plenty of freshman and sophomores this year. The experience will prepare the young players to exact revenge for this years' losses.

The Mavericks are a frustrated team right now and have lost control of their emotions on some occasions. The fact they show emotion is good for the team since it means they have not quit or given up. They are not taking losing lying down... and that should make the ghosts of football present very nervous.

All-American fullback Brian Barton tries to elude the Western State ghosts. Barton is one of the few bright spots for the Mavericks program this year.
Your Health

One in nine — that is the American Cancer Society statistic indicating how many women will have breast cancer sometime in their lifetime. In Colorado, 1,800 women will be diagnosed and 450 women will die from the disease this year.

The most significant risk factors in developing breast cancer include a family history of mother or sister who has breast cancer, and age. About 75 percent of breast cancers are detected in women over 50. Monthly breast exams, yearly exams by a health care professional, and mammography aid in early detection of breast cancer and lead to the best possible treatment outcome.

There are no known ways to significantly reduce the risk of breast cancer, but a woman can greatly increase the chances for cure of the disease by being aware of her risks and actively participating in early detection.

October has been designated as Breast Cancer Awareness Month by the American Cancer Society and The Colorado Department of Health. Printed and video information is available on campus at the student Health Center or Nursing Learning Lab (1112 Elm Ave). Women, over age 35, with no signs of breast cancer can lead to the best possible treatment outcome.

Student forms LD support group

Jane Wisniewski
The Criterion

Learning disabilities come in many disguises, and now a support group for students with this problem is active on the Mesa State College campus.

Dan LeVan, a senior, has a learning disability. He has taken action into his own hands and formed the support group.

Ron Brummett, student counselor at the Student Life Center, will be co-facilitator with LeVan at the meetings. It is a self-help support group designed after the alcoholics Anonymous format. The meetings are not for tutoring, but are an outlet for emotional feelings in dealing with this disability.

"Colorado State University has had a successful learning disabled support group in existence for about four years now," said Sandra Wymore, coordinator for the physically and learning disabled at Mesa State College. There were 49 confirmed learning disabled students a MSC and another 40 who were not officially diagnosed last year, she said. "A learning disabled support group is needed at MSC." Learning disabilities come in a vast range of disguises, because a person learns to over compensate for that certain deficiency, said Wymore. "The support group is to help boost the student's self-esteem." Most often students who have a learning disability feel isolated with their problems.

"The main goal of the support group is to share ideas with each other on how to use coping mechanisms when dealing with this deficiency," LeVan said. An example of this would be letting facility members know that having a learning disability is a real problem explained LeVan.

He urges all students who think they might have a learning disability to attend the meetings.

Meetings will be held every other Friday from 12-1 p.m. For more information call the Tutorial and Learning Center.

Mass media critic predicts network, journalism future

Myndi Hancock
The Criterion

Dusty Saunders, T.V., Radio, and Newspaper critic for The Rocky Mountain News, gave a lecture Thursday in Lift Auditorium sponsored by the Alumni Association and Speakers and Lectures Committee. Saunders is an Alumnus of Mesa State College and majored in liberal arts and later transferred to the University of Colorado to get a Bachelor of the Arts degree in journalism. Saunders has now been working in the newspaper business for thirty years. He started as a copy boy and is now a columnist and T.V. personality.

Saunders commented that he thought the future of public networks was diminishing because of the threat of cable, independent TV, Fox TV, Pay-Per-View, and VCR's. He feels many of the good reporters will be going to CNN. Saunders commented, "Entertainment is being used in radio as a survival (skill) to keep an audience and is a sign of the economy.

Saunders said, about The Post and The News, "They'll both be around for along time." So the battle goes on. Saunders commented that he felt ThePost had better color but that would be changing next year.

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Richard Reeder
The Criterion

"We didn't take any names and left no prisoners." This sums up volleyball coach Rusty Crick's feelings about his team's performance in the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference tournament.

The Lady Mavs won the conference title in impressive fashion. Mesa State went undefeated and lost only one game against Adams State in six matches. Those six wins and the six wins on Mesa State's home court two weeks ago gave the Lady Mavs a 12-0 conference record and the undisputed title.

"After the fiasco last year and the tie with Fort Lewis, it feels good to win it outright," Crick said. "We just wanted to make sure there was no question about who the champs were."

The Lady Mavs dominated the All-Conference team as well. Senior middle hitter Belinda Hill, sophomore setter Lora Houdek, and senior All-American middle hitter Heather Legge were named to the first team. Second team honors went to freshman outside hitter Amy Miller. Freshman outside hitter Jenny Day was Honorable Mention.

The three players on first team really deserved to be there, they were almost unstoppable," Crick said. "Amy Miller deserved to be there also. She put on a real hitting display and really outplayed, just about everyone, at the tournament."

Several team records and one career milestone were set during the Lady Mavs run to the title. Houdek has established a new assist record and is adding to it with each successive match. The old record was 1,273 by Kelly Beer-Carlson in 1987. Houdek 1,535 with three matches to go in the season.

Legge has broken her own record for kills in a season. She had 545 last year and has 593 now. Hill has broken Beer-Carlson's record of 491 digs in a season with 520.

Crick established a career milestone with his 300th win as a head coach at Mesa State. The win came against Denver University at the Metro State Tournament in early October.

"I think that this is a real tribute to the type of players that we have had here," Crick said. "This is a real honor but I would really like to go to nationals as a team, that would mean even more than the individual honors."

The Lady Mavs travel to Durango on Friday to play Fort Lewis and to Denver Saturday to play DU. The conference championship assures Mesa State the number one seed in the district playoffs, but the host site will be determined by a power rating system on Nov. 10. "If we can win our next three matches, we should have a good shot at hosting the district," Crick said.

The Lady Mavs are 34-11 at this time and are rated 17th in the nation. The last home match will be Nov. 9 against Adams State.
Cross Country team continues march towards dream of first national berth

Sometimes dreams do come true. Gabe DeGabrielle came to Mesa State College four years ago with the dream of taking the cross country team to the national meet. Now he and his runners are just one week away from realizing that dream.

"I believe that the only way for us not to get a berth is if we give it away," DeGabrielle said. "If we go to Gunnison healthy and with good attitudes, we will get it done."

Mesa State finished ahead of New Mexico Highlands University, who will be their chief competition for the third berth from the district, by 20 points at the Fort Lewis meet. The Lady Mavs prepare for the district meet to be held in Alamosa two weeks ago. She tied for third place in the conference. DeGabrielle said Dina Quartino and Lizzie Lodato are making big contributions as they race themselves into form.

The team's only concern at this moment is Running's health. She has a shin injury that has hampered her for the last three weeks, but she appears to be ready for this weekend. "She was examined over fall break by the Broncos' team doctors and they said she could finish the season," DeGabrielle said. "That was the second set of doctors to tell her that, so she and her parents decided that she could run."

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Mavericks lose third straigt, look to future

Richard Reeder
The Criterion

"The king is dead." Mesa State's struggle hold on the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference football crown was ended by Western State.

"Highlands did not run their top girl, so she would have made a little bit of a difference," DeGabrielle said. "But we ran without Jennifer Bunning and she would have made a difference for us, so I think we would have beaten them by about the same amount of points."

Darvis became the first All-Conference runner in school history at the conference meet in Alamosa two weeks ago. She tied for third place in the conference. DeGabrielle said Dina Quartino and Lizzie Lodato are making big contributions as they race themselves into form.

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Mesa State trails 38-24 when they got the ball back for the last time with less than two minutes to go. Quarterback Chad Wilson and receiver Bobby Beaudoin just missed connecting on a pass play at WNMU's five-yard line and the Mustangs held on to win.

Beaudoin has been the Maverick bright spot during the losing streak. With Barton missing time due to injury, Beaudoin has given the Mavericks a spark with long kick-off and punt returns. He is in the top 10 nationally in both categories.

Mesa State will travel to Alamosa to face long time rival Adams State this Saturday. The Mavs are now playing the role of spoiler in the conference. The Indians need a win this weekend to keep pace with Western State in the conference race. Western State's 2-6 record is allowing Coach Jim Paronto to build for the future by playing his freshman and sophomores during the last two games. He and the coaches believe that the other teams should get their licks in now. It will not be long until Mesa State heads back up the mountain to play "King of the hill once again."

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Ron Gitchell, Traditional Student

Two out of the three trips were getting an executive order. And who is to blame? It's you, your parents and most of the older generation (and that's just about everyone, excluding me) who are not writing letters of protest to your government officials. It's you who refuse to allow increased taxation. And it's YOU who scream loudest when taxation is increased.

Mesa College is a shining example, and victim of YOU and your parents lackadaisical attitude. Not only is taxation going up (again), but, specifically, the biology department's budget has now been cut by more than 50%! And, they didn't have sufficient funds under the old budget. That is going to DIRECTLY affect the quality of YOUR education.

Don't blame Reagan. Don't blame Bush and Don't blame Romer. Blame yourselves AND your elected political representatives. I leave you with this thought: Write your letters of protest NOW and keep those cards and letters coming until some action is taken. And next time you'd better vote, but take your bathroom to the voting booth with you. We need politicians who know, and understand, fiscal responsibility. Regardless of the national economy, cutting taxes at this time is FISCAL irresponsibility.

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Crime Time

The Criterion will be running a crime report with statistics of actions handled by the campus security each week. Mesa State security officers handle many types of crime on and around the campus. They are often called to assist with routine problems, like plumbing in the dorms or helping people with their vehicles.

This column is an effort to make students and staff aware of problems that could arise and to encourage caution in matters of personal safety and protection of property. The dorms and security have initiated a Campus Crime Watch and an escort service to give students a more secure environment. However, people should be aware crime does still take place. Some situations can be avoided with a little awareness and thought.

This report covers Oct. 20 through Oct. 25. As space is available, we will print the full weekly report.

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DEADLINE for classified advertising is Monday, 3 p.m., before publication. The Criterion is weekly, student-run tabloid published on Wednesdays in the W.W. Campbell College Center or by call 248-1255.

HELP NEEDED
Need students to sell advertising—especially interested in students living north, east or west of Grand Junction. High commission rate for minimum amount of work. Call Tauna or Kay, 248-1255. (T/N)

Attention: Need "McCall" barristers for BACHCUS. If interested, call Michelle at 248-1487. (T/N)

Student desires ride from Orchard Mesa to arrive on campus by 10:00 each weekday. (P-10/30)

SALE

Year-round discount on all meals at participating restaurants. Mesa State students or faculty for only $10 per family per year. You'll receive 10-20% off! Contact Dave at 245-1964. (P-10/30)

Attention: 11x14 newspapers pad, never used. 1 1/2x24 bound pad, only used 5 pieces, 1 11x14 sketch pad, never used. What a deal for you! Call Tauna at 243-3751 or 248-1255. (S/A)

Shinano Doets XT-II Ugrades: XT Cantilever Brakes, 2 pr. in new condition-185 grams/set, $25 each. XT 2 finger brake levers, 1 pr in near new condition, includes cables-284 grams/set, $30. Tall cold one (TCO) Seat Post. 26.4mm X 350mm, hard anodized finish, compatible w/nishiki pinacle or other small diameter seat stay-245 grams, $15. Call 242-6890. (S/A)

Fifty-sleeper couch, slightly beat and legless chair free to good home. Call Beth at 241-3760 daytime.

ROOMMATES WANTED
Non-smoking, responsible female needed to share a townhouse out in Orchard Mesa. Furnished. $207+1/2 utilities. 243-5806. (S/A)

Non-smoking roommate to share two bedroom single level apt. at the end of the building. Four blocks from school. Off-street parking and a small yard. $115 inclusive—$150 deposit. 245-3571. (S/A)

ANNOUNCEMENTS
Catholic Mass, MSC Newman Center, 1135 College Place. Sunday evenings at 8 p.m. (S/A)

Special Criterion subscription rates! Send your school news home or to a special friend. One full year subscription (27 issues), $15 for MSC students. Come to Criterion office in W.W. Campbell College Center (east side of building). (T/N)

LAW CLUB MEETINGS for the Fall semester will be held on the following dates: Nov. 7 and 21, and Dec. 5. All meetings at 6:30 p.m. in Lowell Heiny Hall, room 301. Some dates will feature guest speakers to be announced. Everyone interested in law school or the field of law is welcome to attend. For additional information contact Prof. Louis Morton, 248-1528. (T/N)

THEDrug and Alcohol Education Center presents "The Impaired Health Care Professional", presented by Sandy Day, RN, BSN, Friday, November 8, 1991, 12:30-1:30 p.m., Krey/Zeigel Room, College Center. Sincerely heartfelt thanks to the person who returned a wallet to the lost and found in Houston Hall on Friday. Thank you!


Motorcycle. 1981 Yamaha Seca XJ550 in excellent mechanical condition, 12,000 original miles. Well taken care of, super reliable—$900 or best offer. 242-8444. (P/T/N)

Attention: Need "M octail" interested, call Michelle at 248-1487. (T/N)

Motorcycle, $300. For your fraternity, sorority, team or other campus organization. LOW INVESTMENT REQUIRED! CALL 1-800-950-8472 ext. 12


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Use your Savings Card 25 times at Ski Sunlight, and SKI FREE for the rest of the season! Simply keep all the receipts issued to you when you use your card at the Sunlight ticket window, and then turn them in after you have 25 - then enjoy free skiing for the remainder of the season! Awesome!

How To Purchase Your Card - Cards may be purchased by mail with the attached order form. For more information call Kathy Dirks, Grand Junction phone: 245-6209 or (800) 445-7931.

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available now at the Mesa State College Health Center through the end of the semester. Contact Prof. Louis Morton, 248-1528.

New Year’s Eve in Denver, Colorado, 80221 PO Box 21116, Denver, Colorado, 80222

THE MILE HIGH PoETRY SoCIETY will host an Octoberfest poetry contest with $500 in cash prizes. For contest rules, send SASE to the Mile High Poetry Society, PO Box 21116, Denver, Colorado, 80222

Announcing of winter which competition in a...
Lectures and Forums Committee & the Hispanic Student Association

Presents a Special Evening with

John Nichols

Author of The Milagro Beanfield War narrating a slide/lecture program on the preservation of the American West and beyond.

Friday, November 1
8 p.m. Liff Auditorium
Admission is FREE

On Wednesday, before the lecture enjoy a free film screening of:

“FUNNY AND ABSOLUTELY DELIGHTFUL COMEDY.
Robert Redford struck oil in his directing debut with the Oscar-winning 'Ordinary People.' Now, he has another gusher with 'Milagro.' It's wonderful. Don't miss it!” - Stewart Klein, FOX NETWORK

“What an incredible cast, beautifully directed by Robert Redford. 'Milagro' is wonderful, I loved this film!” - Joel*, Good Morning America

“Robert Redford is batting a thousand as a director. You want a movie that will make you feel good? 'The Milagro Beanfield War' is it!” - Gene Shalit, The Today Show

“Nothing Redford has done before will prepare you for the wide-eyed charm of this cinematic fable. 'Milagro' provides plenty to smile about.” - David Ansen, Newsweek

TONIGHT

Free film screening
Wednesday, October 30
8 p.m. Liff Auditorium
Admission is FREE

For more information
phone 248-1710