Coach suspends players; season finishes early

Frank Bellavia
Sports Editor

The 1997 season came to an abrupt end for the Mesa State College volleyball team Oct. 30 as 11 of the 12 players on the team were suspended for violating team policies. Two of the players who were suspended have verified that drinking was the reason the suspensions were handed down.

The suspensions forced coach Rusty Crick to forfeit the remaining five matches of the season because he was unable to field a competitive team.

"A couple of days ago we were made aware of some possible rules infractions," Crick said. "The following day we had the opportunity to investigate and found out that indeed players had violated team rules, and they were serious enough to warrant the suspensions, and at that time we had to forfeit the remainder of the season."

MSC Athletics Director Jim Paronto said the violations occurred earlier in the season. Paronto said that he agrees with his coach's decision. "I support our coaches and our coaches' decision," he said. "The decision had to be made to uphold the integrity of MSC and of the volleyball team."

In a prepared statement, a group of suspended players said they (violations) were serious enough to warrant the suspensions. . . .

Rusty Crick

Tuition plan to make college funding easier

Dani Weigand
Copy Editor

Prospective Mesa State College students can now have their education paid for up to 18 years in advance through the Colorado Prepaid Tuition Fund.

In April of 1996, Colorado Governor Roy Romer signed and authorized the Prepaid Tuition Fund, enabling parents and other family members to start paying for their future college student up to 18 years in advance based on the average tuition prices in Colorado.

The Fund was developed by the state of Colorado, but everyone is eligible for investment. As a parent or student invests in a future college education, money is set aside through the Fund for the sole purpose of paying for that student's educational needs.

Enrollment in the Fund begins with the investor deciding the total number of tuition units they wish to purchase. In Colorado, the current average tuition cost equals 100 tuition units. MSC is below the state average, costing 69 average tuition units (the second cheapest rate in the state). Family members can purchase additional tuition units in order to pay for books, student fees, housing, and other mandatory fees allowed by the Fund.

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The search is over

New VP 'top-notch'

Matthew Tezak
Assistant News Editor

The lengthy search for a new vice president for Mesa State College ended Tuesday morning when Dr. Samuel B. Gingerich verbally accepted the position.

"We are really excited he accepted the position and are really looking forward for Dr. Gingerich to start," said MSC President Michael Gallagher.

The Colorado Commission on Higher Education brought in 180 applicants, and out of those the field was narrowed to 80. The board examined those 80 and then chose five individuals who would best suit the position. Gallagher then had to make a decision and picked one out of the five applicants.

Gingerich lives in Aderdeen, S.D. where he is currently the vice president of academic affairs at Northern State University. His family will accompany him to Grand Junction.

Gingerich holds a Ph.D. in chemistry from Montana State University. He has nine years of experience in administration, five years experience as a vice president of research and planning, and four years as a vice president of academic affairs. He also has taught several courses in chemistry during his tenure at Montana State.

Gingerich graduated from Montana State University in 1983 with a doctorate in chemistry, from Cornell University in 1975 with a master of science degree, and from Goshen College in Indiana in 1973 with a bachelor of arts degree. Gingerich's other professional experiences include extensive research in synthetic and mechanistic studies in chemistry. He has won several awards for his teaching and achievements as a faculty member at Northern State University.

For Gingerich, involvement does not stop at the institution. He is a very outgoing and accomplished individual, see VEEP on page 5.

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Parking on this campus is atrocious. I have not seen such a terrible case of bad planning in a long time. I have not seen the worst case of it in high school in the form of this deplorable style of teaching called Master Learning. But let’s go back to parking. It has been whispered in my ear by a faculty member that the administration might be looking at the track of land west of Houston Hall to erect a parking lot. This idea is not new; it was tried several years before and voted down by the student body.

Probability validates Bible

One of my professors asked me if I was planning to use my higher mathematics to prove there was a Superior Being. I will happily cite the work of some researchers who believe they have.

Fred Hoyle (Prof. of Astronomy at Cambridge University) and Chandra Wickramasinghe (Prof. of Mathematics at University College, Cardiff) have concluded that the probability of life occurring randomly on earth is one in ten to the 40,000th. They conclude that “old favourable properties of physics on which life depends are in every respect dedicate.”

Dr. Hugh Ross (American astrophysicist) began examining the world’s “holy books” to see if any were reliably inspired by the Creator. He found scientific or historical errors in all but one-the Bible. Dr. Ross observed that the Bible contains roughly 2,300 prophecies of which some 2,000 have already been fulfilled; the other 500 are clearly speaking of the future. He asked a team of research scientists to examine 13 of the fulfilled prophecies and determine the odds that they were lucky guesses.

They concluded there was a one in ten to the 138th chance these prophecies were lucky guesses. Based on this probability, Dr. Ross points out it is more likely heat will flow from a cold to a hot object (reversing thermodynamics’ second law) than it is for the Bible to be unsurpised.

It is epistemologically impossible to prove anything absolutely, yet the existence of a Supreme Being is overwhelmingly probable. It is furthermore overwhelmingly probable that He has spoken to us through the Bible. Maybe we should listen.

What do you think?

Registration in the air and here, I mean dark corners are disgruntled students discussing “problems while standing in line for hours on end and signing up for those cursed general education courses.”

While looking through the spring schedule you will find as many requirements as graduation projects, it occurred to me that I need my physical education requirements before leaving. You know what I mean. Most of the classes that require you to run, jump and perform a few related activities for college credit.

Exercising for college credit, what a novel idea! “So what are you taking this semester, Bob?”

“Physics, biology, western civ, and methods of badminton.”

Remember that game from Sesame Street, “Which one doesn’t belong?” I’ll tell you a hint; it’s not physics.

Requiring college students to exercise for college credit is considered a bad idea. As if students weren’t busy enough, now they need to attend regulated sessions up to three times a week to fill yet another requirement.

The health and wellness class requirement is something that can benefit some students. Every one should have access to the edge about the four basic food groups because like other students, I thought beer and tequila were basic food groups when first attending college.

Even if the school is going to require students to take physical education classes, some of those listed are beyond me. Methods of badminton is a prime example. Others include bowling, hiking, fitness walking. Fitness walking is a personal favorite; this occurs every day a student has to trek to class after parking down on 10th Street with two minutes until class starts.

Hiking class is a novel idea, but having someone tell you when and where to hike away takes the whole purpose of hiking itself, exploring new places and having fun doing it.

I don’t doubt that, but I have a hard time with classes that require you to bond with fellow classmates.

These classes too closely resemble a 12-step self-help program. I know how to get along with others and have fun doing it, but I think it has no place in earning a degree.

Is physical education a necessity in college?

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This could be attributed to the fact that the women who ate breakfast started the day with greater energy levels and were less likely to become overtired or hungry later. They were less likely to eat unplanned snacks during the day that were high in fat.

It is recommended that individuals attempting a weight-loss program include a breakfast that is low in fat and high in carbohydrates as part of their program. In terms of suppressing hunger, the balanced breakfast is the most effective. An unbalanced breakfast suppresses hunger only for awhile; four hours later, those who eat an unbalanced breakfast are as hungry as those who fasted.

Eating breakfast helps to replenish blood glucose levels, the brain's main energy source. This is important because the brain itself has no reserves of glucose and it must be constantly replenished. Eating breakfast prevents many of the adverse effects of fasting such as irritability, fatigue and performance difficulties on tasks requiring concentration. This article is not intended to give medical advice which should be obtained directly from your doctor.
UTEC vs. TTI: What is the better deal?
Students have choice between two G.J. technical schools

Neisha Rogers
Staff Writer

Vocational training and job placement opportunities are available at Technical Trades Institute (TTI) and the Unified Technical Education Campus (UTEC), and despite their commonalities, the two facilities are more diverse than one might expect.

TTI, located at 784 Horizon Drive, is privately owned and operated, and was established in Grand Junction in 1984. TTI offers associates degrees in occupational studies in areas such as business, computers, drafting, and medicine. It also has three certificate programs in accounting, medical secretary, and electronic repair.

UTEC is an apprenticeship type of education as opposed to book learning,” said David Hunsicker, UTEC instructor.

According to Lisa Watson, admissions representative at TTI, job placement is an essential part of serving the student completely. TTI currently has a 44 percent cumulative job placement rate for all their programs.

Students at TTI are required to complete a career entry class before they graduate. The class is meant to provide them with the necessary skills to obtain employment after graduation.

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TTI also has internship coordinators to assist students in securing employment. Job placement at UTEC is facilitated by an internship program, where students are put in touch with local businesses that are looking for help.

Many times those internships turn into full-time jobs when the students graduate,” said Julie Lanner, school to career coordinator at UTEC.

UTEC does not have a job placement rate; rather, they “train students to know how to look for jobs so they can do it on their own, as well as us helping them while they’re here,” she said.

Tuition at TTI for a 15-month program is roughly $10,000. The student is also responsible for books and other fees making the average associate degree program approximately $12,000.

The cost for other programs varies according to contact hours involved. Aside from the degrees offered by both TTI and UTEC, many students are attracted to the facilities because of the flexible schedules and small class sizes. “It works out better for my schedule,” said TTI student Sherry Martin.

TTI has a student population of roughly 180 students offering both day and evening classes. This allows for more one on one interaction between students and instructors.

UTEC has a self-paced format where students can begin courses anytime during the semester. It has day and evening courses to allow for flexibility. Nearly 200 students are enrolled.

“You can get the one on one assistance you need,” said student John Cooke.

Policy snuffing out butts in dorms
Mike Wiggins
Editor in Chief

Based on a recommendation from residence hall councils, students have decided to clear the air on the issue of smoke and tobacco, specifically the air on the first floors of each of the four dormitories.

“We have students who don’t want to live with students who smoke, and we had students asking, ‘Is there a smoke-free floor?’” said Jill Eckhardt, director of housing, who originally suggested the policy to the hall councils. The regulation was implemented at the beginning of the semester, disallowing students living on the first floors of Monument Hall, Rall Hall, Tolman Hall, and Pinon Hall to smoke or chew tobacco.

Eckhardt said the policy not only improves the lifestyles of students, but it benefits the residence halls, which often incur damage from the smoke. Those who light up have to pay an extra charge to have their rooms cleaned because the smoke permeates the carpet, upholstery and drapes.

The three-month old policy could be just the first of many see SMOKE on page 5
Policy violators beautify MSC

Ronny Jordan
Special to the Criterion

The number of MSC students having to complete community service obligations has reached highest point so far this semester. These students are required to do community service as a disciplinary action for having violated the dry campus policy that prohibits the consumption of alcohol.

Presently there are eight students reporting to the grounds department daily. Those reporting for community service typically work between two and four hours per day until they have met their required number of hours. Students must report to work at a predetermined time, and must use the time clock to record the exact amount of time they have worked.

Students are required to perform eight hours of public service per violation of the dry campus policy. After the third violation, those students who live on campus are required to move to an off-campus location.

In most cases, the students are assigned a variety of unskilled jobs that do not require the operation of equipment or machinery. Students usually are given a bucket and tool to collect trash from the lawns and sidewalks on campus. In other instances, students are sent to clean rain gutters or rake leaves.

The degree of effort made by the students when fulfilling their community service differs from student to student, according to grounds keeper Herb Hahn. "Some of the students get just don't want to work, but there isn't really anything we can do about it," he said. "In one case, though, we had a student that had been caught drinking on campus several times, and he would keep getting sent to us to work. He did such a good job that we finally just asked him to come to work with us full-time."

The large number of students who are required to do community service is causing a surplus in the amount of labor, however is causing an overflow at the grounds department. "Every time I try to take a break or go to lunch, I run into a student who is reporting to do his community service," said grounds keeper Martin Gaines. "Everyday we get one or two more and they all have to be given jobs and shown what to do.

"It's making it hard for those of us who actually work here to get our responsibilities done."

DANCE party set to boogy night away

"Janet Reno's Super '90s Dance Party" will be held in Luff Auditorium beginning with dinner at 5:30 p.m. on Nov. 11. Meal plan holders can get into this event for only $2, and all others will have to shell out $8. 300 tickets are available for the dinner on a first-come, first-serve basis, and 50 will be reserved for off-campus residents. Tickets are being sold in the Housing Office. The dance itself will begin at 8 p.m. and will cost only $1.

For more information on this event, contact Robert Barker at 255-2470, or Gene Seitz at 248-1339.

Graduation committee to meet

The 1998 Graduation Planning Committee will meet at 4 p.m., on Wednesday, Nov. 12 in the Alumni/Foundation Office conference room. Call Chad Grabow at 248-1223.

Food drives for needy taking place

Food drives are underway to help the needy in Mesa County this holiday season. Various departments and organizations at MSC have accepted a challenge by Mesa County government employees and the Colorado Department of Rehabilitation that they cannot beat them in collecting the most food. Thus far, the athletic department, Marriott, UTEC, and the Business Office have all risen to the challenge.

The food drive will end on Nov. 17, and donations can be made to various boxes that are placed in various location on campus. There is also a drop box located in parking lot J (corner of 12th and Elm Streets.)

For more information on this project, contact Mare Wilson at 248-1811.

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Deadline for this year's enrollment is Nov. 24, but the Fund is offered yearly with prices changing every July 31. Even though the fund is based on Colorado tuition costs, the student can use the money for other institutions all around the U.S. If the student moves out of the state, the Fund is still available to him, and there are no residency requirements for students and purchasers.

Money for the account is paid out by the Fund transferring the needed amount of the investment in direct payment to the institution the student is attending. If the student is awarded a scholarship, the investment can either remain in the fund, or the investor can request a refund up to the amount of the scholarship without penalty.

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because his services and activities are among the most impressive. He has served on the Brown County United Way board of directors as president in 1997, president-elect and chair of the board committee in 1996, secretary in 1994-1995, and board of directors as president in 1997, president-elect and chair of the board committee in 1996, secretary in 1994-1995, and

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season," said former volleyball player Shannon Morgan-Nelson.

Crick said it is an unfortunate incident, but he hopes to bounce back next year. "I do apologize to the fans and the community for what happened, but we will be back and we will be back with a vengeance," he said.

"I am very supportive of Rusty, and I am very supportive of the ladies," Gallagher said. "They have an opportunity to right the wrong.

With the five games forfeited, the Lady Mavs finish the season with a 13-19 overall record, and 5-14 in the conference.

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Permanent body paint...

Kember Wallace
Special to the Criterion

You're here to paint the walls. That is the slogan of the local tattoo shop Blazing Trails Tattoo and Body Piercing, and many Mesa State College students have decided to have their "walls painted." Although tattoos range in size, color and placement, they are a common attribute many people share.

Tattoos have recently become a major trend in our society. The tattoo no longer has the stigma it once did. Instead of images of bikers with large forearms and long beards, most young people picture their favorite Hollywood star or big-name athlete with colorful tattoos of flowers, animals or tribal designs.

Tattoos used to come in one color, India ink, and almost always included a skull or a rose. Now it is possible and popular to get a tattoo in any shape or size, with plenty of detail and bright or fluorescent colors.

Most college students, whether it is because they are too broke to pay big money or they just want to show a little rebellion, go for smaller tattoos in inconspicuous places. "Popular places for the girls are on the ankle and bikini line, as well as around the belly button and behind the neck," said Suzanne Wheeler, local tattoo enthusiast.

The males prefer upper forearm and on their upper backs." Should the need arise, these seem to be great places for easy hiding, such as that first big job interview.

One major concern is safety. When considering a tattoo, check to see if the shop uses auto clave hospital sterilization. The shop should also be well known, and have a good reputation. It is a good idea to determine the desired tattoo style before going into the shop. Remember: It will be there forever.

You'd hate to have a permanent tattoo of a ring on your hand after a nasty breakup.

Spinal Tribal - freshman Deborah Borrego, sports medicine and athletic training major.

Most college students come in," he said.

"When the bigger, the better - and more expensive. Some shops, such as Creative Tattooing, charge a chair rate, basing the cost of the tattoo on how long it takes to design and trace it, while most other parlors price their art by size and detail.

Back in the sun - sophomore Julie Johnson, nursing major

Muscling the south west - junior Miesh Lease, mass communications major.

...expresses personality
Professor ‘psyched’ about Leadville

Cassandra Williams
Assistant Features Editor

For individuals interested in exploring some Colorado History, an exhibit of old photographs and drawings of Leadville is currently on display on the third floor of the Tomlinson Library.

The drawings and photographs featured in the exhibit were collected by Dr. Christian Buys, professor of psychology at Mesa State College, for his recently published book, Historic Leadville in Rare Photographs and Drawings.

“The book is, in essence, a photographic cross section of life in Leadville from 1870 through 1940,” Buys said.

About three years ago, Buys decided to write an article about Leadville’s early volunteer fire-fighting companies. He became captivated by the “wild and crazy group.” He went to the Lake County Public Library to acquire some photographs for the article.

While there, he found that the library had an archive of 2,500 photos. After spending about seven hours going through all the photographs, Buys realized there were no photographic histories of Leadville and wondered if he should do one.

Since that day, Buys has spent hours researching photographs and the histories behind each one. The effort directed him to several different libraries in order to find all the needed information.

“The book took me three years and I’ve been interested in Leadville for 30,” Buys said.

The exhibit, which contains the book and some of its original contents, was put together by Angela Roberson, environmental restoration major, and will be on display until Dec. 12.

Students dance to their own beat

Juliet Heniford
Staff Writer

Get your lungs in gear for laughing and your feet ready to tap in time to the music, dancing and feeling of “Hot Steps,” a Mesa Repertory Dance concert.

The evenings of dance will begin at 8 p.m., Friday and Saturday, Nov. 7-8 in the William S. Robinson Theatre. Tickets in advance are $3.50 for everyone, and are on sale in the College Center from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., through Friday. Tickets cost $5 for adults, and $4 for students and children at the door.

A matinee concert for children, featuring interactive sessions and selected dances from the full-length concert, will be at 2 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 8.

“The dance performance presents a lot of different styles,” said Ann Sanders, associate professor of dance at Mesa State College. “There are nine works featured, and each one is unique in itself. We titled it ‘Hot Steps’ because there are lots of jazz and tap numbers.”

All the performers are students, and students choreographed most of the dances.

The variety of dance numbers each offers something special. Sanders choreographed “Sweetie,” a dance about the plight of a gum-chewing, 1940s waitress. Music from the era will walk the audience down memory lane.

Brian T. Vernon, assistant professor of dance, contributes “Games People Play,” a tap number that sets women against men in dancing rivalry. Student Andy Niles’ creation, “Three’s A Crowd,” also taps into the tap-dance craze.

Jazz is the genre for Danalyn Schmidt’s “All That Jazz.” Schmidt also is the choreographer of “IC-RAD,” a modern duet that explores using quiet gestures in place of words to communicate meaning and feeling.

“Surge,” by Sarah Popish and Mandi Lund, features the popular hip-hop style of dance, and Kristin Krajewski makes a political statement in “N.E.A.” which features live drum accompaniment.

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Mavs hope to end positive after loss to Highlands

J.P. Menger
Assistant Sports Editor

The Mesa State Maverick football team has now lost three out of four home games this year, and now they are playing for pride. Saturday's 34-7 loss to New Mexico Highlands dropped MSC's record to 2-5 in the RMAC, and 3-6 overall. The Mavs are hoping the remaining two match-ups will end the year on a positive note and give the team some confidence for next season. "Our main focus is to get back to playing good football," said coach Jay Hood. "We did not play as aggressively against Highlands as we did against Fort Lewis. We've got to take care of business this week and then worry about Western State next week.

MSC will host Western New Mexico on Saturday in a non-conference game at Staduim. The Mustangs have a 4-4 overall record, and also have the fourth-best running back in the nation which have hurt the team substantially. Fullback Jon Salamon was sidelined for Saturday's game nursing an ankle injury, and speedster Adrian Perez was taken out of last weekend's game and may be out for the rest of the season. Perry sustained a minor back injury late in the second half, but is expected to be back this week.

"We have been hit by a rash of injuries. It is a very unfortunate situation because we have lost some great players," Hood said. "Other kids have to step it up and play better. We need better performance out of them."

The Lady Mavs soccer team, page 9.

Women's hoops preview!
Tough opening schedule to test Lady Mavs

J.P. Menger
Assistant Sports Editor

Hoops season is here again, and the Mesa State College women's basketball team will be facing some tough competition early on. The Lady Mavs will travel to Orlando, Fla. to play in the first annual Disney Classic on Wednesday, Nov. 5. The tournament consists of some top Division II teams in the country, such as Texas-Permian Basin, Wisconsin-Green Bay, and the Lady Mavs are guaranteed to play at least three games.

"The commissioner called me and asked me if we wanted to go to Florida, and I said, 'Yeah!"" said head coach Steve Kirkham.

The first 11 games for the Lady Mavs will be against teams which had winning records last season. Kirkham knows the schedule will be tough. "Our record early on might not reflect how good a team we are because we have such a tough schedule," he said.

"The Lady Mavs will see a mixture of experienced veterans and new recruits leading the way into the season. One of them is 6'0" junior Jamie White. White averaged 15.2 points and 7.5 rebounds per game last year. "I think we will be a better team this year because we have a lot of people working really hard," said the 6'0" center.

Other key returners include 5'9" junior Mandy Miller and 5'9" senior Jamie Teeters. Miller averaged 12.2 points and 5.1 rebounds per game last year, while Teeters was second in the league in assists, averaging 4.6 per game. "We have set very high expectations because we are playing well," Miller said. "We have a good athletic team and a deep bench and hopefully we'll go far again."

Other returning players include 6'1" sophomore Susan Luecke, 5'9" sophomore Jamie Schmalz, and 5'4" senior Lindsey Lawton.

Juniors Kim Logan and Lisa Sprague are new transfers that will also play key roles as the season progresses. Logan is a transfer from Yavapai Community College in Arizona, and Sprague moved to MSC after playing two years at the University of Wyoming.

"The people we have added to the mix are really fitting in well right now," Kirkham said. Last season, the Lady Mavs captured the RMAC West Division title despite going 0-7 at the beginning of the year. The team won 17 of their last 21 games, and made it to the RMAC championship before losing to Nebraska-Kearney.

"Last year was without a doubt the most disappointing season and at the same time the most rewarding season," Kirkham said.

"We were able to bounce back from the adversity that we had at the beginning of the year, and I was really proud of my team for that."

Rugby team finishes third

Misti Brady
Staff Writer

The Mesa State College Rugby Football Club placed third in the RMAC tournament, wrapping up its first full college team season. The tournament was held on Saturday, Nov. 1 at Western State College in Gunnison.

The club will play its first game of the spring season March 1 at Metro State College. The team will play a total of six games next season, with three of them at home.

The highlight for the team was defeating Western State in the first game, 19-15. "This is the first time Mesa has beaten Western in four years," said rugby secretary Adam Chambers.

MSC lost the second game to the Colorado School of Mines. Western State went on to win the tournament by defeating the Colorado School of Mines for the championship.

"Our biggest disadvantage was only having a 40 minute break between games," said junior rugby captain Matt Lancaster. "We played Mines, who had not played a game yet."

The Rugby Club feels it had a successful season for the first year it has been firmly established. The team started the season with nearly all new players, "We did it by hanging in there and working hard," said boss man Mike Wiggins. "It was great to see the improvement."

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** It's usual business for the Lady Mavs soccer team, page 9.
Win over Metro State prepares women's soccer for playoffs

Brett Sorge
Staff Writer

It was just another game, and just another win for the Mesa State College women's soccer team.

It was business as usual for the Lady Mavs on Sunday against Metro State, as the team came away with a 2-1 victory.

Freshman Tiffany Thompson led the Mavericks with nine shots on goal, with Thompson leading the Mavericks to victory. She assisted the first goal, which was scored by Meghan Marsh, and later scored the second goal. The Lady Mavs' strong defense limited the Roadrunners to only one sneaking pass for the Lady Mavs on Sunday.

Jefferson Sweeney's personal NCAA top ten picks

1. NEBRASKA (8-0)
Beat Oklahoma 69-7.
Next: at Missouri, Nov. 8.

2. FLORIDA STATE (8-0)
Beat N.C. State 48-35.
Next: vs. Oregon, Nov. 23.

3. MICHIGAN (8-0)
Beat Minnesota 24-3.
Next: vs. Penn State, Nov. 8.

4. PENN STATE (7-0)
Beat Northwestern 30-27.
Next: vs. #3 Michigan, Nov. 8.

5. NORTH CAROLINA (8-0)
Beat Georgia Tech 37-17.
Next: vs. Florida State, Nov. 8.

6. OHIO STATE (8-1)
Beat Michigan St. 27-13.

7. TENNESSEE (6-1)
Beat South Carolina 22-17.
Next: vs. So. Miss., Nov. 8.

8. WASHINGTON (7-1)
Beat Southern Cal 27-0.
Next: vs. Oregon, Nov. 8.

9. GEORGIA (7-1)
Beat Florida 37-17.
Next: vs. Auburn, Nov. 15.

10. UCLA (7-2)
Next: vs. #8 Washington, Nov. 15.

WEEKEND HEISMAN WATCH

TAYVAN BANKS, RB,
IOWA
24 carries, 126 yards, 1TD, in 35-17 win over Purdue.

RYAN LEAF, QB,
WASHINGTON STATE
49% comp. 447 yds. 3TD, 1 INT, in 44-31 loss at Arizona St.

SKIP HICKS, RB,
UCLA
26 carries, 121 yards, 3TD, in 27-7 win at Stanford.

Jefferson Sweeney is a senior mass communications major and a wide receiver on the football team.

Forwards start and look forward to hosting a game. "We're ready to move on to bigger and better things," Buchan said.

MSC is currently ranked first in the Great Plains Region, and 12th in the Division II national rankings. With a first round win, MSC may host another playoff game. That game would most likely be against a California school, which makes Buchan happy.

"If we play a California school, we have the altitude to work to our advantage," Buchan said.

With two more victories, the Lady Mavs will go to the national tournament and look to do what they have done all year: Take care of business, as usual.

SPORTS ON TAP!

Mavs football
vs. Western New Mexico
2 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 8.

#12 Lady Mavs soccer
will host first round of post season against Northern Colorado at Dixon Field on Nov. 16.

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RUGBY from page 8

**Q & A for a week in which my beloved Denver Nuggets begin their quest to avoid an 0-82 season and the Mesa State College athletic department suffers one of its greatest disappointments in the school's history:**

- So how does one begin to address the greatest tragedy in the history of Mesa State College athletics, equivalent to when Tony Martin left here for the NFL in 1989?
- In a move that shocked the campus, volleyball coach Rusty Crick suspended 11 of the 12 players on his young team for what some reported to be violations of the no-drinking policy the athletes agreed to at the beginning of the season.
- *I guarantee you that the questions surrounding this issue have just begun, so let's start with a few I have of my own. In light of the contrasting accounts I've heard, did the coaching staff just learn about these violations? If they knew about them earlier, why did they wait until now to dole out punishment? How, if at all, will these suspensions affect the women who have scholarships to play volleyball? Will there be any impact on money contributed to the athletic department? What will be the reaction of the suspended players who are eligible to return to next year's team? There is much investigation to be done, and we can only hope all works out in the end. Since I haven't spoken with anyone close to the situation, I don't feel I can make a fair and informed judgment about the suspensions.*

- Regardless of which side you take on these suspensions, the overall loss is great for MSC - for the players, who won't be able to finish the season; for coach Crick, who had to make the undoubtedly difficult decision to forfeit the remainder of the season; for the athletic department, which has to undergo the embarrassment of explaining to the rest of the conference why its volleyball program will be unable to field a team for the last five games; and for the fans, who will have to wait until 1998 to enjoy an inexperienced but promising volleyball team.
- Turning to an equally solemn subject, the Nuggets are trying to disprove critics who believe they will be the worst team in the NBA this year.
- And, well, I'm still waiting for someone to criticize the critics. OK, I'll do it. Here are three reasons why Denver won't finish in the basement of the NBA's mansion:
  - Bill Hanzik - Here's a guy who wreaked havoc on Kareem Abdul-Jabbar and Hakeem Olajuwon, centers who had a six inch height advantage over him. He's intense, he's a hard worker, and he's an overachiever. He'll instill all of these characteristics into his players, and those who slack off will be benched, released or traded.
  - LaPhonso Ellis - After watching teammates like Dikembe Mutombo, Mahmoud Abdul-Rauf and Antonio McDyess leave via free agency and trades, the normally quiet Ellis spoke out, questioning the Nuggets' desire to keep him. But weeks later Ellis changed his mind, saying he believed the Nuggets were committed to winning. Now Ellis has miraculousy recovered from a ruptured Achilles tendon in a matter of months. And it's the same if I've been reiterating the last three seasons Ellis can manage to stay healthy, the Nuggets will have both an all-star forward and a decent season.
  - Bernie Bickerstaff - The man who drafted Eithemios Rentzias, the Nuggets' number one draft pick last year whom nobody ever saw play in person, has moved on to Washington, where he can dismantle the Wizards much like he tore down the Nuggets. Denver has three promising first round draft picks playing for them this year, it has three more picks to work with next year, and in spite of the unpopularity in trading McDyess, they got rid of a guy who wanted $100 million over six years. Keep in mind the fact that McDyess has yet to score more than 18 points per game and make an all-star team.

- Mark it down now: the Nuggets will improve upon their record of 21-61 last year and win 30 games this year.

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