Delay means no new police chief, Meyer retains interim position

Kami Walton
News Editor

The Mesa State Police Department has a long history as being a part of the MSC campus. For acting Mesa State police chief, Pat Meyer, his career began here as a state level one security guard, in 1969.

A search committee has once again opened Gray’s position and narrowed the field to six candidates, according to Committee Chairman Ron Gray, director of facilities services.

When Mesa’s entire department went through the resignation, a letter of resignation will be assigned to reasons and "His walking." Director of Human Resources Larry Cacker said. "It’s the problem was the short term notice. It’s difficult to replace someone who has been a part of our department for 30 years."

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Exempt is defined in Webster’s Dictionary as fire of obligation, liability, or requirement.

Last spring the committee opened the position up nationally and received over 60 applications.

Along with Gray, the committee consists of Jill Eckardt, director of housing and residence life; Dr. Patricia Joffer, assistant professor of criminal and administrative justice; Mary Williams, housekeeping supervisor; Robert Montova, president of Associated Students.

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Sociology scrambles to cover Meeker’s classes

Amy Buys
Asst. News Editor

On Friday, August 13, Dr. Wayne Meeker, a professor in the Department of Social and Behavioral Sciences, submitted a letter of resignation. "It was a sudden retirement late last Friday afternoon. It left us needing to fill four classes," said Dr. Steve Schulte, chair of social and behavioral sciences.

Dr. Meeker was scheduled to teach four classes this semester. The classes have been reassigned to qualified faculty members. Two sections of Introduction to Sociology will be instructed by Dr. Patricia Joffer. History of Sociology will be instructed by Dr. Timothy Casey, and the Social Influences on Small Groups course will be canceled.

The 18 students that were affected by the cancellation will be assigned to "good comparable courses," according to Dr. Schulte. "The problem was the short term notice. It’s difficult to replace someone who has been a part of our department for 30 years."

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Dr. Meeker began teaching sociology at what was then Mesa College in 1966. He took a leave of absence for the spring quarter of 1969 to complete his M.A. degree in Guidance and Counseling at Western State College.

Meeker then earned the title of Associate Professor of Sociology at Mesa College in 1977. He took another leave of absence during the academic years of 1975-77 to work toward and completed his doctorate at California State University, University.

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Empty pool makes waves; changes practical learning

Jesse Stiles
Staff Writer

The swimming pool in Saunders Fieldhouse has been closed for renovation for nearly four months. Now that classes are back in session, several inconveniences are coming into play for Mesa State students and faculty because of its unavailability.

The pool’s original completion date was August 1, which allowed a two-week cushion for it to be done before the new school year. Now the pool is not expected to be finished until early to mid September, which forces classes which normally utilize the pool to restructure original class plans.

"I feel that it is frustrating for everyone involved," said Dr. Steven R. Murray, who teaches lifeguarding and beginning and intermediate swimming classes. He explained that the department will have to rent a pool in town for a lifeguarding class session in deep water.

Murray also said that his swimming classes normally would be shown a video of techniques one day, and would meet the next day in the pool to practice what they had learned. Now, instead, the series of videos will need to be shown consecutively until the pool is completed. Murray went on to say, "It is life and just happens. We’ll work through it."

Ron Gray, Director of Facility Services is currently overseeing the Saunders Pool renovation project. He explained that the main reason for the delay is that the contractor has been slower than expected.

Crews have been working to complete the pool, but have so far run into complications. Other delays have included

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Airfare would nose dive with arrival of jet service

There have been times in the past where I have been stuck in an airport due to delays and hangups in air travel because of weather, re-fueling, or other things while traveling to see family in New York. By far, my favorite hangup is when the plane is overbooked, and if you are the first person to step up and take a later flight, you'll get something in the range of a $250 round trip on air anywhere in the country.

When flying out of Grand Junction, that might be a problem.

Mesa State College is no longer the kind of school where only locals go. It has become an educational venue with a wide array of diversity and people from all over the world. So with so many people coming to Grand Junction not only for college, but for their Junior college baseball world series held every year, Country Jam and all of the sights and sounds that tourists come to see, would it not make sense to at least have an air service in Grand Junction to that particular venue, leaving here on September 1st and coming back on September 6th and keeping the delays on the airport close to noon as possible. The prices were as follows:

- To Denver: $252.50
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- To Chicago: $632.50
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When airfares get to be more than in-state tuition, you know something is wrong.

To make matters worse, Montrose and Eagle have jet services coming out of their airports, giving them access to direct flights and cheaper fares to larger cities which are much further away. One of the main reasons for Montrose is so people flying into the area to some of the local ski resort areas like Telluride, have easy access.

Walker Field no longer has jet service. Recently, however, the local airport has made some strides. This summer, Walker Field had a 727 passenger jet making daily stops in Grand Junction to help bring more people into the area. But with the amount of students and potential business owners wanting to come into the Grand Valley, it's not enough.

Students are coming to Mesa State in droves, with tourists and sight seers close behind. Walker Field needs to make its facilities more diverse in the range of non-jet services and more flights. Then, not only students would profit over the savings of accessible direct flights, but the community as well.

And coupons would not be necessary.

Freshmen take notice: the choices are yours to make

It is the beginning of the new school year and for the incoming freshman it will be the beginning of a semester full of advice. Do this, but don't do that. Have fun, but not too much fun. Drink but don't drive. Ok so that's my advice.

I pity all of you because I remember the never ending well of knowledge that was dumped upon my head when I first arrived here.

Professors, resident assistants, upper classmen, perfect strangers; it didn't matter; they all had one tie that bound them all together. They all believed that they were an oracle, and that I really wanted to listen.

So when I was approaching gift giving of some of my own advice, I thought long and hard and decided to give some non-advice. As a seasoned veteran of Mesa State College, I will now bestow my well of knowledge upon your heads.

1. If you want to waste four years of your life, your parents money, and/or tax payers money, DO NOT go to class and pay attention.
2. If you really want to screw up your life and take out lots of loans, use that money to buy large amounts of frothy adult beverages, then drop out of Mesa. Then you will be guaranteed to be up to your ears in debt.
3. Without a doubt, to remember to have a marketable resume, DONOT get involved. This is one thing that could possibly make you stand out from the rest of the applicants when trying to get a high paying job.
4. Do you really want to be hated by large amounts of people, change your style completely to look like every other Joe Schmoe on campus.
5. Finally, the one thing that must be done to truly get the least out of college, DO NOT learn from your mistakes.

Do all of the above things and I promise that you will get absolutely nothing out of the next four or five years that you spend at Mesa State. I remember hearing that you only get out of college what you put into it. The choice is yours to make.

The advice is there...take it or leave it.
Major choices can greatly effect future happiness

In the beginning I wanted to major in law. Then, I wanted to major in psychology. Next, it was geology. Then geography. Then art. Then auto mechanics. Then accounting. Now, I'm still thinking about the possibilities. Most of these changes were made during the four years I have been in college. But I will not be changing my mind again, because I love what I do now, but for awhile there, everything was too confusing for me. I'm still deciding what field I will work in. I explored so many possibilities that I have now picked the lucky one. I explored so many possibilities that I am absolutely sure that I have now picked the lucky one.

During that time, I thought those people that declared their major when they were freshman and never changed their minds were lucky. Now I realize I am the lucky one.

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There are some people who know right off the bat what they want to be when they get older. They get older and are forever happy doing that one thing. But so many other people choose something they think they will love, graduate in the field, and end up wanting nothing to do with it. For instance, they get a science degree and are more happy selling shoes in Chicago. Then not only do they have a pretty worthless degree, they usually have to go back to school to get a degree in whatever field they later discover is their true love. Or they just keep doing what they thought would make them happy because they need the money.

Then comes the misery and depression, and a subsequent visit to a licensed mental health practitioner. Why not save yourself from going through that? Do not be in a hurry to declare a major. If you wait until you have taken all of your general education requirements, then you will have a better idea of what you like and what you do not like.

Pay attention when you are taking all of these different kinds of classes. If it is a subject you are interested in, ask questions about what it is like to work in that field. Just do not get carried away during the class period. sendo that you choose a poor soul who do not take my advice might not appreciate it. All of this might take a little bit of time and effort, but it will be worth it in the long run.

While all of your friends are partying as you are studying, you will be able to party in Hawaii when they are returning to college as thirty-nine years old.

Student feels Snack Bar not mentioned in meal contract

Dear Editor,

Attention all meal plan students: The Maverick Money Card is here. How many of you remember saying no to the meal plan last spring? I remember saying no to the meal plan last spring but for awhile there, everything was too confusing for me. I'm still deciding what field I will work in. I explored so many possibilities that I have now picked the lucky one.

Graduation committee planning 2000 commencement

Dear Editor,

The purpose of this letter is to provide an update on the 1999-2000 academic year graduation ceremony currently being planned.

The 2000 Graduation Ceremony will be held on Sunday, May 14, 2000 at 9 a.m. in Stocker Stadium. As with last year, there will only be one ceremony for all graduates (Graduate, Bachelors, Associates, and Certificates) The single ceremony is fundamental since the Mesa State College mission includes graduate, one, two, and four year programs. The commencement speaker is chosen by one of the Schools on a rotating basis. This year, Executive Director Youngblood, School of Applied Technology will select the commencement speaker.

The 2000 Graduation Planning Committee will initiate detail planning shortly to update last year's ceremony to reflect the changes recommended last May. We welcome guests and comments at our meetings.
Penry, Gutierrez land in politics following grad

Former ASG Pres. works with McInnis

Leigh Ashman

Staff Writer

From Mesa State football star to aspiring politician, former Mesa State student Josh Penry has taken his young life in a much different direction than his peers.

As the Associated Student Government (ASG) President of Mesa State for the 1997-98 school year, he is no stranger to politics. And his experience doesn't stop here.

For years Penry had been volunteering and interning with politicians, including state former Senator Tillman Bishop and Congressman Scott McInnis.

He worked in McInnis' office, working on his campaign, and earlier this year it paid off. In January, Penry interned in Washington, D.C. as McInnis' special assistant, and when Penry was offered the position of McInnis' press secretary this July, he took it.

Putting his University of Texas law school plans on hold, Penry packed up and headed for the nation's capital.

Even though Penry had his future seemingly planned out through law school, why did he choose to wait? "I'm a political science major and I eventually plan on running for a political office. This seems like a good logical first step toward reaching that end," Penry said.

All plans for college have not been forgotten however, he plans on attending Georgetown or George Washington University in Washington, D.C. this fall as a part-time student. And while it will take him four years instead of three to finish law school, he feels the experience will gain him the extra year of school.

The job Penry holds is an important one to McInnis. Because the congressman is inundated with calls everyday asking for a statement on his position on certain subjects, he cannot answer them all.

This is where Penry comes in. He makes comments on McInnis' behalf, he also writes speeches, press releases, and opinion pieces or editorials.

made McInnis look good, which Penry says is his job, he has to do thoroughly and educated about the congressman's position on every subject. "I have to be careful. The slightest slip and I can let the wrong message get out. It could make McInnis look bad."

Being sure about his knowledge on all the subjects, Penry says, is the toughest part of his job. It's also the part he likes the best. "I never know what's going to happen. It's a lot of work and I have to be on my toes. Things change everyday, and fast," Penry said.

Very last. During the August congressional recess, which is currently going on, Penry is traveling for three weeks with McInnis' chief of staff.

He said they will visit 36 districts in Colorado over that three week span. Though he spends some of his time on the road and living out of sal­fite cases, Penry said he will be living, most of the time in Washington, D.C. For part of his job Penry points to Mesa State and his experience here.

"My education was second to none," he said.

"Some students who went to schools with better reputations don't have my position. I think that reflects well on the college. It's a good statement as to how students here are able to do so."

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Gutierrez joins Owens' special projects

Leigh Ashman

Staff Writer

From helping coordinate the Chinese Premier's visit to Denver to working on the memorial service for fallen students at Columbine High School, former Mesa State College student Sergio Gutierrez is busy climbing the ladder of political success.

A political science major, Gutierrez is a Special Assistant to Colorado Governor Bill Owens and works on special projects for him.

Since January of this year, Gutierrez has served Owens in his current position, although he worked on his campaign during the last election.

Gutierrez' faith in the governor runs deep. "He's a good man, I believe in him. He is an active government and works to help people in any way he can."

Gutierrez said he was getting ready to graduate from Mesa State in December of 1998 when Owens offered him the position.

Even now, after months on the job, Gutierrez sometimes has a hard time believing this really is his life. "Some mornings I wake up and say, 'God, I can't believe I'm doing this!'"

At the moment, the passion of Gutierrez' political life is yet another special project Owens asked him to work on. Known as the Governor's Opportunity Scholarship, the program enables students with financial trouble to get a higher education.

A part of the project, Gutierrez will be visiting Mesa State as part of a statewide tour of colleges and universities.

He will be representing Owens and presenting information on the scholarship. Gutierrez said, "This scholarship is a good program. I've been told numerous times by educators that this is the single best thing in higher education for helping students. I really believe in it."

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MSC Police Dept.

Blotter

August 17

12:00 p.m. - A credit card was fouling at 1020 Elm Ave. (MSPD). The property is being stored at MSPD.

August 19

9:06 a.m. - An MSC student found a pair of sunglasses and turned them into the information desk at the Student Rec. Center.

11:00 a.m. - Persons unknown removed a blue backpack from the storage area in the cafeteria at W.W. Campbell Center without the owners permission.

August 20

11:00 a.m. - A Mesa State staff member found a broken wallet in parking lot A.

1:20 p.m. - MSPD received a phone call in reference to a burglar alarm at Monument Hall. After the investigation, it was found to be a false alarm.

2:17 p.m. - A Tolman staff member reported a vehicle struck a cigarette butt receptacle outside Tolman Hall, 1140 Texas Ave. The driver was contacted.

5:00 p.m. - MSPD dispatch reported a wallet was found in the College Center game room. The owner could not be located.

August 21

9:26 p.m. - Found property was reported in the college center. Items were collected and logged.

August 22

12:28 a.m. - Officers were dispatched to 3115 Texas Ave. (Rail Hall) for a report of a

*** Correction: the emergency number on campus is 911.***

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POLICE: Meyer holds on to temp. position, from page 1

Meyer did, however, apply for the police chief position at Ft. Lewis College in Durango. According to Meyer, he was in the top three selected, but lost out to one of the candidates who was also in Mesa's top five selection.

"I was just keeping my options open," said Meyer of his application outside of the Grand Valley.

GUTERREZ: Owens special projects team, from page 4

Gutierrez believes his experience at Mesa State helped to prepare him for his future in many ways. "It's a small campus and that's a plus. You meet good people, you're balanced as a person and academically, too. At the end of the day you can look and see that overall, there are a lot of pluses."

Gutierrez said he admires Dr. John Redifer, and he is also "a good friend, advisor, and counselor." "I love him. He's democratic, but one of the best I've ever met. He's a great guy." Gutierrez served on the Associated Student Government (ASG) for several years, holding various positions including vice president of external affairs, representing MSC on various statewide projects.

PENRY: deals carefully with press, from page 4

Many things and have the opportunity to grow and experience things." In particular, Penry praises Dr. John Redifer, associate professor of political science and Penry's "advisor, teacher and good friend." In return, Redifer said, "With Josh, the sky's the limit. He's talented, dedicated, and hardworking. He was a great student who always had ten thousand things on his plate and did a good job with all of them. He has the tools to be very successful."

Penry's contributions to Mesa will not soon be forgotten for the scholarship money brought in through his national recognition. After being named the Burger King Scholar athlete of the year for both the RMAC and Division II, Penry went on to claim the national title. His winnings totaled $135,000, not to mention national publicity for Mesa on ESPN.

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News

Wednesday, August 25, 1999

News

Christen Day, Criterion Sports Editor for the 1999 Spring Semester, has been named as the Adams State College Sports Information Director (SID).

Day learned the ropes of the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference after serving as Mesa State's Assistant SID last year. He also completed his internship at the RMAC office in Colorado Springs for two summers while working towards his degree in Mass Communications, focusing on Public Relations and News/Editorial at Mesa.

Outside of the RMAC, Day earned experience through working the Junior College Baseball World Series held in Grand Junction each year.

MSC student wins national scholarship

AccountingNet Solutions, Inc., John Wiley & Sons and KPMG announced three nationwide winners of their accounting scholarships, each worth $1,000.

Winners were Alice Green, from Louisiana State University; Angela Kelley, from Arizona State University; and Doirin Eddy, from Mesa State College.

Eddy is a junior accounting and information technology major with a 3.97 GPA. Eddy plans to specialize in providing computer hardware, software, and accounting advice to small businesses of 100 employees or less.

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Partners
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blasting obstacles that were also unexpected. He also said that the department usually did not put a liquidated damage agreement in the contract, which would have guaranteed the August 1 completion date.

This agreement is only used in places like residence halls where opening dates are paramount to be precise.

The pool project, according to Gray, was not as much a priority. "We take the risk of a late completion so that we don't have to pay more money to guarantee an earlier completion," Gray said.

MEEKER: short notice, from page 1

of California and graduated from the University of Colorado with a Ph. D. in Sociology.

Dr. Meeker then became a Professor of Sociology in 1979. A search has been proposed for Dr. Meeker's replacement. "A search will be done, no question, it will probably be initiated in the near term," Dr. Gingerich said.

The department plans to have a replacement by the fall of 2000.

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Local store invites students to start scrapping

Jessica Aldrich
Features Editor

"You make the memories...we help you keep them." That is Debbie Albright's motto at her scrapbook mania store, "Memory Keepers." Providing every essential material for scrapbook enthusiasts all over the Valley, store owner Albright has agreed to host a private party for Mesa State students Friday, Sept. 3 from 6 p.m. until midnight at her store, located at 315 N. 7th St.

For an admission of $5, Mesa students who have caught the increasingly popular scrapbooking bug will have unlimited access to Albright's hard materials and tools. Such tools include a wide variety of designing scissors and die-cut roller machines, Midnight snacks, hourly drawings, and prizes will be given for interesting and creative layouts. Student discounts will also be given. The six-hour workshop is open to beginning scrapbookers as well as those who simply need space to spread their materials out and get to work on their memories.

Since October of last year, "Memory Keepers" has been the place to go for decorative, non-acidic papers and stickers, scissors, tape, glue, albums and even ideas. According to Albright, who has been creating scrapbooks herself for about five years, the scrapbooking trend began about 25 years ago when a Salt Lake City, Utah woman began inviting friends over to put their pictures into albums with an artistic touch.

"I think it all began slowly because of the use of magnetic pages," said Albright, who explained that once people began to see their pictures and pages yellow in time due to the acids in the paper, albums and even stickers, they became interested in preserving their beloved pictures and protecting them from aging.

Heritage, Albright said, is another reason she believes scrapbooking has recently become so popular. She has learned, from talking with and helping her customers, that the desire to organize and keep pictures alive within families lies not only within middle-aged mothers, but among young people as well. Young families collecting memories of their weddings, students creating spring break and graduation pages and even males wanting to display their sports pictures are others.

Albright, a mother of two, can be found working at "Memory Keepers," six days a week, as well as helping in-structure some of the many classes the store offers. In addition to his full-time job, Albright's husband, regularly joins her at work to assist customers with paper and color choices and with the die-cutter.

In addition to scrapbooking workshops, please see SCRAPs, page 41

Above: "Memory Keepers" owner Debbie Albright shows Mesa State senior Hollie Smiley the basics using the paper cutter during a free scrapbooking workshop Monday night. Left: Albright stands before the store she opened in October of 1998.

Gallery guests find themselves searching within artist's work

Meaghan Blanchard
Ass. Features Editor

The art hanging on the walls of the Johnson Gallery through Sept. 10, is not just any art. The artist takes a very different approach to his drawings; sketches of dead animals are hidden in several of them. At first glance, it is somewhat eerie to see the dead animals of Dale Daniel Leys' artwork.

Leys is a professor of art from Murray State University in Murray, Kent. He has been traveling along with his art before coming to Mesa State Aug. 18. The show will end Oct. 22 at Adams State College in Alamosa. Leys' show is a series of large-scale drawings in pencil, graphite, conte and pastel.

The drawings may at first make you turn around and quickly leave the gallery. But each work has a tendency to draw you in. They make you wonder what he was thinking when he created them.

One of the most interesting pieces of artwork being displayed is "Frog Life #3," a drawing of several frogs hurtling through the air. If you look at the piece long enough you can start to see the frogs actually moving.

"Medley Bird" and "En-Vis-Age" are perhaps two of the more eerie images in the gallery. "En-Vis-Age" is a drawing of a waternfall and the outdoors. Hidden at the bottom of the picture is a dead bird and the question, "why?" arises again.

Three of Leys' pieces do not have any apparent dead animals in them. The piece: "JR. Microscope" contains a sign that says, "I do not believe you," while underneath a drawing of microscopical states, "JR. Microscope talks to the animals and challenges their popular theory on the origin of life." Leys' work is worth seeing. The free gallery is open Monday through Thursday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Fridays 9 a.m. to noon.
Early morning walkers honor more than fitness

Meaghan Blanchard
Assistant Features Editor

Citizens of Grand Junction held a two-mile Unity Walk this weekend in honor of Ajax Joe Drayton and Paul Callens. The pair began walking the entirety of Highway 50 beginning in Ocean City, Md., in an effort to promote diversity and unity. Callens and Drayton came through the Grand Junction area Saturday, Aug. 21 and stopped to be part of a day-long event in their honor and support. About 20 people showed up for the two-mile walk that began at Riverside Park. The performance arts portion of the day attracted more than 50 people. Held at the Western Botanical Gardens, featured performers included the Sultan Pride Dance Troop, Reggae singer John Bailey, and storyteller Susan Zythier. Drayton performed the big slick dance he invented and Callens spoke about the mission of the Unity walkers.

Mesa State...through the years

Jessica Aldrich
Features Editor

This week in 1978: John Belushi touched the hearts of many a college male in the movie "Animal House," and the Walnut Ridge apartments came into the limelight of Mesa State was $5 and locked up due to viruses, and the brand new Mesa campus in Montrose opened their doors for registration.

This week in 1987: A new drinking age in the state resulted in the restriction of alcohol on campus. No longer would beer be available in the student center nor would it be tolerated in the dorms, causing substantial unhappiness among students.

This week in 1980: The president of the National Organization for Women pulled into campus with her "Freedom Caravan for Women's Lives" campaigning pro-choice beliefs to a crowd of about 200 Mesa students. Meanwhile, a "Chain of Life" formed outside the campus made up of pro-lifers opposing the organization's views.

This week in 1991: Computer screens in the library lab began to read, "Your PC is stolen," as machines locked up due to viruses, and the brand new Mesa campus in Montrose opened their doors for registration.

Don't miss this!

*campus meeting directory*

- The Cycling Team of Mesa State will hold its first meeting Wednesday, Aug. 25 at 4 p.m. in the Fletcher room.
- The Native American Council will meet Wednesday, Aug. 25 at 4 p.m. in the Mesa State club offices located in the student center.
- Phi Beta Lambda, professional business leaders club, will meet Wednesday, Aug. 25 at 5 p.m. in the Boettcher room.
- Rodeo Club meets Wednesday, Aug. 25 at 6 p.m. in the Fletcher room. Everyone is welcome.
- The first Pride meeting of the school year will be held Wednesday, Aug. 25 at 7 p.m. in the Bacon room.
- The Biology Club will meet Thursday, Aug. 26 at 6:30 p.m. in the Boettcher room. Contact Melissa Herbst at 243-3803 for details.
- The Geology Club will meet Monday, Aug. 30 at 3 p.m. in the courtyard of the new science building. There is no need to be a geology major to join.

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To reserve a space for the Friday, Sept. 3 private Mesa party, or for more information, contact Debbie Albright at 241-CROP, or 241-2767.
Football team hopes to build on last season's dramatic finish

Dan McDonnell
Special to the Criterion

There is excitement looming around the Mesa State College football team as the Mavericks head into the 1999 season. The team ended season 1998 in grand fashion after a come-from-behind victory over Western New Mexico.

The win not only gave the Mavericks something to build on but it also gave them there best record since 1993 when the team went 5-5. Last year Mesa State went 5-6 (2-6 in the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference) and second-year coach Joe Ramunno would like to improve on it.

Ramunno will be aided by the return of 20 starters from last season's squad. That list includes junior Andy Coryell, who passed for 422 yards and two touchdowns last season while filling in for the 1998 Burger King Scholar Athlete of the Year, Josh Penny. Penny was sidelined for part of the season due to a rib injury.

With Penny gone due to graduation, the Mavericks must fill a void, not only through the air, but also on the ground where he rushed for nearly 1,100 yards combined in the past two years.

Coryell will be counted on to help lead the Maverick offense back to the success it enjoyed in 1997. The team struggled in 1998, finishing eighth in the RMAC in total offense and seventh in scoring.

I feel like our offense is going to be improved just from experience and knowledge that was gained last year," Ramunno explained.

"It is all built on execution and we've got a pretty good team concept going, where they've got to rely on everybody around them."

Mesa State saw a huge improvement in defense in last fall, especially on the ground. The Mavericks, against the run, jumped from worst in the RMAC to third, allowing 150.9 yards per game as opposed to 232.9 yards per game in 1997.

With 13 starters returning and an improved and healthy secondary, the Maverick defense should be a force in 1999. "We need to get more victories and to win you've got to have great defense," Ramunno explained.

Defensive Coordinator Clarence Ross.

"We had a lot of kids work really hard this summer and we've got great enthusiasm."

The Mavericks moved a

Team impresses coach
Soccer starts off big with D-I win

Kim Hendrix
Asst. Sports Editor

Kicking off their season against Division I University of Wyoming could have been intimidating for the young Mesa State College women's soccer team. But with 13 freshmen on their roster, not only did the Lady Mavs beat Wyoming 1-0, they impressed their coach, teammates, and two former Mesa State players who now play for Wyoming.

Freshman Stephanie Watada scored the only goal of the game, and coach Jim Buchan was very impressed with the overall performance of the team.

"I am very proud of the kids. I think the team came together really well. We never let Wyoming get on top of us, even when we had five or six freshmen on the field," Buchan said. Buchan was still deciding on a goal keeper last week, but he has found one. Freshman Danielle English played the entire game leaving Wyoming scoreless. "Danielle came up with a couple of big saves," he said.

Next Tuesday, the Lady Mavs meet up with Montana State University-Billings at 4 p.m. at Dixson Field. Though they beat them badly last year, Billings has a new coach who is very good and anything could happen, Buchan said. Regis plays them on Thursday and Buchan said he will have a better idea of what they're like by the end of the week.

"It'll be a chance for the freshmen to get another game under their belts before heading off to Seattle," Buchan said.

Though he may have been skeptical early on with such a young team, he likes what he saw on Sunday. "It's a more balanced team than in the past. There aren't any standouts," he said.

Buchan also said that this will not stop them from relying through the air, but also on the ground where he rushed for nearly 1,100 yards combined in the past two years.

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Joe Ramunno
Mavs Head Coach

Fall Sports Schedules

Soccer

Aug. *31 Montana State University-Billings Oct. 1 Metro State College 3 Regis University 15 Colorado Christian University 17 University of Northern Colorado 19 Fort Lewis College 22 New Mexico Highlands University 24 University of Southern Colorado 29 Metro State College 51 Regis University (Note all home games are at Dixson Field)

Football

Sept. *4 Panhandle State University 11 Western Montana College 18 Western State College 25 Chadron State College Oct. 2 Adams State College 9 Fort Hays State University Oct. 16 Colorado School of Mines 23 University of Nebraska-Kearney 30 Fort Lewis College Nov. 6 New Mexico Highlands University 13 Western New Mexico University

Volleyball

Aug. *27-28 Colorado Coca-Cola Classic Oct. 3 Colorado Christian University 8 Regis University 9 Chadron State College 13 Univ. of Nebraska-Kearney 16 Fort Hays State University 22 Adams State College 23 Fort Lewis College 26 Western State College 29 New Mexico Highlands University 30 Eastern New Mexico University

Oct. 1 Metro State College 2 Colorado School of Mines Nov. *5 Univ. of Colorado-Colorado Springs 6 Univ. of Southern Colorado

* Home Games

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Volleyball tips off season with Coca-Cola Classic

Baseball set to defend RMAC Championship

Future looks bright for Cross Country

Dirt-baggers take field for fall tryouts

Softball to start new season with fresh look
EXCITE: Special teams looking to improve, from page 12

couple of corners into play outside linebacker and recruited some more defensive backs.

Mesa State will be looking to improve on special teams, especially in the kicking game. The Mavericks did not convert a field goal last season and the team is counting on a number of players to compete for the kicking job.

The Mavericks will have six home games in and four of the games will be night games. "It is better for us to play at home in the evening," Ramunno explained. "It makes it tough to come from a long way away because of travel after the game, but for us it is going to draw a better crowd and it is going to keep more people involved. That is what we want to do. We want to make it a great football atmosphere."

The Mavs will open against Panhandle State University Sept. 4 at Stocker Stadium before traveling to Western Montana in Dillon Sept. 11. "The Mavericks' schedule will not be easy though, especially in the early part of their conference schedule. Mesa State will open up their RMAC schedule with rival Western State on Sept. 18 before traveling to Nebraska to take on Chadron State a week later. Both teams finished in a tie for the 1998 RMAC title."

"We'll have our work cut out for us," Ramunno said, "but the bottom line is that we just have to play football for four quarters and believe in what we do. I want these guys to have fun doing it."

Key Returners

Name     Pos.       Key Stat
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Eat at least three hours before your event. It is best to work out on an empty stomach. Three hours is an adequate length of time for most people, but some may require more time. Test yourself to see how you feel.

Eat a low-fat meal because fat delays emptying of the stomach. This means limiting the intake of such foods as cheese, nuts, potato chips, steak and salad dressing.

Eat enough calories to get you through the event without hunger. Under eating can be as bad as overeating. Your body will be expending more energy than it is normally accustomed to. Eat enough to account for this.

Drink enough fluids—at least 2-3 cups. If you sweat a great deal, drink more before, during, and after the event. Lack of fluids can not only hurt performance but can also damage your body. You could end up undoing the good that your exercise had done.

Eat foods you are familiar with and those which will not upset your digestive tract. We all have our own peculiarities. Learn what your body needs to work best before the event starts.

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