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College of Pharmacy Shows Promise for Future

RaeAnne Schoeffler Staff Writer

This is the inaugural year for the Manchester University College of Pharmacy, having welcomed the first class of 64 students in August 2012. The College of Pharmacy, with a brand-new building located in Fort Wayne, is the only pharmacy program located in northern Indiana, and predictions have been made that the enrollment, when this current class graduates, will be up to almost 300. And the venue is

"The new building meets the needs of the College of Pharmacy and will allow for future growth of the University in Fort Wayne," said Whitney Caudill, associate dean for Administration and Finance. "The building and classrooms are technologically state-of-the-art and provide students with an engaging and interesting academic experience."

The building has three classrooms that seat 75 students, one that seats 40 students, a 14-room communications laboratory, and a pharmacy care laboratory that seats 50. The school also features the Manchester University Conference Center that inseats 150 and three conference rooms.

"We're really happy with the space we

cludes an auditorium that My favorite thing about the building is the people in it. I love seeing students working in small groups, employees eating lunch

ecutive vice president of Manchester University, has been involved in exploring and launching the pharmacy program since 2007

lege added the College of Pharmacy to its name, changing Manchester College into Manchester University from this school

"The College of Pharmacy is a great addition to Manchester University," McFadden said. "It is enhancing our reputation in the region and making a Manchester degree more valuable." The College of

Pharmacy has already shown much promise. Manchester University received a \$35 million gift from Lilly Endowment Inc. for the new school. The building was also built in only 12 months, making it possible for the program to start this year.

"Hiring an exceptional faculty and staff and bringing in our first class are also highlights for me," added McFadden on the subject of accomplishments and progress the new school has made.

The first year of the College of Pharmacy has started out with a small but-so-far successful class. With the introduction of the new building, no major changes are planned for the pharmacy program, although new ideas may emerge. Faculty and staff are busy planning for the next school year and beyond.



ROOM TO GROW After opening for its first year, the Manchester University College of Pharmacy welcomed the first class of 64 students this past August. Located in Ft. Wayne, the College is equipped with state-of-the-art technology and the ability to provide an engaging academic experience. While the current enrollment seems small, it is expected to grow to 300 by the time the first class graduates.

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have," said David McFad- together and informal con- and was named dean of den, dean of the College versations taking place in

the College of Pharmacy in

Manchester Col- macy in Oct. 2009.

year forward. The Board of Trustees approved formation of the College of Phar-

Photo by Alexah Parnin

Higher Learning Commission Comes to MU

David Lloyd Staff Writer

While students were busy going through the hustle and bustle of classes and trying to make the grade week, Manchester University was hard at work doing the same.

From Monday to Wednesday, Manchester underwent its ten-year visit from the Higher Learning Commission. Based out of Chicago, the Higher Commission Learning (HLC), which visits schools around the North Central region of the United States, uses a list of criteria to accredit and grant schools the ability to give degrees in their specific fields.

Founded in 1895, the HLC gives meaning and resonance to degrees received at Universities and Colleges in the North Central region, including schools such as Notre Dame, Indiana University and Ivy Tech in addition to Manchester University.

Among the key leaders in preparing Manchester for the HLC was Dr. Glenn Sharfman, vice president and dean for Academic Affairs. "The idea is that they need to assure the public that when you receive a diploma from Manchester, it is accepted by graduate schools as well as everywhere else that we are a real school," he said.

"We are doing what we say, students are learning, and faculty has the credentials we say

they do. Without them, the public would have no assurance regarding Manchester University diplo-

Around 30-35 faculty and staff members of

how Manchester utilizes board members, faculty, staff and students to fulfill its mission, how Manchester can respond to future challenges and opportunities, evidence of student

members of the community as well as documentation, including financial statements, audits, minutes from meetings, as well as analyzing numerous other documents.

our finances, enrollment, planning, course assessment, the success center and teaching," Sharfman said. main area to improve, according to Sharfman, was

Journalist David Lloyd holds an interview with Dr. Glenn Sharfman, one of the key persons who helped prepare MU for the arrival of the Higher Learning Commission, gaining more information about the Chicago-based group. The HLC visits schools in the North Central regions of the United States to see if they meet specific criteria and are able to grant degrees in specfic fields. MU hosted the HLC from Monday, Sept. 24, to Wednesday,

Photo by Kellen Wilkening

pare a self-study, with five groups working together to compile data, information and testimonies to help gain accreditation.

The self-study was based on five chapters, each addressing a criterion. The criteria include

learning outside of campus, and how Manchester works with its constituencies.

The HLC members evaluated Manchester by speaking with students, faculty, staff, board members, alumni, and of Manchester College, the Academic Center and the School of Pharmacy, were both toured and deemed strengths, as well as the growing integration between the Fort Wayne and North Manchester campuses. "They praised

scholarship within the faculty. This means that in addition to teaching courses, faculty will be asked to participate in more research, attend conferences, and publish papers.

"Manchester has always been seen

teaching ability. But as we move from college to university, we may need to rerevaluate how we define scholarship, which is good advice." Another aspect that will need attending to, said Sharfman, was to review the majors and minors more systematically. Once the HLC receives the report from the

a teaching institution,

Sharfman said. "We hire

people based on their

group of evaluators, they can implement one of a few rulings. The University can be passed, giving it accreditation for the next few years. They can also pass it with suggestions, meaning those aspects would need attending to. Other options include probation, which would entail another visit shortly, and not passing, which would make Manchester unfit to be a University any Ion-

"We're fairly confident we did well," said Sharfman regarding the HLC visit. The report, which will be finalized in a month, will contain the official evaluation and ver-

Homecoming Play ~ David Haist ~ Men's Soccer

Activist Suu Kyi Speaks at Ft. Wayne Conference Reaches Out, Visits with Local Burmese Refugee Community

Charlaine Grosse Staff Writer

Political Activist and hero Aung San Suu Kyi, who was under house arrest for 15 years and who won the Myanmar's (formerly called Burma) parliament elections in April, visited Fort Wayne on Sept. 25, 2012.

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Memorial Coliseum officials estimated that about 5,000 people would attend Suu Kui's speech, while the welcoming committee was expecting as many as 10,000.

A great majority of them were refugees from the local Burmese community who were wearing traditional Burmese clothes. Gay Maria, senior in political science at Manchester University, was among them. She said that most of the people were very happy and excited because most of them have been waiting almost their whole life for Suu Kyi's release. Thus for the local Burmese population, among the largest in the United States, Suu Kyi's coming was a very significant event.

Suu Kyi, who won the Nobel Peace prize in 1991, chose to stop in Fort Wayne during her U.S. trip because it has one of the largest Burmese refugee communities. "When you start a new life in another country that has a very different culture and a language you do not understand, it is easier to settle where your community is," Maria said.

Most of the speech was in Burmese in order to encourage the new generation to learn and speak it. However, she began her speech in English by thanking the welcoming committee, the sponsors, the Burmese community and Fort Wayne for welcoming the Burmese refugees. "I am very happy our people have had this opportunity to learn from you," Suu Kyi said. "Every culture has something to offer and that building a democracy requires a united effort," she

Suu Kyi continued her speech in Burmese, which was translated in captions onto three large video screens in the Coliseum and broadcasted by WFWA. However, after her speech, during the question and answers session a technical problem discontinued the subtitles.

The leader of the National League for Democracy and now the leader of the Myanmar parliament reminded the crowd the importance of learning and education. "It is very important for us to learn that we are all the same, that we should not discriminate between those



SPREADING THE WORD Speaking mostly in Burmese, Suu Kyi adressed the local Burmese Refugee Community as she visited Ft. Wayne on Sept. 25. After her release from 15 years of house arrest, many attendees at the Memorial Colliseum saw her visit as a significant event after spending much of their lives waiting for her release.

Photo by Charlaine Grosse

who can learn and those who cannot learn," Suu Kyi said

She addressed the Burmese community who left Myanmar and settled in Fort Wayne. "We did not think that you have separated from us because you

have become citizens of another country," she said. "We know that you are still connected to us and still part of our community."

Maria, who was born in Myanmar and had to leave with her family seven years ago because of the political regime, agreed with Suu Kyi. "You have to bear in mind that the reason why the Burmese refugees are here is because we were fighting for democracy, for Burma," she said. "And this still [is] the only reason why we

had to fly. Wherever you are you belong to Burma. For us if Burma is our biological mother, the United States will be our foster mother."

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Electric Car Charger Appears on Campus

Kyle Lahman Staff Writer

Manchester University's campus received a welcome addition in early September. As part of Indiana's Project Plug-IN initiative, Duke Energy installed an electric car charger at the south end of the Union parking lot.

Because equipment is funded through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act and Duke Energy covered the install, there are no upfront costs for the university. According to Manchester University's systems supervisor Gary Heckman and electrician Dale Metzger, Duke Energy and Manchester have a two-year agreement. For the first two years, MU will provide the electricity while Duke foots the bill for any operating costs. At the end of the two-year agreement, Manchester will own the

Sue O'Leary, Duke Energy's associate project director of electrical vehicle program development, said via email that the project presents an opportunity for Duke to research consumer demand for electric charging stations. "Duke Energy's purpose is to collect the data that will enable us to learn about equipment functions, grid impacts, and better understand charging behavior," O'Leary said. "By studying customers' charging hab-

its, we will better under-

stand how personal elec-

tric vehicles will integrate

into the grid.

Knowing the amount of charging occurring during peak demand times – and what electric vehicles owners expect from their charging experience, will help us maintain overall reliability while minimizing costs for all customers."

Heckman Metzger said that the university has been looking into installing an oncampus electric option for nearly two years. Because Manchester's Board of Trustees was interested in financing a small-scale charging project, they researched potential chargers. But after discovering that small chargers would cost nearly \$4000, they decided to explore other options. When Metzger found out about the partnership between Duke and Project Plug-IN, he decided to apply.

While the charger currently receives little to no use, its presence should make electric a viable option for students, faculty and staff. "Within the next couple of years, we see the availability of the charger as giving people an incentive to buy electric cars," Metzger said.

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Count Manchester mathematics professor
Tim Brauch as one who believes that demand will rise now that the charger has been installed. "There are a significant number of faculty who own hybrid cars," he said. "The big-

gest reason I have not pur-

chased an electric car is

because of the scarcity of

recharging stations. I know

the of at least one profescur- sor who is getting electric and when her current lease is ctric up because of this refuel-

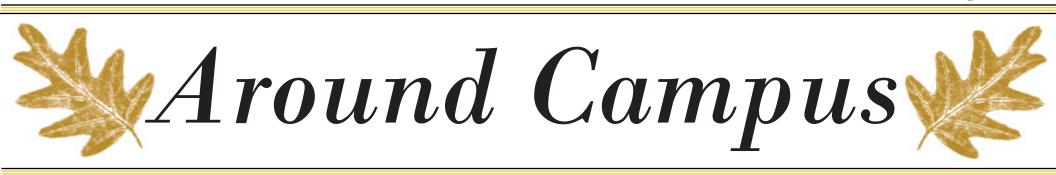
ing station."

Because the installed unit can only charge one car battery at a time, more than one charger may be necessary if demand increases. In this scenario, Heckman believes that the campus will find a way to provide additional charging stations. "If all of a sudden we have people fighting over it, we would go back to our original idea and find more

power for them," he said.

Overall, Heckman and Metzger see the car charger project as a win-win scenario for the university. The charger essentially provides a free opportunity for Manchester to evaluate demand for electric cars in the area. And for the time-being, "all we have to power is a little tiny display," Heckman said

Metzger added: "It's definitely a no-lose. It encourages green, and it might make a difference between students coming to Manchester or not. It's a plus for the campus."



Admin Building Adjusts to Being 'Student-Free'

Kaitie Kemper Staff Writer

The creaky, wooden floors of the Administration Building are no longer quaking under mass amounts of traffic from students filing from class to class. Classrooms and faculty offices were relocated to the new Academic Center this summer, and this move has showcased a major change in character for the Administration Building.

In use for educational purposes since 1889, the once-bustling academic center is currently being used for Manchester University's behind-the-scenes offices including those of Academic Affairs, Alumni Advancement, the Executive Vice President, Financial Services, Marketing, the President, Printing Services, Public Relations, the Registrar, Student Financial Services, and University Advancement, along with some student offices.

Although a few of these offices are still integrated with campus life, many of them do not interact with students as frequently due to the lack of people roaming the halls.

The lack of commotion in the "studentfree" Administration Building has made an impact on some university employees more than others, but nonetheless, the absence of academic life is noticeable.

"It's nice not to

over my head on the second floor, and it's quieter," said Mary Ann McWithey, accountant at the Office of Financial Services. "However, the whole reason for us being here is because

ly affects."

Even without large amounts of students passing through the Administration Building every day, certain offices in the building remain student orient-

ministrative assistant to the Registrar. "It's very quiet now that there's not mains on students in the students moving around in between classes, but I think the new classrooms in the Academic Center

The focus also re-Office of Student Financial Services. "We moved from the first floor of the Administration Building

upstairs and the students were in here for classes, we would have students who would just stop by and talk just because they were in the building. Now, we basically just get the traffic of students who need to come over here as opposed to students just stopping by and chit chatting, so it's very different."

Shockey said that she misses having students in the Administration Building for classes because she liked being able to meet diverse groups of students instead of just students who specifically need something from the Office of Student Financial Services.

She also agrees with other employees in the Administration Building who think that the noise level has significantly decreased. "You don't know when classes are changing, and you lose track of time because there is not a constant reminder of people shuffling around," she said.

Even though the classrooms in the Administration Building are no longer in use, the "student-free" building really isn't, nor should it be, void of students. The employees who continue to inhabit the building want students to know that they are still there to help them. "This is why Manchester University is here; it's for students," McWithey said.



Journalist Kaitie Kemper searches for interviewees in the Administration Building and finds it nearly empty instead. Since the Academic Center opened this summer, the older Admin has been devoid of student life and almost completely silent. Only a few administrative offices remain in the century-old building, drastically diminishing the amount of student traffic.

Photo by Felicia Nichols

to see students because it helps me remember why job, and who my job direct- said Glenna Castillo, ad-

of the students. It's nice ed. "We still have students that come over and find us, which is great because we I'm here, why I have my were worried about that,"

students. They are climate don't get near the traffic," controlled with the air con- said Sherri Shockey, diditioning and the heating, rector of Student Financial and are much more energy

are much better for the to the basement, and we Services. "When we were

Seniors Embark on the Grad-School Search Students Find Higher Education Extends Past Four Years

Hannah Schutter Staff Writer

It appears to be true that these days a college education is no longer finished after four years.

Many senior students are making the decision to apply to graduate school; a decision that will more than likely bring about better paying jobs, higher office positions and seemingly more stress.

But with the economy that we are currently living in, graduate school seems to be a contradictory choice. It will help a person gain a higher salary, but it is also quite expensive. Regardless of this, many Manchester University students are in the process of applying to graduate school.

In order to become a physical therapist, Brooke Waddups, a senior from Logansport, is currently in the midst of applying to 12 different graduate schools across the country. With hopes to attend school outside of Indiana, Waddups has already spent three months working on her applications.

characterized the process of applying to graduate programs as opposed to applying to undergraduate schools as being "more time consum-

ing, more essays, more requirements, and more money."

Derek Jones, a senior from North Manchester, is also applying to gradafter because it allows for more specialized studying. For example, Jones plans on studying Industrial/Organizational psychology, which is a specialized field ate school for more concentrated study. As an educational studies major and business minor, her degree will enable her to study higher education

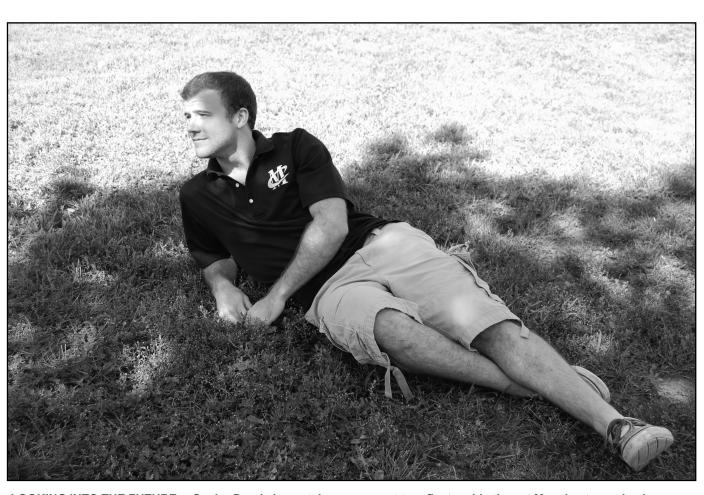
lege campus. Along with being nervous and afraid of not getting in, which is a common theme among the seniors that are applying to graduate programs,

Although seniors are the ones going through the graduate school process, it is never too early for graduate programs to be on any student's radar. "No matter what year you are, look at you major and all of the possibilities," Bailey said.

In addition to filling out the long applications, students need to make sure that they have completed all of their course requirements, completed lab hours (if necessary for your field of study), have professors write letters of recommendation, the G.R.E., and build your resume (or Vita, in grad school terminology). Jones tells stu-

dents that "your undergrad is your preparation for grad school." He recommends getting your G.P.A. up and deciding early if graduate school is in your realm of possibilities. These applications are no easy feat.

All in all, seniors graduate applying to school are definitely dealing with stress right now. "You just have to be happy in life and do what you love," says Bailey, whether or not graduate studies are in the cards for you.



LOOKING INTO THE FUTURE Senior Derek Jones takes a moment to reflect on his time at Manchester and enjoy a moment's break from the crucial graduate school search. As a psychology major, Jones knows that by attending graduate school more doors will open for him in the career world than if he were to have a degree only from Manchester.

Photo by Kellen Wilkening

uate school. "It is harder to get a career [in psychology] without going to graduate school," he said. Graduate school is also sought of study that Manchester does not offer.

Leslie Bailey, a senior from Ogden Dunes, is also attending graduand student affairs in graduate school. Bailey hopes to become what she calls the "next Beth Sweitzer-Riley" and work on a col-

she believes that graduate school applications are more stressful. Attending graduate school is "a new chapter in your life," Bailey



Preview: Homecoming Play Brings Suspense

'A Devil in the Church' Expected to Intrigue MU Audiences

Brock Ireland Staff Writer

It's a murder mystery this semester for the Manchester thespians! A play that includes Hollywood, a death at a funeral, and a storyline written by a recent alumnus is shaping up to be a jaw-dropping production.

The play, "A Devil in the Church", is different from most theatrical productions. Not only will actors be on the stage, but they will also be utilizing ground space in front of the audience. There will be church pews set in front of the audience, since the play is set in a church during a funeral for a powerful movie mogul. Actors will move in and out of the church pews during the performance.

The actors will literally be close enough for the audience to reach out and touch them, although Director Jane Frazier would appreciate it if you try your best to refrain from physical contact with any actors.

Another unique thing about this production is the use of video equipment. To save on time, the cast has filmed three flashback scenes, so as to not have to deal with set changes. These scenes were filmed at the beginning of the rehearsals, which added extra pressure on the actors and the director.

Actors had to de- 14. The Thursday and Satvelop their character in a smaller amount of time than normal. "Most actors don't have a complete character until about a week before the show, so the fact that they successfully completed this task in so little time is impressive," Frazier said.

The play was written by alumnus Adam King, who had asked Frazier to read his new script over the summer and give him some feedback. She enjoyed the script and decided to produce it at Manchester. After a few minor revisions, the play was ready for a performance. Frazier got to casting and now the group is headed toward opening night. Performances of "A Devil in the Church" will be Thursday, Oct. 11, Saturday, Oct. 13, and Sunday, Oct.

urday performances will begin at 7:30 p.m. and the Sunday performance begins at 3 p.m. Since it is a mur-

der mystery, some of the juicy plot details cannot be revealed. But, here is a quick synopsis written by Adam King himself: Los Angeles, California. Circa 1949. Hollywood's most powerful movie mogul has passed. The private funeral service includes those closest to him. Controversy shrouds his death.But when his actress lover drops dead while giving the eulogy, two of the LAPD's finest are brought in discreetly to handle the case. Ignited by the stories and circumstances within the small congregation, they must wade through rumors of infidelity and jealousy and insinuations

set against the backdrop of a church with its own

of corruption and coercion murderous past to solve church the crime. That is, if they can keep everyone in the



Cast members of "A Devil in the Church" rehearse for the upcoming 11, Saturday, Oct. 13 and Sunday, Oct. 14. The show will start at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday Photo by Maia Marusak

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James Kazan	
Lucille Weinstei	
Jim Ellory	
Funeral Director	
Father Melvin Girard	Walt Wiltschek
Funeral Assistant	
Anastasia Roark	
Sister Olivia	
Detective Bartholomew Law	Daniel Kleiman
Detective Robert Rathbone	Jacob Ray
Henry Kazan	Brandon Gray
Forensics Analy	
Coroner	
Police Officers	_
	Courtney Greene

Cast (in order of appearance)

play in Wampler Auditorium. Performances will take place in Wampler on Thursday, Oct. and Saturday while the show on Sunday starts at 3 p.m.

Local Catholic Community Provides Mass, Meal Offers Students New, Old Opportunities to Grow in Faith

Heather Elson Staff Writer

Robert's Catholic Church has welcomed Father Drew Curry to North Manchester. Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades, who appointed Fr. Drew to St. Robert's of North Manchester and St. Francis Xavier of Pierceton, wanted the new prelist to become involved with Manchester University. Bishop Rhoades' desires have led to Fr. Drew opening the Petersime Chapel doors on Sunday nights for Catholic students. Mass is at 8:00 p.m. and following is a free meal made by parish members of St. Robert's.

Mass and a meal is a combination Christians have engaged in since Christ introduced the Eucharist. Every Sunday since Easter Sunday, Christians, after "breaking the bread," have had fellowship or a gathering to participate in scripture, songs, conversation and a meal. This is the exact idea Fr. Drew had in mind, and he believes the Holy Spirit is at work to let this program grow. He does not take credit, however, for the program's name; he dedicates that to the designer behind the tshirts. "I'm not that cre-

ative to come up with slo-

gans," said Father Drew

with a laugh.

This program has had a lot of high reviews throughout campus, with about 20 students a week.

dent population who are Catholic.

Drew finds Fr. it exciting that students are making the personal

off campus just for the sole fact that it is at night," said Kaitlyn Filadelfo, sophomore. "I am definitely not a morning person so I found

reaches out to students in other ways such as helping students who are having a crisis and who are working on their faith.

nights at 10, which is when students come together and praise God through music; and every Thursday afternoon at 3:30, Pastor Walt leads a church service.

There are some upcoming events for campus ministry, such as the weekend of Oct. 5-7 which will be Sacred Space, a weekend event in Indianapolis, where students can learn about different faiths and the space they worship in. Also, the week of Oct. 28 is Focus on Faith week. There will be a variety of activities, and a VIA on Oct. 29 at 7 p.m. by Christian suspense author Mike Dellosso.

If someone wants to get involved with campus ministry, he/she can visit the campus ministry website, or Facebook page and anyone is welcome to join the events that they sponsor. Also, Chapel is always open for students to pray, relax, or have a quiet place to study. If you have any questions you can call, text, email or stop by Campus Life, and talk to Pastor Walt or his assistants.



The Petersime Chapel is a place for students to build their faith, however it is not the only re-**FOCUS YOUR FAITH** source available. The local Catholic community of North Manchester began offering Mass and a Meal at Petersime Chapel. Mass begins at 8 p.m. on Sunday nights, followed by a free meal made by parish members of St. Robert's Catholic Photo by Maia Marusak

it happening on campus because he thought it was important to reach out to the 14 percent of the stu-

Pastor Walt is glad to see

be at mass. Also, students like the fact that it is at night. "I love having the mass on campus versus

choice and really want to

of mass by going to church at 8 am." addition to

mass, campus ministry

myself getting nothing out

Many different programs are offered.

These include but are not limited to Praise Jam, on Wednesday

David Haist Returns, Gives Back to Alma Mater

Ashley McClintic Staff Writer

When David Haist graduated from Manchester in 1973, he never imagined he would be coming back to his alma mater almost 39 years later as the new executive director of alumni relations.

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After graduating with a degree in economics and accounting, Haist became a managing partner at Barnes and Thornburg's Fort Wayne law firm, and ultimately took the executive vice president and chief operating officer at the billion dollar company, Do It Best Corp. Retiring after 12 years, Haist knew it was an easy decision to come back and be a part of the Manchester community once again. "I am one of those guys that the more I see of Manchester, the more I like it," he said.

Haist has stayed connected to his alma mater throughout his successful career by becoming a member of the Board of Trustees and is current-

ly co-chair with his wife, Sandy, who is also a '74 graduate of Manchester, in the \$100 million campaign Students First! Students are able to see the importance of his contributions simply by eating in dining area of the Union, also called the Haist Commons.

After previous alumni relations executive director Gary Montel retired, Haist was given the opportunity to give back to Manchester more than ever before. Haist knew he wanted to work beyond the mandatory retirement age set by Do It Best Corp: "When I hit 55, I wanted to be in a position where I could go do something to give back," Haist said. With Manchester at the top of his list, he did just

What does the executive director of alumni relations do exactly? This person carries on the tradition of developing and evolving relationships with alumni after graduation. Students benefit greatly from Montel and

Haist's efforts and others in the Alumni Relations office. The alumni mentor program that is offered to seniors allows students to connect with alumni in their prospective field. Without the enormous funding given by alumni, Manchester would not be as beautiful as it is now.

Haist's passion and enthusiasm for Manchester is something to admire. He claims that the school taught him more than he had ever expected. "Manchester taught me how to think about things differently," Haist said. "I learned more of the life kind of stuff."

Not only is Haist residing in the Alumni Relations office, he has also taken the challenge to teach business courses, such as Financial Responsibility and Operations Management, this semester. "I think having the ability to be on campus makes it an even richer experience," Haist said with a grin. He describes the professors of Manchester as



WELCOME BACK David Haist, a graduate of Manchester in 1973, returns to campus as the new executive director of alumni relations. He is also currently co-chair with his wife, Sandy, in the \$100 million campaign Students First!

Photo by Vivien Carter

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ones who "want to be here and make a difference." Haist seems to fit his own description perfectly.

Manchester is not the only thing Haist has passion for, stating he could "sit next to a lake or an ocean forever." Haist showed his love for water and water sports. For all other sports, Haist and his wife have been huge University of Notre Dame fans since living in South Bend for ten years after graduation. Traveling to Ireland to watch the Irish play on "home" turf, the Haist family also loves to travel and is fascinated with different cultures.

Thomas Smith Joins College of Pharmacy

Amber Leavell Staff Writer

According to Dr. Thomas Smith, a successful college of pharmacy is like a puzzle that requires all the right pieces. In August 2012, he found the perfect fit with the Manchester University College of Pharmacy and began his position in Fort Wayne as an assistant professor of Pharmacy (Psychiatry).

In Smith's opinion, Manchester University offers every piece of the puzzle, ranging from the new building to the curriculum approach and design. Smith also cites the core values and mission of Manchester. "A healthcare major such as the Doctor of Pharmacy needs not only excellent educators who provide the tools for students to master the art of pharmacotherapy, but also to instill the ethics and values crucial in the healthcare environment," he said. In the Manchester University College of Pharmacy, he has found just that.

An aspect of life at Manchester that Smith has enjoyed has been the sense of unity and community between the faculty and students, both at the North Man-

chester and Fort Wayne campuses. "I've met fantastic faculty members from the English department to the Biology department dedicated to serving their students on a level that isn't seen at most other institutions," Smith said.

As a pharmacist trained in both areas of psychiatry and neurology, Smith is excited to add some depth to the College of Pharmacy and be able to learn from all of the pharmacy expertise Manchester offers.

Born and raised in New Jersey, Smith mentions the stereotypes associated with his home state. "Not all of us from New Jersey are mobsters or overly-tan beach goers," Smith joked, referencing pop culture themes like "The Sopranos" and "Jersey Shore." He graduated from Rutgers University in 2011, and completed specialized residencies at both Robert Wood Johnson University Medical Center in New Brunswick, and the University Medical Center at Princeton.

also where the popular show "House" was set, where the character of Dr. Gregory House supposedly practices. However, the overhead shots of the hospital from

the show are not that of the actual hospital according to Smith. "In my 12 months there I never ran into him," Smith said with a smile.

Smith looks forward to starting a new practice site at Parkview Behavioral Health where he will practice clinical pharmacy and provide services to healthcare professionals and patients with various mental disorders. "Mental health is an area that I am obviously very passionate about, and being able to hopefully impact patients in the Fort Wayne area suffering from these illnesses is an exciting and tremendously rewarding opportunity for me." Smith said.

Since Smith has only resided in Fort Wayne for a few months, he hasn't had the opportunity to become involved in many community organizations just yet. He and his girlfriend look forward to volunteering their time at the local animal shelter in Fort Wayne to help support the well-being of animals in their area.

The University Medical Center at Princeton is In his free time, Smith enjoys fishing and playing music, as well as following the sports team of his alma mater, Rutgers.

MU Students: Are You Living Sustainably?

Lauran Gady Staff Writer

At first glance, sustainable living sounds like a stereotypical archetype of a modern-day person with long locks, 100% hemp clothing, and a pretentious commitment to a pure lifestyle. In actuality, the definition of sustainability is far more humble.

"I interpret sustainable living to be that you aren't using so many of the earth's resources," says math professor Andy Rich with a shrug and a smile. "I'm just generally a frugal person." As Rich spoke about the high per capita consumptions of Americans in comparison to other countries, he had the unassuming essence of someone who rides his bike to work simply because he can.

Professor Jeff Osborne interprets sustainable living through his practice of growing an edible landscape at his home. "Our trees and bushes are pretty," he said with a shynatured smile. "Just the simple idea that if we're going to have something and use it take up space it should produce some-

thing.' Famously jovial Chef Chris Fogerty of the

Manchester University Union, working husband and father of three, has taken great lengths to make MU's food practices

a personal garden that they are able to can from and freeze vegetables so they do not need to purchase so much in the winwish MU students would become aware of how much food they waste," he said. "When we went tray-less a few years ago,



WASTE NOT, WANT NOT Signs in the Union remind students of the importance of sustainable living. To many, sustainable living is the act of being conscious of what one uses and actively seeking to reduce waste. Manchester University strives to participate in sustainable living and impart that knowledge to students.

Photo by Alexah Parnin

more sustainable through buying local produce and what is listed as a best or good seafood option by the Monterey Bay Aquarium for seafood.

At home the Fogerty family, Allison 14, Logan 14, Haley 9, and wife

Michelle all participate in

ter. "They like to weed the garden and they definitely like to eat everything that comes out of the garden," says Fogerty with a grin.

When he considered MU, Chris Fogerty gave an introspective and

thoughtful response in

terms of sustainability. "I

it was part of the initiative to try to help cut waste. It isn't that we don't want everyone to eat as much as they feel like they want to, that is still a choice, but we want them to realize when

you take 5 platefuls and

you throw three away it's

a waste.

"I just wish it would click for students that they can take a better approach," he continued in a frank manner. "It can boil down to as simple a thing as moving your plate to the French fries instead of moving the fries to your plate. We clean up off the front line about ten pounds of French fries every meal. Ten pounds of French fries; it could have been

eaten." President Jo Switzer commented on how simple it was to do a small part in the world to have the smallest negative impact. "We're not perfect, but we certainly have our own herbs and try to plant plants that the deer and rabbits won't eat," she said with down-to-earth tone and hearty laugh. "Reduce, reuse, and recycle nothing original. Overall if you are intentional and recognize this maybe wasn't a good choice today, but there's a better choice tomorrow you will have succeeded."

There are such simple initiatives that can be taken in terms of reducing your carbon footprint. Simply being aware that just because your parents aren't bothering you about a water or electric

bill at college, does not

mean that these are limit-

less resources. This can be brought to the forefront of consciousness at Manchester University as a team of individuals aware of what their impact is. What small change could be made today that feels more like a habit tomorrow? Clamoring for the high standard of becoming a purist is unrealistic when sustainability is a new concept to you.

So, my challenge for you is not the many things you have heard before. I refuse to preach about recycling, water conservation, and carpooling which have either had an impact on you by now, or they haven't. My dream is that you become completely intentional and responsible about your choices as an individual. I dare you.



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Opinion: Homework, Study Load in College High School Teachers May Have Been Wrong All Along

Caleb Noffsinger Staff Writer

In high school we are constantly told that in college we will be swamped by homework, and studies. But how much of this is really true? Yes we all have a great deal more of personal studies and making sure we know the material but the actual assigned homework load is different for some than expected. So exactly how true are those high school teachers when they specifically say "homework," not just "studying."

It all depends on the major. For a science or math-based languages major it seems the professors assign much more homework, especially the labs for science making studies go out in their free time and collect information or to read a good chapter out of their texts books. Whereas for English majors and other right-brained based majors seem to have more implied studying not exactly assigned homework. But when there is assigned homework for theses majors, it

seems that it is more daunting of a task then difficult.

The thing about this is, if you are good at these tasks, or enjoy doing them, then the task may not seem as heavy as other majors might view them. For me, being an English major, when my roommate goes out once a week to compile stacks of data and then compile them into graphs, I feel lucky for only reading about 75 pages out of a book a night. Now for other people, they say "75 pages a night! Dang." For me 75 pages a night and about 10 papers of about 5 pages length average a semester is a relief from last year were we had to not only read the stories but every night annotate and take pages and pages of notes so we could get a good grade on tests that appeared every week. So this is a relief.

For my roommate however, being a science major feels like the same homework load as in high school, yet he has much more time to get it done. So the high school teachers were not exactly right: the homework load is about the same as in high school if not less. In

high school we had homework really every night so our teachers had something to teach us every day and discus whatever we had assigned that night.

Yet where they got it right was the amount of unassigned studying that a college student must complete in order to pass exams. Our professors say two hours for one hour of class of studying, and that much is true. The thing is, as we go up in years attending college and taking more difficult classes, we do typically pass up the amount of assigned homework given in high school because we take more classes and courses with a heavier work load. As a first-year we are overwhelmed by the amount of free time we are given between classes, so the amount of homework we are given is very spread out and we have plenty of time to finish it.

Opinion: Tornado Drill Lacked Effectiveness Despite Mass Communication, Few Participated in Drill

Mike Dixon Staff Writer

Two Fridays ago on Sept. 21, a campus-wide tornado drill started around 2:30 p.m. and expired half an hour later. At the time I was sitting in the Sister's Café next to a wall of glass writing a research paper. While sipping a hot coffee, an alarm was sent straight to my cell phone: "MU Tornado Drill, take shelter immediately." Nice and to the

A second later I received a similar message via email. "TAKE SHEL-TER NOW" was written in bold red letters at the top of the message, followed with a suggestion that the best shelter for a tornado is often found indoors. Attached to the message was a link that gave specific shelter locations for 23 of the university's most frequented buildings. It also included a rally point in the event of a fire, chemical spill, or any other event that could compromise a building.

The coffee shop promptly closed and its workers left the room. If I would have read the email's link to emergency situation protocol, I would have discovered that the leave, a torrent of students safest spot in the Academic Center would be room 100 off of the first floor cor-

ridor. My good sense told me to seek a windowless hall rather than remain in the entrance with literally walls of glass, so I prereleased from class and were returning to their dorms. They either missed the alerts or chose to ignore them. Considering

Very few people were to be found inside the designated safe hall. It is possible that the remaining people in the which could easily be silenced. There wasn't a line of students facing a wall with their heads tucked and neck protected. Most

coffee and paper in the most dangerous part of the building.

For the purpose of informing, the tornado drill was fine. Silent alerts were sent right before the drill started. The emergency protocol included in the email was easy to understand for someone familiar with the building and stressed that glass was to be avoided. However, the drill as an emergency simulation could be considered ineffectual. Every student, professor and resident of Manchester University has other things to do than run for cover and will probably do them without good reason not to. Not many would admit this to a newspaper reporter, but would casually agree that drills are a waste of time.

Like a dry convocation meant to deter drug use, emergency drills can be tiresome and inconvenient. They disrupt schedules and introduce information that has been repeated over and over. These warnings may mean the difference between life and death, but since the danger is not imminent many people are reluctant to stop and listen. Since this drill didn't require busy people to stop, they didn't have to listen.



DUCK AND COVER! Several residents of Garver Hall "take shelter" during the campus-wide tornado drill on Friday, Sept. 21. Although many students received text message and email warnings about the drill, no alarm sounded and very few people were found in designated safe areas during the drill.

Photo by Emily Krabach

pared to go.

Before I could walked past and out of the building. These people had most likely just been

how often students check their phones, it is doubtful the entire group was oblivious to the tornado drill that had been in effect for five

building had taken shelter in the right room, but it felt nothing like a fullblown emergency drill. No alarms sounded except for email and text messages

noticeably, there wasn't any reason an unwilling student could just ignore the drill altogether. Without a good deterrent, I felt a strong urge to finish my

Opinion: Is 40 Hours of VIA Credits Too Much?

Ariel Smith Staff Writer

"How many more VIA credits do you need? Are you going to the convo tonight?" These seem to be a pretty popular questions around campus, not only with seniors worrying about graduating, but with underclassmen as well. There just does not seem to be enough time to attend up to 40 hour-long (and sometimes longer) convocations. For many students at Manchester University, being a full-time student is not their only job.

That's right: job.

According to most professors, for every hour spent in class, another two hours should be spent studying, therefore a student with an average class load of 12-14 hours would be spending 36-42 hours doing their job: studying. That is one crazy work sched-

ule, not to mention eating and finding time for sleep. Many students on campus also hold outside jobs to actually get paid for the work they are doing. This can possibly add up to another 20 hours to a

weekly schedule. That is a lot of time spent doing work

each week. With all of that work piling up, trying to find

time to meet with professors for help, attending evening study tables, and perhaps even hitting the PERC to stay healthy, finding the time for one more thing is hard.

For some students, family is also a priority. For those that have children and spouses at home, taking care of them might be another task on their agenda. "I completed a class because MU required too many

VIA's," said Carol Yanez, '12. "The times they were offered were not practical and it was too hard to find additional time plus someone who could stay with my son. The class fit into my schedule and I had it over in one semester instead of having to worry about it every semester." The option that is becoming popular among students is to take the easy way out, by taking an extra class that is outside of one's major and does not count towards Core requirements. "I knew that working Monday through Friday from early afternoon to late

night would make it impossible to attend the majority of

VIA's," said senior Kam Troxell. "I never even made an

attempt to accumulate the credits. I always planned on

taking the additional course for credit." He knew before

he even started school that there would be a problem

getting that many more hours of credit in.

Many students did not know the purpose of VIA's. Manchester University's website says that they help bring culture to our lives and enhances what we learn at MU, but why must so many be attended? A student's priorities should be focused on schoolwork and keeping themselves healthy; this becomes difficult when the fear of not graduating on time due to lack of convocations becomes overwhelming.

For some it is an easy out just to add one more class to their agenda and get it out of the way, but for all that is not the case. Some students are so pressed for time that they barely have enough hours available in their schedule to take classes required for their graduation. Though there are some exceptions to the "40 VIA rule," it still seems like a rather hard number to come by for most students.

Will the number ever change? This generation of students may not know, but perhaps in the years to come it may. In the meantime, students will have to work hard to manage their time and schedules around whatever each day brings.



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MU Men's Soccer Wins Conference Opener

Kari Cottingim Staff Writer

Manchester University's men's soccer team transitioned into conference games last week.

They started the week against Ohio Northern University and Andrews University, and ended on Saturday with first conference game against Hanover College.

Although Ohio Northern defeated Manchester 6-1 on Sunday, Sept. 23, in Ada, OH., they were not terribly upset by the score because Ohio Northern is ranked in the top ten in the country. "They're really good," said Carson McFadden, cocaptain of the team. "It's a game that we know we're probably not going to win, but we could still use it to work on our structure, formation, and our organiza-

tion." The soccer team's second game of the week was a home game on Tuesday, Sept. 25, against Andrews University. The score was better for Manchester with a 1-0 win, but they still were not entirely pleased with their performance. "Andrews came out and surprised us with how unskilled they were, and we seem to always play down to other teams' levels," said Lucas

Shelly, senior.

The men's soccer team entered the conference with a home game against Hanover College on Saturday, Sept. 29. They defeated Hanover

The second half was a different story. "We defended a bit more than we should have and as a result, they were able to attack a lot. They had a lot of shots but we held

second conference game pen," said Andrew Gray, of the season at home against Franklin, which resulted in a 3-1 loss for the Spartans.

The team had a tough pre-conference

senior.

The team now has a seasonal record of 3-9 and a conference record of 1-1.

Not winning in

Noakes, "but the upperclassmen have told the younger guys that conference is all that really matters. We want to win the other games, but that's not the real part of the season."

The team is anticipating their next conference game on Saturday, Oct. 6, against their rival, Transylvania. Manchester has never beat Transylvania in men's soccer, and strives to each year.

Two years ago, Manchester came close to defeating them in the conference tournament, but lost the close game in overtime.

The next home game for Manchester's men's soccer team will be on Wednesday, Oct. 10, at 4 p.m. against Defi-

"Come to any home games we have, especially conference," said McFadden. "Now that we're there, the more support, the better, and everyone possible should come out and support the team."



KICKING INTO GEAR The Manchester men's soccer team warms up prior to a recent practice. The Spartans currently hold a 3-9 record this season and are 1-1 in conference play. Although the Spartans finished nonconference play this season with a 2-8 record, the team is determined to play well against its conference opponents. Tomorrow, the team will hit the road to face its rival, the Transylvania Pioneers, at 1 p.m.

Photo by Vivien Carter

1-0 and made their goal during the first half when the opposing goalie faulted and a Manchester player was in position, ready to tap the ball in.

on for the win! It was definitely a good start to our conference season" Mc-Fadden said.

On Tuesday, Oct. 2, the team played its just couldn't make it hap-

schedule, and the 2-8 pre-conference record didn't reflect how they playing. "Most games were all close, we

many of the pre-conference games had an effect on the players. "It brought down our team morale because we were losing every game," said Grant

Opinion: MLB Hall of Fame or Hall of Stain?

Sports Columnist

Most professional athletes enjoy the money, fame and attention that come with being one of the best in the world at his or her particular sport, but there is one thing that every athlete desires. In about two months from now, the Baseball Writers Association of America



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(BBWAA) will receive ballots for the National Baseball pitcher and is third in career strikeouts. Hall of Fame Class of 2013. Having a plaque placed in the Hall of Fame amongst the great players of all time, such as Babe Ruth, Hank Aaron, Ted Williams, Roger Maris and several others, is a dream of every baseball player beginning his journey in rookie league ball.

This year of potential inductees is saturated with

steroid users. Barry Bonds, Roger Clemens and Sammy Sosa will find their names on the ballot for the first time. To be inducted into the hallowed grounds of Cooperstown, a player must receive at least 75 percent of the votes. Ever since the reports started surfacing of players using performance-enhancing drugs, writers, reporters, former players and fans have debated whether or not these so-called "cheaters" should be allowed into the Hall of Fame. The simple answer in my mind is NO! The BBWAA would agree with me so far. Sus-

pected steroid user and former St. Louis Cardinal's first baseman, Mark McGwire, has already been on the ballot six times and has earned a measly 19.5 percent of the votes. Another ballot veteran, former Texas Ranger and Baltimore Oriole Rafael Palmeiro, has earned just 12.6 percent of the votes. Just looking at the statistics and accolades, all five of these players I have mentioned don't even require a second glance. It's obvious; they have hall-of-fame numbers. McGwire, Sosa, Bonds and Palmeiro rank in the top 20 for career home runs and all except McGwire rank in the top 30 for career RBI. Roger Clemens is currently number nine in career wins as a

However, the BBWAA does not just vote based on career statistics. On the hall of fame ballot it states, "Voting shall be based upon the player's record, playing ability, integrity, sportsmanship, character, and contributions to the team(s) on which the player played." If I were a member of the BBWAA, I would have a tough time voting for a steroid user because of integrity and sportsmanship. There are several players that spend their entire careers trying to advance in a team's minor league system, hoping to make it to the spotlight before their bodies say enough is enough. By using steroids, these men cheated their way to the top. They may still have been good ballplayers without using steroids, but maybe not good enough to be recognized as part of the elite.

Sure, they brought a lot of good things to the game of baseball. I'm a huge Chicago Cubs fan and what Slammin' Sammy did for the City of Chicago was tremendous. He brought life, energy and hope back to a fan base that was getting tired of waiting for that elusive world series ring. The ballpark filled up every day and fans were getting excited again, especially during the home run record chase in 1998 between Sosa and McGwire. But the fact they cheated during all their accomplishments brings me back to my answer of NO!

Suu Kyi in Ft. Wayne cont.

There were about

Maria added that it was a really significant event, especially for the Burmese community. People did not go to class or to work in order to attend Suu Kyi's speech. "My whole life I have been waiting for her to be released," she said. back to Burma.".

"This time finally came out, but since her release I did not get the chance to see her because I could not go After the speech, many of the Burmese went to traditional Burmese restaurants and discuss the

speech, the questions that

were raised and the an-

swers Suu Kyi provided.

eight sponsors in total with Indiana University- Purdue University Fort Wayne among them, who contributed about \$5,000 to the event. Vicky Carwein, the new chancellor at IPFW said that the university was grateful to be a partner in the event. "Suu Kyi's words

and work offer lessons of peace and perseverance, dedication and democracy, leadership and a life of service," Carwein said. "Suu

Kyi reminds us all that

although the ideals of de-

mocracy and freedom are

great, they are fragile and

Suu Kyi offer ad-

require careful nurture." vice on how to view Burma. "Many people seem to imagine that we have made it through to democracy," she said. "It's nothing like that at all. We are just at the beginning of the road, and in some ways this is going to be the most difficult period because now he have to sort out what is really necessary and what is real progress from what seems to be progress but is not really so...We need to raise people's awareness with regard to the situation in Burma now more

than ever."

She concluded by discuss ing the qualities of a good leader. "Honesty is the most important characteristic, especially in a democratic country, where it is so easy for those who play to the media to come to the fore," she said. "And that is something that you must be careful about. A populist leader is not the same as a good leader. I hope you will keep that in mind."

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Spartan Football Blares Music at Practices

Staff Writer

When students think of a football team, the last idea they might consider is that team listening to music. Football practice has been deemed in some cases as "practicing in hell" to ensure players are mentally strong, which it is, but Manchester University's football practice has gone in a new direction. It still has that intensity that other teams use, but the coaches have thought of a better way to ensure that practice will teach players to block out distractions. Now when students walk by during a football practice, they are sure to be greeted with a vast genre of blaring music.

This tradition has been going since last spring, when Head Coach Shannon Griffith decided to take this benefit and turn it into practice tool. Playing music during practice used to only be on Fridays as a type of reward for the players, but its importance has grown since then.

"Our coaches' view is that when we play in a game there is a lot of noise, so it always gives us a better game type situation when practicing," said David Wilson, a ju-



PRACTICE AND PREPARATION
Two members of the Manchester football are running on the field during a recent team practice. Throughout the season, the team has played numerous genres of blaring music during its practices in order to replicate the noises that players hear during games. Therefore, the players must focus on blocking out distractions. Currently, the Spartans are 1-4 for the season and play tomorrow afternoon at home against the Defiance Yellow Jackets. Photo by Alexah Parnin

helps us get used to making our calls extra loud to compensate for the loud crowd and help with communication."

nior offensive lineman. "It

that the music is not really a distraction anymore. The players get used to the music and the fact that the team stays so busy out of the field they

music is even playing in the background. Football is an aggressive sport with people trying to hit and block other people, so that causes players to Wilson also says sometimes forget that learn really fast to pay at-

tention to the game. When it comes to

music choice, the players have no say in the genre. The coaches put on Pandora and whatever song plays, the players just

"If we did I would play a lot different music," said Wilson with a grin on his face. "I'd play some metal or something a little more aggressive. I feel like I do better when there's someone screaming at me."

Manchester University probably will not be coming out with a Man-U music video performed by the football team, though. Wilson said that he would be all for it, but it would not be a team thing. A couple of his friends on the team would be the only ones to

Aside from the music, Manchester University's football team pulled off their first win of the season Saturday against Bluffton with a final score of 24 to 14. Wilson said that Bluffton was a ranked conference team and it was "awesome" to come out with a big win like this. Manchester's football team has lost four games with a combined total of only 24 points. Wilson also said that offense and defense both were ready to play, especially with offense staying out on the field a lot longer than usual.

MU Volleyball Nears Halfway Point of Season

Jacob Ray Staff Writer

Almost exactly halfway through its season, the Spartan Volleyball team is stronger than ever, both in performance and connection. "It's kind of hard

when you play with all new people," said Jordan Redding, senior. "We're definitely learning how each other plays." The team's cur-

rent record is 9-10; however that will have changed, for better or worse, by the time this article is published. On Wednesday, Manchester takes on Defiance at home.

In fact, this week is the Spartans' Home Week. Besides playing Wednesday, Manchester plays Franklin and Saint Mary's on Saturday at noon, and Rose-Hulman at 2. Sunday is also Alumni-Match day, which follows the Varsity contest.

The Lady Spartans are ready, though, and their greatest strength lies in how close the team is. "We really get along with each other." Redding said. "We haven't had our fallouts through drama, and outside of the court we're all friends."

Even Head Coach Kendra Marlowe has noticed the team's connection with one another. "They're all different people, and they're learning to appreciate those differences," she said. Indeed,

drama has not become overbearing off the court. "Volleyball in of itself is a game of ups and downs," Marlowe said. "You can win a game 25-14, then



The Manchester Spartans volleyball team is pictured during a recent practice in the PERC. At the time of publication, the Spartans held an overall record of 9-10 this season with an 0-2 record in the Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference. Tomorrow afternoon, the Spartans will play at home against the Franklin Grizzlies and the Saint Mary's Belles, beginning at 12 p.m. The team will also play at home on Sunday, Oct. 7, against Rose-Hulman. Photo by Felicia Nichols

next game 14-25. We just try to maintain everything at constant level."

turn around and lose the

In a few weeks,

ference. With so many young players, it'd be understandable to be leery; however, Marlowe seems

the team heads into con-

confident. "They work on top of some." hard, night in, night out," she said. "There'll be some real battles, and we will just have to come out

The battles have already been there for the incoming players, though.

As everything is new for

them: new team, new coaches, new level. "The young players are used to high school," Redding explains. "People are recruited. Suddenly, everyone's good, which means more competition."

manage-Time ment is now key to survival for these young players. The long trips to away games make keeping up with homework hard. "Studying on the bus, doing homework," Redding said. "That happens all the time."

Redding looks forward to seeing how Manchester does in the few years after she graduates. "They'll have much more experience by then," she said. "Right now the frist-years don't know what playing conference is like, they don't know that level.

"We have four to five first-years on the court at the same time," she continued. "If they stick it out and play all four years, they should be unstoppable by senior year."

MU Spartan Sports Tomorrow's Events

Cross Country at Pre-National Meet

Football

vs. Defiance

Men's Golf at Wabash

Men's Soccer at Transylvania

Women's Soccer at Transylvania

Women's Tennis at Rose-Hulman

Volleyball vs. Franklin w/St. Mary's