

What's that Chinese paper on campus?



Bing Xu, head volleyball coach, speaks about The Epoch Times and what it means to him on Nov. 3. Xu has been distributing the Chinese language newspaper for three years and currently drops off copies to William Allen White Library.. EMMA SHA | **The Bulletin**

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It's been three years since head volleyball coach Bing Xu began distributing The Epoch Times, a Chinese language newspaper associated with the Falun Gong spiritual movement, on campus.

Xu said he has been a practitioner of Falun Gong for twenty years and believes the paper, which styles itself as

an alternative source of news meant to fight Chinese communist suppression and censorship, is spreading the truth.

"That's why I want to deliver the newspaper to campus," Xu said. "For the Chinese students and Chinese professors so they can know the truth. Not just about Falun Gong, but about what's going on in the whole world. Like the trade war people are talking about right now between China and

America, people need to know the truth."

Every week Xu drops off 15-20 copies of the newspaper at the book return in the lobby of William Allen White Library. He also used to distribute copies to the Office of International Education, but said he was recently asked not to after a *Bulletin* reporter asked about the paper.

The Epoch Times was recently banned from advertis-

ing on Facebook for failing to meet their disclosure requirements. It has also been criticized as a source of misinformation in political topics.

Xu has been coaching at Emporia State for 35 years and is originally from China. Three years ago, he was approached by members of the Falun Gong to distribute the paper on campus.

"We have a really good Chinese population, a lot of Chinese students," said Xu. "They come here from China and study at Emporia State...China is a great country. China's people are great people, but a lot of times they don't know the truth. The government tries to block a lot of information. Now that they are in the United States, they hopefully are given a way to really see what's going on and what's happening."

A representative from The Epoch Times Midwest office said all distribution is done on a solely volunteer basis. Distributors, like Xu, are not paid.

"Every week they send the newspaper to my home and I pick it up and put in the library here and there," Xu said. "I talked to our international office...I also talked to the head of the library and they

said no problem."

Michelle Hammond, library dean, declined to comment.

Xu said he was unfamiliar with the Aug. 22 report by NBC news that showed that The Epoch Times had been engaged in a multi-million dollar ad campaign for then presidential candidate Trump through fake names like "Pure American Journalism" or "Honest Paper" to get around the disclosure requirements of Facebook after being banned.

The Falun Gong, a spiritual movement descended from the Qigong religion, have accused China's government of targeting its members for organ harvesting and human trafficking.

"For me Epoch Times aren't involved in any politics stuff," Xu said. "A ton of newspapers in the U.S. and the whole world give their own opinion about the president and everything. It's just an opinion in the piece. Some people agree on this and some people agree on that. They have their own thoughts on this, but it's not like they're trying to guide you to support this party or that party."

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Testimony begins in CECE abuse trial

Katie Donnelly
Managing Editor

The attorney for four families suing Emporia State and two former staffers of the Center for Early Childhood Education described child abuse there as "a modern-day horror story" during opening arguments Tuesday of a civil jury

trial at district court.

The attorney, Peter Goss of Kansas City, Missouri, also said that fifty days passed before parents were notified of the abuse.

Shon Qualseth, an assistant state attorney general representing the defendants,

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Emporia State hosts Trauma Informed Educators Conference

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Staff Writer

The President's office hosted Emporia State's first Trauma Informed Educators Conference last Saturday in the Memorial Union. For \$40, educators and students alike listened to several keynote speakers and participated in

various smaller discussions and group activities.

"After 35 years in education in the state of Kansas I've never been more excited about the work that is going on in education," said Myron Melton, a consultant for the Kansas Board of Education. "Social

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Sarah Johnson: Librarian, assistant professor, advisor, veteran

Katie Donnelly
Managing Editor

At the age of 17, Sarah Johnson, recalled the moment she wanted to serve her country.

Her start

Sarah Johnson sat in a history class and watched the first plane hit the twin towers on Sept. 11, 2001. It was then that she knew she wanted to join the military.

"I was 17 at the time watching the second plane hit the tower and everything changed," Sarah Johnson said. "I just knew right then, something was going to be different."

At the age of 19, Sarah Johnson, current cataloging and metadata librarian at the William Allen White Library, assistant professor and staff advisor for the Student Vet-

erans Association, joined the navy. She recalls the everlasting impacts of camaraderie, and the skills she uses everyday.

"I think that for every veteran, their service impacts their day-to-day life immensely and therefore impacts their communities immensely too," Sarah Johnson said. "We get a skill set, a leadership set, that develops us and stays with us for the rest of our lives. So, for the navy, we get these set of core values: Honor, courage, and commitment that are driven into us from day one of bootcamp and I don't think they ever really leave you."

Caring for people

She was a corpsman, which took her to the Intensive Care Unit. Sarah Johnson said she would've handled situations differently now, compared to



Sarah Johnson

when she was 19 or 20.

"I was with nurses and a few doctors who were just so hardened by their time in the ICU that rather than being with that patient, he was all by himself," Sarah Johnson said. "We just stayed outside and let him pass on his own. If it was me today 10 years ago,

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Starbucks and Sodexo host grand opening

Faith Burgoon
Staff Writer

Sodexo funded the new Starbucks opened in the Me-



Myron Bridges, general manager of sodexo cuts the ribbon at the grand opening of the new Starbucks in the Memorial Union on Nov. 12. At this event there were free samples and plenty of Starbucks lovers waiting to place their orders. SHELBY HAMBLETON | **The Bulletin**

morial Union. The grand opening was held on Nov. 12 with a ribbon cutting and free samples. The Starbucks allows the use of dining dollars and includes a full Starbucks menu unlike the limited menu Buzzcotti had.

"We've been in discussions (for Starbucks) for the last three years," Carmen Leads, Memorial Union Director said. "We're hoping the community gets involved as well but we're excited for the students to have something right here on campus."

Community members are welcome to come to the Starbucks on campus. The ribbon cutting was attended by multiple staff members, students and workers of both Starbucks and Sodexo.

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Corky's Fuzzy Friends



DIRK

He's a big cat with a big heart.
He licks the air when he get's booty scratches.

Age
1 year

Fee
\$20

Breed
Domestic short hair

Those interested in adopting Dirk should fill out an application to adopt at the Emporia Kansas Animal Shelter, 1216 Hatcher St. **Infographic by Kalliope Craft** | **THE BULLETIN**

Ask not what veterans can do for ESU but what ESU can do for veterans

Katie Donnelly
Managing Editor

Within a 100 mile radius of Emporia State, there are three active duty military bases, but ESU's number of veterans is still lacking.

"(ESU) is a small school, but they've got phenomenal professors, they've got phenomenal programs and we really do have a lot of veteran support in the community and in the school as a whole—we just need more veterans," said Leon Bryson, alumni and former vice president of the Student Veterans Association.

The first step to building a more veteran friendly campus was attaining the veteran student lounge, which is currently located in the memorial union.

"I mean a lot of us are combat vets that have issues," Bryson said. "We don't have typical student issues. Some of us have families, some of us are dealing with

PTSD. That gives us a place to go if we're having those issues for just a little bit."

According to Christiansen ESU also lifted the cap on the number of credit hours to coincide with the military experience.

"Obviously we want to work with our veterans," said Gwen Larson, head of marketing and media affairs. "We work with veterans to help max benefits for their education if we want to do more that is up to the campus," Larson said.

Although Yuliana Reyes is currently in charge of helping student veterans with financial needs, Bryson believes while that is helpful there are other needs that need to be met as well. He believes the greatest impact can be made for student veterans by bringing someone in that is a veteran them self so they can really understand not only the struggles of the military but the struggles of being a student vet-

eran.

"They help. They've done the credit thing, they will provide tutoring if needed, the big thing is we have to go find it. It's not readily known," said Bryson. "Flyers are confusing, links aren't functioning," added Mark Christiansen.

The SVA and the Veterans Center raised enough money for a veterans hall to be put in Morse Hall. The hall will include a copy machine with a printer and scanner, a reception area for potential student employee staff, a meeting room space with a conference table, access to lounge space for up to 50 people, a small kitchenette, and a storage area. The next step is to hire a veterans liaison.

"Veterans liaison—that's the one thing that I could see that ESU could really do to help veterans," said Bryson.

The job of a veterans liaison is to recruit student veterans, answer questions,

and to overall assist student veterans with anything they may need. Bryson emphasized the impact a liaison would have on the SVA and the entire school as a whole, commenting the position would pay for itself.

"Every week there are veterans getting out of the military," said Bryson.

A major role veterans liaison would also take on is recruiting other veterans to ESU and guiding them through everything ESU has to offer.

"The professors at ESU are perfect. They're hands on, they're very understanding, they're very helpful. Anytime I had a question they would go out of their way to answer that question, they would go out of their way to help. That's why I think ESU is so perfect for veterans. We don't require a lot of extra attention, we don't require a lot of extra help, but there are times that you do.

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not even 10 years ago, I would be sitting in that room with that patient holding his hand and instead we just let him go by himself."

She brought up how she learned to care for people. The greatest thing she said she learned in the navy was that everybody deserves to be cared for to the greatest extent possible.

"Not five minutes after he passed away, his family members come in and nobody notices but me, and so I'm the one, at 20 years old, who

has to say, 'Oh, I'm sorry you just missed it' and that's all I could think to say is, 'You just missed it' and so you have to walk away feeling something for the rest of your life when you're 20 years old," said Johnson. "You definitely do leave the military, if you go in at a young age, just feeling I don't know. Incomplete?"

The lessons learned in the ICU will stick with her for the rest of her life. As did the relationships built and the skills attained during bootcamp. She discussed the process of gaining respect from the nurses and how difficult the first few months of prov-

ing herself were.

"The skills that I developed when I was working in the hospital, not just the hard skills... those skills while I could still probably do them 10 plus years later, they're not as valuable as I think my perspective on life," Sarah Johnson said. "The things I was doing at 19, 20 years old that involve life or death, they've shaped who I am."

Another perspective

Her current ability to analyze things and her knowledge of how to handle, not only situations like the one she mentioned, but her ability analyze data is one of her

husband, Myke Johnson's, favorite things about her.

"She's very smart," Myke Johnson said. "She's very good at analyzing things."

Leon Bryson, an ESU alum and former vice president of the SVA commented on how even if she wasn't a veteran he knows she would still care about the needs of veterans.

"The thing about student veterans is that it's one of the most diverse groups on campus...We're a true melting pot," Bryson said. "I think our diversity mixed with her compassion leads to her ability to help the members."

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"I love Starbucks," Rachael Urban, freshman social science education major said. "I've

been waiting for (the grand opening) since the beginning of the semester."

The ribbon was cut by the district manager of the Starbucks and the general manager of Sodexo.

"Thank you all for coming out today," Myron Bridges, general manager of Sodexo said to the crowd. "We want to thank everyone who's been here every step of the way. We are excited to partner with Starbucks."

The hours of operation are from 6am to 9pm. It is closed on the following holidays: Thanksgiving, Black Friday, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, New Year's Eve and New Year's Day.



Students (above) wait patiently to place their orders at the Starbucks grand opening on Nov. 12 in Memorial Union. Starbucks will allow use of dining dollars and the operation hours will be from 6am to 9pm. Students (right) wait eagerly for the Starbucks grand opening ribbon cutting on Nov. 12 in Memorial Union. Starbucks opened at 6 a.m. on Nov. 12, then closed at 9 a.m. for the ribbon cutting and reopened directly after serving free coffee and food samples to their guests.

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Police Reports

Logs from ESU Police and Safety

Nov. 6

Officer admitted Evergreen Construction worker into Roosevelt Hall Room 103.

Parking Enforcement immobilized KS 576HWZ in Sector 1.

Jacky Fehr in Social Sciences requested to speak with an officer at Plumb Hall Room 408.

Nov. 7

A female student requested to speak with an officer on the telephone in reference to an erratic driver.

Residential Life staff advised of a suspicious odor on 6th floor of North Twin Towers. Officer unable to locate.

Officer assisted Lyon Co. deputy with a call at 12th and State.

Nov. 8

Officer retrieved a student's bag from Student Wellness Center. Returned to ESU PD HQ.

Officer checked Trusler Sports Complex. Secured river access gate and north compound gate.

Officer provided escort for male staff member from Twin Towers Complex to Schallenkamp Hall.

Officer stopped KS 51134 at 18th and Mayfair. Verbal warning for no headlights.

Nov. 9

Officers checked welfare of female subject in Sector 3. No problem found.

Officer admitted Richmond Lawn Care into east Welch Stadium.

Residence assistants reported the smell of marijuana in Trusler/Singular Complex. Officer was unable to locate the source.

Nov. 10

Officer checked Trusler Sports Complex. Secured batting barn, mechanical room and men's restroom.

Officer engaged in community contact with a male subject at 1829 Merchant.

Officer admitted student Amber Braddy into King Hall to retrieve her art supplies.

Officer stopped KS 007KZL in 1000 Merchant. Verbal warning for defective headlights.

Nov. 11

Officers assisted KS 334EPI on I-35 north at mm 130. Tow truck was contacted.

Officers assisted KS 034KVS in Sector 5 with a flat tire.

Officer admitted student Ian Vajnar into Beach Music Hall to retrieve his instrument.

Nov. 12

Officers stopped KS 273MGR at 13th and Merchant. Suspect was taken into custody for possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia, and transported to Lyon Co. jail.

Ambulance responded to Science Hall Room 213. Female subject was transported by ambulance to Newman Regional Health.

Loss of Control blamed for fatal Kansas plane crash

TOPEKA (AP) — Investigators say loss of control resulted in the 2017 crash that killed a Topeka physician.

The Topeka Capital-Journal reports that the National Transportation Safety Board

posted on its website that investigators had found "no mechanical anomalies."

Topeka pulmonary physician William M. Leeds and his flight instructor, James K. Bergman, were killed in July

2017 at Topeka's Philip Billard Municipal Airport.

The NTSB determined the accident's probable cause to be "the failure of the pilot and flight instructor to maintain aircraft control while

maneuvering in the traffic pattern."

It reached no conclusions as to why control of the 1965 Piper PA-30 fixed wing, multi-engine was lost.

Corky’s Cupboard hosts Cook Healthy Eat Well event

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Staff Writer

Emily Prouse, registered dietitian and Mary McDaniel Anschutz, director of Health Services, hosted their second C.H.E.W. event of the semester. Nov. 7 had the theme of homemade chicken and noodles.

“We had talked to a lot of students over the years,” McDaniel Anschutz said. “They talked about wanting to eat healthier. They didn’t know how to cook.”

Since it is free and sponsored by Corky’s Cupboard, space is limited so students have to call the Student Wellness center to sign up.

“I really like learning to cook,” Joie Whitney, senior

health and human performance major said. “(I heard about it) from the little tri-folds in the Union and I had attended previous events.”

The students get to cook the meal, eat and then take some of it home. In this case, students made homemade noodles, granola bars and the base of the soup.

Prouse explained how easy it is to eat healthier on a budget with the knowledge of how to cook. She also provides recipes of each item cooked at the end of each class.

Students can sign up to learn how to cook a themed meal with a baked item. The next C.H.E.W. event will Nov. 21 at 5:30 p.m.



Mary McDaniel Anschutz, director of Health Services, helps Joie Whitney, senior health and human performance major, make homemade noodles at the second C.H.E.W. event of the semester on Nov. 7 at the First Christian Church. C.H.E.W. is a free event that teaches students how to cook healthy. SHELBY HAMBLETON | The Bulletin



LUCAS LORD

As winter quickly approaches and the sun sets earlier and earlier it is important to find time to add a bit of warmth to your day. Though I don’t drink much coffee, Gravel City Roasters is the best place to do it.

The small coffee shop

EMPORIA EATS

Gravel City Roasters: Coffee worth the wait

at 608 Commercial St. features a wide variety of local art from First Fridays and a great selection of house blends and mixes. Once called Java Cat they’ve changed their name after starting to roast their own coffee. I usually apt for their

italian sodas or their creamy Irish Iceberg but given the weather I needed something to keep me warm.

For \$9 I got a dark house blend, a peppermint and white chocolate mix and a hot poppy seed muffin. Plenty of coffee to last the afternoon, or the entire day.

The peppermint mix was hot and strong.



Gravel City Roasters received 4 out of 5 forks.

With seasonal flavors, sometimes the coffee taste itself can get drowned out but this wasn’t the case.

The house coffee was refreshing and dark despite never really drinking much darker coffees. With a small assortment of scones and muffins, the poppy seeds went surprisingly well with hot coffee, given how sweet and filling it was.

With only one person running the store it was brimming with students getting together to study and



other people perusing the art while they drank their coffee.

With a solid assortment of coffee and baked goods Gravel City Roasters is a local coffee shop that can stand on its own. With nothing costing more than about \$6 just about everything on the menu is worth trying.

Events of the Week

“Don’t be Shy, Ask Me Why”

Drag Show

Jim Richardson Keynote

International Movie Night

International Culture Show

Find the rest of the events here:



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ESU kicks off International Education Week

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Editor-in-Chief

Emporia State kicks off International Education week this Thursday with the event, “Don’t Be Shy, Ask Me Why.” Events continue next week with their keynote speaker, Jim Richardson, former National Geographic photographer, on Thursday.

“We’re hoping to open

people’s global understanding,” said Mark Daly, director of International Education. “So they have more understanding about the world and other cultures and the way people think.”

Nationally, this week is celebrated from Nov. 18-22. The Office of International Education hosts the different events and

this year, they have collaborated with different organizations on campus for some of the events.

After Richardson’s keynote speech, he will also be giving a photography workshop at 3 p.m. next Thursday in the Preston Family Room.

“This is a great opportunity for not just students, but also com-

munity people to what he has experienced in other countries,” said Chie Austin, international student mobility and study abroad coordinator.

The Office of International Education worked with the Honors College to bring Richardson on campus. His speech will be at 1:30 p.m. next Thursday in Webb Hall.

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Of cats and facts

In the age of the internet, misinformation is more rampant than ever. As citizens, it's our job to fact check and find the correct information on our own. All too often, the information we consume is found on Twitter and Facebook.

Part of this is being too lazy to research, and part of this is simply that we trust too much. We expect the information to be true, especially when it comes from people we think we can trust. In all likelihood, the person who shared that article or image didn't do their fair share of fact checking before sharing, which is why it falls on us to do our own research.

Recently, there was a black cat that ran across the field of Dallas Cowboys and New York Giants game. About a day after the game, the image of a black cat running across the field went viral with the caption about thanking sports photographers.

However, these were not the same black cats. The photo had been taken nearly three years before that Monday night game. Still, millions of people saw that image and accepted it as the same event.

This didn't harm anyone, thankfully. But the potential damage by misinformation is far too great.

As college students, we

are given so many resources and tools to help combat misinformation. For example, the library offers free digital subscriptions to the New York Times. We also have teachers at our disposal. Part of preventing misinformation is simply knowing background information on what's going on.

It still falls on us to do our own research, and with the 2020 election coming up, this is more important than ever. We have a responsibility to do better for ourselves and our country. We don't have to let the spread of misinformation continue with us.

With facts, we can end it.

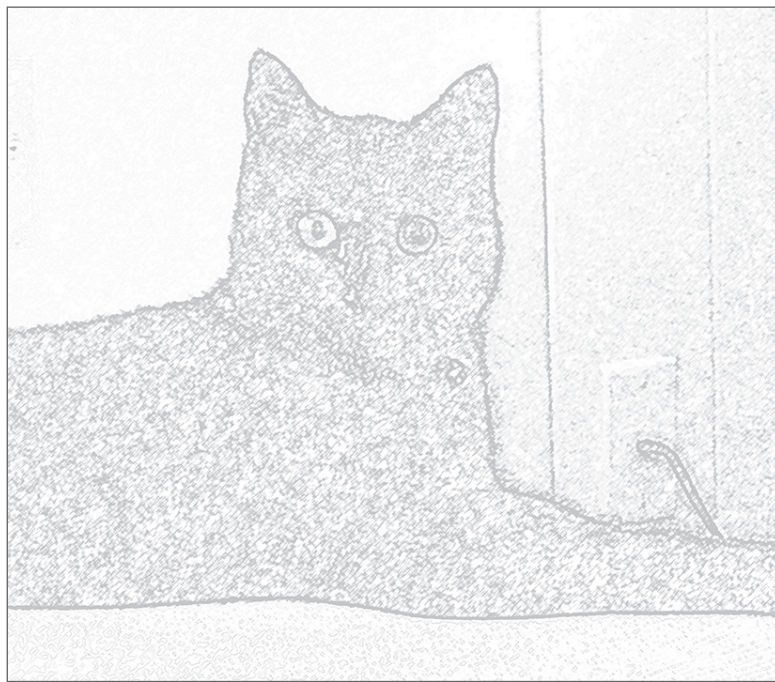


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The truth is, you don't need to cheat



Faith Burgoon

Opinion Editor

The other day, I was walking to class as usual. I wasn't looking to eavesdrop on anyone, but something caught my attention. A girl was discussing with her friend, her current relationship issues.

The conversation seemed typical until I heard her say something along the lines of, "It's okay. People cheat in college."

I almost turned back to say something, but then realized I had totally eavesdropped and that would be rude.

I thought about it for a while, but thought that maybe I was just reading too much into it. Then, a few days later, while on the phone with my boyfriend, he explained that some of his fellow football players mentioned that it was okay to cheat as many times as they liked.

"What she doesn't know can't hurt her."

Now, I have always been a little bit of the jealous type. However, I trust my boyfriend to do the right thing at all times. He's proven himself trust-worthy countless times before and he really isn't one of the basic college boy types.

It started a consistent thought in my head. Do people really believe that it is okay to cheat in your relationship?

The answer is no.

It is never okay to cheat on someone you are in a relationship with. Anyone who thinks so, shouldn't be in one.

I have been in a relationship for a year and a half. Not once have I ever thought, it's okay if he doesn't know.

First and foremost, he deserves my respect. He deserves to be treated the right way.

Secondly, I love him too much to do something with someone else. If you really care for a person, you won't have any interest in someone else.

If you cannot handle being faithful in a relationship, don't be in one. It's honestly as simple as that. It's much more decent to break up with someone because you're interested in someone else than to cheat on them.

Do the right thing: Don't ever believe that it's okay. It ends marriages, relationships and even friendships. Don't do it.

Food assistance should be more accessible to college students



Vanessa Pruitt

Staff Writer

The stereotype of 18-year-olds off to college 'just having fun' could be hurting the average university student who is working and/or raising children, and struggling to secure food and housing while getting an education.

A 2018 report compiled by the Government Accountability Office found that nearly 2 million US students may be eligible for, yet are not receiving, government food assistance. Of low-income students with additional risk factors, including being a first-generation college student or a single parent, 57% did not report participation in the food stamp program.

Income and risk factors aside, a survey of 43,000 students across the country conducted by Temple University's Wisconsin HOPE Lab, found that more than one-third of students at four-year schools, and 45% of students at community colleges experienced some form of food insecurity in the 30 days leading up to the survey.

Emporia State began de-

veloping its own plan for addressing problems of food insecurity by conducting a student survey in 2014. Although responses were low (40 responses out of 796 invitations), 42% of respondents had skipped a meal at some point during the academic year, 42% had skipped a meal in the past 30 days, and 8% had skipped more than five meals in the past 30 days because they did not have enough money to buy food.

In response to these results, organizations on campus worked together to immediately develop and open a campus food pantry, called Corky's Cupboard, in Fall 2014.

But should the burden of lessening an epidemic of food insecurity among college students be left to college campuses?

The GAO concluded that, at the very least, students need to be made aware of their possible eligibility for food assistance and encouraged to take advantage of this and other government resources.

For single students to be eligible for food assistance in Kansas, they must be working at least 20 hours a week.

It is estimated that for every 3 semester credit hours, a student will spend 3 hours in class and should account for six to nine hours of study time outside of class per week meaning that the average full-time college student can expect to "work" around

56 hours per week with coursework included.

For full-time college students who are working at or near federal minimum wage, it means living on about \$145 a week, while working "overtime" to keep up with coursework.

Cutting down on coursework and working more to pay for college doesn't make financial sense for the average college student, either. A Pell Grant, which most low-income students rely on to finance their education, will only cover school expenses for 12 semesters, or about 6 years.

Taking on a part-time course load in order to work a full-time job, it would take approximately 8 years to complete an undergraduate degree (at 15 credit hours a year, summers included). And if the student is being paid minimum wage, they'd only be making \$290 a week.

\$290 a week doesn't sound bad for a single student, except when taking into account it's only marginally above poverty level, and the student will be responsible for their own health insurance and costs, and probably an extra two years in student loans.

I realize these are hypothetical scenarios, but I think they are important to consider. With the rising cost of education, the government should be doing more to help students make it through college without going hungry.

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GOP complaint spurs probe of Kansas court selection process

TOPEKA (AP) — A top Republican legislator's complaint has launched an investigation into whether the commission that screens Kansas Supreme Court applicants violated the state's open meetings law in picking three finalists for Democratic Gov. Laura Kelly to consider in filling a vacancy.

The complaint from Senate President Susan Wagle is likely to intensify efforts by fellow conservatives to give legislators the power to block a governor's appointments to the state's highest court, something they cannot do now. Republicans have had a renewed interest in such a measure since a Supreme Court decision in April protecting abortion rights.

The commission named the finalists for Kelly in mid-October, and they include a Topeka-area trial judge opposed by Kansans for Life, the state's most influential anti-abortion group. The lawyer-led nominating commission voted on candidates in a public meeting but used paper ballots so that how each member voted wasn't disclosed during the meeting.

Wagle, a conservative Wichita Republican, filed a complaint Tuesday with Attorney General Derek Schmidt, another Republican. She urged him to declare that the commission violated the Open Meetings Act and its actions are therefore void. Schmidt turned the investigation over to the district attorney in her home county, Sedgwick County.

"Not only do Kansans deserve to know how each commissioner voted, it's the law," Wagle said in a statement Wednesday. "This secret vote clearly violated the law and integrity of the system."

Commission Chairman Mikel Stout, a Wichita attorney, said the panel is making records of how individual members voted available to anyone seeking them.

"We did preserve all of that information," he said. "It's all available."

The Associated Press obtained copies of the ballots Wednesday through the clerk of the state's appellate courts in Topeka, along with a summary of the commission's full meeting. The ballots list each member's preferred list of

candidates in each round of voting.

The Supreme Court finalists are Deputy Kansas Attorney General Dennis Depew, Assistant State Solicitor General Steven Obermeier and Shawnee County District Judge Evelyn Wilson, who is chief judge for a district that includes Topeka, the state capital. Kansans for Life opposes Wilson because of her husband's past political contributions to Kelly and other abortion rights supporters who ran for office.

Schmidt declined to investigate Wagle's complaint because Depew and Obermeier work for his office. And he avoided sending the case to the Shawnee County district attorney because Wilson, a finalist, is a judge there.

Kelly faces a Dec. 17 deadline to make the appointment.

Kansas Senate Minority Leader Anthony Hensley called Wagle's complaint a ploy to build support for changing the selection system. He said if the commission did something wrong, the remedy should be to fine it, not void its actions.

But he questioned whether

there's a problem because the ballots are available for people to see.

Retirements will give Kelly two appointments to the seven-member high court in the next few months, and whoever she chooses will go on the court with no oversight from the GOP-controlled Legislature. Her two Republican predecessors had only one appointment between them in the eight years before she took office in January.

The nine-member commission has long interviewed Supreme Court candidates publicly but its deliberations on potential finalists were closed to the public until a 2016 law.

The commission's Oct. 18 meeting to pick finalists for Kelly's first appointment was the first time that law came into play. Members had a 90-minute closed session to discuss confidential background checks and personal information about candidates, as allowed, before reconvening their open meeting to vote.

Members had four rounds of paper ballots, without discussing individual candidates'

merits. When the candidates had been whittled down to three, the commission voted unanimously to forward their names to Kelly.

Stout said the commission settled on three strong candidates so the governor "can't miss" with her appointment. He acknowledged that having public deliberations is "a little awkward" and potentially inhibited comments.

Wagle and other Republicans favor abolishing the commission and having the governor's Supreme Court appointees face Senate confirmation, arguing that such a process would be more transparent. Making the change would require amending the state constitution.

Jeanne Gawdun, a Kansans for Life lobbyist, said the issue raised by Wagle "screams loud and clear" for change.

State Sen. Ty Masterson, another conservative Wichita-area Republican pushing for Senate confirmation of justices, said: "It just shows that you can be technically open to the public and still hide everything."

Cold front sets record lows in 6 Kansas cities

WICHITA (AP) — A cold front that froze much of Kansas set at least six records for low temperatures.

The National Weather Service reports Wichita, Salina, Russell, Dodge City, Garden City and Medicine Lodge set low temperature records early Tuesday.

The lowest temperature was in Garden City, which dropped to minus 1, breaking the record of 7 set in 2018. The highest temperature of the six cities was 8 in Wichita, which break-

ing the former record of 9.

Wichita, Salina, Dodge City and Medicine Lodge broke records set in 1911.

Much of Kansas experienced below freezing temperatures after an arctic air mass moved from the Rocky Mountains to northern New England Monday, with forecasters saying much of the affected region would see record-breaking cold temperatures Tuesday.

Patrol: 1 person dies after icy roads cause crash in Kansas

OVERBROOKE, Kan. (AP) — The Kansas Highway Patrol reports an 8-year-old girl died in a three-vehicle wreck caused by icy roads in northeast Kansas.

The patrol said the collision occurred Monday on U.S. Highway 56 near Overbrooke in Osage County.

The patrol reports a truck driving westbound on the highway lost control on icy roads, crossed the center line and hit a Ford pickup truck head-on, and a third vehicle rear-ended the Ford.

Cassie Ralston, of Scranton, a passenger in the Ford truck, was killed. Three other people were taken to hospitals.

The crash came as a system carrying freezing temperatures and strong winds moved across Kansas. A few thousand customers in Wichita lost power Monday morning but no other serious accidents or injuries have been reported.

Nearly 30 Kansas counties, cities take on opioid industry

TOPEKA (AP) — More than two dozen cities and counties across Kansas have sued the opioid industry, from a small town with a population of 150 near the Colorado border to the state's most populous county at its opposite end.

More may still file suits, legal experts say. And those that don't could get a payout regardless if opioid makers, distributors and vendors opt for a global settlement. That would not only end the massive snarl of lawsuits brought by 2,600 parties nationwide but also prevent tens of thousands of other local governments from taking them to court, too.

Cities and counties that are currently going through the legal process see settling as a way to get addiction-rattled communities resources sooner rather than later.

Attorney Patrick Smith, of Pittsburg, represents the southeast Kansas counties of Neosho and Crawford.

"(Lawsuits) cost money to pursue for one thing," he said. "At some point . . . the money in hand is better for

the client than risking additional time and litigation."

Richard Ausness, a law professor at the University of Kentucky, says pill makers, pharmacies and others see harm in going to trial.

"It's extremely bad publicity," he said. "And no telling what kind of dirt might turn up in this litigation."

The Kansas News Service identified 28 governments in Kansas among the nearly 2,600 parties nationally.

The counties are Bourbon, Cherokee, Cowley, Crawford, Dickinson, Elk, Finney, Grant, Greenwood, Harvey, Johnson, Leavenworth, Meade, Montgomery, Morton, Neosho, Pratt, Reno, Sedgwick, Seward, Stanton, Wabaunsee and Wyandotte-Kansas City Kansas.

The Kickapoo Tribe is also suing, as are the cities of Elkhart, Manter, Overland Park and Ulysses.

David Black is an attorney for Ulysses, Manter and Stanton County in southwest Kansas. The costs of opioid addiction, he said, play out locally in crime investigations, ambulance trips and

more.

"It's stretched our resources," Black said. "It continues to."

Plaintiffs would have to lay out their specific costs at trial, but when large numbers of lawsuits become linked into a single massive, federal case, experts say they almost always end in settlements.

A federal judge in Ohio is coordinating pretrial steps for the thousands of lawsuits under what's called the National Prescription Opiate Litigation. The first trial would have involved two Ohio counties and served as a bellwether test of the arguments, but defendants settled for more than \$325 million combined last month.

The judge is encouraging a broader resolution, paving the way for unprecedented class-action-style negotiations on behalf of cities and counties across the U.S. that would ultimately ask them all to vote before finalizing settlements.

The opioid industry could still settle just with the current parties, but a more global settlement would help

them avoid an unending parade of suits from the rest of the nation.

A global settlement could come out to billions of dollars. In a hypothetical \$1 billion scenario, though, Sedgwick County would get nearly \$1 million and Johnson County more than \$700,000. That's under a formula designed to potentially divy out the money to parties and non-parties alike based on local opioid deaths and other measures.

You can explore what each Kansas county would get in a hypothetical global settlement on this website set up to inform communities.

University of Connecticut law professor Alexandra Lahav said local governments should not base expectations on what the two Ohio counties got recently.

"They had a trial date that was coming up," she said. "A defendant in many cases in general is going to be willing to pay more when the trial is tomorrow."

State lawsuits — like a recent trial in Oklahoma — don't fall under the National

Prescription Opiate Litigation, and some attorneys general have made clear they see suits by cities and counties as a threat.

Kansas Attorney General Derek Schmidt is suing Purdue Pharma in state court.

His office and other states filed legal briefs in federal court warning that "political subdivisions will be able to extract through settlement money that rightfully belongs to the states."

State governments can best handle the money, they argue, because they protect all their communities, control statewide policy and will deal with the money fairly.

Cities and counties reject that argument. The massive settlement with the tobacco industry 20 years ago went to state coffers but largely not toward anti-tobacco efforts. In Kansas, money fed into funds to support programs for young children, but state leaders raided the tens of millions in annual tobacco payments time and again for other purposes.

EAT Initiative fighting food insecurity at ESU



Mary-Pat Hector gives a speech about fighting the food insecurity on Nov. 7 in Skyline room. Hector has been fighting food insecurity for 3 years. EMMA SHA | The Bulletin

Emma Sha

Staff Writer

Emporia at the Table Initiative invited Mary-Pat Hector to speak on fighting food insecurity Nov. 7 in the Skyline room. Hector is the youngest person to run for office in Atlanta. She has been fighting food insecurity for about three years, and worked for National Action Network for seven years.

“One of the things she did was help raise 75,000 meals for HBCU use, which is Historic Black Culture University,” said Paul Frost, Associated Student Government president and se-

nior management major. “She’s made a notable difference help raise food security in college.”

Hector was inspired by her grandma who told her not to wait to make the change, and her friend who was a victim of food insecurity. She shared her experiences of hunger striking to raise awareness.

“It seems a very very big process because the type of action, so normally on campus students would protest or they would have rallies, but we want to do something that had never been done on campus... and it was a hard progress,” Hector said.

Jasmine Linabary, assistant

professor in the communication and theatre departments and Rodriguez Carey, assistant professor in the sociology department applied for a High Impact Learning Grant of about \$3,500, in order to do the research, education, and invite speakers to campus.

“Nationally, we know about 45 % of college students have experienced the food insecurity...Corky’s cupboard this year actually has seen a raise in the number of students who come to it,” Linabary said. “Later in the Spring we will know the scope of problem of ESU campus.

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and emotional growth is very exciting to me and it’s number one on the list for a reason. Our state board of education recognizes the need to focus social emotional learning, school mental health, school culture. If you’ve ever heard our commissioner talk, you’ll hear him say that this is number one on our list otherwise the other things don’t happen.”

According to Melton, designing schools with the health of students in mind can be incredibly beneficial long term.

“I spent a lot of time on this piece,” Melton said. “If there’s one thing I want to reinforce today it’s that if we want to make changes...it has to start with changing school culture. It’s about the climate of your school, it’s about the relationships you have with your students.”

Another guest speaker was James Moffett, former principal of Derby Hills, Wichita Elementary School.

“On those days that I was on time for work when I had time to connect with people in the building, get coffee and ease into my building,” said Moffett. “Those were always my most successful days. I think about what we do with kids in classrooms...let’s move away from bell work and move towards connection work. What are we doing to get kids to connect once they’ve walked through the door?”

After showcasing a variety of bonding exercises, Moffett wanted teachers to know they can be firm while still being compassionate.

“There is a thing as being overly empathetic,” Moffett said. “Here’s what firm compassion is: It means having a relationship with a kid where I can love you and I love you so much I’m going to hold you ac-

countable for your actions. I’m gonna have structure and consequences. Yes, consequences are necessary, to have them in place and because I’m compassionate, I’m gonna be there to support you through that.”

According to Moffett, being trauma informed and invested transforms who you are, not just what you do.

After the itinerary was reviewed, participants broke off into several rooms where a variety of lessons and issues were discussed. One of the breakout rooms was the Zero Reasons Why campaign based in Johnson County.

“Early on in our campaign...there wasn’t an agreement that mental health is an important as physical health,” said Rory A. Swenson, member of the Zero Reasons Why teen-led council at Blue Valley North. “The brain is part of the body. It’s just as important to make sure people are doing well emotionally not just mentally...when we start to think about these as two sides of the same coin, as part of the same thing I think we’ll see a lot of change.”

“Zero Reasons Why” is a suicide prevention campaign aimed at teens and social media promotion celebrating mental wellbeing according to Shana Burgess, counselor at the Johnson County Mental Health Center, and Steff Hedenkamp, director of public affairs.

“They have the same amount of passion as the Parkland kids after that shooting, they want to change systemically what’s happening and how we’re handling it,” Hedenkamp said.

According to Hedenkamp, it is important to start the conversation about mental health early on.

“This should be something we are getting all along, even in elementary,” Burgess said. “When you’re learning about

how to brush your teeth and how cavities happen you could be learning about feelings, how to regulate those that it’s okay to feel bad and this is what we do and when you get into middle school it’s more about depression, anxiety and bullying and once they’re in high school obviously addressing teen suicide but we’re even seeing that in the middle schools.”

Another breakout room was the Tale of Two Classrooms in which a trauma informed teacher and an untrained teacher showcase a variety of approaches to dealing with trauma in the classroom.

“When you work with preschoolers a lot of the time you don’t know what they’re coming in with,” said Caylie Ratzlaff, senior social science education major. “You don’t know what their level of stress is. You have to focus on the social and emotional wellbeing of students not just the academics.”

According to Ratzlaff, the breakout room had really focused on being aware of the child’s needs and what they may need, something she hasn’t had to worry very much about when working with older kids who tend to better vocalize their needs.

The last breakout room was the “This Isn’t Vegas presentation” which discussed domestic violence and mandatory reporting.

“I feel like now that we’re learning about everyone being informed about trauma it’s led us to catching more cases,” said Kenzie Hepppler, senior at Osawatomie high school. “Just knowing that we have to focus on helping ourselves and helping other kids, you don’t know what a kid might be going through. Especially with all the anti-bullying campaigns in recent years, it’s really highlighted that you never know what’s going on with someone at home, that bullying can cause trauma.”



Emma Grace Boyd



Don’t go chasing waterfalls—unless the canyon gorge is closed

This past Saturday, I had a plan to visit the Aare Canyon Gorge. I took a train to the nearest town to the gorge (Meiringen) and asked for a bus to take me there. The sweet, old bus driver told me that the gorge is closed to visitors until spring.

I then took a train back to Brienz, as I had heard of a beautiful waterfall near the town. The bus to take me to the falls was down for another two hours, so I decided to walk instead. I walked around Lake Brienz and up the mountain-side until I finally reached a sign announcing that I was indeed on the right path to Giesserbachfälle.

The walk took me a little over an hour, but it was well worth it. When I got to the falls, I was in complete awe of the sight. I could not believe that I was lucky enough to hear about such a magical place. At this point, I was beyond thankful that the gorge was closed because there was no way it could have compared to this hike along Giesserbachfälle.

I went up further and found a trail that went behind the waterfall. The spray of the freezing cold snowmelt hit my face as the wind blew the fall leaves from their trees. From the footpath behind the falls, you could see the bright blue waters of Lake Brienz.

I wish I could have stayed longer. I could have easily hiked the forest for the whole day, but alas there was homework to be done.

I hiked back up from the falls and down to a small restaurant I had passed on the way there. I stopped in for a glass of water and asked the owner if there was a bus to Brienz coming soon. Again, the bus would not be here for another two hours.

I left the restaurant ready to walk another hour to the train station. After only twenty minutes of walking down the mountain to the lake, the owner of the restaurant pulled up beside me and asked if I would like a ride. Her two little girls sat in the backseat with the sweetest smiles on their faces. Thanks to them, my hour trek only lasted 25 minutes and I made the next train with time to spare.

I am grateful for all of my big and small adventures throughout Switzerland. I hope to spend the rest of November traveling out of the country and all of December strolling through the various Christmas markets of the region. Wish me luck!

Best Wishes from Bern (and Beyond),

Emma Grace

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Emporia choirs honor Veterans Day



The Emporia State A cappella Choir and the Emporia Chorale sing at the Veteran's Day concert on Nov. 11 at the First United Methodist Church. The concert was held as a tribute to the United States Veterans. KRISTIN ANDERSON | **The Bulletin**

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The Chinese government opposes The Epoch Times, according to Xu. Xu said that Falun Gong practitioners have been persecuted in the past for distributing the paper. Xu was informed several times that his name could be withheld, but did not think it would matter.

"That's fine. You know, there is tons of people that have been persecuted in the last twenty years," Xu said. "Thousands of people have died already standing up for what they believe."

Xu said he feels safer practicing in the United States than in China, especially after his father's workplace was raided by the Chinese Police Bureau.

"(The police) went to (my dad's) organization and tried to investigate what kind of person (he was) like, 'Hey, what's going on here,'" Xu said. "They know I practice, but I'm the only one in my family to practice. They think it's good for my health and moral standard, but just want me to do it secretly."

Staff response

"We really need to work on digging deeper with these (news) sources," said Michael Smith, professor of social sciences. "What's their professional journalistic background, what's this all about? We can't protect you and it is not our job to protect you from fake news or bad news, but we can help give you the tools to evaluate critically."

Mark Daly, director of the Office of International Education, said he was unfamiliar with the paper other than the fact it was being distributed in his office by Xu.

"I'm not a fan of misinformation by any means so if that's the case we should really look into it," said Daly. "I don't really know what its reader-

ship is."

Daly said he wanted to look into the paper more.

"If it truly is a paper that is misleading and causing grievance than that's a problem," Daly said. "I don't want to be promoting something that is erroneous or misleading."

The Office of International Education has stopped distributing the paper at this time, but Daly did not respond to a follow-up request.

Larson and legality

Gwen Larson, assistant director of marketing and media relations, said the content of the newspaper is irrelevant.

"It is a newspaper that is afforded the same rights under the U.S. Constitution that *The Bulletin* is or any other newspaper in this country," Larson said. "It would seem questioning whether or not a newspaper should be on campus would open up a larger discussion. Should we be discussing every newspaper on campus and whether it belongs here."

Larson said it is not the job of the university to filter material and that it would be ultimately up to department heads or teachers as to what is taught.

"Is evolution part of a science class or not," Larson said. "Is evolution a theory, is it a scientific fact... Just because I know something is false someone else may not that. As you know we have some people in this country believing that historical events did not happen, but they have every right to express their views that they didn't happen."

Larson said it is up to the students to review the material of what they read.

"Part of addressing misinformation is educating people how to think critically," Larson said. "We aren't here to indoctrinate students... and I think that whether or not The Epoch Times should be on campus is

part of a larger question. What if people don't agree with what *The Bulletin* prints, should it be taken off campus?"

In a follow-up interview about what content might cause concern on campus, Larson said that unless the material itself is illegal to possess just about anything can be handed out on campus.

When asked by a *Bulletin* reporter for example if hateful material like the 1905 antisemitic publication "The Protocols of the Elders of Zion," could be distributed on campus, Larson said: "I can make some assumptions based on the name, but that's not something I'm familiar with. Hurtful speech is still protected speech, there is plenty of speech I don't agree with, but I choose not to hear it."

"The Protocols of the Elders of Zion" is "the most notorious and widely distributed antisemitic publication of modern times... The individuals and groups who have used the protocols are all linked to a common purpose: To spread hatred of Jews," according to the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum website.

Larson said it would be all right to distribute the publication on campus.

"Honestly for that particular publication I would have to know more about it," Larson said. "I don't know what the attorneys would say. What I know about freedom of speech is the classic tenant from the supreme court case that you can't yell 'fire' in a crowded theater and cause a stampede where people get injured."

Frank LoMonte, attorney and previous director of the Student Press Law Center, said that laws regarding

speech can differ between universities and the general public.

"Legally speaking, the First Amendment definitely protects the right of both students and employees on a college campus to distribute literature," LoMonte said. "An employee can't push political or religious literature in a compulsory setting like a classroom. You can't use the classroom as a vehicle to espouse your political beliefs or religious beliefs. Employees are under certain constraints when performing their official duties. But, if someone is handing out newspapers, or flyers or leaflets on a campus of a public college the First Amendment protects their ability to do that."

As long as the material itself isn't inciting violence, or is illegal to possess it is alright to distribute, even something like "The Protocols of the Elders of Zion" LoMonte said.

"If you're not on a college campus, if you're just on the street corner of a city there is no hate speech exemption to the First Amendment," LoMonte said. "There are sometimes relaxed First Amendment standards on college campuses because of the con-

cern for creating a hostile environment where people feel harassed. And honestly, the courts are struggling to find where the line for that should be. If it's not something that advocates violence, it's probably legally protected speech."

ESU President's position

President Allison Garrett said that she had not yet had a chance to talk with Daly.

"Different types of publications obviously have different purposes," Garrett said. "Some are designed to provide information; some are designed to sway people one way or the other."

Garrett said she was unfamiliar with the paper and Falun Gong.

"I don't know anything about what is in that particular paper but we all have a right to decide what we're going to read and what we're not going to read," she said. "I think this is a great example of discussions students ought to be having about the nature of the press and how as members of a free society we view the press and allow them to influence our political thoughts and votes and how we debate with one another about different political views."



Bing Xu, head volleyball coach, delivers The Epoch Times to the William Allen White Library Nov. 5. Every week for nearly three years, the paper is delivered to his house and from there, he brings them to campus. EMMA SHA | **The Bulletin**

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including former employees Keely Persinger and Kimberly Schneider, disputed the allegations.

The families are requesting at least \$2 million in damages.

Although the children were identified by name in court during testimony on Wednesday, *The Bulletin* is withholding the names of the children and their families to protect the victims.

The trial is expected to last one to two weeks.

The case began with an email sent from Megan Dorcas to Persinger on March 2, 2017 stating her concerns of

abuse.

The abuse consisted of screaming at the kids, grabbing their faces in her hand aggressively to gain their attention, plopping them on the ground on their bottoms forcefully, and holding them down on their cots with an arm and a leg during nap time, according to testimony.

In Goss' statements he emphasized the reason there is lack of medical proof because the children, between the ages of one and two at the time, were too young to report.

"They couldn't go home and tell mom and dad something was happening, they couldn't go home and tell mom and dad that something was not right," Goss said.

He questioned the part of

the mission statement of the CECE handbook that stated they "strive to provide a nurturing environment."

"That mission statement, they did not live up to," Goss said.

Goss repeated the statement, "Fifty days until the parents were told," several times.

Shon Qualesth, the lead attorney for the defendant, emphasized the difference between objective and subjective proof insisting that the allegations made against the CECE and Schneider were not proven.

"Subjective opinions can ruin lives," Qulaseth said.

He mentioned that prior to the parents being notified they all trusted the center.

"Under Kim's (Schneider)

care not one of the children had suffered significant issues," Qualseth said.

The testimony began Tuesday afternoon with Persinger called to the stand.

Goss read the several portions of the handbook to the courtroom. The mandated reports section included the duty of the person in charge, who at the time was Persinger, to report any suspected abuse to DCF. It also stated that any staff suspected of child abuse must be placed on leave with pay at the discretion of Persinger and the department staff and parents of said victim must be notified. In the case the abuse is suspected from someone in a position of power, all other parents and guardians should be notified.

Persinger admitted to not reporting any of Dorcas' concerns because she did not take them seriously at the time.

In her email to Persinger, Dorcas stated she "wishes there was a video camera in the room," because Schneider changes her behavior.

The defense repeated there were no injuries found and that the center was one of the few day care centers in the country that was certified through the National Association for the Education of Young Children.

Goss pulled up a timeline Persinger had made for the court based on the events that had happened.

The trial was expected to resume at 9 a.m. today.

Graduate students play in ESU’s first Cornhole tournament

Lucas Lord
Staff Writer

Emporia State held its first ever cornhole tournament in the gym of the Student Recreation Center Oct. 30. The goal of cornhole is to toss a bean bag a small distance onto a slanted board and get to exactly 21 points before the other team.

“You get three points for going in the hole and one point if you just land on it,” said Dustin Gruber, senior health and human performance major, who kept score for the tournament. “I like helping to host the event. I think it’s good to get out there and be social. Cornhole is fun, it’s more one on one competitive but it’s not as aggressive as some other sports like basketball.”

In the final round Gruber and his partner, Logan Stuke, played against Zhentai Jin, graduate business student, and Jeremy Chase, graduate business student. Gruber and

Stuke won 21-17 after Jin and Chase exceeded the 21-point limit.

“This was our first tournament, so I think we did really good,” Chase said. “Xixi signed up so we heard about it from her. It’s laid back but it’s still competitive. I’ve been playing since high school and it’s a really good time.”

According to his partner Jin, they could have won but narrowly exceeded the score and had to play another round which they lost.

“I really like experiencing that comeback,” Jin said. “We were down by over 15 points but then we got 22 points and broke the score and we ended up losing.”

If a team exceeds 21 points, that rounds score is nullified for that team.

“It used to be much more difficult for us when we used to play,” said Xixi Lee, graduate teaching assistant. “(Yifang) and I work in the same office.



Graduate students participate in the first official Corn hole tournament in the gym of the Student Recreation Center on Nov. 6. Dustin Gruber and Logan Stuke won 21-17. LUCAS LORD | The Bulletin

We don’t practice very often but we play it a lot together in office parties or together when we go to the bar. It’s a very fun party game.”

Lee and her partner Yifang Hao, graduate student in the same office, did not advance to the final round but say they

had a lot of fun just playing with other people.

“We don’t really have this in China,” Hao said. “It is very interactive; we like to play at the office or when we go to Bourbon Cowboy. I like tennis a lot, and it’s competitive like that but not too much. This was

our first time playing officially but we would certainly do it again.”

For more information on events visit www.emporia.edu/student-life/mem-union-rec-center/student-recreation-center or call 620-341-6778.

TCC hosts ping-pong tournament



Towers Complex Council sponsored a ping pong tournament in the towers lobby on Nov. 19. At this event students could also write holiday letters to soldiers who won’t get to see their families this holiday season. SHELBY HAMBLETON | The Bulletin

OPINION

Athletes need timeouts too



Faith Burgoon
Opinion Editor

Many colleges require their athletes to attend some form of study hall. Students who are not athletes are not required to attend study

halls. So the question is: Should it be required for just athletes or all students?

Non-athletes are prone to have more free time. With no practices or games, we frequently have time for our homework and class projects. Athletes do not.

Take for instance, a football player. The average football player attends class, has a little free time and then spends most of their evening at practice. This can go on for hours. After practice, there is little time left for any form of homework

due to the fact that they’re exhausted.

Athletes need the extra time in study hall. Don’t get me wrong, I’m sure it sucks having a mandatory study hall. However, it forces them to make time for their homework.

Mandatory study hall for athletes can give these busy students designated time for homework and assignments that they otherwise wouldn’t have time for.

After all, they are student-athletes and academics come first.

ESU Game Scores

- Soccer**
VS. Northwest Missouri State University
3-2
- Men's Basketball**
VS. Southwestern Oklahoma State University
73-82
VS. Arkansas Tech University
59-79
VS. Kansas Wesleyan University
87-59
- Women's Basketball**
VS. Harding University
62-75
VS. Henderson State University
62-59

- Men's Cross Country**
NCAA Central Regional Championships
14th Place
- Women's Cross Country**
NCAA Central Regional Championships
19th Place

- Volleyball**
VS. Missouri Southern State University
3-2
VS. Pittsburg State University
1-3

- Football**
VS. Missouri Southern State University
29-6

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Winter Sports Schedule

- Football**
vs University of Central Oklahoma
2 p.m. | Nov. 16
- Men's Basketball**
vs Tabor College
7:30 p.m. | Nov. 14
vs Sterling College
6:30 p.m. | Nov. 18
- Women's Basketball**
vs Northwestern Oklahoma State University
5:30 p.m. | Nov. 14
@ Northern State University
2 p.m. | Nov. 17
@ University of Sioux Falls
5:30 p.m. | Nov. 19
- Volleyball**
@ University of Central Missouri
6 p.m. | Nov. 15
at Northwest Missouri State University
6 p.m. | Nov. 16

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