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Students show their MU pride

Arvn Hicks Entertainment Editor

Homecoming at Methodist is a time marked by music, cheering, and excitement. This year's celebrations were full of energy and excitement, as Methodist prepared to take on the Shenandoah Hornets. Monarchs showed their school spirit at the pep rally and the Monarch Zone tailgating activities.

On Friday Oct. 16, SAC hosted Happy Hour, the MU pep rally series. Students packed the Berns Center for Happy Hour, as cheerleaders pumped up the large crowd, with the help of the dance team and marching band. SGA provided Tshirts to students, which contributed to the large turnout of the pep rally.

"The pep rally went a lot better than pep rallies here in past semesters," said Katie Johnson, a junior biology major. "It was more about getting people involved. There were a lot more people than before."

After hearing from some of the MU sports teams and performances by the cheerleaders, the band, and the dance team, Justin "Bo" Grey and some of the other football players destroyed a bumblebee-shaped piñata, which was symbolic of the Monarch's desire to defeat the Hornets in the Homecoming football game. Students left the pep rally ready to support the football team for a Homecoming victory.

"School spirit was very good because there was a surprising amount of people to come to the homecoming game," said Nicholas Bard, a sophomore applied exercise science major.

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King leads Monarch March before football game. Photo by Roxana Ross.



but to destroy & BMW. Photo by Royana Ross.



Dance team performs at the Triday pep rally. Photo by Arrya Hicks.



(Bottom row) The peer mentors are Carly Hatfield, Breanna Kostandin, and Ariel Rains. (Top row) They are trained by Darleen Hopkins, B.J. Kramer and Linda Szulc.

Photo by Roxana Ross.

Helping their peers

Jessie Heath **Opinions Editor**

Everybody needs someone to talk to. Whether you confide in a friend, a teacher or a parent, having a confidant is an important part of college life.

At Methodist, the Center for Personal Development offers a peer mentor program to all students.

"We are here to make students feel more comfortable about dealing with situations that they don't necessarily want an adult to know about," said Breanna Kostandin, a student mentor. "Everything we hear is completely confidential."

The peer mentor program helps students solve problems in a comfortable and completely confidential setting.

Peer mentors train with Darlene Hopkins in the Center for Personal Development before they beginning counseling other student. This training is to ensure that the peer mentors know how to handle different situations that could arise.

They are taught when to promise confidentiality and when to involve an adult in the mentoring process They also learn how to handle problems effectively

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Initial copies of small-TALK are free. Additional copies are 25 cents.

Warrior Angels raise money Upcoming for breast cancer awareness

Ashley Young News Editor

With about 250 people in attendance and over \$2,000 raised, the Warrior Angels considered their Battle Buddy Boogie race for breast cancer awareness a success.

Event coordinators and Warrior Angels founders are Kristine Thomas and Shannon Rassmusen.

Thomas is a criminal justice studies professor at Methodist University.

"The race was incredibly successful for being our first event," said Thomas. "We are thankful to everyone who helped make it a success."

The race, held Oct. 3, raised money for Warrior Angels Breast Cancer Battle Buddies, Inc. The group purchases bags to give to newly diagnosed breast cancer patients. The bags contain resource material related to the diagnosis and treatment of breast cancer; a journal and pen; a water bottle; and lip gloss.

"It's a great way to show

how people are supporting those who are sick and to show them coming together as one even though they're not the same," said Ragan Madison, a freshman and criminal justice major.

The race began around 8:30 a.m. Kids on scooters zipped their way along the five kilometer (3.125 miles) path and parents pushed little ones in strollers. Some participants were even accompanied by dogs.



Graduate student Caline Daun and others come to the last leg of the run. Photo by Ashley Young.

Job opportunities for Methodist students

Alicia Secord Editor-in-Chief

Many students have trouble finding a job due to the economy. Some are looking for a part-time job, others are looking for a career to jump into after graduation.

For students who make an effort, Methodist Uni-



Dr. N.B. Singh speaks to students about the importance of materials research. Photo by Alicia Secord.

versity has made the job search a little easier.

The Career Services office provided transportation to the Fall into Work Job Fair held at the Crown Expo Center. The chemistry department sponsored a guest lecturer from Northrop Grumman Corp. to speak to science students about jobs.

Fall into Work Job Fair

The Cumberland Workforce Alliance and the Cumberland County Department of Social Services hosted a job fair at the Crown Expo Center Oct. 8.

There were over 100 vendors present at the job fair to fill a variety of positions. Many training programs also sent representatives to encourage ongoing education opportunities.

Career Services publicized the event to Methodist students and offered rides to anyone that was interested. Many students that attended the event used their own transportation.

Northrop Grumman Corp.

Professor of Chemistry Narendra Singh has worked to bring research and career opportunities to the chemistry students at Methodist.

Oct. 7, Dr. Michael Fitelson and Dr. N.B. Singh of Northrop Grumman Corporation spoke on the "Role of Materials in Defense Technology." Students were encouraged to apply to internships and job opportunities with the company.

Northrop Grumman Corp. is a research company with military defense contracts. The speakers were from the facility in Baltimore, Md. which specializes in electronics.

Nov. 2-8 - varies

Beta Sigma Rush Week An interest meeting will be held

Nov. 2 at 7:30 p.m. Other rush activities will happen throughout the week.

Nov. 2-8 - varies

Lambda Chi Rush Week

Students interested in rushing with Lambda Chi can participate Monday through Friday at the various activities listed around campus. For more info stop by the Lamda Chi booth located in the Berns Student Center.

Nov. 4 - 7 p.m.

Pangaea International Show The International Club will present a multicultural show. There will be dance, fashion, and music. Reeves Auditorium

Nov. 6 - 7:30 p.m.

Friends of Music Guest Artist Series First Friday Concert The November concert will feature Megan Murphy Kenny on the violin and Jesse Davis on piano. Hensdale Chapel

Nov. 19-22 - 7:30 p.m.

Ride, Ride!: The John Wesley Musical

The musical, written by Alan Thornhill, depicts the true story of Martha Thompson who was rescued by John Wesley from a mental institution.

Reeves Auditorium

Nov. 21 - 8 a.m.

Jessie Smith Woodcutting Project Students will meet for breakfast before going outside to chop wood for charity. The firewood is donated to local families who cannot afford gas or electric heating. Green and Gold Cafe

smallTALK reports the events that do not appear in the SAC 2009 semester calendar. More events can be found in the SAC calendar or on the university website at www.methodist.edu.

Events

Town

Nov. 5-8

Holly Day Fair

Thu. 9 a.m. - 12 p.m., Fri. & Sat 10 a.m. - 8 p.m., Sun 12 p.m. - 5 p.m. A one-stop holiday shopping event which is expected to draw over 200 vendors.

Crown Coliseum

Nov. 7 - 11 a.m.

Veteran's Day Parade

Fayetteville will celebrate our nation's heroes with a parade. Fayetteville is the hometown of the nation's largest military base and one of the largest populations of veterans.

Downtown Fayetteville

Nov. 18 - 7 p.m.

Old Time Music

Musicians of all ages are invited to explore the tunes of the 19th and early 20th century America.

Museum of the Cape Fear Historical Complex

Nov. 27 - 1 p.m.

A Dickens Holiday

The Fourth Friday celebration sponsored by the Fayetteville Arts Council. Actors will dress as the characters of Charles Dickens' 'A Christmas Carol.." There will also be food vendors, fireworks, and Christmas carolers.

Downtown Fayetteville

Nov. 27- Dec. 13 - 8 p.m.

A Christmas Carol

The Charles Dickens holiday classic tells the tale of Ebenezer Scrooge and his three Christmas ghosts. Local actors will perform the well known roles.

Gilbert Theater

There are many more events happening around Fayetteville for all interests. The Fayetteville Visitors' Bureau lists a community calendar which can be found at www.visitfayettevillenc.com.



Ten students enjoy white water rafting with Outdoor Club.
Courtesy of Kenny Tien.

Outdoor Adventure Club's Fall Break Trip

Andrew Banner Contributing Writer

The Outdoor Adventure Club traveled north to the mountains of West Virginia for a break from studies and the excitement of extreme sports. The club camped in a cabin for four days in the wilderness, while daily activities included rock climbing, whitewater rafting, zip-lining, hiking, and swimming.

Saturday, some of the students chose

to climb up a 70-foot rock face while the others zip-lined through the tree-tops of the forest. Sunday, the club split up, some hiked the local trails while others played in the lake with water slides, trampolines, and blobs.

Each evening the group sat around a campfire, cooked dinner, and talked about all the day's activities. The last day, Monday, the group went whitewater rafting down the Upper Gauley River which is the 5th toughest whitewater in the world.





Homecoming King Andrew Banner rides in Monarch March with .
Photo by Roxana Ross.

HOMECOMING: Students show their Monarch pride

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Saturday morning was full of sound and entertainment as students, alumni, and campus organizations supported the MU football team during the Monarch Zone. Festivities kicked off with a parade around the campus, which featured the Homecoming nominees riding the route in Ford Mustangs.

Monarch Zone activities included tailgating, a spirit parade featuring the cheerleaders and marching band, and a new event to the campus: car smashing. Students spray painted and destroyed an older car with baseball bats, mallets, and other heavy tools. Over 20 spaces were filled for groups to set up activities for Homecoming tailgating. Students walked around the tailgating areas to play games and enjoy free food.

"Monarch Zone was a lot of fun. The car idea was awesome," said Tesha Tipton, a sophomore athletic training major.

PEER MENTORS: Mentors offer support and guidance to fellow students.

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and professionally, while making their peers feel at ease.

The peer mentor program also does various outreach projects throughout the school year.

"We want people to know that the Center for Personal Development is here to help," said Breanna Kostandin. "We want to make people more aware of what the Center for Personal Development does."

Like most groups on campus, this program offers friendship. Peer mentors spend time together at training and around campus.

"We're a close group," said Kostandin. "It's like having another family on campus."

Students interested in becoming a peer counselor, or speaking to a peer counselor should contact the Center For Personal Development at (910) 630-7150.

Students' sweat becomes part of university's energy

By Mará Rose Williams McClatchy Newspapers (MCT)

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Sweat rolls down the young woman's neck. She pedals and pedals, grimaces, wipes her face, sips from the plastic bottle. And pedals and pedals.

She scans the elliptical exercise machine's little readouts: miles (Is that all?); time elapsed (No, calves, we can't quit now); calories burned (What? Just half a cheeseburger?); voltage ...

Huh? Voltage?

A workout at a University of Kansas gym soon will be more than a workout.

Cables running from the machines' spinning wheels to a converter box will let students pump juice onto the grid.

Their ample calories will be sluiced into kilowatts, helping to power the lights and laptops at work in the Ambler Student Recreation and Fitness Center.

"It is so basic," said Mary Chappell, center director. "Crazy cool" is the term of the guy who had the light bulb go on.

Each of the 15 machines is expected to generate about eight watts per hour. The fitness center is open at least 15 hours a day.

If all the machines were put through a 30-minute workout, it would mean enough clean energy to power a TV for 15 minutes or a laptop for an hour or a compact fluorescent light bulb for more than two, according to SunQuest, the Florida-based firm making the ReRev devices that trap and reroute the kinetic energy.

"I'm told that using our 15 machines all day can produce enough energy to power a small apartment for an entire day," Chappell said.

People working out on the ellipticals — to be retrofitted next month — will get to watch voltage meters and be rewarded with flashing lights when their energy actually is being converted and used.

So, besides paying for the fitness center with a \$74-a-semester fee, students now get to power it — a little — with their sweat. Besides reducing the carbon footprint just a hair, Chappell reflected on tapping energy once wasted as heat.

"We're trying to put together a play and work environment that is sustainable. It's the right thing to do."

The idea came from now-graduated Andrew Stanley, 22, of Overland Park, Kan., who heard about it from a friend.

"I thought it was crazy, I mean crazy cool."

But he also thought, "If that technology is out there, then students would want to do it. If you are going to work out, why not do something to help reduce the carbon footprint? Make working out more meaningful."

His research persuaded the Student Environmental Board to pay \$15,000 to retrofit the exercise machines. He took the idea to Chappell, who learned that the universities of Florida, Oregon, Portland and Nebraska already were pedaling away.

Right now utility bills at the three-story fitness center run about \$30,000 a month.

"We are told it will actually be four to six years before we see a huge savings, but anything we can do to bring that bill down even a little, 10 percent or 5 percent, is worth it," Chappell said.

Chappell hopes the retrofitted machines will bring in more students.

"We are hoping for all kinds of enthusiasm and lines of people waiting to use the elliptical machines. But this is just the beginning. After we see how these work out, then later we'll be able to add more."

Corrections:

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Trustees to be renovated for disability access:

The estimated cost of the proposed disability access renovations is \$125,000. In the coming weeks, the Vice President for Business Affairs, Gene Clayton, will meet with contractors to get a more exact estimate. This money has been allocated from the university budget.

Absurd or eye-catching:

The statue outside of Reeves is titled "Elevated Visions." It was created by N.C. Artist Michael Baker, and was funded by Dr. and Mrs. Gerald L. Ellison.

The inscription at the base of the statue reads, "The generosity of the Ellisons is a reflection of their love and support of the arts and Methodist University."





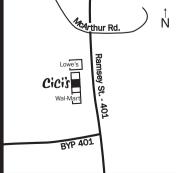
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Campus Ministry

Calendar fall 2009 Mission







The mission of Campus Ministry at Methodist University is to offer the love and acceptance of Jesus Christ to all persons by planting the seeds of faith and providing a nurturing spiritual environment for the seeds to grow and develop. Each person will be encouraged to reach his or her potential through participation in diverse styles of worship, Biblical study, music, community service, pursuit of justice and leadership. Every person is challenged to pursue faith freely with open hearts, open minds, and open doors.

Weekly Events

Wednesday	11:00 a.m.		Chapel
		Worship Service	
Wednesday	8:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study (DOGS)	West
Thursday	8:00 p.m.	Men's Bible Study	Commons
Sunday	7:00 p.m.	Soup Talk	Parsonage
	9:00 p.m.	Catholic Mass	Chapel
Monday	6:00 p.m.	One Voice Practice	Chapel
Monday	8:00 p.m.	In His Grip	Commons
Monday	9:00 p.m.	Praise and Worship Band Practice	Chapel
Tuesday	8:00 p.m.	Fellowship of Christian Athletics	Alumni

Special Worship Opportunities

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Offered 1st Wednesday following the conclusion of Chapel Service

Monday, November 23 Community Thanksgiving

Service and One Voice

Concert Sunday, December 6

Moravian Love Feast Saturday, December 19 Baccalaureate

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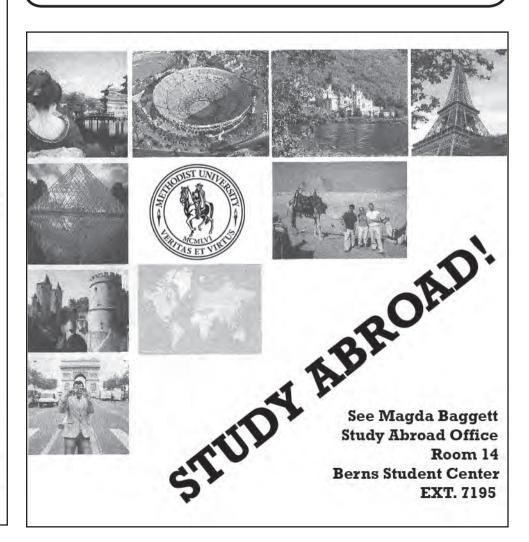
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Andrew Cares





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Most "in tune" with the theme:

Shymel Jackson

Will Terry and Yudora McLaughlin



Opinion

Questionable queries of a campus ninja





Students can find blank post cards around campus. Illustrate the card with a secret and drop it off at the university post office before Nov. 9. smallTALK will print the five most moving cards in the Nov. 23 issue.

Thoughts from the editor:

Four day class week is just a bad idea

Alicia Secord

Thursday, students received an email from Vice President of the Student Government Association (SGA) Joel Thomas outlining a proposal to reduce the current class schedule to a four day week. This would mean eliminating classes on either Wednesday or Friday.

The poll can be found on Blackboard under the SGA tab. Students should go to the website and vote against the proposal.

There are several reasons why this is a bad idea: it would require a longer class day; there would more scheduling conflicts; and students would graduate unprepared for the expectations of the real world.

The e-mail said, "The University is looking into the possibility of changing schedules to eliminate a class day. This would mean we would have a four day week with no classes taught either on Wednesday or Friday." First of all, this is misleading. According to Dean of Students George Blanc, this idea was suggested in an academic planning meeting as something that other schools are currently doing. The SGA then decided to poll the students to get their opinion on the issue.

The e-mail goes on, "All classes would turn into 75 minute sessions twice a week. There would be no effect on the number or nature of classes taught."

How would this be possible? The current 75 minute days (Tuesday and Thursday) have only six classes compared to the eight classes offered on the 50 minute class days (Monday, Wednesday and Friday). The only way to avoid eliminating course offerings is to extend every class day by at least 75 minutes.

Also, many students already have conflicts with course offerings between departments. For example, science classes usually have a lab portion in the afternoon from 2-5 p.m. Some students have a lab on every day of the week. It can be hard to schedule any afternoon classes in other departments due to this.

Eliminating a class day would make it harder for these students to take the classes required to graduate on time. At Methodist, the average time to complete their four year degree seems to be four and a half years. It would be a bad idea to make it harder for students to graduate on time.

In the long run, a four day class week would be detrimental to students when trying to adjust to careers. While it may be argued that students will take the day off to study or meet with professors, many will not. This will be a free day for many, one that they will not get in the real world.

In addition to the poll on Blackboard, there is a discussion board where students can post their opinions about the issue. Students should let the SGA know that this is a bad idea.



Art by Nate Beeler (MCT).

crossTALK with Aryn and Jessie

To trick-or-treat or not to trick-or-treat?

Never too old to trick-or-treat

Aryn Hicks

Fun and laughter keeps people young in spirit. I do not see what is so wrong with having a little fun and getting free candy in the process. Adults should be able to trick-or-treat for as long as they would like.

First of all, adults cause less havoc on Halloween than many children and teenagers. How often do you hear about adults egging Old Man Jenkins's house? Or toilet papering the neighbors' trees? Older people usually have a little bit more maturity than the high school students who participate in these acts of vandalism. And yes, I



did say maturity when referring to college students and adults playing dress-up.

Also, dressing up and going out is a good way to let loose from the stresses of everyday life.

Some adults trick-or-treat for charity rather than candy.

Trick-or-Treat for UNICEF raises money to promote child welfare around the world. The participants enjoy themselves while raising to help children.

Others go trick-or-treating for candy, but later give the candy to children at local hospitals.

Some collect the candy and deliver it to dentists' offices, who exchange the sweets for money. The money is then donated to charity.

Too Old to Trick-Or-Treat

Jessie Heath

Halloween is a favorite pastime in the USA, the UK and northern Mexico. Halloween gives children and adults the excuse to dress up, look cute and get praised with treats for unique costumes.

But are you ever too old to recite the familiar rhyme, "Trick-or-treat! Smell my feet! Give me something good to eat!"? If you are old enough to drive a car, the answer is yes. You are too old to trick-or-treat.

You may not be too old to enjoy dressing up, but the older you get, the more you'll discover that many adults will not open their doors to you when you knock. With our economy in a slump, crime rates and house

invasions have gone up and people are ill at ease to open their doors to strangers.

In some towns, there are laws in effect concerning the cut-off age for trick-or-treaters. In Belleville, IL, the cut-off date for trick-or-treating is 8th grade, or 13 years of age.

This law was put in effect as a result of homeowners spooked by teenagers and adults who knocked on their doors in full costume. The only exception is for special needs children and teens, who are allowed to trick-or-treat as long as they are accompanied and are under the age of 21.

But the candy! Yes, I know the candy is great, but if you're really that desperate for sweets, ask your parents to save a little extra for you after Halloween is over. Trick-or-treating is for children. You are too old to be inviting people to "smell your feet."

Ashley Asks





"The missiles are not good. They are almost frightening because you never know what they plan to do with them."

Adriana Wilson, a junior mass communications major.



"I don't think it's a very good situation. There's already a war going on and it's not a good thing for them to have [missiles] over there at this time." Megan May, a freshman athletic training major.

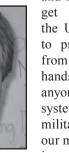


"Basically, I think it shows their struggle and desire to have more power in the world. If we don't address it correctly, it's going to be very dangerous."

Jason Trudell, a political science major.



"We don't think like humans - we think like animals and we want to fight each other. I don't think we as humans really need missiles. We don't need missiles because we have intelligence to avoid things along these lines." Camilo Gomez, a junior art major.



"I think it's very dangerous, and I think the UN should get involved along with the United States in order to prevent those missiles from falling into the wrong hands. I'm not against anyone having a defence system but when their military is causing harm to our military, then there's an issue."

Zachary Rivenbark, a junior pre-law major.



Ashley Young

With U.S. troops stationed in Iraq, Afghanistan, Djibouti, Turkey, and Bahrain the uranium enrichment plant in nearby Iran is anything but comforting.

While Iran has agreed, in theory, to allow international inspectors to assess the nuclear plant in Natanz, tensions remain high. The first

round of inspections was scheduled for Oct. 25, and most of their uranium is scheduled to be shipped to Russia for purification.

When Secretary of State, Hillary Clinton, traveled to Moscow to convince Russia to place sanctions on Iran to get them to reveal their nuclear plans, she was unsuccessful. The Foreign Minister of Russia, Sergey Lavrov, said that placing sanctions on Iran and its nuclear program would be "counterproductive."

Nuclear sites throughout Iran are thought to be located in Karaj, Lashkar-Abad, Arak, Amarak, Bushehr, and Tehran. A new enrichment site is suspected be inside a mountain in Qom. There is also a nuclear technology center in Esfahan.

Clinton said that the United States wants to converse with Iran about its nuclear intentions, but Tehran has not made it clear to the Obama administration that Iran wants any negotiation.

Entertainment

Rehab brings 'Bartender' to dry campus

Felicia Aycock Staff Writer

Homecoming weekend kicked off Friday night with a performance by the Southern rock band Rehab. The Student Activities Committee (SAC) transformed the basketball courts of the Nimocks fitness center into a rock concert arena.

Monarchs began entering around 7 p.m. for 8 p.m. concert. Students could purchase Rehab memorabilia before the concert began. Rehab's public relations manager and SAC members, sold items like T-shirts, CDs, and posters to students.

Many students seemed to be waiting for the popular single, 'Bartender.' A



Mike Hartnett on lead guitar. Photo by Yashaswi Shrestha.



Bassist Hano Leathers. Photo by Yashaswi Shrestha.

song about getting drunk, breaking parole, and waiting for the police at a bar.

The crowd was enthusiastic when Rehab performed 'Bartender (Sittin' in a Bar)', despite the wait to hear the popular song.

"My favorite song of the night was 'Bartender'," said Ashley Williams, a sophomore. "I was very surprised at the layout of the fitness center and how much space that we had."

However, not all students were happy with the band.

At the beginning of the concert, Phil Francarelli began insulting the band and yelling obscenities. The lead singer called him up to the stage, and proceeded to yell at the student, using profane language to force him off of the stage.

Some students thought it was funny while others thought it was rude and vulgar. The student left the performance willingly, and the concert continued.

"The lead singer was rude and out of line, because everyone has the right to voice their opinion," said Victoria Williams

Recent campus polls have shown that the students at Methodist would like more recording artists to perform. SAC plans to have one big concert each semester in the upcoming years.

WeDesireMore.Com Themeless Crossword Puzzle #4 by Dave Fisher Across 1. Diner's offering 5. Vision: prefix 9. Total 14. Willy, e.g. 15. _ Tormo (old Ford model) 16. Calculate 17. Prosperity 18. idiot 19. Off _ (not always) 20. Places for workers 23. Whichever 24. Swirl 25. Reprimands 29. Minor 30. Syr.'s neighbor 33. Eastern capital 34. Vatican VIP 35. Relax 36. Dangerous game of chance 31. John 39. Employs 40. Provide a place 3. Picket line crosser 32. Mix 41. Respond to 4. Aura 34. Bad cold 42. Wager 35. Walensa 5. Nash and others 43. Seagull harrier 6. Agent 37. Off kilter 44. Available 7. Powder source 38. Hilo veranda 45. Article 8. Held accountable 43. Hot, in a way 46. O'Hare abbreviation 9. African nation 44. Not these 47. Idolizer 10. Zesty 45. Steamed 54. Noble 11. Arrogance, slangily 46. Bar, legally 55. _ the Great (boy detective) 12. Selfs 47. Mister in Munich 56. As well 13. Stimpy's pal 48. Mild oath 57. Orange container 21. Spokes, e.g. 49. Riches preceder, maybe 58. Mad doctor's assistant 22. So long to Soulanges 50. Bidder's option 59. Dips bread, for instance 25. Privet, e.g. 51. Scheme 60. Jan or Elizabeth 26. Word with effect, often 52. Notice 61. Certain wrigglers 27. Outstart 53. Got up 54. 'His Master's Voice' comp 62. Dirty place 28. Profit killer 29. Battery choice, perhaps Down 30. "Whole Love" (Led 1. Laugh uproariously Zeppelin) Listen from Home! Real-time worship feed! Streaming starts @ 10AM. http://live.connect2crossroads.com

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We know 'Where the Wild Things Are,' but where's the fun?

Roger Moore
The Orlando Sentinel (MCT)

The author of "Where the Wild Things Are" picked Spike Jonze ("Being John Malkovich") to direct the long-planned film of the much-loved children's book.

But whatever Maurice Sendak thought the quixotic Jonze would bring to the movie, a penetrating understanding of the thin, allegorical picture book, perhaps what Jonze delivers, with a script by Dave Eggers, is not a children's movie at all. This dull, downbeat, yet faithful adaptation has become a "Sesame Street of the Spotless Mind."

Max Records plays Max, a kid who should be beyond donning his old whiskered wolf suit and terrorizing his mom (Catherine Keener). In a wintry opening built around an ends-in-tears snowball fight with his sister's teenage friends, Max comes off as an impulsive, hyper and self-centered brat. But he's sensitive enough to escape to his



Max (Max Records) is crowned king of the Wild Things. Courtesy of MCT.

plush-toy filled room, and to oblige with a fanciful tale when his hard-pressed single mom sighs, "I could use a story."

But a tantrum in the middle of mom's date (Mark Ruffalo, in a cameo) reveals Max for the Beastly Boy he is. "FEED me, woman! Rooaar!" He bolts from the house, and in his funny costume, stumbles across a sailboat that takes him far away, to the island "Where the Wild Things Are." Jonze creates a vivid organic trees-and-stones setting for this Island of Lost Muppets.

They're a sensitive tribe with bad tempers, fragile egos and easily hurt feelings. Max has only to exaggerate his status in the world, and his roar, to convince the plush beasts, voiced by James Gandolfini, Lauren Ambrose, Catherine O'Hara, Paul Dano and Oscar winners Forest Whitaker and Chris Cooper, that he's their king. Since he promises to end loneliness and create warm, welcoming sleeping piles of wild things, they go along with him.

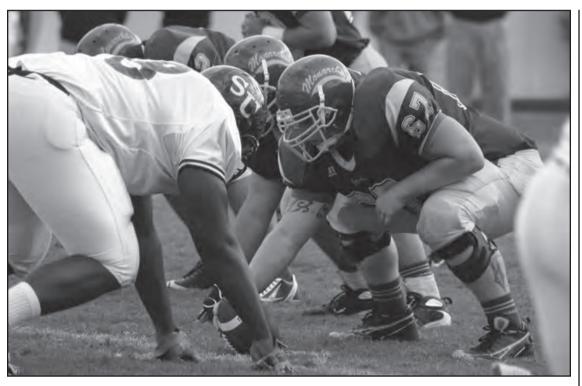
"Let the wild rumpus begin!" If only. The movie lets Max and the Wild Things allegorically work out worries about relationships, family and mortality. They also build this cool stick fort of Max's design, but even it gets in the way of their togetherness. Jonze and Eggers fret so much over the group dynamic (Carol, the natural leader, can't win over K.W., a cute beast with an aversion to selfish bullying) that they leave out the warmth, the magic of discovery and the whimsy.

No wonder Warner Brothers made them re-shoot this movie, which was supposed to come out in March of 2008. Jonze plainly didn't re-shoot enough. Only the romping, wistful childhood-remembered songs by Karen Orzolek (Karen O, lead singer of the rock band Yeah Yeah Yeahs) come close to capturing the right tone. As a children's film, it's a bore. And as a grand film enterprise, "Where the Wild Things Are" skirts the line between folly and fiasco.

It's far too striking and thoughtful to dismiss outright. But it is literal and dour enough to make you wonder just why this book has the reputation it does, and what on Earth the author was thinking in pitching it to Jonze. He got so lost in the" things" that he's left the "wild" and the fun out.

Sports

Homecoming Games



Methodist players face off against the Shenandoah football team.

Photo Cecilia Bode.

Football team defeats Shenandoah Hornets during homecoming game

Bernard King Staff Writer

It's been 4 years since the Methodist football team has won a homecoming game. That's why the Monarch win on Oct. 17 is so amazing. Students and alumni alike were pleased with the outcome.

"It was a very good game. Both teams came looking for a win, but the Methodist pulled it off," said Taplie Coile, alumni of the class of 1998. "Methodist defense had a couple crucial defense goal line stands, but they pulled it out. Great day; great win."

It was a good day for football when the Monarchs took the field against the Shenandoah Hornets. The stands were packed with people eager for the game to start. The pre-game included the band warming up, the fraternities carrying the mascot onto the field, and the chorale singing the national anthem. The kickoff was soon under way.

When the game started, the crowd was quiet. A missed field goal in the first quarter had the crowd on edge.

"What game are the referees watching, because that kick looked good," said Derek Collier, residential coordinator for Sanford Hall. It was truly a disappointing moment, but the Monarchs stuck it out and played the whole game with heart.

However, the noise level quickly rose after Methodist scored the first touchdown of the game in the second quarter. Besides the crowd starting to wake up, the marching band played every time there was a favorable play for the Monarchs, which occurred often during the game.

At halftime, it was evident that the Monarchs were having a good day. The score was 14-0 going into the second half.

During the second half, both teams became even hungrier for a win as Shenandoah tied the game up.

At the end of the fourth quarter, Kicker Tyler Mosko attempted a field goal from the 21 yard line, but missed. The game went into overtime, and the defense played very well to keep the Monarchs in the game. Mosko redeemed himself by kicking the game-winning field goal from the 25 yard line.

"After missing the first two field goals, I am glad the defense kept us in the game," said Mosko. "I am glad we got it done. The team fought very hard,"

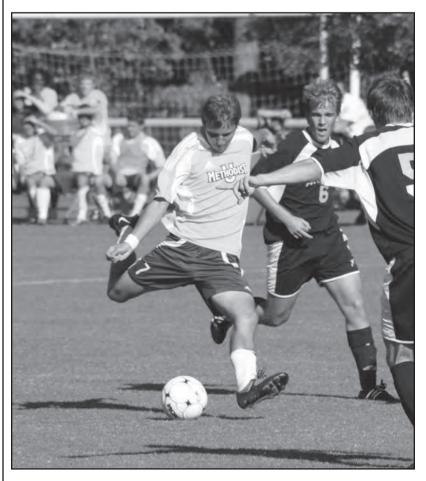
Methodist men's soccer team defeats Greensboro

Tim Davis Staff Writer

At the Homecoming Game Saturday, the men's soccer team came back from a 1-0 discrepancy to win 2-1 over Greensboro College. This win gives the Monarchs 6 wins and 8 losses for the season so far.

Surprisingly, the 1-0 lead that Greensboro had on the Monarchs was scored by the Monarchs themselves Though the Monarchs scored on their own goal to give Greensboro the lead in the 26th minute of play, they jumped back into the game with a goal in the 50th minute of the game.

In the 60th minute of the match, Brion Kelly assisted Steve Harris and Bret Brennan in sneaking the ball past the Greensboro goaltender to give the monarchs a 2-1 lead for the remainder of the match.



During the Oct. 7 game against Averett University, Bret Brennan fights his way through a tangle of Averett players to keep the game alive for the Monarchs. Photo by Sung Kim.

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MONARCH SCOREBOARD

GAME RESULTS

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Date 10-03 10-10 10-17	Opponent Maryville College Ferrum College Shenandoah University	Result L 30-36 L 35-49 W 17-14
Date 10-03 10-04 10-07 10-10 10-17	Men's Soccer Opponent Covenant College Chowan University Averett University Christopher Newport University Greensboro College	Result L 0-3 W 4-0 W 2-0 L 0-1 W 2-1
Date 10-03 10-04 10-10 10-17 10-18	Women's Soccer Opponent Averett University Ferrum College Christopher Newport University University of Mary Washington Lynchburg College	Result W 5-1 W 1-0 T 0-0 L 0-1 L 0-2
Date 10-03 10-03 10-09 10-13 10-17 10-20	Volleyball Opponent Christopher Newport University Ferrum College Sweet Briar College Greensboro College Guilford College Meredith College	Result L 0-3 W 3-2 W 3-0 W 3-0 L 0-3 L 2-3
Date 9-19 9-28 10-05 10-19	Men's Golf Event Elizabethtown Invitational Greensboro Invitational The Gordin Classic Oglethorpe Fall Invitational	Result 1st - 584 1st - 575 1st - 880 1st - 573
Date 9-13 9-25 10-19	Women's Golf Event O'Brien Division III Fall Championship Sea Trail Intercollegiate Wendy's Invitational	Result 1st - 618 8th - 944 6th - 638
Date 10-31	HOME G Football Opponent N.C. Wesleyan College	Time 1:00 p.m.
Date 10-28	Volleyball Opponent N.C. Wesleyan College	Time 7:00 p.m.
Date 11-04	Men's Basketball Opponent Athletes in Action	Time 6:00 p.m.
Date 11-11 11-15 11-16	JV Men's Basketball Opponent Pitt Community College Central Carolina Community College Guilford College JV	Time 7:00 p.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m.

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