

# Season opens for track with invitational tomorrow

By Angel Vadillo  
Staff reporter

Outdoor track and field season will begin for the Builders on March 15. Southwestern College will host the Southwestern Invitational at Richard L. Jantz Stadium. Both the men's and women's track and field teams will be competing in the meet.

The Builders are anticipating having 12 to 15 teams competing. Field events will begin at 11 a.m. and the track will start at 12:30.

"We are crossing our fingers to have good weather," said Mike Kirkland, head women's track coach. "It is a mixed bag, you do not know what weather you are going to get."

The majority of the team has had a month without competition. This meet will make them go back to the routine. "We have no expectations other than getting familiar and dealing with elements," said Kirkland.

At the end of the outdoor season last year, the team went through a peak. "I am preparing hard for this meet. Training really hard and eating healthy," said David Leonard, business administration freshman. After this meet, the athletes will have a week off for spring break. After spring break, there will be six straight weeks of meets before the Kansas Collegiate Athletic Conference meet in Sterling.

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scientific research and are better equipped for their future Pls.

"The location of the conference varies year to year," said Geer. It will be in Reno, Nev. April 12-14.

With the guidance and support of Geer throughout these projects and courses "Dr. Geer will be greatly missed at Southwestern College. I wish her all the best," said Bipes.

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# Discipleship Game Night



Erica Dunigan/Collegian photographer

**Top:** Zach Castor, biology senior and Lucas McConnell, philosophy & religious studies senior, play Rock Band during Discipleship game night March 9. Game night was open for all students.



**Left:** Jessica Schaal, philosophy & religious studies senior, Matthew Mehl, business management senior and Justine Anthony, elementary education sophomore, play cards during game night. Mehl taught the rules of Blackjack to who students that gathered around the table. Students spent an evening in Wroten Hall visiting and playing games.

# Former assistant coach takes over Builder men's soccer

By Alissa Sheppard  
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Instilling habits that will not only prepare them for soccer, but that will prepare them for the future is what new men's soccer head coach Joseph Yeisley said is his main focus for the team.

Yeisley was named the men's head soccer coach March 5. He says that he was very excited when he heard the news that he got the position.

Playing soccer for 20 years, it has always been a big part of his life. He learned that though hard work that he could accomplish anything.

"My dad has always been a huge influence on me," said

Yeisley. His dad has always pushed him to do what is important and teach him that he is capable to do anything through hard work.

Giving hard work and honesty is what Colin Baker, senior midfielder, says he will give to the new head coach, and it is also what he expects in return. He also expects the team to be open-minded about the new acquisition.

"I expect Yeisley to help us in all aspects of everyday life,

there is more to life than soccer and he knows that since he was once in our shoes," said Baker.

Baker has played club soccer since the he was three years old, and he had the same coach so getting a different coach is something new and different for him.

"This will be a nice challenge for me, it will help keep me open-minded through everything that I may face in the near future," said Baker.

One thing that is on the mind of Baker, and others and that is

uncertainty. He said "I know it will be in a lot of people's minds throughout the season, but we just need to stick together and have faith that everything will pan out."

Baker has set goals for next year, and he said his main goal is just to win. "We haven't done that in this program and one of the reasons why I came here was to put SC soccer on the map. I want to make playoffs and I think if we can do that then things will take care of themselves."

Head women's soccer coach, Joe Woods, has known Yeisley since 2004 when they both attended SC. He sees Yeisley as a great asset to the program and is very excited that he is taking

over the men's soccer team.

"I look forward to his youthful energy and strong work ethic," said Woods. He thinks Yeisley will take the program to the next level.

"He cares about his players, wants the best for them, and will demand the best from them," Woods said.

Being the women's head coach he has some experience under his belt, he said if he could give Yeisley some advice he would say that "any weakness he may have as a coach will be over shadowed by his good intentions and hard work."

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Discipleship looks forward each year when the time comes to reach out and help. Alley said mission trips are a way for the members to go be open to new ways of serving and being in communities with others.

"Mission Trips are an opportunity to be what we say as Gods hands and feet out in the world," she said.

For some members this will be their first Discipleship mission trip. Heidi Raisa, early childhood education freshman, said, "It's really awesome, especially being an international student, to experience different cultures outside of my own."

Raisa is from Indonesia located in Southeast Asia.

"Mission trips are life changing," said Badley. "When going to this places it's just a completely different world, paradigm and to be placed in the middle of that really forces you to realize that a lot of the things we assume to be true about the world are not. That we really need to change the way we think, so we can be a part of changing the world for the better."

The team will drive back to Winfield March 23.

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