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Used textbook sale scheduled by bookstore

By LYNDA YEZZI

Follett Wholesale Co, a Chicago-based book wholesaler, will be buying used textbooks in the MCC bookstore starting Dec. 12-14, and again on Dec. 17-18.

A representative from Follett will be paying cash for any cloth or paperback book of resale value.

George Ivy, manager of the bookstore, said Follett pays 50 percent of the current book price for books that will be used next semester by the college, and 50 percent of the wholesale price for books that will not be used by MCC next

semester, or books that have had edition changes.

"We're trying to set up the bookstore to be as fair to the students as we can," said Ivy. "We buy back the books and, after adding a 20 percent markup, sell them as 'used.' That's still a 25 percent savings to the student.

Ivy also said the problem of not having books in stock at the beginning of the semester has been solved.

"All book orders for the Spring semester were placed Nov. 30," said Ivy. "If we get all the books that we ordered in, there shouldn't be any problems. Our goal is to have all the books on the self prior to the start of the semester."

MERRY CHRISTMAS!



COSMOTOLOGY LAB took on a festive air along with the rest of the campus as shown in these decorations at a work station. (Front page photos by James Jones)

63 candidates for graduation

By BETH SULAK

When the fall semester ends, 63 students will be completing their degree requirements and be eligible to receive a diploma.

Candidates for degrees include:

Associate in Arts Degree

Darren Keith Allen, Kerry L. Allison, David Vladimir Antalec, Elizabeth Clay Beard, Paul A. Beeman, Brad D. Blanchard, David Michael Brooks, Martha Beth Carson, and Michael David Cummings.

Also Jane Radle Drews, Vivian Hall, Timothy John Holoman, David Reynold Hurtado, James Terry Jackson, Sharon Dale Koester, Teresa Renee Krienke, Sandra Larson-Bullard, Elaine M. Lewin, and Janet Kay McGregor.

Also Terry L. Page, Matilde L. Pina, Sibyl McLaughlin Roe, Pamela Jean Smith, Tracey Lynne Tomchesson, Jo Katherine Tull, Kenneth G. Whitworth, Janice M. Wilkes, and Jimmy Paul Woods.

Associate in Applied Science Degree

Law Enforcement—Darren Keith Allen, Waverolyn Boyd Mack, and Oliver H. Olson, Jr.

Fashion Merchandising—Teresa M. Hopkins, Patricia Ann Motis, and Sheila Denise White.

Postal Service Administra-

tion—James Robert Fleming, Management Development—Mickey R. Page and Clifford D. Spross.

General Business—Bobby R. Baker, Dean Douglas Dowdy, Rebecca L. Pattengill, and Dixie D. Skeen.

Mental Health—Lori Blewett and Rachel Moss Richard.

Accounting—Karen Sandifer Elliston.

Real Estate—David William Johnson.

Information—Word Processing—Irma Roberta Enfield and Joyce Faye Thomas.

Banking and Finance—Herman Clariett.

Computer Technology—Data Processing—Tracie Jan Haenisch, Kenneth Dee Myers, and Randy Pavlica.

Long Term Health Care—Rheadene S. Weber.

Certificates

Accounting—Claudine E. Bacom.

Cosmetology—Ana B. Bernal, Khristi G. Baskin, and Alice Rape Shilling.

Data Processing—Charles O. Donaldson Jr., Pamela June Sims, and Anthony Wayne Williams.

Alcoholism Counselor Training—Rachel Moss Richard and Bill Floyd Spradley.

Management Development—Walter A. Gilbert.

Secretarial Training—Lois Anita Brooks.

Personnel host open house

By BETH SULAK

MCC faculty, staff and administrators and their families will be treated to lots of food and fellowship Wednesday, Dec. 19, when the MCC Office Personnel Association hosts MCC's Annual Christmas Open House in the Student Center cafeteria, from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Evelyn Pratka, assistant to President Wilbur Ball, chairman of the open house committee, said that over 700 people attended the open house last year, and 370 invitations were mailed this year.

The association has about 51 members

and hosts the open house each year by doing the buying, planning and preparation of the food and decoration of the Student Center, Pratka said. Thirteen members are on the committee to prepare the food.

The Christmas tree in the Student Center will be decorated by three members of the committee. The part of Santa Claus is played by a volunteer, Pratka said. The cafeteria staff assists with baking of hams and turkeys, and the members make the cheese balls, dips and homemade candy.

Much preparation goes into the open house, Pratka said. The shopping took

three hours, and 12 association members filled eight shopping baskets cleaning out HEB's shelves of cream cheese and cheddar cheese.

The buffet will include ham, turkey, cheeses, cold cuts, dips, chips, Mousse, homemade candies, cookies, coffee cakes, Wassail, coffee and punch.

The open house is one of the special functions of the MCCOPA. The Thanksgiving luncheon helps raise funds for at least one scholarship each semester in office education.

Martha Knight is president of the MCC Office Personnel Association this year.

Instructor nominated for award

By TIM HOLLOMAN

Speech and communication instructor Marilyn Kelly of McLennan Community College has been nominated for the Piper Award for the current academic year, 1984-85.

The Minnie Stevens Piper Foundation of San Antonio honors 10 professors annually.

The professors are honored on the basis of outstanding academic, scientific, and scholastic achievement. The award also recognizes the teacher's dedication to the teaching profession.

This year's award winners

will receive certificates naming them Piper Professors, 1985; \$2,500 honoraria; and individual 14K gold commemorative pins.

The purpose of the Piper Award is to give recognition to the teaching profession rather than contribute to research or other related areas.

Schools with enrollments similar to MCC's may nominate a single faculty member for the award for the current year. Teachers to be considered for the Piper nomination are chosen from the faculty by the faculty.

Piper nominees, such as

Marilyn Kelly, are selected by faculty election, according to librarian Margaret Harbaugh, chairman of the faculty council election committee.

Kelly is a charter MCC faculty member who began teaching when the school opened in 1966. She taught for a year-and-a-half, then retired prior to the birth of her son.

Retirement ended in 1974 when Kelly returned to teach part-time at Baylor University and MCC. She began to teach on a full-time basis at MCC in 1979.

Presently, Kelly is primarily involved in the teaching of

courses such as business and professional speech, public speaking, interpersonal communication, and voice and diction.

"The Piper nomination made me very happy," Kelly said through a smile, adding that the value of any award, in this case, the nomination and the actual award itself, depends directly upon those giving the award.

"I value very much the faculty that is on this campus," said Kelly. "For them in any way to affirm me as a teacher, means a great deal to me."

(Please see Piper, page 4.)

60 trees planted

By TINA RANKIN

Why does MCC need 60 more trees?

"To improve landscaping," said Gary Luft, vice-president of business services. "Trees are a vital part of landscaping and beautifying MCC."

Seventeen container grown heritage live oaks, some as tall as eight feet and costing \$53 a piece, will be planted behind the liberal arts building in the central part of campus.

Eight red oaks 8-10 feet tall and costing \$112.50 each have been planted northeast of the Student Center. Since they were container grown like the heritage live oaks, the red oaks are expected to be successfully transplanted and grown to their potential.

Seven white crepe myrtles were purchased at \$30 a piece.



Those trees will be planted as replacement trees near the Administration Building. The

trees have to be replaced because they did not survive last winter.

Twenty-eight watermelon pink crepe myrtles, also \$30 (Please see Trees, page 4.)

Officers graduate

Sixteen law enforcement officers in the Central Texas area graduated from the Heart of Texas Regional Police Academy basic police certification course at 2 p.m. Friday, November 30 at MCC.

McLennan County District Attorney Vic Feazel was the keynote speaker at the ceremony, which will be held in the Science Building Lecture Hall.

The officers completed a

nine-week, 320-hour classroom course required by the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Standards in Education.

The graduates are: Robert Eaton, Billy Frosch, Mark Hammond, Johnnie Hughes, Vance Kellum, Kenneth Kopel, Joseph Lawshe, Thomas Moore, James Nixon, Doris Patrick, Tommy Roach, John Roppolo, Tim Schmidt, Tommy Sikes, Bob Waller, and James Williams.

Who's Who named

Seventeen McLennan Community College students have been approved as nominees for "Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges" and will be included in the 1985 edition of the directory as national outstanding campus leaders.

Campus nominating committees and editors of the directory have included the names of these students based on their academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and potential for continued success.

These students join an elite

group selected from more than 1,500 institutions of higher learning in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and several foreign nations.

McLennan Community College students named this year include Robyn Barnes, Sharon Bostick, Johnathan Christian, Debbie Davis, Katherine Dunn, Linda Ebron, Shirley Glstrap, Gwen Lawrence, Jacquelyn McKenna, Mollie Marsh, Samuel David Massey, Cecilia Matus, Kathleen Matus, Paul Michalik, Jo Elizabeth Miller, Jan Reaves and Robin Smith.

Purchases approved

Purchase of equipment for the Performing Arts Center was the main item on the agenda as MCC Board of Trustees members approved \$200,343 worth of equipment for the new building at their Nov. 27 meeting.

The board also approved replacement of the master clock system, and replacement of carpet for the Health Careers Building, Science Building and the bookstore.

The preliminary cost estimate for the installation of an elevator at the rear entrance of the Applied Science Building to assist the handicapped was approved as well as the purchase

of the electrical distribution facilities from Texas Power and Light.

In other business the board accepted the report of an independent auditor for the 1983-84 fiscal year and passed a resolution commissioning Kenneth Tynes as peace officer.

The purchases for the Performing Arts Center included recording studio equipment, theatre sound equipment, exterior lighting fixtures, and instructional equipment.

The single largest purchase was a contract awarded to Southwest Pro Audio of Austin for \$136,988 worth of equipment (Please see Trustees, page 5.)

2 Opinion

Outspoken

Growing up is no fun

By LYNDA YEZZI



Standing on the tennis court the other day awaiting a tennis lesson, I noticed two squares with numbers inside them drawn on the court in chalk. It looked like the makings of a game I used to play with my sisters when we were "young."

The game was called two-by-four, because to play the game a two-by-four piece of lumber set up on blocks was needed. The object of the game was to hit a ball back and forth across the two-by-four without going out of the squares or hitting the board. If the board was hit, it would fall off the blocks and the other person would get a point. The first person to 10 won.

We sisters used to play a lot of games together. We never really needed "best friends," because we always had each other. With seven of us around, we always had someone to talk to.

We had wild games of hopscotch, ring around the rosy and several others I can't remember the name of. I also can't remember the rules. (I think we used to make up our own.)

What a shame we all grew up. Now we just swap clothes and make-up, and an occasional boyfriend or two. We don't sit around together on our mother's bed, asking questions and telling each other our problems that seemed so big at the time, but are meaningless now.

Sometimes I want to turn back the clock and find the innocence we once shared. Just a bunch of little girls with pig-tails playing chase in the backyard, or pushing each other on the swing set to see who could "fly" the highest. We never worried about what was going on around us, or what we should wear on Friday night.

We lived for the present and waited for the future, when we would all be "grown-up, big girls." Now we are. We can't fit under the kitchen sink for a game of hide and seek like we used to. And going to the drive-in just isn't the same since we can't wear our pajamas, and cling to each other when a scary part came on.

Someone told me the other day that I looked and acted older than my 19 years. Back when I was 15 and desperately trying to look older, I would have considered that a compliment. Now I'm not so sure. (I feel like Granny Grumps whenever I'm called ma'am.)

We are all starting to go our own way. We've matured. We don't fight. "I love you" doesn't come as easy anymore...

And since we've all grown in different places, it's not even easy sharing clothes.



C'est la vie

Farewell to WHO?

By KELLEY MUDRA



"Before the Who got big, I wanted them to get bigger and bigger until a number one record and then wrap dynamite round their heads and blow themselves up on TV. It's just been one of those things."

— Pete Townshend

The Who did get bigger and bigger since their start in 1964, but fortunately they never had a number one record, and their chances of having a number one record are now rather slim since Pete left the band a year ago this month.

For almost 20 years, the Who were one of the greatest bands in rock. They had a style of music all their own. In a way it seems sad that it's all over. But, the wonderful thing about music is that it lives on, and although I will never see the band perform live, I have the recordings to keep my memories alive.

The Who — Pete Townshend, Roger Daltrey, John Entwistle and Keith Moon (who was replaced by Kenney Jones following Moon's death in 1978), had an image all their own. They were (and still are) the loudest band in rock, according to the Guinness Book of World Records. They're listed as one of the most violent stage acts in the Book of Rock Lists. And, of course, they have their own brand of music. The Who have done it all. Movies, records — the works. They have immortalized themselves.

Pete once said, "I wrote the lines of 'My Generation' without thinking, hurrying them — scribbling on a piece of paper in the back of a car. For years I've had to live by them, waiting for the day when someone says, 'I thought you said you hoped you'd die when you got old. Well, now you are old. What now?' Of course, most people are too polite to say that sort of thing to a dying pop star. I say it often to myself."

In a way, this makes sense. It would be difficult to see the Who not being able to trash hotel rooms, or not being able to jump around the stage and smash guitars and drum kits. Roger Daltrey once said in an interview that it wouldn't be fair to the audiences to have a concert and not be able to live up to their expectations. And in a way, I guess it wouldn't.

So, now it's been almost a year since the Who have worked together. But it hasn't been as bad as I anticipated. I still listen to my Who tapes on a daily basis and read my Who books when the occasion arises. And it almost seems like it never ended.

But, as the song says, "The Music Must Change."

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:

If I can figure out these everyday logistics of life and things go according to plan, my MCC adventure, which I began in January 1984, will soon end.

Having lost my eyesight earlier, I realized that returning to school would be somewhat of a challenge.

I knew that I would not be able to make it alone.

I knew that I would have to occasionally ask for help.

I was totally ignorant that people would be so willing to help.

I did not expect the lovely surprise, a revival of faith in my fellow man.

Counseling and testing and campus security, administra-

tion and library and cafeteria, ground maintenance and bookstore and my special services, faculty, staff, and students, especially my classmates...

I gotta go; I'm getting a lump in my throat.

Good-bye, McLennan Community College, thank you.

Sincerely,
Timothy John Holloman

CORRECTION

In the Oct. 30 edition of *The Highland Herald*, a photo caption incorrectly identified Bob Ford as chairman of the MCC science department. The science department chairman is Pat Norton.

Illusions

Put the Christ back into Christmas



By JANNA HATFIELD

About this time each year we all start thinking about Christmas.

Rushing around trying to decide what to get Aunt Sally or trying to get off enough days at work to go skiing.

It happens every year.

We all do it. We run around like chickens with our heads cut off (I hate that cliché). We can't locate a perfect Christmas tree. The fudge didn't turn out. The 30 people that were coming to dinner, just called and cancelled. You just broke-up with your boyfriend and now you've got to return the \$200 watch you bought him for Christmas.

It's the same old stuff year after year. *Rutville city*. It almost makes Christmas depressing.

The only way I can pull myself out of the yearly Christmas rut is to see a child. The complete innocence they have about what Christmas is, really makes me stop and think.

What is Christmas all about anyway? Running around — going crazy over life's small mishaps?

I really don't think so.

Ask a child what he thinks Christmas is and you'll probably hear things like; Santa Claus bringing gifts to good boys and girls, or it's Jesus' birthday, or a time when everybody is happy.

I think that's neat!

If I could have just one wish this Christmas, it would be that everyone could see Christmas from a child's eye view, not from the rushing rut-filled view most adults see it from.

Merry Christmas!

THANK YOU!

Starting a new school year is always hard for many reasons. But starting the year as a new teacher, with a new editorial staff, and several new students, is rough.

As the editors of *The Highland Herald*, we've tried to make this a newspaper of which the faculty and students can be proud. As students, we've made our share of mistakes.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who makes *The Highland Herald* possible — the administration, and the Board of Trustees, for the budget we are given and the cooperation we receive — Vicki Kabat and everyone in the public information office for the stories and public service messages they've provided us throughout the year and for mailing more than 1,400 copies of our paper to readers across the country.

We want to thank all the students and faculty who make the news happen and to the department heads who make sure we are informed of the outstanding achievements of the students and teachers.

"Thanks" to James Jones, Billy Geer and Bill Lenart who have free-lanced for us through photography, cartoons, and sports coverage, respectively.

And a special "thank you" to our instructor Tom Buckner for putting up with a semester of "we did it this way last year" and our never-ending arguments about what will go on the front page. He deserves a medal.

We also want to wish everyone a "Merry Christmas." May your Christmas wishes come true.

Lynda Yezzi, Kelley Mudra, Janna Hatfield and the *Highland Herald* staff

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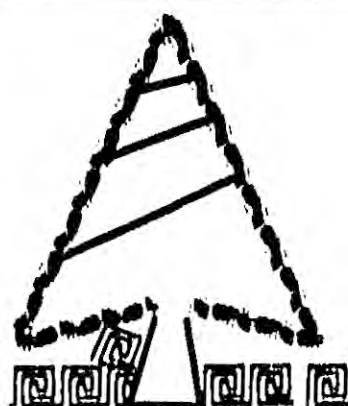
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FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE

Classes	Exam Day	Exam Time
MWF 7:00-7:50	Friday & Monday, Dec. 14 & 17	7:00-8:15
MWF 8:00-8:50	Friday, Dec. 14	8:30-10:45
MWF 9:00-9:50	Monday, Dec. 17	8:30-10:45
MWF 10:00-10:50	Friday, Dec. 14	11:00-1:15
MWF 11:10-12:00	Monday, Dec. 17	11:00-1:15
MWF 12:15-1:05	Friday, Dec. 14	2:30-4:45
MWF 1:15-2:05	Monday, Dec. 17	2:30-4:45
TTh 7:00-7:50	Thursday & Tuesday, Dec. 13 & 18	7:00-8:15
TTh 8:00-9:15	Tuesday, Dec. 18	8:30-10:45
TTh 9:25-10:40	Thursday, Dec. 13	8:30-10:45
TTh 10:50-12:05	Tuesday, Dec. 18	11:00-1:15
TTh 12:15-1:30	Thursday, Dec. 13	11:00-1:15
TTh 1:40-2:55	Tuesday, Dec. 18	2:30-4:45
Saturday	Saturday, Dec. 15	9:00-11:15
Other day classes	Tuesday, Dec. 18	2:30-4:45

EVENING SCHEDULE

Classes meeting only one night per week will have final exams from 6:45-9:00 p.m. on regular meeting night during Dec. 12-18.

MW 5:20-6:35	Wednesday & Monday, Dec. 12 & 17 ^a	5:20-6:35
MW 6:45-8:00	Monday, Dec. 17	6:45-9:00
MW 8:20-9:35	Wednesday, Dec. 12	6:45-9:00
TTh 5:20-6:35	Thursday & Tuesday, Dec. 13 & 18 ^a	5:20-6:35
TTh 6:45-8:00	Tuesday, Dec. 18	6:45-9:00
TTh 8:20-9:35	Thursday, Dec. 13	6:45-9:00

^aThe schedule precludes the option of an uninterrupted period of 135 minutes.

Highlanders come back, 69-47 over Blinn

By GRADY FULBRIGHT

Trailing 30-25 at the half and being down by as much as 11 points, Terence Woods scored 17, Mike Martin scored 14 and Greg Willis scored 10 to lead the Highlanders in a come-from-behind win, 69-47 over Blinn on Dec. 6.

After winning seven straight games, the Highlanders lost to San Jacinto College 86-78 on Dec. 1, in a game that went down to the wire.

Terence Woods led the Highlanders in scoring with 28 points followed by Arthu Goudeau with 16.

Woods also led MCC in rebounds with eight followed by Goudeau with seven. Anthony Ingram had five assists in the game followed by Goudeau with four.

In the game, the Highlanders were outrebounded by San Jacinto 55-33, but led in assists, 17-7, steals, 14-5, and in blocked shots, 5-4.

Woods and Ingram tied in steals with three each while Greg Willis led the Highlanders in blocked shots with two.

MCC led at halftime 41-40 but things seemed to change in the second half. "We had a period of eight to ten minutes in the second half where we didn't run our offense. We played like individuals, taking bad shots," Coach Ken DeWeese said.

One of the mistakes during the game for MCC was in fouls. The Highlanders committed 37 fouls to San Jacinto's 17 and also committed six key turnovers under the basket which brought points to San Jacinto.

San Jacinto, which finished number one in the nation last year, could have presented many problems to the Highlanders, but Coach DeWeese said he was pleased overall.

"We weren't afraid of them since they finished first last year. We had confidence that we could win and we held our composure except for staying

in our offense in the second half," DeWeese said.

"I was disappointed in our rebounding but we worked at it basically hard. It was an encouraging game," DeWeese added.

The previous night, Nov. 30, the Highlanders defeated Alvin Community College, 83-67.

Terence Woods led MCC in scoring with 24 points followed by Anthony Ingram with 15.

Five players on the team scored in double figures including Woods, Ingram, Arthur Goudeau (13), Donald Harvey (11), and Greg Willis (10).

Coach DeWeese said he was pleased overall with the win. "We played fairly well both halves and didn't turn the ball over a lot. We did have a period of three-to-four minutes where we had bad execution and didn't change defenses well because of a lack of concentration," DeWeese said.

Greg Willis led the Highlanders in rebounds with eight followed by Mike Martin with five. Anthony Ingram led in assists with six followed by Terence Woods and Donald Harvey with three each.

Ingram and Harvey tied in steals with three each and Woods, Willis and Martin had one blocked shot each.

"We had several steals," DeWeese said, "and we made some easy baskets off those, but the scoring wasn't always that easy."

The Highlanders broke the 100 point mark against Temple Jr. College, 109-58, on Nov. 27.

Terence Woods led all MCC scorers with 22 points followed by Donald Harvey with 21 points.

Arthur Goudeau scored 17 points and Anthony Ingram scored 13 to aid in MCC's victory.

"We played very well defensively except at the last. We did have good overall offensive play, looking to pass the ball inside and we made most of our points inside," DeWeese said.

The Highlanders defeated Richland College, 82-54 on Nov. 24.

Donald Harvey led MCC in scoring with 18 points and Donald Wells followed with 13 points.

Anthony Ingram scored 12 points and Mike Martin scored 10 to aid in the Highlander's victory.

Greg Willis, a sophomore from Houston Madison High School, set a new school record during the game in blocked shots with 11. The old record of nine was set in the 1978-79 season by Charles Jones.

Coach DeWeese was disappointed in his team's play in the first half. "We played terrible in the first half. We didn't play well on defense and our offense was just terrible. Our transition from offense to defense was just not good either," DeWeese said.

DeWeese was pleased that MCC's game did turn around in the second half. "Our concentration was definitely better in the second half, and we just played a lot better. Having beaten them handily at home made it difficult for us to get up for them, but they were excited about playing us," DeWeese said.

Donald Wells led the Highlanders in rebounds in the game with nine followed by Greg Willis with seven. Anthony Ingram led MCC in assists with four and Donald Harvey led in steals with four.

MCC outshot Richland in field goals, 50 to 32.8 percent for Richland, but were outshot in free throws, 66.7 percent for Richland to MCC's 64 percent.

The Highlanders defeated Navarro College 73-72 in overtime on Nov. 20.

The game continued to go back and forth until the end, but an error in the scorebook resulted in the game going into overtime. A free throw for MCC was inadvertently given to Navarro.



COMEBACK — The Highlanders had their work cut out for them in Temple Saturday night as they came from behind to edge Temple Junior College 58-56. Temple led by seven points with

11 minutes to play, but MCC took the lead with less than seven minutes and then held off a furious rally by TJC. The win improved MCC's record to 11-2 for the season.

Arthur Goudeau led the Highlanders with 19 points followed by Terence Woods with 16.

Woods led in rebounds with eight followed by Greg Willis and Mike Martin with seven each.

Coach DeWeese noted a lack of defensive rebounds played a part in the close game. "There was a point where Navarro shot six straight times to make

a basket and we didn't get a rebound. We also played conservative ball and were tentative on shooting," DeWeese said.

Anthony Ingram led MCC in assists with six followed by Donald Harvey with five. Greg Willis led the Highlanders in blocked shots with three.

DeWeese said he was pleased that MCC won in the overtime. "We held our composure in a difficult situation and still won in overtime. Overtime wins are always good. The fact that the game went into overtime was not good, however," DeWeese said.

Following the loss to San Jacinto, DeWeese summed up his team's play heading into the

last three games before the Christmas break. "We're not playing bad. We're 9-2 and that's not bad, but then again, there are things that could have made us 11-0," DeWeese said.

"We haven't been beaten by better talent but by equal talent. We could have done better.

I just hope we win the next three games, but finals are coming and they're mentally tired," DeWeese added.

'Lassies burn Blinn

By GRADY FULBRIGHT

Kara Miles scored 17 points and Missy Davis scored 13 as the Highlassies took a 23-16 halftime lead to a 54-38 victory over Blinn Junior College Dec. 6.

The Highlassies, now 5-9 for the season, are led in scoring by Missy Davis, a freshman, who has scored 240 points in 13 games and is averaging 17.7 points per game.

Davis also leads the Highlassies in rebounds with 119 and is averaging 9.2 rebounds per game.

Jennifer Murphy, a sophomore, follows Davis in scoring with 132 points in 13 games and is averaging 10.2 points per game. Murphy also follows Davis in rebounds with 83 and is averaging 6.4 rebounds per game.

Coach Holly Reynolds sees the defensive play as the strong point for her team.

"We're rebounding fairly well, not as well as I would like, though. They are blocking out good on the shots and we've played well in our zone defense. We've just had breakdowns offensively which comes from inexperience," Reynolds said.

Two sophomores are the only players on the team who have any experience from last season.

Charleen Barker, a freshman, leads the Highlassies in assists with 17 and is second in steals with 10 behind Missy Davis with 17, more evidence of the 'Lassies' improving defensive play.

The offensive breakdowns have hurt the Highlassies but Coach Reynolds noted that major breakdowns have only happened in a few games.

"In a few of our games, especially the Western Texas game, we had some really major breakdowns. Something went

wrong and you could see it in our faces that we weren't coming back. They're still working hard at it but we're not scoring enough from our guards and we're too inconsistent," Reynolds said.

Another problem for the Highlassies is height. Coach Reynolds is playing Jennifer Murphy, 5-10, and Tammy Lott, 5-11, which is much smaller than most teams at the post position. She has also converted Missy Davis to the post position. Davis is 6 foot 1.

The Highlassies are averaging 17.5 turnovers per game but most of those have turned into points by the opponents. Turnovers have also come from inexperience and lack of concentration.

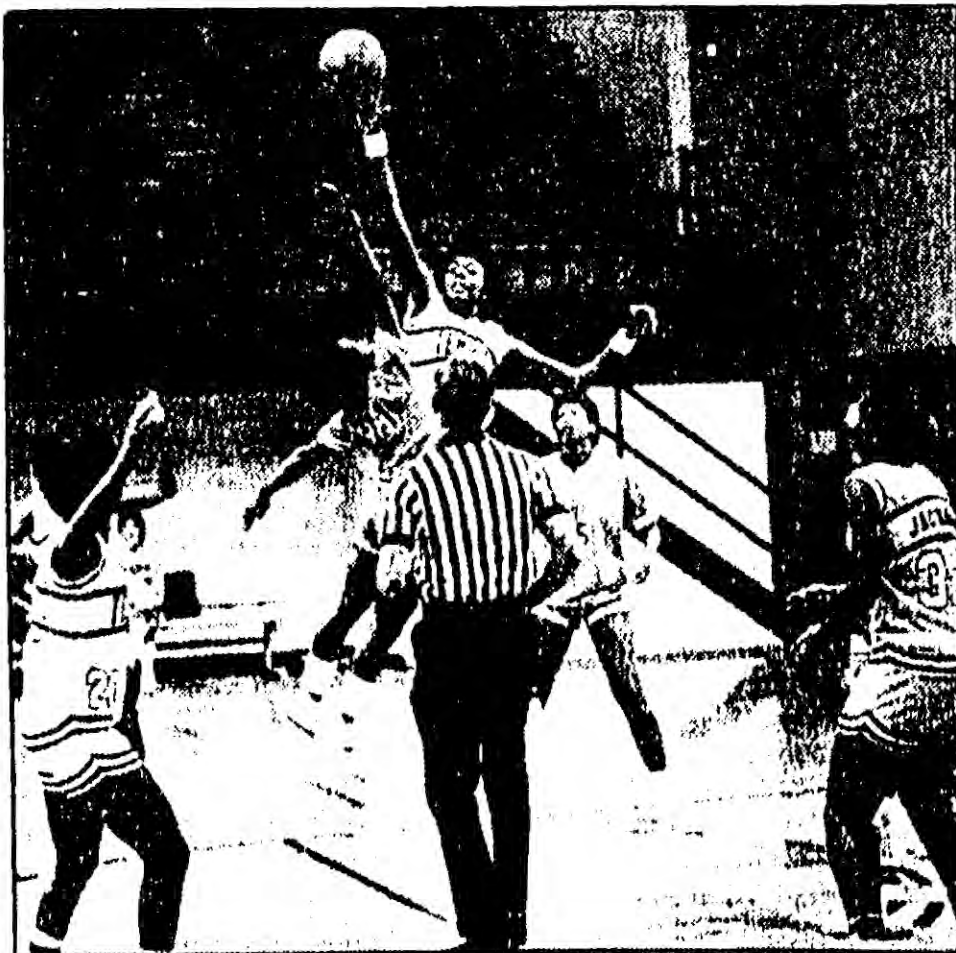
Coach Reynolds does see a lot of good points from the team thus far. "The girls have a real desire to win and their attitudes are very good. Overall, the girls aren't giving up and they're fundamentally sound," Reynolds said.

"We're not real quick but we're a team with good offense to defense transition and the girls are playing with more concentration," Reynolds added.

Looking towards conference play which begins on Jan. 19 for the Highlassies, Coach Reynolds looks for an even battle.

"We'll play them our best but the biggest obstacle will be the experience and depth of the other teams. We've got to win our home conference games and knock off some teams on the road. Grayson, Cisco, Weatherford and Ranger should be the most difficult teams we'll face," Reynolds said.

Five girls are near or above the 10 points per game mark and the free throws are coming along strong so an end to their offensive problems may be just around the corner.



JUST BEYOND REACH — Temple Junior College tipped the ball in this jump-off and also tipped the game in their favor as they edged MCC's Highlassies by three points in Temple Saturday evening.

KBBW broadcasts Highlander games

By TINA RANKIN

KBBW radio station is broadcasting a play-by-play program of all the MCC men's basketball games.

Frank Fallon and Jordan Cox are hosting the Highlander's games, featuring an interview at half time with special guests who are affiliated with MCC.

The women's basketball coach, Holly Reynolds, is often a half time guest, updating the radio listeners on the Highlassies' program.

Before the game there is a six minute interview with Ken DeWeese. After the game DeWeese also comments on the upcoming games.

So far MCC has only contracted the 1984-85 season to be broadcast by KBBW.

"Nobody has picked up the total season anytime that I know of," said Boyce Lancaster, who is the general manager of KBBW, "MCC is always up there in the national rankings as far as teams."

The station will also broadcast the baseball games.

KBBW is 1010 on the AM dial. Listeners can catch the beginning of the broadcast by tuning in ten minutes before game time.

"Frank Fallon is one of the best in the nation," said DeWeese. "He does a good job."

DeWeese said that KBBW got the contract because Fallon would do play-by-play and because the station would take care of all the advertising.

Mr. Gatti's is a sponsor of the Highlanders' broadcast games.

Intramurals draw to a close

By GRADY FULBRIGHT
VOLLEYBALL

The "Drillers" defeated the "Sixty-Niners" in straight games, 15-8 and 15-11, in the championship of coed volleyball intramurals held Nov. 28 in the Health and Physical Education gym.

The "Drillers" made their way through the tournament as the only undefeated team with a 5-0 record. The "Sixty-Niners" finished with a 4-1 record followed by "Bonkers" in third place and the "Megawaves" in fourth place.

Coach Dub Kilgo, intramural director, was pleased with the way volleyball turned out. "We didn't have any problems. Volleyball is usually the most exciting sport in our intramural program and everything went great," Kilgo said.

Kilgo was quick to note the success of the "Drillers." "They (the 'Drillers') dominated the league which didn't make it a challenge for them. No one in our league could compete. Last year, we had a faculty team that won the league and that usually excites people ... but we couldn't get a team this year."

RACQUETBALL

In racquetball intramurals, Gavin Munroe and Marty Board appear to be the team to beat going into the final week of men's doubles with a 4-0 record.

Donnie Jones and Mike Lucens as well as Mark Waggoner and Robert Mize are close behind with a 3-1 record.

One position in the final two rounds of the tournament will be filled by a team in what is called the loser's bracket. In order for a team to fight back to the championship, they would have to win four

matches in the bracket to win the championship.

Brian Mayberry and Steve Abernathy, John Hicks and David Kaulfus as well as David Adams and Tim Dodson are playing to fill the position in the loser's bracket.

With three intramural sports to be completed by this week, Kilgo has been pleased with the overall program thus far. "Things have gone relatively smooth this year," said Kilgo, "we've had a lot of participants. Not as much as last year, but a lot."

NEXT SEMESTER

Basketball sign-up sheets are now being circulated. Teams will not be officially registered, however, until the first of school.

Basketball has a men's and a women's group with two leagues for each, a three-person league and a five-person league.

Kilgo is looking forward to the spring campaign for intramurals. "We have a very good basketball and softball program in the spring and I'm looking forward to it. We may even insert another coed volleyball program in between basketball and softball on a lower scale because of time," Kilgo said.

Softball intramurals, with a men's league and a coed league, usually starts in March and runs until dead week of the spring semester.

Referees are still needed for intramural basketball in the spring. Anyone interested in officiating on the work-study program should contact Coach Kilgo in the Health and Physical Education building.

Umpires are also needed for softball. Anyone interested in being an umpire may contact Kilgo for those positions also.

4 Campus news

English class challenged

Magazine created

By GLENDA TAYLOR

"Sounds Like A Winner," "Christmas In Foreign Countries," and "Everyday Living" are only a few titles of the magazines that were produced by Dr. Travis Looper's students in English 311.

Just recently classes were instructed by Looper to form groups of four or five students and create a magazine. Each student took on the responsibility of writing an essay and typing it. Each group had the responsibility of publishing their magazines including selection of cover material, design, and binding. The groups put the magazine together and then had several copies of the finished product made to be sold to other students.

One student from each group was selected to stand up and give a sales pitch to the class. This is when the student's hard work paid off—to see their finished product being purchased by other students.

Due to school policies the magazine could not be sold for more than 25 cents per copy.

When a few of the participating students were asked how they felt about the classroom assignment one thing was clear. Each student said they found the assignment interesting and helpful in some way. Jerry Zucha, member of the group who produced the magazine "Sounds Like A Winner," said, "Our group chose a very interesting subject to write about. The group participation

and magazine assignment was one of the more enjoyable ones of the semester." Chad Calvert, member of the same group, said, "It helped me learn a great deal about informative writing. The assignment was interesting to me. I enjoyed writing a paper that others purchased to enjoy themselves." Two other students, Karen Barton and Kevin Harrington, who were members of the group who produced "Everyday Living" also voiced their opinion. Barton said, "Working to form a magazine helped me to work as a team toward a finished product." Harrington said, "It helped me with informative writing a great deal. I was able to get other people's ideas and incorporate them into my final paper."

In a recent interview Looper said, "I have never given this type of assignment before, but I will again." When asked where the idea came from he said that he had read something that triggered the thought. "Another reason for the assignment was because people had hit a low spot and had a loss of enthusiasm which happens frequently in the middle of a semester," said Looper. Overall Looper said he was pleased with the response.

"Intriguing the audience was the main point of the assignment," said Looper. This was done with the magazines "Sounds Like A Winner" and "Christmas in Foreign Countries," which proved to be the two best-sellers.



MARK WALLS, former MCC student, discusses benefits of attending UT Tyler with Student Gov't. Vice President Mike Gilbert. (Photo by Janna Hatfield)

Course resolves career problems for 'undecideds'

By PAULA LEGGOTT

Career Exploration and Choice, a one-hour course offered next semester, is designed for those students who have an undecided major or have doubts about the major they have chosen.

The class meets at 10 a.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays for eight weeks, in the Liberal Arts building. Lynn Abernathy, coordinator-counselor of career testing and information, is the instructor.

Although Career Exploration is designed primarily for students with undecided majors, it also lets students with decided majors take a second look at their decision if they have any doubts. It will give them a chance "to see if they are really suited for the career they chose," Abernathy said.

For an undecided major, the class shows the students what they need to consider before making a career decision and then "teaches them the skills necessary to make a career decision," she said.

Once a student has made a career choice or preference, the student is sent to do three informational interviews with people who are actually working in the student's field of interest, Abernathy said.

The class format offers the student a variety of tests and exercises exploring interests, values, skills and abilities to help the student "get in touch with himself," Abernathy said.

There is also a group discussion and a good deal of student interaction.

The student will have access to the "Discover" computer, a computerized career guidance system, that features programs in interest testing, values clarification, self-rating abilities tests and career exploration.

The exploration program gives the student specific details about an occupation. It lists the future outlook, how much education is required, working conditions, expected salary and demands.

Anyone interested in enrolling in the course should contact Lynn Abernathy, ext 384.

Speech instructor nominated for Piper award

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The first class ever taught by Kelly was at Baylor University. On that first day of class, graduate teaching assistant Kelly walked into the classroom and quickly she was the youngest person in the room.

Kelly stood silently before her older pupils until one of the students said to her, "Honey, are you just going to stand there until the professor comes?"

Flustered and unable to respond, she darted from the room. She then reassured herself that she indeed had the knowledge the students needed.

After returning to her students and enjoying a good laugh, she then began to share her knowledge and experience, a philosophy she still adheres to.

Kelly would prefer to be thought of as a learning facilitator. Learning is not always fun; however, if conditions conducive to learning can be maintained, the ultimate result of toiling through textbooks can be satisfying.

"I feel very responsible to the future employers of our grad stressed Kelly. "You see that students graduate from here are MCC's products; the integrity of that product is most important."

Kelly was raised in Marlin and lived there until entering Baylor in 1962. She received her BA from Baylor in 1965 with a

multiple major of mathematics, oral communication, and education. Afterward she received her master's degree in oral communication.

Mrs. Kelly's husband, Robert, is manager of engineering at Brazos Electric Power Cooperative.

The Kellys have two academically and athletically active children, Walter, 16, a junior at Midway High; and Karen, 11, a Midway Middle School fifth grader.

In the early days of the college, MCC President Dr. Wilbur Ball suggested that while there were many pretty trees on campus, even more needed to be planted.

During Kelly's retirement prior to 1974, she had become a garden club member of the civic-garden club. Next Arbor Day, the club decided a tree should be planted.

With some production and fanfare, Dr. Ball, the garden club president, Marilyn Kelly, and shovel were there. The site chosen was MCC.

On that Arbor Day, a twig with just "the promise of life" was planted.

Years later while visiting Dr. Ball's office, the tree was pointed out to Kelly. She was surprised to see how the tree has grown until she realized the



MARYLIN KELLY — MCC's nominee for Piper Professor. (Photo by James Jones)

number of years that had passed since the planting of the tree.

"I hope that we have given the students the nurturing and

nourishment that it takes for them to come to the same beautiful maturity," Kelly reflected. "That's pretty much the story of the tree."

MCC Library warns about overdue books

By GLENDA TAYLOR

Books that are checked out should be returned to the MCC library at least one week before the last day of finals, according to John Rasor, director of library services.

At this time the library staff will go through the process of making sure that all books are checked into the library. The staff will then find out who the students are that owe fines for overdue and lost books and attempt to collect the money.

"There are two basic fines. Five cents a day for the regular circulation books or for those that can be checked out for two weeks and 25 cents a day for the reserved books and tapes or the ones that can be checked out for overnight," Rasor said.

Students who do not pay their fines have holds put on their records. This prevents them from registering for the

next semester. If this happens to be a student's last semester at MCC they are unable to get their transcript sent to another college.

Library theft has all but been eliminated through new security technology. "Due to the fact that an alarm goes off that beeps loud enough to turn the heads of any students in the area and the gate locks automatically, stealing can be an embarrassing situation," says Rasor.

Books are discharged when checked out, which prevents the electronic device from being set off, and are recharged when brought back in.

Dec. 19 is the last day the library will be open. It will reopen again on Jan. 3 with the hours of 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. On the first day of classes, Jan. 14, the library will resume its regular hours of 7:45 a.m. - 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 7:45 a.m. - 5 p.m. on Fridays.

Trees planted

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each, will be planted at the foot of the white cliffs below the pedestrian bridge.

"The watermelon pink crepe myrtles will look beautiful against the white rock background. We're trying to improve that part of campus, and the trees will enhance the beauty," Luft said.

The superintendent of the physical plant department, Dee Toombs, said that the crepe myrtles will be planted first; and the other trees will be planted before exams. Toombs said that since the ground is still relatively warm, 75 degrees, it is a good time to plant the trees.

Crepe myrtles require a great deal of attention since they are actually bushes that

are trimmed in the form of a tree.

MCC had poor luck with earlier plantings with some trees not surviving because of late planting and because some trees were transplanted from nursery fields rather than being container grown.

According to Toombs, several trees are dying near the HPE building. Several trees have red tape around them to indicate they're dying.

The total cost of tree purchases and delivery was \$3,577.58. The money was provided by a special fund, said Diane Feyerherm.

The yearly budget of service and supplies to keep MCC neat and trim amounts to \$16,000, Feyerherm said.

NEWS BRIEF

By PAULA LEGGOTT

Phi Theta Kappa, MCC's honorary scholastic society, awarded scholarships to two of its members for the fall semester.

Carolyn Rodabough said the deserving students were Penny Webster and Sue Barger.

Sue Barger graduated from Richfield High School. She currently has a 3.88 GPA and will graduate from MCC with an A.A.S. degree in Medical Secretary Training in the Spring of 1985.

Penny Webster graduated from China Spring High School. She has a 3.50 GPA and plans to transfer to Texas A & M University in the summer of 1985 to pursue a bachelor of Science Degree in Mathematics.

Librarian a TJCTA candidate

By BETH SULAK

Margaret Harbaugh, assistant librarian, has been nominated to run for the office of treasurer of the Texas Junior College Teachers Association.

Harbaugh has been assistant librarian at MCC for 10 years and has been active in the Texas Library Association. She now serves on the membership services committee of TJCTA and is chairman of the placement subcommittee. She also serves as campus membership representative at MCC for TJCTA.

Harbaugh received her bachelors degree from the University of Houston, and masters in library science from the University of Texas. She is working on her doctorate at Texas Women's University dur-

ing the summers and on week-ends.

The state convention of the TJCTA will be held Feb. 21-23 at Loews Anatole Hotel in Dallas. Harbaugh will face one other nominee for the state treasurers office at the convention.

The TJCTA represents about 5,000 administrators and faculty members of junior colleges in Texas. The association represents the community college cause with the Texas legislature.

Harbaugh was nominated by the statewide nominating committee, which is composed of TJCTA members who are appointed by the president of the association. "No one from MCC is on the nominating committee this year," Harbaugh said.

"MCC has a long tradition of active leadership in the organi-

zation," Harbaugh said. Michael White, chairman of social sciences, and Gail Burrier, dean of arts and sciences, are former presidents of the association.



MARGARET HERBAUGH

New courses offered

By JORDAN MCMORROUGH

More than 200 Continuing Education programs, ranging from calligraphy to country & western dancing, are to be offered by the MCC Continuing Education office for the spring semester.

Enrollment in a Continuing Education course is open to anyone 17 years or older regardless of educational background.

Two areas in which several courses will be taught are the Management and Human Service programs.

The MCC Management Center will conduct the following classes; supervisory skills and retail institute mini-seminars, a

professional development workshop, management, small business training, and retail management workshops.

Basic cardiopulmonary resuscitation, CPR instruction, advanced cardiac life support, first responder-emergency care attendant, medication administration for nurses aides, nursing home administrators, and activity-social services directors workshops are the Health and Human Services courses to be offered for the spring semester.

Specialized classes for "older adults" and "younger folks" will be available as well as defensive driving and driver training classes.

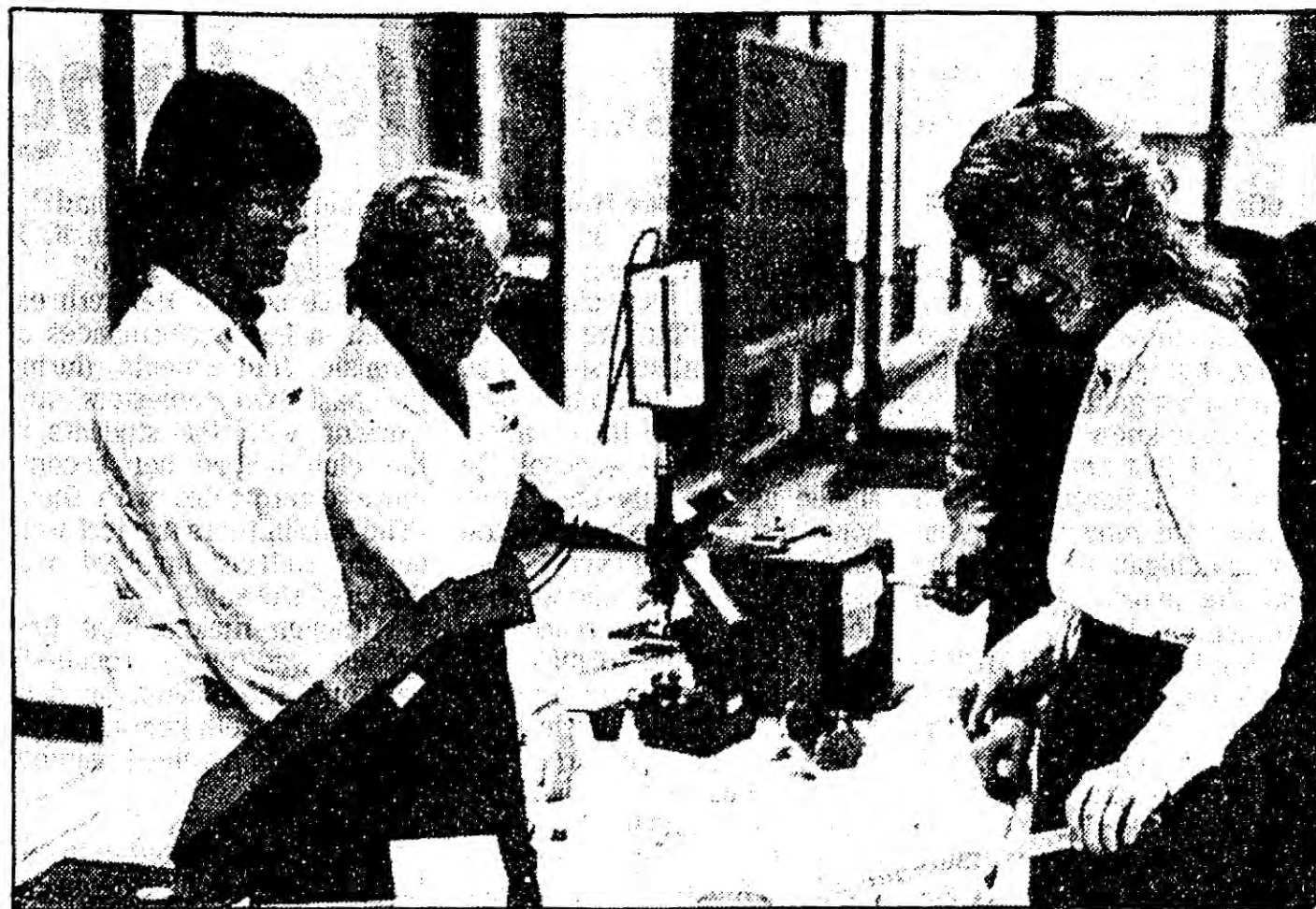
Other continuing education

courses include ceramics, drawing, book-keeping, shorthand, typing, investments, French, German, Spanish, guitar, and voice.

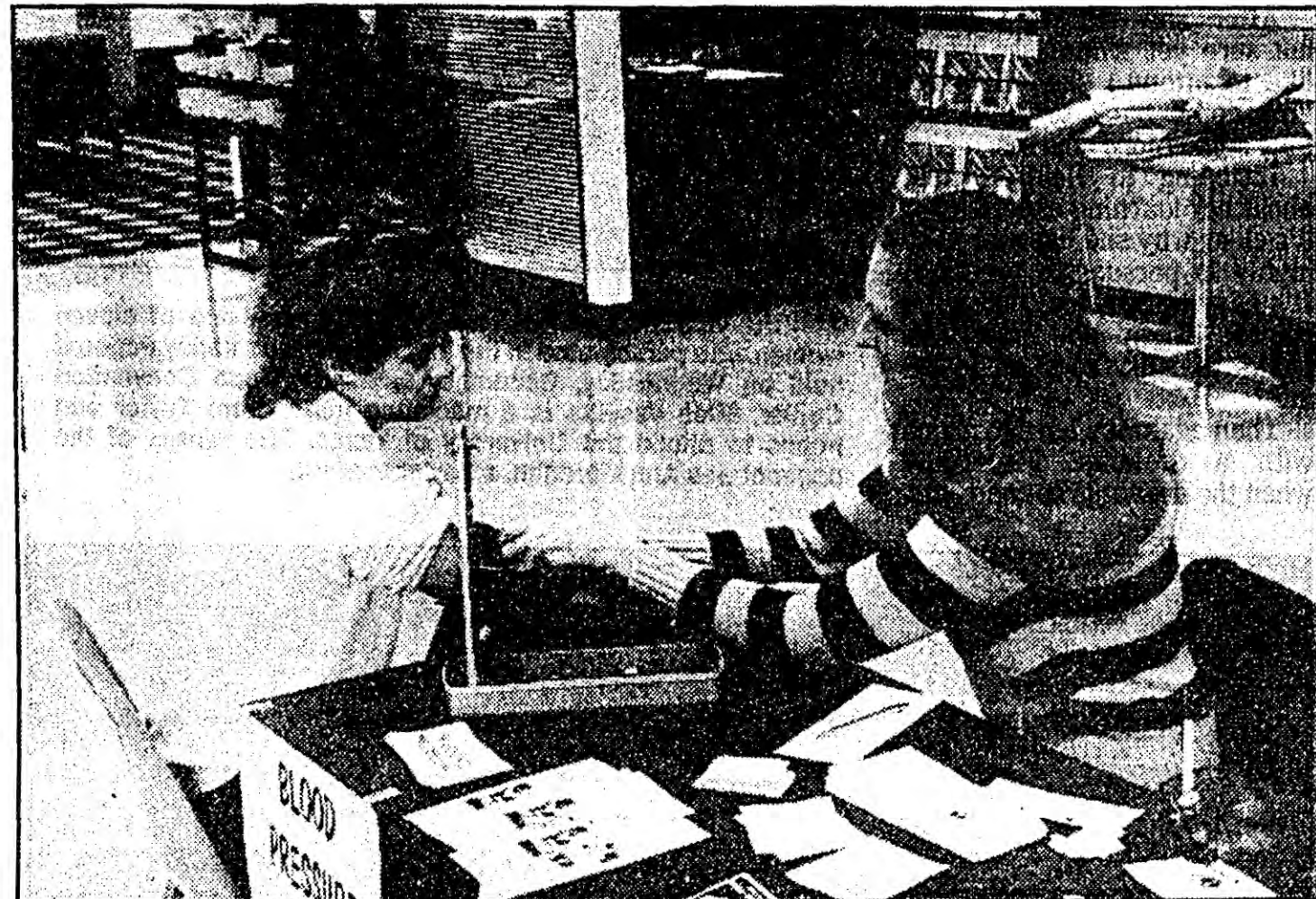
Other classes are bridge, golf, piano, sailing, swimming, tennis, yoga, horse production, cake decorating, creative stitchery, oil painting, and stained glass.

Also included are administrative secretary, ballroom dancing, country & western dancing, pistol safety, exercise to music, jazz dancersize, and private pilot ground school.

Information about any course can be obtained by calling the Continuing Education Office at 756-6551, extension 217.



DURING WELLNESS WEEK — An unidentified student "brushes up" on her knowledge of dental hygiene. (Photo by James Jones)



REGULAR BLOOD pressure checks are important to good health. (Photo by James Jones)

Committee grants awards

By JORDAN MCMORROUGH

Nine scholarships providing \$1,175 to MCC students were awarded at a Nov. 27 meeting of the scholarship committee.

Members present were Jerry Jordan, director of business programs; Hazel Martin, counselor; Doris Scott, music instructor; and Willie Hobbs, director of admissions-registrar. Hobbs is also chairman of the committee.

Before awarding the scholarships, the committee reviewed the guidelines for administering the Private Donors' Scholarship Program.

Committee members also discussed their role in the total scholarship program and decided that more definite guidelines needed to be developed for the committee.

Committee members then agreed to develop tentative guidelines to be submitted for administration review at a later date.

To apply for the scholarships, students had to fill out

applications and turn them in to the Financial Aids Office before Nov. 20.

Scholarship committee members designated the amount of money to be given each specific scholarship, with the amount awarded depending on scholastic and financial merit.

Requirements for the scholarships were that a student have a high school grade average of "B" or better, enrolled in at least 12 semester hours, and have a 2.50 grade average.

Students must also maintain a 2.50 grade average while they have the scholarship.

Teresa Fajardo was awarded the accounting scholarship. The scholarship was provided by Fitzhugh & Co. and pays for books, tuition, and fees.

Joe D. Burleson was awarded the real estate scholarship. The \$200 scholarship was provided by the Waco Board of Realtors.

Carrie Haynes was awarded the Licensed Vocational Nursing scholarship. The \$100 schol-

arship was provided by Vernon Cole.

Penny Webster was awarded the math scholarship. The \$100 scholarship was provided by Ruby Reid.

Karen D. McNutt was awarded the music education scholarship. The \$125 scholarship was provided by J.J. Mayes.

William Jones was awarded the computer technology scholarship. The \$150 scholarship was provided by James Brad Shurtliff.

Jacqueline Theobald was awarded the business scholarship. The \$125 scholarship was provided by three donors.

The American Legion donated \$35, J.J. Mayes donated \$40, and Vernon Cole donated \$50 toward the scholarship.

Evelyn Walden was awarded the Law Enforcement scholarship. The \$250 scholarship was donated by the "Butch Dixon Memorial Scholarship" fund.

The next scholarship committee meeting will be held in either December or January.

For education majors

On-job training slated

By PAULA LEGGOTT

Education majors will have a chance to see what teaching is really like in a new course for next semester designed by Dean Gail Burrier.

Since most degree plans do not require courses in student teaching until the student's senior year, some students may go through three years of college and still not realize exactly what is involved in teaching, according to Burrier, dean of arts and sciences.

"I've thought for a long time that education majors should be offered an earlier chance to get into the classroom," Burrier said.

Next semester in a pilot section of "Career Exploration and

Choice," they will get this chance. Dean Burrier said she will teach the course herself and the students will spend 12 hours in the classroom environment as a teacher's assistant in the Waco Independent School District.

The students will choose the level of education in which they want to work. The hours in Waco Independent School District classrooms will be scheduled one hour per week between 8:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. The students will be responsible for their own transportation to the schools.

In general, Dean Burrier intends to keep the students up to date on the changes taking place in the Texas education system. She was appointed this year to the Coordination Board

Committee on Teacher Education and will be receiving current information throughout the semester. She also said that she plans to cover (1) the advantages of and disadvantages of teaching, (2) different teaching opportunities in different fields, and (3) information on the pre-professional skills test.

Students will receive one hour of credit and a letter grade for the completion of the course. The class will meet for 16 weeks at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesdays in the Liberal Arts building.

This special section is not listed in the printed class schedules. Anyone interested should contact Dean Burrier at Ext. 272 or stop by her office in the Administration Building.

Tutors prove helpful

By MARK KRAEMER

There has been a surprising number of requests for tutors this semester. Carolyn McDowell of Special Services here on campus said "The amount of students coming in is double our usual amount." McDowell stated that close to 300 students have come in for help.

"We have the student come in, fill out an application for help and then we sit him down with one of the counselors to try and pinpoint what the problem is," McDowell said. "We have received many requests for help in either English or Math, and we try to give them someone who has had the same course."

McDowell recommends stu-

dents come in for help, and that they (tutors) usually help bring up a student's grade from a low grade to about a C. There has even been a case of someone bringing it from an F up to an A.

The tutoring services are free and students can apply for help at the Office of Special Services on the second floor of the Student Center.

SG provides needed service

By KELLEY MUDRA

The MCC Student Government was established during the 1967-68 school year with the following purposes in mind:

- To provide for representation and participation in the organization and administration of student affairs;

- To provide an organization to receive, discuss and respond to student questions and suggestions and to receive, investigate and help solve student problems;

- To provide social, cultural and educational activities for the students;

- and, to provide a means by which student positions on various issues may become known.

Through the years, the Student Government has successfully provided MCC with many needed services. Among these are a sign-making press for the Media Center, club mailboxes, a signboard outside the Student Center and a color television for the Student Center lounge.

This year, the Student Government is working on getting the parking lot re-stripped, getting extended hours at the bookstore and getting better facilities for handicapped students at MCC.

The Student Government has also succeeded in getting better IDs for students. These IDs will be available by the summer semester, according to James Butler, Student Government president. They have also made typewriters available for use by students. These typewriter are located in the library.

Student Government currently meets on Mondays at 10 a.m. in Room 301 of the Student Center. The meetings are open to all students and students are encouraged to participate in improving campus life at MCC.

CLASSIFIED

CASHIERS: Discount store. From now until Jan. 15, 1985. Flexible hours.

TELEPHONE SALES/DELIVERY: Coupon books. Three months only. \$3.35 per hour plus commission.

FRONT DESK CLERK: Tue., Thur. 3:30-8:30 p.m. and Sat. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. An-

Anyone interested in any of the jobs listed above may contact the Placement Office, third floor, Student Center.

HOME NEEDED: Diamond needs a home soon. She is a pretty mutt with blue eyes and a heart-melting smile. She loves kids, people and other dogs. Call Paula Leggott at 875-2171 or 753-4055.

WANTED: Male roommate for Spring semester. Clean, large, two bedroom, two bath house near campus. \$187.50 plus utilities per month. Call Lloyd at 753-4862 after 4 p.m.

TYPING: Term papers and manuscripts. Call Cheryl Ervi at 756-6170.

TYPING: Term papers, resumes. Contact Tricia at 686-3460.

NEWS BRIEF

Santa Claus is making a special offer to the children of Central Texas. To help the 58,000 people with arthritis in our area, Santa has agreed to take time out of his busy holiday schedule to make a personal call to your favorite child or children this week (through Dec. 14).

A call for one child can be reserved for a \$5 tax-deductible contribution. A \$3 contribution will include each additional child.

A completed reservation form is necessary to help Santa make his call especially personal and includes such things as kinds and names of pets, favorite pastime, Christmas request list, behavior you would like to see changed, and behavior you want Santa to compliment.

A preference of day and time is also available for parental choice from 5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. on Monday through Friday, Dec. 10 - Dec. 14.

If you have questions or need to make a reservation, the Arthritis Foundation elves can help you at 772-0303 in Waco.

Those planning to transfer to a four year college should get their degree plan before being advised.

Counseling will extend through Dec. 10 at 5 p.m. Regular counseling times include Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Day students' registration is Jan. 9-10 from 8 a.m. to 11:30 and 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the HPE building gym.

Late registration will be Jan. 14-17.

If you are a veteran, or the dependent of a deceased or disabled veteran, and have not made application for benefits, please contact the Office of Veterans Services in the Administration Building for assistance in making application.

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Heldreth after life-long dream

Ruth Heldreth waited 30 years to pursue her dream of getting a college degree. In those years she reared four sons and moved across the country, but she never wavered from her goal.

"I always knew I wanted to do it, but I just needed to find the place," Heldreth said. In 1981 when she moved from Ann Arbor, Michigan to Waco, she found the place... McClennan Community College.

"I first learned about MCC in an ad in the newspaper. I came out right away to look at the campus and registered a week later. MCC is one of the most valuable assets Waco has. I don't understand why more people don't come here," she said.

Heldreth's desire for more education began in her small hometown in Georgia, but at that time there were few grants and scholarships available and no real opportunities for those who weren't able to afford college. So, like many of her classmates, Heldreth "graduated from high school one day and went to work the next." Soon after that she got married and started a family.

Heldreth, who lived for 16 years in Ann Arbor, was able to complete 14 hours of credit at a

community college there, but it wasn't until she moved to Waco, with her sons grown and on their own, that she began fulfilling her "lifelong" "lifelong dream." Enthusiastic and determined, Heldreth was nevertheless hesitant about coming back to school. "I signed up for only one three-hour history class that first semester. I was very, very hesitant," she said. She worried about the age difference and about being able to make acceptable grades, she admits. "I must have studied 10 hours a week for that one three hour course. I got an A...easily. Then I knew I could do it."

As for the age difference, Heldreth found it more difficult to overcome that in the first semester for two reasons. By taking only one course it was all too easy to come to class and then leave immediately without ever getting to know anyone. And, too, she believes she set up barriers because of her concerns about the age difference. "Everyone was friendly to me. I was just worried about it."

The next semester, though, she took more classes, one of which was Ann Harrell's basic speech class.

"Ann came up to me one day in class and said, 'Why don't

you join the speech squad?' I said, 'OK' and that was it. It was really kind of a fluke."

Maybe so, but Heldreth excelled in her performances at forensic tournaments during the past two semesters, and working with the students in the club helped her become more comfortable with them. "The kids in there are just wonderful. Getting involved was the key," she said.

Although making that first speech was pretty rough—"I held onto the podium for dear life!"—Heldreth kept at it and soon became a valued member of the team.

Heldreth competed in the informative speaking category in tournaments last semester, speaking about teenage suicides. This semester she has competed in persuasive speaking with the topic "Laughter is the Best Medicine," and has won two first-place awards. She also reached the finals in duo-dramatic with her partner, Mollie Marsh, reaching sixth in a field of 48 teams. In prose interpretation, Heldreth advanced to the semifinals in a field of 66 competitors.

Heldreth is still making the grades academically, too. She was recently initiated into Phi Theta Kappa, the national jun-

ior college scholastic fraternity.

Her family also has been supportive. Her sons, scattered across the country, are proud of her accomplishments, as is her husband, Harold, an instructor in occupational health and safety at TSTI. He travels to many of the tournaments to give her personal support.

With most of her academic requirements for transfer to a four-year university completed, Heldreth is "branching out," having fun with some classes she has always wanted to take. This semester, she's taking an evening art class in drawing and painting. She's also taking a vocal singing class. Next semester, she may take some journalism courses.

After she transfers (she's not sure yet where she would like to attend,) she will probably come back to MCC and take some more courses.

Listening to Heldreth talk about her learning experiences, it's clear why she has scored so highly in persuasive speaking. It's easy to see, too, that she's sincere when she says she wants to "just keep on learning."

Then again it's hard to argue with a dreamer. Especially when the dream is coming true.



JANINE VESELKA, a freshman at MCC, was one of eleven women who participated in the first Miss Brazos Valley Pageant held on Wednesday, December 5, at the Waco Convention Center. Miss Veselka is a marketing major from Taylor and hopes to attend the University of Texas. The winner of the pageant was Ann Meredith, a Baylor student.

Writer looks for Christmas

By MARK KRAEMER

The other night as I was sitting at home, listening to Pavaratti sing Adeste Fidelis, the phone rang. I answered it, and a strange, deep voice said, "The Society of Christmas Restoration would like you to interview some of its members tomorrow night at 10 p.m. Meet us at 1313 Maple." As I was pondering over these words, the phone went dead.

The next night I found the house on Maple, and saw that it was a very old mansion, the kind you only see in reruns of "Psycho".

Being brave, I went up to the door and knocked. The door opened, apparently no one opened it, and I went inside. Sitting amidst many rings of garland, nuts of all kinds, cheeses, and other foodstuffs, were the three Ghosts of Christmas.

As I sat down, they explained that the whole purpose of the interview was to allow the Ghosts to pass on some ideas about Christmas that this fast-paced world seems to have forgotten.

"Since most people have forgotten what the meaning of Christmas is," explained the Ghost of Christmas Past, "we have decided to show up again to reeducate the people." "It was all Future's idea," said the Ghost of Christmas Present.

The Ghost of Christmas Future took me by the hand and in a gust of wind we were standing inside a modern-looking house.

Inside was an ordinary family, putting up the tree, but what a scene: a young boy and girl were fighting over what they

thought they had gotten, and the parents were wondering if they had gotten their kids enough presents and if the neighbor's kids were getting more than their children.

As I turned to look at the Ghost of Christmas Future, I saw a tear rolling down his cheek. Why do some people worry about the cost of an item when it's the thought that counts? Why are the children fighting over something we call gifts? I thought about these questions that were running through my head as we returned to the mansion.

"Gruesome, isn't it? We saw many more families like this and decided that we had better act fast before this became a major dilemma," said the Ghost of Christmas Present.

The three Ghosts then offered me a cup of Human Kindness, which I accepted. Feeling in a better mood, I asked them what they would like to see changed. The Ghost of Christmas Past piped up. "First off, we'd like to see more friendly people. Do not judge a friend by the gifts he gives you, but by his companionship and loyalty to you."

"Yes, and also we'd like to remind everyone that gift giving is a tradition started when the three wise men gave gifts to the baby Jesus," said the Ghost of Christmas Present. "We'd like to see a kinder approach to gift giving and for people to remember that it all comes down to Christ's birthday."

The Ghost of Christmas Past took my hand and said "Come with me, let me show you how it once was." In a whirl of wind we were standing in an open

field in front of a small stable. It was a crisp, clear night and all the stars were put to shame by one super-brilliant star. We went inside the stable and I saw many people standing and kneeling around a little baby in a manger.

This was it. This was the first Christmas. There were no trees, tinsel or toys to worry about; no hustle or busy crowds; it was just peaceful and calm.

In a bright flash of light we were standing in the mansion again. "And that's how it was," said the Ghost of Christmas Present, "we'd like to see it return to that calm peacefulness that was there at the first Christmas with the shepherds and wise men."

"Is there any coincidence that there were three wise men and there are three of you?" I asked. All three Ghosts smiled. The Ghost of Christmas Past said, "We'd like to say that we were born about that time, but I'm afraid we can't give out that information."

As we finished our visit together, the Ghost of Christmas Past said, "We trust that you can adequately spread this news around. We will contact you if we feel we need more support."

The Ghosts slowly disappeared, waving to me as they did so. I left the old mansion, thinking about what they had said, when I remembered I had left my hat inside. I turned around and walked back to the door, but to my surprise, I found a rusty padlock and chain on the door. Did I really talk to the Ghosts, or did I imagine the whole thing?

One thing's for sure, I still can't find my hat.



DEBBIE DAVIS (left) and Kelly Karels display their talent in "Crimes of the Heart." (Photo by James Jones)

Local artist displays works

The exhibition, "Patricia Tillman: Sculpture," opened Dec. 8 and will continue through Jan. 13 at The Art Center. As winner of "The Art Center 1983 Competition," Ms. Tillman was awarded this solo exhibition.

The 18 works are sculptural constructions made of wood and latex paint. The shapes of doorways, windows and roof lines suggest residential spaces without describing a specific place. In Tillman's work, the simplicity of form and complexity of content draws the viewer into a dialogue with the work. These recent pieces,

completed since the competition, continue Tillman's interest in architectural forms. However, they depart from her earlier work in that they feature elements of architecture rather than architectural environments.

Tillman, a native of Waco, received her Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from the University of Texas at Austin in 1976 and her Master of Fine Arts degree in 1978 from the University of Oklahoma in Norman, Oklahoma.

Since completing her undergraduate and graduate de-

grees, she has participated in numerous group exhibitions which include, "Made in Texas" University Art Museum, University of Texas at Austin in 1979, and "Sculpture on the Wall," San Antonio Art Institute, in 1983.

In addition to group exhibitions, Tillman has had individual shows at the Art Museum of South Texas, DW Gallery and Brown-Lupton Gallery.

The Art Center is located at 1300 College Drive on the MCC campus. Gallery hours are Tue-Sat., 10 a.m.-5 p.m., and Sun. 1-5 p.m. There is no admission charge.

Trustees continued

for the new recording studio. They were the only company to submit a complete bid.

Brian Konzelman, audio technology instructor, said that Southwest Pro Audio was the only MCI equipment dealer in Texas, and that more than 50 percent of all recording studios use MCI equipment.

He also said that MCC students would be able to get training on the equipment that they would use in the business world.

Southwest Pro Audio was also awarded a \$28,300 contract for the theatre sound equipment for the Performing Arts Center. Again they were the only company to submit a complete bid for all specified equipment.

G.E. Supply and Hensel

Electric were awarded contracts for work on the lighting addition to the Performing Arts Center. G.E. Supply will provide the light fixtures and poles for \$9,025 while Hensel Electric will do all necessary electrical work for \$3,700.

Barfield's Southwest Sales of Waco, Best Buy of Waco, and L.L. Sams & Son of Waco were awarded contracts for furniture and other equipment for the Performing Arts Center.

The final portion of equipment for the PAC was music-related furniture such as music stands, music posture chairs and furnishings designed specifically for music performance and instruction. Wenger Corporation of Owatonna, Minn. is the only manufacturer of these items, said MCC President Wilbur Ball. Their bid of \$10,252.75 was approved by the

board.

The new elevator will be installed at the rear entrance of the Applied Science Building to make both floors of the building more accessible to the handicapped. Dr. Ball said the administration had heard complaints from students about problems with maneuvering wheelchairs down the sloped walkway.

The estimated cost of the elevator and its installation is \$40,000 to \$45,000. Ball said there are funds available in the contingency fund for the project.

Accurate time should benefit from the board decision to replace approximately 125 clocks located all around the campus, Ball said. The problem is that the "system has just worn out." The manufacturer no longer has replacement parts available for the existing system, and a

replacement system is an absolute necessity, according to Ball.

Replacement of the system with one master clock and 99 secondary clocks was approved for the contract price of \$11,427.50 from Cincinnati Time Recorders. Ball explained that the purchase is direct from the factory and would utilize existing components such as wiring, booster relays and master clock cases and would save the school about \$6,500.

Clocks will be put in the hallways, corridors and labs, and where they are most justified, Ball said. Replacing and modifying the system will mean eliminating clocks in classrooms, he said.

The purchase and installation of replacement carpet for portions of the Health Careers Building, Science Building, and

Bookstore are maintenance items, Ball said. The carpet has been in at least 10 years, he said, and some areas will be replaced with commercial grade vinyl asbestos tile.

The purchase and installation of carpet and tile for these areas was awarded to H & R Carpet of West for a total price of \$23,709.17. Ball said this is good carpet, but is "not any better than we had to start with."

Due to a change in its policies, Texas Power and Light Company extended an offer to purchase the electrical distribution system currently leased to the college, Dr. Ball said. A TP&L representative, John Allison, was available for questioning at the meeting. After Allison answered questions

about the maintenance system from board members Eric Hooker and James Hardwick, the board approved the purchase of the system at \$47,500.

MCC presently leases the system at \$10,201.08 per year, which includes maintenance and replacement costs, Ball said. Purchase of the facilities will mean elimination of the yearly lease fee, but we will be responsible for routine maintenance and repairs. Gary Luft, vice president of business services, said he has contacted an independent contractor for bids, and equipment maintenance and repairs could be done on a contract basis at a cost of about \$25 to \$35 an hour.

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