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IT'S SUMMER TIME!

JUNE 7, 2004

Registration Schedule

SUMMER II

FALL

Early Registration

Registration
Payment Deadline
Classes begin

- April 4 (8 p.m.) - July 1 (6 p.m.)
- July 1 (6 p.m.)
- July 12

Students registering during these time periods must pay by the payment deadlines listed above. Web Advisor and Telephone Registration will provide your tuition and fee total. **DO NOT** assume that you will receive a bill.

Last Chance
Registration

- July 7 (8 a.m.) - July 12 (noon)

DURING LAST CHANCE REGISTRATION, PAYMENT MUST BE MADE AT TIME OF REGISTRATION.

Class Changes

- July 9 (12:01 a.m.) through July 12 (6 p.m.)

Payment Deadline

At the time class changes are made.

- Apr. 4 (8 p.m.) - June 17 (6 p.m.)

Online at www.mclennan.edu and clicking on the WebAdvisor icon
By telephone at 299-TREG (8734)

Registration Payment Deadline - June 17 (6 p.m.)

- June 20 (8 p.m.) - Aug. 10 (6 p.m.)
- Aug. 10 (6 p.m.)
- Aug. 23

- Aug. 17 (8 p.m.) - Aug 21 (noon)

- Aug 21 (12:01 p.m.) through Aug 24 (6:30 p.m.)

At the time class changes are made.

Buildings open Fridays May 10 to July 26:

STUDENT SERVICES: Admissions, Records and Financial Aid services
STUDENT CENTER: Career Development and Testing services, Administration Building Business Office services.
CSC-Module A: Continuing Education services.
NOTE: Cosmetology, (CSC-Module B) and the Child Care facility (CSC-Module D) will also be open Fridays.
 All other buildings will be closed.
 Most areas of the college will be open Monday - Thursday, 8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Designated buildings and offices (listed above) will be open 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. on Friday. Beginning June 1, summer hours for the LTC will be 7:30 a.m. - 9:00 p.m., Monday thru Thursday, and 3:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. on Sundays. Library hours in May and August will vary, so call 299-TEXT (8398) for a current schedule.

MCC Summer Calendar

May 14 - July 23

Campus closed with limited staff available. In Student Services, Business Office and Continuing Education
Contact: (254) 299-4MCC

May 27

River Sounds concert series featuring Waco Jazz Orchestra
Location: BRS - Bosque River Stage
Time: 8:00 pm
Admission: Free
Contact: MCC Box office (254) 299-8200

May 29

Oldies 95 class reunion
Location: LTC - Learning Technology Center / Library Plaza
Time: 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm
Admission: Free
Contact: Mr. Dwayne Wells (254) 388-6257

May 31

Memorial Day holiday

June 5

Waco Community Orchestra
Location: CC - Conference Center Room 2
Time: 2:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Admission: Free
Contact: MCC Box office (254) 299-8200

June 3

River Sounds featuring Cherokee Rose
Location: BRS - Bosque River Stage
Time: 8:00 pm
Admission: Free
Contact: MCC Box office (254) 299-8200

June 5

Carver Park Baptist Church Banquet
Location: CC - Conference Center
Time: 7:00 pm - 10:00 pm
Admission: Free
Contact: Janet Hardwick (254) 299-8600

June 7 - June 11

Summer School of Rock
Location: MCC Campus
Time: 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Admission: \$200 per person due by June 8
Contact: MCC Continuing Education (254) 299-8888

June 9 - June 10

Waco Delta Training
Location: CC - Conference Center
Time: 8:00 am - 5:00 pm
Contact: Justice Payne (254) 755-0410

June 10

River Sounds featuring Waco Community Band
Location: BRS - Bosque River Stage
Time: 8:00 pm
Admission: Free
Contact: MCC Box office (254) 299-8200

June 12

RSVP Reunion Party
Location: ROT Fair Complex
Time: 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Admission: Free
Contact: Rita Telford (254) 299-8766

June 14 - June 17

Summer School of Rock
Location: MCC Campus
Time: 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Admission: \$200 per person due by June 13
Contact: MCC Continuing Education (254) 299-8888

June 17

River Sounds featuring Sloppy Joe
Location: BRS - Bosque River Stage
Time: 8:00 pm
Admission: Free
Contact: MCC Box office (254) 299-8200

June 22

The DUG
Location: CC - Conference Center
Time: 8:00 am - 5:00 pm
Contact: Karen Conroy (254) 299-8600

June 23

River Sounds featuring Waco Community Band
Location: BRS - Bosque River Stage
Time: 8:00 pm
Admission: Free
Contact: MCC Box office (254) 299-8200

ΦΘΚ gives children the gift of hair

Erica Sanchez
Staff writer

Money is the usual charity donation, but on April 17, with the help of stylists at Simply Salon, Phi Theta Kappa asked for hair.

Mary Gallery, ΦTK vice president of service, said ΦTK hosted the event to collect hair for 'Wigs for Kids' and 'Locks for Love,' two non-profit organizations that collect hair to make wigs for children who have lost hair due to chemotherapy, burns and other medical conditions.

Simply Salon stylists gave free haircuts to those willing to donate 10 to 12 inches of hair.

Not only was Gallery in charge of the event, she donated about 16 inches of her own hair, which made two ponytails.

"I'm really passionate about [Wigs for Kids]. Number one, kids can really be cruel. They don't mean to be, and we love them, but they're honest, and they aren't reluctant to hurt people's feelings," Gallery said.

Ten ponytails were donated, including those of PTK members Shanna Tucker and her sister, Melissa, both theatre majors at MCC.

Shanna Tucker donated the most hair, which measured about two feet.

"I've been growing my hair out for so long. I heard about this through ΦTK and thought it would be a good idea, donating my hair," Tucker said.

"[My hair] has always been long. It's been like seven years [since I cut it], and I just haven't cut it very much since then," Tucker said.

Melissa Tucker was the first to get the transformation from really long hair to short.

"I'm just so excited. I'm glad I did it. I love my hair, how it is now, and I'm glad it can go to a child in need," Melissa Tucker said after her haircut.

She said she decided to



Digital Image by Erica Sanchez

Shanna Tucker (on the right) admires her sister, Melissa's new short do, before being next to donate about 24 inches of her own hair.

donate her hair because she wanted to change her life and thought donating hair would be a good experience.

"It's so long. What am I going to do with it?" Melissa Tucker asked.

Gallery said for the people who donate, hair is a renewable resource, but for the children it's given to, it's not a renewable resource.

"You know your hair is going to grow back, and [cutting it is] something that doesn't cost anything to do. It takes a little bit of your time. You have to get haircuts anyways, eventually," Gallery said.

Gallery said she was

really pleased with the turnout of people willing to donate, not only from MCC students, but also from the community.

"Depending on which company makes the wig it takes anywhere from six to 15 donations to make one child's wig, and it costs anywhere between \$1,500 to \$6,000 for each wig," Gallery said.

She said 'Wigs for Kids' and 'Locks for Love' raise money and collect hair so that the children can get wigs for free.

"I can only imagine what it does for their self-esteem, but it's definitely something very expensive," she said.

"Part of the reason it's so expensive is that every individual hair is hand sewn into the wig, and each child has a kit where they actually get a mold of the child's head. The same type of hair must be used, so that is part of the reason [that it's] so tedious, so time consuming," Gallery said.

She said Simply Salon at 717 Luke Air Drive was chosen to do the haircuts because a ΦTK member is a friend of the owner.

The cuts were given for free, but there was a charge for additional styling.

Some people brought ponytails to the salon they had cut themselves.

MCC ΦΘΚ awards make chapter history

MCC's Pi Chi chapter of Phi Theta Kappa was named one of 25 Distinguished Chapters, the highest award in chapter history, at the organizations International Convention in Minneapolis in April.

Pi Chi submitted applications for Scholarship, Leadership, Service and Fellowship Hallmark Awards and was ranked from among 1,600 chapters for overall academic excellence and chapter activities.

The chapter also won seven awards at the FQK Texas Regional Convention in Houston in March:

- The Five Star Award (Highest rating in Phi Theta Kappa)
- Horizon Award for Advisors - Fred Hills
- Texas Hall of Honor for Outstanding Members - President, Denise Mesmer
- Texas Hall of Honor for Outstanding Members - Regional Officer, Jeff Humphrey
- Texas Hall of Honor for Outstanding Advisors - Alesha Vardeman
- Top Ten Chapters in Texas, the highest state award received in chapter history. It was determined by the four 1250 Hallmark essays submitted.
- Alesha Vardeman was elected as Secretary of the Texas Regional Advisory Board. She will serve as secretary, then vice-chair, then chair.

Jeff Humphrey served this past year as District III Vice President. During his term, five of the top 12 chapters in the state were part of his constituency. Two of them were inactive chapters two years ago.

"We tried contacting other salons, but had difficulty finding a salon that would do it (cut hair). I guess the way salons are set up now, as corporations, you have to go through a lot of red tape," Gallery said.

She said the owner, Deanna Martinez, was willing to do it, as was everyone who worked there.

Simply Salon stylist Beatrice said they often donate gift certificates to various causes, and they're willing to help in any kind of way.

The stylists gave their time to the cause, despite the many teens present getting their hair done for prom that day.

"When [ΦTK] asked [us to give haircuts for the event], we were overwhelmed to do it. We were more than willing to dedicate our time," Rodriguez said.

"If my child were ever in that situation [of losing hair], then I would hope that

somebody would help also," Martinez said.

The hair drive wasn't the only service project ΦTK has hosted that is dedicated to cancer patients.

Gallery said that a lot of the service projects ΦTK does are in connection with the American Cancer Society.

Gallery said that last summer for late registration in a campaign called "Healthy, Wealthy and Wise," ΦTK gave away free bottles of water and information about how drinking water and making other healthy choices can help prevent cancer.

In addition ΦTK gave out skin cancer awareness information at one of MCC's welcome back parties and at the recent health fair; and they plan to participate in 'Relay for Life' this October.

"Last year we raised over \$2,800 for the American Cancer Society [in the Relay for Life]," Gallery said.

University Center to expand offerings

The University Center is an innovative partnership between MCC and four-year institutions that allows students to complete a bachelors or masters degree, in conjunction with a four-year university, without having to relocate or commute long distances outside of the Waco area.

All coursework is fully accredited by state and national organizations and taught on the MCC campus either by visiting professors from the four-year school, in two-way interactive classrooms or via the Internet. In some instances, however, local educators who meet the standards of the host university are hired to teach.

The University Center has experienced rapid growth due to the convenience of earning a degree locally and further expansion of the program is in the works.

In addition to the current degree plans offered (listed below), future possibilities include expanding the offerings in health careers, agriculture, accounting, additional work at the master degree level, and a 4th -8th grade teaching certification degree field.

Approximately 300 students are currently enrolled in the various degree programs, 100 with the University of Texas at Arlington and 200 with Tarleton State University.

Currently, the University Center offers the following Bachelor and Master Degree programs::

The University of Texas at Arlington (UTA)

Bachelor of Business Administration in Management

This program allows students to finish 57 credit hours in approximately three years if they take six credit hours per semester for spring, summer and fall.

Bachelor of Arts in Child Studies with Early Childhood Education to Grade 4

Completion of this degree and successful scores on the TExES Exam will result in Teacher Certification in Texas for grades Early Childhood through 4th grade.

After completing the required 90-92 freshmen/sophomore hours, the program allows students to take the remaining 44 UTA junior/senior hours, which includes the teaching internship and student teaching, in Waco.

Bachelor of Science in Nursing

This is an "RN" to BSN program and is accelerated. Work experience may count for clinical experiences. Therefore, the entire junior year may be completed in the fall semester and the entire senior year in the spring semester,

which allows the student to complete the program in one year.

Bachelor of Social Work

Graduates work in entry-level positions in a variety of public and private agencies, such as state child and public welfare agencies, mental health and mental retardation centers, medical and psychiatric hospitals, home health organizations, women's shelters, Planned Parenthood agencies, and senior-and-youth-serving organizations. UTA will accept 99 approved freshmen/sophomore college hours for transfer. An additional 36 hours are taught in Waco by UTA to complete the degree requirements.

Tarleton State University (TSU)

Bachelor of Applied Arts and Sciences in Business Occupations

This business degree is attractive to those students who complete the MCC Business Management Associates Degree and who have been in the workforce (or applicable military experience) for at least five years. The student can qualify for up to 36 hours of college credit toward the bachelor degree for approved occupation specialization experience.

Bachelor of Science in Applied Science in Business Administration

This business degree has a triple emphasis: a broad-based education through the MCC Core Curriculum; up to 27 college semester hours credit of technical training (work experience not eligible) from most any technical discipline that can be transferred into the program; and a focused development in business knowledge in upper level courses will be gained. This degree will be valuable if you want to work in a business area related to your academic discipline and technical expertise.

Master of Science, Management

This is a 36-hour program designed for students aspiring to, or continuing in, general management and leadership roles in for-profit and not-for-profit businesses. The major focuses are leadership and change.

This degree is especially attractive to managers already working in the field, those seeking management positions, those wanting to facilitate a change of careers or to advance in a current position.

Master of Science, Human Resource Management

This degree consists of 36 hours in Human Resource Management.

The major focus will provide the student with a background in the major functional areas of human resource management, knowledge, skills and abilities in the field, and the capacity to advance in the profession.

Master of Educational Administration with Principal Certification and Post-Master's Principal Certification

This degree and certification program is designed to prepare administrators for a variety of roles and responsibilities at the Master's Degree level. The Principal's Certificate qualifies one to hold campus-level administrative positions in the school, including the principalship.

The University of Texas Medical Branch/Galveston UTMB/Galveston

Bachelor of Science in Clinical Laboratory Science

This program allows MCC graduates with an Associate of Applied Science in Medical Laboratory Technology to transfer their credits directly into the UTMB Bachelor of Science in Clinical Laboratory Science degree.

Email Bridgit Moore at bmoore@mcclennan.edu for degree plan information.

Highlander Cafe letter to the editor

We're growing!

This summer the Highlander Cafe is getting a new face and more room. To accommodate construction, Food Services will move to the old Cafeteria with service beginning Monday, May 10.

As you all know, during the summer we have to reduce manpower and operating hours to stay within budget. But we still want to provide food service to you, our loyal customers.

Although we lose the hot entrees during the summer, RJ and Ashwin are committed to trying to keep us excited with some interesting new ideas.

Current breakfast service will continue Monday - Thursday from 7:30 -9:00. Lunch will be available Monday - Thursday from 11:30-1:30 and will feature salads, made-to-order subs and sandwiches, and the usual grill items.

In June, we hope to institute the Faculty/Staff luncheons one day a week featuring International themes, i.e. curries (vegetable and chicken), Wok bars, pasta bars, chicken-fried steaks, barbecues, etc.

It should be a fun summer if we can keep faculty/staff participation up.

Let us know what you think.

The Faculty/Staff luncheon day will be confirmed each Thursday for the following week. We have tentatively scheduled each Wednesday, but it may have to vary if there are lunchtime catering conflicts.

Also, because of drain problems in the old Cafeteria, only bottled drinks, tea and coffee will be available, no fountain drinks or Starbucks specialty coffees. HDS is attempting to get a hook up to enable them to offer the regular brewed Starbucks. Their phones have been forwarded to the old Cafeteria, so you will still be able to reach them at the same number or using ext. 8421/8425.

Tartan Cafe summer hours will be 7:30 - 9:00 for Breakfast and 11:30 - 1:00 for Lunch. Menu items will be much the same as current offerings. However, if you would like a made-to-order sub for lunch, just place your order with the cashier at the Tartan Cafe prior to 9:00. It will be made up and ready when the Cafe reopens at 11:30.

If you have any questions, please call RJ at 299-8376.

Lib Arts splits into language, social/behavior sciences

Breton Fanning
Staff Reporter

Spurred by a huge enrollment increase, from 5,500 to approximately 7,500 students over the last two years, the MCC administration has split the Liberal Arts Division into two separate departments: the Language Arts division (English, Speech and Foreign Language) and the Social and Behavioral Sciences division (Government, History, Journalism, Psychology, Sociology and Philosophy).

Dr. Kent Hoeffner, director of the Liberal Arts division, said that due to the increase in faculty and students, his

Mass Comm subs for speech, foreign language requirements

Introduction to Mass Communications, COMM 1307, has been added to the Core Curriculum requirements at MCC, according to Liberal Arts Division Director Dr. Kent Hoeffner.

The course, a study of the workings of communications to an audience from the spoken word to the Internet and television, will satisfy the same Core requirement that a speech or foreign language course fulfills.

The core curriculum requirement will transfer and satisfy the same requirement at other Texas institutions, Hoeffner said.

job has become too cumbersome for one director to manage efficiently.

Hoeffner will take control as director of the Social and Behavioral Sciences division, while the administration conducts an open search for a new director for the Language Arts division.

Reading, which was removed from the Liberal Arts division four years ago and placed in the Math/Science/HPE division where, according to Hoeffner, it essentially did not belong, will be assimilated back into the Language Arts division. Journalism, which may logically fit with English

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Get outta Dodge!

Highlander linksters national tourney highs and lows prove they're not in Kansas anymore

By Ian Quick
Sports writer

Dodge City, Kansas was the place, Mariah Hills Golf Course was the stage, and the 45th Annual NJCCA National Golf Tournament was the occasion.

The MCC Men's Golf team was poised to bring home the first Golf National championship since 1984.

The Landers' carried momentum from their impressive play at the Diamondback Invitational Tournament into the National Tournament at Dodge City.

Paul Cormack was virtually the only Highlander to have a poor showing at Diamondback, but when Nationals rolled around Cormack turned his game up more than a few notches.

Cormack tied for the leading spot in the NJCCA tournament, by shooting a one-under 71 in the first round of play.

Ryan Knoll also came on strong in the first round with a second consecutive 73; all of the Landers' produced humble shots on their second trip around Mariah Hills.

The Highlanders produced an opening round score of 288, to place them one spot higher at seventh place.

The second day of play mirrored the first, as Cormack's outstanding play brought him an inch closer to winning a national championship, by shooting a 54-hole total of seven-under 209.

As a team the MCC men performed sub-par and tied for seventh place with



Highlanders who participated in the national NJCAA tournament last month are, from left above, Coach Rick Butler, Paul Cormack, Matt Cordell, Lance Avants, Andreas Kall, Kyle Roberts, Ryan Knoll and assistant coach Vince Clark. At right, Ryan Knoll practices his chipping before the next round begins.



Faulkner State of Alabama and Indian Hills of Iowa, with totals of 884. Hopes of winning a championship were still not grim, seeing as how the Highlanders were only eight shots behind third-place Scottsdale (Ariz.).

In the closing round of play, things started to stray south as Paul Cormack lost his swagger and shot six-over 78, losing his chances of a NJCCA national

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MCC names new coaches

McLennan Community College hired a new head baseball coach, his assistant and a new women's basketball assistant coach beginning in the fall semester.

Pete Mejia, the assistant who took over after Dave Wrzesinski resigned in April 22 after four seasons, will be the Highlanders' head baseball coach.

All three appointments take effect Sept. 1.

Chris Clemons was appointed assistant coach, and See 'Coaches' on Page 10

'Lassies disappointed in fourth place national finish

Most golf teams would be ecstatic over a fourth place finish at the NCAA Women's Golf National Championship, posting two linksters on the All-American second team.

Most teams are not the MCC Highlassies, whose worst nationals showing was second place during the previous five years.

The Daytona Beach tournament was a roller coaster for the freshman-heavy women's team.

The Highlassies opened the first round with a three-way tie for team low score of 324, led by Stephanie Crolla's overall low of 75.

But in the second round, Crolla and sophomore Christa Gunn got caught in the sand on a tricky final hole that put the 'Lassies nine strokes behind the leaders. It was a deficit that even a final round 313 team low and Gunn's tournament low of 74 could not overcome.

Coach Stan Mitchell said the hole was fortified with three successive bunkers in front of the pin.

"It was an optical illusion," he said. The approach behind the bunkers looked much shorter than it really was, and the MCC golfers shortened their shots in fear of overshooting the green landed in the bunkers.

Even so, the rest of Crolla and Gunn's game was so

potent it earned them second team All-American berths.

Mitchell said the 'Lassies teed up under a personal cloud. "Brad McGehee's death hurt us," said Mitchell.

The MCC baseball redshirt freshman, who died after a fall from a cliff near Circle Point in Cameron Park in April, was one of the team's biggest fans, Mitchell said, and his death was still on their minds.

"He attended almost all the games and practices," he said.

Next season's team should return the 'Lassies past glory, Mitchell said. Promising recruits and four of this year's five tournament veterans should render a bright team forecast.

(Right) Women battle for tug o' war title at Highland Games.



Highland Games



(Below) Student showing her moves to earn cash at games.



(Left) I wanna be a rock star challenge lets students display their rock star abilities.



(Right) Men show their feminine side to win cash. The stage show gave money to those who dared volunteer for the comedy contest.



(Right) Student defeats two other men for title of Fastest sundae eater.



(Left) Women's fastest sundae eating champ stands up to accept her prize.



Western Celebration raises funds for Non-Trad students



Digital images by Erica Sanchez



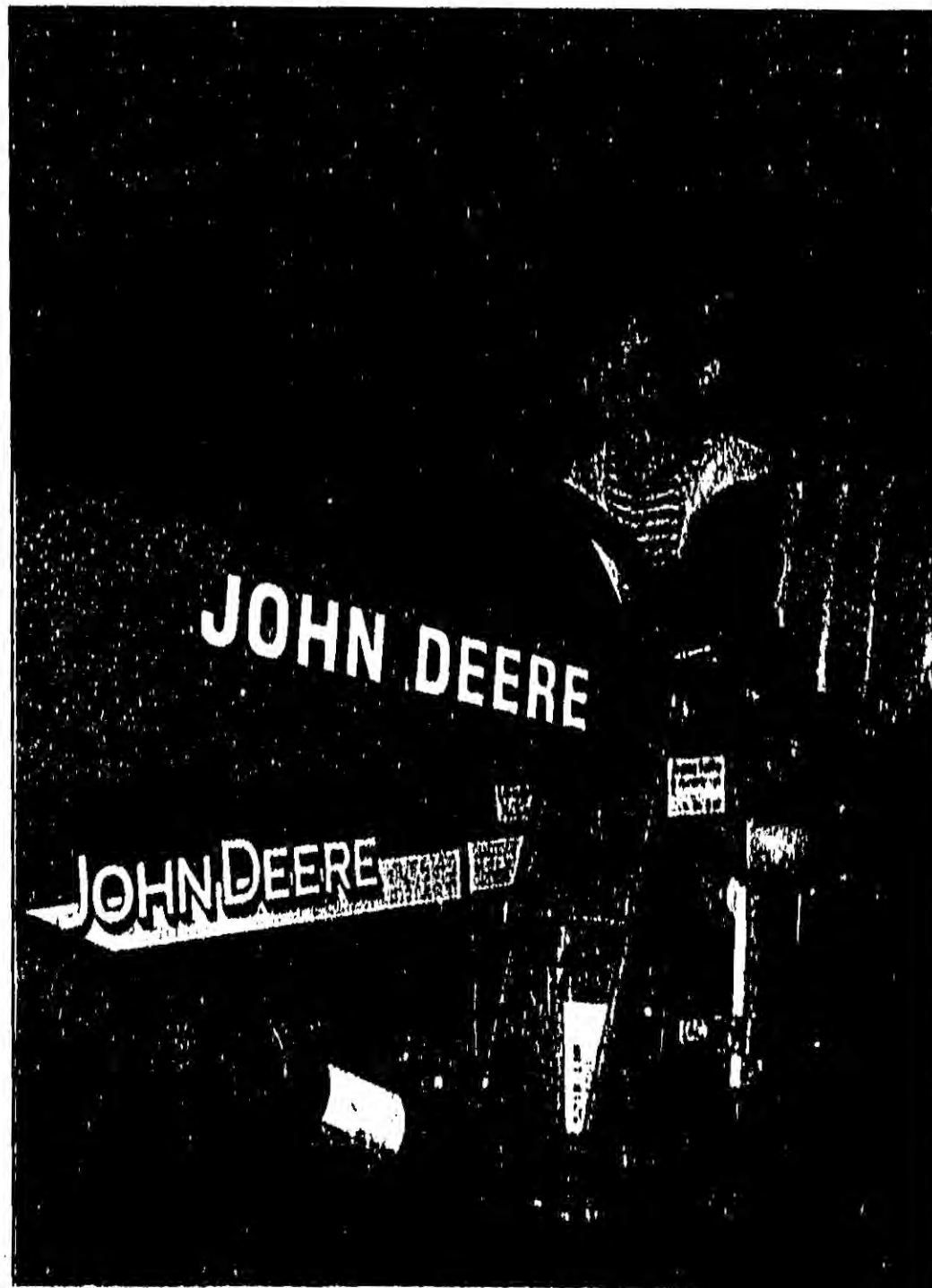
Kristen, daughter of MCC Medical Lab Technician instructor Allisa Petree, pets baby goats at the Highlander Ranch.

On the outside of the dance floor, a boy sits on a ball of hay.

MCC's Non-Traditional Student Association hosted an evening of western-style fun in April at the Highlander Ranch. Proceeds went to scholarships for students who started college later in life or who now work to support a family. The event included a down-home BBQ dinner prepared by chef Tom Pardaen and music by MCC's country bands. Other activities included hayrides, a silent auction, a tour of the ranch and fireside poetry by poet and storyteller Mel Robinson.



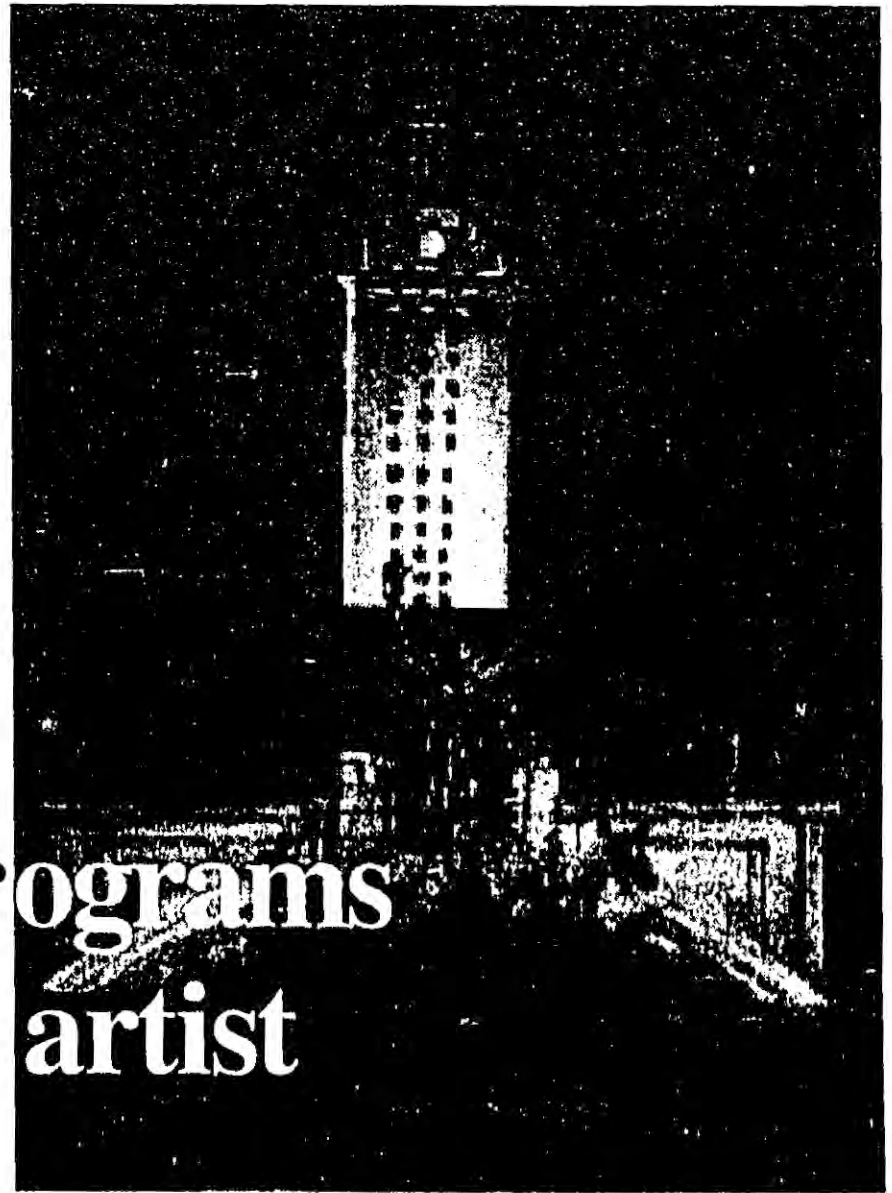
Marty Floyd, tunes his guitar before performing in the Western Music Competition.



Jonathan Pendleton, grandson of MCC Librarian Jo Pendleton, plays on the tractor for the hayride.



Art by Ken Mitchell



Community programs welcomes guest artist

Area artists have the opportunity to study with nationally recognized artist Ken Mitchell during two weeklong workshops sponsored by McLennan Community College's Continuing Education Department. Drawing with Ken Mitchell meets 9 a.m.-4 p.m., July 12-16.

The course will focus on using pens and pencils, as well as erasers and other nontraditional tools to interpret such textures as grass, stone and wood. By the end of the week students will have completed several sketches and one larger drawing. The cost is \$165, with an additional \$35 for materials.

Watercolor with Ken Mitchell meets 9 a.m.-4 p.m., July 19-23.

Hands-on instruction by this accomplished watercolorist will allow students to explore and develop their skills

in this fascinating medium. The cost is \$165, with an additional \$95 for materials. Registration for each workshop is limited to 20 students to allow time for personalized instruction and critique. Students may be of all artistic levels, but must be at least 16 years of age.

Mitchell holds bachelor's and master's degrees in art and art education from the University of Northern Colorado and has taught art for more than 35 years in colleges, public schools, and private lessons.

His postgraduate work includes study with nationally recognized watercolorist Ed Whitney, Colorado Mountain painting expert James Disney, and author, colorist, and painter Stephen Quiller.

Mitchell uses pencil, paint, and watercolor to create mountain views, prairie landscapes and a variety of European scenes, and his work has garnered national painting and drawing awards.

For more information or to register, call 299-8888.

Summer school rocks at MCC

The MCC Commercial Music Department along with the Austin School of Music, proudly presents the 2004 Summer School of Rock!

The camp offers performance-oriented instruction in guitar, bass, keyboard, drums and vocal techniques.

Other topics covered include stage presence, improvisation techniques, songwriting and sound system setup and operation.

After being divided into different bands based on a number of factors including instrument, age,

musical ability and stylistic taste.

The students will receive hands-on experience recording a demo CD.

The camp culminates in a live performance at the Bosque River Stage by the students followed by a set performed by the MCC

Commercial Music Faculty.

The camp runs from June 7-17 from 1-5 p.m.

Direct any questions to Rob Page (Commercial Music Program Director) by phone at 299-8240 or by email at:

rpage@mcclennan.edu

First vet tech class to graduate in August

MCC's first Veterinary Technology class will graduate with Associate in Applied Science degrees in August and take state and national licensing examinations to become Registered Veterinary Technicians.

The two-year program trains technicians to work in veterinary clinics, research hospitals, shelters and other animal-related facilities, and is accredited by The American Veterinary Medical Association's Committee on Veterinary Technician Education and Activities. Includes hands-on experience and classroom work in veterinary anatomy and physiology, animal care and diseases and other procedures related to the treatment and handling of animals.

The program was praised for dedicated and experienced faculty, strong support from the college administration, backing from the local veterinary community and active involvement by the advisory committee.

Accreditation committee members cited as an outstanding teaching facility.

Students gain hands-on experience working with large animals at the Highlander Ranch, which features classrooms; laboratories; animal handling areas and a veterinary hospital. Students treat small animals from the local humane society.

The program is accepting applications through June 15. Classes begin Aug. 23. For more information, e-mail Dr.

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and Speech, will be placed into the Social/Behavioral Sciences division so as not to overload the Language Arts division.

The current trend toward higher enrollment numbers at MCC may be due in part to the Texas Legislature's removal of restrictions on what a public institution may charge for tuition.

An affordable alternative for many students is to attend a community college for the first two years of college and then transfer to a four-year institution to complete the Bachelors degree.

Another factor that has influenced MCC's enrollment growth is jokingly referred to as the 'If You Build It, They Will Come' model, which emphasizes adding more sections to courses in which there is high demand, which has led to greater student enrollment in each section added.

NISOD winners announced

The McLennan Community College instructors Rob Page, Beverly Walker and Linda Dullin received the 2004 Teaching Excellence Award from the National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development (NISOD).

Page teaches commercial music; Walker, office technology and Dullin, speech communication.

The award is based on performance and service to their students, MCC and the community.

MCC Distinguished Honors

The Distinguished Honors List is reserved for students who achieve a 3.8 to 4.0 grade point average for the semester, while students who achieve a 3.5 to 3.79 grade point average are named to the Honors List. Students must be enrolled full-time during the semester to be eligible for either list.

Distinguished Honors and Honors Lists at McLennan Community College for the Spring 2004 Semester were:

Distinguished Honors

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championship by two shots.

Mother Nature ultimately may have been the cause for the Landers' slump; after the winds picked up, the scores ascended.

The Landers' dropped down to 311 in the last round and 1,195 total, forcing the fall from seventh to a tie with Dodge City Community College for 11th.

Oleson squeaked by after playing a lousy final round and beat Paris to claim back to back national championships.

On a brighter note Knoll and Cormack both received all-tournament honors, while Cormack was named a first-team all-American.

Coaches

and Kathryn L. Henderson is the new Highlassie assistant coach.

Henderson is a graduate of Texas Lutheran University with a Masters of Education from the University of the Incarnate Word in San Antonio.

She has been assistant women's basketball coach at Texas A&M-Kingsville, a graduate assistant coach at Incarnate Word and assistant coach and recruiting coordinator at Blinn College. She played on two NJCAA conference championship teams at Weatherford College and made a playoff appearance at Texas Lutheran. Mejia was assistant for two years after serving as a year as a volunteer.

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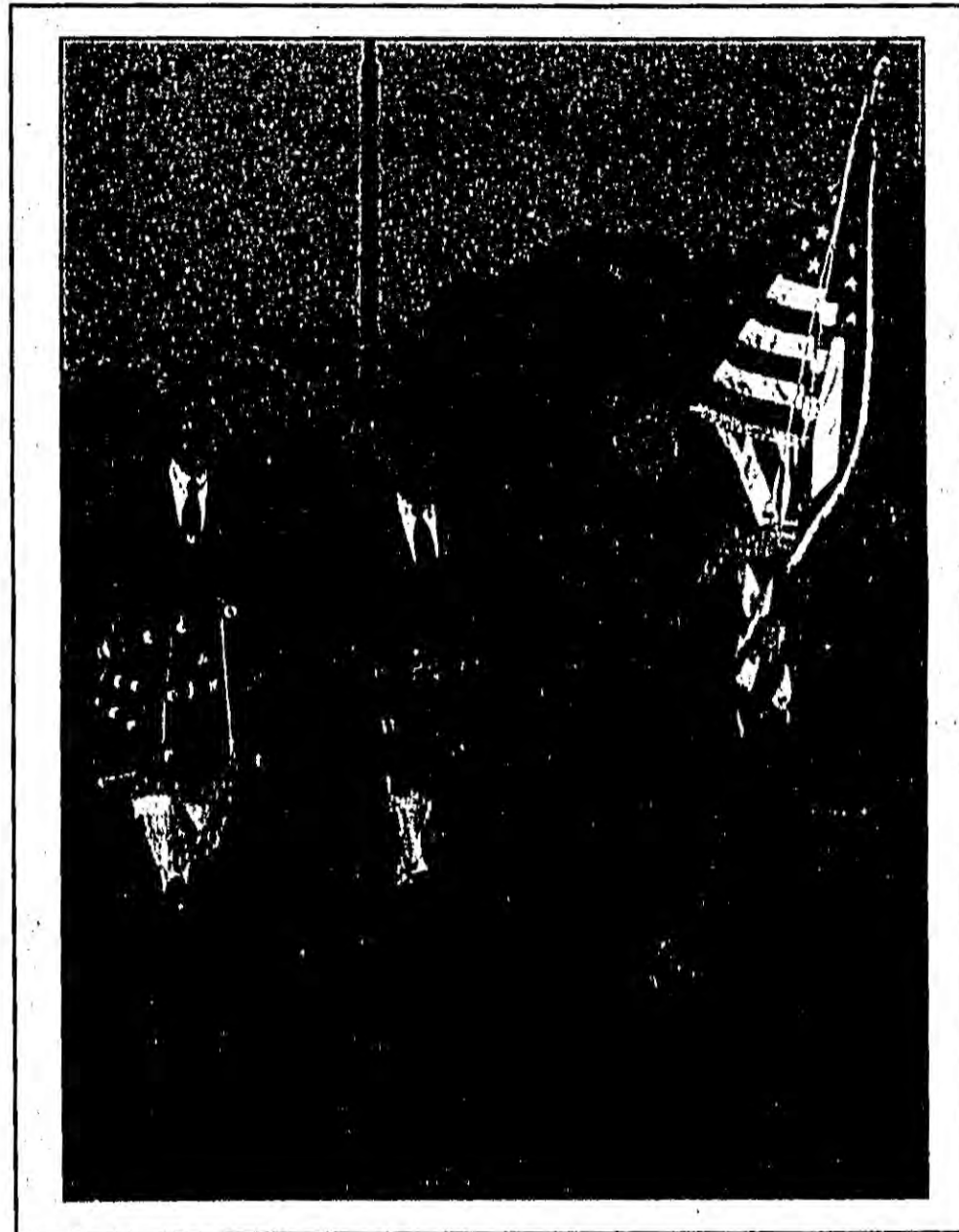
He was a teacher/coach at Tennyson Middle School, and for three years was a baseball manager at the University of Texas at Austin.

He played second base for Navarro College after he graduated from Waco High, where he was all-district team in 1993. Mejia has a bachelor's degree from UT and a master's degree from Baylor.

Clemons has been on staff since 2003 after two years as manager and instructor at Homerun Alley in Waco. He pitched for the Chicago White Sox, Arizona Diamondbacks and Cleveland Indians organizations before injuries halted his career.

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Graduates march to the Highlands to receive diplomas.

MCC Graduates march to the beat of bagpipes. Marshall Jim McKeown leads graduates to the Highlands with Celtex Bagpipers at Spring 2004 Graduation.



(Left) McKeown and Harry Harelik, Executive Director of the MCC Foundation prepare to lead instructors and graduating students to the Highlands.



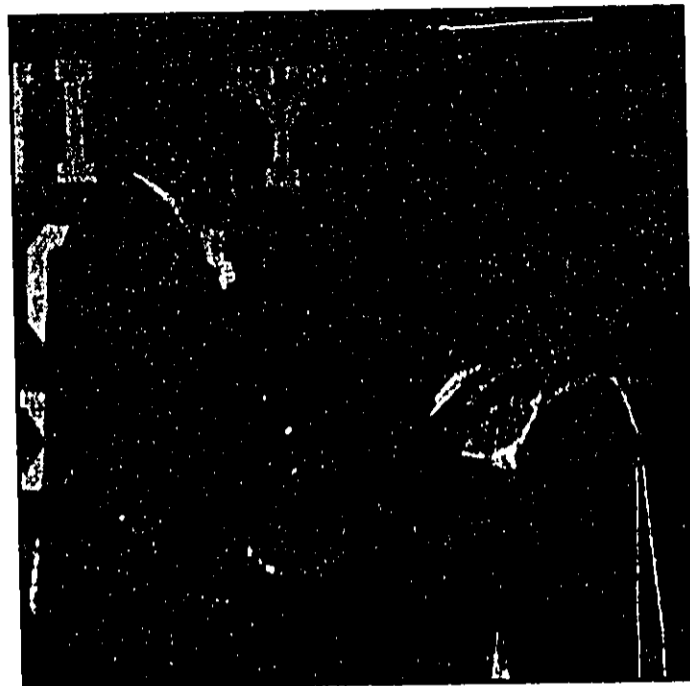
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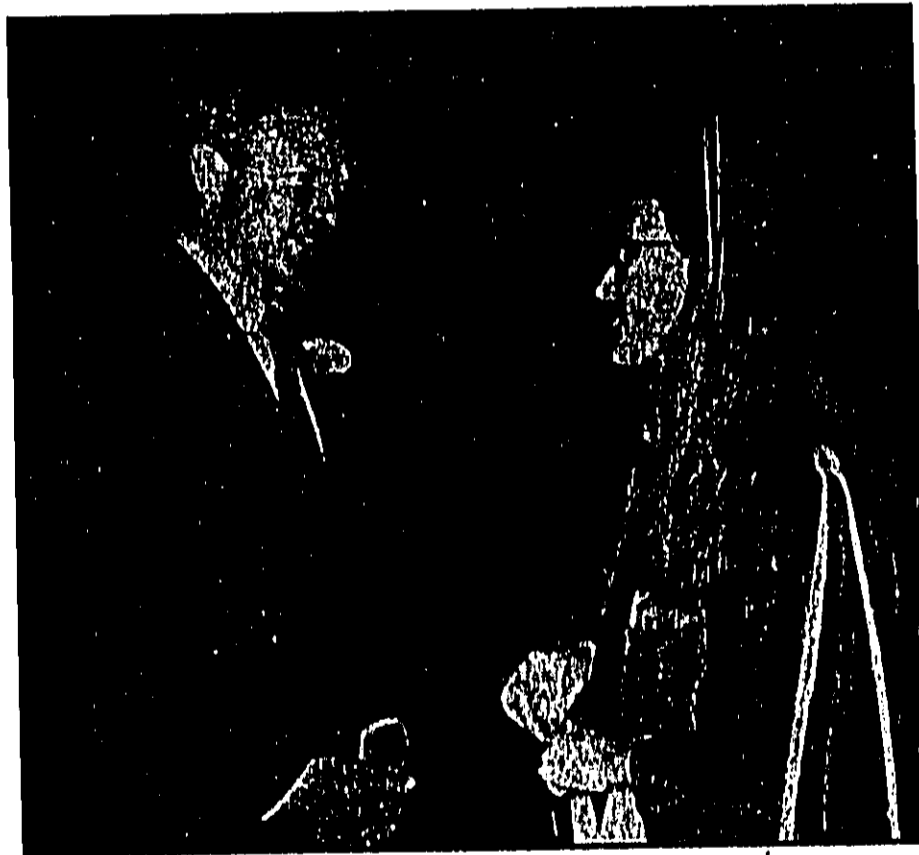


Dr. Dennis Michaelis, MCC President, leads graduates out of the Highlands to McLennan Gardens for reception.

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Board of Trustees Chairman Bob Sheehy presents diplomas to students.



Commencement speaker Chet Edwards, U.S. House of Representatives, discusses what lies ahead for this student's future.

