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Homecoming participation up

300 people attend bonfire Thursday

By ELISHA NIEMEYER

The lighting of the 10th annual bonfire last Thursday night brought out close to 300 students. While students gathered at the intramural field to witness the big event, disc jockey Ernie Rabe helped entertain with the latest music of the '90s.

As the bonfire blazed, Student Government President Jenny Neff began the program by welcoming everyone.

"I was really pleased with this year's turn out and support for our school. Hopefully this will lead us to even better support in the future," Neff said.

The Dance Company then performed. Following its performance, the members introduced themselves to the crowd.

Next, the men's and women's basketball teams were introduced along with coaches Ken DeWeese and Richard Kilgore.

Then, the baseball team and its coaches, Paul Miller and Ed Stacey, were introduced. The majority of the team introduced themselves as being recruited from "Alpine and Long Beach?" (A last minute prank the team decided to play to add a little spice to their introduction.)

"It was interesting finding out that all the baseball players were from Alpine and Long Beach," freshman Justin Reid said laughing.

The Student Government was then introduced, followed by the men and women's tennis team, and finally the homecoming queen nominees.

"It was nice to know about all of the athletic teams and other organizations on campus," freshman Jeremy Guercio said.

According to sophomore Lee Beavers, the bonfire was "short, but sweet".

It lasted about an hour, but took many more hours of preparation during the week before.

"Greg Clark, former director of student activities, had done a lot of the early set-ups and arrangements, but it was left up to us to set a date and time, and also to take care of the final preparations," Student Government Historian, Todd Smith said. According to Lisa Hatley, the



Photo by Brooks Whittington

A STUDENT STANDS in front of the bonfire on Thursday night. Almost twice as many people attended this year's bonfire as last year. Bonfire activities included

music, performance by the Dance Company, introductions of the men's and women's basketball teams and a practical joke by the baseball team.

new director of student activities, all throughout the year, when maintenance crews do work around campus, they collect the old branches and limbs for the bonfire.

"I was really pleased," Hatley said, "we received a lot of support from MCC organizations and the administration."

Neff indicated that when the turn out was compared to last year's, there were about 50 to 100 more people participating.

"At first I didn't believe that MCC really had a bonfire after I went it turned out to be better than I thought," freshman Brad Canon said.



Photo by Elisha Niemeyer

MAINTENANCE CREWS collected old branches and tree limbs around campus for the wood to burn in the bonfire. The bonfire lasted an hour at the intramural field on Thursday.

International student elected Homecoming Queen by 200 voters

By RACHEL SIMONETTE

Tseghe F. Belay was crowned Homecoming Queen Saturday night by President Dennis Michaelis at the Highlander's basketball game.

Belay is a member of the International Students organization. She was elected from seven nominees.

Patty Weir, assistant director of student activities, said approximately 200 students voted in the election held last week.

Heather Rushing of the Nursing Club was announced as runner-up. The other Homecoming nominees were Shonna Brown, also from the Nursing Club; Amy Fruge, Dance Company; Carol Molter, Game Room Club; Elisha Niemeyer, Press Club; and Jeanna Rostocky, Stu-

dent Government.

The queen and court were presented during halftime of the men's basketball game against Grayson College. The Highlanders won, 105-78. The win is the conference champions' 33rd straight conference win and the 40th straight home win.

Homecoming game highlights, page 4



Photo by Brooks Whittington

PRESIDENT DENNIS MICHAELIS presents Tseghe F. Belay of the International Students Organization with a bouquet of roses after she was announced as homecoming queen. Approximately 200 students voted in the elections last week. Heather Rushing of the Nursing club was runner-up. (Picture of other nominees, page 5.)

Speech team wins 17 trophies, prepares for nationals

By TRACIE LYNCH

The speech team won a total of 17 trophies at the recent Texas Junior College State Tournament.

Marco Suarez, president of the team, placed first in extemporaneous and third in persuasive speaking.

Marie Witt came in first in impromptu speaking, first in content analysis and second in after dinner speaking.

Carrie Spencer won second place in dramatic interpretation, fifth in persuasive and fifth in poetry.

Barry Sullivan placed fifth in informative speaking.

And Gavin Massingill won first place in informative speaking, third place in impromptu and third place in after dinner speaking.

Suarez and Witt placed first in the Cross-Examination Debate Association's team debate. Spencer and Sullivan came in second. Massingill and Witt tied for third in Lincoln/Douglas debate. Finally, Suarez made the quarter finals in Lincoln/Douglas debate.

The competition was associated with the Ameri-

can Forensics Association (AFA) and with CEDA. Suarez said MCC was the only undefeated school in team debate. Also, more people from the team advanced to the quarter finals in Lincoln/Douglas debate than from any other school.

Suarez said that other teams must work hard to be as prepared for Lincoln/Douglas debate as his team is. In Lincoln/Douglas debate, CEDA chooses a different topic for each semester. The individual teams may then choose their own angle on the topic to prepare their cases. Suarez said that MCC debaters like to take extreme and unexpected angles on the topic, and they like to use a different angle for each tournament.

In the next two months, team members will participate in three major tournaments. First, the entire team will go to the American Forensics Association nationals in Kansas. Last year, MCC was one of four junior colleges to compete in the tournament. To qualify for nationals, competitors must place either first, second or third at least three times during the season.

Next, Spencer and Witt will travel to Alaska to compete in the Interstate Oratorical Association competition. They will represent the entire state

of Texas at the meet. Finally, Suarez will compete in the CEDA nationals. He and team members from the University of Texas at San Antonio will compete as a two-school coalition.

The MCC forensics team consists of five members, yet they compete against large teams from schools such as the University of Texas, Bradley University, and Southwest Texas State University. Suarez discussed some of the resources the team uses to remain competitive with those schools.

Suarez said the team has four sources of information. In addition to finding useful information in the MCC and Baylor libraries, the team also uses a system of computer software called Internet, provided by MCC. Internet allows the user to access other libraries. The team also gets information by trading research with other teams. However, when two teams trade evidence, they promise not to use it against one another. Suarez said, "The circuit is very competitive, but it's very friendly."

Another contributing factor to the team's success is the school faculty. Suarez said, "The support we got from the faculty is just unreal... I think that's helped our team."

No classes Friday, teachers away

The campus will be closed this Friday for the Texas Junior College Teachers Association convention.

No classes will meet on Friday, but Thursday evening and Saturday classes will be held.

The Small Business Resource Center and OPTIONS will remain open on Friday.

The cafeteria will serve breakfast from 9:30 until 10:30 a.m. and dinner from 4:30 until 5:30 p.m.

The cosmetology department will remain open for services to the public.

Offices and buildings closed on Friday include the downtown center, Heart of Texas RSVP and the Library. The Library will be open on Saturday from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m.

NEWS BRIEFS

Computer networking class begins tonight

A new course on computer networking will be offered beginning tonight, Feb. 22. The seven-week, noncredit course, "Introduction to Network," will discuss the benefits of linking microcomputers in a work unit. The class will cover standard network protocol, basic features and systems available. Limited hands-on activity will be included. The class costs \$54 and will meet from 6 to 9 p.m. Tuesdays. A basic understanding of DOS and a good working knowledge of the computer is recommended. For more information, call Continuing Education at 750-3412.

Space available on study tour

A few seats are available for the Great Britain study tour this summer, English instructor Cheryl Bohde announced Friday. The tour is May 23-June 9, and the cost is \$2,950. A \$300 deposit is due when the reservation is made. Students can take credit for two literature classes on the trip, British Masterpieces I and II. Students can contact Bohde or Carol Lowe.

Vacation Fair Wednesday

A mini-vacation fair will be held tomorrow from 12:30 p.m. to 2 p.m. For more information, contact Beth Lanning at extension 684.

Library sets Saturday hours

The library will be open on Saturdays from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. this semester. The remaining Saturday dates are Feb. 12, 19, 26; March 5, 26; and April 9, 16, 23, and 30.

Community Band plays Sunday

Sunday a free Waco Community Band Concert will be held at 3 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center. For more information call 750-3500.

Violate parking, get towed

The campus security is cracking down on students violating parking regulations. Students parking in staff spaces or in no parking zones will be given a warning on the first offence. On the second offence, violators will have their vehicles towed, at owners expense. Students parking in unmarked places are interfering with the flow of traffic and using the bright orange warning stickers will grab the driver's attention. The yellow curbs mean no parking, and handicapped and staff parking spaces are marked. Park in spaces marked for students, campus police request.

Monday events in the Student Center

Student Government will meet on Monday at 10 a.m. in the Student Center's faculty/staff dining room. On the same day and in the same building, a ping pong tournament will be held in the Game Room.

Pyle holds song writing clinic

Award winning song writer Chuck Pyle presented a song writing clinic Friday in the Wilbur A. Ball Performing Arts Center. Pyle has written hit songs for the "Dirt Band" as well as being an active recording artist and concert performer.

Secretaries offer scholarship

The Texas-Louisiana Division of Professional Secretaries International is offering a \$1,000 scholarship to a qualified student who is working on a degree or certificate in business, computer science or office occupations. Applications are available in the financial aid office. Deadline is March 31.

Baylor events listed

The following will be held in the Jones Concert Hall: the Baylor Ensemble and Choir Concert Thursday at 8 p.m., the Baylor Distinguished Artist Series Bolcom & Morris Friday at 8 p.m. and the Baylor Concert Band Monday at 8 p.m. For more information call 755-3991.

The Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools Basketball Playoffs will be Thursday through Saturday in the Ferrell Center. Call 752-6551 for ticket information.

Thursday through Saturday and March 1-5 the Baylor Theatre presents "The Ice Fishing Play" in the Hooper and Schafer Fine Arts Center. For more information please call 755-1867.

Tours set for area universities

Students interested in transferring to the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor or the University of Central Texas are invited to attend a tour of these universities on Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. MCC will be providing transportation and will not be holding class that day due to the Texas Junior College Teachers Association convention. For information contact Marie Thibodaux, transfer advisor, at 750-3729.

Wind Festival in March

The Waco Wind Festival will be held Saturday and Sunday, March 19-20 between the Convention Center and the Brazos River. For information contact Leisure Services at 750-5080.

Continuing education classes start soon

Arts, Crafts & Hobbies

Sewing & Quilting
Beginning Machine Embroidery-March 7, 4 weeks, \$22 (plus supplies)
Cooking
Seafood Cooking-March 1, 1 day, \$22

General Interest

Sports & Recreation
Aerobic Exercise to Music-March 2, 6 weeks, \$21
Personal Self Defense-March 7, 4 weeks, \$26
Water Sports
Swimming for Adults-March 1, 8 weeks, \$24
Water Exercise-March 2, 6 weeks, \$24
Lifeguard Training-March 8, 3 weeks, \$54 (plus text)
Dog Training
One-day Basic Dog Obedience-March 5, \$16 (plus supplies)
Test Preparation
SAT Test Preparation-March 5, 2 weeks, \$95 (text included)

Health & Human Services

CPR Training
CPR Course B-March 7, 2 days, \$30
CPR-Recertification for Health Professionals-tomorrow, 1 day, \$15
Courses for Health Care Professionals
LVN State Board Review-March 1, 2 weeks, \$35
Spanish I for Medical/Health Care Personnel-today, 6 weeks, \$59
Using the Healing Power of Humor Creatively-March 4, 1 day, \$40
Emergency Training
Emergency Medical Technician-Feb. 28, 3 months, \$350 (plus text and workbook)

Other Health Courses

Nurse Aide Registry & Training Course-March 1, 3 weeks, \$196 (plus text, workbook and test fee)
Medication Administration for Nurse Aides-Feb. 28, 130 class hours plus 20 clinical, \$225 (plus text)

O.W.L. Classes (over age 50)

Beginning Machine Embroidery-off campus, March 7, 4 weeks, \$22 (plus supplies)

Business & Professional

General Computer
Word Perfect Word Processing- Feb. 24, 10 weeks, \$69 (plus text and disk)
Desktop Publishing Using the Macintosh-tomorrow, 7 weeks, \$54 (plus text and disk)
Senior Net
SeniorNet Using DOS-today, 8 weeks, \$49
SeniorNet Word Processing-tomorrow, 8 weeks, \$49
Property Tax Courses
Property Tax Collections Course 130-Feb. 28, 1 week, \$69
Banking Institute
Series I-The Industry and Your Bank-today, 1 week, \$50

Total Quality Management Training

SPC for All TQM Participants- March 1, 4 weeks, \$95

Small Business Development

Total Quality Management for Small Business-March 2, 1 day, \$45
Write Your Own Business Plan-March 1, 5 weeks, \$49
Import/Export Courses
Basics of Building a Successful Export Management/Trading Company-March 1, 4 weeks, \$59

For more information, see the Spring 1994 Continuing Education booklet or call 750-3412.

Two new courses offered

By Public Info Office and SHERI OSBORN

The American Institute of Banking and McLennan Community College have joined together to offer two series of teller training courses for the first time in the Waco area.

The courses are offered on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Series I, beginning Tuesday, Feb. 22, includes the following seminars: "The Industry and Your Bank," "Teller Operations I," "Teller Operations II" and "Serving Our Customers." The cost of Series I is \$175.

Series II, which begins April 12 after the conclusion of Series I, includes the following seminars: "Regulations Affecting Tellers," "Security and Loss Prevention," "Selling Bank Services"

and "The Successful Teller." The cost of Series II is \$175.

The courses may also be taken individually at a cost of \$50 each. For more information, call MCC Continuing Education at 750-3412.

Continuing education is also holding a seminar next week on Total Quality Management for Small Business Development.

The seminar will be held March 2 from 1-5 p.m. The cost is \$45.

The purpose of the seminar is to give students and other participants an overall view of the principles used to maintain a successful business. Students will learn how to analyze systems, meet the needs of the customer, and plan for change.

For more information call Jane Newsom at 750-3581.

Networking computer course begins today

By Public Info Office

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The class will cover standard network protocol, basic features and systems available. Limited hands-on activity will be included.

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Quarter of a million grant assists small business center

By SUSIE JONES

The Business Resource Center recently was granted a \$250,000 loan to assist new small businesses and are currently accepting applications of eligible businesses.

New businesses may be eligible for a loan up to \$7,500.00 from the Small Business Administration's Microloan Program.

Most applicants are minorities, women, people with disabilities and the disadvantaged. Leo Sullivan, Microloan coordinator, said that this program placed emphasis on these applicants, but it does not exclude everyone else.

The loans range from \$100 to a maximum of \$7,500. Factors determining loan acceptance include an applicant's good character, management expertise, and demonstration of a reasonable assurance that the loan will be repaid.

Money borrowed in this loan

program may be used to purchase machinery and equipment, furniture and fixtures, inventory, supplies and working capital. These loans, however, may not be used to pay off existing debts.

These loans are to be paid on the shortest term possible. Depending on the earnings of the business, loans may be no longer than six years. The interest rates on these loans cannot be higher than four percent over the New York prime rate.

Each non-profit lending organization will have its own requirements about collateral. The organization must at least take as collateral any assets that are bought with the Microloan. In most cases, the personal guarantees of the business owners will also be required.

To apply for this loan program, call or visit the Business Resource Center. The office is located in the Community Services Center and can be reached at 754-8898.

Local drill team wins sweepstakes at Dance Company's annual clinic

By Public office info

The Midway Goal Tenders drill team received the Sweepstakes Trophy at McLennan Community College's 18th annual Dance Company Clinic/Contest on Feb. 5.

The Midway team, directed by Marsha Alvarado, received the highest overall ranking of the seven high school teams attending the clinic/contest. Also competing were drill teams from Bruceville-Eddy, LaVega, McGregor, Waco High Ninth Grade, West and University.

McGregor, Midway and Waco High Ninth received First Division ratings in their home routine. Bruceville-Eddy, McGregor, Midway, University and West received First Division ratings in the MCC routine taught that day.

In the officer competition, Waco High Ninth and Midway received First Division ratings.

In the solo competition, Midway dancers Brittainy Spuede placed first and Jaime Dolan placed second.

Five "Best Dancer" trophies were awarded to Jaime Dolan and Brittainy Spuede of Midway, Hollie Ellis of Bruceville-Eddy, Bianca Sexton of University and Terri Shepherd of McGregor. The five were selected from the 80 girls attending.

The MCC Dance Company, sponsor of the clinic/contest, is directed by Sandy Hinton. Officers are Michelle Dvorak, captain; and Amy Fruge, lieutenant. Members are: Kristi Campbell, Staci Coleman, Lee Ann Gilbreath, Heather Hinton, Amber Law, Heather McCafferty, Hollie Moegelin and Lori Teichelmann.

Judges for the contest were Katherine Patrick, Rene Taylor and Tara Vaughn.

*Tell us your thoughts. . .
Write a letter to the editor*

The Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Waco requests the honor of your presence at the installation of their minister Reverend Kathleen Trichel Ellis on Sunday, February 27, 1994 at 4:30 p.m. 4209 North 27th Street Waco, Texas

Reception Following

Clergy are invited to robe and process

EDITORIALS

Black History Month

MCC is contributing to the celebration of Black History Month. February has been officially named as Black History Month nationwide. This month is dedicated to black achievers, past and present, to give recognition for outstanding accomplishments.

And our college has been doing its part. On Feb. 16 TIGRESS, a gospel group on campus, performed in honor of Black History Month in the Student Center.

MCC also has more special activities set aside for this special month, including a video that will be shown toward the end of the month called "Beyond the Dream." It will focus on black issues in higher education.

In addition, the library staff has set up displays about Black History Month throughout the library. A number of books have been set up which are filled with interesting facts about black history. These include "Jazz" by Tony Morrison and "Possessing the Secret of Joy" by Alice Walker, who also wrote "The Color Purple."

Get a bookmark on Dr. Charles Drew, the man who invented the blood transfusion, or on Duke Ellington, a popular musician. Look at featured book jackets and posters about other black leaders.

The college has provided the opportunity to recognize these positive achievements. Don't let the month pass before taking advantage of those opportunities.

More attend activities

Did you know Homecoming was Saturday? Judging from the participation, many of you obviously did. About 300 students attended the Bonfire Thursday and a packed house watched the crowning of the Homecoming queen at halftime of the men's basketball game Saturday.

Attendance in recent years has been horrible. Although participation this year was not what it could have been, it was up dramatically from the recent years. We would like to thank all who participated in the Homecoming activities and urge students to participate in upcoming school functions. Just because MCC is a small college doesn't mean it can't be a fun college.

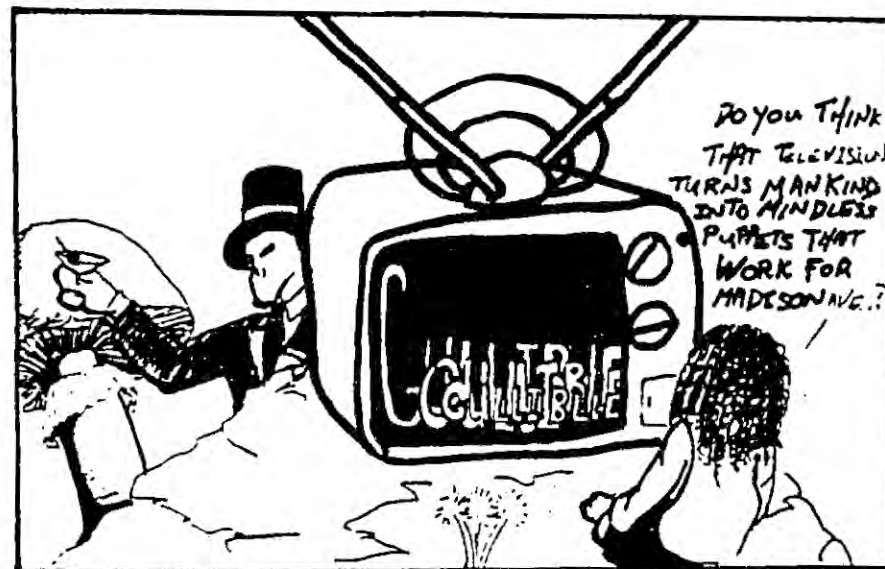
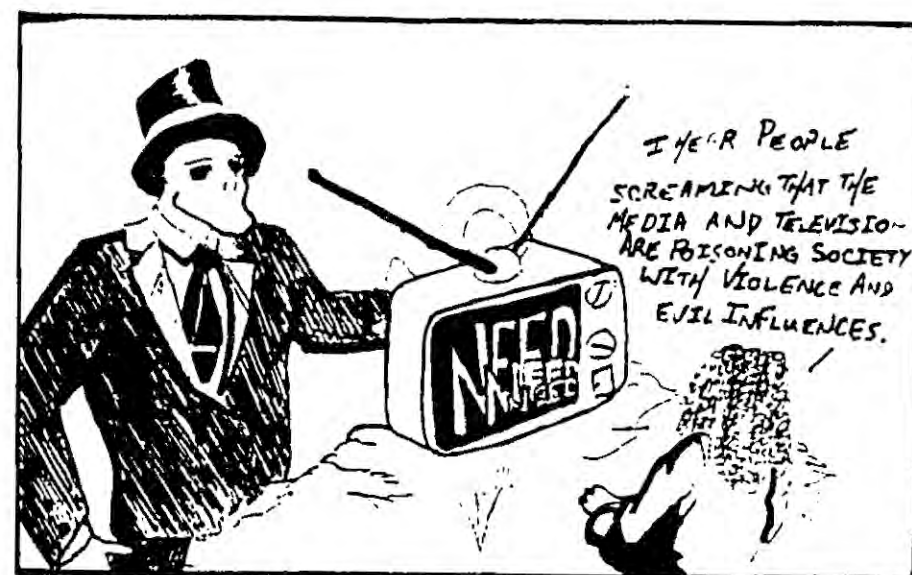
FROM OUR READERS

Democrats Club vs. who

The week of Feb. 7-11, signs were put up on the student bulletin boards in each of the buildings on campus advertising the Young Democrats Club. However, some student(s) thought it necessary to either tear the signs off the bulletin boards or to pin them back up backwards. This, I think, demonstrates the cowardliness and unsportsman-like behavior of the person or persons involved.

So, the Young Democrats club hereby issues a direct challenge to the perpetrator(s) to form their own club on campus, may it be the Young Republicans Club, the Young Conservatives Club, or the Young Independents Club. Whatever the club may be called, form it and debate us — personally. WE are more than anxious to hear what angers you so much that leads you to infringe on our club's right to advertise to the student body. Whatever your decision, do not insult your classmates or your own intelligence by lowering yourself to this behavior.

Robert Cervantes
President, The Young Democrats Club



How 'bout them other 'BOYS' ?

By MELANIE GERIK
Editor-in-chief

Once every few years, I want to check up on The Boys.

"The Boys" are a name usually used for the Dallas Cowboys, so-called "America's Team," but I'm talking about the United States hockey team. They're more of "America's Team" than any Dallas dynasty. After all, the hockey players have "USA" embroidered on their jerseys. And during this Winter Olympics, The Boys are barely men—the team's average age is 22, the youngest of any team in the tournament. And I'm sick of

every sportscaster and sportswriter calling them "Team USA."

But while I was watching the first game of The Boys, my mind kept wandering to other aspects of the broadcast. I guess my mind, which is adapted to watching figure skating, couldn't keep up with the drama of the actual game. And CBS had a little trouble as well.

In the first game, The Boys lost an early lead to The Team with Roosters on Their Uniforms (France), but came back to tie, 4-4. I enjoyed the game, but since

I'm only an occasional hockey fan, I know very little about the game itself. CBS should have a segment on the rules of hockey entitled "Hockey for Idiots, or for Those Who Aren't Old Enough to Remember the Miracle on Ice."

The "Miracle on Ice" was, of course, the surprise gold medal The Boys won in 1980, on home ice in Lake Placid, N.Y. The Boys of the past four Olympics always have been compared to The Miracle on Ice Boys by every commentator imaginable. Mike Eruzione, the captain of the 1980 team, is now a stick-the-mike-in-the-athlete's-face reporter for CBS. I thought he was going to look like a Viking god and make me drool, since he was such a god of the hockey world. But he's balding and looks so ordinary that I think I've seen him at the grocery store.

The two commentators sometimes spoke a language I couldn't translate. "It (the puck) is across two lines, so play will stop." Why should play stop? Play didn't stop when one of The Boys knocked down one of The Roosters, so why should a tiny puck rule the tempo of the game?

One of the most ridiculous quotes was "he's powerless without his stick." No, really? One thing I did learn about hockey Also, I was so, so lucky to see first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton and first daughter Chelsea react in slow motion to every play by The Boys, both good and bad. I guess CBS was testing out its Hillary-cam because The Boys refused to use a microscopic camera in the goalies' helmets. But watching the First Lady jumping up and down, talking to sprinter Florence Griffith-Joyner, an Olympic gold medalist, and screaming is much more exciting than watching a puck flying at high speeds.

Then the announcers presented a dissertation on world flags. At the game, three flags flew over the arena: United States on one side, France on the other, and a white one with a blue cross on it. They even used the electronic chalkboard to demonstrate. The commentators then complained about all the countries that have crosses on their flags. It took a while, but the announcers finally learned that the flag was from Finland, who provided referees for the game.

CBS spent close to \$300 million for the rights to broadcast these games, but the hockey game was tape-delayed when it should have been live. Auto racing pre-empted the coverage of the Winter Olympics. During commercial breaks, I switched the channel to CNN Headline News where I learned the results before CBS could tell me.

But I was most bothered by the uniforms of both the American and French teams. A tiny Reebok logo is embroidered on the front of the jersey. But on the shoulders, big Reebok logos (two parallel lines with another cutting through) are dominant in most of the camera shots. While I have no problem with Reebok providing clothes for Olympians—just look at almost any shot of Nancy Kerrigan off the ice—I thought that any type of advertisement was forbidden in Olympic venues and on the athletes during competition. Even if Reebok did provide tons of money and equipment for the hockey competition, a dominating logo is advertising, so it shouldn't be on the uniforms of athletes.

Maybe as the Games progress, I will be able to focus on The Boys without all these distractions. But until then, I'll have to view the games through the eyes of a figure skating fanatic.



Another call for safe driving

By ELISHA NIEMEYER
Feature Editor

Driving to MCC can kill you! In other words, when you get into your car and head for the MCC campus you are traveling a danger zone that should read, "enter at your own risk."

I don't know if you have noticed all of the crazy drivers around campus or not but they are here.

Traffic is horrible in the morning, especially when everyone is in a terrible rush to get to class. Instead of getting there 10 minutes before class, many students arrive only a couple of minutes before and make a mad dash to fight for one of the few parking places left on campus.

Yes, I am as guilty as the next person. But after witnessing three accidents on my way to

school one rainy morning, I decided it was time to slow down and start driving safely.

Most people don't feel that anything can happen to them, therefore they do not use good judgement while driving. This can sometimes result in a serious accident and maybe even death.

It seems that this is the case on and around campus. Not all drivers are aware of the pedestrians and other vehicles around them.

As you probably already know, pedestrians have the right of way. We should be kind and give it to them, instead of racing to see who can cross the intersection first.

If everyone would be a little

more defensive while driving, it would cut out a lot of the problems that are causing many of the terrible accidents.

This year alone there have been at least two fatal accident around campus. It seems the most dangerous spot is the intersection at Lake Shore and College Drive, so it might be wise to drive with a little more caution at this location.

Every week there are a least a few pedestrians that are scared out of their minds while trying to cross the crosswalks. Now think about it. Is this really necessary?

This is a dangerous situation that can be solved in a simple way. Everyone must begin to drive with awareness and be courteous to others.

When you are behind the wheel the power of speed can sometimes take control, (I've felt it too). But you must also remember that you have the power that can lead to death.

So the next time you come to an intersection close to campus, be sure that you not only stop, but that you also look to make sure nothing is coming. Even though the light is green you must still be aware of the dangers that come along with crossing the intersection without a green arrow.

You may feel that you are a perfect driver, but think about the other driver that may be racing though the intersection to beat the yellow light. Are they as perfect as you?

The Highland Herald Poll

What do you think about the recent Homecoming activities?

Interviews and photos by Elisha Niemeyer



Ricky Zavala major: psychology
"It was really neat for MCC to have something like homecoming, because I thought only four year colleges had a homecoming."

Jonny Neff major: law
"I think our homecoming activities, including the bonfire were very successful, and I hope for bigger and better turn outs in the future."

Ronald Book major: marine biology
"I think that it brings back some old high school homecoming memories and it also brings everyone together to get to meet new people."

Johnny Davis major: undecided
"I think that the homecoming activities should be advertised a little more, because I didn't know about them until right before."

Misty Laranca major: psychology
"I think it was good to give students something to do and it is a way for students to get to know each other better. It is also a way to raise support for MCC."

Klley Kondriok major: criminal justice
"I thought that bonfire was strange because MCC doesn't have a football team. It was good for the baseball and basketball teams to get recognized though."

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No.10 Highlanders clinch conference

The word "streaks" tells you all you need to know about the MCC men's basketball team. Streaks, as in win streaks. Many of them. 22 straight games. 33 straight conference games. 40 straight home games. Three straight conference championships.

The Highlanders extended their many win streaks with a 105-78 blowout of Grayson before a homecoming crowd of over 1,000. Marco Brown scored 19 for the Highlanders. Kenneth Benton and Brian Green had 15

apiece, while Marcos Moss had seven and dished out 13 assists.

The men clinched their third straight conference championship with a 104-71 thumping of Cisco a few weeks ago. Moss led the Highlanders with 21 points. Norman Williams had 16 and Green had 13. The Highlanders went on to defeat Hill College that same week. Moss and Benton each scored 24 and Brown added 12.

The Highlanders play their final regular season game tomorrow at Ranger.

Tennis duo meets its match at Rolex

By AARON TUDOR

Even the best sometimes lose. The doubles team of Javier Ruiz and Jonas Andersson, the No. 1 ranked junior college doubles team in the nation, found that out at the Rolex National Intercollegiate Indoor Tennis championships. After winning both the Rolex ITA Junior College Championships and the Rolex ITA Small College Super Bowl, the duo were defeated in the second round of the indoor championships by Pepperdine's doubles team.

Despite their loss, they were the only junior college team in the tournament and they defeated the top ranked NCAA Division I doubles team in the nation.

The duo has progressed rapidly since they began playing together earlier this year. They began playing together only two days before the Rolex regional qualifying tournament.

"I was surprised at how well they did so rapidly," Coach

Carmack Berryman said. "It usually takes a while for a doubles team to get used to each other's play."

Besides being the top ranked doubles team in the nation, Both Ruiz and Andersson are ranked in the top 10 in singles.

The men's team is 3-0 in team play this semester. They have defeated Southwest Texas State, Shriners College, and Incarnate Word.

The women's team suffered a major setback when Estelle Felan, one of their top players, decided not to return to the team this semester. Without Felan, the team is off to an 0-2 start with losses to Incarnate Word and Southwest Texas State.

Although he is pleased with the success of Ruiz and Andersson, Berryman said both the men's and women's teams have a lot of work ahead of them. "Our goal is to make it back to the national championships," Berryman said.

Both team's host a tournament here this weekend.



Photo by Brooks Whittington



Photo by Lee Brill

Up, and up, and up, and at 'em!

TWO THE EASY WAY -- Brian Green slams one down while the referee tries to keep up. Green scored 13 as the Highlanders blew out Cisco 104-71 to clinch their third straight conference championship.

TWO THE HARD WAY -- Kenneth Benton puts up a reverse lay-up with the Grayson defender on his back. Benton scored 15 as the Highlanders topped Grayson 105-78 for their 22nd consecutive win.

Baseball schedule

- Feb. 22 — Navarro, here, 1 p.m.
 - Feb. 25 — Cooke County, here, 2 p.m.
 - Feb. 26 — Cooke County, here, 1 p.m.
 - March 4 — Brookhaven, there, 2 p.m.
 - March 5 — Brookhaven, there, 1 p.m.
 - March 8 — Odessa, there, 1 p.m.
 - March 9 — Odessa, there, 2 p.m.
 - March 11 — Hill, here, 2 p.m.
 - March 12 — Hill, here, 1 p.m.
 - March 18 — Vernon, there, 1 p.m.
 - March 19 — Vernon, there, noon.
 - March 22 — San Jacinto, there, 1 p.m.
 - March 26 — Blinn, here, 1 p.m.
 - April 1 — Collin County, there, 2 p.m.
 - April 2 — Collin County, there, 1 p.m.
 - April 8 — Ranger, here, 2 p.m.
 - April 9 — Ranger, here, 1 p.m.
 - April 12 — San Jacinto, here, 1 p.m.
 - April 15 — Cooke Co., there, 2 p.m.
 - April 16 — Cooke Co., there, 1 p.m.
 - April 19 — Blinn, there, 2 p.m.
 - April 22 — Brookhaven, here, 2 p.m.
 - April 23 — Brookhaven, here, 1 p.m.
 - April 26 — Northlake, there, 2 p.m.
 - April 29 — Hill, there, 2 p.m.
 - April 30 — Hill, there, 1 p.m.
 - May 6 — Vernon, here, 1 p.m.
 - May 7 — Vernon, here, noon.
- State Junior College Tournament, Stephenville, to be announced.

Lassies need one win for tournament berth

By DWAYNE DISHMON

The Highlassies are shooting for another trip to the post-season playoffs. The Highlassies must win one of their remaining two games in order to qualify for the playoffs.

The team lost to Grayson Saturday, 84-69. Yong Tran led the Lassies with 17 points. Ivory Ashberry added 12 in the losing effort.

The Lassies' travel to Ranger tomorrow and then play host to Southwestern on Saturday. A win against

Ranger or Southwestern would guarantee a berth in the post season tournament.

The Highlassies chances for qualifying do look promising. They have already defeated Ranger by 35 points, and beat Southwestern by 40 points.

Coach Wendell Hudson is pleased to see that the Highlassies are playing what he describes as "pretty consistent" basketball, with freshmen playing important minutes at a crucial time.

The Highlassies are led by

guard Yong Tran, who was recently nominated for the North Texas Junior College Conference player of the week. She averages 18.7 points and 5.5 assists per game.

The Highlassies strength in the post comes from the tandem of Lisa Brown, who averages 11.5 rebounds per game and Ivory Ashberry, who averages 9.1 rebounds per game. Both Brown and Ashberry are ranked in the top 10 for rebounding in the conference.

Baseball team starts off slow, 3-3 in league play

By HEATHER ELLIS

Young talent and seasoned veterans are expected to carry the baseball team to its sixth straight conference title.

"We have played about as well as expected for such a young team," said baseball coach Paul Miller.

"Some games we've played a lot better than others. We really need to get more consistent." Miller feels that the minimum level of talent on this year's team is equal to that of last years. He thinks that with this team's new talent, he'll have plenty to work with.

Gilby Beckham, Carl Caddell, Blake Davis, David Harper, Chris Hathcock, David Johnson, Keith Knoerr and Brian Tiekoll are some of the fresh talent that Miller expects to really help the

team out this season.

Miller is also counting on veterans Alden Elliott, Jim Ginnano, Lance Lacy, Travis Ling, Steve Martinez, Fredrick Moreland, Gregory Nowkirk, Steve Ortiz and Chad Tidwell to round out the Highlanders' talent.

Miller feels the squad is lacking in experience and team chemistry, but with 30 more games he is confident that both of those will come about.

Miller hopes for the team to go beyond last years squad which made it all the way to post-season action before losing in the third round of the state tournament.

With strong pitching and powerful hitting being the team's strengths, Miller feels this is a realistic goal.

The Highlanders are 7-3 overall and are 3-3 in

conference play after taking two of three from Ranger this weekend.

"This is not where we would like to be," Miller said, "but we have 30 more games to pull ourselves out." Miller expects undefeated Hill Junior College to be a tough competitor, but the Highlanders are picked to win the conference.

The Highlanders' next home games will be a non-conference double-header with Navarro College today, and then a two game series with conference rival Cooke County College Friday and Saturday.

The Weekend's Scores

MCC 20, Ranger 11

MCC 9, Ranger 8

MCC 4, Ranger 12

In case you missed it . . .
You want to do what, Michael?

By AARON TUDOR
sports editor

Michael Jordan wants to play baseball. No big deal, right?

Wrong.

To hear the players and media tell it, you'd think he payed someone to club Larry Bird with an iron pipe. They think that Jordan playing baseball will some how make a mockery of the game.

Remember Vinco Coleman throwing a firecracker at a family, injuring a small child? How about Bret Saberhagen spraying bleach on reporters? Jordan might actually bring a little class back to baseball.

The players keep saying he won't make it.

Who cares!

Even if he strikes out every time he bats it will still be fun to watch. I guarantee if he makes the majors, I'll be at The Ballpark in Arlington when the Rangers play the White Sox.

Professional baseball has become boring. There are no real superstars like in football, basketball or even hockey.

Nolan Ryan was the most popular player in baseball until his retirement last season. That should tell you all you need to know about baseball. How old is he, about 80?

The most exciting part of a baseball game is a home run. Well, you can still see home runs. But now you can see home runs and Michael Jordan.

I hope Jordan makes it to the majors. The sellout crowds and extra news coverage would be good for the game. Besides, even if he only hits .100, at least he won't be throwing firecrackers.



Photo by Lee Brill

STRONG PITCHING

One of the strengths the Highlanders will need to repeat as conference champs will be a strong showing on the mound.

Education on UFO's in the 20th century

Classes explaining the 'now you see them, now you don't' objects in the sky

By MELANIE GERIK
Myrna Root pulled the cord to tell the driver she and her two cousins wanted off the bus. As soon as she had pulled it, she looked out the window into the town of Tampico, Mexico. She saw a tiny cloud with a light shining at her eye level in the dusk sky. The light would shine as bright as a street lamp, then it would dim. This happened three or four times as the bus came to a stop a block down the road. Her cousins said they saw the mysterious light as well. The light continued to brighten, then dim as they walked to Root's grandfather's house. Then suddenly, the light and the cloud vanished. Root de-

scribed it as "now you see it, now you don't." She asked her grandfather about it. He assured her it was only a star and told her she would see it again the next day. She never saw the light and the cloud again. What was it? Was it only a star, as her grandfather suggested? Was it some sort of reflection? Or was it an unidentified flying object, a UFO? Root's encounter interested her in sightings of UFOs in ancient Mexico, and recently she took a course about the history of UFOs. For the past four Saturdays, Root learned about other incidents such as hers and other possible UFO sightings in

"UFOs of the 20th Century," a course offered by the continuing education department. The course was taught by Annette Manders. Manders said that she first became interested in UFOs in 1961 when she learned about the Betty and Barney Hill abduction, one of the first documented alien abduction cases. Betty and Barney Hill were driving through the New Hampshire countryside when they saw a strange flying object approach their car. During separate hypnosis sessions, they revealed corroborating details about experiments performed on them by strange beings. Although Manders is a former member of the Mutual UFO

Network headquartered in Seguin, she said that she is not a hard-core "UFOlogist." However, she said she is interested by the effects UFOs have on earthlings. "I don't know (if UFOs exist). I just think it's interesting," Manders said. In the first class meeting, students learned about the history of UFO sightings in the United States. During the second meeting, the class studied alien abductions from two different points of view. Manders said some UFOlogists think aliens abduct humans for biogenetic experiments while others think that abductions are symbolic gestures.

The third meeting dealt with ancient and global sightings. Alien landings have been suspected as early as biblical times. In Japan, during the Jomon Era ending about 3000 B.C., statues of human beings had many widely accepted characteristics of aliens: helmets, large heads, huge eyes and arched legs. Joseph Blumrich, in his book, "The Spaceships of Ezekiel," presents a case based on interpretations of the writings of Ezekiel, an Old Testament prophet, claiming that it is possible that Ezekiel was visited by aliens in approximately 600 B.C. In the fourth meeting, Manders presented information about recent UFO sightings and

crash retrievals by government agencies. Before moving to Waco, Manders learned about the continuing education department by sending away for an MCC catalog. She contacted Richard Coronado, head of the continuing education department, and suggested the course on UFOs. Coronado said that the department presently is assessing the course and will decide to offer it again or to offer a follow-up course in the near future. Manders has a bachelor's degree in creative writing and a master's in English. She also will teach a continuing education course titled "Saturday Creative Writers Workshop" starting in late March.

Life long dream finally comes true with the help of MCC

By REBECCA TREVINO
James Carnes, 59, saw the opportunity and seized the beginning to his life long dream — to read. After a childhood that included the separation of his parents, some moves, and having to work as a youngster, Carnes found himself an adult who could not understand the printed page. He wanted to learn to read,

and after marriage and moving to Waco he tried, but he said the teaching didn't fit into his plans. Then came hope. One night he saw a commercial on television about those who could not read or write. A toll free number was listed, so he wrote the number down and later called. Carnes was referred to Barbara Sloan in Austin. Sloan was holding a school for the elderly

and handicapped. Carnes attended class one time, but it became difficult for him to commute back and forth. Sloan, understanding the situation, on her own time met with Carnes every Tuesday night for about three hours of intensified study. About this time Sloan and her husband contacted MCC's Adult Learning Center. The center set up an interview. Before Carnes knew it, he was enrolled in the

Adult Learning Center working on computers, breaking down syllables and working on crossword puzzles on his way to learning to read and write. "I felt like a child who just got a new toy," Carnes said about his first class day. While Carnes was in this program, a tutor was provided to help him. During one of these sessions, Carnes said he had done something that he had never done in

his life — typed on a computer a letter to his brother. Carnes said at first his test grades ranged from 60-70 percent, but last Tuesday, his final class day at MCC, he scored 100 on his last test. Carnes is planning to move with his daughter in South Dakota. Carnes said he was going to try to find a program like MCC's in that area and finish. Later he said he hopes to get his high school equivalency di-

ploma and continue his education to become a computer technician. Carnes will not be leaving empty handed because of all his friends he has made at MCC. "There are two kinds of people," he said, "those who have to go to school and don't want to learn — and those who want to learn and can't go to school."



HOMEcomings QUEEN NOMINEES and their escorts were presented during the half-time show of the men's basketball game Saturday night at the Highlands Gym. Pictured from left are Tom McClintock, first runner-up Heather Rushing; Carol A. Molter, and her escort Mark Heslep; Homecoming Queen Tseghe F. Belay, and escort Khaled Majeed; last year's homecoming queen Tammie Hayes; Shonna Brown, and escort Chris Dieterich; Ellsha Nlemeyer, and escort Chris Holle; and Jeanna Rostocky, escorted by her husband Lonnie Rostocky. Not pictured is nominee Amy Fruge, who was escorted by her father Sherman Fruge. The homecoming queen was presented with a crown and roses, the first runner-up was also presented with a bouquet of roses.

The MCC Student Government will be holding a car wash fundraiser at the Wal-Mart parking lot located in Bellmead on Friday, Feb. 25 from 11 am- 6 pm. Cost: By donation only

Corrections for Honors List

In the story about the college's Honors and Distinguished Honors in the Feb. 8 issue of the newspaper, 28 students were incorrectly listed. Those who should have received recognition for Distinguished Honors (a 3.8 to 4.0 grade point average for the fall semester) but who were placed in the Honors list, according to the public information office, are Donna Michelle Hanks, Brent T. Sykora, Rachel E. Vikers, Tracie Lynn Lynch, Kolly W. Parker, Jessica D. McMichael, Cheri D. Bauerlein, Jana Korean Tyler and Taylor L. Townsend. Also Steven L. Scheffley, Catherine Rene Smith, Tabitha

na Mari Thomas, Kenneth L. Crowley, Wayne T. Dyingier, Amy E. Hamilton, Brian Leo Ingram, Elaine A. Morgan, Carrie A. Wenzel, Aaron Susan York, Charles D. Brown, Brad E. Canon, Kirk A. Helpert, Nino P. Johnson, Kristin Diane Nobis, Jaime E. Palmor, Brandon B. Shirley, Nicole A. Shule and Shannon L. Thomas.

MCC Classes Starting Soon

Course	Course #	Day, time	Begin	Location
Contemporary Business Issues	BUIS 239N	TTTh 12:30-2:30pm	Feb. 22	MCC campus
Computer Literacy	CISY 1170	Thu 5:45-9:15pm	Apr. 14	MCC campus
Dallas Study Tour	FASH 117M	TBA	May 16	MCC campus
Dallas Study Tour	FASH 119M	TBA	Apr. 7	MCC campus
Topic Seminar: Associations	FASH 217C	Fri 10:10am-12:10pm	Mar. 25	MCC campus
Basic Concepts in Arithmetic	MATH 0100	TBA	Mar. 20	MCC campus
Polynomials and Factoring	MATH 0101	TBA	Mar. 28	MCC campus
Rational & Radical Expressions	MATH 0102	TBA	Mar. 28	MCC campus
Keyboarding I	OFAD 1101	MW 8-8:55am	Mar. 7	MCC campus
Keyboarding I	OFAD 1101	MW 9:05-10am	Mar. 7	MCC campus
Keyboarding I/Skill	OFAD 1102	MW 10:10-11:05am	Mar. 7	MCC campus
Keyboarding I/Skill	OFAD 1102	MW 12:30-1:25pm	Mar. 5	MCC campus
Keyboarding I/Skill	OFAD 1102	MW 5:40-8:40pm	Mar. 7	MCC campus
MCE Real Estate Agency Law	REAL 210A	Fri pm/Sat/Sun	Mar. 4	MCC campus

Offered Off-Campus

Computer Literacy	CISY 1170	Mon 6-9pm	Mar. 28	Midway High School
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Call 750-3522 or stop by the registrar's office for more information

McLennan Community College

Art of 15 students chosen for show

By SHERRY W. EVANS

An aging beauty washed in blue tries to roll "Seven the Hard Way," a swirling of bright colors smattered with charcoal invoke the "Beauty of Life," and the detail and delicacy of "Me" are striking to passers by.

Twenty works of art in various mediums, representing 15 student artists, are displayed on the 75 foot long wall inside the Ball Performing Arts Center for the Annual Student Art Exhibition.

A local sculptor, Terrisa J. Mabrey, juried the exhibition last week. Of the 24 artists that submitted 60 entries for the exhibition, she chose to divide the \$200 prize among four students and award \$50 each to Mary Grace Zarraga, Erin Stegall, Albert Contreras and Erjian Hu. Other students with art chosen for the show include Steve Corbitt, Josephina Lares, LaVonna Alexander, Caroline Sheehy, Robert Bradley Little, Jong Park, April Reid, Charles Smith, Chris Martin, David A. Carter and Joe Lippe.

In a statement about judging art, Mabrey said, "I see all things through the bias of my personal perspective . . . I seek to share the mental and spiritual adventures of all human beings as expressed in their art."

John Chatmas, art instructor and exhibition coordinator, said, "Some things were left out not because they weren't as good, but because they didn't fit with the very strong themes Ms. Mabrey saw emerging."

The works are displayed in six groupings which Mabrey said were like mini-exhibits within the exhibition: Fragile Fear, Demons and Monsters, Gaia, Mystery, Flora and Fauna, and Portraits. She said, "By presenting the works in this fashion, I hope to achieve a situation which encourages the viewer to make his own 'connections' among the works I have connected by placing them within the group."

Chatmas said a judge for the student exhibition has never used connections in the art as well as the traditional qualities such as skill, creativity, design and expressiveness to jury an exhibit. "I could really see the connections after they were hung

on the wall," Chatmas said. "I think even people who did not know the connections beforehand could figure them out because of the way they are displayed."

Mabrey's sculptures have been exhibited in Texas, New York, Washington D.C., Egypt, Italy, Singapore and the Netherlands. She has works in the collections of the Dallas Museum of Art, the Academy of Art, Amsterdam, and the American Embassy, Egypt. She resides in Central Texas and has a studio here, but has also maintained a studio in Italy where she works several months each year.

The exhibition is free and will continue through March 24.

Group I: FRAGILE FEAR

Jong Park, FACE, paper
Erin Stegall, DEBBIE #2, photograph

April Reid, SEVEN THE HARD WAY, pencil and oil wash

Group II: DEMONS AND MONSTERS

Caroline Sheehy, THE CAT, wire

LaVonna Alexander, TRAY OF PEACE, clay

Mary Grace Zarraga, BLACK AS WAR, charcoal

Albert Contreras, UNTITLED, photography

Robert Little, FROM THE INSIDE LOOKING OUT, acrylic

Group III: GAIA

Albert Contreras, UNTITLED, photography

Erin Stegall, TRIANGLES, photography

Josefina Lares, BEAUTY OF LIFE, construction paper and charcoal

Group IV: MYSTERY

Erjian Hu, TRANQUILITY, oil on rice paper

Steve Corbitt, DELINEATED DIMENSION, photography

Group V: FLORA & FAUNA

Charles Smith, UNTITLED, ebony pencil

Mary Grace Zarraga, HUNGAR, charcoal

Group VI: PORTRAITS

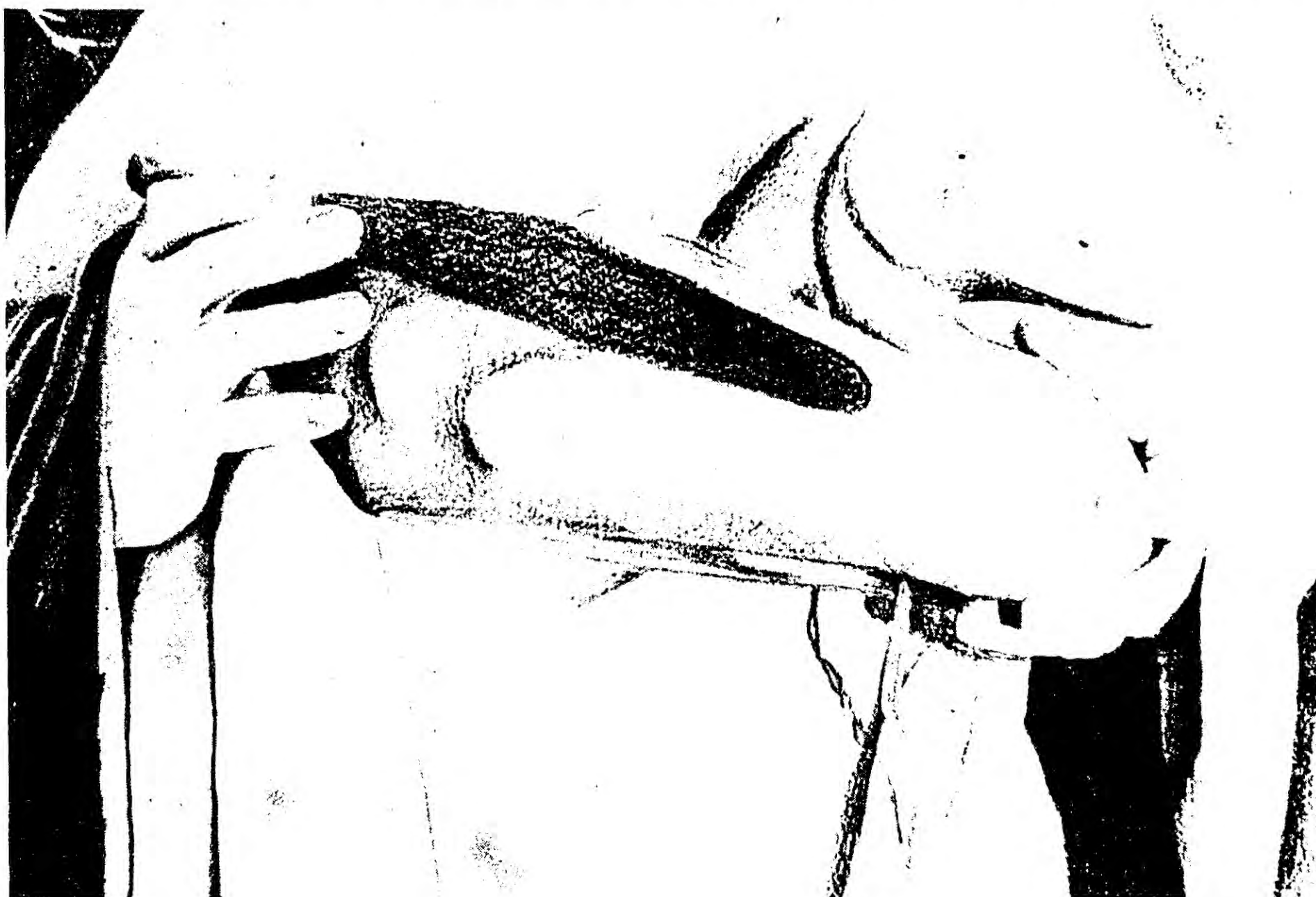
Mary Grace Zarraga, ME, pencil

David Carter, WHAT?, pencil

Joe Lippe, LEG OF LIFE, charcoal

Josefina Lares, UNTITLED, charcoal and pencil

Chris Martin, AMY, charcoal



A picture drawing entitled Me: by Mary Grace Zarraga, that won her one of 4 \$50 awards at annual art exhibit.

Protest drama

'Mother Courage and Her Children' opens tomorrow

By JIM WARD

The theater department will perform Bertolt Brecht's protest drama "Mother Courage and Her Children" Wednesday through Saturday at 7:30 p.m. at the Performing Arts Center.

The play is set during Europe's Thirty Years' War and is centered around Anna Fierling (Reagan Thompson), also known as Mother Courage, a woman who makes a living pulling a canteen wagon behind armies in the wake of their battles. The character is driven by greed, hoping for the continuance of war for profit even at the cost of losing what is dear to her, her own children, (performed by Julie Nichols, Jake Davis and

The play is directed by Jim Rambo, who recently was chosen to receive the Texas Educational Theater Association's Founder's Award, and will have a cast of 15 students. Cast members include:

Tickets are available at the BPAC box office. MCC students receive free admission with a student identification card. Other tickets are \$5 for adults, \$3 for non-MCC students and senior adults.

'Mother Courage and Her Children'

*Performance running February 23rd-26th
Pick up your tickets today!*

Cast Members:

Mother Courage.....Regan Thompson
Kattrin.....Julie Nichols
Eilif.....Jake Davis
Swiss Cheese.....Micheal Bailey
Cook.....Tony Vitiello
Chaplain.....Courtney Mitchell
Yvette.....Amy Hamilton
Peasant Woman.....Jana Tyler
Captions/Narrator.....TaShawna Thomas
Recruiting Officer.....Micheal Bell
Sergeant, Scene I.....David Ellis
Swedish Commander.....Kelly Parker
Ordnance Officer.....Nelson Flores
Man with Bandage.....Brent Sykora
Sergeant, Scene III.....Elliot Karash
Colonel.....David Ellis
Man with Stretcher.....Elliot Karash
Man with Stretcher.....Micheal Bell
Regimental Solider.....Brent Sykora
Older Solider.....Nelson Flores
First Solider, Scene V.....Elliot Karash

Soldier, Scene VI.....Micheal Bell
Soldiers, Scene VII.....Elliot Karash, Micheal Bailey, Brent Sykora
Young Man.....Kelly Parker
Old Woman.....Jana Tyler
Yvette's Servant.....Nelson Flores
Soldier, Scene VIII.....Brent Sykora
Soldier, Scene VIII.....Elliot Karash
Lieutenant.....Micheal Bell
First Soldier, Scene XI.....Elliot Karash
Second Soldier, Scene XI.....Brent Sykora
Old Peasant.....David Ellis
Peasant Woman.....Jana Tyler
Young Peasant.....Kelly Parker

Assistant Director...Andy Sanders
Stage Manager....Pollard Galipp
Research Assistant....Wanda Wiseman
Director...Jim Rambo
Costume Designer...Janelle Flowers
Scenery/Lighting Designer....Tim Poertner

Waco tastes new sounds

Variety in local gigs

By DEREK KNOWLTON

Three Austin bands have introduced Waco to a new sound. Lately the sounds of blues and jazz and soul have been the center of attention for some of the area bands. Austin based bands like Little Sister, Bob Schneider's Ugly Americans, and Panic Choir have all expanded from their Austin home to play all over the state.

The MTV news coverage of their shows in Austin has skyrocketed the bands in the local charts, and in Little Sister's case earned the group a national label with EMI records. Wayne Sutton, the lead guitarist of Little Sister, said, "The EMI guy seemed to be in touch with what we want to do. It's a live album, and we're going to sell them at the shows."

Little Sister has embraced Austin's revival of jazz and funk to create a high-energy live band.

Ugly Americans and Panic Choir have both benefited from the success of Little Sister and Soul Hat, as well as, the recent demise of the band Joe Rockhead.

Already Ugly Americans and Panic Choir have been establishing themselves with the local crowd and major portions of Little Sister's bookings on Austin's Sixth Street and in Central Texas.

The Ugly Americans' recent show at Buzzard Billy's was their first in Waco, but they plan to return soon.

The audience is an important factor for the band. In an interview with the band after its show at Buzzard Billy's, Schneider said, "As long as people are up and dancing it's a good show. We just want to get people involved in the show, and music breaks the barrier between band and the crowd."

The band has about three and a half hours of music now, but they are constantly writing new material.

Schneider said their goal is to make the music completely eclectic. The audience won't like everything they play, he said, but he hopes everyone will like something they play.

ENTERTAINMENT CALENDAR

Date	Place	Performer
Feb. 21-26	Cholson Street Pub	Rif Raf
Feb. 24	Buzzard Billy's	Panic Choir
Feb. 25	Buzzard Billy's	Tracy Conover
	DJ's	Wayward Suns
	Scruffy Murphy's	Graffiti Prophets
	Sue's #2	Jus Cause
Feb. 26	Buzzard Billy's	Joe Silva
	DJ's	Coffee Bar Cult
	Scruffy Murphy's	Ezra's Poundcake
	Sue's #2	Jus Cause
Feb. 28- Mar 5	Cholson Street Pub	Abraxas
March 3	Buzzard Billy's	Soul Food Cafe
	Scruffy Murphy's	The Killer Bees
March 4	DJ's	Common Ground
	Scruffy Murphy's	My Dog Maddoo
	Sue's #2	Mix Masters
March 5	Buzzard Billy's	John McVay and the Stumbees
	DJ's	Whirling Dervish
	Sue's #2	Wiskey Road

Students selected to Texas Junior College All-State Concert Band

Public Info. Office release

Four McLennan Community College music students were selected for the 1994 Texas Junior College All-State Concert Band.

A total of 107 students, representing 27 colleges, were selected by tape auditions for the honor group.

MCC students chosen were: Holly Devorsky, a graduate of

LaVega High School, bass trombone; Sharon Herring of Salado, clarinet; Steve Scheifley of Victoria, percussion; and Brandon Smith of Palestine, percussion.

The Junior College All-State Concert Band rehearsed and performed at the Texas Music Educators Association conference Feb. 9-12 in San Antonio.

The band gave the world premiere of a new work for band commissioned in honor of the 20th anniversary of the All-State Honor Band this year.

The four students are music or commercial music majors at and are members of the MCC Wind Symphony, conducted by James Popejoy, director of bands and percussion studies at MCC.

McLennan Community College Theatre Department

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MOTHER COURAGE AND HER CHILDREN

By Bertolt Brecht



Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Feb. 23-26
7:30 p.m.

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