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SG conducts initial meetings; Newly elected reps sworn in

By JANNA HATFIELD

"I'm really excited about this year. I have a lot to learn, but we've got a great group of people and I'm confident we'll get things done this year," said newly elected Student Government Vice-President Mike Gilbert.

Gilbert was sworn in at last week's SG meeting along with all 20 of the new representatives.

Representatives elected include Jane Butler, Melinda Wolle, Tracy Poe, Brad Lancaster, Connie Beltran, Ann Anderson, Allison Brisby, Janet Pharr, Jennifer Frambach and Stephanie Baldwin.

Also, Lowell Adkins, Wesley Priddy, Kim Koop, Susan Tur-

geon, Kathy Matus, Shirley Slavik, Steven Couch, Darrell Bryant, and Mark Heyman.

James Butler, SG president, opened the meeting by introducing the officers. MCC President Dr. Wilbur Ball sat in on the meeting and also said a word of welcome to the new representatives.

Bryant Burleson, director of student activities and SG sponsor, also welcomed the new members and gave a brief overview of this semester's activities.

One of the main goals of the SG is to "get things done" through the sub-committees elected each year. The members also elected sub-committee chairmen for each group. Those chairmen include Kathy

Matus as social chairman, Tracy Poe as games chairman,

Mark Heyman as suggestion box chairman, Janna Hatfield as election chairman, Cindy Londenburg as scrapbook chairman, and Butch Tussey as parking lot chairman.

Some of the events in the near future for the Student Government include the fall retreat (an annual retreat designed to enlighten members of their duties and relieve some expectations), "Kicker Day," and a Board of Trustees dinner meeting.

"I feel very positive about the upcoming year. Student Government will do an excellent job of championing the student's needs and wants," Burleson said.



SG officers Cecilia Matus and Cindy Londenberg sliced watermelon for hungry students during the SG sponsored watermelon cut. (Photo by Marvin Clynych)

Names sought for petition

I.D. question raised

By KELLEY MUDRA

"Among the top priorities of Student Government this semester is to get durable, picture IDs for students," accord-

ing to Student Government President James Butler.

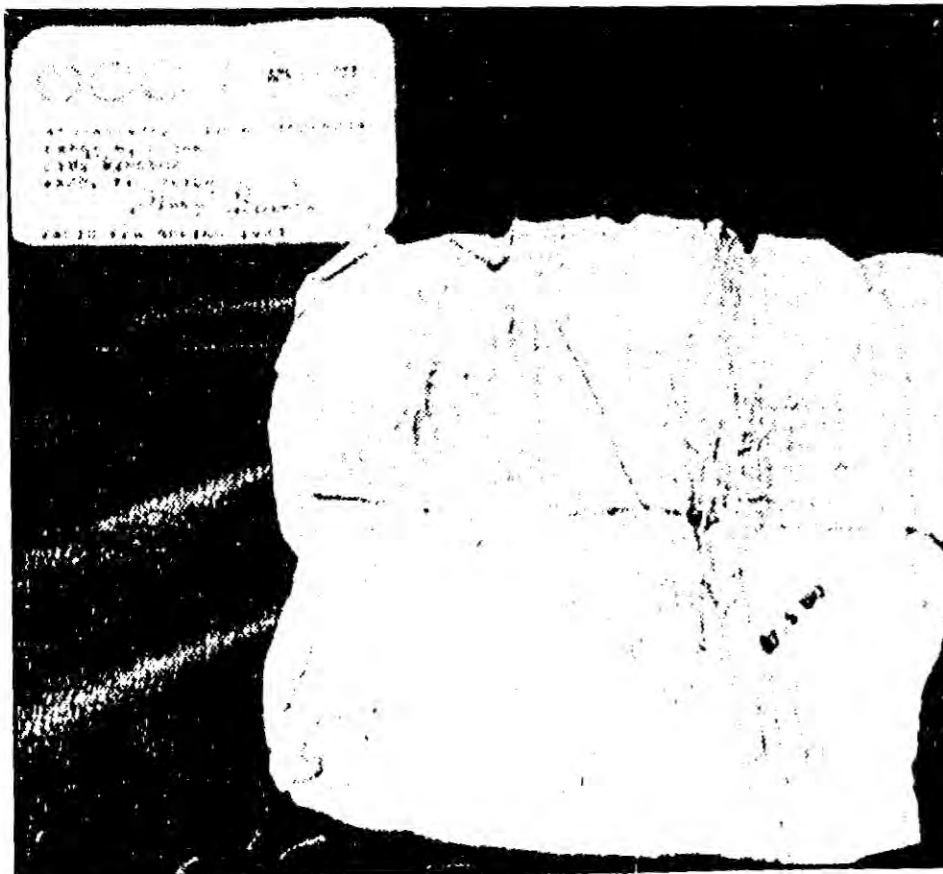
But are picture IDs wanted by all, or even a majority of the students at MCC?

LaVerne Wong, vice-president, Student Services, said she does not believe that the majority of students have a need for picture IDs because most of the students have a driver's license with a picture on it. Wong believes that a picture ID would be useful to some students but not all students, and probably not even the majority of students.

The Student Government, on the other hand, feels that there is indeed a need and a desire for better student IDs. The Student Government is currently conducting a survey for those who want laminated picture IDs.

The current IDs make up one dollar of the five dollar student service fee paid by students at the time of registration. But, Butler said that since the current IDs are paper, they are easily ruined or lost and the cost for replacing these IDs is three dollars.

Also, according to Butler, the new picture IDs, however, would cost no more or perhaps even less than the current IDs and would certainly be more durable.



Paper I.D.s (r) are not as durable or easy to handle as the more compact cardboard models (l).

Kicker Day dance planned

By LYNDA YEZZI

Students are asked to dress in western attire and join in the fun at this year's "Kicker Day" dance, which will be held Oct. 5 at 10 a.m. in the Student Center and will feature the band "Calico."

"Kicker Day" is one of many activities that will be sponsored by the Student Government throughout the year in compliance with the office of Student Activities.

"We tried to get together a list of activities that would appeal to the different taste of the students," said Director of Student Activities Bryant Burleson.

"Our next dance, after Kicker Day, will be the Halloween Dance on Oct. 26, and we are hoping to have it on the Suspension Bridge," said Burleson. "We are trying to find different locations for all the dances this year, instead of having them all at one place. I think the Bridge would be a great spot especially for the Halloween Dance, because of the way the fog comes rolling off the Brazos at night. It's the perfect setting."

There also will be at least one mini-concert per month in the Student Center during the 10 a.m. hour. The next scheduled concert will be Sept. 28, and will feature a rock band. "Concerts will be held both

inside the Student Center, and right underneath the walkway, depending on the weather and time of year," said Burleson. "Again, we are going to try to have a variety of music so we can try and meet everyone's taste."

Burleson also reminds everyone that most activities sponsored by the office of Student Activities or the Student Government are free to any MCC student with a current student I.D.

"Most freshman students should make it a point to attend as many of these activities as they can," said Burleson. "It's a great way to meet new people, and it can also be counted as an orientation activity."

Enrollment grows

Enrollment figures for the Fall 1984 semester at MCC are in. The figures show an across-the-board increase in full-time, part-time, day and evening students. The total college-credit enrollment to date is 4,085, which is a seven percent increase over the Fall 1983 semester.

Full-time student enrollment rose from 1,963 in 1983 to 2,039 this fall, which is a 3.9 percent increase. Part-time student enrollment rose from 2,417 in 1983

to 2,046 this fall for a 9.5 percent increase. Day student enrollment rose from 3,002 in 1983 to 3,136 in 1984, to record a 4.5 percent increase. Evening student enrollment also increased, from 1,378 to 1,549, for a 12.4 percent increase.

In addition to college-credit students, 4,227 are expected to enroll in the Continuing Education division, which offers non-credit courses and seminars. This would be a 6.4 percent increase compared to fall 1983.

The Student Government is currently working to make the new IDs available in time for the spring semester. There is a proposal under consideration which would make this possible.

In the meantime, students are encouraged to make their opinions on the ID issue known, either by participating in the survey or dropping their suggestions in the designated boxes on campus.

Cast chosen for 'Little Mary'

By GLYNN STEVENS

Cast members for MCC's latest musical production, "Little Mary Sunshine," were named Friday.

James Henderson, drama department chairman and director of the play, named Debbie Davis as Little Mary Sunshine. Curtis Waldrip will play Captain "Big Jim" Warrington and Steve Harrelson

will play Corporal Billy Jester. Chief Brown Bear will be portrayed by Mark Blacklock.

Other major roles belong to Linda Haskett, Elisia Sevier, Kelly Cook and Gary Lasseter.

Portraying "forest rangers" will be Paul Michalik, Anthony Hallouglust, Jeff Whitt, Paul Duncan, Randy Pavlica, Jeff McCord and Neal Herring.

Michelle Donaldson, Stacey Pope, Kelly Karels, Cindy Calley, Laurie Palmer, Stephanie Mitchell and Sarah Mohundro will play "young ladies."

An off-Broadway hit that originally played in 1959, "Little Mary Sunshine" is a light, inspirational love story.

The hero is traditionally brave.

The Chief, Brown Bear, is always wise.

Little Mary Sunshine, of course, never loses hope.

The optimistic young lady

runs the Colorado Inn on land that once belonged to the Kadota Indians of whom her foster father, Brown Bear, is now chief. It is government land now and poor Mary is in danger of losing it.

There is also the ever-present villain and several intertwining subplots. But most of all there is the music.

The play opens Friday, Oct. 12, at 8 p.m. in the Fine Arts theater and will play until Saturday, Oct. 20. Curtain time is 8 each night except Sunday, Oct. 14, when there will be a 2:30 p.m. matinee.

MCC students will be admitted free but reservations should be made since capacity crowds are often the rule. These may be obtained from the front desk of the Fine Arts building on Monday before the show.

Survey illustrates MCC's importance

By KELLEY MUDRA

If MCC did not exist, Waco would lose more than \$11 million annually. Furthermore, nearly 50 percent of the students would attend schools outside of the area.

Those facts were revealed during a recent economic impact survey conducted by MCC. The survey was made to shed new light on why people attend community college, and how

they feel about MCC in particular.

"Most studies concentrate on how much money is brought to an area by the existence of an industry or educational institution," said Dr. Choster Hastings, MCC senior vice-president of institutional development, who conducted the survey. He went on to say, "few efforts have been made to ascertain the economic impact an institution such as MCC has in re-

taining dollars in the region where it is located."

All students enrolled in English classes at MCC during the Fall 1983 session were asked to respond to a questionnaire asking, "If MCC did not exist today, what would your college enrollment status be?"

The results of the study revealed that 47.7 percent would go outside Waco to attend college if MCC did not exist.

The survey also indicated

that 71 students surveyed (7.8 percent) would not be enrolled in any postsecondary institution if MCC were not here. Of the students surveyed, 215 indicated they would enroll at Baylor; 157 would enroll at Texas State Technical Institute; 27 would enroll at Paul Quinn and 10 would enroll at Hill Junior College.

So, as the survey shows, MCC is beneficial not only to its students, but to the whole community as well.

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2 **Opinion**

Outspoken

By **LYNDA YEZZI**

My boyfriend, Charles, and I took my great-grandfather out to dinner a few weeks ago. It was nothing extraordinary, we just went to the Picadilly. The one on the Richland Mall.

Poppa, that's what we call my great-grandfather, likes going there because he lives close-by. It's easy to see that he goes there all the time. He knows all the serving ladies by first name and they all call him E.K. Although he is 86, he is still a big flirt.

As we stood in line waiting to get our food, we talked about what we were going to eat. The Picadilly, like most commercial cafeterias, has all the food displayed, so we could see exactly what we would be able to choose from.

I chose fried chicken. I always do when I go to the Picadilly. Charles always gets some kind of beef, so he chose the chicken fried steak. And Poppa, well true to habit, he got his usual, turkey and dressing.

Dessert was another matter. I looked over everything trying to make up my mind which one thing to choose. I couldn't do it, so

I skipped dessert altogether. Charles got enough dessert for the both of us. And Poppa got his usual again, orange Jell-o.

We dug into our food as soon as we reached the table, and as I was still trying to finish my chicken, Poppa and Charles started on dessert. Poppa looked at his orange Jell-o and said that he "hates the stuff." I asked him why he always got it if he didn't like it and he said that it was just habit.

Poppa said that with so many starving people in the world, he hated to waste food. He told me that he usually eats everything on his plate at home and that, whenever he goes to a restaurant, he never orders more than he can eat.

I had never thought about it that way, and I could tell by the way Charles looked at my half-full plate, that he hadn't thought about it either.

We talked a little longer, and then we started to leave.

As we got up, I looked at the table and noticed that everything on our plates had been eaten. Including the bowl of orange Jell-o.



STUDENTS EXPRESSED their opinions a little more than a week ago when they voted for representatives to the Student Government. But only a small percent of the student body cast their ballots in the campus election. Pictured above are SG Secretary Janna Hatfield, (l) and SG Vice President Mike Gilbert, (r). (Photo by Kelley Mudra)

C'est la vie

By **KELLEY MUDRA**

To study or not to study, that is the question?

Sound familiar? Well it seems that many students have the same question milling around in their minds. I certainly am no exception. On Sunday, Aug. 26, I remember (vaguely) telling myself that I would make a serious attempt to keep up with all my classes. Well, by Monday, Aug. 27, I was already behind — and it has gotten even worse since then.

Well, last evening I made a serious attempt to catch up on my English. So, there I sat with my exciting translation of "Chaucer's Canterbury Tales," reading the 'Clerk's Tale' and 'The Nun Priest's Tale.' (Pretty exciting stuff!!)

I was really proud of myself for actually sitting down and reading, rather than watching Simon & Simon (which happens to be one of my most favorite shows). Well, at

any rate I did finish my reading.

So, today I walked into class right on time, as opposed to five minutes early like usual. I didn't need the extra five minutes to rush around and try to find out what I was supposed to have done the previous evening. After all, I had actually done my homework.

Well, the instructor started her discussion, and it couldn't have been two minutes later when I realized that I indeed read the wrong pages. What a horrible way to start the morning. So, I frantically tried to read the correct pages in time for the quiz—but as usual, I didn't quite make it.

I have been wondering for the last few hours if I'll ever catch up on my studies. I had vowed to catch up over the weekend; but as usual I ended up making other, more exciting plans. Well, I guess only time will tell if I'll ever catch up.

There is one nice thing. I have already finished my English reading for Monday

The Cars display uniqueness

Review

By **HAROLD MANNING**

There was something of a cleansing feeling that swept across the crowd gathered at South Park Meadows, Sept. 10, in Austin. It was an air this reporter hadn't felt since sitting in Towers Restaurant eating a chili-cheeseburger and listening to a new sound filter in over a pair of cheap stereo speakers that adorned the South Austin cafe.

It must have been 1977 or maybe '78— And Austin was on the verge of a revolution. The sound was that of a new band called The Cars.

Hot rods and Izods were out. This was a time for gas-guzzling convertibles and skinny ties. Joskes lost a lot of their apparel business to Goodwill stores across the city and Austinites everywhere buzzed about that "fab" new single, "Just What I Needed".

The Cars' first album, "The Cars", ushered in a new era of self-expression and vitality. The word had been given: "Out with convention." There was no more need for a message other than be yourself and enjoy life.

This attitude bore fruit to some good, uninhibited music, and The Cars were leading the pack. It was a welcomed tangent away from the stonewalling heavy-metal, and head-banging punk sets.

The Cars rode atop the crest of the wave for awhile the submerged beneath a sea of commercialism and sensationalism only to emerge this year with a blockbuster new album entitled "Heartbreak City", and still, with little more of a message

than "Let the Good Times Roll".

And roll they did, Sept. 10, at the Meadows in Austin.

From the opening number, "Hello Again", to the encore, "Let's Go", elation built with the start of each new number and anticipation searched for each new introduction.

The Cars didn't needle the audience as many rockers do. There was little talk and gimmickery. They opted instead, for a steady raining of hit after hit, detailing the simplicity of their style and showcasing each band member's talents as some of the best in the land.

The Cars lashed out past hits above the screaming like "Since You've Gone", "Let the Good Times Roll", and "Just What I Needed". All could have served as apt encore numbers.

There had been a time a few years back when lead guitarist, Ric Ocasek, went solo, and rumors of the Cars demise haunted the back pages of Rolling Stone. Two hits off Ocasek's solo effort, "Beatitudes" provided showcasing of his talents early in the show. "Jimmy, Jimmy" and "Give Me Something to Grab For" went over so well, it was hard to imagine they had ever been anything but Cars tunes.

Even though Ocasek writes most of The Cars tunes, and is considered the band's leader, the concert was, by no means, an Ocasek concert. The Cars unique sound would be nothing without the keyboards and synthesizers of Greg Hawkes. The space-rock classic "Moving in Stereo", proved this point and allowed Hawkes to "take-off" for a moment during the concert.

The rest of The Cars entourage includes Ben Orr, bass and vocals; Elliot Easton, guitar and vocals; and Dave Robinson on drums. Orr and Ocasek split the lead vocal duties equally.

The Austin show included most of their past hits, all charbusters over the years, but the highlight of the performance were the hits of the "Heartbeat City" LP.

"Drive," The Cars own ballad, provided a respite from the hours of waiting and the constant shoving towards the front from behind. The Cars presented this ballad in much the same way Led Zeppelin might have performed "Stairway to Heaven". Neither are known as a softer band, yet we can still project a ballad without losing a step to their respective styles.

"Magic" and "Hello Again" are also from the new LP and are currently making their way up the Billboard charts. Each are perfect numbers to capture the essence of The Cars feelings, how they've matured and how they've resurfaced from obscurity regaining their crown as kings of New Wave.

One fan who stood admiring the show at the Meadows remarked how The Cars never took off on improv creations, adding that their music was creative enough as it stood.

This creative uniqueness is how The Cars came to fame. It is how the band endured years of sensationalism in a music world where few lines can be drawn distinguishing one sound from another. It is how The Cars will remain atop the mainstream of vitality in music.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Suggestion:

Put the wooden sign "Offices in the Student Center" in another place other than in front of the windows near the entrance to the Special Services offices.

I sat at the tables near the special services doorway today and watched a student who was blind trying to find the doorway. He ran into the sign and was obviously embarrassed just as you or I would be. The

only difference is that you and I could look around and see who saw us, but he could only imagine who saw and what was done.

Please put yourself in his shoes, or better yet, put a blindfold on and without help walk through the Student Center and feel how it is to be blind and walking through an obstacle course with its hidden traps.

Please relocate anything

that is or can become an obstacle to a blind student or any student.

Thank you for your consideration for your fellow students.
Karen Lary

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NEWS BRIEFS . . . NEWS BRIEFS . . .

The Continuing Education Department at MCC has planned several new courses for Fall 1984, according to Herman Betke, dean of Continuing Education.

In the Focus Series, three courses have been developed. They include a three-week course on how "To Find a Caring Person;" a one-day program on "Marriage and Family: Behavior Improvement Seminar;" and a one-day program on "Our Thinking Machine."

In the Health and Human Services division, two courses are planned. The first course, "Alternative Modes of Communication: Working with the Developmentally Disabled," will meet for 14 weeks; and the second course, "Arthritis Self-Help Course," will meet for six weeks.

A one-day seminar in supervisory skills will be held at MCC's Management Center Wednesday, Sept. 10, from 6-9 p.m.

A one-evening seminar in supervisory skills will be taught at MCC Wednesday, Sept. 10.

Designed to stimulate cooperation and teamwork in an organization, the seminar will be held from 6-9 p.m. on the fourth floor of the Administration-Classroom Building at MCC.

Instructor Bill Mygdal will lead the group in

Two new sources will be available in the Older Adult Program. These include "I, the Consumer: Consumer Education," which will meet for five weeks; and "Feel'n' Good! How to Stay Well," offered for six weeks.

In the Avocational/Special Interest department several courses will be introduced. They include: "Advanced Country and Western Dancing," "Basic Music Reading," "Hunting Institution," "Jujitsu for Ladies," "Kung Fu," and "Travel for Pleasure."

Other new courses are still being developed, according to Betke. Complete information is available in the Continuing Education's Fall Brochure, or in the Continuing Education Office, first floor, Student Center.

Investigating various techniques to achieve cooperation and teamwork including:

- Leadership.
- Group spirit.
- Communication.
- Praise.
- Criticism.

Cost of the seminar is \$12.50 in advance and \$15 the day of the seminar. Call 752-2636 for further information.

A six week course in "How to Start Your Own Full-time and Part-time Business" begins this evening (Sept. 18) at the MCC Management Center.

The course, which will meet from 6:30-9:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays, will take students at their own pace through such topics as developing a financial statement for a banker

to making a first sale or service call. Instructor John D'Amico will also cover such areas as profiling a successful business, surveying competition, planning for financial needs, keeping records, pricing strategies for profit, and marketing products or services.

Call 776-3276 for further information. The course costs \$40.

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LETTERS POLICY

Letters are welcomed. We reserve the right to edit all letters. Letters must be signed before they can be considered for publication. Deliver letters to the *Highland Herald* office on the third floor of the Student Center.

Campbell to speak

Dave Campbell, sports editor of the *Waco Tribune-Herald* and publisher of *Texas Football* magazine, will speak on the magazine publishing business Thursday at MCC.

Campbell will be a guest in the mass communications class from 9:20 to 10:40 a.m., room 301 of the Student Center.

Sports features 3

Basketballers work on cohesiveness

By HAROLD MANNING

"Togetherness" seems to be the first and foremost goal in the building of the 1984 MCC basketball team.

From the vantage of head coach Ken DeWeese, "If we don't have that (unity), regardless of the talent, regardless of the strength, it's just no good."

"If everything goes according to DeWeese's masterplan for the season, however, and provided the team stays healthy, the unity, talent and strength should all come together to mold the Highlanders into formidable challengers for the Region V basketball crown.

"Of course, our first goal for the season will be to win the conference," said DeWeese. "That automatically gets us into the regionals. Our next goal would be to win the regional tournament and that would send us into national playoff action."

Before bearing down on playoff action, however, the Highlanders must face a tough schedule of inter-conference play. The Region V conference promises to be the strongest in Texas. DeWeese cites TSTI, Ranger and Cisco as the strongest, due largely to their recruiting.

"In most leagues, there's maybe two or three teams in contention for the crown and some that are more or less out of it. However, in this conference, everybody has a chance to win," DeWeese said.

DeWeese looks for Cisco to be the most improved over last season because of recruiting, and Hill Junior College for the same reason. Fans can count on Greyson to throw one more snag into the conference web of competition with the return of last year's second leading scorer.

Even though DeWeese sees competition from outside the league as a bit more predictable, the Highlanders' season competition is the toughest he's faced in five years as head coach.

"When I scheduled this year's

games, I didn't realize that some of the teams were going to be as strong as they look. Because of the recruiting they did, there aren't any games that I can write off as wins," said DeWeese.

Going into this season's play, unification will prove to be a prominent factor in how the Highlanders will cope with the competitiveness. "Actually, there are three different groups on the team right now," said DeWeese. "We have last year's returners, transfers from other colleges and the freshmen."

DeWeese is counting on the maturity of the returning students and transfers to be crucial. "The returners know what to expect, and that helps out," said DeWeese.

This early in the season, the Highlanders don't have a stand-out "big man" like last year's Ivan Young. Versatility and teamwork will prove to be essential.

Returning at guard are 6-footer Donald Harvey, 6-3 Arthur Goodeau, and Steve Shields, 6-1.

Also returning are: Terence Wood, Mike Martin, and Donald Wells, all 6-4, and Paul Gates, 6-6.

DeWeese also has high hopes for four transfer players. DeWeese describes them as "good people," an important attribute in his eyes.

A transfer from Sam Houston State, Greg Willis, 6-4, and 6-6 Todd Parker from Oklahoma City University are two of the taller transfers. Vying for the point-guard position on this year's squad will be Anthony Ingram, a 6-footer from the University of Arkansas at Little Rock.

Willis played high school ball with returners Harvey and Goodeau at Madison High in Houston. DeWeese hopes this might ease Willis into the Highlander mainstream and aid in the togetherness he's searching for.

Transfer Calvin Godine (6-2 from Texas Southern University), also played at Yates High

School in Houston with another of the Highlanders' returning players, Mike Martin.

DeWeese sports a pretty impressive recruiting record himself. Two standouts from the Waco system will be taking to the floor this season as freshman Highlanders. Rayford O'Neal, 6-1, from Jefferson Moore, and Bobby Anderson, 6-4, from Midway will both be battling for starting positions.

Other freshmen are Charlie Williams, 6-0, from New Orleans' Riverdale High; Sidney Jacques, 6-6, from Sterling High in Houston; David Cones, 6-11, from Dulles High in Houston and Tim Richardson, 6-9, from John Adams High in Cleveland, Ohio.

The battle for the power forward position should be between Jacques, Martin, Willis and Parker. All look good but DeWeese still says it is too early to tell if any are even starter material.

Depth is a prominent factor right now, however, DeWeese explained that injury in any two key positions could be one of this year's weaknesses.

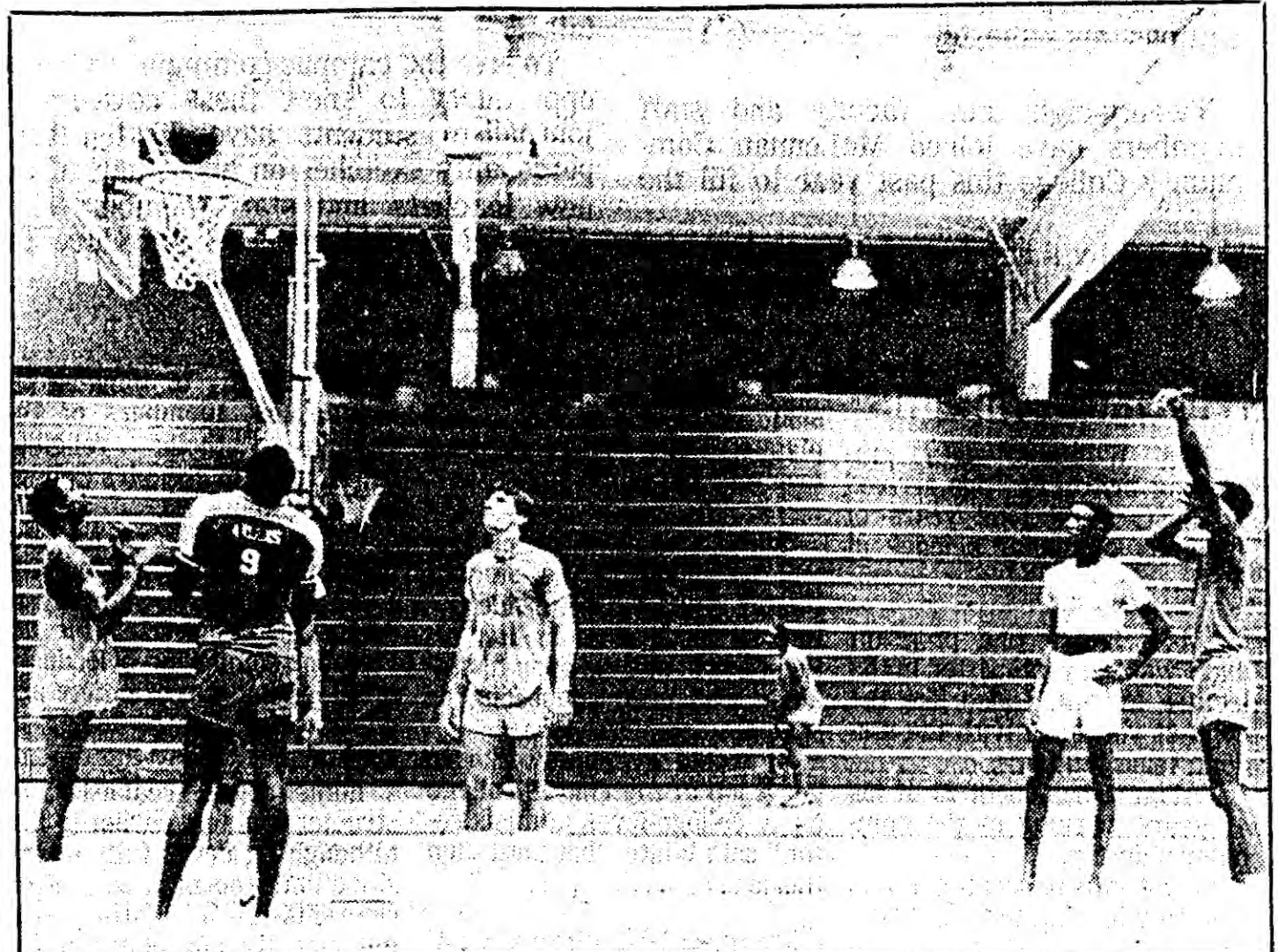
"I'm usually pessimistically optimistic. If everyone stays healthy we should be an exciting team to watch," said DeWeese.

The Highlanders should play an up-tempo style of play this year, the coach indicated. Fans can look for a lot of fast break and pressure defense going into the Nov. 2 opener against Navarro.

DeWeese is looking for the MCC Invitational Tournament to be one of the more exciting events of the season.

Competing against MCC in the tourney will be Temple, Navarro, and Western Texas. Navarro made the Eastern Conference playoffs last year and Western Texas ended up third in the nation.

"If we can somehow polarize the three groups, and stay healthy, we should have a pretty exciting season," said DeWeese, in his usual pessimistically optimistic tone.



WARMING UP for a busy season, the Highlanders basketball team will be blending their first scrimmage here with Mary Hardin-Baylor next month. The team will be having their first scrimmage here with Mary Hardin-Baylor next month. (Photo by James Jones)

MCC Basketball 1984-85 Men's Schedule

Nov 2	Friday	Navarro College	Corsicana	8:00
Nov 5	Monday	Blinn College	Brenham	8:00
Nov 9-10	Fri-Sat	MCC Invitational Tourn.	Waco-MCC	6:00 & 8:00
	Fri	Navarro Col. vs Western Texas		6:00
	Fri	MCC vs Temple Jr. College		8:00
Nov 13	Tuesday	Alvin College	MCC	8:00
Nov 16-17	Fri-Sat	Highlander—Mr. Gatti's Tourn.	Waco-MCC	6:00 & 8:00
	Fri	Midland Col. vs Blinn Col.		6:00
	Fri	MCC vs Richland College		8:00
Nov 24	Saturday	Richland College	Dallas	7:30
Nov 27	Tuesday	Temple Jr. College	MCC	8:00
Nov 30	Friday	Alvin College	Alvin	7:30
Dec 1	Saturday	San Jacinto College	Houston	7:30
Dec 6	Thursday	Blinn College	MCC	8:00
Dec 8	Saturday	Temple Jr. College	Temple	8:00
Dec 10	Monday	Cooke College	MCC	8:00
Jan 15	Tuesday	Laredo College	MCC	8:00
Jan 19*	Saturday	Hill Jr. College	MCC	8:00
Jan 21*	Monday	Cisco Jr. College	Cisco	8:00
Jan 24*	Thursday	T.S.T.I.	MCC	8:00
Jan 28*	Monday	Grayson College	MCC	8:00
Jan 31*	Thursday	Ranger Jr. College	Ranger	8:00
Feb 2*	Saturday	Weatherford College	MCC	8:00
Feb 4*	Monday	Southwest Christian	Terrell	8:00
Feb 7*	Thursday	Hill Jr. College	Hillsboro	8:00
Feb 11*	Monday	Cisco Jr. College	MCC	8:00
Feb 14*	Thursday	T.S.T.I.	T.S.T.I.	8:00
Feb 18*	Monday	Grayson College	Sherman	8:00
Feb 21*	Thursday	Ranger Jr. College	MCC	8:00
Feb 25*	Monday	Weatherford College	Weatherford	8:00
Feb 28*	Thursday	Southwest Christian	MCC	8:00

* North Texas Junior College Conference



This week marks the third full week of practice for the baseball team, and the fourth week since practice started. With 19 new players and only seven returning, the team might need all the remaining seven weeks of practice they have left before off-season practice begins. "The inexperience is showing right now," said Baseball Coach Rick Butler about the new team members, "but we saw some positive signs at our first scrimmage, and with a lot of hard work and positive thinking by both the players and the coaches, I think this will be a good year." Top photo shows Jason Bridges, Chris Cartwright, Steve Pitts, Kevin Ponder and Todd Wilson in the dugout before a practice. At right: Todd Wilson warms up his swing during an afternoon practice. (Photo by Lynda Yazzi)



(Bottom photo by Allison Hallier)

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Salad bar

4 Campus news

New faculty on the job

Freshmen are not the only new faces on campus this semester.

Twenty-eight new faculty and staff members have joined McLennan Community College this past year to fill the

void left by a number of retiring teachers and to serve the increasing number of stu-

dents and course offerings at MCC this fall.

To give the campus community a better opportunity to know these newcomers, journalism students have written brief personality sketches on about half of the new teachers and staff members. *The Highland Herald* plans to introduce the rest of them in its next issue.

Ronald Williams

Ron Williams, data processing instructor, has arrived at MCC after four years of teaching computer science at TSTI.

"MCC has a fine program and I was very interested in the lecture format. I also like the contact you have with the student," said Williams.

Williams has spent 20 of his 41 years working in the computer industry.

"I got into it because I was basically looking for a good career. I had a part-time job in the industry while in college and I've just grown with it," said Williams.

While Williams could probably find a more financially rewarding career in private industry, he values the aesthetic qualities of education more.

"I find teaching exciting. At this point in my life I'm not really concerned with pay."

Williams moved to Texas from Colorado four years ago "to get away from the snow." Before that he had lived in California for 10 years.

Bobby Williams

Bobby Williams is an accounting instructor who comes to MCC from Tarleton State University where he taught for a year-and-a-half.

Williams, who grew up in Waco, graduated in 1964 from Carver High School where he was student council president.

After earning his bachelor's degree from Prairie View A&M University, he received his master's degree from West Texas State University. He completed further study in his field at Baylor and St. Edward's Universities and will continue studying accounting this spring at Baylor.

Williams is married to former Ida Johnson, and they have one son, Kacy, who is in the fourth grade at St. Paul's Episcopal School. His outside interests include hunting, fishing, and getting to know all the MCC students.

In the short time that he has been here, he said that he has been impressed with the quality of the instruction, the institution, and the MCC students.

Patsy White

"I think the 'You're someone special at MCC' logo is perfect," said Dr. Patsy White, new special services and tutorial services counselor, "because that is how I have been made to feel since I came here."

White was named one of the "20 Most Notable Women of Texas" in 1983, an honor Governor Mark White (no relation) nominated her for. She was also named in the 1983 *Who's Who Among Educators in Texas* and received a 1983 nomination by the Business and Professional Women's organization as "Texas Woman of the Year." White also earned her Ed.D in Educational Administration from Baylor University in 1983.

While working toward her doctorate, White served the Hubbard, Riesel, China Spring, Lorena and Crawford school districts as a student advisor and counselor. Because of this full-time job, a husband and family of four, plus some extra work done on the family newspaper, the *Riesel Rustler*, where her husband is editor, it took White four years to receive her doctorate. This included 60 hours of class work and writing a dissertation about the values of education in schools, titled *Affective Education*.

"I think it is way too big," said White about her Ed.D plaque, "but I guess they want everyone to see it."

White, along with her plaque, can be found in the Student Center, second floor, inside the tutorial services doors. Her office door is always open to students who need counseling or special tutorial services.

"I would eventually like to get a job at my church college as a college-level administrator," said White, "but until then this is perfect. Just perfect."

Connie Wedemeyer

Accounting Instructor Connie Wedemeyer, is new to teaching, but not new to MCC. After graduating from Richfield High School, she attended MCC for two years and received a bachelor of business administration degree in accounting from Baylor University.

Wedemeyer gained practical experience in public accounting by working in the tax division of a local accounting firm. Wedemeyer is teaching five courses in three different areas: bookkeeping, automated accounting and introduction to business.

Wedemeyer is married and has two children: a daughter, Rebecca, 9, and son, Aaron, 5. Her husband, Doug, is in his 15th year of teaching at Lorena Independent School District.

Besides accounting, Wedemeyer is also interested in music, and enjoys reading and playing softball.

Although there are more men than women in the accounting field, Wedemeyer said, it is a good field for women. Women do well in accounting because they are generally detail oriented, said Wedemeyer.

Accounting is a challenging occupation, said Wedemeyer. The field of tax accounting is most challenging because it is constantly changing.

Linda Stanford

At the beginning of every semester there are a number of new faces on the campus of MCC. Most of those new faces belong to freshmen students, but this semester almost 30 of those faces belong to new faculty members.

One new faculty member is Linda Stanford, an instructor in the Office Occupations Department. Stanford is not actually a new face on campus though. She has been teaching part-time at MCC since 1977. Prior to coming to MCC, Stanford worked as a secretary, running two districts for an insurance company. She was also a transcriptionist secretary for Texas Rehab.

When asked if there were any real differences in teaching part-time and full-time, Stanford said that since she had gradually worked her way from part-time to full-time that she really didn't notice any difference.

Stanford also said that she enjoyed working at MCC. She said that there were good professionals in the Office Occupations Department and she "really enjoys working with them."

Bill Sowers

The instructor-coordinator for the real estate program is Bill Sowers who has been teaching at McLennan Community College since January. He likes teaching at a community college, he said, because it is on a more personal level enabling him to get close to students and the community.

The most significant thing in Sowers' life, he said, was being

taught the art of thinking by the Jesuits, members of the Roman Catholic religious order, at Saint Joseph's College in Philadelphia, Pa.

"I want to leave my students with the impression, and I tell them this too, that they always can come back for advice, for some type of counsel, or to have a cup of coffee and discuss what they're doing," he said.

Something the real estate instructor was told earlier in life, although he never fully understood until recently, was "Finis Operantes", a Latin term meaning the end of the being, which is a classical definition of a professional. He would like to relay to his students this idea.

The types of jobs Sowers has had ranges from working in a neighborhood grocery store at age 7, to owning William J. Sowers & Co., to educating at MCC. Sowers established his own business to apply some techniques he acquired and to satisfy the need of man to create something.

Real estate comes alive when talking to this man of experience. He describes the business as fulfilling, emotional, motivating, and profitable. He said that cultivating friendships with buyers should be the goal of realtors, and achieving this goal represents professionalism.

Rebecca Reynolds

Rebecca Reynolds, a new English teacher at MCC, began her teaching career in public schools in 1964 after being graduated from Baylor University in 1962. She taught for two years before deciding to leave teaching to start a family. During this time Reynolds became active in community affairs, spent much time in the garden, and learned to play the cello, to compliment her piano playing talent.

Reynolds returned to college life and received her master's degree in English from Hardin — Simmons in 1978. She taught at Louisiana College, a small Baptist college in Pineville, La., for five years before returning to Waco to work on her Ph.D. at Baylor.

This fall, Reynolds will begin her stay at MCC by teaching English composition. Her husband is Dr. Jerry Reynolds, communications professor at Baylor. Reynolds also has three daughters in high school. Because of her daily routine, Reynolds does not have the time for many of the things she enjoys. While doing graduate work at Hardin — Simmons, the Reynolds family received "Yard of the Year" honors. Mrs. Reynolds said that until she completes work on her doctorate, the lawn and garden will just have to wait.

John Porter

One of the new teachers at MCC this semester is mental health instructor John Porter who taught here part-time last year and now is on a fulltime basis.

Porter was previously a therapist and director of the drug abuse program at the Heart of Texas Mental Health, Mental Retardation Center in Waco before joining the MCC faculty. He became interested in the field of mental health while doing volunteer work with young drug abusers.

Porter received bachelor's and master's degrees from East Texas State University and has done work toward a doctorate at the University of Texas at Dallas and at Baylor University.

Some of his first experience as a teacher came as a Peace Corps volunteer in Africa



IN APPRECIATION for their combined 35 years of teaching English at McLennan Community College, faculty members honored Natalie West (center) and Jeannette McGinnes (right) with a reception Friday in the Faculty Office Building

lounge. The two had fun visiting with such friends as Jess Collins (left) and Wayne Duncan (behind them) and the 75 other faculty members who attended. The two retired after teaching this summer at MCC. (Tom Buckner photo)

where he taught everything "from English to mathematics."

The Sulphur Springs native, like many of the other new faculty members, says he likes teaching and the friendly atmosphere of the MCC campus.

Bill McClintock

William McClintock joined the MCC staff this year in the accounting department—not as instructor of accounting but as school accountant.

He received his undergraduate degree from the University of Texas in Austin and his master's from Baylor.

McClintock said his love for solving problems and his mother influenced him the most toward becoming an accountant.

McClintock said "the people at MCC are good to work with."

He also commented on the friendly and "less rigid" atmosphere here at MCC.

Felipa Lopez

Felipa Lopez has joined the MCC English faculty.

She has been teaching for 12 years in this field. For seven years she has taught English and Spanish in public schools and for five years she has taught in Waco at the Adult Educational Coop.

Mrs. Lopez received her bachelor of arts degree from Mary Hardin Baylor and is currently working on her masters in education degree at Texas A&I in Kingsville. She has taught several workshops on the techniques and usage of English, and has also taught English to non-English speakers.

Lois Kerr

Waco native, Lois Kerr, joined the MCC faculty last January and is currently teaching coordinating health and human services courses, a part of the continuing education department. Kerr will be assisting coordinator Donna Pleasant.

Kerr's position will include coordinating classes for professional people, such as nursing home activity directors, social workers, and foster parents, who have to take certain courses in order to maintain their certification. Kerr will also on occasion instruct those classes, when time permits.

Kerr held a similar position with a private firm in Omaha, Neb., when the company announced its intentions to close and Kerr heard about the opening at MCC.

"I really enjoy being here at MCC. What we strive to attain here at this department, and certainly in continuing education, is excellency for MCC," said Kerr. "I want my programs to be so good that whenever people see a new program coming out that's sponsored by MCC, they'll say 'hey, I'd like to take that; they always have good programs.' I'm trying to be as excellent as I can be so that MCC can be excellent."

She said that she hopes that her students will learn how to express themselves in speaking and writing and in developing good topic sentences and paragraphs.

Asked how she liked MCC so far, she replied, "I think the campus here is just beautiful, and the people are so friendly. It's just marvelous."

Tracy Dobb

Tracy Dobb, new instructor in MCC's computer technology/data processing department, moved to Waco from Weatherford. He received a BBA degree from Howard Payne University and a MBA degree from Tarleton State University. Currently he is doing postgraduate work at the University of Texas at Arlington.

He taught three years at Weatherford Junior College where he also held an administrative position. He also has two years experience at UTA.

Dobb gave up his administrative position to return to teaching. He said he missed the interaction with students that he enjoyed while teaching.

Dobb was raised in a Christian home and says the Christian morals he was taught as a child affect the way he handles his classrooms now. He says that he has a great desire to be a positive influence on his students and feels real concern for them as individuals.

He met his wife of seven years at Howard Payne University. She teaches computer literacy at H.P. Miles middle school. They have a 5-year-old daughter, Jodi.

Dobb likes to run in his spare time. After he settles into his new schedule at MCC, he plans to run about 10 miles a week.

Tom Buckner

New MCC teacher Tom Buckner teaches mass communications, three journalism courses, and teaches and advises the students who publish the *Highland Herald*.

Buckner is moving here from Georgetown with his wife of 28 years, Helen. He has a son, Bill, a senior at Southwestern University at Georgetown, and a daughter, Bonnie Jay, who lives with her husband in Liberty Hill.

Buckner graduated from Southwest Texas State University in 1956 and soon after graduation entered the U.S. Air Force and served as a pilot and radar director.

Following his tour of active duty, Buckner returned to San Marcos where he was editor and part-owner of the *San Marcos Record* for 15 years.

The paper was sold in 1974 and Buckner moved to Georgetown where he worked with Southwestern University in public relations.

During his eight years at Southwestern, Buckner said, "I found out that I really liked to teach and decided to make teaching my career." For the past two years Buckner has been preparing for a teaching career by working full time on his doctorate at the University of Texas, Austin. He has completed his course work toward that degree and plans to begin work soon on his dissertation.

Seven on faculty receive tenure

Prior to the beginning of the Fall semester at MCC, nine faculty members were granted tenure.

Those instructors who were granted tenure are: John Burton, instructor of engineering and math; Sue Dennis, instructor of nursing; Kae Farrell, coordinator/instructor of fashion merchandising; Barbara Hohman, instructor of cosmetology; Mary and Mary Hughes, instructor of associate degree nursing.

Also, James King, instructor of business/accounting; Elizabeth Sartor, coordinator/instructor of office occupation; Marvin Smith, coordinator of respiratory therapy; and Lisa Uhl, instructor of music.

Norman Murphy, vice-president instruction, said that "tenure is a very important deci-

sion both for the instructor and the institution and is not something to be taken lightly."

Once an instructor has been granted tenure, he or she has the opportunity to continue in his/her teaching position as long as there is not good cause for dismissal. (Good cause for dismissal would include professional incompetence, neglect of professional responsibilities, mental or physical disablement of a continuing nature, or unprofessional conduct.)

Instructors at MCC can be recommended for tenure after a four-year probationary period. Recommendations go through the departmental chairman, the appropriate dean, the dean of instruction and finally to the president of the institution, who makes the final decision on which instructors will be granted tenure.

NEWS BRIEF

The Waco YMCA at 1115 Columbus, will be starting their Co-Rec Volleyball League for men and women on Sept. 18. There will be two divisions offered with all games being played on Tuesday nights. There is an entrance fee of \$75 per team or \$10 for Y members and \$12.50 for guests. A coaches meeting is scheduled for Sept. 11 at 7:30 p.m.

Counseling jumps to computer age

Counseling at McLennan Community College jumps into the computer age on Oct. 1 when the new "Discover" system will be available to students in the Student Center.

The new computer-based career guidance system will greatly enhance the services now offered by MCC's 10 counselors, according to Lynn Abernathy, coordinator of the career testing and information service.

"Discover" is designed to gather information which will help students make informed decisions and educational plans.

"It is not meant to replace our counseling but to go along with it and make it stronger," Abernathy said.

The new computer, first of its kind in Waco, is designed to help students learn more about:

- Themselves, their interests, skills and work-related values.
- Occupations (more than 400 are included in the "Discover" data file).
- Educational and training opportunities.

Its systematic four-part approach is programmed to help students make career plans at three educational levels: two years, four years, and graduate level.

Faculty and staff members will have a hands-on opportunity to learn about "Discover" on the morning of Sept. 26.

High school counselors in the Waco area will have a chance to see it at an open house in the Student Center from 3-5 p.m. that day.

Students will have a chance to start learning more about themselves on Oct. 1 as they make appointments to work with the computer with the help of a counselor.

Appointments can be made by calling 383. Counseling offices are open from 8 a.m.-7 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays and from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Fridays. The computer will be located in the career library room on the first floor of the Student Center.

Counselors say they expect a number of MCC students to take advantage of "Discover."

"It's a wonderful service and we're extremely fortunate to have it," Abernathy said.



NEW OFFICERS of MCC's National Honor Fraternity, Phi Theta Kappa, are left to right, Kathy Matus, President; Cecilia Matus, Vice-President; Shirley Slavik, Secretary-Treasurer; and Sharon Bostick, reporter. Their next meeting will be held Oct. 3 at 10:00 in the Tartan Room. Prospective members are invited to attend. Applications and membership requirements are available from Carolyn Rodabough in the Health Services department.

Academic advising enhanced by two

By TRACEY THOMPSON

Some students seem to have the ability to just ease their way into a college environment directly out of high school, while others struggle to cope with their inner fears and anxieties that sometimes come with higher academe.

For the former, usually no special assistance is required. But the latter could sometimes use a little extra guidance. The same sometimes applies to older students who are returning to college or just beginning.

For that reason, and others, MCC has hired two admission advisers, Vicki Estelle and Pamela Dempster Brewer, who give personal attention and assistance to students.

"We know a little bit about everything," said Brewer. "We let the student know who to talk to and we serve as a central point on campus. We're also a liaison between MCC and the community."

After being hired by the MCC board on June 1, Estelle and Brewer began to learn who was chairman of every department on campus, what they did and what the students did in

that department.

Estelle estimates that they have probably contacted more than 1,000 prospective students - 600 in person.

Students can either visit with the advisers in their office on the fourth floor of the MCC Administration / Classroom Building or can arrange for the women to visit with them personally in their homes to discuss the college and answer questions.

The advisers also set up booths this summer in Richland and Lake Air Malls in order to reach more potential students.

"A lot of people are just petrified," said Brewer. "So we walk them through registration and help them out as much as possible."

Estelle and Brewer say they aren't well known yet, but their making more contacts through students who are telling others about them.

"You meet all kinds on this job," said Brewer. "From those who score a 3 on the ACT to a person who scores a 32."

Brewer and Estelle may be contacted at 756-6551, ext. 320.

College GOP Club invites candidates

By ALLISON HOLLIER

The College Republican's Club held its first meeting Wednesday to discuss activities for the year.

Scheduled to speak at MCC Oct. 3 is M. A. Taylor, representative candidate from district 55 for state representative. Also possibilities for this year are John Bates, candidate for chief justice of the Texas Supreme Court, and Phil Gramm, candidate for U. S. Senate and presently a U. S. representative.

Dues for the club will be \$4.00, \$3.00 of which will go to the state office and \$1.00 will go to the local chapter funds. The club also will be selling "Fritz-

buster" t-shirts in the Student Center sometime in September to boost the club's funds.

History instructor, Don Reeves, will serve as advisor this year.

This year's president, sophomore Ben Adams, is predicting an excellent year for the club because of the elections.

"I think we're going to go over real well since it's an election year. It seems that any time the Democrats say anything, without meaning to, it goes in favor of the Republican Party instead of the Democratic. We are expecting a lot of participation from the college students," said Adams.

Recitals each Friday

By GREG FEDRO

MCC students and faculty members are invited to attend weekly recital performances during the 10 a.m. activity period on Fridays.

These performances, held in

the Fine Arts auditorium, feature performances by faculty members, guest artists, and vocal and instrumental majors in compliance with individual degree requirements. Thus far, performances have included saxophone, flute and harp solos. Admission is free.

Tillman to appear on TV art show

Patricia Tillman, a parttime art instructor at McLennan Community College, will participate in the Kimbell Art Museum's "Artist's Eye" program in Fort Worth September 22.

The purpose of the program, which begins at 1:30 p.m., is to provide an opportunity for students and members of the general public to share the experience of the museum's collections with a practicing artist.

One of Tillman's works will be on display at the museum during the two weeks prior to the "Artist's Eye" program.

Also, through Oct. 2, John Chatmas, MCC art instructor, will have his works on display in Temple in the Centroplex Art Competition. Chatmas'

work joins that of 31 other Central Texas artists in the display at the Cultural Activities Center. (MCC Public Information release)

Children show world's art at Richland

By GREG FEDRO

Life as seen through the eyes of children from countries around the world will be on display at Richland Mall through Sept. 22.

Sponsored by the Texas Cultural Alliance, the "International Children's Showcase" is a collection of 100 paintings by children from every habitable continent worldwide, which began touring in 1981.

The exhibit is a touring component of an international citizenship program for young people called "Hands Around the World".

An exchange of art work between United States children and students of foreign nations, "Hands Around the World" encourages students to examine their lives and to paint pictures based upon their cultures which they exchange as gifts with foreign students.

The "Showcase" is composed of the best paintings from a collection of almost 3,000 paintings in the holidays of the Texas Cultural Alliance.

Among the countries participating in the art exchange program are Guatemala, Mexico, Canada, El Salvador, Uruguay, Ecuador, Chile, Norway, Ireland, Poland, Scotland, Hungary, Egypt, Kenya, Nigeria, The People's Republic of China, Japan, Korea, the Philippines, the Fiji Islands, Australia, Guyana, West Germany, and Holland.

NEWS BRIEF

Exercise and have fun at the same time!

The YMCA is starting a class just for the Waco senior citizens. The classes will show how to develop strength, flexibility and endurance the Y way. Classes, which are designed especially for the needs of senior citizens, will meet every Tuesday and Thursday at the YMCA, 1115 Columbus.

Classes begin Sept. 18 and will run from 9:30 -10:30 a.m. for four weeks. Each class costs \$10.

Come and take a part in fun and fitness.

Contact Marili Rollins, Wael YMCA, Program Director, 754-3571.

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CLASSIFIED

The Highland Herald welcomes classified advertisements serving the MCC campus community. Any student or employee of the college may submit written advertisements through the campus mail or by bringing to the newspaper office on the third floor of the Student Center.

Ads can cover such items as help wanted or help available, carpool or roommate searches,

used items (except textbooks) for sale, lost or found, and free items (like kittens or garden mulch).

Ads for off campus services, such as help wanted, should be submitted through the Placement Office which will forward them to the newspaper.

Be sure to include your name and telephone number with the classified ad.

ARTIST: Draw stripes and numbers on jerseys; miscellaneous duties. Mon.-Fri. \$4 per hour.

SALES/PAINT MIXER: Part-time. 30 hours per week (flexible). \$4 per hour.

DELIVERY PERSON: Deliver legal documents. 1-5 p.m. Mon.-Fri. Must furnish own transportation. \$3.35 per hour plus mileage allowance.

AUTO SUPPLY SALES: Local department store. 20-26 hours per week. \$3.75 per hour.

DELIVERY PERSON: Deliver and uncrate furniture and clean store. 20 hours per week (flexible).

NIGHT AUDITOR: Local hotel. 11 p.m.-7 a.m. Accounting or Business background helpful. \$5 per hour.

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

LIFEGUARD: Certified Lifeguard needed. Must qualify for work-study. Contact James Burroughs, HPE Building 115, ext. 253.

CHILDCARE: Childcare is available in the Child Development Center at MCC. For more information call Gerri Carey, 756-6551, ext. 340.

FOR SALE: 1981 Honda 650CB. Wind screen and back rest luggage rack. For more information call Mr. Rush, 756-6551, ext. 276.

MALE ROOMMATE WANTED: For Junior Center at UT Austin for Fall 1985. For more information call Ron at 753-1919.

6 Entertainment

Faculty jazz group set for area gigs

Imagine listening to an ensemble of master-degreed musicians, playing probably the most slighted form of music known to mankind, particularly here in Waco. A newly formed group is doing exactly this right here on the MCC campus. For lack of a better name, *The Faculty Jazz Group* will be performing not only here at the school, but will also perform off campus, the sites yet to be named.

The group, consisting of faculty members in the commercial music program, will be featuring in addition to the music mini workshops about the historical contributions of the art form in order to educate to the amenities of jazz and to break down the barriers formed when one hears that word jazz.

"Jazz is kind of an esoteric thing. I think exposure is the key," said Bill Hasket, director of the commercial music program at MCC. Hasket, the group instigator, said he got the idea from a workshop he was involved in this summer.

"This is something we can have fun with and also serve the purpose of showing students the possibilities available to them in this industry. Hopefully, we will be able to recruit some students into our program that otherwise might not have been interested in commercial music or jazz."

The members of the group consist of the who's who in the music program at MCC. On paper only, the leader is Dr. Hasket, with right-hand assistance from Robert Page, the "reed man" extraordinaire.

Dr. Hasket, with a masters degree from East Texas State, and a Ph.D. from Oklahoma, will be playing trombone. In addition, his Ph.D. contributions will include music charts, arrangements, and the all important task of booking the group's performances.

Page, who has a B.S. in education, a master's in music, and is currently working on his doctorate in music performance, will also be assisting with the bookings. He is probably best known for his work with the group *Omni*, a jazz group consisting mostly of faculty members which played around town on a regular basis last year.

"This is something we've been interested in for several years now. We wanted a group that represented MCC and the commercial music program. *Omni* was sort of that way, but technically, we didn't represent the school," Page said. "Now, we officially represent the school and the program."

An added benefit is the styles of music they will be playing. Almost any style imaginable will be circumvented in their repertoire.

"Each of the players lean in certain directions, and since each will contribute equally, there will be country to jazz, be-bop to fusion included," said Bill Howard, keyboardist.

Howard, with his master's degree in music composition, will be contributing his ultra-contemporary, jazz-rock style and feel to the group with charts and arrangements. Schooled in music at North Texas State, it's not hard to develop an affinity for his style of playing and writing. Howard also lends his influence to the MCC rock bands he instructs.

"This will be a real kick for me, and I'm sure the others feel the same way," he said.

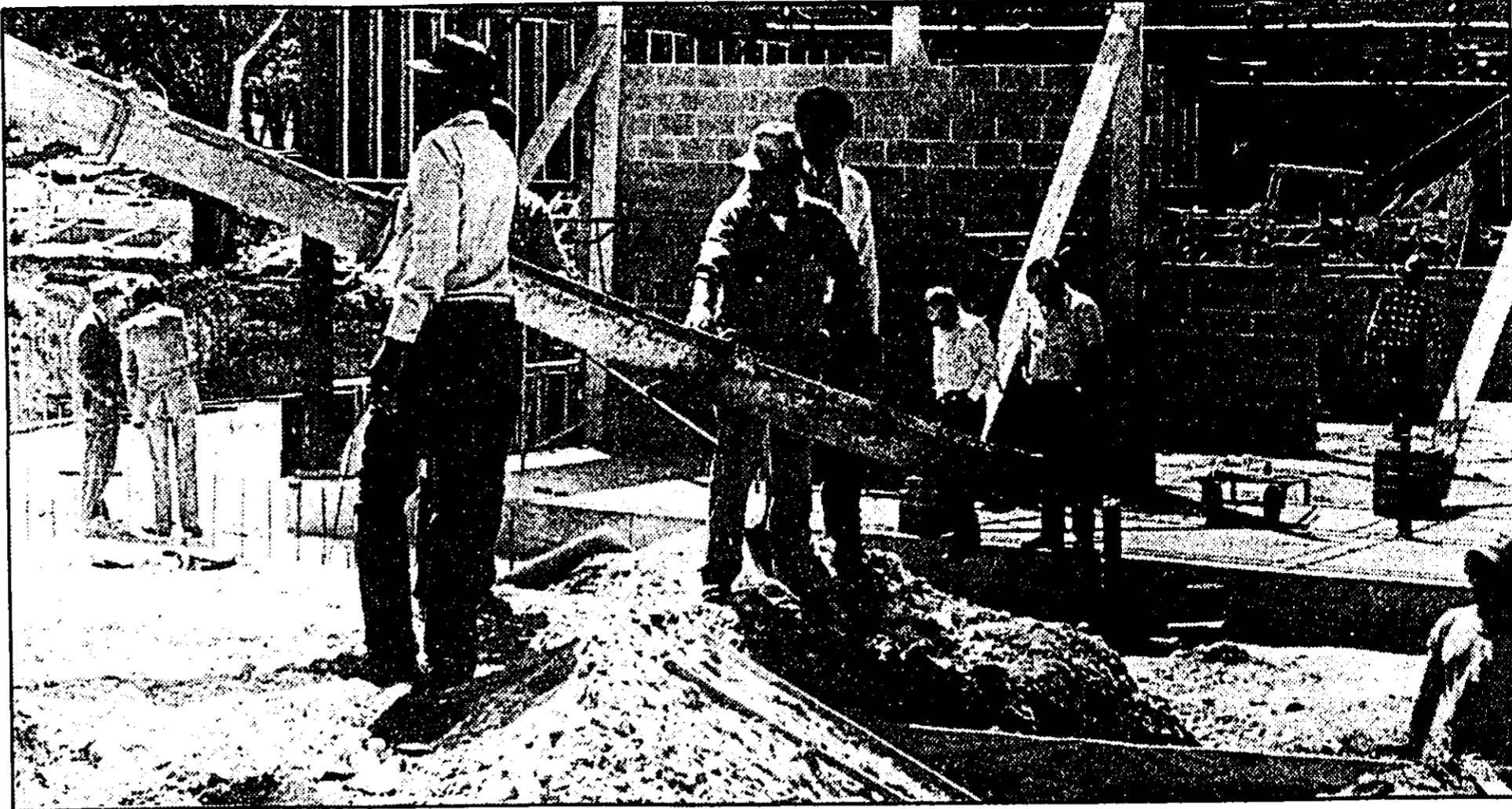
Dick Gimble does. Receiving his education at "MCC, U.T., school of soft knocks, and got the 3rd degree many times," Gimble is and has been involved in many activities for and by MCC.

"I think this will offer a good opportunity for students to get to know what we're all about here at the commercial music program. And I'm always grateful for the opportunity to play, especially with these kinds of players," he said.

Other members of the group include Roger Rush on drums, Dave Hibbard on trumpet and flugel horn, and Donny Balmos, also playing keyboards.

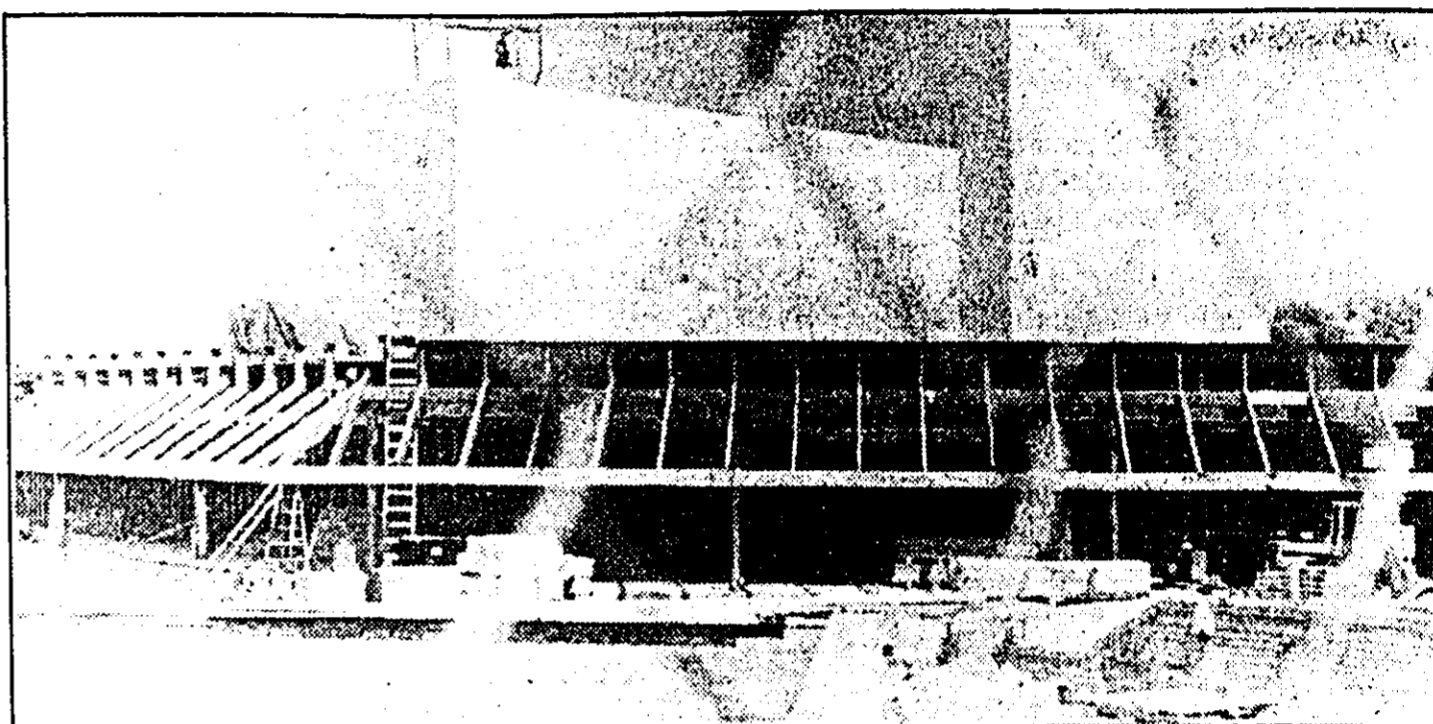
The first, formal gathering of these musicians was Sept. 10 and the magic was present before even a note was played.

This was followed by the mandatory jam-session players of this caliber unconsciously insist upon. *The MCC Faculty Jazz Ensemble* had commenced, and it was easy to see that indeed it was going to be a kick. Stay tuned.



By KELLEY MUDRA

Progress shows in these two photos of the Performing Arts Center taken last spring (top) and again early this semester. But plenty of work remains on the structure before it holds its first performance.



Construction of MCC's new Performing Arts Center is expected to be completed and

ready for occupancy sometime this school year. The \$3.4 million facility encloses 33,000

square feet and will contain a 350-seat theatre which is more than double the size of the pre-

sent theatre in the Fine Arts Building.

The new center will be composed of three major parts.

One section will house the faculty offices.

Another section will contain the theatre, which has been designed flexibly to function as a dramatic stage, or to accommodate an orchestra pit.

The third section will house instrument rehearsal rooms, dressing rooms, classrooms, a scenic design shop, a recording studio and other support areas for the theatre.

The new center is part of a revised master plan for MCC which was approved by the MCC Board of Trustees in March 1982.

Geren Associates: CRS of Fort Worth is the project's architectural firm.

Hal E. Stringer, a local landscape architect and architectural designer for the present

MCC campus, will be responsible for the center's site development.

Hot Stuff! Johnny Gimble music, chili cookoff, and more

Swing Festival Saturday

The toe-tapping music of Johnny Gimble and 'The Bosque Bandits' and the taste-tempting chili of cooks from around the southwest will be the main attractions at The Second Annual Texas Swing Festival and the Pentathlon Cookoff VIII Sept. 22 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Cameron Park East.

The festival is composed by McLennan Community College, Waco Coca-Cola and KNFO 95FM Radio, with proceeds applied toward the Bob Wills Memorial Scholarship for the commercial music department at MCC. The scholarship, which honors Wills for creating a new kind of music in the 1930s and 40s that combined big band jazz with country music, began last year with more than \$4,000 raised at the first Swing Festival.

In addition to Gimble, who was the former fiddler for Bob Wills Texas Playboys, other Wills alumni to appear will include Glen Duncan (vocals) and George Ogg (saxophone).

Also headlining the day will be Clyde Brewer's Original River Road Boys, from Houston, and Cherokee Rose, both winners for this year's KNFO Continuous Country Awards, and Easy, winner of MCC's recent Country Showdown.

While things get cooking musically so will the chili, as participants in the Pentathlon Cookoff VIII, held previously in Houston, concert specialties that include stew, gumbo, beans and barbecue.

The Cookoff is being conducted by Bruce Deakin of Waco Coen-Cola and will be limited to 65 cooking teams. Prizes and trophies will be awarded in each category, and competing cooks can enter any or all categories.

Cooks will be competing for the 'World Championship Pentathlon Title.' Showmanship, as well as the best tasting chili, will be judged during the cook-off. Tasting cups for the competing will be sold to the public at the festival.

Other family events scheduled for the day include a jalapeno-eating contest, a waiter/

waitress competition and the World's Largest Chili Pot.

Tickets to the festival are \$3 per person in advance and \$4 at the gate. Advance tickets are available at the MCC Bookstore, Hastings's Records and Heart of Texas Music.

Secondary sponsors of the festival include Wendy's of Waco, Roadway Inn and Shera-

ton Inn.

Entry information for the Pentathlon Cookoff may be obtained by calling 817/753-1561, ext. 33, or by writing Deakin at 1201 Austin Ave., Waco, Tx. 76701.

For more information about the Festival, contact 756-8551, ext. 278.

Country Showdown has 'Easy' winner

By B.J. JENSEN

The late afternoon of Aug. 26 launched what is hoped to be at least an annual event here in Waco.

Titled "MCC Country Showdown," it was guitars and drumsticks at 20 paces to determine who would be kings of the country music bands on the local front.

It wasn't easy to pick just one winner to qualify for the first prize. It was, however, *Easy*, the group, which won that prize that included session time by Brian Sound Studios and \$1,000 from MCC and Henning's Heart of Texas Music.

The \$500 second prize (same benefactors) went to the group *Calico*.

Dick Gimble, MCC commercial music instructor, was largely responsible for the "Battle of the Bands," organiz-

ing the event from an idea on paper to the final product which he emceed. But he was not entirely alone.

"I was doing this with a lot of help from my friends," Gimble said. "KNFO Radio donated air time and public service announcements for advertisements, and several of KNFO's people donated their time to judge the contest. And I had a lot of help from Dave Hibbard (MCC band instructor), Rob Page and Kenny Frazier (MCC music instructor). I couldn't have done anything without the help of everyone involved."

Altogether there were nine bands participating in the contest and more than 400 people attending at Melody Ranch that evening which, in essence, was "an outstanding success," according to Gimble.

"I hope there will be another one this spring," he said.

MCC Opera selects cast for 'Marriage of Figaro'

By GREG FEDRO

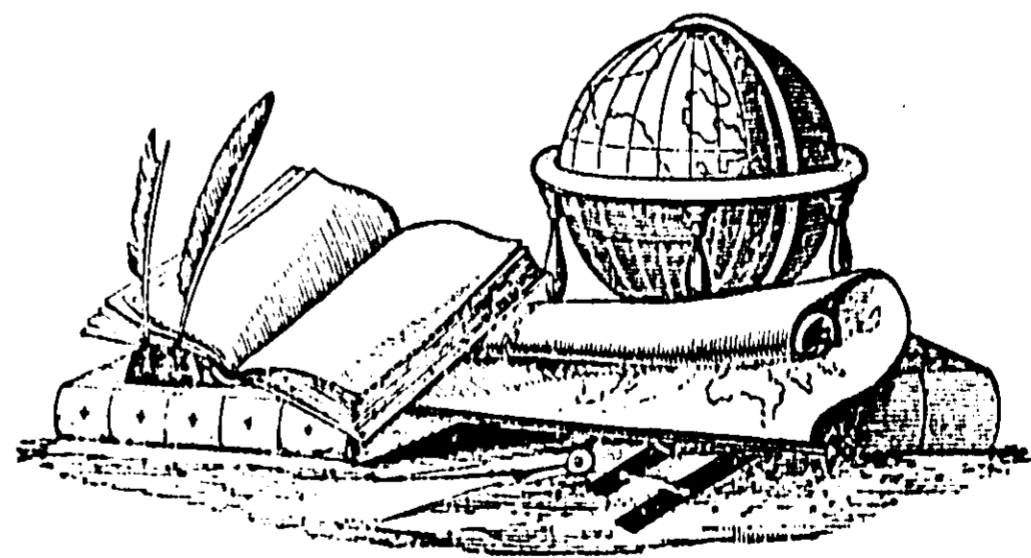
Audition results for the MCC Opera Workshop spring presentation of "The Marriage of Figaro" have been announced.

The cast will include Paul Brown, Greg Fedro, Tracy Inague, Elisha Seyler, David Thomas, John Ross, Stephanie Goodall, Lauri Loffert, Odella

Stern, Becky Kirk, Donald Robertson, Mike Sorley, Luis Navarro, Belinda Whitehead and Rudy Rios.

Chorus members will include Lea Anne Garrett, Robert Parkwood, Robert Sowder, Robin Smith and Carolyn Skentz.

The performance is expected to take place in April.



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