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photo by Sara Wartes

APRIL SHOWERS don't stop classmates from MCC's Child Development Center from taking a turn around the jogging track. Left to right, Lynne Howle, Holly

Ellington and Brandyn Crow, from the classes of Ms. Willey and Ms. York, enjoy the beauty of the campus, clad in matching slickers.

'Good Earthkeeping' planned for campus

By SAM ALLGOOD

Wear green, plant a tree and join about 100 million fellow earthlings celebrating the 20th anniversary of Earth Day on April 22.

The regional coordinator, Gary Keith, said, "The goal of Earth Day 1990 is to launch a 'Decade of the Environment' and help create a safe, just, sustainable planet."

Chairman Denis Hayes hopes it will be "the largest demonstration in human history."

Prizes offered

Demonstrating its "Good Earthkeeping" attitude, MCC is sponsoring numerous activities. Events include writing, art and music contests with environmental themes.

First place in each category wins \$50 worth of prizes. Second place wins \$25 worth of prizes. All winners receive a tree planted in their name. Individuals can enter any or all contests.

All work must be original. The contestant's name, address, phone number and social security number and the work's title must be included on a cover sheet (writing), card (art), and/or label (music).

Writing entries must be typed and no longer than 850 words. Poems, short stories or essays may be submitted to Debbie Hull in the Faculty Office Building room 107.

Hull will also receive the music entries which must be on cassette tape.

Art entries can be any form and may be submitted to the Fine Arts Office in the Fine Arts Building.

April 16 is the deadline for all entries. The deadline was originally announced as April 15, but has been revised to allow more time. Winners will be announced during the Highland Games around noon on April 25 in the Student Center.

Campus Clean-up

A Nature Trail Clean-Up will provide hands-on experience for amateur environmentalists on April 21. Interested parties should contact Hull at 750-3662 by April 18. Volunteers should have work gloves and long pants. They will meet in the Faculty Office Building adjacent parking lot and work from 9 a.m. to noon.

A unique visual Environmental Awareness Display will begin April 9 in the library.

Cajun Cook-out

Department of Agriculture District 5 Director

Mike Walton will speak at a Earth Day Rally and cajun cook-out scheduled April 20, at 10 a.m. on campus near the bookstore.

Walton, who is committed to environmental issues, is also district coordinator for Trees for Texas. The goal is to encourage people to plant one tree per Texan. Walton will discuss environmental issues and answer questions.

For those who want to participate, green "Earth Day" ribbons will be available tomorrow in the Student Activities Office.

City-wide Activities

MCC Board of Trustees member Norma Podet is the local coordinator for city-wide activities. Plans include a bird walk sponsored by the Central Texas Audubon Society at 8:30 a.m. April 19 in Cameron Park and the Lake Waco Cleanup from 8:30 to noon on April 21. The Waco Earth Day '90 Celebration in Indian Spring Park April 22 will feature musical entertainment and a family picnic.

Educational Opportunity

MCC's Earth Day Committee Chairperson Hull finds special meanings in the observance.

"As a teacher, I consider Earth Day an educational opportunity — an opportunity to increase our awareness of our environmental problems, an opportunity to show why we should be concerned about these problems, an opportunity to share ideas for activities that will help solve the problems, and an opportunity to take action," she said.

Environmentalist

An excellent environmentalist example on campus is Continuing Education Coordinator Lois Kerr. She's a vegetarian, a demonstrator against animal cruelty, and a bug in her congressman's ear.

When it comes to conservation, Kerr is no-nonsense. "What we're doing is we've got our hands around our own throats and squeezing hard," she said. "We're pretty close to the critical phase."

"The hole in the ozone really brought it home to many people that something must be done."

A change of mind can change the world. "Everyone should think 'It's got to begin with me,'" she said. "We are living creatures, just like any other on earth. We need to learn to share."

She said "When the earth is referred to as 'Mother Earth,' it's a real description. We need to love the 'Mother.'"

First lady fashions featured

By BECKY FIKES

To celebrate Women's History Month, a fashion show featuring historical costumes was presented by the MCC Cultural Enrichment Committee and the Fashion Sales and Promotion Class, March 29.

To start the show off, the MCJROTC Color Unit of Midway High School, presented the colors and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Period costumes took a look at the influence of the White House first ladies and other prominent women in history, ranging from Martha Washington to Nancy Reagan; to past movie greats like Marilyn Monroe and Greta Garbo; and to the fashion industry's great designers Liz Claiborne and Claire McCardell. Costumes were modeled by the fashion students.

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PTK inducts 46

By WAYNE NELSON

Phi Theta Kappa induction ceremonies were held March 30 in the Lecture Hall.

Speaking at the ceremony was Dr. Tamie Turner Hanlin, a former PTK member and a local pediatrician. Also present were President Dennis Michaelis, and PTK officers Susan Flanagan, president; Paul Dewitt, vice president; Melissa Hill, secretary; Mark Christie, reporter; and Mike Macko, Inter-Club Council representative.

PTK is a scholarship fraternity designed to promote academic excellence. The Greek letters "Phi Theta Kappa," which appear on the fraternity emblem, symbolize the Greek mystic words "phronimon" meaning wisdom, "theumos" meaning aspiration and "katha rotes" meaning purity, clarity of mind and purpose.

The PTK fraternity was founded in 1918 at Stevens College in Missouri and today has grown to over 800 chapters in 50 states and over 100 alumni chapters nationwide. PTK is the largest collegiate honor society in the nation with over \$17 million in scholarships reserved annually for the use of PTK members.

Inductees into PTK are chosen not only for their academic achievements but also on character and by faculty recommendation.

Students inducted this year are Charles Brennon Arnold III, Sherri Selena Baker, Amy Nicole Barber, Rosa Maria Barrera, Kevin S. Bishop, Gail Cochran, Tammy Combs, Steven Coutret, Meredith Elise Cummings, James P. Danhof, Dannie Edwards and Tara Ford.

Also, Kelly B. Furman, Shannon Gibson, Franklin Davis Gordon Jr., Sandra Harvey, Timothy John Heintzleman, Kari Lence Jones, Kathleen D. Klammer, Willie C. Knox, Janice A. Kucera, Bradley T. Leusehner, Wrey Allen McCoy, Shane J. McLennan, Richard M. Mabry, Diane M. Mach, Barbara A. Miller, Danny R. Passmore, Cheryl Lee Ann Ross and Michelle L. Sanders.

Also, Sheryl N. Sanford, Amy E. Seale, Brian K. Shaw, Sally M. Shunder, Tim Smith, Melynda A. Sutherland, Waverly Lynn Taylor, Amanda K. Urbantke, Stephanie Valdez, Bryan K. Walker, Nancy P. Walker, Aaron Wayne Wernet, Rosalyn M. White, Barbara Wilson Williams, Amy Leigh Wilson and Jo Lynne Winkle.

Service recognized at banquet

By ROBERT M. BROWN

Faculty, staff and Board of Trustee members who have been with MCC for five, 10, 15, and 20 years were honored at MCC's 15th annual service banquet Friday.

Ribbons identifying years of service were given to these faculty and staff of MCC.

Five year honors went to Stephanie Abright, Frank Brennan, Greg Clark, Nancy A. Cochran, Peggy Cohn, Jean Coon, Jenn Crews, Richard Drum, Virgilia Hawthorne, Otto Hoelscher, Julian Jones, David

Meier, Karen Norwood, Pattie Ondrej, Sherry Raven, Ed L. Rohm, Jamie Schlueter, Joyce M. Schroeder and Renee Tucker.

Ten year honors went to Lynn Abernathy, John Burton, Richard Coronado, Ken Dowese, Catherine Dobbins, Gloria Evans, Mary Sue Graham, Bernard C. Hufekamp, Marylou Henderson, Mary Hughes, Jerry Jordan, James King, Lisa Landsfeld, Belinda Lopez, Lydia S. Lugo, Kae K. Moore, Mary Ringle, Marvin H. Smith, Eleanor J. Taylor, Derrick P. Tombs, Danny Upmore and Martha

Whelan.

Fifteen year employee honors went to Louie A. Bodie, Geraldine A. Carey, Brenda J. Dohelhower, Fay Gutierrez, Margaret Harbaugh, Sandra J. Hinton, Janis L. Jackson, Marilyn S. Kelly, Franklin R. Middleton, Margarita Sanchez, Beverly Walker, Louise C. Watson and LaVorne B. Wong.

Twenty year employee honors went to Richard B. Butler, John T. Chatman, William E. Greiner, Willie R. Hobbs, David M. Hooten, Lois L. Lindgren, Donald R. McCauley and Dawn Walker.

Thank you: Students say it with a tree

By MARY KUJAWA

Several MCC students found a unique way to say thank you to a teacher with the help of the MCC Foundation.

An Afghan Pine was planted in front of the Library on behalf of Sherric Sedghi, psychology instructor.

Jesse Sawyer, executive director of the MCC Foundation, said that the tree was planted as an expression of the student's appreciation to Sedghi. Students from one of Sedghi's interpersonal communication classes took up a collection between themselves and gave the money to the foundation. Dianne Feyerherm, grounds maintenance supervisor, then purchased the tree and picked the place to plant it.

Of the tree and the honor, Sedghi said that there was nothing extraordinary about doing her job. "It's my job to teach," she said.

She has taught part-time for two years and began teaching full-time last semester. She said that one advantage of MCC is the one-on-one contact and the teamwork.

"I am concerned with the students and their problems. I do not want the focus off the students and put on the faculty. The students need all the encouragement," said Sedghi.

Sawyer said that one of the functions of the foundation is to memorialize others and to make note of their contributions. "It is important for students to learn early on to express appreciation and to give something back," said Sawyer.



photo by Sandra Howitt-Parsons

A LIVING THANK YOU from a group of students is donated through MCC Foundation Director Jesse Sawyer. The students presented the tree to the school in honor of teacher Sherric Sedghi.

Point of View

By SARA WARTES
Editor-in-Chief



Keeping an Easter attitude

I love spring, don't you? Everything is coming to life again. Dormant trees bud out overnight, wild flowers begin to cover the drab roadsides.

And Easter fits in so well with the season. It's the proverbial story with a happy ending. I like the part where the women go to the tomb early Easter morning and find angels in an empty tomb.

Have you ever wondered why no men were with the women who went to anoint Jesus' body? I have a theory about it. It goes something like this:

The disciple John staggers out of bed and finds the women busy packing up herbs and spices. "What are you ladies doing up at this hour?" he says grumpily. "The sun isn't even up yet."

"We're going to the tomb to anoint Jesus' body," they answer. "Want to come?"

"Right. You're going to the tomb to anoint Jesus' body. Great idea. But there's a little matter of a 1,000 pound rock in front of the door. It took half a dozen Romans to roll it downhill into place. Just what are you going to do about that?"

A tense silence falls.

Finally one of the women answers stubbornly, "Well we're going anyway."

John goes back to bed muttering about illogical women; they set off into the dawn.

Don't get me wrong. I'm not suggesting that the women had more faith than the men. They weren't going expecting to see angels. They were just determined to give Jesus the traditional burial. Jesus had plainly said he would rise from the grave, but all they could think about was planning his funeral.

No matter how religious people are, we all tend to worry about the wrong things. Jesus was about to pull off the biggest event of all time, and his closest followers were so hung up on the details they almost missed it.

While the women were determined to carry out the traditional funeral, Jesus was calmly folding his shroud getting ready to exit the grave. While the men were worrying about the rock in front of the tomb, he was blowing it right off the door with an earthquake.

It's comforting to know that even the Bible big-hitters, like Peter and John, had human frailties just like we do. And it's even more comforting to realize that their lack of faith didn't have any effect on the outcome. God turned their despair to joy when they were least expecting it.

Spring teaches us that no matter how grim things may look one month, they can totally change the next. Life has seasons too, times where everything seems to fall apart and times where life springs up again. Knowing that, we can keep spring in our hearts even through the hardest winter.

But Easter goes one step further. Sometimes even in the darkest hour, when grief and despair overwhelm us, a miracle can roll away even the heaviest stone.

Knowing that, we can face life with an Easter attitude.

Personally speaking

By ELIZABETH DELEON
Senior Associate Editor



Highland fever springs up on campus

We've all experienced Spring Fever, and sadly we enjoy it.

Despite the fact that during this time our minds only dream of being out doors, basking in the sun with that gorgeous somebody, and sipping an iced beverage, a solution can be sought. A day of teamwork participation—the Highland Games.

Some students don't attend campus activities because they think no one shows up, and on top of that, they don't know anyone.

These excuses will not do anymore because people do participate in school functions, and it never hurts to meet new people and make new friends.

For those that went to homecoming, you probably expected the same old "few" people. SURPRISE! This year's festivities brought new meaning to the word "crowd." Greg Clark even considered breaking some of the windows in the Student Center for more dance space. For once the activities drew attention from a wide range of people, and even faculty and staff attended.

It is late to be mentioning the record breaking attendance at homecoming, but my point is to encourage you to participate in the upcoming student activities beginning with the Highland Games.

It's easy, just get an organization together or join another club's team. Be prepared for almost anything to happen. It doesn't matter how young or old you are, but how much fun you can have.

The Highland Games officially begins on April 16 with a volleyball tournament. However, the big day is April 25, beginning at noon.

Relax in the sun, meet some new people, fire up that school spirit and put the opposing team/clubs to shame.

After all, once you become involved, "Spring Fever" will wear off and student functions will flourish. After participating in the Highland Games, you might be ready for the Olympics.

Correction

During the annual Student Art Contest four students were awarded a "Juror Award" of \$50 each. Receiving the "Juror Award" were Laura Groom, Ping Lino, Mark Smith and Craig

Snyder. An error was made in the story on the contest in the March 27 issue, reporting these students as having been ranked instead of receiving the awards, which are of equal value.

NEXT SUNDAY IS
EARTH DAY FOLKS!
DO YOU KNOW ALL THE
NASTY STUFF THAT POLLUTES
YER AIR?
LOOKEE HERE:

- AEROSOL CANS
- CARS AND TRUCKS
- BIG, UGLY FACTORIES
- JET AIRPLANES
- NUCLEAR WASTE
- AND
- CANDIDATES FOR GOVERNOR

Not that you ask...

By SANDRA HEWITT-PARSONS
Editorial Editor



AIDS and the future generation

Recently Dr. Antonia Coello Novello was confirmed by the Senate as surgeon general, the first woman and first Hispanic to hold that post.

She succeeds C. Everett Koop, who stepped down in December, in the nation's top health post. The surgeon general is the head of the Public Health Service.

Dr. Novello, a 45-year-old pediatrician and expert on AIDS in children has been the director of the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, one of the National Institutes of Health.

According to the Centers for Disease Control, on an average day 35 new cases of AIDS are reported and 2,468 cases of gonorrhea are reported.

According to condom manufacturer Carter Wallace Inc., 1,109,589 condoms are sold on an average day and nearly half of these are purchased by women.

In an average month 39 infants and children are reported by the CDC as new AIDS cases. These children become victims as a direct result of a parent with or at risk of AIDS.

Our nation's future is our children. Dr. Novello can't do it alone. Aren't our children worth the time it takes to practice safer sex? Be informed: think about it.

HIGHLAND HERALD POLL

What is your idea of the perfect instructor?



KAREN MCMILLAN,
freshman, drama

"Someone who can understand our problems."



CHARLENE BARGANIER,
freshman, child development

"Someone who can get as crazy as us and enjoy it."



JILL BUCKNER, sophomore,
special ed.

"Someone who can get on the same level as us, but can still teach us."



PAM POSTON, sophomore,
special ed.

"Someone who can relate to me, but can still teach."

To Our Readers:

Please submit your opinions in the Highland Herald mailbox in the Student Center near the front door, or contact the Journalism Department at 750-3444.

Your cooperation is appreciated.

Speaking for myself

By David Faulkner
Entertainment Editor



From the 'home office'

If one or more of the following has happened to you consider yourself a true MCC student.

- 1) You get to the front of the line for registration only to find out that you have filled your registration form out wrong and must start over.
- 2) Go to the financial aid office and subject yourself to the run-around.
- 3) Be 10 minutes late to a class because you couldn't find a parking spot.
- 4) Attend the first day of a class and find out the class did not make.
- 5) Receive a parking ticket or have your car towed.
- 6) Attend a production by the drama department.
- 7) Go to at least one basketball or baseball game.
- 8) Make a trip to the library. (Yes there is a library here.)
- 9) Eat in the Student Center and listen to one of the bands perform.

Speaking for myself

By MON TINA WILLIAMS
Co-sports Editor



Balance academics and activities

Now that we have returned back from that much needed spring break, we need to start getting serious about our classes and evaluating the time we spend in activities and studies!

As finals creep their way into our lives, there is still time to aim for those A's and B's we promised ourselves at the beginning of the semester.

However, while rushing to class for which I was 15 minutes late, I've noticed that the classrooms aren't as full as they were before the spring break and the lounge areas around campus are full of students "doing their own thing."

There is more to college than books, long lectures, and tests. We do need the activities designed to meet our need for individual growth, active social lives, and healthy competition.

But all too often most of us get ourselves lost in the activities and unconsciously push aside our studies, not realizing the danger until it's too late.

So how do we balance out academics and activities? When we get classroom "burn out" from over-studying, professors may write us off as unwilling to learn.

Spending all of our spare time studying and trying to avoid that "party of the year" is not the answer.

But balancing out the two is up to you. Allowing time for both will reward you in the long run.

It's time for us to gear ourselves toward our goals and plan time for both studying and activities to get the most from the two.

When we receive our grade report it'll give us a good reason for activity—Celebration!

Calendar

April 10	7:30 p.m.	Board of Trustees, Board Room
	8 p.m.	Waco Civic Chorus, PAC, free admission
11	10 a.m.	Rock Mini Concert, Student Center
	8 p.m.	Jazzbos Concert, PAC, free admission
12		Last day to withdraw with a "W"
13-14		Easter Holidays
16-20		CLEP testing
16		Highland Games Volleyball
17	1:30 p.m.	Men's and women's tennis, Temple at MCC
18	10 a.m.	Awards Assembly, Lecture Hall
	10 a.m.	Rock Mini Concert
20		Highland Games Volleyball
21	1 p.m.	Men's and women's tennis, Tyler at MCC
23		Highland Games Swimming races and Big Splash, HPE
25		Highland Games - no p.m. classes

LETTER to the editor

March 29, 1990

Editor,

Easter is fast approaching, a season that while celebrated in various ways, seems to have a common denominator—new life or renewal of life.

Some birds and animals are bred to give birth at this particular time of year for commercial reasons. Parents buy baby chickens, baby ducks and baby rabbits for small children because it seems like a good thing to do at the time—a cute, warm and friendly way to celebrate spring and the Easter season. They submit innocent, fragile infant animals and birds to innocent not-so-fragile hands of small children, not stopping to think how quickly an excited squeeze from a child's hands can snuff out the life of a very fragile baby animal or bird.

Parents will be hard boiling and dyeing Easter eggs for baskets and Easter egg hunts. Unless they know they are buying eggs that are laid by free-ranging yard hens, the eggs will be provided by hens crammed four or five to a cage about the size of a portable TV set where they live about two years or until their egg production drops. Their feet are crippled by the wire floors, fouth-

ers are lost and skin rubbed raw against the wire walls of the cages. Lighting is manipulated to keep the laying cycle going. After a life of misery they endure a terrifying ride to the slaughterhouse. What happens to them there is nightmarish and something most people prefer not to know anything about. Likewise the fate of baby male chicks because they can't lay eggs.

Alternatives? Have an eggless hunt. Draw a big picture of a basket filled with eggs and let the children decorate them with crayons. Make paper mache eggs to color and decorate to hide, cloth eggs decorated with sequins and glitter; hosiery containers make wonderful supereggs to decorate.

Alternatives to baby chicks, ducks, rabbits, puppies and kittens? Plant a tree—one for each child or one for the family. Almost any child who has owned his own tree and got to watch it grow and help nurture it, will tell you it holds a special place in his life. You'll give a very special gift to the child that will endure for many years, and you will give a very special gift to an earth that needs your active love and concern.

THINK ALTERNATIVES!

Lois Kerr

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CoDA offering specialized help

By MELISSA HIGHFILL

Co-dependency is an unhealthy reliance on other people in order to feel loved, needed and whole. MCC has a program called CoDA, Co-Dependency Anonymous, which helps in teaching people how to balance their needs and responsibilities.

Co-Dependents Anonymous is a fellowship of men and women whose common problem is an inability to maintain functional relationships. CoDA believes that the common welfare of the person who is in need of help comes first: personal recovery depends upon CoDA unity. The only requirement for membership in CoDA is a desire for healthy and

loving relationships. Each group remains anonymous except in matters affecting other groups or CoDA as a whole. And each group has one primary purpose: to carry its message to other co-dependents who still suffer, so states the CoDA traditions.

Marylea Henderson, coordinator/counselor for the services for displaced homemakers and the handicapped, is extremely excited about the groups and their meetings. Mrs. Henderson is anxious to put her counseling into effect by helping anyone who believes they are co-dependent.

Some characteristics of co-dependents are that they feel overly responsible for others, they hide their feelings, they judge

themselves harshly, they feel guilty when they stand up for themselves and they are terrified of abandonment. As a co-dependent a person is constantly seeking approval of others. A person's addiction is to be what others want him or her to be which keeps him or her from feeling or expressing his or her own personality.

A person with the symptoms of co-dependency needs treatment because he or she suffers from a chronic, progressive disease that can produce severe psychological and physical health problems. Recovery from co-dependency involves learning to stand up for yourself and not always giving in to others.

Anyone from MCC, man or woman, may join the CoDA groups. Through applying the "Twelve Steps" and principles

found in CoDA to their daily life and relationships, co-dependents can experience a new freedom from their self-defeating lifestyles.

For those seeking a better balanced life, CoDA meets on Mondays from 12:15-1:15 p.m. On Tuesdays a meeting dealing with building self-esteem meets from 12:15-1:15 p.m. On Thursdays from 12:30-1:30 p.m. women survivors of sexual trauma meet. All the classes are in Room 301 in the Student Center.

NEWS BRIEFS

No classes Friday, Saturday

Classes will not be held and school offices will be closed Friday and Saturday for the Easter weekend. This is the last holiday of the semester.

TASP registration continues

Late registration for the TASP Test continues through April 18. Anyone who registers during this time must call the number listed on the application and pay a \$44 application fee.

Civic Chorus sings tonight

The Civic Chorus will be in concert tonight (April 10) at 8 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center. Admission is free.

Commercial music in the SC

Two rock concerts are scheduled for the Student Center in the next two weeks. One will be Wednesday at 10:10 a.m. and the other will be April 18 at 10 a.m. Admission is free.

Jazzbos to play Wednesday

The Faculty Jazz Ensemble will play a variety of jazz, country and rock ranging from Duke Ellington to Spike Jones Wednesday at 8 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center. The group includes David Hibbard, trumpet; Dick Gimble, bass and vocals; Ken Frazier, guitar; Julian Jones, guitar and vocals; Bill Haskett, trombone; Rob Page, saxophone; Bill Howard, keyboard; and Roger Rush, drums. Admission is free.

Dance Company tryouts next week

Tryouts for the MCC Dance Company will be held 9 a.m.-5 p.m. April 21 in the Highlands. Women planning to attend MCC for the fall semester are eligible to try out for the group. Two letters of recommendation are required, one from a high school administrator and one from a drill team director or someone who knows of the student's capabilities. Officer tryouts will be held following the tryouts for new member. Freshmen and sophomores are eligible to be officers. For more information, contact Sandy Hinton at 750-3551.

Early registration May 1-2

Course advising forms for the first and second sessions of summer classes are available at the registrar's office. Early registration for Summer I is scheduled for May 1-2 and will be by time permit only.

Cancer Support Group meeting

The Cancer Support Group for patients, family and friends is being held on Mondays 10-11 a.m. on the ground floor of the Student Center in the office of services for displaced homemakers and the handicapped.

Private donor scholarships available

The 1990-1991 Private Donor Scholarship applications are available in the office of financial aids. The 35 scholarships range in value from full tuition, fees, books and supplies to \$100 per semester. Applicants must be planning to attend the college full time in the fall and have at least a 2.5 grade point average, a copy of their transcript, and submit a letter to the scholarship committee indicating objectives and need. The deadline for application is Friday.

Hispanic Chamber Scholarships

The Cen Tex Hispanic Chamber of Commerce will award three \$1,000 scholarships to deserving and financially needy students. An applicant may be a freshman or sophomore pursuing a two-year associate degree program or vocational program at a state-sponsored institution such as MCC. Application may be picked up at the Cen Tex Hispanic Chamber, 2942 Dutton, Monday-Wednesday 5:30-7:30 p.m. or Saturday 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Deadline for submitting the application and accompanying documents is April 20. Call 754-7111 for more information.

Festival, pilgrimage April 28-29

The Brazos River Festival and Pilgrimage will be held April 28-29. Festivities include a tour of five fully restored historic homes and an art auction. Tickets may be obtained by writing the "Brazos River Festival," P.O. Box 8747, Waco, TX 76714-8747, or by calling Sherry Nunn at 817-776-1416 or Wendy Underwood at 772-2794.

Glass plant tour April 18

The placement office has organized a tour of the Owens-Brockway Glass plant at 2 p.m. on April 19. This is one of several tours being offered college employees. For further information, call Pam Brewer at ext. 693. Space is limited.

Minority job interview trip set

The job placement office is planning to send a van to the National Minority Expo for Career Opportunities to be held at Southwest Texas State University on April 17-18. Minority students who will be transferring will have the opportunity to be interviewed and hired for full time positions, summer internships and cooperative programs. National, regional and local employers will be on hand for the Expo. Any interested student should contact the placement office at ext. 593 or 594.

Stevens at family relations meeting

Sociology instructor Doris Stevens attended the Texas Council on Family Relations in Denton Thursday and Friday. Stevens is a board member on the council. The purpose of TCFR is to establish a professional association for all those involved in the family field and to promote professional discussion and networking.

Drug Abuse Prevention Conference

The second annual Drug Abuse Prevention Program will be held the evening of May 3 and all day May 4 in the Performing Arts Center. The keynote speaker will be Robert Davenport, assistant deputy director, office of public affairs, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D.C. Some of the topics to be discussed include "The Role of the FBI in Substance Abuse Prevention," "Drugs, the Occult and Satanism" and "AIDS in McLennan County."

Withdraw deadline Thursday

Thursday will be the last day to withdraw with a W. After this date, a grade may be either a W or F, according to the college catalog.

Writing Teachers' Conference

The English department's annual area Writing Teachers Conference will be held here April 25. This year's guest speaker is John Ruszkiewicz, professor of rhetoric and composition at the University of Texas at Austin and co-author of "The Scott, Foresman Handbook for Writers." Ruszkiewicz will conduct a 10 a.m. session for the English department and then a 2 p.m. session for the high school and college writing teachers. Both sessions will be held on the fourth floor of the Administration/Classroom Building in the conference room.

Campus pays for winter freeze

By MARY KUJAWA

Now that spring has officially arrived, the grounds crew is assessing the damage done by the freeze this past winter.

According to Dianne Feyerherm, grounds maintenance supervisor, only a few plants, mainly shrubs, were lost to the freeze.

One of the bigger losses was around the Performing Arts Center. Possibly up to 50 Indian hawthorne, which is a small flowering shrub, will have to be replaced by the grounds crew. Also, two Texas mountain laurel, which are small trees, between the Administration/Classroom and the Library and one redbud tree have not come out yet.

The wax leaf ligustrum in front of the Highlands Gym and the baseball field are also being monitored. Feyerherm said they will be replaced if necessary. The ground cover, including St. Augustine grass, is starting to re-

vive. "It's always slow to come back," said Feyerherm.

However, the greenhouse did sustain some damage during the freeze. Although not many plants were in the greenhouse during the freeze, about 90 percent were lost at that time. According to Feyerherm, the heater could not keep up with the cold.

The grounds crew is waiting now for everything to dry out to begin mulching the flowerbeds. Rows upon rows of marigolds are waiting in the greenhouse for spring planting.

Other future plans include landscaping at the Community Services Center. The grounds crew already has a plan for this,

and work will begin as soon as the weather clears. The grounds crew will also be landscaping the shuttle bus parking lot and the parking lot in front of the CSC.

Other than having a hard time finding plant material due to the freeze, Feyerherm said she sees no problems with the weather once April begins.

Heating system boiler damaged

By SANDRA M. HEWITT-PARSONS

While winter's chill hovered over the campus, one of the three boilers used in the power plant's heating system exploded. No one was hurt in the explosion which occurred at the beginning of the spring semester.

Repair work is nearing completion on the boiler now.

Johnny Kasner at the power plant said the controls stuck and the chamber filled with natural gas, and when the vent could not eliminate the gas build-up, an explosion occurred.

According to Johnette McKown, vice president of business services there was a "malfunction in the electrical gas valve which caused the explosion."

After the explosion an emergency work team began to repair the boiler and determine the extent of damage caused by the explosion.

The cost of emergency work on the electrical control system is still being negotiated, McKown said.

During the emergency work, workers found leaks in the boiler's tubing which circulates the heated water. The estimated cost of repair at that time was \$7,500 to replace selected tubing.

When the re-tubing work began, Bill Johnson, consulting engineer, discovered most of the tubing needed replacing.

"They found too much damage due to old age, barnacles, and holes in most of the tubing."

The condition of the boiler was "typical" for its age, said McKown.

McKown said that after the condition of the boiler was reassessed, a new cost estimate of \$45,000 for replacing the tubing was made. The final cost for the repair work is not known at this time, said McKown.

Awards assembly approaches

By MELISSA HIGHFILL

The Annual Awards Assembly will be held at 10 a.m. April 18 in the Lecture Hall. Students will receive several different certificates based on participation, interest, leadership and services.

Each Student Government

officer will receive a certificate of participation. Also, one student from every area of study will be awarded for his or her outstanding achievements. For outstanding service and high achievement the Club Award will be presented to one member from each club, and all club sponsors will be given a certificate of appreciation.

Census bureau offers employment

By VALLORY MALONE

How would you like a great temporary job with permanent benefits?

If you like to meet new people, work flexible hours and do something that will really count, consider taking part in the 21st Decennial Census.

The census, which takes place every 10 years, determines congressional representation as well as helping state and local governments decide how much money will be spent for schools, roads, prisons and hospitals.

The Census Bureau plans to hire over 400,000 people nationwide for several types of jobs from crew leaders and clerks, to pay roll and personnel clerks and data transcribers. However, most people will be hired as enumerators.

Enumerators gather census information through person-to-person contact, visiting homes to collect and/or complete the census forms.

This is usually done on week-ends and during the evening when most people are home. Some enumerators, called clerks for special place operations,

gather census information from such places as hospitals, nursing homes, dormitories, hotels and motels, flophouses and prisons.

If you can do basic math and follow easy instructions, you will not have any trouble with the 28 question employment test given to all applicants.

The test is designed to measure skills and abilities through five sections which include clerical skills, reading, number skills, organizational skills and interpreting information and evaluating alternatives.

Over 100 MCC students have tested to work with the census.

Applicants should be 18 or older, have access to dependable transportation and be able to work evenings and weekends in addition to being able to read street maps. They must walk outdoors without tiring easily, read small print and communicate with other people.

Those interested in taking the test for this temporary work should contact Martha Whalen in the college's job placement office, or Jenine Hill, at 5318 Franklin Avenue.

Remember, the census is important. Make sure to get counted.



photo by Wade Carpenter

FASHION MERCHANDISING student Jennifer Zatarain models a dress similar to that worn by former First Lady Abigail Adams in 1790s during the "Fashionable First Ladies and Significant Others" fashion show last Thursday.

Show features First Lady fashions

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Some of the authentic costumes were loaned by the Claire Masters Collection.

Angie Meadows wore a beautiful black trimmed, red velvet bustle look dress from the days of Lucy Webb Hays, wife of Rutherford B. Hays, 1877-81. Today's version of the bustle look was worn by Rhonda Parker in a teal back bowed gown. And in a modern-day wedding gown, Daely Westfall-Thompson wore a bustle gown from her recent wedding.

Joanna Hunt was a "knock-out" in a stylish black and white authentic 1950s can-can dress with spike heels. Molly Harris was "pretty in pink" in a pink cascade hemline gown, a style made popular by Mamie Eisenhower, wife of Dwight D. Eisenhower, 1953-61. In an updated version of the fashion, D'Anna Kinder looked modeled a pink and cerise lace gown by Gunne Sax.

Dena Smith looked like a "yellow rose of Texas" in a yellow

authentic sheath dress, a style popularized by Lady Bird Johnson, wife of Lyndon B. Johnson, 1963-69. Michelle Mays, was elegant in a blue chiffon cascade hemline gown, made popular by Betty Ford, wife of Gerald Ford, 1974-77.

Jennifer Zatarain, Dena Smith, Marlene Odom, and Rosalyn Johnson paid tribute to their favorite 1980's designer, Liz Claiborne, by modeling fashions for daytime, playtime, and anytime wear.

Topping the show off was Becky Brunson in a black and white gown, Jennifer Hawkins in a crystal and blue puffed gown, and D'Anna Kinder in a black and silver metallic gown.

The show, which had the theme, "Fashionable First Ladies and Significant Others," is the major project of the course which is taught by Kay Moore, fashion merchandising program director.

Highlanders in mid-season slump

By THOMAS BUTLER

The Hill College Rebels knocked the Highlanders out of first place by winning two out of three games this weekend.

After losing 5-4 in Saturday's game the Highlanders came into Sunday's doubleheader needing two wins to remain in first place. In game one Sunday the Highlanders took a 5-0 lead in route to a 11-5 pounding of the Rebels with the help of four walks, Cedric Allen's double and a two RBI single by Mark Rudis.

The Highlanders exploded again in the fifth as Jahn Finke led a five-run fifth inning with a two-run homer.

Sean Lowe improved his record to 6-1 with the win and Ted Buhner had two consecutive strike outs in relief. Hill College had the offensive power in the nightcap bombarding the pitcher Jerome McGary and the Highlanders 9-2. The loss put the Highlanders a half game behind Howard and one game in front of Hill in the regional race.

The Highlanders dropped a two game series to top ranked San Jacinto, 2-0 and 4-3.

In the first game, the Highlanders

gave up a run early when the Gator's first batter was walked, then stole second and went on to score. Two more men got on base but freshman pitcher Lance Grider escaped the inning without giving up another run.

The next five innings turned into a defensive battle as neither team had a runner reach third. The Highlanders did manage four hits but failed to score. The closest they came was in the third inning when three straight runners reached base. Danny Leigh took first on a walk. James Nix came in to run for Leigh, but was thrown out at second when Mark Prather singled. Mark Scott kept the momentum going with another single but Gator pitcher C.L. Baskin got Jeff Andrewartha to pop up to end the inning.

The Highlanders failed to reach base in the fourth and the Gators went three up, three down in the top of the fifth. Gregg Merrel then tried to rally the Highlanders with a single to lead off. Leigh failed to reach first but Prather fought back with his second hit. Baskin dashed the Highlanders hope by retiring Scott, and striking out Jim Danhof to end the inning.

Grider walked the first batter in the sixth, who went on to steal

second and score the games last run on a sacrifice fly.

The Highlanders never reached base in the final two innings, and failing to score, gave Coach Miller his second shut out in his two years as MCC's head coach.

In the second, the Highlanders late rally fell one run short, 4-3.

Cedric Allen had a rocky second inning, giving up two walks, two doubles, and a single as the Gators took a 3-0 lead. Donnie Carlisle came in and posted two

quick strike outs and got a third man to ground out to end the second. Andrewartha slammed a double for the Highlanders first hit of the game but was stranded on base when the inning ended.

Carlisle allowed a walk and two singles, but survived the third without giving up a run. Prather singled and went to third on an overthrow. Allen walked and Jahn Finke batted in Prather

with a single. Andrewartha added two more RBIs to his growing total by knocking Allen and Finke in with a double that tied the game.

San Jacinto singled but neither team posed a scoring threat in the fourth.

Carlisle showed some poise in the fifth by striking out the sides last batter with runners on second and third. The Gators countered with some fine pitching by Jeff McCurry who didn't allow a runner on base and ended the inning by striking out Chris Sitka.

The Gator's lead off batter in the sixth singled and stole second and was hit in with a game deciding single. Again the Highlanders failed to reach base.

Carlisle gave up a single in the seventh before being relieved by Nix who quickly retired the Gators. The Highlanders refused to give up and made one last run at the Gators. George Kilford was thrown out at first but Merrell singled and Prather was hit by the pitcher before each took an extra base on a balk. Mike Macko didn't reach base but Finke was walked to load the bases, but the rally was suddenly over when Sitka popped up the first pitch to end the game.

The Gators now hold a 3-2 edge on the Highlanders this season but the teams will meet again the 17th in Houston.

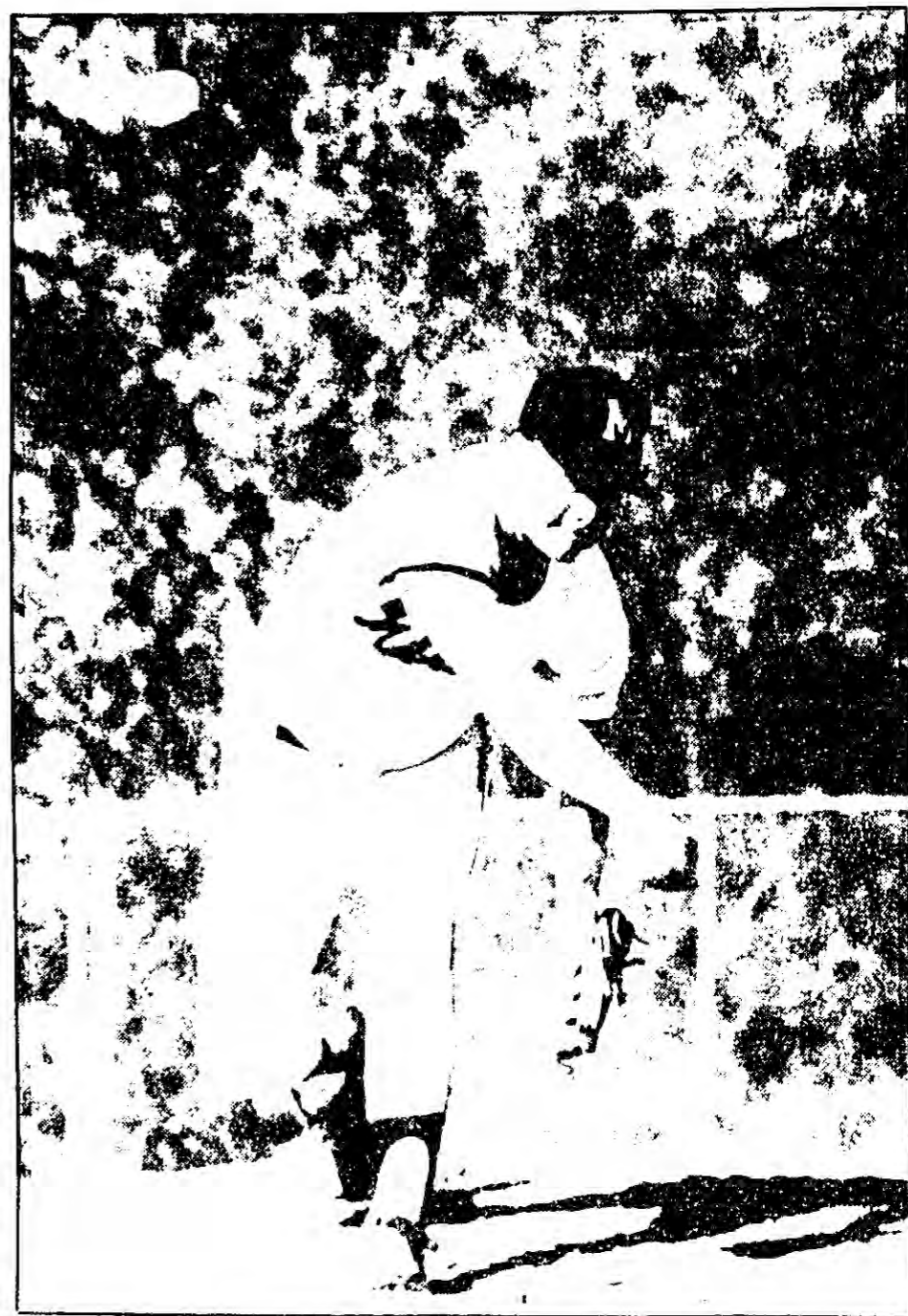


photo by Nathan Newberry

SEAN LOWE throws a strike against Hill College. Lowe went eight innings in Saturday's win, boosting his record to 6-1.

Netters ace two more victims

By WAYNE NELSON

Chalk up one two more in the win column for the men's tennis team.

A win over Mean Green

The University of North Texas was the site of one of the recent victories as the Highlanders took four out of five singles matches and two out of the three doubles matches.

Mike Brown rolled to an easy victory over Scott Peebles 6-0, 6-1. Andreas Matzinger defeated Greg McCurdy 7-5, 6-1. Scott Mounce lost the first set to Tor Krosby but battled back to take the next two and the match 3-6, 6-4, 6-4. Johan Gedlitschka defeated Brad Sweeney 6-4, 7-5.

Olla Wallander lost to Sandeep Shhabra in three sets.

Wallander lost the first set 1-6, but came back to take the second set 7-5, only to falter in the third and lose 2-6.

In men's doubles Guterrez and Matzinger coasted to an easy victory over Moore and McCurdy 6-0, 6-1. Brown and Gedlitschka didn't have it quite that easy as it took them three sets to do away with their opponents, Peters and Shhabra 6-2, 2-6, 6-2. Mounce and Bogel lost to Peebles and Toney in straight sets 6-4, 6-3.

A win in San Antonio

The University of Texas at San Antonio was the site of the second of the Highlanders two recent victories. The Highlanders took five out of six singles matches and two out of the three doubles matches from UTSA.

Mike Brown lost the first set against Roland Cuellar but came

back strong to take the next two sets and the victory 3-6, 6-2, 6-2, to move his overall season record to 20 wins and eight losses.

Andreas Matzinger pulled out a hard fought victory against Dan Casey 7-5, 7-6, to raise his season total to 21 wins against only

three losses. Rob Grant defeated Peter Mazalin 6-0, 7-5, to move his season record to 15 wins and only four losses.

Scott Mounce defeated Tony Palumbo in straight sets 6-3, 6-3, to add another victory to his 22 wins and seven losses for the season. Johan Gedlitschka rolled to an easy victory over Murali

Bashyam in straight sets 6-3, 6-0, to up his season total to 20

wins and only eight losses. Philip Bogel lost to Giovanni Casanova 6-4, 6-4, to move his record to 13 wins and 10 losses.

In men's doubles action Brown/Grant lost to Casey/Cuellar in three sets 6-4, 6-7, 6-2, to drop their season record to 14 wins and four losses. Matzinger/

Gedlitschka defeated Palumbo/Mazalin in straight sets 6-4, 7-5. Bogel/Mounce won a hard fought victory against Casanova/

Bashyam in three sets 6-4, 4-6, 6-4.

"So far I am very pleased with the men's progress, and my only concern is the amount of injuries. We have yet to play a tournament with everyone healthy," said Coach Carmack Berryman.

Highlassies sign Midway stars

By BRIAN SHAW

Women's basketball coach Wendell Hudson opened the recruiting season by signing Midway standouts Tracy Harding and Tracy Jarosz.

"I'm real pleased to have those two young ladies," Hudson said of his recruits, who helped lead Midway to a 34-3 record and the state championship game, where they lost to Corpus Christi Calallen, 46-39.

in rebounding the last two years. She scored only nine points in the Good Grades Game, but grabbed several key rebounds. She is also fast for her height, Hudson said.

Harding, a guard who shot 43 percent from three-point range, "really work hard," according to Hudson. Indeed, her relentless hustle and oppressive defense were key elements in her team's victory in the Good Grades Game. Even though she had an off night

Both players were Super CenTex picks by the Waco Tribune-Herald, with Harding being named "Co-Player of the Year" with teammate Judy Holcombe, who is a junior this year. They also played in the Good Grades Game, held March 31 at the Highlands, leading their team to a 50-48 victory.

Jaros, a 6'7" post, will give the Highlassies more size inside, which Hudson said is one of their biggest needs. She led Midway

from the field, scoring only 12 points, her team missed her while she was on the bench, nearly blowing a 12-point lead.

In other news, MCC sophomores Shawn Medlock and Angela Laws played in an all-star tournament in Odessa on Friday and Saturday. Medlock said that she plans to attend Texas A&M next year.

'Lassies win 7-love

By WAYNE NELSON

The women's tennis team coasted to an easy victory against Mary Hardin-Baylor on March 29. The Highlassies took all five singles matches and both doubles matches.

In singles action Kelly Massa won easily against Brooke Dozier in straight sets 6-4, 6-0. Lorri Valdez defeated Caryn Crye 6-1, 6-2.

Jennifer Hotz rolled to an easy victory over Becky Hunt 6-0, 6-0. Maria Carlsson also won easily as she defeated Tessa Fiest 6-0, 6-0. Tosha Smith defeated Becky Ovana in straight sets 6-0, 6-0.

In teams doubles, Carlsson/Massa defeated Crye/Hunt 6-1, 6-4, and Hotz/Valdez won easily over Fiest/Ovana in straight sets 6-0, 6-0.

The women didn't score as well against UT San Antonio as they lost all five singles matches and both doubles matches. Maria

Carlsson lost to Florentine Schneider in straight sets 6-3, 6-0, the loss drops her season record to 15 wins and 15 losses.

Jennifer Hotz was defeated by Denise Gerza 6-1, 6-1, which drops her season total to 18 wins and 11 losses. Kelly Massa was defeated by Cindy Calzada 6-2, 6-1, moving her total to 17 wins and 11 losses. Tosha Smith lost to Christine Sinclair 6-2, 6-4, leaving her at 14 wins and nine losses for the season.

In doubles action Carlsson/Massa lost in straight sets to Schneider/Nolan 6-2, 6-2, moving them to 11 wins and 11 losses on the season. Hotz/Valdez were defeated by Sinclair/Calzada 6-2, 6-2.

"The same goes for the women as for the men. My only main concern is the amount of injuries. We are only four weeks away from the regional tournament and we need to be 100 percent going into the tournament," said Coach Carmack Berryman.

Athlete honored

Don Hutto is one of the several sophomores who helped the Highlanders reach the regionals and semi-finals at Snyder. The physical education major with a 3.7 GPA is a point guard/shooting guard for the Highlanders and a graduate of Midway High School.

Hutto became interested in playing basketball at six years old, and he credits his parents and God for his inspiration in basketball. In addition to playing basketball, Hutto also participated in baseball in high school.

Hutto said he believes his strength in basketball is, "I have good court sense and I pass the ball on the fast break. I feel that my height is my weakness." The team's strength is "they stay in sync with each other, and they have good chemistry and leadership skills. I feel that their weaknesses is that their too confident about weak opponents."

Recruiting calls came to Hutto from the University of North

In high school he was first team all district and "super guard." Hutto enjoys watching sports on television, playing "pick-up" games and going to parties.



DON HUTTO

Don Hutto also received special recognition for his excellent performance in basketball and in the classroom.

Hutto was presented with the Rip McGowan award for his sportsmanship abilities.

The Rip McGowan award was formed by the Chamber of Commerce for athletes who show extraordinary talents in their field of sports.



photo by Nathan Newberry

KYLE BAILEY drills a shot back across the table en route to the ping pong championship held Friday in the Student Center game room.

Golfers swing at title

By WAYNE NELSON

Cottonwood Creek was the site for the Baylor-NCNB Invitational golf tournament in which the Highlanders battled their way to a fifth and sixth place finish.

The MCCA team finished fifth with a two day combined total of 638. Individual scores from the A team include Jimmy Fay Sawyer with a two day total of 156, Terry Nightingale 158, Dino Mazzola 162, Rob Wright 162 and Gary Clark with a 164.

The MCC B team finished right behind the A team with a two day total of 658. Individual scores from the B team were Brian Trainer 161, Matt Dill 167, Mark Cates 168, Scott Brake 169 and Darren Wiethorn 170.

Odessa and New Mexico Jun

ior Colleges swept the individual honors and finished first and second respectively. Robert Boisvert of Odessa led all individuals with a two day total of 142. Scott Turner of Odessa and Thomas Ryd of New Mexico tied for second as both shot 146. Clayton Friend of Odessa took fourth with a score of 148, Shane Bertsch of New Mexico finished fifth at 150. There was a tie for sixth place with Crister Gavelstad of New Mexico and Justin Hacker from Odessa both shooting 152.

The final overall standings were Odessa A team 594, New Mexico Junior College was second with a total of 601, Odessa B team finished third at 618, Temple took fourth with a score of 637, MCC A team finished fifth overall shooting 638 and MCC B team took sixth with a total of 658.

Student journalists to convention

Five students and their adviser will enter contests and attend seminars and workshops at the joint convention of the Texas Intercollegiate Press Association and Texas Community College Journalists Friday and Saturday in Arlington. Those attending are Sara Wartos, editor; Elizabeth DeLeon, senior associate editor; David Faulkner, entertainment editor; Mon Tina Williams, sports editor; Keith Jenkins, former editor; and adviser Tom Buckner, who is secretary of the Texas Intercollegiate Press Advisers Association.

Basketball briefs

Keith Kimble, a 5-ft. 11-inch, 165-lb. point guard from Waco High, signed a letter yesterday to play basketball for the Highlanders.

Coach Ken DeWeese, who was being considered for the vacant basketball coaching job at the University of Texas at San Antonio, withdrew his name from the list last week.

Tube tension:

Television violence bombards homes

By PAUL CROSBY

Television has delivered news, entertainment and a society more connected and educated because of its merit.

But television is not all good news and entertainment.

As the national moral outlook loosens, television has developed more questionable content. Violence now bombards the screen. "Variety," a show business newspaper, studied television violence and concluded 56 people died on screen during one week of prime-time television last spring. The study also concluded 132 people were involved in violent acts such as beatings, pushing, grabbing, being shot or stabbed on the three networks prime-time schedule during one week.

Harry Kovsky, a firm specializing in television format and content, counted 382 acts of crime or violence between 8 and 11

p.m. This averages 6.06 acts of violence per hour. The study also discovered 51 of the 67 prime-time television shows had at least one instance of crime or violence. The movie "Beverly Hills Cop" had the highest number, 36.

The violence counted in the Kovsky study ranged from "bullying" on "The Wonder Years" to gun battles, car chases, murders, rapes and many other violent acts.

According to the Kovsky study, the three networks average death rate for a week is 18.7 or .85 deaths per hour. The injury rate was 44, or 2.1 injuries per hour.

Last year, the U.S. House of Representatives passed a bill stating the television industry cannot violate anti-trust laws by devising guidelines to alleviate the negative impact of violence, but a spokesman from ABC said the bill would be almost impossible to implement.

Freshman Tim Schaub said violence is a cliché of modern television. It has become so commonplace, most people do not even notice it anymore.

"Violence is just not as taboo as it once was," Schaub said. "Half the time it is used on television, it doesn't even serve a useful purpose in the plot. It is just there to add a little spice."

Schaub cited some violent shows: "Hill Street Blues," "Miami Vice" and most other police shows.

"Violence on television certainly can lead a person to be more violent," Schaub said. "But I don't think violence is necessarily evil."

According to Schaub, violence on television or movies is on the same level with profanity and nudity.

"I don't think any of them are very bad," Schaub said. "Just unnecessary."



SET AND COSTUME DESIGNER John Rutuelo, adorned in overalls, stalks the set of 'Yeoman of the Guard' with paint brush in hand putting on the finishing touches.

photo by Sara Wartes
Rutuelo has been working on the design since September with members of the Opera Workshop Project.

Music students to play new computer system

By ELIZABETH DELEON

A new computer mini-software system has been purchased for the use of commercial music students on campus.

MIDI, (Musical Instrument Digital Interface), was approved for purchase for \$20,000 at the last Board of Trustees meeting.

The system works through synthesizers which are stored in an activated memory in which instruments are communicating with other instruments.

Sounds are then recorded back and forth through a computer software and intermode mixboard system and repeated through a tapeless studio which picks up the sound as if it was composed, edited and ready for release.

"It's like computers communicating with other computers, only it's different because it is instruments communicating with one another," said Dave Hibbard, director of commercial music.

Hibbard also mentioned that the new system is a good idea because it actually gives students

a chance to put themselves in a position of working with new technological advances that are crucial in the film, television, video, and even advertising aspects of the commercial musician.

He also explained that because the requirements are more difficult to meet for musicians or entertainers today, that it is a good idea to teach students the importance of technological synthesizer computer control.

"Musicians are in a changing market place and are not asked to record as often. Synthesizers are half the cost and because of this they (the musicians) are not asked to do as much demanding work as before because it can all be done so quickly. In the long run this is less time consuming and better for a more rapid production of the music," said Hibbard.

He also mentioned that although this is something musicians have wanted for a long time, it can also be bad because computers can reduce the opportunities for talented musicians.

Although the MIDI computer synthesizer technology system has only been around for six years, Hibbard said that the technology of it is maturing rapidly and staying so at a steady pace.

"The hardest thing for people to realize is that the music industry is massive, moving so quickly. So, advancing these computers is a start for capitalism at its most basic," said Hibbard.

He also said that although computers are taking over throughout the music industry, instruments will never fade or

become extinct because people like to see various instruments being played on stage. Hibbard said that because music is so powerful, it will never die, not even with the advances of the computer system.

"I am glad that we've got the new system because I see an opportunity for the commercial music students that they might not otherwise have," said Hibbard.

Opera workshop hits high note

By ELIZABETH DELEON

Although "Yeoman of the Guard" is considered a comedy operetta, it's the only Gilbert and Sullivan play to end with both humor and tragedy.

Lise Landsfeld, stage director for the MCC Opera Workshop, said after viewers saw the play they had mixed feelings because it left the audience with an unexpected ending.

The opera is set in 16th century England, the story depicts the trials of Colonel Fairfax, who has falsely been accused and sentenced to death by his own greedy cousin, who tries to inherit the family fortune.

Fairfax is imprisoned in the Tower of London, and because Elsie loves him so much, her father devises a plan to save Fairfax from his death.

In order to save Fairfax from death, Elsie's father disguises him as a yeoman of the guard and this is where trouble began because everyone becomes confused as to who is who.

In the end, Fairfax is set free and decides to marry Elsie because she realizes that he is who she fell in love with to begin with, but the sad part is that Jack Point is madly in love with her. Elsie knows that he loves her, but there is nothing that she can do about it because she loves Fairfax.

The ending is sad because Jack Point fell senseless, however, it also portrays a happy ending because every one who is meant to be together is married in the end.

Landsfeld has directed an opera a year for the last 10 years. She thought that "Yeoman" would be a good opera for those involved because a

good way to get into acting is through comedy.

She said "Yeoman" helped those involved because the way the music was written helps to develop the voice, "especially for all the voice majors that were involved with the production."

The 12 member cast of the opera included Byron McCauley as "Sir Richard," Casey Glaser as "Col. Fairfax," John Russell as "Sgt. Meryll," Richard Caldwell as "Leonard Meryll," Ken Mott as "Jack Point," Greg Scott as "Wilfred Shadbolt," Charles Barganier and Drew Womack as "Head Yeoman," Landsfeld as "Elsie Maynard," Jane Borron as "Phobe Meryll," Susan Anderson as "Dame Carruthers" and Laura Bateman as "Kate."

Gail Geary was the music director and John Rutuelo designed the set and costumes.

Tutors available

By MARY KUJAWA

Free tutoring in the math lab is once again available for any and all MCC math students. The math lab is located in HPE 202.

The math lab is open from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays and from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The lab is also open on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 5:30 to 8 p.m.

The lab works on a drop-in system. Students must sign in when entering the lab. Instructors and student tutors are always available to help students during the lab hours.

Equipment designed to help the student is also available. VCRs and microcomputers with computer disks are available during lab hours. Students are encouraged to use the Apple IIe computers for the math programs and other audiovisual equipment that goes with the math courses. Math 110, a one hour flexible course, is also conducted at the math lab.

Buddy Powell, supervisor of the math lab, encourages math students to drop by anytime the lab is open.



"THE LAST WINE JAR" by Ping Liao and "To Dream or Not to Dream" by Laura Groom won awards recently at the Student Art Exhibit. These and other pieces are on display in the Performing Arts Center lobby.

By ROBERT M. BROWN

Spring is in the air, which means it is time again for the Highland Games.

The Highland Games are a chance for teams or individuals to participate in various games and activities.

The games begin with the coed volleyball games on Monday and will continue April 19. On April 23 the aquatic events will be held with swimming races and "big splash" competition. The rest of

the events will take place on Wednesday, April 25. Some of the traditional events of the Highland Games are the caber toss, tug-o-war, Highland run, pie-eating contest, earth ball relay, three-legged race and jallapeno-eating contest.

Any student, faculty or staff member is invited to participate. Campus organizations and private teams may recruit anyone for their team as long as he or she is a student, faculty or staff member of MCC. Once a person

has signed up with a team, that person must play only for that team.

A team roster with the name of the team, captain's name, address and phone number is required to schedule events. The rosters can be dropped by the student activities office where more information can be obtained.

Campus organizations may sell items at food booths on campus between noon and 3 p.m. on April 25 to raise money.

Tripping

By DAVID FAULKNER

The idea of a field trip is to provide a student with hands on experience.

Continuing Education sponsored a trip April 7 to the Texas State Railroad. Another trip to the railroad is scheduled for June 9. The cost will be \$19.

The health career students went to Baylor Medical Center in Dallas February 22.

Students in "Introduction to Mass Communication" have visited the Waco Tribune Herald and KWTX TV and radio this semester.

'Flies' swatted in cinema

By PAUL CROSBY

Beelzebub. Beel: Lord. Zebub: Flies.

This name for Satan as the prince of demons is the central idea in William Golding's 1954 novel "Lord of the Flies," and the ambiguous foundation of Harry Hooks' contemporary movie version of the modern classic.

"Lord of the Flies" has received prodigious praise since its publication 36 years ago, and Golding's underlying symbols and morbid theme have been given near God like status in the literary community. The novel goes far beyond a boy's adventure story, which is what it appears to be on the surface.

The movie's story entails a group of American students, all children, plane wrecked on a deserted island. The movie shows its irreverence to the book through several changes.

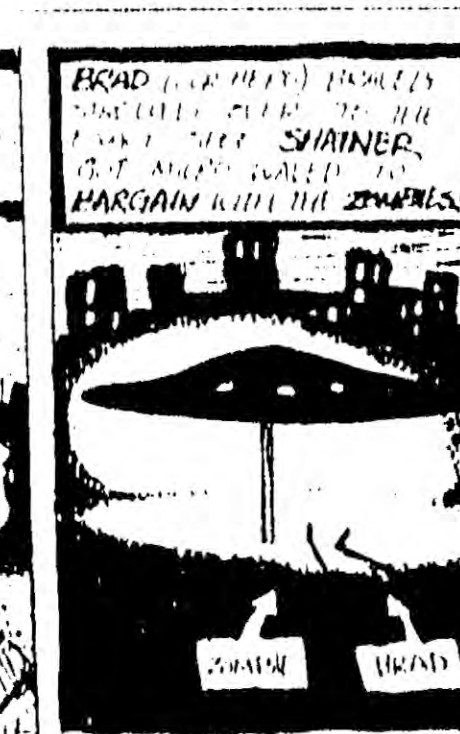
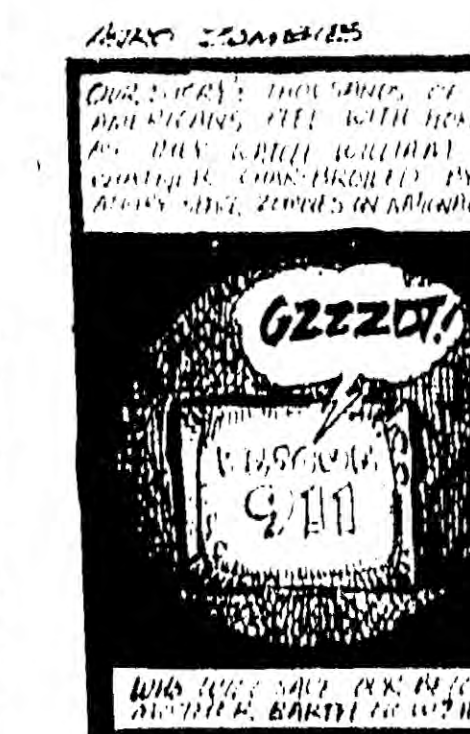
Two changes from the book crippled this film. First, the pilot of the plane that crashed is not a character in the book. He is not on the island with the boys, but the movie includes him as a sack outsider whom the boys deliberately kill. His inclusion also sparks a different approach to The Beast character in the film.

Second, one of the book's most powerful scenes, where Simon talks to a pig's head, is absent from the movie. It may have been too emotionally complicated to transfer to film, but since the filmmaker's decided to put the book on screen, they should have captured the most powerful scene. "Lord of the Flies" sparked a movie version in the past, but the contemporary version upgrades the students, changes their nationality from British to American and adds customary profanity and contemporary dialogue.

The film is no comparison to the book, but it was upsetting in places. But understanding the wealth of literary value the book relayed under the obvious story adds more pleasure to this attack on modern civilization.

"Lord of the Flies" received an R rating for violence and profanity.

This is an average movie. It probably would have been better to leave the book to its literary reputation and not wallow in the mediocrity of the cinema.



Date Rape: Are you at risk?

By SAM ALLGOOD



photo by Sandra Hewitt-Parsons
John Porter, Drug Abuse Prevention Coordinator

Republican gubernatorial contender Clayton Williams recently compared weather to "rape" saying "If it's inevitable, just relax and enjoy it." MCC's Drug Abuse Prevention Coordinator John Porter disagrees.

"It's an old cliché. There's no enjoyment in rape," he said. "It's a poor analogy for a politician to use when women are so involved in issues."

An issue affecting many college women is date rape. The 1990 edition textbook "Sexual Healing" defines date rape as unduly coerced sex between partners who know each other fairly well.

It further states that "for every violent rape there are at least 10 times as many incidents of coerced sex. About half of all college women (and many men too) report instances where they have been unduly persuaded."

"They're not a willing participant," said Porter. "They're being raped. The end result is the same."

College women at risk have characteristics in common. Composite "Carla" is at high risk for rape. She's single and under 30 years old. A feminist, she asserts her right to go anywhere she wants, often alone. The allure of "Happy Hour" and the false comfort of drugs are known to her. These are factual charac-

teristics provided by Porter.

The following statistics and factual characteristics are from "Sexual Healing."

College men at risk to rape are also similar. High-risk composite "Karl" is under 26 years old (65 per cent) and stands a 50/50 chance of being white, being married or having an available partner. Half the time he has a previous record of sexual offense. Raised by a single parent or foster parents, his income is low and his employment marginal. He drinks and/or does drugs. "Karl" is aggressive towards women and sees them as adver-

saries. More than likely, "Carla" and "Karl" are the same color and of the same ethnic background (70 per cent).

If "Karl" attacks "Carla," chances are she will be raped at his or her home (45 per cent) rather than in a park or street (35 per cent). Odds are against his using a weapon or threat of violence (40 per cent). "Carla" will probably be subjected to forced vaginal rape (75 per cent). The assault will usually last one hour or less (70 per cent).

"Karl" has a 50/50 chance of not being reported.

Are you at risk for date rape? When in doubt, double date. "Rape usually doesn't occur in a mixed environment," said Porter.

If a date turns towards an inevitable rape, "Get out of that situation immediately. Go to other people," he said. If trapped, he suggests saying "We're not going to do this!" very firmly.

After the fact, "The person needs to go to the hospital for medical attention," he said. "Call the police from the hospital. It's very important for the victim to press charges."

Porter shared these insight on myths and misconceptions of rape:

Q. Why are men often astonished when accused of rape?

A. In date rape situations, they want to believe they did nothing wrong because their partner gave in.

Q. Who should you watch out for?

A. Probably the one you would least expect. The one you have the infinite trust in, is the one you have to be the most careful about.

Q. Can women date rape men?

A. Nowadays we see more women being assertive in getting their needs met. Assertiveness bordering on aggression.

Q. Is date rape a male spur-of-the-moment thing?

A. It's on their mind already. I suspect a lot is premeditated.

Q. Does having sex with an unconscious or sleeping woman constitute rape?

A. If they do not consent it's rape.

Q. Do some women secretly want it to happen?

A. No woman wants to be raped.

Q. If the force used in an assault does not go past wrestling, many men believe it's impossible to rape a struggling woman.

A. It is... possible for a man to physically overpower a woman and rape her.

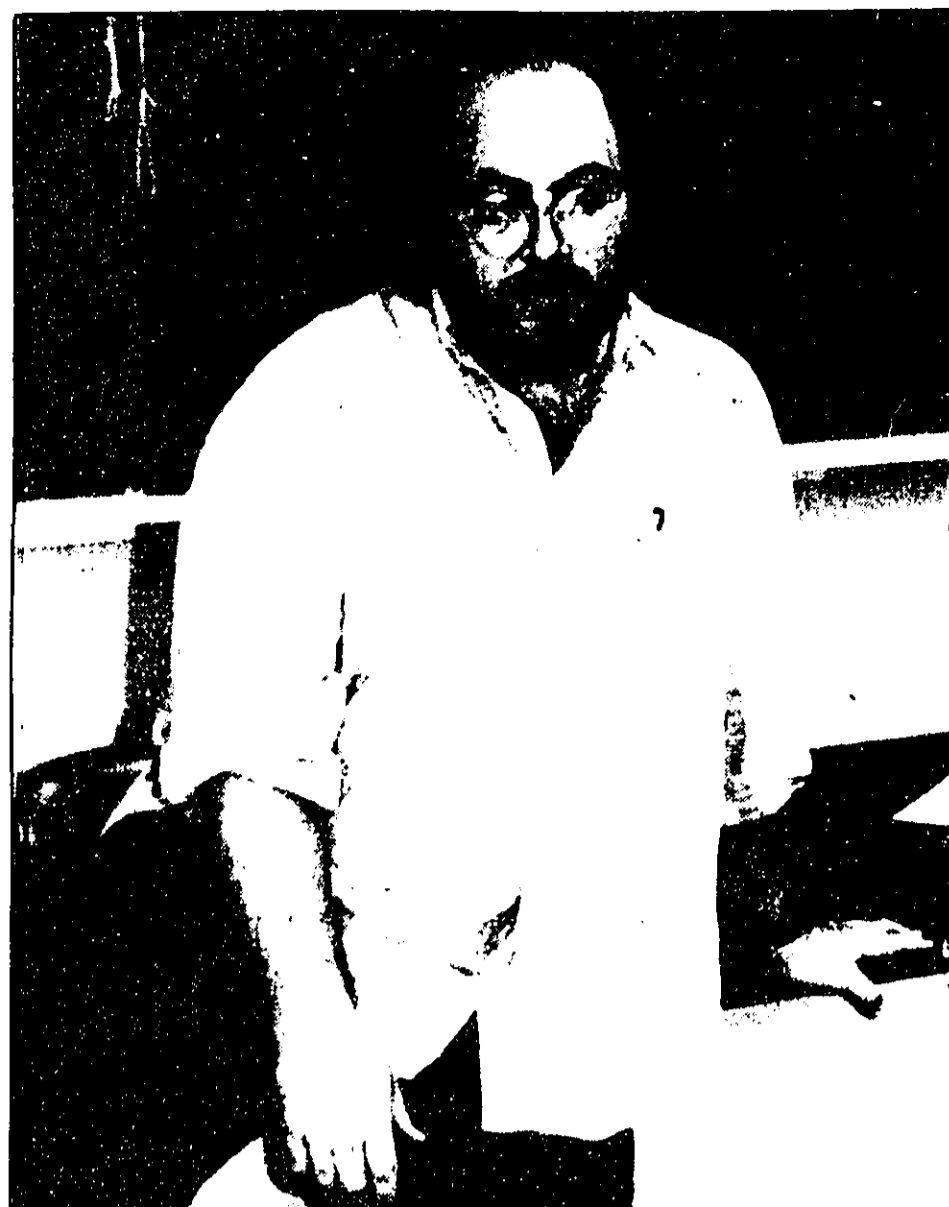


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NURTURING CREATIVE TALENTS, English Instructor W. T. Pfeferle lectures to one of his classes.

Magazine in making

By DAVID FAULKNER

A literary magazine may soon be published on campus.

W. T. Pfeferle, English instructor, said the board is looking into approval for the magazine.

"We don't get enough credit for being creative," said Pfeferle.

FreeWorld would be a journal for the creative talents of this college to be shown," said Pfeferle.

Pfeferle said the title FreeWorld reflects what is happening around the world. Democracy is on the rise. The world is becoming more open, more free.

Pfeferle said he hopes the magazine would also serve as a

public relations tool."

"The journal would be a document that would go out across the community," said Pfeferle.

"It should be a publication that the campus, administration, and Waco would be proud of."

Pfeferle wants the editorial staff to consist of students only. However they would not receive course credit. They would work "for the love of it and for the experience they would gain."

The journal would be put out once a semester. It would be 70-90 pages and consist of criticisms, photos, fiction, poetry and art.

The faculty, staff and students will be able to submit entries.

Peace Corps: 'toughest job he ever loved'

By BRIAN YATES

The Peace Corps, conceived in 1961 by President John F. Kennedy, describes its overseas volunteer work as "The toughest job you'll ever love." Rick Matlick agrees with that statement.

Matlick, assistant to instructor Henry Apperson, served in the Peace Corps for two years and says of the experience, "I cannot think of a better thing for a young person to do."

Matlick volunteered during the LBJ administration and said that at that time the Peace Corps preferred to be asked for assistance rather than rush into a situation. During that time the country of India suffered from drought and famine and Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi asked for the assistance of the United States. America was involved in Vietnam during those years and was not able to offer much financial aid to India, Matlick explained, so President Johnson enlisted the assistance of 2,000 Peace Corps volunteers.

Matlick was involved in agricultural development in a small village about 150 miles south of New Delhi. The group Matlick was in was one of the first to

venture from the large cities and into the smaller impoverished villages. "We had no electricity and no running water," Matlick said. "We had to bathe with water from a well in the village."

Matlick said that the program in which he was involved was rather hastily organized and his group only managed to plant a few vegetable gardens and spent most of its time assisting small village governments.

At the time that he was involved in the Peace Corps, Matlick said, there were no specific written requirements for qualification. But not just anyone who applied was accepted for the volunteer work. "When I was accepted only 1 out of 16 applicants were accepted." The application was extensive, he said, as was the background check for applicants which was predominantly psychological.

Matlick said the Peace Corps is a good experience for a young person, building character as well as being educational. "We need more Americans who have lived overseas and are familiar with other cultures."

For more information about the Peace Corps write to: U.S. Peace Corps, Dept. P, Washington, D.C. 20526.

Success Story:

Environmentalist used mental health program as a springboard to career

By SARA WARTES

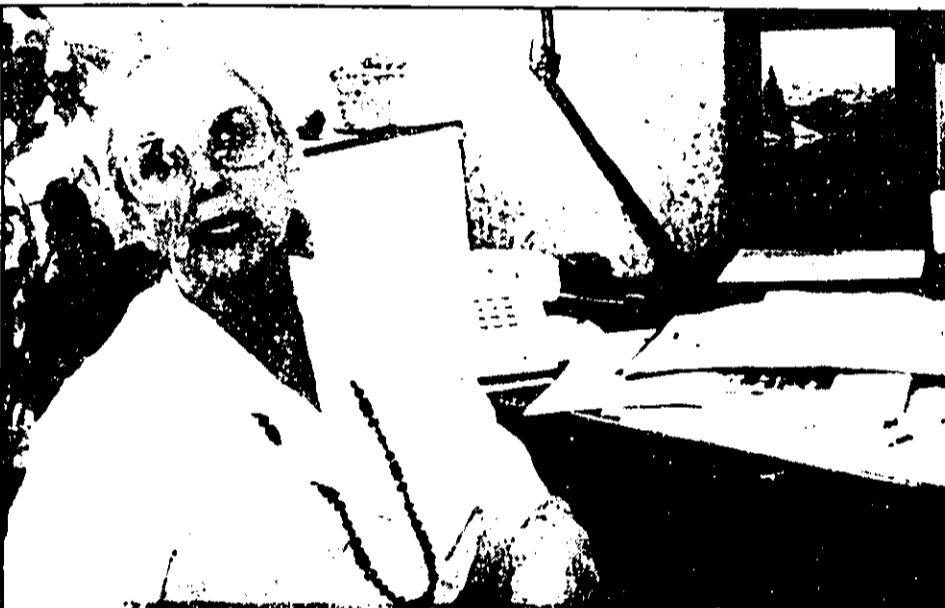


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"When I retire I'll probably be one of these little old ladies in tennis shoes that wind up in jail."

It's hard to imagine Lois Kerr, the dignified instructor/coordinator of continuing education, being booked and fingerprinted, but the above statement reflects the passion she and her husband feel for environmental issues.

"We are not activists, at least not yet. But we are actively concerned about the environment," Kerr said. One of Kerr's current projects is serving on MCC's Earth Day Committee to plan campus activities (see related story).

But for Kerr, protecting the environment begins at home. "We are doing just about everything at home that is recommended to do," Kerr said. Examples are composting to eliminate the need for fertilizers and planting herbs to protect the vegetable garden from insects.

"I don't use any insecticide. It's wonderful. You can just go out, pick it and wipe it off with your hands and eat it," she said.

Kerr said one year she discovered that the dill she had planted was a favorite food for the caterpillars that turn into the black swallow-tailed butterfly. "Ever since then I have a (butterfly) nursery," she said.

Kerr, a vegetarian, is also an animal rights advocate. "I don't want anything to have to die to feed me," she said. "Most people don't ever connect what's in the meat case with what's out there alive, with a right to live their life."

"Factory farming" which puts

CHAMPIONING THE ENVIRONMENT, Instructor/coordinator of Continuing Education, Lois Kerr, believes protecting the environment begins at home.

animals into unhealthy, overcrowded conditions to produce the maximum amount of food, is especially abhorrent to Kerr.

"The eggs we get are laced with antibiotics that are given to the chickens because factory farming puts them into such a position that they are vulnerable to everything that comes down the pike. The same thing with veal. There's no nutrition in it. It's terrible treatment of the animals. But if they don't think of the animals, if they would just think of their own health, people would benefit by not buying those products," Kerr said.

"We are really better off eating the plants and beans and nuts, because we can feed more people that way. The way the population is growing, we're not going to be able to feed everybody on a meat diet. You can feed

15 to 20 people on the amount of grain that it takes to feed one cow to make meat," Kerr said.

Although the environment is her passion, continuing education is Kerr's vocation. She handles the continuing education courses that MCC offers nursing home administrators and activity directors. These courses are required by the state in order for administrators to keep their licenses. She also handles similar courses for social workers.

MCC served as a springboard for Kerr to resume her career plans interrupted years ago.

After receiving her bachelor's degree at Kent State University in the 1950s, Kerr attended the Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary with plans to go into Christian counseling. But during the first year she met her husband, Bill.

ADDITIONAL TOUCHES TO DYED EGGS

Use felt marking pens to draw designs on eggs. However, be careful about using them on eggs which will be eaten. The ink sometimes bleeds through the eggshell. Cooked eggs with ink on them should not be eaten.

You can decorate eggs with paste-on seals, loose-leaf binder reinforcement rings, stars, or any other adhesive you happen to have on hand.

Cut-out flowers from wallpaper or seed catalogs can be glued on eggs for a floral look. You can also use pictures of animals or flowers on cloth. Dampen them

slightly to make them cling and then glue them to the egg.

Comic strip characters are especially attractive to children. Use white paste when gluing to eggs. Tempera paints or watercolors are a popular way to enhance Easter eggs. For preschoolers, simply hand them a batch of crayons.

CRAYON EGG

Using a white wax crayon, write a name or draw a simple design on the uncolored egg. Dye the egg. The part covered by the crayon will remain white.

GLUE EGG

Select a simple design. Draw it on the dyed egg with liquid glue. Allow the glue to become slightly tacky. Sprinkle the glue with glitter or spread a thin layer

of glue over the entire surface of an uncolored egg, doing half at a time. Sprinkle wet glue with glitter.

EGG-HEADS and EGG-ANIMALS

Using blown eggs (pinhole egg ends and blow liquid out), you can construct a myriad of egg-animals and egg-heads. Draw facial features with a felt pen, and use colored yarn for hair and construction paper for limbs and clothes.

THE-DYED EGG

1. Prepare the egg dye according to directions on the package. Roll each egg in a piece of cloth. Gather the cloth together at both ends, and twist. Be sure cloth is tight. Fasten with a rubber band.
2. Dip the cloth wrapped egg in the egg coloring. Get the cloth

thoroughly wet with the coloring. Put the egg aside to dry overnight, still wrapped in the cloth. The next day, unwrap your tie dyed egg and see what you have.

RAINBOW EGGS

1. Using a separate container for each color of dye, dissolve the dye in two teaspoonfuls of water. Check with the dye package to see if you should use hot or cold water. Add two to three drops of vinegar to each container of dye.
2. Slightly dampen the piece of cloth. Wrap it completely around one egg.
3. Using an eyedropper, drop spots of dye on the cloth wrapped egg. Rinse the dropper and repeat with additional colors.
4. Twist the dye spotted cloth tightly around the egg so the

colors run together to produce a rainbow effect. Unwrap the eggs and let them dry.

SCRATCH-CARVED EGGS

Scratch-carving is one of the oldest ways of decorating Easter eggs. The designs may be very simple or extremely elaborate.
1. Work out your design on a piece of paper. Lightly pencil the design on a colored egg. Dark colors work best.
2. Using a needle or the point of a knife, scratch the design into the eggshell. You will have a white design on a colored egg.
For a variation, cover an undyed egg in wax. Carve in the design, being sure to carve into the eggshell a little. Dye the egg. You will have a colored design on a white egg.



How to 'dress up' your eggs this Easter



By AIMEE FARR

Early man stared in wonder at the egg. It looked like a stone. Then—"crack!"—out of the stone emerged a tiny beak, a living creature.

It seemed a miracle, the miracle of new life.

This is the meaning of an Easter egg. It goes back far beyond any one religion and belongs to all mankind.

On Easter, try some variations in your Easter eggs. Let your artistic talents flow. After all, many Fabergé eggs are considered to be priceless.

Coloring and decorating eggs aren't just for children. They also make great Easter gifts for friends or family. The following are some tips on how you can "dress up" your eggs.
Buy an egg coloring kit. These