

campus news

Instructors, staff give to United Way

By LONNIE FOY

"When the economy is at its lowest, those of us who have jobs ought to be willing to give out of our abundance to the needs of others," said Dr. Marylea Henderson, the chairperson of the MCC United Fund Drive.

Every school has a chairperson who is responsible for collecting for the United Fund. MCC President Dr. Wilbur Ball appointed Henderson.

Henderson said, "I believe in the United Fund and its community-mindedness. I am eager to help others who are worse off than myself. This is why I accepted the chairperson post."

The goal for collecting was a seven percent increase over last year in donations from MCC faculty, staff and

classified personnel. Henderson has elicited an increase of nine percent. The money figure indicates that Henderson has raised \$15,271,32, \$2,000 increase over the campus goal.

At MCC, there was a 92.6 percent participation rate. Of the cards sent out, 100 percent were returned.

Fair shares increased 75 percent. A fair share is one percent of one's monthly salary. In the maintenance department, there was a 260 percent increase.

Why does the United Way deserve these gifts? The United Way had 27 different agencies that do nothing but work on community problems.

During the Fund Drive, speakers from agencies supported by the United Fund explained their functions.

The speakers were: Larry Long, director of the Waco's Boys Club; Jeanny Reece, president of Evangelia Settlement; Tillman Rodabough, president of board of the Community Cancer Association; Gwen Gordon, director of the Family Abuse Center; and Robert Ward of Family Counseling and Children's Services. Dr. Dale Hughes and Jerry Scarborough presented the needs of PDAP (Palmer

Drug Abuse Program). PDAP is a drug prevention program. It is not a United Way agency, but it does a community service. For this reason, those who wish can designate that their donation go to PDAP.

Homer Trevino, executive vice president of the United Way said,

"MCC gave more than just financial contributions. Many served as volunteers on United Way committees. Dr. Chester Hastings is a member of the Planning Committee. Gary Luft participates in the allocation committee and Donna Pleasant also serves on the allocation committee.

"Dr. Henderson gave of her time and went beyond the call of duty. She worked to put the program together. She has commitment and dedication to the community. She has left a record that will not be easily matched," said Trevino.

"This community is very fortunate to have a faculty and staff who give of themselves to others," said Trevino.



Concert Band performs

Flutists Delores Fernandez and Terri Rush Wallis perform during the Concert Band Recital Oct. 22 in the Fine Arts Theatre. The band played selections by Ralph Vaughan Williams, an arrangement by Gordon Jacobs, Clare Grundman, Gustav Holst, an arrangement by Alfred Reed and Julius Fucik. (Photo by Consuelo Arriola)



Carolyn Rodabough

MCC offers CPR training

By SCOTT THORNTON

MCC Director of Health Services Carolyn Rodabough urges everyone to receive cardio-pulmonary resuscitation training.

Students wishing to take CPR training can enroll in eight-hour courses through the Continuing Education Division.

The course fee is \$9. Classes meet on Tuesday and Thursday nights. Rodabough is the instructor.

The course is certified by the American Heart Association certification in Basic Life Support.

Rodabough and Assistant Dean in

Continuing Education, Donna Pleasant conducted a survey to see if any of the MCC faculty knew or would like to know CPR. A three-hour course was designed by Rodabough and Pleasant to give to the faculty.

Results of the survey indicated that a number of the faculty and staff would be interested in the course. "We would like for more of the campus personnel to know CPR," encouraged Rodabough.

Many MCC faculty members have an interest in CPR and the American Heart Association. For example, Bryant Burleson, Director of Student

Activities, is a former Regional Director of the American Heart Association. Ken Willis, Pleasant and Rodabough are American Heart Association Board Members.

For the past two years, the American Heart Association has sponsored "Project CPR" in the Waco Area. Different learning sites were set up around the city and people were invited to take the three-hour version of the course.

American Heart Association representatives are continuing this year so that more Wacoans can receive the basic skills of CPR.

Faculty reveals varied taste in music

People's attitudes and ideas about life can be readily seen in a number of ways: the fashions they wear, the friends they have, and the car they drive to name a few.

Another telling factor in their psychological make-up is the type of music they listen to.

People are sometimes categorized into groups according to musical tastes. There are all the old stereotypes. If you listen to country and western, you drive a pick-up truck, wear a cowboy hat and boots, and like to stick a foreign substance "between your cheek and gum."

Then you have your punkers, with hair the color of a Los Angeles sunset and sexual desires that only Larry Flint could comprehend.

And, of course there's those di-hard rock 'n' rollers who just can't face up to the fact that their music is following in the footsteps of the prehistoric dinosaur.

But do these stereotypes apply to MCC faculty?

The musical tastes of the majority seem to lie between country and middle-of-the-road. Even these contained some interesting exceptions. For example, library assistant Doris Wiley enjoys one of the great compositions of our time, entitled "I'll Be Glad When You've Gone, You Rascal You."

Unfortunately, the author of this show-stopper is unknown and probably wishes to remain so.

On the other hand, Dee Toombs, superintendent of the Physical Plant, tends to sway toward the more esoteric with selections like Verdi and Cossini. Toombs said, "Opera is relaxing and enjoyable. It makes more sense than some of the words in today's music."

Dr. Dale Hughes, instructor of religion, also thinks along the same vein. His favorite composition is "Symphony Number 2" written by Howard

Hansen. The tune may be better recognized as the theme from the science-fiction film, "Alien." Surprisingly enough, Dr. Hughes also likes the groups Blondie and Air Supply "because of the melodies. It's pop music, which has become much more melodic in the last years."

Dave Hibbard, director of Commercial Music department and Willie C. Harris, mail deliveryman, both enjoy jazz. Hibbard's favorite is "Donna Lee" by Charlie Parker because "It's the most demanding bebop tune I can think of." Harris has a number of jazz albums that he still listens to today, though he mainly listens to the old masters; Bill Smith, Lionel Hampton and Duke Ellington.

The majority of the faculty prefer country tunes, but for different reasons. Government instructor Paul Holder likes C&W because it is music that tells a story. Jim Hall, chairman of Human and Behavioral Sciences,

grew up listening to country and western and finds it entertaining and amusing. Cindy Scott, fashion merchandising instructor is fond of "anything country. It's so funny and corny". There was one lone rocker, English Instructor Randall Waller, who listens to the Rolling Stones vintage '60 and '70s hits. These tunes remind Waller of his high school and college years and bring back good memories, such as first meeting and dating his wife.

Sometimes it is hard to think of instructors as people who think and feel as students do. They enjoy listening to good music just like every-body else, and have certain songs that remind them of special times and places.

Although their tastes in music may be as diversified as their various fields of endeavor, they still share that one common element that music brings out in all of us: enjoyment.

Students donate blood

Thirty people donated blood during the Oct. 18 drive at MCC. The blood drive, held 9 a.m.-2 p.m. in the Student Center, was co-sponsored by the Baptist Student Union and the Nursing Students Association.

To give blood, you had to weigh at least 110 pounds. The donor should have eaten a well-balanced meal within the last four hours before the donation. Anyone within the ages of 18-65 was accepted if they met the physical requirements.

Some of the reasons why you could not give blood included if you've had hepatitis, were allergic to penicillin, anemic, or if you use self-injecting drugs, or if you are on any type of

medication, or if you have had an immunization in the last two weeks.

Persons who are 17 years old could donate blood only with a parent's permission. A doctor's written permission was required for individuals who are 66 years or older.

A person is eligible to donate blood every 56 days (8 weeks). If you have given blood and are in an accident, you can receive free blood transfusions in some towns, such as Waco, Mexia, and Groesbeck. All you have to pay for is the administration of the blood.

If you missed the campus blood drive but would like to give blood contact the Waco Red Cross at 4224 Cobbs Dr.

Data Processing Club meets

By JOANNE ADKISON

Several successful MCC data processing graduates will comprise a panel at the next Data Processing Club meeting Oct. 27 at 10 a.m. in AS 101. Panelists will answer questions, offer advice and tell about their experiences in the computer industry. Interested MCC personnel, as well as students, are invited to attend.

Iva Leo, Coordinator of the Data Processing Department and a club sponsor, has sent eight letters of invitation. Invited speakers are David Parker, operations manager for the Texas Farm Bureau of Waco; Pete Gonzales, operations manager for American Amicable Life Insurance, also of Waco; Perry Mollet, computer programmer for Gerhart Industries of Fort Worth.

Also, Kirk Lipscomb, programmer for Zales Corporation of Dallas; Elizabeth Kasner, programmer for First National Bank of Waco; Claeso Howard, programmer for M&M Mars of Waco.

Also, Michael Lindsay, programmer for Texas Farm Bureau and Loretta Rauschuber, programmer for Star-Tox Propane, both of Waco.

The Data Processing Club will also make plans for their annual Thanksgiving dinner during the meeting.

The following club members were elected during last month's meeting: President Melvin Lasseter; Vice President Marc Wall; Secretary/Treasurer Kari Gowans; and Inter Club Council Representative Karla Light. Sponsors are Iva Leo and Ed Coburn.



An unidentified donor gives blood during the blood drive.

Measles shots are effective

By CHRISTY LEWIS

Only one case of measles has been reported at MCC.

About 140 inoculations have been given. Shots will be given free until further notice.

MCC Nurse Carolyn Rodabough said, "I will keep giving shots until the threat of measles is gone." Rodabough was surprised there were not any more cases. "But, there is a two-week inoculation period," she said.

The 140 students who received the shot, no one has reported a reaction to the shot, said Rodabough.



Gimble performs for charity

By JANET MCLEMORE

Tuesday, Oct. 12, Dick Gimble and the MCC country and western band performed at Valley Mills High School. It was a benefit for Cystic Fibrosis.

The band, composed of 13 members, played several popular songs such as, "I was country when country

wasn't cool" by Barbara Mandrell and "Take me down", by Alabama.

The group performed for about 30 minutes and took a break while square dancers performed. After the square dancers danced another 30 minutes, the band took the stage again and performed for about an hour and a half.

New cars to change

By RANDALL HILL

So you are thinking of getting a new car? Well, the new '83 models may have something to offer.

There are many new styles of coupes, sedans, hatchbacks and now for '83 several models of convertibles from which to choose that can be found in the range of \$7,000 to \$20,000, depending on the model.

Many of these new cars have front-wheel drive and other options, which range from stabilizer bars to high-performance radial tires.

The industry is also changing to smaller body styles and more efficient engines. Some of the most drastic American car changes can be seen in

the Ford Thunderbird, Cougar XR7, and the Chevrolet Corvette. These new cars should reach the local dealers in mid-November.

So if you haven't had the chance to see these new models, they can be viewed in the Automotive Building at the State Fair of Texas. If nothing else, it will give you a good reason to make a road trip to Dallas.

News Briefs

Air Force Band to play Nov. 7

The United States Air Force Band of the West is bringing their Dimensions in Blue Jazz Orchestra to Waco Sunday, Nov. 7, for a 2:30 p.m. performance in Waco Hall.

The show will include hits from the Big Band Era, as well as works by contemporary composers. The band will perform for approximately an hour and forty minutes, with an intermission.

Although the performance is free to the general public, tickets are being issued on a first-come-first-served basis because of limited seating. Complimentary tickets are available from the Waco Citizen Newspaper office at 25th and Cole or from the Baylor Student Union, co-sponsors of the band's appearance.

Math, science careers topic of lecture

On Nov. 3 in the HPE lecture hall at 1:15 p.m., MCC will host a guest speaker, Dr. Howard Rolf will be speaking on the current trends in the Math/Science vocations.

About 100 area high school students will be attending the activity and about 30 MCC students are expected. Anyone interested in this topic is urged to participate.

SA sponsors Dazzling Revue Nov. 11

MCC Student Government and the Dance Company are joining together to present the "Dazzling Revue" a talent competition on Thursday, November 11. Awards will be given for first, second and third places. The Dance Company will also be performing. Students who are interested in competing in the talent show should pick up an application form from Director of the Dance Company, Sandy Hinton or Director of student activities, Bryant Burleson. Auditions for the talent competition will be Nov. 3 and 4 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. in the HPE gym.

SWTSU representatives visit campus

Representatives from Southwest Texas State University will be at MCC, Wednesday Oct. 27 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the third floor of the Student Center. They will provide materials and information for sophomores interested in transferring to SWTSU.

features

Cafeteria sees change

By LISA DAVIS

MCC's cafeteria has recently gone through some changes. Until last summer the cafeteria was a "contract operation." This meant that MCC contracted a certain vending company to run the cafeteria. As a result, the vending company was in charge of the types and kinds of food prepared, hiring workers and the overall appearance of the cafeteria.

Automatic Chef, (the contractors), decided that they wanted to cut down on the kinds of meals being served. Basically, there are two different types: hot meal plate and grill items (fast food items). Automatic Chef said that they were losing money on the hot meal plate and wanted to serve only the grill items. Gary Luft, MCC vice-president for Business Services, said that there was an adverse reaction to discontinuing the hot meals.

MCC decided to take over the cafeteria. "Many people thought we were making the wrong decision. Most col-

leges who run their own cafeteria have dormitories and know about how many people are expected to eat there daily," said Luft.

When MCC took over, the hot meal program was reopened. "We try to keep our prices low. We want as many people to eat on campus as possible," said Luft.

Right now the cafeteria feeds 500 to 700 people daily through the line. The cafeteria also caters to on-campus organizations and provides the athletes with meals.

Nelda Miller, Food Services supervisor, said she enjoys working here. "I get attached to a lot of students here." Miller estimated 200 hamburgers are put out daily, but there is no way to pinpoint the overall amount of food.

Lynda Snider, food service aid, is Miller's sister. Snider said she loved working with all the kids. "MCC is the first school I've ever worked at." Snider said she would rate the food as "good."

A freshman work-study student

working in the cafeteria, Katrina Henry, also said she likes working in the cafeteria. "I work 15 hours a week and go to school 17 hours." Henry who is enrolled in the MCC nursing program is originally from Calvert. "I haven't had any problems yet," she said. "I enjoy working with the people here and they all are nice," said Henry.

Luft stated that this is an extremely nice group of people working in the cafeteria. "They'll do anything for the school," said Luft. There are five workers employed in the cafeteria with one on call at all times. "They have kind-of-a family atmosphere," stated Luft.

Luft said that the food isn't institutionalized. The cook prepares the food as though it were at her own home.

Luft said he really felt good about the way everything has gone so far. "We don't make much of a profit, but then again we don't want to," said Luft.

Don't 'defeat' your purpose

By MARTI LAMONT

You could be crippling your feet by attempting to dress in style. Lack of proper exercise, walking on concrete sidewalks, stylish shoes, and muscle waste caused by wearing overly supportive shoes all can lead to foot trauma, according to Foot Care and Hygiene by Arnot Michelle.

Why should it be surprising that so many of us suffer from foot problems?

There are 26 small bones in each foot. None is over 13 inches long. Some of these bones form an arch. This arch is necessary for proper upright posture. The arch is like a lever. Everyone has different arches. This is why the same shoe style is not right for everyone. Some people have a very high arch, while other people are flat-footed. According to Foot Care

and Hygiene and R.N. Ruth Brennan, who works at Dr. Brown's office on Colcord.

"The most common complaint concerning feet is ingrown toenails," said Brennan.

Other common problems are corns and callouses. Corns and callouses are similar, but corns are always painful. Prevention of both ingrown toenails and corns is the best treatment for your feet, according to You and Your Feet by Julius Fast.

Cutting the toenails straight across and avoiding shoes that don't fit properly can prevent ingrown toenails.

The age-old treatment of corns is to cut them away and cut the eye out with a scalpel.

This is fine, except it should be done by a podiatrist, according to You and Your Feet.

Most people neglect their feet through ignorance. They don't realize how important their feet are. A recent study done by the American Podiatry Association discovered that 10 million Americans suffer from foot problems. The majority of problems stem from the type of shoes worn.

How do we condition our feet so that they will be free of roughness and callouses? "Pumice stones work well on corns and callouses as they remove rough and dead skin. Lotions are also helpful in keeping the skin smooth," said Brenner.

Contrary to what some believe, going barefoot can actually be healthy for your feet. It might not keep them as soft or as smooth, but it's good exercise for your feet. Going barefoot accomplishes the same thing that exercise sandals do, according to Brennan.



Frank Hernandez (left) and Helen Hamilton, MCC cafeteria workers, clean up after a long day of cooking and serving. (Photo by Jeff Bright)

Hill conquers traditional male-oriented job

By MARTI LAMONT

A woman brick layer?

Rosemary Hill is a student at MCC. She is married and has two children Jesse, 4, and Jeremy, 8. This doesn't sound too unusual. But she also lays brick.

Rosemary helps her husband James labor and lay brick at his mason business.

Hill worked three years full-time and now lays brick part-time after school and on weekends.

A typical day as a full-time woman bricklayer consists of setting up job,

putting scaffolding out, stocking brick or rock and making mortar. Throughout the day, mortar is mixed and bricks are stacked. Hill said, "You also have to measure courses (each row of bricks) and set up line blocks to keep courses level."

"You never make mistakes because the men are always watching. Once the men know you can do the job, you earn their respect. The need for respect is important because the men have to accept taking orders from a woman," she confided.

During the three years that she worked full-time in Waco and sur-

rounding areas, she also did wallpapering.

Hill said, "Laying brick and especially rock is rewarding because once you do the job, it's finished. You can always come back and see your work. It's not like housekeeping, because once you're finished you'll never have to re-do it."

Hill works part-time to help her husband and the business. The average bricklayer rate is \$12 an hour.

How did they get started? The couple moved to Fort Worth. James got a job working for a brick layer during the week and doing wallpapering on

the weekends. When they moved back to Waco, he worked for a bricklayer for a while and then started contracting some of his own jobs. At the time, Rosemary's youngest son, Jesse, was seven months old, and could stay with a babysitter. Rosemary started to work.

Hill says that she likes the exercise that laying brick provides. "It helps build endurance and strength," she said.

The Hills live in Robinson on a farm. Rosemary has a year or less left at MCC, where she is majoring in data processing.



Ashley Byrd, Mexia freshman, hangs 10. (Photo by Jeff Bright)

Bio-feedback eases intractable pain

By CHRISTY LEWIS

Bio-feedback, a relatively new discovery in medicine, is a medical treatment that helps people who have intractable pain. Through bio-feedback, people learn how to live with their pain by controlling certain bodily functions.

According to Mary Cantrell, MCC Mental Health Program Director, the woman who started bio-feedback is Barbara Brown. Brown went into the hospital for a tonsillectomy and refused any anesthetic. She went through the surgery line and had no

complications. Brown proved that this type of therapy can work. The way bio-feedback works is by controlling muscles in the back of the brain.

Dr. Harold P. LaCrone, a psychologist who specializes in this type of therapy, said, "We control your problem without any medication. Your brain waves are monitored on a machine that tells you if your blood pressure is high. If it is, this will help you lower it by relaxing your body. This testing also relieves stress, tension, anxiety and chronic pain. In some cases, hypnosis is used in surgery to

help control pain or stress that causes complications," said LaCrone.

There's a more sophisticated technique called self-monitoring bio-feedback (SM). Patients are asked to recognize certain activities by visual or auditory displays of their heart rate, electrical skin resistance, brain waves or other physiological outputs. This has been an important discovery both in research and clinical studies. It aids in psychological and medical treatment.

This new technique is effective in laboratory animals, as well as in

humans, but has not yet been shown to persist over long periods of time. SM is a useful component of a total self-management program. It can serve as an important program component and motivation device when combined with self-evaluation and self-reinforcement. The patient has to record and graph the data and use the visual data display.

The bio-feedback process has been successful in helping patients handle their problems without the use of drugs.

Is your laundry basket full of dirty, smelly clothes?

'I got the all night laundromat blues washing everything I own except my shoes
If you wear clothes you gotta pay your dues
Singin' the all night laundromat blues.'

Joe Walsh

By DONNA JOHNSON

Rich and poor, housewives, corporate executives, nuns and strippers — they all have one thing in common —

they wear clothes.

If you wear clothes, sooner or later you have to wash them. It is just a fact of life.

Folks, dirty laundry is the great

common denominator. It's where we do our laundry that sets us apart.

Some are lucky enough to have their own washer and others, less fortunate, are forced to venture out into the streets in search of a suitable laundromat.

Of course, what is 'suitable' varies with individual taste and preferences. Laundromats vary from the small, basic one-room washateria, to huge two-room laundratoriums, complete with coffee and color tv.

Hillside Laundry, located at 1840

Lakeshore Drive, is a basic neon-lit washateria. Short on frills, but well-equipped with Maytag washers and dryers, which are guaranteed to almost never break down.

The exception being when you have to have your best dress washed and dried in an hour for your "last chance at a job interview."

To help avoid that kind of frustration, Hillside Laundry has an attendant who will wash, dry, and fold your clothes for a mere 40 cents a pound. The attendant is there from 7:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. on weekdays.

If, however, you have an overwhelming desire to do your own laundry, the laundromat at 2424 Waco Drive is the place to go. Never before has a Waco laundromat known such luxury.

The Laundromat has two large rooms, each equipped with a color tv and video games. Coffee is available until noon every day.

This place is the next best thing to staying at home. You can sip coffee while watching your favorite morning soap, and get the laundry done, too. There is also an attendant on duty to mediate channel disputes.

What more could you ask for, other than your own washer and dryer?

'My problem: how I solved it'

By RANDALL HILL

Independent young persons often find themselves faced with laundry accumulating on the homofront. Many ask themselves, how do I cope with this serious problem?

There are laundromats in Waco that can help this problem for a price that is generally reasonable.

Then again, there's the choice of which business to trust with your expensive shirts and your Brook-Shielda-personally autographed Calvin Klein jeans. The procedure for doing laundry always involved the option of placing and order and returning to pick it up.

For thousands of years, doing laundry has been considered one of the most tiresome of all household tasks. In early times, clothes had to be pounded and rubbed by hand to get them clean. It was not until the early 1900s that electricity was first used to power a washing machine. Those machines consisted of a tub and an agitator that was driven by an electric motor. This agitator does the work of human hands by swishing the clothes in soapy water until the dirt was removed. This is generally the same process that is used today, except for electronic space-age controls.

This ancient business of washing

clothes has turned into a multi-billion dollar industry in the U.S. Laundries employ over 400,000 workers each year.

The laundry business is consuming a lot of power and money. It's all part of the trend toward order and neatness.

It's time to dispense with order and neatness. Times are tough.

We should agree with Robert Herrick, who saw this early in the 17th century. He wrote, "A sweet disorder in the dress, kindles in clothes a wantonness." We should side with wantonness and disorder.

Our laundry bills will disappear.

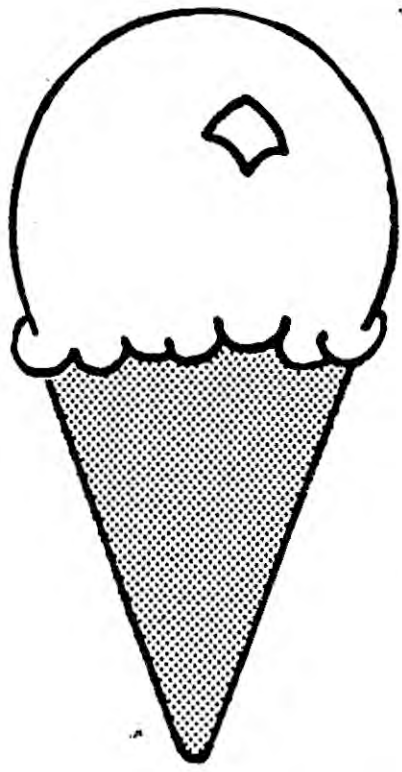


features

Geisler reveals secret recipe

By KYLE COLE

*I scream
You scream
We all scream
For ICE CREAM*



"In the summer, ice cream is the most treasured tradition in Texas. What else will finish off a Sunday fried chicken dinner but ice cream?" said Keith Geisler, MCC Counselor and self-proclaimed ice cream connoisseur.

Geisler said, "I like vanilla ice cream the best because you can put whatever you want with it. This way,

you don't have to commit yourself to anything, especially one flavor of ice cream.

"I can put strawberries or pineapples on top and I'm able to choose which I want on the next bowl. If an

ice cream other than vanilla is made, you can't choose differently than what was made."

Here is Geisler's famous recipe for "Ye Olde Vanilla Ice Cream."

- 4 eggs (yolks and white). Beat till fluffy.
- Add slowly 2 cups of sugar. Beat well.
- Add 1 tablespoon of flour, 2 teaspoons of vanilla (to taste) and 1 large can of Pet milk.
- 2 packages of Dream Whip (prepare as directed on box omitting vanilla)
- Blend all ingredients well.
- Pour into ice cream freezer and fill to within one inch of the top with milk.
- Crank or plug in the freezer and wait.

"I hated ice cream-making as a kid," said Geisler. "When my father made ice cream, I always would have to sit on the crank and my rear-end would get very cold. My father would get mad at me when I'd move around to keep from getting frost-bite."

Another ice cream addict, Carolyn Rodabough said, "I just love homemade ice cream. My favorite kind is burnt almond. A friend of mine made it by accident. She started out by making almond ice cream and she burned the almonds. She was making it for an ice cream social at her church and she didn't have enough time to start over, so she continued with the burnt almonds. It turned out to be excellent and everyone loved it at the social. She has been making it every year since then," said Rodabough.

MCC Counselor John Nobis voted "yes" to homemade ice cream also, saying, "I like ice cream very much. My favorite kind is peach."

'Improv Ensemble' sets new tempo in music

By LISA DAVIS

"It's everything I thought it would be and more," said Mark Peoples, one of the participants in the seven-member improvisational band. "The MCC music department is one of the best," said Peoples.

The 'Improv Ensemble' is one of 13 different bands in the commercial music department at MCC. Its members practice about one-and-a-half hours two days a week.

Peoples, who plays lead guitar and sings, is originally from Mississippi. He had heard about MCC's music depart-

ment from cousins he has living with in Waco. Peoples also plays in a local country and western band, The Starlites.

Lead trumpet, Lee Thomason, is also from out-of-town. Thomason better known as "Sparky" is from Rockdale. "MCC has one of the best music departments in Texas and also one of the best junior college music programs in the country," said Thomason.

Steve "Slide" Johnson, a trombonist from Angleton, also feels that MCC has a lot to offer him. Johnson, who

describes himself as an aspiring studio musician, said that the music department here is great.

The band's drummer is Jody Dvoracek. Bass guitarists are Steve Coffaro and Ted Killian. The pianist is Ron Castello.

Killian stated it is "a fun band to play in because we play all kinds of music."

Lisa King is the band's vocalist. The Improv Ensemble is under the direction of Dave Hibbard and Ron Paige. The band, which has played at the Heart of Texas Fair and the Texas

Recreation and Parks Society annual conference, is graded on how well they perform during these times.

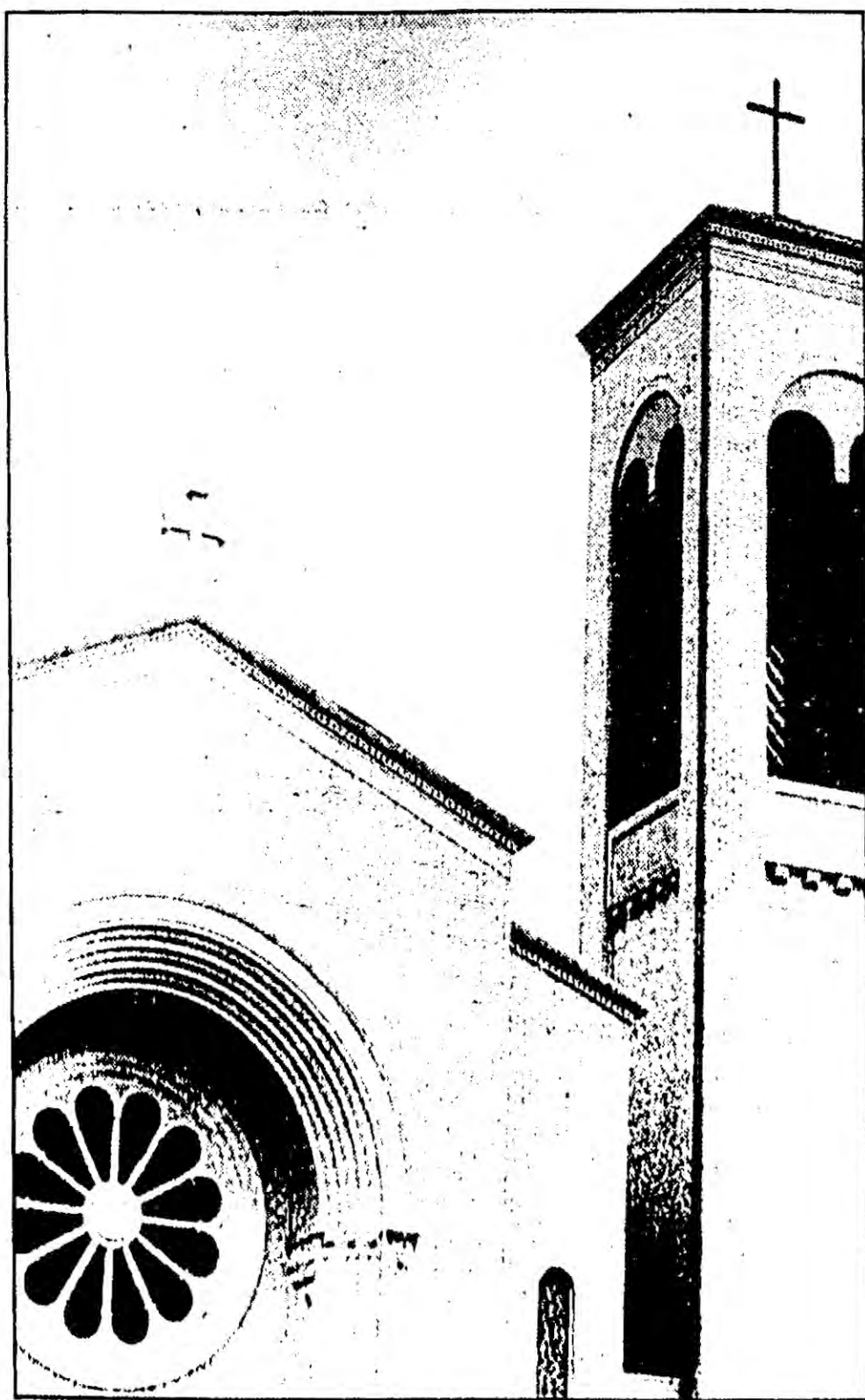
This two-year program seems to be, by general consensus, one of the best around. Many attribute this fact to instructors Hibbard and Paige.

The ambitions of each tend to be similar. Peoples wants to eventually go to Austin and get involved with producing jingles. He would also like to form a country and rhythm/blues band.

Coffaro wants to start a full-time rock club band in Dallas, which is his hometown.



Marti LaMont samples a sundae. (Photo by Jeff Bright)



St. Louis Catholic Church on North Twenty-Fifth Street. (Photo by Consuelo Arriola)

'Redeemed individuals' called greatest influence

"Religion that is dynamic religion is to be found in a lonely place where a person stands face to face with God."

By KEVIN TANKERSLEY

There are more than 225 churches in Waco, but these churches are not the greatest Christian influence in the area. The greatest Christian influence comes from people who are "redeemed individuals," according to Dr. John Davidson, Baylor religion professor.

When asked what he thought the greatest influence in Waco was, Rev. Garrett Creppon replied that the Christian influence is present in many ways, but is most prevalent in "the presence of Christians who live their faith day-by-day." Creppon is pastor of Sparks Memorial United Methodist Church.

The Rev. Stanley Lohse, pastor of Timbercrest Baptist Church, said, "Churches are the greatest single influence in Waco, although there are others. Among those are Baylor, a Baptist-owned and operated institution, and Paul Quinn, which is operated by the African Methodist Episcopal Church." Other influences he mentioned were Hillcrest and Providence Hospitals, both denominationally run. Christian book stores, and Word, Inc., a Waco-based Christian publishing firm. There are also eight private schools in Waco that are oper-

ated by churches.

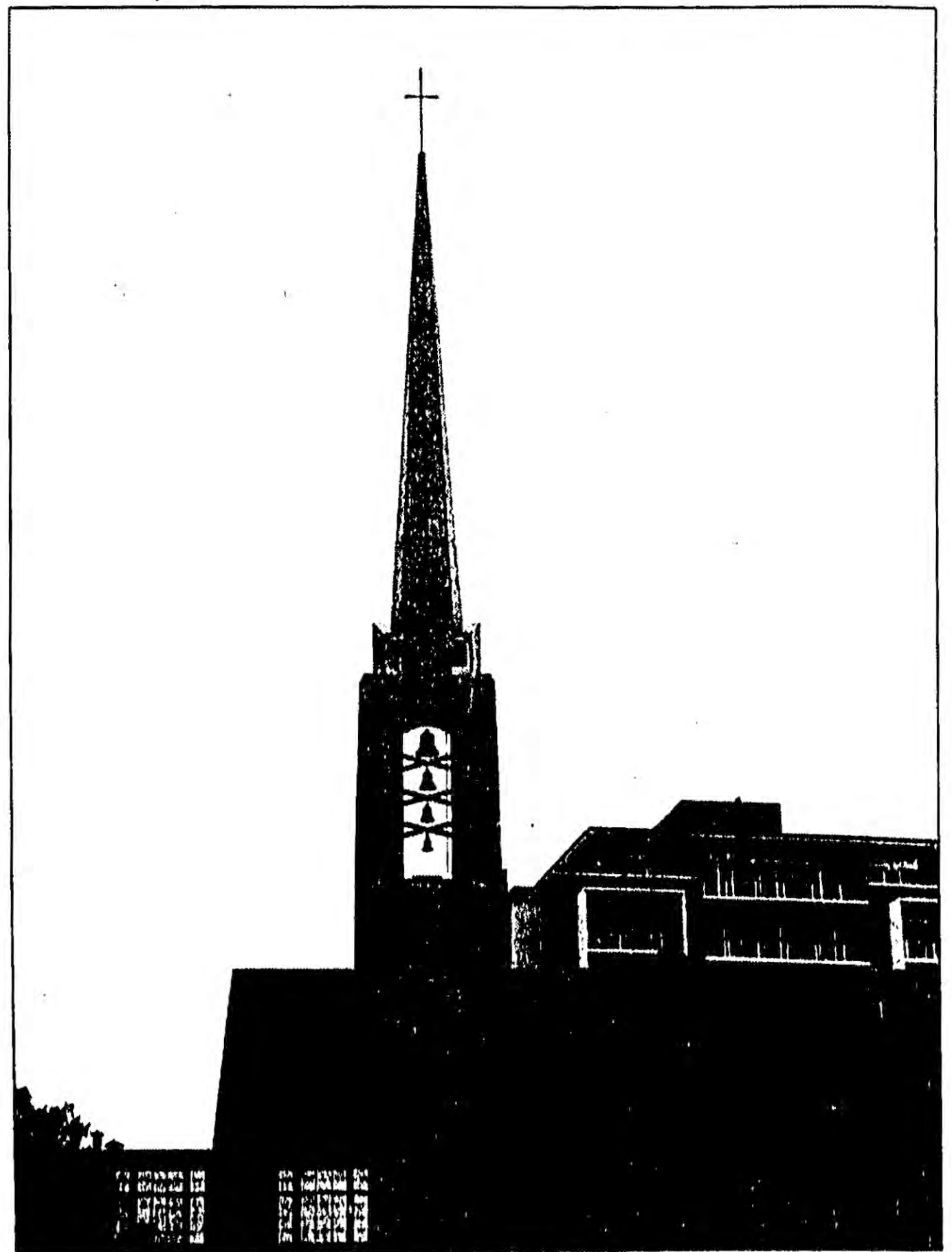
Dr. Davidson feels that there are many problems with the churches today. He said the main problem is the "inability to make the Gospel relevant to human need, wherever it is." He said churches aren't sure which direc-

tion they're headed, and have no well-defined goals.

Another problem he sees with the church today is what he calls "sensationalism." This occurs when a church tries to draw a big crowd just to be drawing a big crowd, or has a

"Hollywood character" speak at the church.

Davidson feels this is not true religion. "Religion that is dynamic religion is to be found in a lonely place where a person stands face to face with God," said Davidson.



First Methodist Church on Cobbs Drive. (Photo by Consuelo Arriola)

J-SEK recruits top bands for Central Texas area; Motels appear at Mayborn Center in Temple

By GORDON OWEN

In the past, rock-n-roll has been a rare commodity. J-SEK hopes to change that.

J-SEK is a new company in the Waco-Temple area owned by Jim Kalk and Sheldon Weisfeld. They have been together for one month, and have already put together a show in Temple for Oct. 24.

On that date, J-SEK will present the Motels, as well as Roger Fisher, in the Mayborn Convention Center. This is a first for Temple and the Mayborn Convention Center. It's a first for the Mayborn Convention Center in that there has never been a rock group there. It's a first for Temple in that Temple has never headlined a top rock group.

If J-SEK progresses as well as Kalk and Weisfeld are confident that it will, Temple and Waco will be seeing a lot more major rock-n-roll events. J-SEK is in touch with — and expects to make progress in headlining many top bands in the Waco-Temple area.

According to Kalk, the reason the Motels are playing in Temple instead of Waco is: "Until the Waco Con-

vention Center sees the light, we will be putting most groups in Temple. I do believe, however, that a couple of sell-out performances in Temple will show the board members of the Waco Convention Center that rock-n-roll can be both good and profitable."

Kalk and Weisfeld believe that J-SEK will become a very profitable adventure. Kalk pointed out, "There are over one-and-a-half million people living in this area. Out of this mass of people, in this forgotten area, many are college students."

Two and a half years ago, before Kalk moved to Waco from Dallas to become the manager of Pepper's Records, he met many people from this area who had to go all the way to Dallas to see a good rock performance. Through this and talking to customers at Pepper's, he has found that Waco needs more top rock performances.

J-SEK is now talking to club owners in Dallas and Austin, trying to fit groups in the Waco-Temple area as

they pass through Dallas and Austin. They believe that they can get most top groups to make one extra stop-over in Texas as long as they're already here. They also believe that, by doing this, they can get groups cheaper.

Kalk and Weisfeld both have supporting jobs other than J-SEK. This is good for J-SEK. Kalk and Weisfeld plan to put all of the profits into buying light and sound equipment for J-SEK. Soon J-SEK should have enough equipment so that they will not have to rent any. This will allow J-SEK to put on more performances and charge less admission.

When asked if J-SEK would be sponsoring shows in Dallas or Austin, Kalk replied, "Why go to Dallas or Austin when the people are here?"

If all goes well J-SEK will be far enough ahead by spring to put on a large outdoor concert in Waco headlining many top performers in the rock world. "Keep your fingers crossed," said Kalk.

Airplane crash disaster seems real

By CHRISTY LEWIS

On Oct. 20, 1982, a plane coming from the Caribbean carrying 60 people crashed at Madison-Cooper Airport, in Waco, Texas. Many were burned and hurt severely. They were rushed to Madison and Hillcrest Hospitals.

Sound real? Almost, but not quite. This is the mock Airplane Disaster Crash, which helped improve some MCC students' awareness of danger.

MCC Director of Nursing Janice Robertson said, "It is a good experience to see all agencies work together, in case there is ever a real disaster." Nursing students from MCC and 60 Richfield High School students were the people who played the victims.

The disaster was arranged by Mark Curtin, who is head of the Emergency Management in Waco. The Waco theatre, Red Cross, the Fire Department and the Police Department all

participated in the mock disaster. A fire was at the scene of the crash, under supervision of the Fire Department.

The Red Cross administered the make-up that simulated injuries to the "victims."

"The simulation of this plane crash is to help everyone realize that a disaster could happen, and we should be ready and able to help when one does occur," said Robertson.

sports



What form! What style? But he can throw it a mile

Intramural flag football quarterback Tracey Thompson wings one downfield for the J. D.'s. Flag football got off to a shaky start last week as four games were decided

by forfeits. The Lowlanders have a tough defense that hasn't allowed any points this year. (Photo by Jeff Bright)

Basketball team opens 1982 - 83 season Nov. 1

By KYLE COLE

The opening game for the MCC Highlanders basketball team will be Nov. 1 in Tyler. The home-opener will be against Navarro Nov. 4. Last year, the Highlanders were NTJACAC Champions with a 25-6 won-lost record. MCC has been regional champ 13 of their last 15 years and they have won the Conference Title nine out of 15 years. MCC averages 23 wins a season.

"We have no starters returning. In fact, we lost our top seven players," said Coach Ken DeWeese. "In spite of this, the conference coaches pick us to win the title again."

Vincent Green, Monte Wainwright, Rodney Belcher and Bruce Hudlin are the only returning players for the Highlanders. Hudlin sat out last year. Jerry Everett is a transfer student from Roosevelt, New York.

Freshmen on the team are Brian Mattson, Richfield; Travis Daniels, Jef-

erson Moore; and Raymond Giddings, University. Also Brett Koch, Troy and Arthur Williams, Jefferson Davis High School in Houston; Stanley McSwain, Williamson High in Mobile, Alabama; and Calvin Carrier, Hardin-Jefferson High in Sour Lake, Texas.

"Our two main weaknesses this year will be our lack of experience and our lack of size. The tallest player for us is only 6' 5";" said DeWeese.

DeWeese added, "This will be a very interesting year to see. Our quickness is very apparent. It will be a year to see size against quickness. The spectators will have a fun time watching the games."

"To counter for our size, we will use full-and half-court presses. We will switch on defense from man-to-man coverage to a zone. We also have very good jumpers on this squad," DeWeese said.

DeWeese added, "I don't think there is much of an opportunity for us to win the league, but the top four

teams in the league go to post-season play and that is what we are shooting for. I thought it was kind of ridiculous for the coaches to pick us to win it all again. I think Ranger has the edge right now. They have good size and 6'7" Mike Bell will be back," he said.

"Vincent Green, Monte Wainwright, Rodney Belcher, Jerry Everett and Bruce Hudlin will probably be the starting five. Calvin Carrier, Arthur Williams, and Brian Mattson also have a good shot at starting," said DeWeese.

Texas Wesleyan grabbed four of the Highlanders starting five: Ronnie Smith, William Boatwright, Kevin Fitchett, and Charles Clemons. The other starter, Carl Fitzgerald, went to Houston Baptist College. Graduate Mike Heller went to Baylor, and Charles Jones went to Texas A&I, but ended up playing football.

Trainers for the 1982-83 MCC Highlander team are Richard Kilgore from Midway High and Hal Shields from Reicher High School.

Racquetball gains popularity

By JEFF BRIGHT

Z-ball, kill shot, pinch shot, straight kill, rollout, drop shot, ceiling shot. If someone came up to you and started using these words what would you say?

Would you use words like rabbit, set up, lob return or overhand smash?

If this terminology is familiar, more than likely you have played one of the most rapidly-growing sports in America today: racquetball.

On the MCC campus, there are two racquetball courts, located in the HPE building. The courts are available between 7 a.m. and 9 p.m.

If you stop and listen for a while, the constant echoes of racquetballs bouncing off the walls, amid squeaks and grunts will further your interests to this game.

Typical racquetballers are few. The game's appeal is universal. It attracts young, old, men, women and even

MCC faculty members.

Getting equipment can be as simple as purchasing a ball and racquet.

For racquetball addicts, the basic equipment can include an assortment of gloves, headbands, wristbands or purchasing expensive custom-made racquet designed of fiberglass, aluminum or graphite.

Racquetball presents an unmatched challenge for those who are looking for something new and exciting.

Rangarajan enjoys Texas life

BY JANET McLEMORE

From Bombay, India, to Waco, Texas, Nandini Rangarajan has made her way to a position of prominence on MCC's tennis team and with the help of her father, she hopes to keep

working her way up. Rangarajan began playing tennis in India. In 1981, she was ranked number one in her country's 18-and-under division, and third in the women's division.

While in India, Nandini won the

Junior Nationals, securing her role as the number one netter in her division.

Going through school in India is a little different for Rangarajan from that of American students. "In India students go only through 10 years of school. I went to a Junior College, after that called N.M. Junior College before moving to America."

Nandini's 10 years, plus the two at N.M., amounted basically to what most Americans consider a high school education.

Already in her second semester at

MCC, Rangarajan hopes to transfer to Texas A&M and continue her tennis career.

Tennis has been a part of life for the Rangarajan family. Nandini's two brothers both play tennis.

"My father coaches me and my mother travels with me to the tennis tournaments," said Nandini.

Already this year, Nandini has won the MCC Fall Invitational.

As far as living in America, Nandini says "I really enjoy living in Texas. Everyone treats me nice."

Youngsters visit campus

By JACI KENNEY

Picture the patter of 600 feet, 300 aces and 300 brains pumping continuously. You've got the Midway sixth graders.

The Midway youngsters visited the MCC campus Oct. 13-14. The sixth graders arrived on campus at 10 a.m. and departed at 2 p.m.

The students toured the Fine Arts Building and visited the MCC Drama Department where they spoke with Theatre Director James Henderson. They also listened to the Commercial Music Instrumental Ensemble, which played under the direction of Dave Hibbard.

The sixth graders then listened to a talking computer operated by Randy Schormann, Director of Instructional Resources.

The computer answered many questions the students had to ask such as: How many girls are at MCC? How many boys are at MCC? Why doesn't the computer do homework?

The students also found that the computer does not use profane language.

1982-83 Basketball Schedule

Date	Teams*	Opponent (or Tournament)	Location
Nov. 1	M & W	Tyler Jr. College	Tyler
Nov. 4	M & W	Navarro College	Highlands
Nov. 5-6	W	Highlassie Classic	Highlands
Nov. 6	M	El Centro College	Dallas
Nov. 9	M & W	Temple Jr. College	Temple
Nov. 11	M & W	Navarro College	Corsicana
Nov. 12	M & W	Tyler Jr. College	Highlands
Nov. 15	M & W	Blinn College	Brenham
Nov. 18-20	W	Howard College Tournament	Big Springs
Nov. 19-20	M	Highlander Classic	Highlands
Nov. 23	M & W	Temple Jr. College	Highlands
Nov. 26-27	M	Henderson County Classic	Athens
Dec. 1	M & W	Cisco Jr. College	Cisco
Dec. 3	M & W	Weatherford College	Highlands
Dec. 6	M & W	Hill Jr. College	Hillsboro
Dec. 9	M & W	Cooke County College	Gainsville
Dec. 11	M	Richland College	Dallas
Jan. 12	M & W	Grayson College	Shorman
Jan. 17	M & W	Ranger Jr. College	Ranger
Jan. 20	M & W	TSTI	Highlands
Jan. 24	M & W	Southwest Christian College	Highlands
Jan. 27	M & W	Cisco Jr. College	Highlands
Jan. 31	M & W	Weatherford College	Weatherford
Feb. 3	M & W	Hill Jr. College	Highlands
Feb. 7	M & W	Cooke County College	Highlands
Feb. 10	M & W	Grayson College	Highlands
Feb. 17	M & W	Ranger College	Highlands
Feb. 21	M & W	TSTI	Waco
Feb. 24	M & W	Southwest Christian College	Terrell

* M — Men's team W — Women's team



Women 'roundballers' scrimmage Wednesday against Southwestern

By JANET McLEMORE

The MCC Women's Basketball team will have a scrimmage tomorrow, Oct. 27. They will be taking on Kilgore at 4 p.m. here in the Highlands Gym. Oct. 29, they will be scrimmaging against Southwestern at 2 p.m.

Their first scrimmage was against Henderson at Henderson. They played three-minute, 20-second quarters. "They didn't keep score on the board, but I was told we won. We were working mainly on our man-to-man defense and I think we're looking pretty good," said Coach Charlotte Mason.

Members of the MCC Women's

basketball team are: Dana Locke and Charolett Stephens (both returning from last year), and Kathy Byrd, Sharon Butler, Carolyn Sneed, Rita Martin, Phyllis Cleary, Jackie Benson, Vicki Gentry, Debra Degrade, Crystal Duffey, Teresa Kendricks and Kay Garner.

"We're gonna give 150 percent and we're gonna kill 'em," said freshman Vicki Gentry. "They don't have a chance. We're gonna run them to death," said freshman Sharon Butler. "We're gonna support each other and play enthusiastically," said freshman Kathy Byrd.

Classifieds get results

PASSENGER VAN NEEDED: Trade 1980 Olds Cutlass for a passenger van for 10-12 days in December. Must visit relatives in the East and need van to transport seven adults. Willing to make payment or rent. Contact Roger Rush, 756-6551, ext. 278.

PROGRAM DIRECTOR FOR RESPIRATORY THERAPY TECHNOLOGY: to instruct in the respiratory therapy program and administer an established program. To continue the development of the educational and other activities necessary for respiratory program. Must have at least four years of full-time experience in respiratory therapy and must be a registered respiratory therapist. Start on or about Nov. 15, 1982. Call 756-6551, ext. 321 or 304.

WANT TO PLAY RUGBY: Call Mike at 753-0305 or Pat at 776-5175.

JOB LISTINGS: (see Marita Whelan, third floor of Student Center)

1. Part-time: Receptionist; 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Saturday and 4 - 10 p.m. Sunday. \$3.35 per hour.

2. Part-time: Sales; 5:30 - 9 p.m. and Saturdays. \$3.35 per hour.

3. Part-time: Dining Room Attendant; 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. \$3.35 per hour.

4. Part-time: Sales for Christmas — apply afternoons at local department store.

5. Full-time: General Clerk; 8:30 - 5 p.m. Type 50 w.p.m. Good benefits.

6. Part-time: Sales — flexible hours — commission.

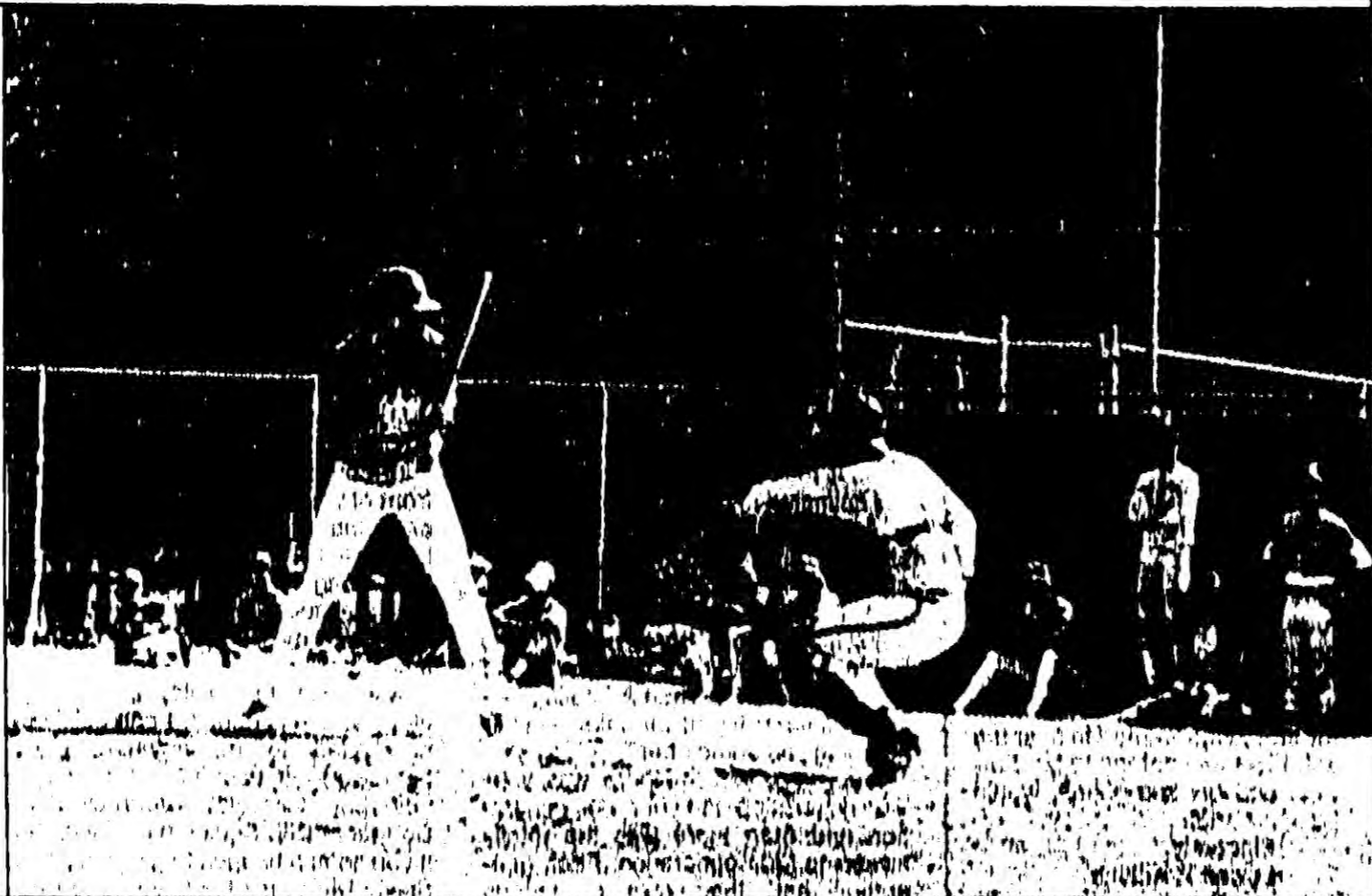
7. Part-time: cashier/stocker located in Hewitt; 4 - 10 p.m. Some week-ends. \$3.50 per hour.

8. Part-time: Dining Room Attendant; 6 p.m. - 3 a.m. Three or four days per week.

9. Part-time: Housekeeping — rotating shifts and rotating days.

Pan-Am tryouts

Tryouts for the Pan-American Games Baseball team were held last weekend at the MCC baseball field. The Games are slated for Aug. 10-20, 1983 in Caracas, Venezuela. Coach Rick Butler said, "We may find one or possibly none from the tryouts, but it gives those who try a chance to represent the U.S. in these games." (Photo by Martin Purroy)



editorials, columns, reviews and news

Threat of death haunts insomniac

editorial
By DONNA JOHNSON

It started last summer. After my friend Judy was thrown from her husband's truck, head-on into a telephone pole. After the morning Bill never woke up, no matter how hard his wife Ethel shook him.

I'm scared. I lie awake at night holding my daughter close to me. Feeling her heart beat. Knowing that this vital organ is the only thing keeping her with me. A heart to keep an entire person alive.

We are so much more than heartbeats and bodily functions. I'm afraid, not conscious of how suddenly she could be taken from me. I hear every sound: the refrigerator, the kittens outside, the hamster running in his cage. Normal noises during the day that turn startling at night. My body is rigid, tense.

With every noise, I see the face of some crazed stranger. Someone who has managed to creep into our home. Our vulnerability overwhelms me. During the day, I'm angered at our powerlessness. At night, I'm paralyzed with fear.

Death is ever-present. I can't stop thinking about it. And no matter how much I think about it, I can't understand it.

I used to think I led a charmed life. No one close to me had died. I used to feel immortal. Now I feel fragile, helpless, and sad.

I also feel angry.

I love being here. I love feeling my daughter's small, warm body snuggled against my own. I love the sound of my Mother's voice. I hate it when she feels tired, worn out, old...

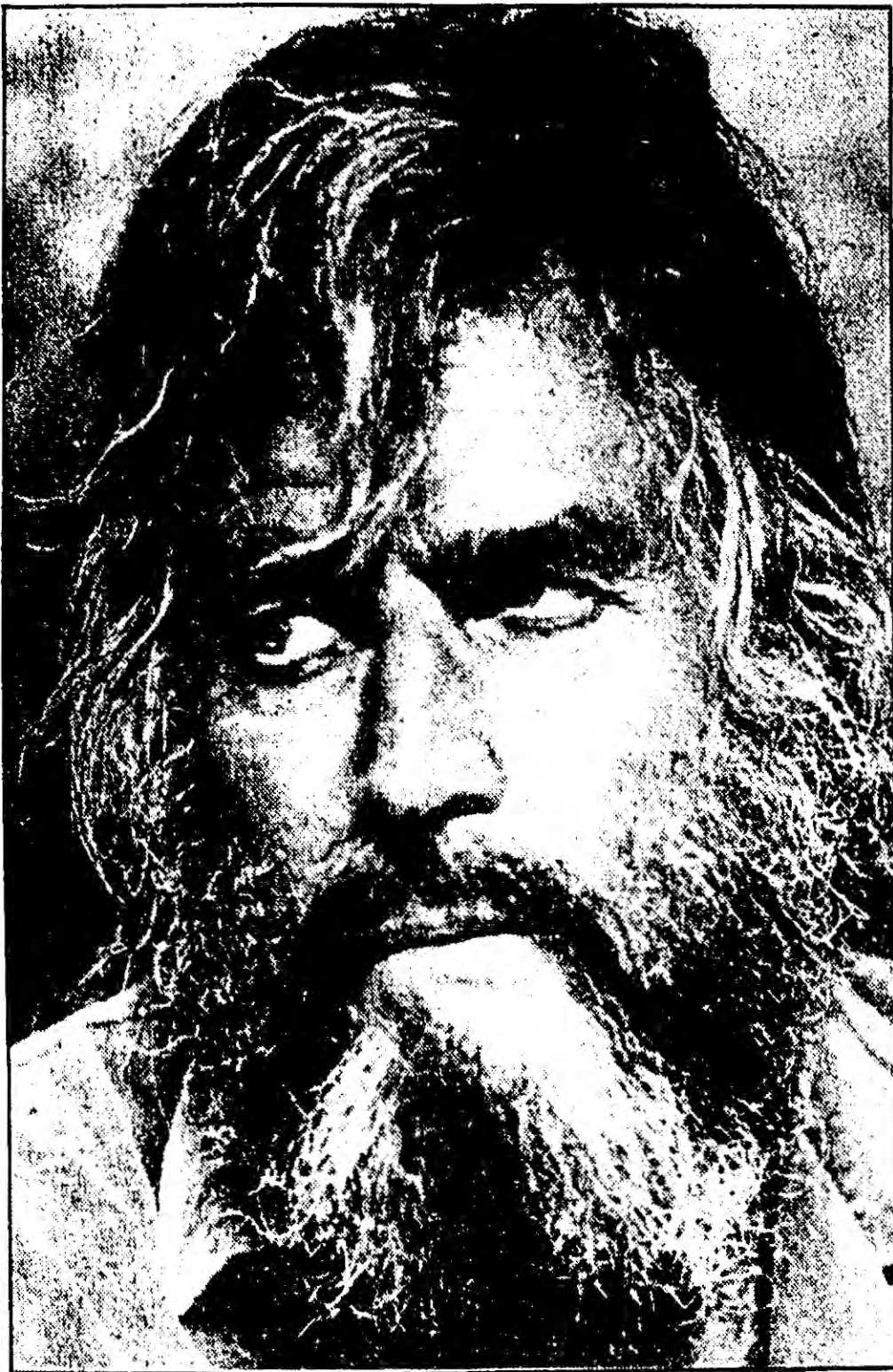
I clench my fists. I shut my eyes. I won't let it happen. It's not fair. I won't be reconciled to the nothingness of death.

I remember a poem I read last summer. I've forgotten the title and the author, but I remember these two lines: "Do not go gently into that good night. Rage, rage against the dying of the light."

I will not go softly. I will hold my daughter tighter to me. I will try to strengthen my Mother with my own urgent desire to be alive. I will not go passively.

If there is a heaven, I'm in no hurry to get there. I want to stay here and I want to keep the people I love here with me.

For me right now, life after death doesn't count — only life before death.



World's shortest movie review...

Do you like exciting movies? If you do, then Mother Lode, starring Charlton Heston (shown above), is a movie you won't want to miss. MOTHER LODE starts off with a bang and the excitement is sustained all through the movie. The movie has excitement punctuated by some frightening parts. You won't stay in your seat long. The premiere opening of MOTHER LODE was hosted by FM 100 (KHOO). Tickets were given away free to winners who correctly answered questions. MOTHER LODE T-shirts were also given away. FM 100 Disc Jockey Mike Wright said, "It was a great opening. About 360 people showed up." A 14K gold bracelet, valued at \$1,500, was given away by O.G. Wilson. T.J. Miller was the winner of the bracelet. Be sure to catch MOTHER LODE. It's a winner, and one you won't forget. (Photo courtesy of Bob Darden, taken by a representative of Mortiz/Weissman Co.)

Pink Floyd, 'the movie'

movie review
By CHRISTY LEWIS

If you are into strange rock movies, this may be the show for you. The movie is derived from the music of the album by Pink Floyd.

The movie tells the story of a British rock singer named Pink (played by Bob Geldof). While dooped-up and spaced-out, he recollects all his bad childhood memories, each of which is a brick in the wall which he has built around his feelings. There is no real dialogue in this movie, and it is hard to grasp the viewer. Songs such as, "Is

Anybody Out There," "Run like Hell," "Comfortably Numb," and "Another Brick in the Wall" make up the movie.

Pink does such things as wrecking his room and destroying several televisions. He also shaves his eyebrows and chest. This makes you wonder whether it is actually happening or if it is one of his bad memories.

Some of the animation is good, but most of it leaves something to be desired. "The Wall" features many depressing moments of his life. It leaves you blank, and wondering why it ended like it did.

Students use tutors

By LISA DAVIS

"The tutor business is booming," said Eleanor Taylor, director of Special Services/Tutorial Center.

This Fall, there are an unusually high number of students participating in the tutor services program. So far, 60 student tutors have helped about 175 students having trouble with their classes.

"This early in the semester is unusual for such a high number," said Taylor. She contributed this fact to a cooperative faculty. "The faculty is referring more students to us."

To be a tutor, one must be a second-year student in good standing with the college, have a grade point

average of 3.0 in the area in which they plan to tutor, and be recommended by an instructor.

The first session of tutor training has just been completed. Mary Cantrell, Director of Mental Health, was a guest speaker and spoke on self-images. Deelia Curry, a former MCC student-tutor, also spoke to the group. Her topic was tutor-tutee relationships.

"We're really excited about the response we've had from both students, who have signed up to be tutors and those who have signed up for help," said Taylor.

If you are interested in becoming a tutor and meet the qualifications, or if you need help in a class, see Taylor.

OHS Club gears up

By CHRISTY LEWIS

Every year, the MCC Organization of Human Services gears up for the coming year's activities. The OHS club will be involved in college as well as community services.

In February, the OHS club will sponsor a Valentine's Party at the Waco Center for youth. There will be a garage sale to send students to a convention in New York. The date has not been set yet. Also, there will be a booth at the Health Fair. At the fair students will dress-up like Peanut characters and administer Bio-Feedback or "stress" tests.

The chapter of National Organiza-

tion of Human Services (NOSE) will send students to the National convention and State meeting at Del Mar college in Corpus Christi. The date is not known yet.

Officers were elected for the new year at the last meeting. Officers include: president, Suzanne Worley; vice-president, Karen Holzman; secretary, Deanna Larpenier; and treasurer, James Mimms.

The club is encouraging all Mental Health and Childcare students to participate in the programs.

Further details concerning meetings and extra-curricular activities will be made available as they develop.

Daydreams water flower of growth

editorial
By JOE BOZMAN

Phantasmagoria: a shifting series of phantasms, illusions, or deceptive appearances, as in a dream or as created by the imagination (from THE AMERICAN COLLEGE DICTIONARY)

Limitations! How do we come to grips with this humanistic inheritance?

As distorted as the image is on my 13-inch Japanese color television, I could see and almost feel the control St. Louis Cardinals pitcher Joaquin Andujar had over the Milwaukee Brewers in the final game of the World Series.

I tried to imagine myself pitching before a crowd of 60,000 fans — not including the fans watching at home. What a feeling of domination he must have had when he faced the powerless Brewers.

A phantasm, I identified. The flashing images before my eyes were of me on the pitcher's mound.

Does our imagination, or our lack of it, limit our accomplishments? We've all experienced the fear of failure. And we are intelligent enough to know that growth stems from trial and error.

Growth also stems from persistence and repetition — combined with practice, practice, practice!

Few of us delve into the fear of success. Should you have to explain why you want to be successful? Does success make you feel superior? Does lack of success make you feel inferior? And how do you know when you've reached the pinnacle?

Sometimes we need someone to point us in positive directions or we invariably fall into that negative attitude syndrome where we figure the less chances we take, the safer we'll be.

But attaining success involves risks. We risk ourselves when we try something we've never done before. We risk ourselves when we establish close ties in relationships. We risk, but we sometimes gain. And taking a risk is always the first step.

So we need daydreams. We need pitchers like Andujar. We need people to show us how to live successfully and how to cope with failure. We are all lessons to each other, if we pay attention.

It's a matter of limitations. Some limitations are placed on us by circumstance. But most of our limitations are placed on us by ourselves. Our dreams aren't big enough, limitations of the mind or of the heart.

But as for me and the future, well, I considered flying to school this morning, but my wings got wet. What I mean is, if someone really believed he could fly, could he?

Orville and Wilbur thought so. Then they did it.

Do you really believe the moon landings were filmed in the desert?

Editor's notebook

She was touched, but short on trust

By AMY NEAL

I was touched. Yet I was afraid to give.

A small boy approached me in front of Cox's Department Store last Saturday afternoon. He was dressed in ragged blue jeans and a dirty T-shirt.

He never said a word to me. He just handed me a note.

It said, "My parents have separated. We need \$10 for a butane stove for this winter..." The note continued except now I can't remember all the words. Basically, it said that whatever I could give would be appreciated.

I told him I didn't have any money with me. That was a lie. He looked so pitiful; however, my so-called "reason" prevailed over the situation. He

seemed too convincing, if that's possible.

I thought he had some money-hungry mother hiding behind the nearest car ready to rake up all the child's profits and not share a cent with him. Or maybe I was just scared to get involved with the child. I don't know. I only know that I refused someone who might have honestly been in need.

In the few seconds it took for me to get to the entrance of the store, I changed my mind. But when I turned around to give the boy some money, he was nowhere to be found. He had disappeared.

It scares me to think about this child. I would rather lose a few dollars and believe in a person, than keep my money and not be able to help some-



Cownover's comments

It often helps to go back to 'good ol' days'

By DEBBIE COWNOVER

Did you ever want to just "go back to the good ol' days?" In my case, the good ol' days would have to be somewhere between Cartoon Carnival and Peter Frampton.

Those younger years, when no one worried about dropping classes or having enough gas to get to school. Everything seemed to just "happen." The music was always great. Friends were plentiful, and the fun never ended. I think the fun is starting to fade.

During those first 15 formative years of my life, I was squeezed and molded more than Play-doh.

First, I was misinformed about the ways the ball bounces in life. "Father Knows Best" was my "Sesame Street." After years of dedicated devotion to my favorite show I finally realized it was make-believe. And all the time I thought I was just another "princess."

After I graduated out of the cartoon stage, I quickly moved into the rock stage. I collected rocks, yes, but this rock is a little different. My favorite collectables were Boston, Frampton, Pablo Cruise and other greats. I would take a little "More Than A Feeling" — and a sunny day at the lake — over anything you could offer.

Yep, yep, yep — there was your '60s generation and your '60s generation and then there was the totally awesome '70s generation. Each generation had their own mysterious



As far as clothes go, I'll wear anything that doesn't move.

I still pull out the ol' Boston album every once in a while and even catch a rerun of my favorite cartoons. It sure doesn't hurt. More often, it helps. Such is life.

I think Aldo said it all, "Life is just a fantasy..."

We regret our errors...

The Highland Herald staff wishes to apologize for several incorrect pieces of information published in the Oct. 12 issue.

In the review of the St. Croix Philharmonic Band, the byline was left out. The story was written by Dick Gimble, commercial music instructor. Also, in the same story, thanks were given to Dr. LaVerne Wong and her mother, Dr. Wong informed us that her mother had nothing to do with this presentation.

Clyde Kohne brought to our attention that in the "Freedom Lives" editorial, two mistakes were printed. The re-building of the Berlin Wall was brought to a standstill in 1948 rather than 1949 as printed. The Berlin Wall was begun in 1961 not 1963 as the story reported.

In the feature on Susan Smith, Charlotte Bronte was incorrectly named author of "Wuthering Heights". Emily Bronte, her sister, actually wrote this book. Smith did her thesis on Charlotte Bronte.

Thank you for bringing these corrections to our attention.

Letter to the editor

To the Editor

I think the reception given Ellie Fortune on Oct. 14 was very rude. Many people were trying to hear his comedy act. Polite and respectful people would have either kept quiet or left the room for those who wanted to hear the act. I feel an apology to Mr. Fortune and his son, Chris, would be appropriate.

Sincerely,
Lowell T. Adkins

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