

# Speakers end year with California triumphs

By SUSAN COLE

Another year has passed, and MCC's Speech Department has added to its records 41 awards and 15 non-award finalists.

"The squad's competitive year began in December," said Speech Director Ann Harrell. "Midwestern University was their first competitive tournament. We attended six tourna-

ments after this including Nationals."

Phi Rho Pi Nationals was held in Sacramento, California; 76 schools attended from all over the country. Eight of MCC's speech squad competed. Two coaches accompanied the students and judged numerous events.

Five awards were won at the

National tournament: Rocky Connor and Amy Johns received a Bronze in Duet Acting, and Connor received another Bronze in Oral Interpretation. Both students are freshmen, and Connor will be returning to MCC in the fall. Connor stated, "I kept telling everyone all I wanted to do at Nationals was break to Semi-Finals. I'm really excited about

this."

Victor Damm and Danny McNair won a Gold in team debate, and Damm received a Bronze in Advocates Debate. Last year Damm was the National Champion in Advocates. This year he was eliminated in Octo-Finals by a split decision. "I guess I could have worked harder in Advocates, but the team is so demanding (and was going so well) that I put most of my time into it," said Damm.

Speech Instructor David Wiley coaches the debate team. "The team really did well, and the only two teams ranked higher than us were Odessa (Texas), and Delta (Illinois). Both of these teams have been debating Senior Colleges," said Wiley.

Wiley added, "Delta, just last week, competed in the Junior Varsity of Senior Nationals, and Odessa competed in the Varsity Senior College National Debate Tournament (NDT). Odessa was the first junior college to ever break from prelims at that tournament (they received third place).

"With only two debaters, entered in two of the three debate areas, MCC ended up receiving sixth in overall debate stakes, while the team tied with

Amarillo, Texas for third place," said Wiley.

California's State Champs, Cerritos, were eliminated in Quarter Finals by MCC's Damm and McNair. Among the schools that MCC defeated are Eastern Utah, Jackson of Michigan, Northwest Community College (Wyoming), and Casper (of Wyoming).

Wiley said that MCC came in twenty-first overall out of 76 schools. "We were out in California, on their home ground, and we did this well. In a couple of years, Nationals will be held in Texas. I expect the school to do even better then," Wiley added.

"Out of seven tournaments in which the team debated, they advanced past prelims in five, into semi-finals twice, and finals three times. This year they received two 'firsts,' a 'second,' and two 'thirds,'" said Wiley.

"Two Interpretation awards and three Debate awards from the National Tournament are impressive for the school's records..the students worked hard for this," said Damm, adding, "At most tournaments you get to rest at least one round because you hit an easy team. But there was no such animal at Nationals."

## Business pros to show

MCC business majors will have the opportunity to discuss business practices with professionals during a job fair scheduled April 28 on the MCC campus.

Representatives from business and industry in the Waco area will be available to field students' questions from 10

a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Student Center.

The job fair will be held in conjunction with "Career Opportunities for Youth Month."

For more information, persons should contact Martha Whelan, director of placement, at 756-6551, ext. 394.

## FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE

### DAY SCHEDULE

CLASSES	EXAM DAY	EXAM TIME
<b>MWF</b>		
8:00- 8:50	Friday, May 8	8:00-10:15
9:00- 9:50	Monday, May 11	8:00-10:15
10:00-11:00	Friday, May 8	10:45- 1:00
11:10-12:00	Monday, May 11	10:45- 1:00
12:15- 1:05 and		
12:15- 1:30	Friday, May 8	2:00- 4:15
1:15- 2:05 and		
1:15- 2:55	Monday, May 11	2:00- 4:15
<b>TT</b>		
8:00- 9:15	Thursday, May 7	8:00-10:15
9:25-10:45	Tuesday, May 12	8:00-10:15
10:50-12:05	Thursday, May 7	10:45- 1:00
12:15- 1:30	Tuesday, May 12	10:45- 1:00
1:40- 2:55	Thursday, May 7	2:00- 4:15
<b>SATURDAY</b>	Saturday, May 9	9:00-11:15
<b>OTHER DAY CLASSES</b>	Tuesday, May 12	2:00- 4:15

### EVENING SCHEDULE

Classes meeting only one night per week 6:45-9:00 on regular meeting night during May 7-13

<b>MW CLASSES</b>		
5:20-6:35	M, W, May 11 and 12*	5:20-6:35
6:45-8:00	Monday, May 11	6:45-9:00
8:20-9:35	Wednesday, May 13	6:45-9:00
<b>TT CLASSES</b>		
5:20-6:35	T, T, May 7 and 12*	5:20-6:35
6:45-8:00	Thursday, May 7	6:45-9:00
8:20-9:35	Tuesday, May 12	6:45-9:00

\* The schedule precludes option of an uninterrupted period of 1.35 minutes



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## May 15 marks MCC graduation

By JUDY LUNA

Commencement! It sounds great.

One hundred and ninety-one MCC graduates will be participating in the 1981 Commencement exercise, May 15 at 8 p.m. in the Highlands.

All graduates who plan to attend and participate in the program must attend the commencement rehearsal May 15 at 10 a.m. in The Highlands.

Faculty and graduates can pick up their caps and gowns from the bookstore starting May 12.

Announcements are available at the bookstore for 45 cents each, and include name cards with a slot for the graduate's name and degree to be received.

Honor students may also pick up their gold tassels from the book store for \$4.50. Students may keep their caps and tassels after graduation, but must turn in their gowns in front of the Student Center after commencement.

Commencement exercises will be presided over by Dr. LaVerne B. Wong, with Reverend Doyle Allen of St. James Methodist Church providing the invocation. Reverend James G. Adams of Bellmead Calvary Baptist Church will give the benediction.

English Instructor Jeanette McGinness will present the "Challenge to Graduates."

Procession and recession music will be provided by Robert

C. Forbes of Dallas Caledonian Pipes and Drums, Inc. on the bagpipes.

Frank Blackburn, Mark Brown, Darrell Hoffman and Eugene Wilson will perform a trombone quartet of "Sonata" by David Speer.

Certification of Candidates will be by Dr. Norman Murphy, Dean of Instruction, and presentation of certificates will be by C. Ray Perry, Board of Trustees Chairman.

Candlelighting ceremony by graduating nursing students will follow the presentation of certificates.

Refreshments will be provided after the ceremony for graduates, their families and faculty in the Student Center.

## Women vie for 'Miss Waco' crown

By SUSAN COLE

For five MCC girls, this week could be a long one. Friday, May 1 is the preliminary competition in the 1981 Miss Waco Pageant.

Cathy Boice, Ann Foote, Gay Dodson, Sherry Harris, and Joan Petersen are contestants from MCC. Saturday, May 2 will be the final night of the pageant.

Richland Fashion Mall is the location of the contest. Saturday at 7:30 p.m., the program will begin with an opening country western routine in honor of the new sponsor -- Texas Country USA.

Following the dance will be swimsuit competition, and finally evening gown com-

petition. After this, one of the 20 girls will be crowned Miss Waco 1981.

Co-sponsors to Waco Citizen and Texas Country are Bealls, Osco Drug, and Sears. As an additional award Texas Country has agreed to give the winner a \$500 scholarship to Baylor (as long as she maintains a 'B' average).

Each contestant has an individual sponsor aside from the major sponsors. Boice, whose sponsor is Garlyn Shelton Imports, said that "Just being in the contest is a rewarding experience."

Dodson is sponsored by Morris Jewelers, she said, "We've been pretty busy, but

it's fun." Dodson added "I haven't met many people yet, but I am looking forward to doing this."

Chairman of the pageant Bill Foster said that Pageant Director Al Cohen has done an excellent job with the contest this year. "This is the best combination of beauty and talent I've seen in this contest, and I've been at this for 17 years," Foster said.

Foster stated that over \$350 in prizes will be given free to the public at the pageant. Foster added, "As Waco grows, the quality of this pageant improves. This is the best, and most impressive group we've had."

## Magie Music scheduled site of last dance

MCC's End-of-School Dance will be held Wednesday, April 29, at Magie Music, located at North 25th and Cole Street.

The dance will begin at 8 p.m. and will last until 12 midnight.

All MCC students enter free with their MCC identification card and their driver's license. This activity is sponsored by Student Government.





The Spring 1981 Highland Herald staff includes (front row, left to right): Susan Cole, Tim Isaacks, Judy Luna, Glenda Tucker, Chris Banks, Omar Salazar, and Ann Foote. Second row: Olu Solarin, Mark Edwards, Katey Jones, Gloria Hanes, and Consuelo Arriola. Third row: Instructor Cassy Jordan, Rusty Swift, Rusty's girl friend Sally, Craig Palu, Jeanne Gauntt, Melanie Burnette, and David Johnson. (Photo by Consuelo Arriola)

## McLennan returns with plaque

The voyagers have returned.

The crew of the Press Club McLennan touched down Saturday, April 11, after an extensive search through the San Marcos galaxy for new journalistic skills.

Throughout their three-day stay on the Southwest Texas State campus, the journalists, led by their fearless leader Captain Cassy Jordan, competed in live contests and heard lectures

### Art displayed

Selected works from 19 MCC art students continue to display at the Fine Arts building in recognition of the annual student art show.

More than 70 entries representing oil, acrylic, charcoal, photographs and wood are in the exhibit, which began April 7. The display, free and open to the public, will continue until May 4.

## Applications due for positions

The Personnel Services Office has announced the opening of three positions for a Psychology Instructor, a golf coach-HPE instructor, and an Associate Degree Nursing instructor.

The applicant for psychology would be expected to instruct courses in psychology at the freshman and sophomore level. Qualifications for the psychology position include a master's degree or the equivalent in Psychology, and teaching experience at secondary or post-secondary level, and in the field of business psychology.

### MCC Stage Band gives concert

The McLennan Community College Stage Band I will perform its final concert of the school year at 8 p.m. May 6 in the MCC Student Center.

The band will perform selections from the libraries of the Count Basie Band, the Tonight Show Band and the Dallas Jazz Orchestra. Selections originally performed by the Boyd Rayburn Band, a pioneer group in the history of "big band" jazz, also will be played by the MCC Stage Band.

from a number of outstanding professional journalists.

During these contests, First Mate Tim Isaacks took third in live newswriting and Buck-Private Judy Luna came in third in commercial copy writing.

The best news of the conference was that the *Highland*

*Herald* took third place in Overall Newspaper-Division II.

The journalists are now back in the saddle at MCC and putting to practice some of the new skills they discovered while cruising through journalism's endless frontier.

Captain's Log, out.

## Austin trip successful

Twenty-two MCC students enrolled in the Special Services-Tutorial Center Program went to Austin on April 8 to visit the Texas Legislature in session. They toured both the House of Representatives and the Senate, the Capitol and the LBJ Library.

The trip was a part of Cultural Enrichment Activities offered to MCC students who participate in the Special Services Program.

In addition to Cultural

Enrichment Activities, Special Services offers tutorial assistance, counseling services, and other services to assist the student while attending MCC.

Eleanor Taylor, Counselor-Coordinator with SS-TC and Sue Burroughs, ISSDHS Program Coordinator, accompanied the students. According to Taylor, this experience was both enlightening and educational. "As a matter of fact, I learned something about the history of our State Capitol that I do not recall reading in my Texas History text book, nor did my instructor mention it in class. The entrance to the Capitol Building faces South, to commemorate the stand Texas took in the Civil War. Most of the buildings on the University of Texas campus also face South," Taylor said.

Perhaps the most interesting part of the trip, according to the students, was the opportunity to observe the House and Senate in session. The group was fortunate to select a day when both the House and Senate were in session. The overall attitude of students was, "Let's go again when we can spend the entire day observing the Legislature in session."

MCC students may inquire about the available services by calling extension 404 or stopping by the Special Services office on the third floor of the Student Center.

## Pre-register for summer courses

Persons wishing to enroll in summer evening classes at McLennan Community College may pre-register from 5 to 8 p.m., April 27-30 in the lobby of the MCC Administration Building.

The nine-week evening session will begin June 1 and end July 30. Students must present their

social security numbers and be prepared to pay tuition and fees at the time of pre-registration.

Members of the MCC Student Government will be serving refreshments in the administration building lobby to all persons enrolling in evening classes.

For more information, call 756-6551, ext. 235.

# Art Center exhibit to feature Boynton

By GLORIA HANES

"I know of no other fantasist who approaches an imaginary world in quite the way James Boynton appears to confront his. In looking at a number of his paintings, one is led to imagine that the world of his fantasy has a kind of separate existence... as if he had constructed an occult television receiver, his paintings seem to tune in a remote and fascinating life of the mind with an astonishing sense of fidelity."

In 1959, Douglas MacAgy wrote of a man named Jack Boynton. Boynton began to get recognition in 1954 when his work was in "Younger American Painters" at the Guggenheim Museum in New York. Over the years, he has gained recognition from his works and a number of them are shown in major museum collections.

His retrospective exhibition, entitled "Retro-Spectrum," started this year in Tyler Museum of Art and continued to The Art Center here in Waco and will show until May 10.

Boynton is best known to the public for his prints and posters, which have been distributed since the early 1970's. In 1970, Boynton was quoted as saying, "I have hoped to achieve a certain 'psychic presence' in my paintings." In 1977, he was approached by the Art Center staff with idea of organizing a retrospective exhibition.

June 1 through July 19, the Traveling Exhibition will be on display at Abilene Fine Arts Museum and will make a final Texas exhibition for the year at Beaumont Art Museum, August 14 through September 27. The exhibition includes over 80 works with such subjects as paintings, works on paper, collaborative works and multi dimensional works.

Boynton, born in Fort Worth, holds a B.F.A. and M.F.A. degree from Texas Christian University. After teaching in numerous places, he joined the staff of the University of St. Thomas in Houston in 1969, where he remains today as a professor of painting and drawing.

## Scholarship applications ready

Students now enrolled or those persons planning to enroll at MCC have until July 15 to apply for private donor scholarships for the 1981-82 school year, according to Stephen Crump, director of financial aids.

Individuals, organizations and businesses offer financial assistance to students through many types of scholarships. Some scholarships are awarded through the college while others are awarded directly by the sponsor, Crump said.

Scholarships are available for

students enrolled in nursing, journalism, the pre-dental program, real estate and accounting. Other non-designated scholarships are also available to MCC students.

Crump said older students are encouraged to apply as well as recent high school graduates. He said a scholarship committee will meet this summer to make awards for the Fall, 1981, and Spring, 1982, semesters.

For more information, all interested persons should contact the MCC Office of Financial Aids at 756-6551, ext. 398.



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# Phi Theta Kappa fraternity initiates 74

By TIM ISAACKS

Seventy-four students were initiated into the MCC chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, the national junior college honorary scholastic fraternity, April 22 at 10 a.m. in the Lecture Hall. Phi Theta Kappa is the companion organization of the National Honor Society in high schools and Phi Beta Kappa in senior colleges.

Phi Theta Kappa officers, all freshmen, were also elected. Dale Cawthon was elected president; Steve Stanislav, vice-president; Karla Kaska, secretary; and Maureen Macy, treasurer.

Cawthon wanted all members interested in applying for a \$50 Phi Theta Kappa scholarship for next semester to be aware that the information is available from Don Bynum in the Student Activities Office, and from James Schwarz, biology instructor.

Members inducted at Wednesday's ceremony are (in alphabetical order) Robert Bass, Susan Bearden, Mary Beseda, Tom Bittenbinder, John Bohlin, Gerald Bolting, Marla Brewer, Daryle Bush, Michael Cacy, Dale Cawthon, Gene Connor Jr., James Craig, Donald Cox, Diana Davis, Richard Decker,

Jr., Christopher Finch, James Floyd, Melissa Fulp, Ronnie Glaesmann, Gilda Gonzalez, Clark Griffin, III, Doris Haberl,

Richie Haskett, Suzanne Hlavenka, Tamara Hoeft, Darrell Hoffman, Ruby Hogans, Celia Hooper, Jana Hubby, Robbie Jones, Denise Kammlah, Karla Kaska, Linda Kleibrink, Lillian Kolar, James LaRoe, III.

Also, Michael Lindsay, Angelina Rios Lopez, Maureen Macy, David Malone, Jeff Manske, Edward Middlebrook, Richard McClure, Jill McDaniels, Clark Nauert, Tammy Nutt, Cindy Odell, Marjorie Page, Gina Phillips, Margaret Poehls, Monica Polansky, Phyllis Polster, Marie Ratliff, Genevieve Rejcek, Larry Robinett, Cathy Rosen, Regina Salazar, Linda Sansom, Rhonda Schlueter.

Also Joyce Schroeder, Tom Shaw, Stephanie Simpson, Raymond Stafford, Steven Stanislav, Mary Sutton, Elizabeth Sykora, Jimmy Talbert, Gary Thompson, Deana Tullous, Debra Tullous, Constance Varano, Terri Veselka, Carol Waddell, Jeffrey Williams, Ruth Winkelmann, and Sharon Wooten.



Recent Phi Theta Kappa initiates are shown here in a candlelight ceremony. These five are a few of the 74 initiated April 22 in the Lecture Hall. (Photo by Consuelo Arriola)

## Hispanic essay contest to yield two \$200 scholarships

By MARY SALAZAR

Scholarships of \$200 will be given to a female and male student of Hispanic background by the American GI Forum of Texas.

Recipients of scholarships will be announced later.

Rules for applying for the scholarships are:

1. The applicant must be of Spanish surname.
2. The applicant must be a high school senior approved for graduation in the spring, 1981, or a college student enrolled full-

time during the spring term, 1981.

3. The applicant must enroll in college during the fall term of college year 1981-1982 as a full-time student.

4. Applicants must possess a 2.5 grade point average minimum.

5. Applicants must be permanent residents of Central Texas, including the following towns: Axtell, Bellmead, China Spring, Elm Mott, Hewitt, Lorena, Marlin, Mart, McGregor, Moody, Northerest, Reisel,

Robinson, Waco, Woodway or West.

Points will be awarded for the scholarship by a typewritten, double-spaced essay containing a minimum of 600 words on the topic of "The Mexican American in Today's Job Market." The essay and a copy of the application should be sent to Rudy Lopez, P.O. Box 291, Hewitt, Texas, 76643.

Essays and transcripts must be received no later than Thursday, April 30.

## Pamphlet suggests transfer guidelines

By TIM ISAACKS

As the spring semester closes, students begin to consider possible transfer universities.

According to a pamphlet released by Director of Counseling Services Bill Mygdal, a student should start planning for transfer at least a year in advance.

The pamphlet lists four guidelines for action. Guideline one advises a conference with an MCC counselor to develop an MCC-transfer college degree

plan for the student's major field.

Guidelines two suggests a written letter sent to the prospective university asking for information concerning majors, housing costs, admission requirements and deadlines.

According to Guidelines three and four, the student should visit the campus, making sure he likes it, and take a written list of questions he may have.

A complete student transfer check-list is available in the counseling offices.

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## Election results announced

By KATEY JONES

April 22 and 23 were very important days for those running for 1981-82 officer positions in Student Government.

Freshmen Mark Rauscher, Tommy Gates, and Jeff Hulmark were the candidates for president. Secretary candidate was freshman Katey Jones, treasurer candidates were freshmen Janie Salazar and John Palmeri, and the candidate for

parliamentarian was freshman Kevin Walters.

These elections results were announced at the Highland Games April 24.

The 1981-82 officers for the Student Government are: Mark Rauscher, president; Katey

Jones, secretary; Janie Salazar, treasurer; and Kevin Walters, parliamentarian.

These officers will be sworn in to their office positions April 29 during the Awards Assembly.

President Chip Hejl expressed his and the Government's congratulations to these newly elected officers.

There will be a Student Government sponsored dance April 29 at Magic Music for all MCC students. Free admission is allowed with current I.D. and drivers license.

## Six qualify for Who's Who

By OLU SOLARIN

Six MCC students have qualified for the 1981 edition of the Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges.

These outstanding students are Charleson R. Bass, sophomore junior accounting major; Victor Damm, sophomore pre-law; Robyn Ford, sophomore, music; Debbie K. Glitter, sophomore, undecided major; Damon Patterson, sophomore, health and physical education major; and Rhonda R. Spradlin, sophomore, law enforcement major.

Campus nominating committees and editors of the annual directory have included the names of these students based on their academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and future potential.

Nominees are selected by anyone through slips which were distributed all over campus. Dean of Student Service, Dr. LaVerno Wong's office then contacts the students for approval to submit their name. The name is sent to a student services council, which

checks credentials. Finally, the list is sent to the National office of Who's Who.

Outstanding students have been honored in the annual directory since it was first published in 1966.

The students will join a group of students selected from more than 600 institutions of higher learning in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and several foreign countries.

Students chosen will be presented with certificates at the Awards Assembly, April 29.



# Foiled assassination triggers gun debate

By DARRYL FOSTER

Despite the furor and bewilderment over President Reagan's attempted assassination almost a month ago, guns are still constantly being bought and sold in hundreds of pawn shops and gun stores around the country. There has been no major legislation passed by Congress to regulate firearms.

Crime is one of the most complex and controversial issues of our day. And it continues to grow more and more so as numerous Americans are murdered or injured by handguns each year.

Guns have made unforgettable dents in history. Their bullets have claimed the lives of such notables as Robert Kennedy, Martin Luther King, John Lennon, Presidents Kennedy, Lincoln, McKinley and even an assassin himself...Lee Harvey Oswald.

Reagan, who was wounded in his upper left side during the attempted assassination, was quoted in the October 1980 issue of *Field and Stream* as saying, "I think that by making it harder for the legitimate citizen to own a firearm, you're not going to stop criminals from getting one."

Gun laws within themselves are complicated. The buyer, as the application refers to him, selects the gun he wants and answers approximately 16 questions on the transaction record. After he has given all the proper identification, which includes legal state residence, state drivers license, and proof of age (21), he can then pay for the gun. And in Texas the applicant has a ten-day waiting period before it is delivered into his possession.

Said to be one of the strictest in the nation, New York's Sullivan law, enacted in 1911, has according to an authority in the area of firearm regulation Don B. Kates, Jr. "done nothing to reduce crime."

Canada and England are operating under this same system and are reportedly achieving some success. Statistics show that in Canada there were fewer than 100 handgun deaths per year since the program began.

Dave Keel, director of MCC's police academy, said in a telephone interview that situations in the U.S. and Canada could not be compared with fairness because the two

countries do not have the same social problems.

"Most police officers and security persons in the South are totally against gun control because it has almost nothing to do with the so-called 'crime wave,'" he said, "They would rather the courts just hand down harder sentences."

Keel, a nine-year veteran of the Waco police department, said he felt the average citizen should have a handgun mainly for protection, but usage would be minimal. Likewise, millions of American gun owners feel they have that inalienable constitutional right to protect their properties and families.

Even in a city of 100,000 plus such as Waco, handguns have made their mark; although mostly in robberies.

"We investigated 75 instances in Waco where handguns were used to commit robberies," said Dorothy Moores, a statistician for the Waco police department.

Other statistics from the Waco PD show 82 persons arrested during the past year for illegal possession of firearms.

In New York, a new law enacted by the state legislature mandates a compulsory one-year prison sentence for anyone convicted of carrying an unlicensed handgun.

This action has pleased Senator Ted Kennedy, who leads the battle in the U.S. to get stricter handgun laws passed. Kennedy, also quoted in *Field and Stream* said, "I believe it (stricter regulations) can result in a reduction of violent crimes, deaths, and injury on the rights of law-abiding citizens."

National figures reveal that handguns make up 30 percent of all firearms in the country and 49 percent of all murders committed involved handguns. There was no breakdown of the 17 murders that occurred in Waco during the past year.

Receiving much of the criticism from anti-gun advocates are pawn shops, where many guns are bought and sold. Big State Pawn at 500 Franklin Ave. is one such pawn shop.

Its supervisor, Ken Jackson, talked about the issue: "When

the buyer fills out the application, he can lie about the questions...but that gets me off the hook as a dealer for anything that might happen."

Big State's display cases for guns have price tags ranging from \$49.95 to \$499. Jackson says he sells quite a few RG14s or 22-caliber pistols (because they are the least expensive). Most of the guns are new.

Jackson also said stricter regulations would definitely hurt pawn shops financially.

"I think the laws are pretty strict as they are, if people would only abide by them," he said.

Sponsors for the McClure-Volkmer Firearms Act instituted a nationwide slogan which says "Guns don't kill people; people kill people."

There's always that case of guilt when the handgun a dealer sells winds up a murder weapon. Jackson remembered one gun he sold to a young woman. He watched a policeman demonstrate its use to her. It was the same gun she used to take her life an hour later.

Jackson reasoned, "It bothers me, but that's part of doing this kind of business."

## MCC summer courses: fun while learning

By TIM ISAACKS  
and DAVID JOHNSON

Well, it's the end of another long hard semester in many cases the second of two such semesters and you are really ragged out. Let's face it, higher education and all that stuff is ideal, but those late-night study sessions are a strain on the brain. And they put quite a crump in your social life, too.

Needless to say (but we will, anyway) you're ready to crash out on the couch all summer. But no-o-o-o! You had to flunk one of your courses, and now you have to go to...GASP...summer school.

Whoa. Slow down. Don't get so hyper! Your fears are needless. Summer school can be fun (in fact, some people even LIKE it).

And the courses needn't be considered dull.

Mary Helen Battles will be teaching a Physical Geology course which will not be your run-of-the-mill, stuck-in-the-class-all-summer science course.

Battles, combining her talents in Geology with her husband Burnie's camping skills, will teach her course with minor classroom assignments and concentrate on field research of Texas' Geologic resources.

"Last summer was the first time we had the course set up like this," said Battles. "I had 17 students and this summer I expect to have even more, so I limited the course to 32 people," stated Battles.

During the three-week course, Battle's battalion will venture to

many points of interest for field trips. They will go to Gorman Falls, at Bend, for a two day campout and study of sedimentary rocks. Also in the study of sedimentary rocks, the group will travel to Glenrose, and while there will tour the Comanche Peak Nuclear Plant.

In search of fossils, the group will venture to Meridian State Park for one night. The local pit here in Waco will also be a stopping point in their search for fossils.

Onward to Enchanted Rock State Park now for the study of igneous rocks and their longest campout of three days will highlight the course.

"Everyone gets pretty exhausted by the end of the course but they will learn a lot of geology in a short time. The class last summer learned more than any other class I've ever had," said Battles.

If you're wondering about the campouts, that's where Burnie comes in. As a special addition to the course, Mr. Battles will teach camping skills, canoeing, the use of maps and compasses, and basic mountain climbing.

No special equipment will be needed for these outdoor excursions; everything will be provided for the student's comfort in the field.

"I always have a great time in the summer course because I develop a close relationship with my students," said Battles. "When you're with them all the time you get to know a person really well," she stated.

The course is scheduled from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. but no need to worry about it interfering with

other studies. The last week of classes begins at 1 p.m., so you may enroll in the first six weeks of summer without fear of hurting other classes.

If you're the type who doesn't like physical exertion during the heat waves, you may want to stick with more traditional academic courses.

Jack Yarbrough will be teaching both English 352 and 311 during the first six week session. Yarbrough feels the main advantage of summer school is "They can get it all over with in six weeks."

Dr. Michael White will be teaching two classes of History 351 the first six weeks. "I like meeting every day," said White. "During those Tuesday-Thursday classes in the long semester, I can hardly remember the students' names. And I think there's a lot more rapport between the students and teachers in a summer class."

"We get lots of university students who are home in Waco for the summer," White said. "They tell me they like the small classes and the personalization."

"We also get lots of kids just out of high school. It's important for their first experience in a college course to be a good one," White said.

White feels the only disadvantage of summer school is that "It might be too fast for some students. I use almost as much material in six weeks as I do in 15."

So there you have a small sampling of just what will be going on this summer at MCC. Camping doesn't sound so bad intermingled with history or English, does it?



Sophomore Damon Patterson exemplifies the fun a student can have while attending MCC summer school. (Photo by David Johnson)

Actually, there are many more available courses this summer. We advise that you pick up your MCC Summer 1981 catalog.

Registration for the first six week term is May 28 from 8 to 11 a.m. and 1 to 4 p.m. Second

six week term registration for the nine week evening term is April 27 to April 30 from 5 to 8 p.m., and May 28 from 5:30 to 8 p.m.

Classes begin June 1 for first day and evening term, and July 10 for second day.



# Tornado season here again!

**It was the eleventh of May, and a hell of a day;  
When the great tornado came Waco way.  
It knocked down buildings and tore down stores;  
It went around the corner and got Nate Chodorow's. . .**

By CHRIS BANKS

May 11, 1953, a violent tornado ripped through Waco cutting a swath of destruction from Ninth Street to the Brazos River on Austin, Washington, and Franklin Streets.

One hundred and fourteen people lost their lives and hundreds were injured.

The excerpt above is from a poem written by a group of school kids during the horror-filled days following the tornado.

Although the downtown area was the hardest hit, the entire city was affected in some way, with the east Waco area second hardest-hit.

The May 12, 1953, issue of the *Waco Tribune-Herald* reported "An old legend about Waco blew away...for more than one hundred years everybody knew that the Indians picked this location for a village because it was tornado-proof. The rim of hills "surrounding Waco," they said, "wouldn't permit a tornado to strike this spot."

Yet, strike it did. In addition to the lives lost and hundreds of thousands of dollars in property destroyed, several Waco landmarks were also destroyed. Among them Chris' Cafe and the first three-story building ever

built in Waco.

The office of civil defense says the likely period for tornadoes is April and May, and that most occur between 3 and 7 a.m.

In the event a tornado is spotted, occupants should take cover in interior spaces away from the south and west sides of the building, as these are the most dangerous areas.

Windows, especially at the end of corridors, are extremely dangerous. The civil defense advises that windows be opened to equalize pressure inside the room if you are in your home, the bathroom is one of the safest places for protection, preferably in the bathtub with a mattress or pillows to protect the head and chest.

In the event you are in your car, get out and take cover in a ditch or depression by lying flat, or seek shelter in a building, they advise.

John Catchings, a Dallas-based psychic, has predicted that a tornado will strike downtown Waco sometime in April. The January 1 issue of the *Waco Tribune-Herald* quoted Catchings as saying, "I feel like it will hit a downtown theater, and a poverty-type neighborhood. I see clothes

strewn everywhere."

Catchings also predicted that Baylor would win the Cotton Bowl and that President Reagan would be defeated in the November election.

On May 10 at 3 p.m., one day before the 30th anniversary of the '53 tornado, the Waco McLennan County Library, at 1717 Austin, will present a slide-tape presentation of the after-effects of that storm.

Jackie Jeffrey, head librarian for the South-West Public Library, and Sue Kethley,

Special Collection Librarian for the main branch, are directors of the project.

"This is the first attempt of our oral history staff to put together a major public program of this type. We were funded by the National Foundation of Humanities along with 15 other libraries," said Kethley.

The money was awarded to the South-West Library Association and was divided among the applicants. Our portion of the money was \$4,500," said Kethley.

The presentation will feature

interviews with victims of the storm, city officials, and witnesses. Also pictures by Jimmy Willis, a free lance photographer who took most of the pictures of the storm's aftermath, will be shown. A song written by Clyde Farrell will be played during the presentation.

Kethley said the research for this project began in February '79, and that it has taken about a year to complete all the work involved.

The presentation is free and open to the public.

## Council to motivate students

By DARRYL FOSTER

The mood was one of concern and diligent discussion during the last session of the MCC Student Services Council held April 21. Seven members of the group met and discussed several ways to motivate students in the college's activities.

Headed by Dr. LaVerne Wong, the council had several suggestions from its members and their guest Don Bynum, director of student activities.

Bynum introduced his idea of getting freshman students involved in doing more than just the initial freshman orientation program. Bynum said there was a possibility of getting Jane Lybrad, a nationally known speaker, to come to MCC and

conduct a special program called "Breaking Through the Ice for incoming freshmen."

Student government representatives Jeff Hallmark and Jeff Manske also expressed desires to have Lybrad considered for freshman orientation. Bynum said it would last approximately one and one-half days.

Another program presented by Bynum dealt with the collaboration of the English and Drama Departments to present a film series on World Drama that could be used by both departments.

"The five or six films," said Bynum, "would cost about \$100 each and would be a change from the regular lecturing."

Next on the agenda, Wong,

raised a discussion about student drop-outs and ways of motivating them to stay in school.

Wong suggested there might be a possibility of checking past school records for factors that would determine how long a student will continue in his classes before the student enrolled in MCC. Her ideas were received by those present and discussed at length.

In another order of business, student government representative Manske said that his organization is motioning to have the spring vacation dates moved up and also change HPE classes to the pass-fail system. He gave no reasons for his latter suggestion.

## Stock-piling better than money in the bank

By GLENDA TUCKER

It's like putting money in the bank, taking out an insurance policy, or having a spare tire. What is it? Storing food for future emergencies.

"With today's food prices skyrocketing, storing food could be one of the best investments a person could make," said Pat Baker, owner of Homestead Storage Foods in Bellmead.

More and more people are stock-piling food and preparing for emergencies such as floods, truck strikes, earthquakes, food shortages, personal disasters such as job layoffs or illnesses, she added.

"The Mormons were some of the first people in our time to begin the practice of storing foods," she said.

For 40 years, leaders of the Mormon Church have encouraged members of the faith to store at least a year's supply of food.

There are several different types of foods which can be stored: Wet-pack canned frozen dehydrated, and freeze-dried foods.

Wet-pack canned (or conventional) canned foods bought at the grocery store, or home canned foods are usually good for up to three years. Wet-pack cans must be continually rotated and require a lot of storage space.

Freezing foods in the home freezer is another method com-

monly used to store foods. This method requires electricity as well as space and regular rotation of the food.

"Originally the Mormons stored only the basics...wheat, honey, sugar and dried milk but in the 50s, dehydrated foods were introduced and offered a variety of foods that could be kept in storage," Baker said.

Dehydration involves processing food at high temperatures for a long time. These foods, reduced approximately 90 percent in weight, also reduce bulk storage space by 80 percent.

Dehydrated foods come in practical convenient form and are ready to use. Waste of raw fruits and vegetables is totally eliminated. Dehydrated foods are noted for their long storage life.

In the late 50s, and early 60s, freeze-dried foods were introduced. This was another "giant step" from the Space Age. The Smithsonian Institute's Museum of Air and Space Science maintains a display of "Freeze-Dry Space Foods" that went to the moon with U.S. Apollo Mission in the 1960s.

Freeze-drying is the process of vacuum sublimation by which virtually all moisture is removed from foods. The process, which locks in natural flavors and wholesomeness, doesn't shrivel or change color of foods.

"Freeze-dried foods are light in weight, weighing only 10 percent of their normal weight," said Baker, "and they can be prepared in 5 to 10 minutes by

adding hot or cold water, depending upon the type of food."

Some freeze-dried foods such as pears, strawberries and ice cream can be eaten out of the can.

All of these foods can be stock-piled to provide a family with food in an emergency situation. A person planning to store foods should consider the pros and cons of each method.

"Another important thing to remember in stock-piling foods is the daily calorie yield of a food supply," said Baker.

An average-size adult requires approximately 2,400 calories per day and more if he engages in strenuous activity.

At Homestead Storage Foods, dehydrated and freeze-dried foods can be bought in individual cans, one-can-at-a-time or by the unit which contains predetermined amounts to feed one individual for a year or two individuals for six months.

"Those people who can afford it," said Baker, "buy a year or more's supply of food. First, they figure how much they will need for a three-month supply, and then multiply."

Some people begin the storage plan by simply buying an extra can each pay day, she added.

Water is another essential item to add to the storage of food. Water is essential for survival. Dehydration, illness, and even death can result in 10 days or less from lack of water.

Keeping a two-week's water

supply for each person is recommended by the Defense Civil Preparedness Agency. The average person needs a minimum of one-half gallon of water for drinking and limited food preparation per day.

Water can be stored in glass and plastic containers of various sizes. Containers should have tight-fitting caps or lids to prevent contamination and evaporation.

Containers should be properly identified.

For long-term storage, water should be sterilized or disinfected. Municipal water or water that has been tested and approved by the health department is recommended.

Water can be sterilized in glass fruit jars by filling the fruit jars with water, leaving one inch of space at the top of the jar and sealing each jar with a sterilized lid. Then process the jars in a boiling water bath. Quart jars should be processed for 20 minutes, half gallon jars for 25 minutes.

Clean water can be stored in glass or plastic containers by disinfecting with liquid chlorine bleach (5.4 percent sodium hypochlorite) or 2 percent tincture of iodine, or by adding disinfectant tablets.

The following solutions can be used to disinfect water: Using Purex-Chlorox... for 1 quart of clear water, use 2 drops of Purex-Chlorox or 4 drops for cloudy water; for one gallon of clear water, use 8 drops of Purex-

Chlorox and 16 drops for cloudy water; for five gallons of clear water, use 1/2 teaspoon of Purex-Chlorox or 1 teaspoon for cloudy water. Using Iodine, for 1 quart of clear water, use 3 drops of Iodine and 6 drops for cloudy water; for 1 gallon of clear water use 12 drops of Iodine and 24 drops for cloudy water.

Purification tablets should be used as directed.

All solutions should be mixed thoroughly and let mixture stand for 30 minutes before using.

The treated water should have a distinct taste and smell. If the taste and smell is not present, add another dose and let stand another 15 minutes.

The containers should be packed tightly with newspapers or packing materials between each bottle to protect them against shock or damage. Stored in a cool place, the water will be safe for one year's later.

A portable water washer and three replaceable filters should be included in the storage program for each family member. The water washer removes the undesirable color, odor and taste of the treated water.

Baker said, "We got interested in the food storage program several years ago and then decided to go into the business of selling these foods."

It's a family affair with her two daughters, a son and her mother working for her at Homestead Storage Foods located in Bellmead and Hillboro.

## Cooper, Hallmark win beauty titles

Preceding the 1981 Highland Games were two beauty contests. Winners were freshman Jeff Hallmark and sophomore Jezelle Cooper. Hallmark was chosen as having the prettiest male legs on campus; Cooper was elected Highland Games Queen.

Cooper was selected from a field of seven semi-finalists. When chosen queen, Cooper said, "I was so surprised. You see my name was last on the list, and I just thought they would call

my name and then announce the queen."

Katey Jones, freshman, was runner-up. "I'm so happy just to be a part of it all. Jezelle makes a lovely queen," she said.

Hallmark was chosen from 10 contestants. He smiled and called, "Hi mom, hi everyone," as the TV camera zoomed in on

him. Hallmark's loyal friends, Jeff Manske and Robert Bass, waited eagerly to congratulate him (with water balloons).

Queen Cooper presided over the games which followed, and Hallmark paraded his legs. Other students competed in numerous events, ate, and, on occasion, were thrown in "jail."

### Johnson wins

Watermelon seed spitting has graduated from the county fair and local barbecue circuit, to a refined contest found on college campuses throughout the United States.

In the MCC duel of spitters, competition was ferocious. Mark Rauschuber, the newly elected Student Government President, held an early lead.

After almost all the competitors had spit their seeds, up walked Dave Johnson, Associate Editor of the Highland Herald. Johnson cut loose with a seed that landed about two inches farther than Rauschuber's. With that outstanding feat of skill, Johnson was crowned the Seed Spitting Champion of the 1981 Highland Games.



MCC student Melba Crain wins as she is confronted with a hand bearing shaving cream after the tug o' war contest. (Photo by David Johnson)



Best male legs winner, Jeff Hallmark and newly crowned Highlands queen, Jezelle Cooper. (Photo by Consuelo Arriola)

## Baton and Jones win Highland Games Frisbee Toss contest

Frisbees of many different colors whizzed through the air around MCC at the fifteenth annual Highland Games frisbee tossing contest.

"We practiced every chance we got," said David

Baton after he and his partner Ricky Jones sailed off with the frisbee toss championship title. Jones attributed their win to their "special" red frisbee.

Don Bynum, director of

Student Activities and host for the day's festivities was judge of the event. Rules for the frisbee toss consisted of participants who had to be Duo-Partners of either sex. Partners faced each other in two lines along a sidewalk.

The frisbee was then tossed

back and forth as the lines moved further apart. The frisbee had to be caught with only one hand by male participants and by two hands by female contestants.

Forty-eight participants

entered the competition. Baton and Jones won with about a 30 yard spread. They were awarded new white frisbees by the contest judge.

## Jaska's caber toss chalks up a win

It's daring. It's spectacular. It's over.

It was the Caber Toss, and it took place at the Highland Games.

In a show of brawn, beefcake, and muscularity only equaled in last year's Caber Toss, young MCC men participated in throwing the 80 pound pole the farthest distance possible.

When asked how many men participated in the contest, judge Paul Holder said, "Gosh, I don't know."

When asked the names of the young men entered in the contest, sponsor Don Bynum said, "Gosh, I don't know."

When asked how far the caber was thrown, Holder again said, "Gosh, I don't know."

And when asked the name of the winner, Bynum again said, "Gosh, I don't know."

But why shouldn't these two rapidly-approaching - middle-age men be out to lunch on the

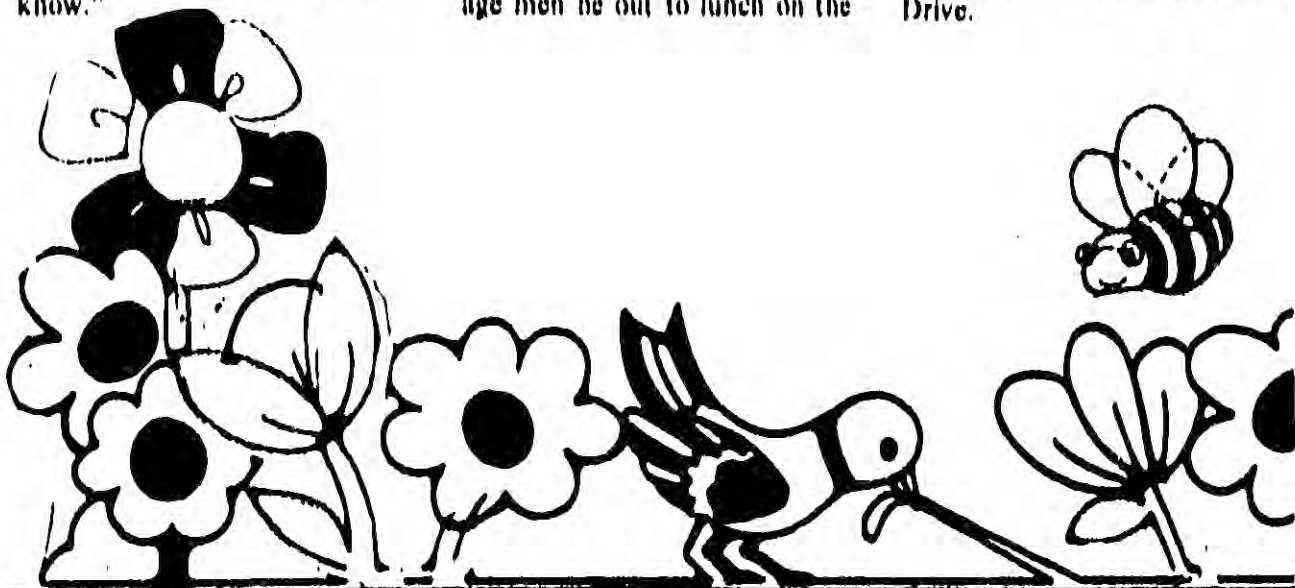
information? After all, it was the Highland Games, and they deserved a rest, too.

However, the members of the ever-searching (and rapidly (ting) Highland Herald staff discovered that muscle-bound Chris Jaska managed to throw the caber the longest distance.

Perhaps, now that success has come to Jaska, he will move to Hollywood and get a high-rise penthouse overlooking Rodeo Drive.

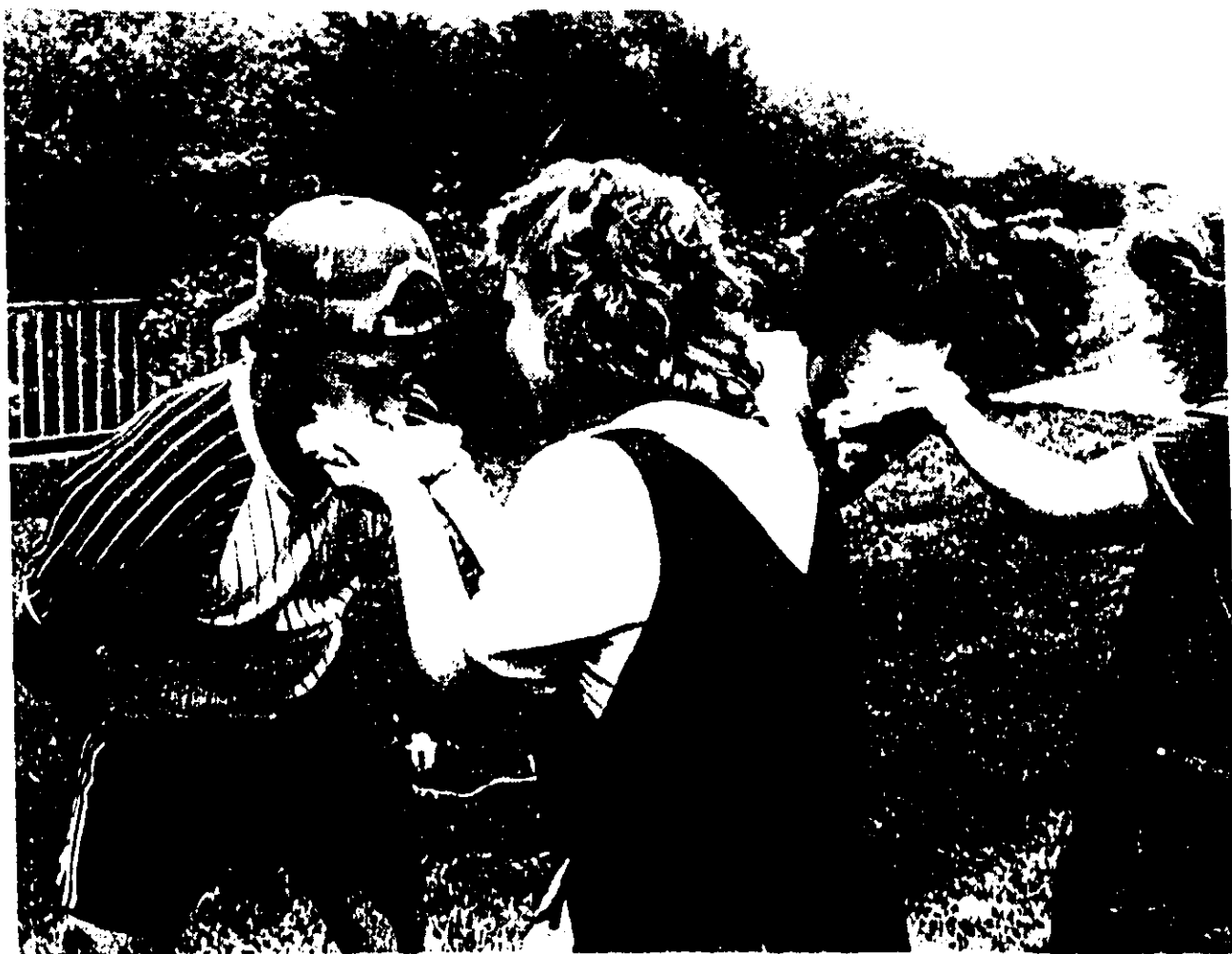


Gals pulling hard against guys. The above tug o' war contest between the two sexes shows some enjoying it, some feeling the pain of it all. Up front: Kvette Dominguez, Tobin Carpenter, Katey Jones, Melba Crain, and Amy





# SPRING FLING



Contestants in the Highland Games' pie eating contest get into the full swing of things with the chocolate cream pies provided. Winners were two MCC brothers. See related story.

## Neckar, Crain leap fastest

The annual convention of the Scottish Leapfrogs was held at the Highland Games, with (some said) more turkeys leaping than anything else.

Couples battled it out in several different races, but the warty couple of Tim Neckar and

Melissa Crain managed to take the coveted toad crown.

Sophomore Neckar and freshman Crain leaped through a preliminary round, but the final race was the real test. At the mid-term of the second race, the pair was a hair behind, but Neckar made a last-ditch leap that would have done a frog proud, and the couple hobbled away with prize of two plastic frogs.

Neckar said, "I was so impressed with the awards we received for all our effort. Golly, now I can trade the frog I won for gold,

buy the house of my dreams, and finance my way through Baylor. The possibilities are endless."

Miss Crain will be investing her frog in Arabian oil stock.

Approximately twenty-eight couples entered the Highland Games egg tossing contest and only two emerged as able to have those "hands gentle enough to handle a fragile egg."

## Tug o' war pits guys against girls

Furthering the struggle in the battle of the sexes was the MCC Tug-o'-war. This Highland Games activity was a creamy and exciting game between the males and females.

There were about 43 gals against the 37 guys. Both groups were pulling the rope with all their might, while sliding and falling to the ground.

In the center, between the teams, was a big puddle of shaving cream. In order to win, one team must pull the other through the puddle. That's what the males did, winning the contest.

Not only was there shaving cream all over the ground, but all over the teams. Others began getting into the action, or rather the shaving cream, in a matter of minutes.

Clean-ups came next. Hosing down the sidewalks, and the contestants, brought the end of another Highland Games.

As of 1978 the females had been winning all tug-o'-wars, defeating the males. Success at last to these victorious men!

## Jones brothers 'full' winners

It was all in the family as brothers Michael and Ricky Jones walked off with the winning prize in the pie eating contest. The contest was the sixth in a series of contests during the day's fun and frolic.

To win the couple must have eaten the chocolate cream pie provided before the other contestants. The pie had to be within a one inch radius of the mouth or in it.

Jones and Jones beat out

eleven other couples and each skipped out with a bottle of milk of magnesia. Ricky did the eating for the pair. Competitors Evette Dominguez and Janie Salazar were the first to "quit."

Asked how he felt after the contest was over, Ricky Jones finally choked out, "It's got me speechless. I never ate so fast before."

The competition lasted about one minute as most of the couples walked off finishing the remainder of their pie.

## Mannequin legs prize for 3-legged victors

The fourth event of the Highland Games was the dreaded ankle-aching three-legged race.

Students in all shapes and sizes crowded around the starting line eager to show their stumbling talents.

Each co-ed couple tied string around their ankles and took a few practice runs which usually resulted in having a broken string.

As soon as the needed repairs were made, the race was on, consisting of two heats.

The top three winners of each heat then battled it out for the

number one position in the final round.

Making a desperate struggle for the finish line, freshman Amy Johns and sophomore Victor Damm crossed the finish line first with freshman Kaley Jones and sophomore Tobin Carpenter breathing down their backs, causing this race to be very exciting.

The victorious couple then received a luscious pair of beautifully tanned mannequin legs for their well-earned and valuable prize.

The second place winners got to keep the string.

MCC students Chris Custard and Ricky Chuw both received a box of cundled eggs from the games' emcee Don Bynum for their efforts to preserve the egg.

The contest was delayed a couple of seconds as an unidentified male student caught Bynum off guard and smashed his head with an egg. Said Bynum, "Hold it!

I've got to wipe off my glasses."

Partners in the competition faced each other along the sidewalk outside the west portion of student center. Bynum directed it by having the contestants move back a step each time the egg was tossed. When the egg was broken the partners were eliminated from the game.



Ann Johns just to name a few. In the background MCC student Jeff Maneko "whoops" it up with contestants who have given up pulling. (Photo by David Johnson)



The BSU's "jail cell" found "inmate" Susan Cox extending a needy hand to a free man (Tim Isaac) for funds essential to purchase her freedom. Numerous others were also herded into the cell for crimes they did not commit. (Photo by Camuelo Arriola)





Speech Instructor Ann Harrell directs Rocky Connor and Amy Ann Johns in their national winning duet, "The Taming of the Shrew." (Photo by Consuelo Arriola)

## Speech squad thrives under Harrell

By SUSAN COLE  
and TIM ISAACKS

The driving force behind MCC's successful speech squad is a 5'10" bundle of energy named Ann Harrell. Since her own debut in sixth grade, Harrell has devoted much of her life to forensic (speech) activities.

"I gave a speech to the PTA," said Harrell, "and I've been involved ever since. I continued through jr. high and high school, and of course through college."

Harrell attended Trinity University in San Antonio for a year and a half, and then went on to the University of Texas to receive a BS in Education with a double major in Speech and English.

Mr. and Mrs. David Harrell came to MCC in June of 1972 when Mr. Harrell, a mechanical engineer, was transferred to Waco. "I wrote MCC, they called me for an interview, and they hired me two days later," said Mrs. Harrell.

Harrell recalls, "The departmental account had \$35 left for the rest of the summer, and our first year the squad went to the Student Government to ask for \$80 to attend our first tournament at UT."

"Since then our budget has been increased significantly. Each year the squad has from six to 12 members, and we attend about seven tournaments a year."

One of Harrell's specialties is the Reader's Theater. Not only does she direct and cast the productions, she also writes and adapts them. "I'm very proud of our Reader's Theater group, the Imagination Players." The Imagination Players is an extension of Reader's Theater, combining music, singing, mime and poetry. "I'd like to see them become the strong point of the group."

The Imagination Players have won awards at every tournament except the national tournament, where they were eliminated by only one point.

Harrell feels forensics is more than just competing. "I don't see any profession you can be effective without communication skills. How effective you are depends on how you are able to communicate. That's why you get more out of speech than just hardware; not only do the students develop specific skills, they develop an appreciation of other's talent."

Harrell has been taking squads to Nationals since 1978. Each year they've brought back awards. "I see Nationals as the ultimate forensic school. Teachers from all over the nation are teaching the students about the events, from every aspect."

"I consider the development of a person's communication and artistic expression skills very important. This is vital to their success as a professional and social human being."

## Sunny days promote the 'good life'

By CRAIG PALU

This is the life. Nothing to do but just lay here. And that takes too much effort. Every once and a while, lift your head up to admire an absolutely gorgeous female who is wearing just enough to cover up the obscenity law in Waco.

This is the life. Obviously, this "life" is the great stand-by sport of sunbathing.

For all you first-timers, this sport is really very easy. All you need is a good-name suntan oil (almost anything will do). But stay away from sunscreens. If you put one of those on, you'll lay out there all day and do nothing but sweat.

And last, but not least, when you start your adventure into sunbathing, you might also try to find a spot somewhere near a source of water, especially if you happen to smother your body in sunscreen. You'll want this. After laying in the sun for awhile, it tends to get awfully hot.

A second necessity you'll need is a good-looking swimsuit. Females ought to try a bikini first, if for no other reason than to expose a maximum amount of skin. The guys should try a pair of cut-offs, with no shirt or socks -- especially brown socks. And by all means, no tennis shoes because tennis shoes tend to ruin the preppy look.

That's about it when it comes to sunbathing. All you need is a semi-sunny day.

suffer from swelling, fever, and become nauseous, and I had all the symptoms. I got first aid, went to the hospital, and it cleared up without any com-

the basic skills about snakes: their habits, control, care, and needs in captivity and in the wild," he said.

"You should be wary of



MCC security guard Larry Rylee and one of his "hobbies" a rat snake. (Photo by Consuelo Arriola)

plications. I was lucky," Rylee said.

Rylee hopes to start a local herpetological club in the near future. "I'd like to teach people

snakes. But you should also be aware that snakes help keep nature's balance through helping control rodents," he concluded.

## 'Snake Man' Rylee says scaly friends harmless

By DAVID JOHNSON

Do you scream, run and hide, or pass out when someone says "SNAKE!"?

"There is no need for such reactions," said Larry Rylee, an MCC security guard whose personal hobby just happens to be snakes.

"Snakes are really misunderstood reptiles," Rylee said. "When someone comes across a snake in the field, he automatically thinks it's going to attack. This is untrue. If you don't panic and don't try to harm the snake, he will most likely go on his way."

Rylee started his fascination with snakes as a boy. "My mom stopped washing my pants there for a while because she was afraid of what she would find in the pockets. I was always bringing some snake or other reptile home with me. I've done research and studies on various species since then. Some people enjoy dogs and cats. I like snakes."

Rylee, who owns many poisonous and nonpoisonous snakes, is a member of the Rocky Mountain Herpetological Society and at one time or another has handled at least 99 percent of the world's snakes.

"Snakes can be a money-making hobby," said Rylee. He

said, that depending on the snake, a good snake raiser can make from \$10 to \$2,000 in a short time.

His personal collection of snakes at this time includes nonpoisonous snakes such as the red racer, checkered garter, and rat snake. His poisonous snakes are two Indian cobras, and a pigmy rattler. He keeps these snakes at home with his family.

"My two boys -- John, six and James, 15 -- are very relaxed around snakes now. My baby, John, can tell you almost everything you would need to know about identifying snakes. I can let a snake loose in the house and have no fear of him being hurt or hurting anyone because I have taught them to respect and not to get nervous around snakes."

Once while walking in the field, Rylee stepped over a fallen pine tree. When he did this he stepped right on top of a moccasins. The snake, certainly as startled by this experience as Rylee was, expressed his discontent and bit Rylee.

"I knew he was poisonous right after he bit. I could tell because it felt like a fire in my leg where he had bitten. When bitten by a poisonous snake you

## Professor feels history plays role in present

By CHRIS BANKS

"If you don't know where you've been -- you don't know where you're going."

This quote by Abe Lincoln is relevant to why we study history," said Don Reeves, history professor at MCC.

Reeves, who is also chairman

of the social services department, has taught at MCC for 14 years.

"I came to MCC partly because of a visit I made while the college was being built. I was impressed with the physical beauty of the campus and did not hesitate to accept

the position that was offered to me," he said.

Reeves is from Gainesville, but related, "We moved to Denton during my early childhood years. I graduated from high school in Denton and attended North Texas State, where I obtained my master's degree." Reeves stated that he also did graduate work at University of Texas at Austin.

During his college years, Reeves worked at a variety of jobs, such as soda jerk and painting road stripes on highways. He said that, while he was in high school, he worked on the school paper as a cartoonist.

Reeves said he has been minister of the Church of Christ and pastored several small churches in and around Laredo before he began his teaching career.

Reeves, who teaches four classes in history, said, "I have

noticed that during the last five years students are more interested in history, probably because of the 'back to basics' movement of the educational system. The accent is on a better understanding of the world," he stated.

In studying history, there is a general belief that it tends to repeat itself; however, "Nothing ever happens twice the same way. But one can sometimes note the recurrences," said Reeves.

Reeves related that, "In the past, history was regarded as a subject that just anyone could teach -- even football coaches who taught history for lack of anything else to do.

"Now of course, the majority of the professors were history majors in college and a great deal more interest is generated in the classes," concluded Reeves.

## Consumer workshop for deaf planned May 2 in HPE building

MCC and the Central Texas Council for the Deaf will co-sponsor a free consumer workshop outlining the problems and solutions involving interaction between deaf and hearing persons.

The workshop will be conducted Saturday, May 2, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Health and Physical Education Building, Room 101.

Bob Alcorn, coordinator of MCC's deaf interpreter training

program, and LeWana Clark, an expert interpreter, will present information on the rights of consumers, the role of the interpreter and telephone interpreting. In addition, role-playing models are planned to illustrate the everyday problems with which deaf persons have to cope.

For more information, contact LeWana Clark at 756-0551, ext. 431.



**RX from Rodabough****Exercise common sense while enjoying summer activities**

Those summer days are not far away now! We are all looking forward to plenty of time for swimming, boating, and lots of sunshine. Take a few minutes to consider ways of making summertime activities safe as well as fun.

The beautiful sunshine that abounds here in Texas is truly a mixed blessing. The sunshiny days that brighten our spirits and supply us with ample amounts of Vitamin D also shower us with hidden dangers from intense ultraviolet rays. These harmful rays reach their peak intensity between the hours of 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Unshielded sunlight instigates several types of skin cancers, can disrupt the body's immune system, and hastens aging of the skin. Changes in the skin are cumulative and irreversible. The signs of damage from excessive exposure may not appear for several years, but the leathery, loose, wrinkled skin and dilated blood vessels will be difficult to deal with in years to come. Sun worshipers seeking that bronzed "Bo Derek look" may ultimately regret the time spent without adequate protection from ultraviolet rays.

The problem is intensified now more than in past years because of changes in the ozone layer of the atmosphere. Nuclear testing, supersonic aircraft, nitrogen fertilizers, and hydrocarbons from spray cans have caused the changes which result in less filtering of ultraviolet rays.

Individuals who are taking medications such as diuretics, an-

tibiotics, and tranquilizers should be alerted to the fact that some of these medications may cause an added sensitivity to the skin. Women on oral contraceptives also have an added risk of increased sensitivity.

Good news...there is a safe way to get that golden tan...use sunscreens. They do not block tanning rays, but do screen out the ultraviolet rays that cause damage. The preparations considered to be most effective are those that contain PABA (para-amino-benzoic acid.) For good protection, buy the ones containing at least 5 percent PABA. Most products must be applied 30-45 minutes before exposure, and must be reapplied after swimming or perspiring heavily. A moisturizing lotion may be needed to prevent drying of the skin; apply after the sunscreen has dried and right before going out into the sun. Sunscreens for the lips are now available and should also be used.

For even further protection, sunblocks should be used. They are products that completely deflect the ultraviolet rays. They prevent tanning and are used primarily to protect areas that have already had too much exposure.

Those of you who are not sun worshipers but who must work outside, should wear appropriate clothing for protection. If you do not use a sunscreen product, wear hats and long-sleeved shirts when working out-of-doors for long periods.

Heat illness also causes con-

cern during our hot Texas summers. They occur most often during the early part of a hot spell and in people who work or play outdoors in the hot midday and early afternoon. Heat cramps involve muscular pains and spasms due to loss of salt from the body. Muscles of the legs and abdomen are usually affected first. Firm pressure with the hands should be exerted on the cramped muscles. Apply warm, wet towels to relieve the spasm. Sips of salt water (1 teaspoon per glass) should be taken at the rate of 1/2 glass every 15 minutes for 1 hour.

Heat exhaustion is a more serious condition. The victim of heat exhaustion may have a normal body temperature, profuse perspiration, weakness, headache, nausea, dizziness, and possible fainting. Again, sips of salt water should be taken. Have the victim lie down in a cool place, raise the feet 8 to 12 inches, loosen clothing, apply cool, wet cloths to the forehead. Stop fluids if vomiting occurs. Medical care may be needed for severe illness.

The most serious heat illness is heat stroke. It is a life-threatening emergency. The victim will have a high body temperature, hot, red, dry skin, and a rapid strong pulse. **SEEK MEDICAL CARE AT ONCE!** While awaiting help, take the victim indoors, unclothe him, and provide bedrest. Sponge the body freely with alcohol or lukewarm water. If the person is conscious and able to tolerate sips of the salt water solution, offer it at in-

tervals until help arrives. A victim of heat stroke should be hospitalized as soon as possible.

The beautiful warm weather also signals the return of the stinging, biting insects. Be prepared to contend with them in the months ahead. They are drawn to the numerous half-empty cold drink cups left around the campus, and in the trash receptacles. Look out for them when placing litter in the cans. If you are one of the unlucky ones who gets stung, place ice on the area to reduce swelling and slow the circulation of venom in the blood stream. In the case of honeybees, the stinger remains in the skin and must be removed by gently scraping the area with a fingernail. Signs of allergic reaction such as severe swelling, dizziness, or breathing difficulty require immediate medical treatment.

Mosquito and chigger bites present another summer problem. Prevention is certainly the best course of action to deal with these pests. There are many good repellants on the market well-worth the money to prevent the terrible itching and discomfort of insect bites. Keep an extra can of repellant in your car so you will always have it when you need it.

Many drownings occur each year in the United States and Waco certainly seems to share in this tragedy. The need for everyone to be able to swim is evident because non-swimmers and novice swimmers account for the majority of drownings. Never substitute the use of floats and inner tubes for swimming ability. Even good swimmers should never swim alone, dive into strange waters, swim during stormy weather, or swim in unsupervised areas. Do not overestimate your ability by attempting long-distance swims. Swimming parallel to the shore is safer and provides just as much exercise.

In case you find yourself in an emergency situation in the water

there are three basic rules for personal safety: *Do not panic. Think. Save your strength.* Thrashing and fighting the water will only wear you out. Instead, use a facedown floating technique taking a deep breath and sinking vertically beneath the water letting the arms and legs dangle and then raise the arms to a crossed position, step forward with one leg, lift head and exhale through your nose. Then gently stroke and kick while inhaling through your mouth. Once again place your head down and rest. Repeat this procedure without becoming panicky until help arrives. You can remain afloat for a long period of time using this technique.

In order to be prepared for assisting other drowning victims, you may want to learn to administer CardioPulmonary Resuscitation (CPR). The training course is offered here at MCC through the Continuing Education Department. For more information call Extension 217.

**Nursing club picks officers**

New club officers were elected at the April 3 meeting of MCC's ADN club.

For the '81-'82 school year, Pat Chapman, freshman, will be president. First vice-president will be freshman Tammi Hargroves, and Doris Kuykendall will be treasurer for the Nursing Club.

The Nursing Club sponsored the April 24 visit by Dr. W. Scott Livesay. He spoke to many students in the Health Careers building, room 108 at 10 a.m. Dr. Livesay spoke on diabetic mothers and pregnancy and its complications after age thirty.

The last official meeting of the Nursing Club for this school year will be May 1. The location and time for the meeting will be posted at a later date around campus for all interested persons.

**Sophomores speak out on survival**

By JUDY LUNA

Several potential graduates of MCC's associate degree nursing program were asked to reflect back on the two years of nursing school they are completing. The students were asked why they chose MCC for nursing, positive and negative aspects of the program, and recommendations that might make the programs a better educational experience.

Leslee Bennett, 35, said, "I think prospective students should have a year of academics out of the way before entering the program. It's a full-time job going to school." She started at MCC taking one class at a time at night, "I thought I might want to go back into nursing." Bennett suggests students "have an awareness of how difficult it is before getting into the program."

Terri Ward, 21, explained she started at MCC because "You can get right into the clinical practice" versus the two-year delay at four-year institutions. Ward said she's happy with the program, but suggests "the instructors should relate seminar and WIT information more to the texts." She also suggests MCC "should explain to students all the costs involved in the program."

Gail Dawson, 39, enrolled in nursing at MCC because, "I think it's a good school. People can afford to go there." She sug-

gests the school "require all academics out of the way before starting nursing school." When asked how she had survived the last two years she said, "I really haven't. I don't know how I've survived it, pure hard-headedness I guess."

Susan Bearden, 22, chose MCC "because I wanted to live at home while going to school and practice in the hospitals I would be working in." She added that students "should have a year of college before entering nursing," and stated, "I think nursing entrance requirements are too easy."

Janice Clinard, 44, enrolled in nursing at MCC because "It's the only one here and convenient. It has a good nursing program and a large percentage of MCC's graduates pass boards." Concerning curriculum she stated, "I'd like to see more observation on procedures." She explained that she chose nursing as a career because "It's interesting. I'd be more educated for my family's health and more aware of things happening in the community."

Phyllis Stuart, 30, chose MCC "because it's a two-year program." Phyllis started in the program several years ago but, "I got sick of it and dropped out and worked for three years, then came back. I felt I would be better prepared to be an RN after

working awhile."

Stuart stated, "I don't like the integrated curriculum offered at MCC. I prefer the block system where you learn all about OB nursing, then med-surg, etc." She added, "I like the way the science classes seemed geared for nursing students."

Carol Ponder, 44, started nursing at MCC because "My children were grown and I wanted to do something interesting and constructive. I want to know that I could be financially independent if I needed to be." Concerning curriculum, "It's bound to be a good program because of the pass rate at state boards, but they need to make campus lab more real-life."

Ponder stated that the procedures for campus lab leave the student feeling "inadequate when going to the hospital." She advised prospective students "Take all the academics first and then know that you'll have to act tough, intensive and you'd better be aggressive."

The main concern can be summed up in a statement made by nursing instructor Cherry McCormick, RN: "Nursing students are under a lot more pressure than students in other programs at MCC. There is a 17 percent decline in the number of students at nursing schools across the nation. The word has gotten out!"

**Graduating nurses plan for State Board testing**

By JUDY LUNA

One of the larger tasks for associate degree nursing graduates is applying for the next scheduled State Board testing to become Registered Nurses. State board testing is being offered at three cities in Texas: Austin, Fort Worth and Houston.

Of 49 prospective nursing graduates, a large majority will be taking state boards.

Graduates will be traveling to the various sites for testing on July 7 for two days of scheduled testing, July 8 and 9.

Testing will cover five categories of nursing: medical, surgical, psychiatric, pediatric and obstetric nursing.

Tentative AD nursing graduates for 1981 are Shirley Adley, Elida Babb, Cynthia Barrett, Karen Burton, Susan

Bearden, Leslee Bennett, Janice Brinkley, Kathleen Buro, Grace Carter, Janice Clinard, Barbara Coffman, Karen Connolly, Gail Dawson, Tonya Decker, Barbara Duncan, Nobuko Foley, Rachel Gamble, Michelle Gibbs, Carolyn Goode, Susan Hafer, Rebecca Harris, Kathleen Hinkley and Laura Hopkins.

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MCC freshman Jimmy LaRoe executes a 'blistering' serve during the Northern Texas Junior College Athletic Association's Tennis tournament held at Sul Ross tennis center in Waco. LaRoe is currently a member of the MCC tennis team. The tournament was held April 23-25. (Photo by David Johnson)

## Conference crown eludes netters

By GERALD SCHROEDER

Failing to repeat as conference champs, the MCC tennis team placed second to Cooke County in the Northern Texas Junior College Athletic Conference tennis tournament at Sul Ross Tennis Center on April 23-25.

In the Men's division, Jack Sheehy lost to Paul McLean of Cooke in the finals, 6-4, 6-4.

Sheehy and doubles teammate Tom Adams won the championship final by defeating McLean-Rutherford of Cooke, 6-4, 6-3.

Meanwhile, in the women's division, all four players, Kelley, Nevinger, Mooty, and Salinas won their first-round matches but were defeated by the Cooke women in the quarter finals.

MCC Head Coach Carmack Berryman commented, "Cooke is rated number two in the nation, and I feel we were in very elite company to be competing against them."

Both MCC and Cooke will advance to the regional tournament to be held at Midland College on May 1 and 2.

### NTICAA MEET (At Sul Ross)

#### Men's Championship Singles

JACK SHEEHY: def. Tom Flamattii, Grayson, 6-1, 6-1; def. Pablo Salos, Cooke, 6-0, 6-2; def. BASART, MCC, 6-1, 6-3. lost in finals to Paul McLean, Cooke, 6-4, 6-4. MARIO RAUCH: def. Rick Cargill, Weatherford, 6-2, 7-6, lost to Bernard Hofer, Cooke, 7-5, 6-3. ERIC BASART: def. Peter Pierce, Weatherford, 6-4, 6-2, def. Andre Peters, Grayson, 6-3, 6-4, lost to SHEEHY, MCC, 6-1, 6-3. JOHN GILLIS: lost to Paul McLean, Cooke, 6-3, 6-4.

#### Men's Championship Doubles

SHEEHY-ADAMS: def. Blackett-Cargill, Weatherford, 6-1, 6-0, def. Salos-Hofer, Cooke, 7-6, 4-6, 6-3; def. McLean-Rutherford, Cooke, 6-4, 6-3. BASART-RAUCH: def. Pierce-Casey, Weatherford, 6-2, 6-3; lost to Rutherford-McLean, Cooke, 7-5, 3-6, 6-2.

#### Men's Open Doubles

LAROE-SORENSEN: def. Fortenberry-Clark, Weatherford, 6-2, 6-1; lost to Atiso-Chippendale, Cooke, 6-3, 4-6, 6-3. TATUM-GILLIS: lost to Baylon-Caballero, Cooke, 6-1, 7-6.

#### Men's Open Singles

TOM ADAMS: def. Renato Caballero, Cooke, 6-3, 6-1; lost to Atiso, Cooke, 6-3, 6-1. RICHARD TATUM: def. Malone (default), def. Chippendale, Cooke, 7-5, 6-4; lost to Baylon, Cooke, 6-1, 7-6. JIMMY LAROE: def. Dennis Fortenberry, Grayson, 7-6, 6-0; lost to Atiso, Cooke, 6-2, 6-3. BRAD CLARK: def. Kevin Clark, Weatherford, 6-3, 7-5; lost to Baylon, Cooke, 6-3, 6-1. ERIC SORENSEN: lost to Greg Chippendale, Cooke, 6-3, 7-6.

#### Women's Championship Doubles

KELLEY-NEVINGER: def. Merrifield-Garner, Weatherford, 6-0, 7-5; lost to Jones-Reid, Cooke, 7-5, 6-1. MOOTY-SALINAS: def. Bearden-Wilson, Weatherford, 6-4, 7-5; lost to Henning-Rake, Cooke, 6-1, 6-1.

Cooke, 7-5, 6-1. MOOTY-SALINAS: def. Bearden-Wilson, Weatherford, 6-4, 7-5; lost to Henning-Rake, Cooke, 6-1, 6-1.



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## Hall and Baucham choose to continue athletics at Midwestern and Baylor

By JENNIFER STONE

MCC sophomore basketball players Daryl Baucham and Chuck Hall recently announced their choices of universities for the fall.

Baucham, a Waco University graduate, signed a scholarship with Baylor University on April 21. Finalizations will be made soon. Hall, a Krum High School graduate, has made verbal agreements with Midwestern State University in Wichita Falls. Hall stated he will finalize the agree-

ment within the next few days.

Both Baucham and Hall were named to the first team All-Conference team and the Region V All-Region Team in 1981. The two were also chosen to represent Region V in the Junior College All-Star game held at MCC on April 11.

Baucham, a social work major, contends his major reason to go to Baylor is that he wishes to remain in Waco. Of Baylor, he stated, "I like the school itself and have enjoyed all the people I

have met who go there."

Meanwhile, Chuck Hall, a political science major, eyes "the possibility of attending a national tournament" as his reason for choosing Midwestern State. "They have been to the national tournament five out of the last eight years. I believe it is a quality enough program to advance to the national tournament in the future," stated Hall.

Hall further elaborated, "There are no starting guards returning to the Midwestern program and I believe I am able

to step right in. They have no football program so basketball draws a great number of fans up there. D.L. Ligon Coliseum averages about 4,000 fans per game."

Both student-athletes expressed their appreciation to MCC Basketball Coach Ken DeWeese. Hall stated, "DeWeese helped me look at the advantages and disadvantages of each school I was considering," Baucham said. "He helped me out a lot because he knew that I wanted to go to

Baylor in the first place."

When asked to comment on the subject, DeWeese stated, "I just am happy that the two will have a chance to continue college and get a degree. It's education that's most important."

"I feel certain that all four sophomores will be playing college basketball next year," added DeWeese. Sophomore Chuck Shedrick is considering Wayland Baptist and Pat Hill is looking into Tarleton State, said DeWeese.

## Butler's Battalion ranked third in NJCAA polls

By JENNIFER STONE

The latest illness to strike MCC students is spring fever. However, plaguing the MCC baseball team is a mulady called playoff fever.

The magic number to advance to the playoffs has been reduced to one. The Highlanders, now 42-10, are rated number three in the nation by the National Junior College Athletic Association whose polls were released last week.

While most MCC students were trekking to the coast or nearby lake, the Highlanders were busy splitting a double-header with Hill Junior College on April 14, 9-10, and 12-9.

Sophomore Mark Dennis pitched the first six innings of the

opener, but it took three MCC hurlers to retire Hill in the seventh. Keith Woods and Steve Sullivan combined to give up three hits and two walks. Dave Hinrichs then stepped in to end the inning with an unassisted double play.

Chuck Rouse led off the game with a single in the first inning, followed by a Richard Gough single. Rouse and Gough scored due to an error off a ball hit by Perry Ginn. Mike Janeczek singled in Riley Epps who had walked.

Homers by Gough and Ginn highlighted the three run MCC inning in the fifth. The four for five Gough parked another in the sixth. Hill scored the winning run of the extra inning contest with a

two-out single to right field in the eighth inning.

A complete lineup change in the night cap proved successful in the 12-9 MCC win. Homers by Janeczek, Jack Stanley, Bruce Cothurn, and Michael Lucido accounted for nine runs in the slugfest. Stanley Krebs pitched in relief, posting his first conference win.

Five errors and a ten run Ranger explosion in the fourth inning cost MCC the game on April 22 at Ranger, 14-11. Dennis suffered his first conference loss. Riley Epps blasted two homers, one which was a grand slam in the seventh.

Today, the Highlanders can insure a region title as they face Ranger in a double-header at MCC at one o'clock.



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# Clayton chosen to head golf team at UT Austin

By JENNIFER STONE

It's a change from orange and black to orange and white. It's a move 100 miles south on Interstate 35. It is, as Coach Jimmy Clayton describes, "a time of my life I've been waiting for."

On April 8, MCC Athletic Director and Head Golf Coach Jimmy Clayton announced he had been chosen to head the University of Texas at Austin golf team. He will be replacing Coach George Hannon who is retiring after 19 years as UT golf coach.

"I was surprised that George decided to retire," admitted Clayton. "He called me to tell me that he was retiring and that he had recommended me to the athletic council to fill the job."

"When I started playing at North Texas State, he (Hannon) was just starting his program at UT. I didn't get to know him personally until I became head coach at MCC."

Clayton, 35, attended North Texas State University on a golf scholarship under Coach Herb Ferrill. In 1966 and 1968, Clayton was named to the NCAA's All-American Golf Team. He graduated in 1969 with a bachelor's degree in math and physical education. He then served one year as math instructor for Lewisville High School while completing his master's degree. In 1970 Clayton received his master's degree in education.

Jimmy and Marlene Clayton moved to Waco in 1970, the first year Clayton served as MCC golf coach. In January of 1973, Clayton accepted the post of athletic director. According to Clayton, this dual position is not uncommon in junior colleges. "Approximately 90 percent of the junior colleges have a coach who is also athletic director," Clayton stated.

If pictures can tell stories, then Clayton's office could write a novel. Numerous team pictures, trophies, plaques and

awards tastefully cover the walls of HPE Office 114. They are evidence of the successful golf seasons he's enjoyed in the past 10 years.

Clayton has compiled an impressive record of winning 81

of the 115 tournaments participated in while at MCC. He has coached eight North Texas Junior College Athletic Conference first place teams. Nationally, his MCC teams finished second in 1975, '77, '78,

and 1980. They finished third in 1976, fourth in 1979, and seventh in 1974.

Thirty-three former MCC golfers whose pictures dot Clayton's office walls have played at senior institutions on golf scholarships. Sixteen golfers coached by Clayton have been named to All-American teams.

Clayton has enjoyed his own awards throughout his years at MCC. He was named Golf Coach of the Year for Region V in 1975, '77, '79, and '80.

Heading the UT golf team will certainly be a challenge, according to Clayton. "They have the basis for a very good team," he stated. "Just last week, they won the Southwest Conference Tournament for the first time in eight years," he added.

"Texas has not been one of the top national teams. But, in time, I think we can be there. I feel very comfortable with their (UT Athletic Department) commitment to go first class and have the best possible program. I think it is a time of

my life that I've been waiting for."

Moving to the state's capital will be yet another change facing the Claytons in the next few months. "We've already started looking for houses there," commented Clayton.

Clayton's wife is currently teaching math at Richfield High School. "Although she has many friends in Waco, she is beginning to get excited about the move," contends Clayton. Marlene plans to further her teaching career in Austin, said Clayton.

At the present time, Clayton is focusing his energy on taking his 1981 golf team to the national tournament to be held on June 2-5, at Chapel Hill, Tennessee. Finishing second at the regional tournament at Weatherford on April 21-22, Clayton is confident the team will become highly-motivated to finish well at the national tournament. Glancing at Clayton's past record, a strong finish at nationals is predictable.

Surely MCC's loss will be the University of Texas' gain.



MCC Head Coach and Athletic Director Jimmy Clayton, who is to replace UT Austin Coach George Hannon as golf coach. (Photo by David Johnson)

## Softball featured in campus games

By MARK EDWARDS

Here comes softball! It's time for the game where everyone runs, throws, and hits.

MCC now has nine softball teams and they will be playing one another to see who is the best. Five are men's teams and four are women's teams.

Coach Ray Murray said,



"Softball is the newest team sport here at MCC. We put it together because all the students wanted to play softball. We wanted to give it a try."

All games will be played on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays for the remainder of the semester.

Becky Smith is the captain of the DC's, Patricia Moriels is the captain of the Eight Wonders, and Janita Hendrickson is captain of the Nones. The Sluggettes are not yet together as a full team.

For the men's teams, the Big Ten is led by Jean McLean. The second team, led by Ronnie Herblin is called the Janitors. The third team, led by Tommy Nichols, is called the Astros.

The fourth, led by Travis Churchman is called the Mean Machine. The fifth team is the Wampus led by Dale Powell.

## Club crew places second in tourney

By MARK EDWARDS

It's on to the Nationals! Tuesday and Wednesday, April 21 and 22, MCC's golf team went to the Region 5 National Qualified Tournament at Lost Creek Country Club in Fort Worth. This was a 54-hole tournament. MCC qualified for the tournament by finishing second.

This was MCC's eighth year to qualify. No other team in the region has achieved this goal. No junior college team in Texas has beaten MCC in the last 6 years in a national tournament.

Coach Jimmy Clayton said, "Our main goal was to qualify. We didn't play as well as we had hoped to play. There's no doubt that we have a better team than Western Tech or any other Texas teams. We have a good chance to win nationals."

Two players that did a good job last year did very well this year, too. Last year, Bill Tanner was first team all-American and Duane Stanley has been one of the most consistent players all year.

Other players are Carl Bielsstein, Jerry Foltz, and Brett Nelson. Coach Clayton said, "Our team played real well because after 36 holes it was very close. We played solid."

The total team score was 903 and Duane Stanley finished third in the tournament with a 222 score, and Bill Tanner came in fourth with a 223 score.

The National Tournament will be held at Chapel Hill, Tennessee, June 2-5. MCC will be considered one of the top teams, and they're really looking forward to the trip.



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## EDITORIAL

## Break lulls students

By CHRIS BANKS

Spring break nearly broke my heart. I mean, there I was with a whole week to do all the things I'd been longing to do since January.

You know, like work on my research paper (ha ha) due in two weeks. Or, clean my car's interior (things are growing in there), or clean my room (something's dead in there), or unscramble my history notes from my English notes (they should be dead).

And I did nothing, group, absolutely nothing! To my understanding spring break exists to relieve the pressures and to prevent the "hums" that students have experienced in the semester.

If that's so, then what I did (or didn't do) was actually what it's all about. Seriously, I thought spring break this year was perfect.

For one thing the timing was right; it coincided with Waco Independent School District which was great for MCC students who have kids or friends in that school system.

And the weather was perfect! The sunny days and clear skies were very conducive to lazing, gazing and dazing.

Canvassing the campus, I found several people who "didn't do" some of the same things that I didn't do.

Tim Isaacks, editor of The Highland Herald. . . slept! Due to the absence of a certain young lady who was vacationing in California, (lucky girl), Tim said he "slept at least 25 hours a day, then I went to visit my parents and slept some more. I think spring break is a great idea, otherwise how would I face the rigors of the last issue of the paper?"

Shella White, sophomore, said, "I did nothing much. Helped my cousin clean his yard and fix up an old house. I thought the timing was a little late."

Mike De Rosa, freshman, said, "Spring break takes a lot off your load and gives you time to catch up, and when you return, there's finals and . . . OUT!"

Willie Hobbs, director of admissions-registrar, said, "I spent the time working on the renovation of my house and in my yard. I went fishing one day—didn't catch anything though."

Deleforde "Duck" Langston, sophomore, went to East Texas and "gained two pounds eating. I also did a lot of sleeping and looking at girls."

Todd Ewing, (no relation to J.R.) freshman, said, "I went visiting, went out to eat. Spring break is beneficial, but I think MCC's should coincide with Baylor's."

Ronnie Plemons, freshman, said, "I was glad to get back to school, but I didn't break down any doors."

In reflection, I guess spring break really works. I don't feel guilty anymore.

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## FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

By TIM ISAACKS

I enrolled at MCC in the fall of '79 as a business major. A two-year institution seemed like a logical choice for me, as I wasn't prepared for English classes with 500 kids in them, like some universities have. However, when I came close to flunking out of every business course MCC offers, I began to think I might be in the wrong field.

And so it came to pass that during the summer of 1980 I suffered self-doubts. And I don't mean the "Goodness-me, -I should-study-more" doubts. I mean "Where-are-the-razor-blades; -it's-time-to-end-it-all" self-doubts.

Finally, while sitting on a mountain top in colorful Colorado, I decided to do what everyone else does when they

can't do anything else. Upon my return to Texas and MCC, I switched my major to journalism.

Just changing my major was not all that easy. By the time I had really decided to DO IT, I was already signed up for another semester of business courses. So, at the Drop-Add session on the first day of school, where you drop or add a course, I dropped a schedule and added a schedule. MCC Counselor Ruby Burns got a thrill out of that one.

And so it was that I came to journalism and instructor Cassy Jordan. Cassy and the entire staff were new, so we were all in the same boat and we didn't know where to start first.

However, this lack of former staff members left nothing but opportunity for the new kids. Within a few weeks, I was named editor (I suspected Cassy had thrown our names in a hat) and

## THE BARGAIN POST

By MELANIE BURNETTE

This is the time of year when I just want to hang it all up and go to sleep. I am tired of studying, tired of reading, tired of writing and I am tired of this newspaper (I think they call it Burn-out).

But I still have a few tired bargain ideas in my worn out old brain, so I guess I will share them with anybody that has the energy to read them.

If you are like me (and that is not possible) and you just love fresh vegetables and fruit, then it is important to know when the fruit is at its prime. And everyone knows that when fruit is at its most delicious, it is also at its cheapest.

From now (April 28) through June, the following fruits are cheap and tasty: artichokes, strawberries, spinach, asparagus, and radishes. The best produce months are June through September with beans, blueberries, cantaloupes, cherries, watermelons, tomatoes, peaches, okra, nectarines, lemons, grapes, cucumbers, and plums at their peak.

General savings during the summer months are on these items: in May, tires, and television sets. June: furniture and lumber. July: air conditioners, freezers and refrigerators. August: new cars, coats and furs. (No kidding, when it is 200 degrees outside, you can get a rabbit coat for cheap!!)

A fun activity to try if you are bored this summer, and it could save money too, is attend garage sales. That may seem like a silly idea, but you never know what might turn up.

Speaking of valuables, if you are having another boring day, go through your attic or your grandmother's attic and see what you can find. It may prove financially successful.

Lastly, if you are one of those effective, together people it is a good idea to do your Christmas shopping in May, June or July. There are two advantages: one is the savings, and the other is you don't have to worry about it on December 24.

Good luck on finals and have a profitable summer!!

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

I just wanted to comment on "Jesus Christ Superstar" performed by the MCC Fine Arts Department and the Waco Arts Community. It was sensational!

Eighteen from our church saw it and were filled with awe by the talent from the local community.

Your writer, Melanie Burnette, says it best in her play review when she writes, "Jesus Christ Superstar was a super show."

Sincerely,

David E. Story

Dear Sir,

In regard to Clark Griffin's letter to the editor in the March 24 issue of the *Highland Herald*, I must disagree. To further clarify that Clark (no alliteration intended) printing more articles on upcoming religious events, paraphrased Bible stories, and a whole religion page would hardly be presenting a more "penetrating" view of student attitudes.

Furthermore, the *Highland Herald* IS written and published (it was the last time I checked, anyway) by students: normal students. (I've met some of them. They had three arms and eyes just like the rest of us.) Who could better present student attitudes than students?

As I understand it, the amount of space in the paper is limited by financial restrictions. Therefore, printing more of one thing would require the deletion of another. Everything would be well and fine if everyone defined "trash" as you do. Yet, I doubt this is the case.

Certainly, everything could be better for us as individuals (I'd love to see my name in every issue), but I believe we should still respect the staff's right to print what they want. (Freedom of the press?) And to me, the product of their wants does not seem too narrow-minded. Heck, Tim and I probably disagree about a lot of things. But he printed this!

Victor Damm

## Tickets on sale

Tickets for the Barry White Tennis Tournament and Concert are now on sale.

They may be purchased at these locations: First Federal Savings and Loan, Pepper's, and Mickey's Motown.

Concert tickets are \$10 to \$15 for the May 9 show at Heart of Texas Coliseum.

Tickets for the tennis tournament are \$25 per day at the Lakewood Tennis Club.

The cash raised will go to help improve the Paul Quinn College campus.