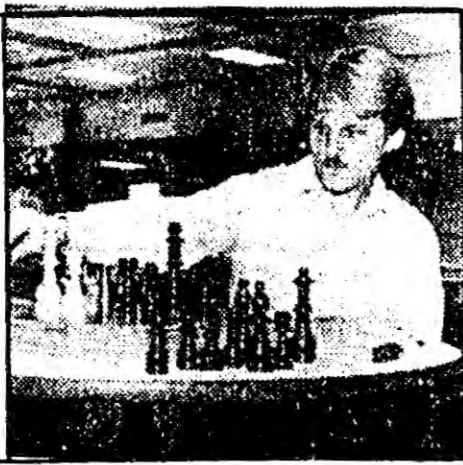


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MCC redistricting suit draws to a close

By JORDAN MCMORROUGH

A redistricting process from at-large to single member districts for MCC trustees is now underway following a ruling handed down by the U.S. District Court, Western District of Texas, last month.

U.S. District Judge Walter S. Smith Jr. ruled in December, in a "friendly" suit filed by three members of the Waco-McLennan County branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) against MCC, that MCC's at-large election system violated the 1965 Voting Rights Act.

Court action is necessary to implement single-member districts since Texas law does not give community colleges the authority to change methods of electing trustees on their own.

On Jan. 6, trustees named 15 county residents to an Election Plan Advisory Committee to review single member election district proposals.

Single member districts will tie trustees to specific, geographic districts, whereas current trustees were elected by countywide vote in the at-large system.

Once MCC trustees approve a plan, it will go to the Justice Department for pre-clearance. The Justice Department may take up to 60 days to review the plan.

If the Justice Department approves the proposal, Smith will then rule on "constitutional issues" and determine whether it protects the "one man, one vote" principle.

If no plan is approved before the April elections, they will

likely be postponed by court order.

Among the advisory committee's 15 members are three blacks, three Hispanics and one citizen each from West and McGregor.

Citizens named to the committee are Bobby Affleck, Sharon Allison, John E. Dawson, Thurmon Dorsey, Sylvia Garcia, William F. Haliburton, Harry Hareluk, Mae Jackson, David Kultgen, LaVelle Palmore, Frank Sustaita, Fernando Villarreal and Margie Wilbanks, all of Waco; Ernest Bezdek of West and Tom Mooney of McGregor.

David Kultgen is chairman of the committee and Sharon Allison is vice chairman.

Baylor law professors David Guinn and Mike Morrison were also hired to act as consultants in the redistricting process.

At the committee's first meeting on Jan. 9, Morrison outlined a proposal he felt would address minority representation without changing the present board size of seven members.

The proposal would create two rural districts separated by the Bosque and Brazos Rivers and five urban districts.

Of the five urban districts, one would have a black majority while a second would be an "impact" district in which blacks and Hispanics would compose a sizeable percentage.

Under "one man, one vote" legal guidelines, each district would have approximately 24,400 residents with minority populations ranging from 4.8 percent to 66.8 percent.

Under the plan shown to the committee on Jan. 9, District 1, centering in East Waco and in-

cluding Baylor University, would have a black population of 60.6 percent, with an overall minority population of 66.8 percent.

District 3, which is in central Waco and extends roughly from the Brazos River to the Veterans Administration Medical Center, would have a minority population of 46.7 percent, the majority of which would be Hispanic.

District 4, extending from Northcrest to far southeast Waco and including Bellmead, would have a minority population of 19.2 percent.

District 5, including northwest Waco, Woodway and Hewitt, would have a minority population of 4.8 percent, and minorities in District 6, west central Waco, would make up 13.7 percent of the population.

The two rural districts in-

clude District 2, eastern McLennan County, with a minority population of 14.1 percent, and District 7, western McLennan County, with a minority population of 12.3 percent.

MCC has set up a series of public hearings around the county at which consultants will explain the concept of single member districts for trustees to voters.

Hearings were held Jan. 23 at LaVega High School in Bellmead and at the Waco Convention Center.

Hearings will be held today (Jan. 28) at 6 p.m. at Midway Middle School, 9001 Woodway Drive, and at 8 p.m. at Sacred Heart Church, 2621 Bagby Drive.

The geographical districting plan would be phased in over a period of about five years,

Activities planned for new year

By MARK LUCAS

Greg Clark, director of student activities and health services, has several activities planned for the new semester, as well as some long range plans for later in the school year.

Jan. 24 was the last day to register as a candidate for the coming Student Government elections.

Four officers and 11 representative positions will be open. The offices of president, vice president, secretary, and treasurer will all be open. The candidate for the office of vice president must be a freshman.

Other qualifications stipulated by the Student Government charter are that all candidates must be enrolled in a minimum of 12 semester hours and have and maintain a cumulative grade point average of 2.0.

The elections will be held on Jan. 30 and 31 in the Student Center from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. To be eligible to vote a valid student I.D. is required.

Brown Bags begin Wednesday

The first Brown Bag Luncheon will be held on Jan. 29 in the Lecture Hall at during the noon hour. Guest speakers will be Mike and Linda Davis of Homestead Nurseries in Aquila, and they will speak on "Plant Savvy", the care of houseplants.

Other Brown Bag Luncheons will be a Feb. 26 presentation by Caty Pilachowski on "Our Oldest Stars", a lecture which will enlighten the listener on our galaxy.

Kay Moore and the MCC

fashion merchandising department will present a fashion show on March 26.

James Wood will lecture and demonstrate techniques of snake handling at the final Brown Bag Luncheon on April 30.

Music and Dancing

A concert by the MCC Faculty Band will be held during the 10 a.m. hour in the Student Center on Friday, Jan. 31.

The St. Valentine's Dance will be held on Feb. 6 from 8 p.m. to midnight in the Student Center. Music will be provided by Verne Pecore of KWTX. The dance will be held during Corrigan Week, so it's up to the girls to ask the guys.

"We're expecting the dance to be a great success. All students are invited to attend and

help us party!", said Student Government President Steven Couch.

Holidays, Other Events

Feb. 14, Valentine's day will be a student holiday.

Feb. 19 will be the date of the Student Government regional meeting at Hill Junior College.

On Feb. 25 Caty Pilachowski will give a special lecture on Hally's Comet at 7 p.m. in either the Lecture Hall or the PAC.

Health Awareness Week will be held on March 3-7 and will host a variety of fitness and health programs and activities.

Clark has an end-of-school dance, several other programs related to health awareness, and activities such as bands to entertain in the Student Center



THE HIGHLANDERS' John Heath goes up for two points while being heavily guarded by the opposing team. (Photo by James Jones)



NEW FENCE BUILT—Constructed over the Christmas holidays, the new fence replaces the original wooden fence, built in 1974. (Photo by James Jones)

New campus fence constructed

By BRYANT MAUK

Work was recently completed on MCC's wooden fence that runs along College and Lakeshore Drives.

The work was completed over the Christmas break at a cost of \$8,528, a savings of ap-

proximately \$3,000 compared to the price of the original fence built in 1974, according to Dee Toombs, superintendent of the physical plant.

The fence which is primarily made of cedar was beginning to deteriorate and was in need of major refurbishing.

Smith's Fencing, despite of bad weather during in December, was able to finish the job in three weeks.

"The new fence should last at least 20 years," Toombs said.

Fall degrees awarded at MCC graduation

By MONTINA WILLIAMS

Fifty-one students successfully completed their programs of work last semester to receive diplomas and certificates from McLennan Community College.

Students who received degrees and certificates were:

Randy Adcock, AA degree in general business; Carl Allman, AAS degree in computer tech/data processing; Andrea Arnold, AA in elementary education; Martha Brown, AAS degree in accounting; Robert Campbell, AA degree in social work; and Milly Caster, AA degree in criminal justice.

Rodney Cepak, AA degree in business; Susan Cheatham, AA degree in business; Ronald Collette, AAS degree in computer tech/data processing; Sue Compton, certificate in alcoholism counselor training; and Ronald Conaway, AAS degree in computer tech/data processing.

Gregory Cox, AAS degree in mental health; Laura Crouch, AAS degree in executive secretarial training; Beverly Den-

ton, certificate in computer tech/data processing; Mary Ferguson, AA degree in engineering; and Susan Ferguson, certificate in alcoholism counselor training.

Carolyn Gates, certificate in alcoholism counselor training; Stephen Gayeske, AAS degree in computer tech/data processing; Shirley Gilstrap, AA nursing degree; Genale Ging, AA degree in child development; Jean Ginnane, AAS degree in computer tech/data processing; and Gregory Griggs, AA in business.

Randall Gustafson, AA degree in business; Terri Hawkins, AAS degree in general business; John Holt, AAS degree in accounting; Jonathan Ijoghulem, AAS degree in mental health and a certificate in alcoholism counselor training; Lillian Jefferson, AAS degree in mental health; and Penny Jenkins, AA degree in sociology.

Willie Jett, AAS degree in management development; David Johnson, AAS degree in mental health; Surinder Kaur, certificate in computer tech/data processing; Wanda

Klose, AA degree in business education; David Leal, certificate in respiratory therapy; and Charles Lewis, AA degree in finance and accounting.

Dovie Milmo, AA degree in education; William Munson, AAS degree in mental health; Vickie Norman, AA degree in elementary education; Rhonda O'Banion, AAS degree in management development; Natalie Payne, AAS degree in computer tech/data processing; and Katin Pearson, AA degree in interior design.

Ann Polansky, certificate in computer data processing; Ann Poteet, AAS degree in accounting; Buna Powell, certificate in mental health; Ruthanne Pylant, AA degree in interior design; Karla Sandel, AA degree in business education; and Kathryn Schlaubaugh, certificate, clerical typist.

Elizabeth Stump, AAS management development; Gerald Stump, AA degree in business; Vellinda Vanegas, AAS in management development; Dixie Skeon, AAS degree in management development and AAS degree in mental health; and Gloria Munoz, AAS degree in general business.



CHESS CLUB officer Scott Hockins(r), vice president, makes a critical move in a chess game against Kay Slaubaugh, secretary, at the previous Chess Club meeting which was held

Jan. 21 in the Student Center Cafeteria. Other officers not pictured are Doug Zimmerman, president, and Vlad Bouma, treasurer. (Photo by Vlad Bouma)

Chess Club teaches game

By VLAD BOUMA

How can one make all the right moves...not be square...find your knight in shining armor...and be treated like a king or queen? To the students who have noticed various posters advertising the Chess Club on the walls around campus, the answer is obvious: join the Chess Club.

The club offers students an opportunity to learn the game, to make new friends, and to play against opponents with varying levels of skill.

In fact, the posters have become so popular that some people are using them to decorate their rooms.

The Chess Club meets every Tuesday from 6-9 p.m. in the Student Center Cafeteria, and the club is open to the public. The club does not discriminate on the basis of sex, age, religion, mental ability, hair color, height, or the type of car one drives; in other words, if a person has a heartbeat, the club would like to have him or her attend one of the meetings.

The playing ability of the members range from beginner to master, so a person can play a challenging game with someone of similar skill.

Doug Zimmerman, Chess Club president, said that providing instruction for people

who wish to learn how to play chess is one of the primary goals of the club. The members also learn new moves and different strategies to improve their game.

Zimmerman said that he is impressed at the improvement in the playing skills of club members and that he hopes to challenge other chess clubs in tournaments in the future.

Although the club averaged 11 to 17 in attendance, Zimmerman said, "We want to increase our membership, especially girls, we don't have too many girls and that's a shame, because they can play just as well as the guys."

Zimmerman also feels the need to clarify the misconceptions that the public has about the game.

"Most people think that chess is a long, boring game that lasts for several hours, but that just isn't the case." There are as many different styles of play as there are people. The types range from slashing attacks to methodical defensive positioning, and the average game lasts from 30 to 45 minutes, according to Zimmerman.

If a person feels that 30 minutes is too long, then speed chess can be played in which each player has a short amount of time, like four minutes, in which to complete his or her

moves. And for those who feel they are fairly good chess players, the club will be sponsoring a chess tournament on Feb. 4. To offset the cost of trophies for the winners, the club will charge a small fee to enter the competition.

So with confidence Zimmerman believes that the Chess Club has something to offer anyone who is interested in the game of chess.

"We get together and play chess and have some friendly competition," he said.

The king stood confidently surveying his troops arrayed in formation across the broad field. He noticed a small band of men quietly advancing toward his front lines.

"How dare they come against me," he thought, "they will feel the heat of my wrath."

The king sent an overwhelming force of men to crush the intruders.

"What's this?" the king cried, as he whirled at the cries of panic coming from behind him.

A trap! The small band had been sacrificed so the main enemy force could secretly attack the king's exposed flank.

The battle was lost. The king turned to run...cut off! No where to run...no place to go. It was the END!!

"Play again?"

Registration procedures considered difficult for some

By KIMBERLY MOORE

Some spring 1986 students were familiar with the McLennan Community College process of registration, but new students might have found it in some cases mind-boggling.

Despite the effect registration had on each MCC student, all of them had to complete the necessary steps required to register.

The first step of registration included a visit with a MCC counselor who advised the student on their course studies. They will help the student to compile an official degree plan if he plans to transfer to a senior college upon graduation from MCC.

The second step which needed to be taken care of was to get a course advising form from the office of admission-registrar, and get a program director, or advisor, to sign and verify it. On the form a specific date and time was placed on the upper right corner, and the student planned on registering at the time and date it designated.

The third step was to go to registration. On the day of registration the student needed to be prepared by having a pen, registration information, and adequate money, or financial aid papers (includes scholarship information) with them. The student needed to have previously decided when he wants to take his classes, but the course advisement form was checked frequently during registration for conflicts.

The fourth step consisted of being enrolled by standing in line and getting a program di-

Faculty speaks to community

By ANGELA BERRY

MCC faculty and administrators, through the Speakers Bureau, speak to a number of organizations in the community during the semester.

One of the most recent speakers was Jeffrey Olson, who spoke to the Waco Business and Professional Womens Club Jan. 13 on "There Ain't No Such Thing as a Free Meal."

Another recent speaker was Stan Mitchell, who spoke to about 45 high school students at the Methodist Home Boys Ranch on "Budgeting Time and Money."

Marylea Henderson has already spoken to several groups this month, and she will be presenting a talk to the Harston Study Club today (Jan. 28) at 12:30 p.m. on "Balancing Your Life."

"Real Estate and Investments" will be the topic as Bill Sowers will be speaking to the McGregor Rotary Club on Jan. 29.

rector, or other MCC personnel, to sign the form and write his name on the class roster. For some students this process took awhile, but usually it was completed in less than 15 minutes.

After this, the fifth step took place. This step consisted of the form receiving a final check, and then the identification information and class schedule being typed into the computer and a copy printed out. Then, the student went through the financial aid or regular line for class payment.

The last two steps in the process of MCC registration were to receive an MCC student identification card and a student parking decal.

With all this behind him the now "official" MCC student may look forward to the new semester ahead, and the next semester's registration.

Before any of the previous steps could have taken place the future student must have decided which route in education he was going to take.

MCC offers two types of degree plans and a one-year certificate program.

The first degree plan one can achieve is an Associate in Art degree. The requirements include credit for at least 60 semester hours of college

work, including 12 hours in English courses that meet the bachelor's degree requirements. One must also have 18 hours of sophomore level courses including six hours of American government and American history. A student pursuing this degree must obtain at least a grade point average of 2.0.

The requirements for the Association in Applied Science degree include credit of at least 60 semester hours of college work. This also includes the completion of the required course of study specified in the general catalogue for one of the technical curricula, and at least 15 semester hours earned in regular classes at MCC. A grade point average of 2.0 must be maintained.

A one-year certificate in Technical Education is also offered at MCC. Its requirements consist of the completion of the required course of study including at least 10 semester hours of credits earned at MCC. The basic 2.0 grade point average must be met with this course achievement also.

Those with questions, or problems, can stop by the counseling service office on the ground floor of the Student Center, or contact the office of admissions-registrar.

Who's Who selected

By LESLY TELSCHOW

Eleven MCC students have been selected for their academic and leadership abilities to be included in the 1986 edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges.

Those named to the elite list are Juanita Brown, Rodney Cepak, Steven Couch, Jessica Davila, Abbie Jenkins, Karen Maravilla, Joy Powers, Kevin Stueckly, Dianne Voltin, Michael Williams and Douglas Zimmerman.

The participants will receive

MCC Students honor Texas with oral history class

By SHAWN RUGGIERI

To honor Texas' Sesquicentennial, Ann Harrell's class has decided to present performances based on oral history events that have occurred in the surrounding area.

Mrs. Harrell was presented with the idea from Thomas Charlton, director of the Baylor Oral History Institute, from which much of the information needed for these performances will come.

In the performances, the students will rely on manuscripts to read from, and there will be

a certificate of recognition on Awards Day later this semester.

The students who were nominated completed a questionnaire for the Student Services Council. According to Dr. LaVerne Wong, vice president of Student Services, the council considered academic achievement, community service, and participation in campus organizations in selecting the students.

Their names will appear in a published volume of Who's Who along with their achievements. Those included will be invited to purchase the book.

Handicap ramp added

By PATRICK KING

To serve the handicapped better, MCC has added a new ramp to the outside of the library and extended the existing ramp, according to Herman Betke, vice-president of business services.

"We hired a contractor, got the plans drawn and had the ramp constructed during the Christmas break," Betke said. He added that the existing ramp's length and width were extended.

"We put up new side rails so that someone in a wheelchair can get up or down that ramp—they couldn't do it before, they can now," Betke said.

The fence inside the library was moved over and a gate to allow access by someone in a wheelchair was recently completed.

The contractor was the Professional Builders Association.

The side rails, ramp and manufacturing of the gate cost less than \$4,000.

Intramurals start play Feb. 3

By KEITH HENRY

The three-man basketball league is underway and another intramural activity begins Monday, Feb. 3, when the women's volleyball league starts action. Signing up for the women's volleyball league will continue through this week.

The following are members of the three-man basketball league: The Zippers, Losers, Jerry's Kids, Gucci, Hoopsters, Lions, Hoyas, Pills, and Untouchables.

In the first day of action the Lions were victorious over the Untouchables, and the Pills slipped by the Hoopsters. Jerry's Kids eased by the Zippers and Gucci beat the Hoyas. The Losers were idle. The games are played on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday's at 10 a.m. at the Highlands.

The five-man basketball league will be underway in late February. The final opportunity to participate in student sports of this intramural season, co-ed softball and men's softball, will begin in late March.

Competition in these events will take place during the 10 a.m. activity hour. Most of the events will end around 10:50. Those interested should contact Coach Dub Kilgo in the Health and Physical Education Building or contact the Student Activity Office.

MCC bookstore book returns will end today, Jan.28

Pageant to be held

By JORDAN MCMORROUGH

Deadline for entry to the Miss Brazos Valley Pageant is Feb 1, according to Ray Roberson, pageant director.

The contest, a preliminary to the Miss Texas and Miss America pageants, is scheduled for Feb. 22 at Midway High School.

Competitions in the pageant include talent, evening gown, swimsuit, and interviews.

Two age divisions are in the pageant, one for ages 2 through 16, and another for ages 17 through 26.

Roberson said that the winner of the pageant receives all expenses paid to the Miss Texas pageant in Fort Worth.

In addition, Roberson said,

the winner receives:

A. \$1,000 cash allowance to the Miss Texas pageant.

B. \$4,000 in clothes to wear the week of the Miss Texas pageant.

C. \$250 scholarship to the college of the contestants choice.

D. \$250 portrait.

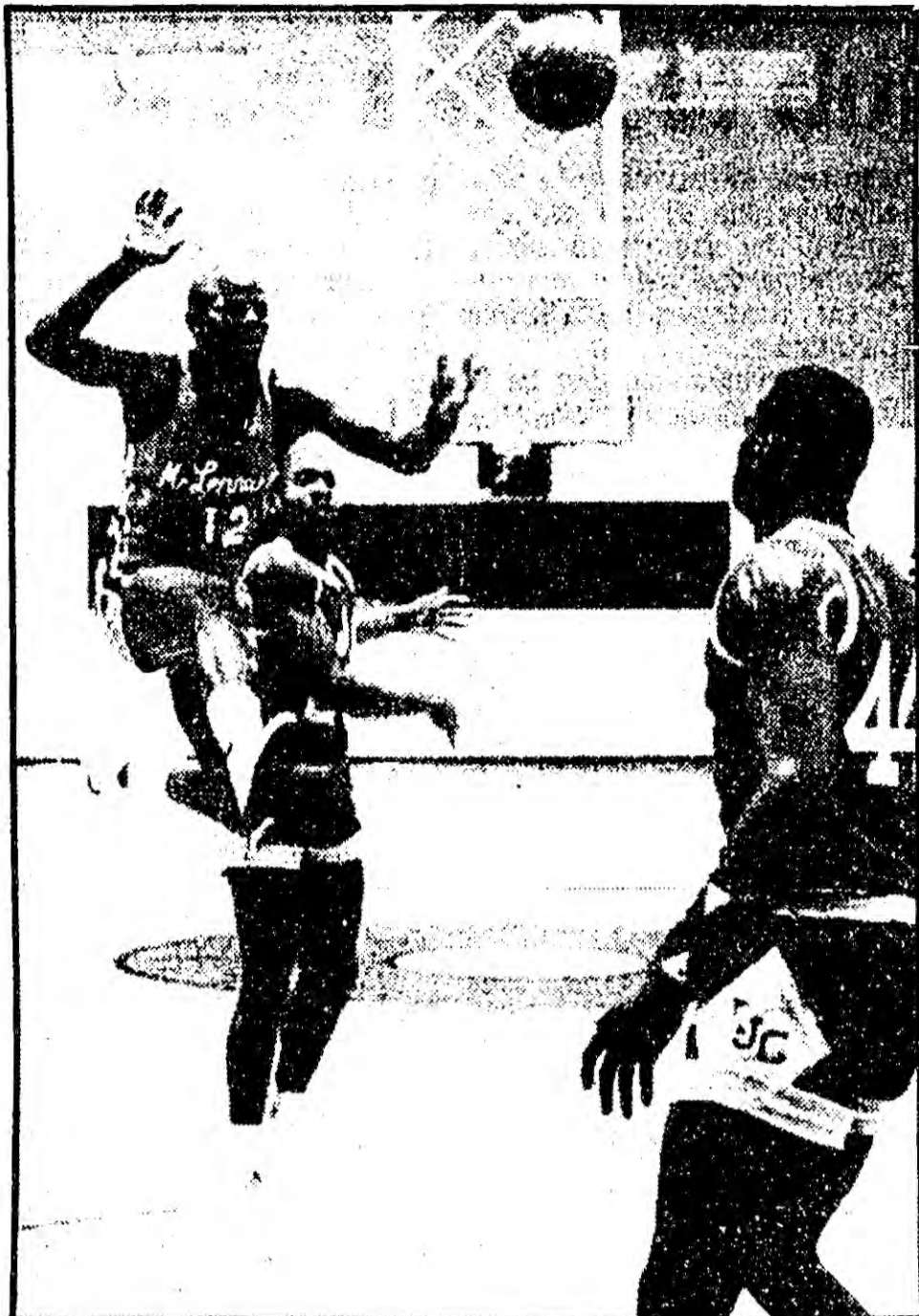
E. One year membership to Golds Gym.

F. Free use of a Cadillac from Gordon Roundtree Olds-Cadillac during the week of the Miss Texas pageant.

Anyone interested in entering the pageant should call Roberson at 757-0168 for an application. A sponsors fee of \$100 is required for entry to the pageant.



ELROY YOUNG, greenhouse keeper who has been working at MCC for 10 years, waters a greenhouse full of plants, which will be displayed and transplanted around campus. (Photo by James Jones)



CHARLIE WILLIAMS of the highlanders drives toward the ball to attempt a rebound during their 59-50 victory over Ranger Junior College Sat., Jan. 18 in the Highlands Gym. (Photo by James Jones)

Highlanders take one out of three

By MONTINA WILLIAMS

MCC's mens' basketball team was defeated by Southwest Christian College Jan. 23 and TSTI Jan. 20, but won over Ranger Junior College Jan. 18.

In the opening game the Highlanders played a consistently paced game as they defeated Ranger Junior College at the Highlands gym.

Baxter Russell scored 18 points, and Charlie Williams made some key second-half plays to help MCC to a 59-50 victory over Ranger.

Williams also hit two baskets from the top of the key, along with his first slam dunk in his two years at MCC. He anticipated a Ranger pass, stealing the ball at mid-court. Taking a few steps, he raised the ball over his head and slammed the ball home.

The Highlanders had a 50-42 lead with 8:51 remaining to play. Sidney Jacques hit three well-timed shots for MCC in the second half, but Keron Graves rebounded and scored with less than a minute to play.

Billy Newbill finally gave MCC a four point 27-23 lead with a tip-in with 3:20 left to play before the half.

Anthony Young hit a jump

shot to give the Highlanders a 31-27 half-time lead.

Ranger pulled to a 34-33 lead in the early minutes of the second half, making MCC put more pressure on Ranger's guards, which forced turnovers and hurried shots.

Ranger, with nine wins and five losses, was led by O'Bryant with 14 points and Willis Jones with 11. For MCC, in addition to Russell's 18 points, leading scorers were Graves with 13 points and Williams with 12 points, contributing to a 10-3 season record.

MCC played TSTI Monday night at TSTI. The Tornados upset MCC with a 77-71 victory.

MCC's Russell shot two baskets, and David Cones' slam dunk gave MCC a 68-68 tie with 4:03 remaining to play. But the cross-town rivals took advantage of MCC turnovers to pull ahead in the final minutes.

TSTI also used MCC's errors to take a 21-13 lead over MCC in the first half, but the Highlanders pulled together a rally to take a 24-23 lead with 5:41 to play as Russell hit a jump shot. Halftime score was 36-35 in MCC's favor.

MCC's scoring was led by Graves who contributed 16 points and Booker with 14.

MCC baseball season to open with optimism

By SCOT SMART and KIMBERLY MOORE

Highlander baseball season starts Feb. 15 when MCC plays Navarro Junior College; and Coach Rick Butler is optimistic.

The starting lineup consists of six returning players and three newcomers — two of which are transfers from Texas Christian University.

Coach Butler will go with Mike Taylor and Robert Levens on the mound in the season opener. Taylor is a right-handed power pitcher who graduated from Clear Creek in League City. Levens is a right-handed breaking ball pitcher who transferred from T.C.U.

The other MCC pitchers are Richard Chambers from Orange, Rodney Downey from Conroe, Leon Faroux from Kemah, Linty Ingram from Longview, Rusty Kulgo from Houston, and Kyle Mach from Ft. Worth. Jody Dixon will be the start-

ing catcher who is a freshman from Dallas, and Jeff Tatum is the other freshman catcher from Houston.

A Richfield High School graduate from Waco, Tim Spehr, will be the first baseman. Bobby Joe Hill, from Waskom, will play second base. The other T.C.U. transfer, Lenny Bell, holds down the position of third base. Pat Listach, a freshman from Natchitoches, La., is the starting shortstop.

The remaining infielders are Will Garvin from Wichita Falls, David Gruber from Austin, and Bo Hancock from Waco.

MCC's outfielders are Jason Bridges from Henderson, David Degella from Austin, Ricky Candelari from Houston, Pat Pringle from Houston, and Tony Baldwin from Jefferson, La.

The team is now preparing for the season by "fine-tuning the basics" such as catching fly balls, ground balls, developing the endurance of the pitchers, and intersquad scrimmages, said Butler.

'Lassies add to team performance

By KIMBERLY MOORE

The MCC women's basketball team consists of talented athletes who contribute their all to the overall performance of the team.

In order to accurately give credit where it needs to be, each component of the Highlassie's must be included. The personal feelings and backgrounds of each player is important. They all are different, but all share the responsibility of being a MCC Highlassie.

The first 'Lassie to be featured in this issue is Velvee Morell, 19, a sophomore. She is a player who was recruited from John H. Reagan High School of Austin.

Morell, as a senior in high school, received many personal honors such as being selected to first team all-district, first team all-regional, first team all-CenTex, and to the all-state team. She was also named the city's most valuable player, and during her freshman year in college she was voted All Central Texas no. 2 guard.

Coming from a family of six and having one older brother and a younger brother and sister, Morell began playing basketball when she was 10 years old for the Ft. Stewart Little League team.

Morell played two years of junior high basketball and four years in high school. She played small forward and wing guard on her varsity high school team and as a junior she helped to lead her team to a bi-district championship. The following year, as the captain, she led the team to the regional finals. This past summer Morell played for two summer city teams.

"I feel like my strengths are one-on-one moves and driving to the basket. I feel like my weaknesses are my lack of speed and defense," said Morell.

As a business major, Morell plans on transferring to a four-year institution and pursuing her business degree and continuing to play basketball.

"My goal is to accomplish a business degree (bachelor's, master's, and doctorate), but I

wouldn't mind playing a couple of years of pro ball, either," said Morell.

She said that her goals in basketball are to be the best player she can possibly be and to be extremely successful in the sport.

As a member of the MCC Highlassies, Morell said she will do her personal best to help lead the team to a national championship. She hopes to unite the team on and off the court.



VELVEE MORELL

Another feature Highlassie is Carleen Barker, a sophomore. She attended Lacassine High School in Louisiana.

Barker became interested in basketball in the fourth grade and has played for the YMCA for two years since her interest in basketball increased.

Coming from a large family, Barker had four brothers and five sisters. She is presently 20 years old and her siblings are ages 38 to 17.

Future goals of this 'Lassie are to get a degree in child development and transfer to a four-year college to play basketball.

Barker said that her favorite class at MCC is parenting, a child development related class, because "I feel like

everyone should learn how to be a parent." She also enjoys softball, bike riding, and track.

In order to prepare for a game, Barker said that she sits down and visualizes the plays and how she should maneuver herself on defense.

"After that I will say a prayer for the team and pray that we play as a team, not as individuals," said Barker.

Barker hopes that the team will grow together as a team and wants them to "win conference and go on to win nationals."



CARLEEN BARKER

The final lassie to be featured in this issue is Charlotte Lewis, 19, a sophomore. Lewis was chosen from a localschool, Robinson High, and says that she became interested in basketball when she was in the fifth grade.

She also is a member of a large family with five brothers and five sisters.

Playing forward and post, she contributed her talents to the overall standings of Reagan High's record. Her junior year the team progressed to the state semi-finals.

"I feel like my strengths on the court are my ability and my speed to get up and down

the court, and my weakness is dribbling," said Lewis.

Lewis said that her overall goal for the future is to succeed, and "hopefully, I will go on to a four-year college to play basketball."

She is majoring in physical education, and she said English is her favorite class here at MCC because of respect for her teacher. She also enjoys cooking, eating, and sleeping when she finds a chance.

To psych herself up for the game, Lewis sits down and gets her confidence up to help her get on the court and play to the best of her ability.

"If I know I have played my best, I feel good after the game, win or lose," said Lewis.

Chosen as the captain of this year's Highlassies, Lewis wants to be able to pick "her" team up when they are down. She wants them to play as a team and get along with each other.

"My main goal is to make it to nationals," said Lewis.

It seems unanimous that each individual on the MCC women's basketball team want to be in the national playoffs, and with the hard work and dedication of each player — it may become a reality, not just a dream.



CHARLOTTE LEWIS

'Lassies beat Tyler, Ranger

By KIMBERLY MOORE

Although the MCC Highlassies and Tyler Junior College were tied 23-23 at halftime, the 'Lassies managed to edge past them 60-50 in a non-conference game Jan. 20.

"Their shooting was very poor, (only shooting 20 percent the first half) but since Tyler has tall girls, I think this game served as a good preparation against Southwestern Christian," said Coach Holly Reynolds.

Jeannie Conde, a freshman from Troy, did a tremendous job at the free throw line by successfully completing 9 shots, and going 6 for 6 in the second half.

Tammy Lott, a sophomore from Seguin, also did well at the free throw line with 6 followed by Missy Davis, a sophomore also from Seguin, who had 4.

Davis led in baskets by scoring 12 points, and Conde followed with 10. Velvee Morell, Charlotte Lewis, and Sharon McCutcheon all scored 4 points to add to the MCC victory.

Win Over Ranger

Despite a slow start and a low scoring first half, the 'Lassies also pulled off a 61-50 win over Ranger Junior College on Jan. 18.

This victory boosted the 'Lassies to a 2-0 mark in the North Texas Junior College Athletic Conference.

The team took a halftime lead, 33-23, and scored the last 16 points of the first half.

With 9:08 left in the game the score was tied 43-43. After a successful shot by McCutcheon late in the last half the 'Lassies went ahead of Ranger 51-45, and MCC never lost this lead for the rest of the game.

Davis led the team with 18 points followed closely by Lewis with 17. McCutcheon had 10 points, Conde had 6, and Dana Dieterich had 3.

Lewis contributed 5 assists, Davis had 12 rebounds, and McCutcheon had 9 rebounds.

Upon completion of games up to Jan. 20 were 8 and 6 overall and 2-0 in conference play.

Coming Games

The 'Lassies also played Southwestern Christian and Cisco Junior Colleges on Jan. 23 and 27, too late for this issue of the newspaper. Results of these games will be in the following issue.

The next game to be played will be Thursday, Jan. 30, at Weatherford Junior College against Weatherford. The next home game is against Hill Junior College on Feb. 1 at 6 p.m. in the Highlands.

Men's tennis ranked third

By SCOT SMART

The Highlander's tennis team has been ranked third in the nation by the Intercollegiate Tennis Coaches Association's pre-season poll for junior colleges.

Out of the top 20 schools in the country, six are from Texas — and five of these are in MCC's region. This season is going "to be a war" for the number one spot, said coach Carmack Berryman.

Rankings for the singles players has also been posted by the ITCA and MCC has three of its own in the top 50 players in the nation.

Piero LaGiola ranked no.1, Vic Tesar listed as no.23, and Craig Whitaker, who is placed in the no. 39 slot, will be leading the charge for the dogfight in the Central Texas region.

Patrik Sundh is the only new addition on the squad this spring. Sundh is a freshman who comes to MCC from Sweden (although he graduated from a high school in South Carolina) to add to the international tennis team.

Kevin Brown with his power, Don VanRamshorst whose specialty is the doubles game, Dorin Geba with his effective top spin shot, and Greg Dimear with his over-all court coverage will round out the team in their quest for no.1.

The Highlander's first tournament is going to be on their home court next to the Health-Physical Education building on Feb. 1 at 10 a.m. Admission is free for spectators.



HIGHLASSIES RECIEVE ADVICE on game strategy in the second half of their 61-50 win over Ranger Junior College Sat., Jan. 18. (Photo by Montina Williams)

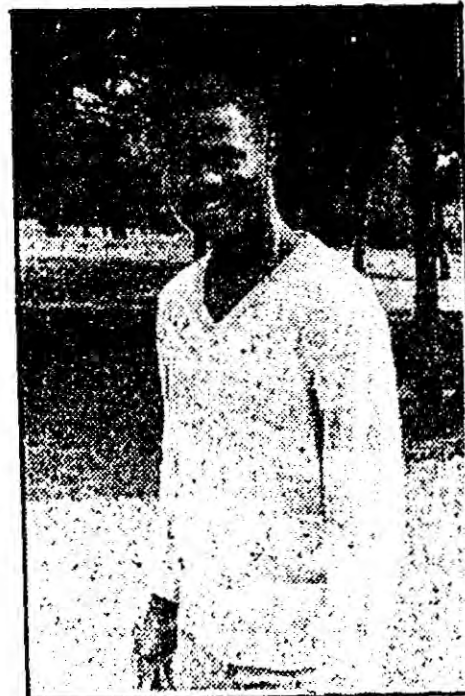


A definite local flavor

Freshmen provide depth for Highlanders team

By GRADY FULBRIGHT

Depth on an athletic team is an important part of having a successful team, especially in times of "crisis" such as injuries, and the Highlanders' basketball team has seven freshman who will see playing time on the court and one who has been redshirted until next season.



Reggie DeGrate

Reggie DeGrate, 18, is another hometown player from Richfield High School and played on a team that went 20-10 and finished third in district his senior year behind Waco High and Jefferson-Moore.

DeGrate was named to the first team all-district list, honored as most valuable player of the Richfield team, was voted to the all-region team and played on the Texas High School Basketball Coaches Association South all-star team this past summer.

DeGrate started playing school basketball in the seventh grade and also played basketball in Houston (where his mother lives) one summer in the Fundy's league and played in the YMCA league here in Waco prior to playing in school.

DeGrate was recruited by Henderson Junior College, TCU, Cooke County College, Navarro, Mary Hardin-Baylor and MCC.

Dribbling the ball, controlling the tempo of the game, and shooting outside are what DeGrate sees as his strengths. Being unable to get rebounds as easily as a 6 foot 4 inch player since he (DeGrate) is a 6 foot player is what DeGrate considers to be his weakness.

"Reggie can shoot the ball well. He has good physical strength and has good basketball skills in general. Reggie has to be a point guard and he hasn't played that position. Learning to accept that responsibility and knowing what offense to call will be a big transition for him," DeWeese said.

The ability to shoot well, good defensive play and getting good rebounds are team strengths according to DeGrate whereas not taking smart shots and needing to slow down on offense are the Highlanders' weaknesses.

DeGrate is a business major and plans to get his degree and if possible to make professional basketball then he would play but if not, he would want to work in accounting.

Prior to the game, DeGrate tries to block everything out of his mind except for getting ready for the game and "hopes" to do well in the game.

Personal goals for DeGrate are to be more of a complete point guard and try to be more consistent as the game goes on and to move into one of the starting five positions before the season ends. He "hopes" for a winning season and to go to the national tournament.

DeGrate enjoys his psychology and foundations of physical education classes this semester in addition to playing basketball.

Defense is the most notable difference in comparison of DeGrate's Richfield team to MCC's team.

"The difference here is better defense. In high school if I got the ball, I could shoot whenever I wanted," DeGrate said.



Anthony Booker

Anthony Booker, 18, graduated from Temple High School where he ran the hurdles in track in addition to playing basketball.

Booker played guard on the Temple team that finished 30-5 his senior year and lost to Conroe in the playoffs before Conroe finished as the state runner-up in class AAAAA.

Booker was named District 15-A's most valuable player and was named to the second team all-regional list his senior year.

Booker, the oldest of a family of one boy and one girl, began playing school basketball in the ninth grade.

In the 10th grade, Booker broke his arm in a game with Jefferson-Moore and Booker said, "Calvin Moore broke my arm in the 10th grade and I couldn't play after the first five games."

Booker was recruited by the University of Texas at San Antonio, Texas Tech and MCC.

Speed, set shot ability, dribbling ("a little") and playing smart are what Booker sees as his strengths, and upper body strength is his weakness.

"Anthony has good shooting ability and his ball handling has improved tremendously. His confidence in his game helps him," DeWeese said.

"Anthony's weakness is not being able to play in a position in which he is constantly called upon to run the offense-point guard. At Temple, he didn't play point guard all the time and he was called upon to score at Temple. His defensive intensity wanes from time to time, but it's getting better," DeWeese added.

The ability to handle the basketball, good defensive play, good speed and height and a good coach are the strengths that Booker feels will make his team successful.

Booker is a physical education-math major who enjoys his speech and psychology classes and is undecided on where he plans to transfer. But he is leaning towards North Texas State Univ. to continue playing basketball on scholarship and become a basketball coach following his graduation.

Before a game, Booker thinks about the game, relaxing and thinking about doing things right on court.

"When I'm in the game I want to do the best I can and I hope to pass my classes, win conference, beat Temple Junior College but both times and get to Hutchinson, Kansas (site of the National Junior College Athletic Association tournament).

In comparison to Temple, Booker sees a definite difference in defensive play.

"We play better defense here than at Temple. We pressed more and didn't play man-to-

man defense that much, but we do here and it's more competitive to just be able to play," Booker said.



Calvin Moore

Calvin Moore, 18, is a hometown player from Waco's Jefferson-Moore High School who enjoys fishing and parties in addition to basketball.

Moore was a key player at center on Coach Jack Schrader's Lions team that lost to Jacksonville, 36-34, thereby just missing going to the UIL class AAAAA state tournament in Austin by that one game.

Moore, the youngest of a family of four boys and two girls, began playing "serious" basketball in seventh grade at Tennyson Junior High School after playing club basketball at the YMCA.

Moore was recruited by Emporia (Kan.) State Univ., North Texas State Univ., Southwest Texas State Univ., Montana State Univ., and MCC.

Rebounding and outside shooting are what Moore considers to be his own personal strengths as a basketball player whereas man-to-man defensive coverage is his major weakness.

"Calvin has good physical strength, good size, good quickness for his size and he's a good perimeter shooter. He's also a good rebounder. Calvin's weakness is not playing hard all the time. His abilities aren't any good if he doesn't play hard. He's not mentally tough," DeWeese said.

The ability of all the Highlander players to shoot the ball, playing together and helping each other are major strengths for the team, according to Moore. Starting to rush on the press and not playing well in that situation are his team's weaknesses, in his opinion.

Computer processing is Moore's major, and English 311 and psychology are Moore's favorite classes. Following MCC, he plans to go to either Florida State Univ. or the University of Houston and finish

his degree and "hopefully" run his own trucking business.

Pre-game preparations for Moore are most important in his own success and "hopefully" his team's success in its games.

"I go in early and think about what I have to do in the game. I stretch and get loose and try to mentally prepare myself for the game," Moore said.

In comparison to the program at Jefferson Moore, Calvin sees a definite advantage in the effects on his own performance.

"Since I came to MCC, I've seen that I can do things here that I was unable to do at Jeff-Moore. The competition is a lot harder and you have to do things the way Coach DeWeese wants or you won't play. Our defense is a lot different than Jeff-Moore, too, because we play man-to-man here and we played zone at Jeff-Moore," Moore said.

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Basketball in the Highlands



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- 8 Tyler Junior College
- 15 Richland College
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M.O.V.E. changes

By SCOT SMART

The MCC club for the handicapped has changed its name from Moving Out Vocationally and Educationally (M.O.V.E.) to the Association with the Handicapped.

The reason for this change is to emphasize that this organization is not only for the disabled but for anyone who enjoys being in a group of interesting people and participate in some activities.

"There is nothing wrong with handicapped persons, they are just a little different," said Charles Powell, a member of the club.

More interest is being generated this semester as compared to last semester. Last fall, many of the programs did not get off the ground, and they are now looking forward to a good spring semester.

The first meeting has been

tentatively scheduled for Feb. 4. This will be for the purpose of discussing a general calendar of events and getting feedback from some of the present members and new incoming members.

Some of the activities that have been suggested are a bake sale, parties, picnics and the like.

"We have some good bakers

in our group," said Powell.

Right now they have 20 members signed up and are looking for the largest turnout yet at MCC.

For more information about the Association With the Handicapped contact Dr. Ramon Aleman in the counseling department. His office is located on the lower level of the student center next to the book store.

John Rasor retires after fourteen years

By MONTINA WILLIAMS

John Rasor, head librarian for MCC, retired at the end of the fall semester.

Rasor, a native of Plano, had been at MCC for 14 years. When he first came to MCC he held the position as reference

librarian for 12 years. He held the position of head librarian for more than two years.

"I've known John Rasor for nine and a half years. He's a great person, smart and intelligent and he knows his work. I'm sure going to miss him," said Louise Banks, library assistant.

Students' physical fitness evaluated by questionnaire

By TINA SCHWARTZ

Physical fitness has boomed in the 1980s, but do most MCC students have the urge to exercise now?

Seventy-one students filled out a physical fitness evaluation form, providing information about their involvement with physical education courses at MCC and their personal exercise habits.

From the questionnaire, tennis and aerobics were the top two physical education classes taken at MCC. Weight training and racquetball were also popular to take. Twenty students said they took the courses for credit as well as for fitness.

But 22 of the 71 had not taken a MCC physical education course before. Their reasons ranged from "It's my first semester here," to "I couldn't fit it into my schedule."

"That's a point - college students have a limited amount of time."

"The majority of students that I've talked with are holding down jobs - some full-time, and they're full-time students. A lot of our students have families; they're married and have children," said Greg Clark, director of student activities and health services.

Clark added that students who want to be a part of a physical fitness program may have to make time for it.

But do students have time for fitness programs? Many said that they did not have time to take a fitness course, but most would walk, ride a bike or workout in gyms.

Carrie Dodd, a MCC student

who has taken weight training and aerobics, said that she has a membership at a gym and works out in weight training, swimming, dance, running, cycling and by participating in organized sports.

In fact, 19 of the 71 have gym memberships which they use at least three times a week, outside of MCC physical education courses.

Most students with gym memberships concentrate on weight lifting and racquetball, according to the questionnaire.

"It used to be that women wouldn't consider working out with weights because of the fact that they didn't want to become muscle-bound," said Clark. "What they don't realize is that it takes 4 1/2 - 5 hours a day, six days a week to do that."

In addition to gym memberships, students also workout on their own.

Brian Kevil, 20, said that he "works out at home with weights." He also runs and rides a bike three times a week.

The number of times a person exercises a week has a great deal to do with their physical fitness. Linda Beatty, a H.P.E. instructor, tells her classes to workout at least three times a week to keep in shape. Also, a person should exercise every other day, if you exercise only three days a week.

The majority of students questioned exercise three times a week, but a significant number of them workout five, six and seven times a week.

"I jog every day," said Sun-nye Ware, 34.

Cheryl Royle, a MCC varsity basketball player, said that she

works out "six days a week for two hours."

Although how often you exercise is important, the kind of exercise you do also makes a difference.

"Swimming is the best exercise, because it works your whole body," said Beatty.

She added that other types of exercise such as aerobics and jogging are good for you, but they can also cause feet problems or ankle problems or shin splints, a condition in which the muscle tears from the bone causing pain in the shin area.

Also, as a part of the questionnaire, students commented on their definitions of a physically fit person. Some of their responses are as follows.

"A person who cares about themselves and their body and engages in some activity in their schedule weekly to maintain their fitness," said Andy Seely, 19.

"A person who is rarely sick," said Kevil. He added, "A person who takes care of his or her body through physical exercise to be in the best physical shape they can be."

"A person who is self-disciplined enough to take care of his or her body in order to be a healthier person," said Jeff Gates, a business major.

Results from the questionnaire showed that the majority of MCC students do engage in physical activity regularly and that most have a good idea of the proper way to exercise and the importance of it.

In the next part of the physical fitness series, MCC intramurals will be discussed.

This is the first part of a three part series on the physical fitness of MCC students and faculty. The second part will present information and statistics on MCC intramurals.



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MCC Drama department to present Simon comedy

By MARK LUCAS

The MCC drama department has begun work on the first play to be presented this semester, "The Good Doctor," scheduled to open late in February in the Fine Arts Theatre. "Doctor" is a Neil Simon play performed in two acts, which ran 208 performances on Broadway in 1973.

The play is based on several short stories written by Russian author Anton Chekov with several additions by Simon to bridge the gaps between sketches.

Each act encompasses several short scenes or skits which range from raw dramatic

humor to pure slapstick.

The play itself is a comedy with music. The music was written by Peter Link and the lyrics were written by Neil Simon.

"Doctor" is a play which embodies many ideals. It is a broad farce with feelings of compassion laced in.

The play is set at the turn of the century in Russia and consists of a world of comic fools, pranksters, con men, desperate lovers, and a compassionate portrayal of real life people.

Cast tryouts for "Doctor" were held Jan. 20 and 21, with the cast being chosen on the 22nd.

The cast will consist of six

members playing a variety of roles. The main role will be of "Doc Simon."

Cast members for the "The Good Doctor" will be Keith Kubal, Amy Mathews, Wayne Fowler, Toni Burch, Steve Willis, and Terry Fluitt.

The play will be directed by Steve Peters, who will also design the costumes and head the box office.

The set and scenery will be designed and built by John Cleavelin.

"Doctor" is scheduled to open on Feb. 26 and will run through March 1. All performances will be at 8 p.m. in the Fine Arts Theatre.



RON VAUGHAN, a local artist, who is teaching a non-credit art course for the MCC art

department instructs a student on ways to improve her art work. (Photo by Vlad Bouma)

CLASSIFIED ADS HELP WANTED

Special Services/Tutorial Center is taking applications for tutors for the spring semester. Students interested in tutoring must have completed the course they desire to tutor with a grade of A or B, have the recommendation of the instructor, and be in good academic standing with the college. Interested students should come by the Special Services offices, 2nd. floor of the Student Center between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

INTERPRETERS WANTED: Interpreters are needed to work the following hours:

9:25-12:05 T-TH	9:25-10:40 T-TH
10:50-12:05 T-TH	8:00-9:15 T-TH
11:10-12:00 M-W-F	10:10-11:00 M-W-F

Hourly pay. Interested and available persons please call Johnnie Talton, Supportive Services Specialist at 756-6551, ext. 385.

ANNOUNCEMENT

SINGLE PARENT SUPPORT GROUP: First meeting February 5, 1986, 10:00 or 12:00 SC 301.

CLASSIFIED ADS FOR SALE

1973 VW SUPER BEETLE: Air-conditioned, excellent condition, low mileage. Call 772-0435.

1976 Ford Pinto SW: Four speed, air-conditioned, power-steering, cruise, AM-FM radio, low-mileage, runs well. \$1400. Call 755-3404 days, 752-9280 evenings.

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BEGINNING TYPING BOOK: Used in bus 331 and bus 332. \$15.00 neg. Call Lester Yanta at 753-7003 before 8:30 a.m. After 8:30 leave a message.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

CASHIER: 20-30 hrs./wk., Tues., Th., and Sat., salary depends on exp.

CASHIER: Hrs. vary, \$3.50-4.00/hr. depending on exp.

TELEMARKETING: Mon.-Fri., 1:00-6:00, \$3.50/hr. plus commission.

OFFICE CLERK: Afternoons, type file, answer phone, \$3.35/hr.

OFFICE CLERK: Afternoons, type 50, general office duties, Mon.-Fri., 10 key by touch.

OFFICE CLERK: Excellent typing, dictation, word processing, Mon.-Fri.

INSURANCE COLLECTOR: 5:00-9:00, Mon.-Fri., good telephone voice, no previous experience needed, \$4.00/hr.

DELIVERY: Florist needs temporary help for the week of Valentino's, \$3.35/hr.

COUNTER HELP: Flexible hours, temporary for the week of Valentino's, \$3.35/hr.

FOOD SERVICE: Several shifts available, several jobs available.

TUTOR: Help adults learn English as a second language, Mon. and Wed. evenings, \$4.00/hr.

HIPPOTAMUS: Dentist needs someone to wear a costume to go to schools to help present a program on dentistry, \$4.00/hr.

WAITRESS: Must have prior experience in fine dining, hrs. vary.

CHILD CARE: Substitutes needed, hrs. vary.

FOR INFORMATION ON THESE AND OTHER JOBS, CONTACT THE OFFICE OF PLACEMENT, THIRD FLOOR, STUDENT CENTER.

Three joins tennis team

By SCOT SMART

The Highladies tennis team will be "starting from ground zero," this spring, according to coach Carmack Berryman.

Illnesses have plagued the women's practices so far. Out of the three new additions to the squad, two have been out of commission for the last couple of weeks.

The new players for the women include Henrietta Knols, Susan Bordeaux, and Nora Zainal. Zainal is from Malaysia.

MCC will be "reloading" its roster and trying to work new players into the program along with returnees, said Berryman.



SANTA CLAUS alias Juan Mercado, psychology instructor, holds sleeping Clinton Clarke

Dellefsen, 18-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dellefsen.

Art Center exhibits Swann

A collection of 64 drawings, lithographs, and etchings by James Swann opened at The Art Center on Jan. 25 and will continue through March 9.

Swann was born in Taylor County near Merkel, and he studied printmaking and engraving at Sul Ross College in Alpine. In the early 1930's he moved to Amarillo where he was employed by an engraving company. Because of a growing interest in the graphic arts, Swann moved to Dallas for further study to perfect his etching and printing techniques.

His reputation as a prominent graphic artist was established after he moved to Chicago in 1937. Since that time,

his works have been exhibited in major graphic art exhibits in this country and Europe and are represented in the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York, The Art Institute of Chicago, The Los Angeles County Museum, and The Smithsonian in Washington.

The subject matter of the works in The Art Center exhibition reflect the popular regionalist style of the 1930's and 40's developed by such artists as Thomas Hart Benton and Grant Wood. Landscapes of West Texas appear in Swann's drawings and prints throughout his long career. His subjects also include many evocatively depicted scenes of Chicago and

images of frequent travels through Mexico and the Southwestern United States.

Shortly before his death in January 1985, Swann donated a large collection of his work to Cedar Rapids Museum of Art in Iowa and they organized the current exhibition, "James Swann: Prints and Drawings."

"John Taylor: Port Alberni Harbor Series," an exhibition of photographs by a native of Vancouver Island, Canada, is also opened in The Art Center on Jan. 25.

The Art Center is located at 1300 College Dr. and is open Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on Sunday from 1 to 5 p.m.

MCC Drama Department Presents "The Good Doctor" A Neil Simon Comedy

Fine Arts Theatre
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