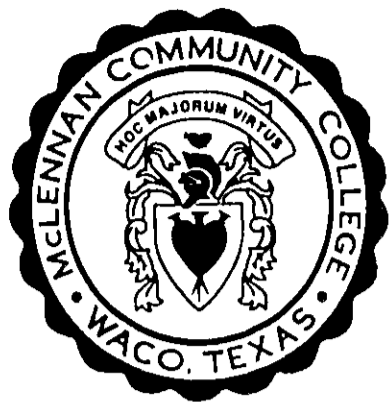


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City art festival uses campus as backdrop

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The Open Door Arts Fest is headlining a wide-open celebration of the best Central Texas has to offer in visual arts, music, dance, poetry and theatre. Waco's annual fall celebration of the arts will return this weekend to the grounds of The Art Center and MCC.

Inspired by sculptor Robert Wilson's Waco Door sculpture, the two-day festival showcases the arts in every form and provides a place for guests to unleash their personal creativity.

At the festival, more than 30 professional artists will sell their wares, while others will demonstrate and help guests try new kinds of art.

Eight performance stages will offer a non-stop program of dance, live theatre, poetry readings and music to suit every taste.

The Open Door Arts Fest welcomed 10,000 visitors its first year and planners hope to top that number this year as they assemble an artistic smorgasbord of displays and demonstrations from locally, regionally and nationally acclaimed artists.

Among those nationally known artists is the ceramic artist Brodnax, whose folksy, humorous style is as unique as the rustic raku style of pottery that he creates while he entertains. Brodnax is one of more than a dozen demonstrating artists who will bring their craft within reach of adult guests.

Children's offerings have expanded to include "Bubble Science," sponsored by the Ollie Mae Moen Discovery Center, and the "Kidsville Project," where children can create art for greeting cards to support the Hillcrest Children's Hospital.

Among the returning events from last year include painting with tri-cycles at "Toulouse La Trike," "Bob-O-Gami" mask making and creating personalized tiles for Wilbert Verhelst's "Millennium Wall," a permanent Art Center sculpture walk exhibit.

The Open Door Arts Fest will be at 10 a.m.-6 p.m. on Oct. 17-18 at The Art Center and MCC grounds. Admission is \$2 for adults and free for children ages 12 and under. Ample free parking is available.

For more information, or to receive a map to the festival, call The Art Center at 254-752-4371.

Stages

- Creation Station**
Location: Fine Arts Building
Children's activities
- Symphony of Sound**
Location: Ball Performing Arts Center
Performing arts groups
- All That Jazz Plus**
Location: Student Center Plaza
Country, jazz & combos
- Translation Station**
Location: The Old Post Stop
Translation, music, art & dance
- Performance Potpourri**
Location: The Art Center Lot
Live musical performance
- Bob's Best**
Location: Robert Wilson "Waco Door"
Writers and players
- Sounds and Words**
Location: Art Center Gallery & Green
Hairs with Michael Moore & Dr. Donna Walker-Nixon
Poets with Nancy Harris
- Suds and Stuff**
Location: Art Center Courtyard
Food, drink and entertainment
- The Pocket Places**
Location: The Art Center
Write here, Right Now! Writers' workshop with Jennifer Black
Bards of the Brazos with Leslie Fanny
After an Drummer William Richardson

Performers and performances have been scheduled as shown but changes may occur behind the control of the Open Door Arts Fest. All areas of our festival are special needs friendly.

Open Door Arts Fest

Legend

- Artists' Marketplace
- Demonstration Tent
- Entrance Booth
- First Aid Station
- Food and Drink
- No Admittance
- Performance Stage
- Restrooms
- The Art Center
- The Waco Door

Demonstration Tents

1. **Beginnings ... Road to Quality**
Early childhood development
2. **Boat Making & Cloud Painting**
Freestyle transformation
3. **ARTSMART**
Interest: Personal Development Subunit
4. **Clay and Vessels**
Eugene Lamate, Mydala and Susan Drake
5. **Kidville Project**
A children's project and artist demonstration
6. **Bubble Science**
Ollie Mae Moen Discovery Center
7. **The Third Dimension**
Judy Pritchett & Shirley Frank
Weaving, paper mache sculpture and mask painting
8. **Visual Adventures**
McLennan Art Department: Burtis Fitzpatrick, John Hatman, Kathleen Jensen, Michaelangelo Flores & Jeff Erickson
Prints and transfer prints
9. **Raku Extravaganza**
Randy Brodnax, Terry Smith, Ed McGee & Robert Miles: Ceramics & wheel throwing
10. **Bob-O-Gami Mask Making**
The Art Center Volunteers and Friends: Origami
Joe Lutz, Sarah Lequin & Matthew Sparr
11. **The Desk Project**
Harriet Hayward
12. **Art Stuff**
Baylor University Visual Arts School
13. **The Millennium Wall**
Wilbert Verhelst
Build concrete tiles for the Millennium Wall
14. **Space & Shape**
Susan Lecky
Hand space, paper art & painted shapes
15. **Toulouse La Trike**
Leslie Lamant & Frank
Tri-cycle art for the under three
16. **Books in the Making**
Susan McAtee Monday

Performance schedules posted at each festival location

Join Chefrest and Breadscares on The Art Center Parking Lot!

Artists' Marketplace

Marketplace A

- Tamara Johnson: Painting
- Barbara Griffin: Photography
- Ruth Hamilton: Bronze Sculpture
- Theresa Hollister: Jewelry
- Jeanne Sudler: Paintings/drawings
- Jamie Lewis: Paintings
- Eun Prubaker: Watercolors
- William Melstrom: Ceramics
- Kathy Schrader-Arnold & Gary Arnold: Jewelry
- Bill Montgomery & Marie Crog: Prints
- Von Ulmer Hanson: Ceramic sculpture

Marketplace B

- Charles Evans: Palladium prints
- Don Heyland: Gelatin silver prints
- Sharon Denmark & Bill Denmark: Sculptural ceramics
- Dolores Lehmann: Jewelry
- Jeff Cannon: Fastels

Marketplace C

- Susan Lecky: Painting/drawing
- Harriet Hayward: Painting
- Susan Drake: Woven vessels
- Judith Pritchett: Weaving
- Eugene Mydala: Sculpture
- Joe Lutz: Collage
- Karl Umbreit: Paper art
- Paul McCoy: Ceramics
- Robert Miles: Ceramics

Marketplace D

- Stenda Ramsow & Waco Ceramic Guild: Ceramics
- Tracy Maslanka: Jewelry
- Barry Ferris: Jewelry
- Laurena Westerfeld: Watercolor painting

Marketplace E

- Trey South: Ceramics
- MCC Clay Dept. & Marilyn South: Ceramics

On The Green

- Randy Brodnax: Raku Ceramics



ANN GARRETT inspects paper-macho masks that were made by local youth for the Open Door Arts Fest.

MCC helps students phone home

TRAVIS EYERS
Sr. Assoc. Editor / Production

Former students, faculty, staff, friends and current students can now keep in touch and help contribute money to the MCC Foundation at the same time with no additional costs.

A new program offered this semester by the Foundation in conjunction with VarTee Telecom, Inc., the ninth largest long distance company in the United States, will offer three different services. Former students, faculty, staff, friends and current students can choose any or all of the three services.

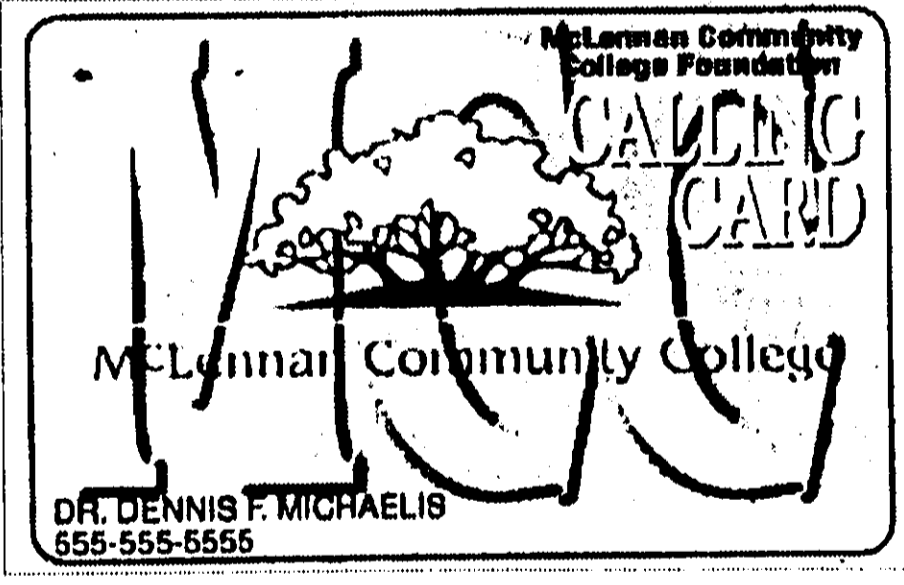
The primary service is a "14" residential long distance. This program has a calling rate of 10 cent per minute within any of the 50 states, also applies to intrastate calls. Rates apply any time for all domestic calls. Domestic calls are subject to a three minute minimum charge.

A MCC Calling Card will allow participants to make long distance calls from any telephone, all charges

will be billed to the participants home on a monthly basis. Protection is assured through the use of a ten digit pin number. The same standard 10 cent a minute charge applies with the addition of a 60 cent surcharge for each call.

Parents can help their children keep in touch with them with the help of a toll free number. This service can be used anytime, from anywhere in the US. Each call is 15 cents a minute and is billed to the participants residence.

To be eligible for these services participants must select VarTee Telecom, Inc. as their primary long distance service. More information can be obtained from VarTee Telecom, Inc. at 1-800-583-9559.



One of the designs chosen for the MCC calling card.

Computer tutor

By ELIZABETH MEYER
Entertainment Editor

Late one Sunday night a student sat in disarray reading a math problem repeatedly. "How will I ever solve this alone?" A helpless feeling settled painfully in the pit of her stomach as she abandoned any hopes of solving the problem before class the next morning.

Help is available on the Internet. The Internet is not only for checking your e-mail, or viewing the infamous Starr report. The net offers an almost infinite number of educational and homework assistance websites.

Available sites offer everything from solutions for math problems to instructions on citing sources and completing research papers.

Sites offer an opportunity to download programs assist in learning all types of subjects from math to astronomy.

In today's high-tech society, web addresses are around every corner. Educational television shows and channels often display web addresses, which offer more information on particular subjects. Channels, such as PBS, A&E, and the history channel, regularly display a web address following certain broadcasts.

Textbooks and magazines also contain web addresses. Computer oriented magazines, like Yahoo Internet Life, offer many websites for an endless variety of subject matters.

Yahoo Internet Life recently published an article entitled "How American Uses the Internet." The article portrays a prime example of how the Internet is quickly becoming a fixture in the everyday life of many Americans.

According to the article, farmers, mothers, students, auditors, musicians, and even supermodels are just a few of the people regularly using the Internet to their advantage, both professionally and personally.

For those who do not have Internet access at home, the Internet is offered at various places across campus, and assistance is available.

SEARCH ENGINES RUNNING

Without a web address it is still possible to get the help needed. Search engines, such as Lycos, Alta Vista, Excite, and Infoseek offer an initial starting place in a specific search.

Users can search the web in a matter of minutes, typing in the subject's keywords on a search engine homepage.

The search may even be more defined using the provided assistance available on the search engine. This option is often called a refined or boolean search. The next step is selecting from the many results of the search.

A vast amount of educational help and information exists on the Internet. These enlightening websites are created by colleges and learning institutions, teachers and professors, and private citizens.

The sources include general reference sites offering quotes, dictionaries, thesauri, and encyclopedias. "Fast Facts" sites offer different types of statistics and almanacs.

More specific sites are available on subjects, such as accounting, computer science, history, mathematics, music and physics.

Addressing Help
The following are websites that provide resourceful information and may assist students and scholars alike:

- Pitco's Ask an Expert**
This site offers links to more than 300 web sites and e-mail addresses that will lead you to the help needed in a variety of subjects.
www.askanexpert.com/askanexpert
- The On-Line Books Page**
A massive index of more than 7,000 books, including classics like Dickens and Twain. This site offers the full text version of these and thousands of other novels.
www.cs.cmu.edu/books.html
- IDEAL: International Digital Electronic Access Library**
IDEAL provides on-line access to 176 academic journals. Guests can read abstracts of articles for free, while registered users can view the articles in full text.
www.idealibrary.com

Student activist fights for freedom in Tibet

By FAWN FALETGO
Staff Reporter

A nun walked around with a sign that said "freedom." She was peacefully protesting the hostile occupation of Tibet by the Chinese government.

Perhaps she didn't even mutter the word "freedom," but the sign was enough. Ngawang Sungrdol, the twenty-two year old nun, was sentenced to 18 years in a Chinese prison.

For many, it is almost unexcusable to think that even exotic reaches of the world do not have the same American beliefs we have. Yet in some places, like Tibet, the word "freedom" is a direct threat to the government.

One MCC student, in particular, is aware of the present struggle of Tibet. She has "Free Tibet" meticulously oil-painted on her back pack, and her shoes are definitely not made in China. In a time when most students are just beginning to find their niche in life, she has literally been named to speak for this

country that has no voice. Her name is Tibet Gallegos.

"Everything that we do today, somehow later on in the future will slip us in the face," Gallegos said. With this conviction, she is dedicated to promoting awareness about the current tragedy in Tibet. She has set up a chapter of Students For a Free Tibet (SFT) in which students can join in the fight for Tibetan freedom.

In recent light of all the benefit concerts and public awareness concerning the freedom of Tibet, many think that the Tibetan freedom struggle has just begun. Yet the oppression of Tibet began almost 50 years ago. This half-century has been a prolific one for the Chinese government with over one million Tibetans killed, over 6,000 monasteries destroyed, and for the Tibetans who have survived this modern genocide thus far, there is no solace.

Before China invaded Tibet in 1949, Tibet enjoyed its own unique culture, religion, and environment. Now, one wrong word can result in a lifetime prison term where torture awaits in the form of electric shocks, medical experiments, boiling

water, and only eating what Chinese soldiers leave for scraps. Gallegos has been involved on almost every level of the struggle for Tibetan freedom.

She has gone so far as Capitol Hill in D.C. to protest President Clinton's phantom negotiations with Chinese president Jiang Zemin for peaceful resolve of Tibet.

"China has given a lot of money to the Democratic party in order to keep major trade with them and ultimately help our economy. Yet I remember in Clinton's 1992 campaign, the President promised negotiations with Zemin. But now he's only mentioned that people in Tibet should have equal human rights. When people are still dying every day, mentioning it is not enough," said Gallegos.

On a more personal level, Gallegos has boycotted all products that are made in China. "I know that I myself will not make any drastic impression on the economy of China by boycotting anything they make, but it would be very hypocritical to speak against their violations and then turn around and buy their cheap prod-

ucts," said Gallegos. One of the highlights for Gallegos was the mass-commercialized Tibet Freedom Concert at RFK stadium in Washington D.C. last June. All the revenue from that concert went directly to organizations that build housing and schools for Tibetan refugees in India and Nepal.

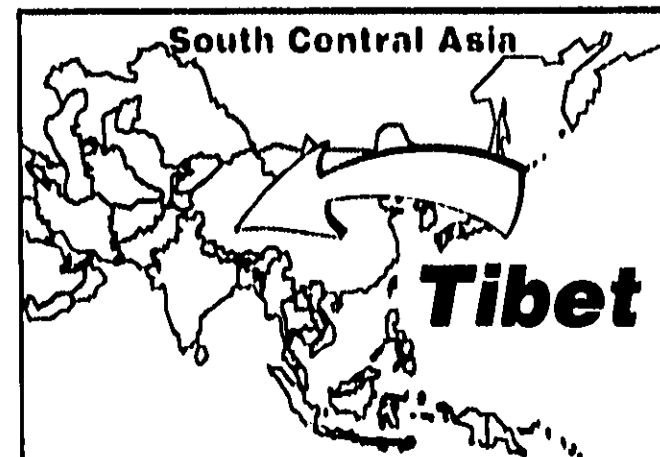
Gallegos is also affiliated with The Milarepa Fund, an organization founded by Beastie Boy Adam Yauch. She even volunteered with Milarepa at two Beastie Boys concerts held in San Antonio and Ft. Worth last August.

The Chinese government's "final solution," a state-sponsored hostile take-over of the nation of Tibet, is not necessarily reflecting the people of China's opinion. Yet the communist government extends its lack of freedom of speech to its own country as well. Any protest to the occupation of

Tibet has to be done inconspicuously.

For example, an underground radio station in Beijing reports the various Tibetans that are being imprisoned for peacefully protesting. To avoid another Tiananmen Square massacre, the people of China who believe Tibet should be free rely on other countries to speak for them.

Gallegos, as well as millions of other Americans, join in a global effort to voice these concerns for human rights before a unique country and its people are deleted out of existence.



Job opportunities on campus

The college has seven available positions to be filled

By BECCA SHIVERS
Staff Reporter

MCC has seven job opportunities open for students looking for work.

Students who enjoy the Library may want to apply for the position of library assistant. Employees will be asked to perform a wide variety of technical and clerical library work. Activities such as circulation, reference services, serials, and technical services. The minimum qualification required is one year experience working in a library or library-related environment.

The Library is also looking for a library technician. The activities involved are advising and assisting library patrons using library computers and to maintain hardware and software. An associate degree or two years of college course work is required, and one year experience with microcomputers.

Students interested in part-time work might consider the position of senior lab instructor for Academic Success Services. The primary function of this position is to assist students using general access resources and services in the Academic Success Center. The minimum qualifications required are an associate's degree in computing, or two years college course work that includes computer classes, and at least one year experience with microcomputers.

Health careers is looking for an administrative secretary. The main function of this position is to provide general secretarial and clerical support for assigned management staff and faculty. The minimum requirement is one year experience in a clerical environment.

Student admissions is searching for an admissions assistant. The assistant will be asked to perform many clerical tasks involving student records, admissions, and registration. The minimum requirement for the position is one year experience in a clerical environment.

The Child Development Center is looking for a new teacher. The main objective of the teacher will be to provide quality care and a positive learning environment for young children. An associate's degree from an accredited college with major course work in child development or a related field, and two years of experience working with young children is required.

MCC is an equal opportunity affirmative action employer. To apply for these positions, contact Ophelia Bird. She is located in the Administration Classroom Building in the personnel department. Her phone number is 299-8605. She will fax or mail applications to anyone interested. The positions will be opened until filled.

NEWS BRIEFS

Theater Festival opens today

The American College Theatre Festival opens today with performances at 2:30 and 7:30 p.m. daily through Friday at the Ball Performing Arts Center. MCC Theatre hosts this four-day festival of college theatre, sponsored by the American College Theatre Festival and the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts. Competing schools will perform two full-length productions daily. Participating schools include MCC, Hill College, Southwest Texas State University, Texas A&M University at Commerce, and Grayson County College. Call Jim Rambo at 299-8177.

Faculty art on display

In the Visual Arts building (Community Services Center-F) there will be a faculty art exhibition. The art exhibition features paintings by John Chatmas, Elizabeth Holtry and Joe Kagle, photographs by Barney Fitzpatrick, mixed-media collages by Joe Kagle, monographs by Laura Reinovsky, and ceramics and painted wall-reliefs by Trey South. Viewing hours for the show are 8 a.m.-6 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays, and 8 a.m.-9 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays. The exhibition is free and everyone is invited to come and see.

Plenty of music on campus

Music on campus this month includes these admission-free concerts and recitals:

Oct. 19 — Piano Duo Recital, 7:30 p.m. at the Ball Performing Arts Center. MCC instructors Donald Balmos and Gail Wade present their annual dual piano recital, a popular constant in MCC's musical year.

Oct. 21 — MCC Wind Symphony Concert, 7:30 p.m. at the Ball Performing Arts Center.

Oct. 26 — Faculty Jazz Ensemble, 7:30 p.m. in the Ball Performing Arts Center.

Oct. 28 — MCC Jazz Ensemble and Commercial Vocal Ensemble, 7:30 p.m. in the Ball Performing Arts Center.

Ways to help children learn

The Learning Disabilities Association of McLennan County will host a free program Oct. 20 at 7 p.m. at the Texas Scottish Rite Library on 2801 W. Waco Dr. The program features Rebecca Mahan who will share with parents and teachers ways they can help children meet their full learning potential by using individual educational techniques. For more information call the LDAMC at 755-0038.

Animal-assisted therapy seminar

A seminar on animal-assisted therapy will be held Oct. 23 from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. and continues Oct. 24 at Hillcrest Baptist Medical Center's Pace Building. Occupational Therapist Shari Bernard and Kevin Curran, M.D., will discuss the methods and value of using animal-assisted therapy in long-term, psychiatric, pediatric, oncology and other intensive treatment settings. For further information call Joyce Sims, R.N., at 299-8784.

Seniors due for Health Fair

The Senior Health Fair will be held Oct. 23 from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. in the Community Services Center open area. Health tests, workshops and exhibitors highlight this annual event, which focuses on health issues for senior citizens and their families. For further information call RSVP at 299-8577.

Blood drive here next week

A Blood Drive will be held Oct. 23 from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. in the Student Center. MCC students and faculty sponsor another blood drive, with hopes of topping last month's 50-plus gallon effort. For further information call Amberdawn Moore at 299-8465.

Young women to 'Expand Horizons'

The annual "Expanding Your Horizons" conference will be held Oct. 31 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. in the Community Services Center. Sponsored by the American Association of University Women, this half-day conference helps 7th and 8th grade girls explore opportunities in math and science careers. For further information call Lissette Carpenter at 254-840-4128.

College Garage Sale Oct. 23

MCC is having a garage sale Oct. 23 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Physical Plant Warehouse. If anyone has something they are planning to send to the warehouse, call 299-8843 so it can be received in time for the sale.

Fund raiser for Youth Connection

There will be a "high-rolling casino party and rocking-out" dance to benefit Youth Connections on Oct. 24 at the Fine Arts Building on the Heart of Texas Fair grounds, 7 p.m. to midnight. Included in the fund-raiser is a buffet and silent auction. There will also be live music from the Morticians, casino games, cash bar, and a live auction. Dress is casual. Youth Connections is a non-profit organization that helps to build self-esteem and character in underprivileged teens. Tickets will cost \$40 for couples and \$25 for singles. For tickets call Patsy Jones. Deadline for reservations is Oct. 20.

'Poetry Night' series begins Oct. 22

If you're in to poetry, here's "odes" of fun for you — Hastings Poetry Night. Beginning Oct. 22, Thursdays will be designated "Poetry Night" at the business located at 5526 Bosque. Themes, which will change each time, include discussion and analysis, favorites, and inpromptu with prizes going to winners. Feel free to drop in, have some free coffee, participate, or simply listen to others. Participants may bring their own selections or "raid the shelves." For further information, call Hastings at 772-5888 or Neil Smith at 836-4455.

Literary Festival planned at UMHB

The University of Mary Hardin-Baylor is already preparing for its annual Literary Festival which begins Jan. 7. Prominent speakers are on the program and a number of workshops are planned. Registration is \$40 for all three days. Thursday and Saturday participants need only pay \$10 for each day. Friday, a banquet will be held, which will include an additional \$20. The registration deadline for the festival will be Dec. 17. Late registrations will cost another \$5.

Multimedia technology coming soon

By WYTEESHA KING
Staff Reporter

Taking an image of yourself and turning it into a rooster sounds like a tuba when you speak and seems outrageous when you think about it.

Or does it? MCC is in collaboration with TSTC in bringing forth a new age of multimedia technology to both campuses.

Multimedia Production is the "capacity to communicate utilizing audio, text, graphics, animations and video mixed in a digital format."

David Hibbard, Director of the Commercial Music Program at MCC, said, "Multimedia is a fast growing field that needs qualified workers. No one is training these people in this field."

What the potential program is going to provide for students is the ability to be team leaders. They will be trained to be responsible for keeping the project on schedule, keeping the employees working together, the budget, and for the overall project.

Potential employers are software developers, website and internet production companies, add agencies, television and film production companies, Texas Instruments, and in house corporation, such as Coca-

Cola and Dr. Pepper to name a few. The partnership with TSTC and other possible corporations that hire or develop software will have a lower cost to both the colleges and the taxpayers.

With this multimedia, people will be able to enhance what we have already in computer technology. Video, film, music, audio, and graphics will all be combined to create amazing things that we would never think could be possible.

Some forms of this process is being used already. For example, the big sinking scene of the movie "Titanic" seemed so real. Sorry to ruin it for some of you, but bad boy Leonardo DiCaprio and Kate

Winslett never got to take the big plunge. It was all computer graphics.

That is what this program is going to be offering, a chance to further the technology for the future.

This proposed plan is still underway and nothing has been finalized as of yet.

This multimedia system is expected to be up and running by next fall.

Students at both MCC and TSTC will be on the road to enhancing a world of technology for a brighter future.

Turning a picture of yourself into a rooster doesn't seem so outrageous now, does it?

Battling breast cancer with blues

Faculty and staff wear blue jeans to fund cancer research

By SEAN MEDLIN
Staff Reporter

If you noticed many of the faculty and staff members wearing jeans last Friday, it was in conjunction with a breast cancer drive.

Oct. 9 was Lee National Denim Day for many businesses around the country. Businesses and schools were asked to participate in the event to raise funds for breast cancer research.

In return for a \$5 donation for breast cancer research, MCC faculty and staff members could wear jeans to work the entire day.

Proceeds of this drive went to support the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation. The Foundation is the nation's largest private funder of research that is dedicated solely to breast cancer.

This was the college's first year to participate in the event and no goals were set prior to the start.

"We wanted this to be a very

voluntary effort," said Margaret Sanders, director of public information, and one of the contact persons concerning the drive.

Sanders went on to say that everyone on campus has some relation to breast cancer, whether it be a family member, a friend, or someone they know.

By the end of the decade, approximately 1.8 million women and 12,000 men will be diagnosed with invasive breast cancer.

In fact, it is estimated that this

year alone 43,000 women and 400 men will die of this disease.

The Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation has been raising money since 1982 to eradicate this form of cancer.

Although this school's drive is complete for this year, donations can still be given and other information about breast cancer can still be obtained by calling 1-800 IM AWARE, or by visiting the foundation's on-line website at www.breastcancerinfo.com.

The results are in SGA welcomes fourteen new members

By JACQUELINE HARVEY
Staff Reporter

Fourteen new member were added to the Student Government Association in a recent campus wide election.

The top three positions remained unchanged from last semester. These are Brandon Walker, president, Adolfo Cheong, vice president and Adrienne Terrin, secretary.

The newly elected officers include Yu-Hui (Rose) Yang, treasurer, Stephanie David, historian, Niel Smith, parliamentarian, and LaKeshia Whitfield, public relations officer.

New student representatives

were also elected. The freshmen representatives are Michael Ann Acosta, Summer Everts, Tzu-Lin-Kuo, Tammara Heard and Dreamara Hicks. The sophomore representatives include Stan Crawford, Eleanor Hanna, Jonathon Slaughter, Philip Masters and Mat Jones.

The SGA has sworn in its new members and has just returned from a leadership training retreat, where it discussed goals for this semester.

"One of the main goals for me is to give everyone at least an idea of how parliamentary procedures work and how to use them," said Niel Smith, parliamentarian.

The SGA is also planning to attend the regional meeting of the

Texas Junior College Student Government Association on Oct. 24 and is hosting a dinner for the MCC Board of Trustees on Oct. 27.

For more information on the SGA contact Amberdawn Moore at 299-8465 or attend a meeting in the Student Center every Friday at 1 p.m.

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MCC mentors G. L. Wiley

By DONIELL GONZALES
Staff Reporter

Like many projects sponsored by the college each year, Adopt-A-School G. L. Wiley is a community effort involving the faculty and students.

"This is a wonderful program that helps G.L. Wiley students by giving them a positive influence," said Adopt-A-School Coordinator Joe

Fortson. Faculty and staff participate in this venture through a program dubbed as "Job Shadowing." This is an activity that allows a Wiley student to follow an MCC employee around for a day, giving the student a clear image of exactly what is done by that person each day.

However, this program is not restricted to MCC employees. Students may also get involved. One group of students involved

is the Highlander basketball team. It takes the Wiley basketball team under its wings, acting as a metaphorical "Big Brother."

Another prominent group in this program is the Tartan Scholars. They work with Wiley students in their studies: tutoring math, reading and other problem subjects.

"The students who work with these kids act as mentors," Fortson said. "They should be applauded."

College combines with local hospital for leadership workshop

By TIFFANY BREWER
Staff Reporter

The college and Providence Health Care Center recently sponsored a leadership workshop at the hospital.

"Health Leadership for the Year 2000 and Beyond" was a three part series examining nursing leadership.

This concluding part of the three-part leadership series, "Leading Dynamically" presented strategies that were designed to strengthen and enhance the effectiveness of nurse leaders.

Some of the strategies on which the students focused were:

- Describing the "letting go" process as it relates to mentoring and coaching.
- Relating the role of accountability in the mentoring and coaching process.
- Defining the leadership role in conflict resolution.
- Identifying at least two strategies for enhancing the development of individual and team commitment.
- Evaluating methods on making "tough choices."

This program was approved for 7.5 contact hours.

MCC is approved as a provider of continuing education nursing by the Texas Nurses Association, which is accredited as an approver of continuing education in nursing by the American Nurses Credentialing Center Commission on Accreditation.

President of the Physical Therapy Club to attend PT student conclave

By AMANDA PRIEST
Staff Reporter

A student at the college is going to Ohio to attend the National Physical Therapy Student Conclave Oct. 30-Nov. 1.

Students from all corners of the United States attend the meeting.

Tracy Konieczny, a second year student and president of the Physical Therapy Club, will be going to clinical sessions on neurology and orthopedics.

She will also get to meet a network of peers and get hands-on information.

Konieczny will also be attending the Mock House of Delegates of the American Physical Therapy Association. There she will learn about how the APTA works and what the governing bodies deal with.

Konieczny plans to graduate in May of 1999.

French Club keeps busy

L'Esprit de France French Club has been busy. Last week members held French board games and pique (awn bowling) in front of the Liberal Arts building. They are taking orders now for Halloween creepers (French pun-cakes) to be sold in the cafeteria. On Nov. 18 the club will show a French movie in room 217 of the LA building from 12:30-2:30. And then members will celebrate with an end-of-the-year dinner on Dec. 9. Any MCC student can participate in these activities. Donations of canned foods will be accepted toward the club's food drive. In addition, the club will make a trip to the Dallas Opera to see "La Boheme" Feb. 13 and also visit Austin to eat at Chez-Nous and experience the Central Market this fall.



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Let's discuss for a minute one of the most controversial subjects plaguing the United States Government right now, the death penalty. Unless you have been in a box the past few weeks you have no doubt heard of Kenneth Allen McDuff. For those of you that have not heard, he was convicted of the murder of three teenagers in 1966 and sentenced to death.

In 1972 his penalty was reduced to life in prison. He was released on parole in 1989, and has since been linked to two more Texas deaths. He has been once again sentenced to death, yet recently he was given a stay of execution to allow him the time to appeal. Since his recent stay there is evidence to him being linked to several other deaths in Texas.

Now I ask you, why should we give this man yet another opportunity? Some people in our country believe that our death penalty is too strict right now. Yet, when one looks at the past few years and realizes, 'Ted Kazynski (AKA the Una Bomber), Timothy McVeigh, and even Texas' own Darle Ruttier, among others, are still alive even though they have been sentenced to death.

Why do us as taxpayers pay to keep them alive? Yes, this probably goes back to the old thinking of revenge, or an eye for an eye but I ask you why do these people deserve to be treated with respect? Many people argue that it is unconstitutional to take away their rights.

Yet they don't deserve rights when they have taken away the rights of someone else. They don't deserve to live if they have taken away someone's life. They lost their rights the minute they took away someone else's.

Those are just a few questions that need to be answered, soon. After all we are paying to keep these people alive. In fact in 1996 only 38 states had capital punishment statutes.

In 1996, 34 states had 3,219 prisoners that had been sentenced to death. All were sentenced for murder. Yet only 45 people were executed. Not to mention that among those inmates, two out of every three had prior felony convictions, and one in 12 had previous homicide convictions. Just in case you were wondering, that is less than one percent of all death sentences that were carried out in 1996, or one out of every 72 cases.

The oldest inmate sentenced to death had turned 81 in 1996. Now is the time to decide if it is worth it keeping convicted criminals alive. But we should all agree in light of Kenneth McDuff that the person should not be set free.

Parts of our community argue that it is possible to rehabilitate them. But it is our freedom and rights that need to be protected.

Would you feel safe with a convicted killer living in your neighborhood or working alongside you? Think about it.

Get your money's worth

By RHIANNON BAILEY
Staff Reporter

Today's topic is teachers who love teaching and why students should take advantage. My instructors truly love to teach. I can tell because they never want class to end and it is not because they are trying to cram all the information down our throats, but because they love to teach, they love to watch people learn so much that they get too excited and they forget about the time.

My main concern is that students don't want their money's worth. Instead, all they seem to want to know is what is going to be on the test. I cannot tell you how many times I've seen students looking at their watch and daydreaming about whatever they may be doing when class is over.

I personally find it sad and demeaning to our instructors who go to school for years, not just because they love to learn, but because they one day want to teach someone to have the passion they have for learning. They are obviously not doing it for the money, because we all know teachers, even college professors, don't get paid near enough for educating tomorrow's future.

I find it refreshing to see our instructors take such pride and enjoyment out of teaching others. I only wish my high school teachers had done the same, but in college you are choosing to be here and forking out your money, or your parents are, so for your own good pay attention and get your money's worth.

I would just like to commend all the instructors who make us groan and complain. My only wish is to have more students take in the information taught and try to use it every day.

Instructors, don't let the few and outspoken change your tune, because a lot of us enjoy learning and just don't speak up when we should.

Transfer Day set for Oct. 19

By BRIAN HALL
Sr. Assoc. Editor/News

This year's Transfer Day will be held on Oct. 19 from 9 a.m. to 12 noon on the second floor of the Student Center.

The college will have representatives from four year schools presenting information about their respective institutions. Students will be able to get applications as well as other important transfer information.

Press Club heads to Corpus Christi

By BRIAN HALL
Sr. Assoc. Editor/News

On Friday the MCC Press Club will be attending the 1998 Texas Community College Journalism Association Convention.

The Press Club will be sending 12 students along with advisor Tom

tatives from four year schools presenting information about their respective institutions. Students will be able to get applications as well as other important transfer information.

Transfer Day also will have recruiters from the Armed Forces there to provide information on many of the services they offer as

Buckner to the one day event which is being held in Corpus Christi.

The convention is designed to educate students on various aspects of the media business. Experts from their prospective fields will be leading the 2 hour sessions, with each student attending two sessions throughout the day.

The sessions reflect on different

well. The same night from 7 to 9 p.m. the Heart of Texas College Fair is being held at the Ferrell Center on the Baylor campus. They will be offering much of the same information for those unable to attend MCC's Transfer Day.

types of mass media including photography, sports writing, tips on print and electronic media, web page design and others.

Following the day of sessions will be an awards banquet to award some of the newspapers that are a part of the NCCJA. The Highland Herald has submitted many entries.

Corrections

In the Sept. 29 issue of the Highland Herald an article about the tennis team contained the misspelling of a player's name. The correct spelling of this name is Denise Amagon. Also in this issue, the Survey Says questionnaire did not include the name of the compiler. Her name is Crystal Hoyt.

A window seat...

Education gone sour

By JUSTIN BRASWELL
Editor-in-chief

The education system in this nation is substandard. Like many of my fellow students, I came to MCC totally unprepared.

My study skills were non-existent when I graduated from high school. When I was in high school it was a matter of paying attention in easy classes to get those B's and C's. I never studied and never knew how.

Then there was math. Why do students always have such a hard time with algebra? I don't have the answer to that question. I do know that I am not alone in my detesting of algebra. It was required that I take remedial math when I first enrolled at MCC because I was so far behind.

Is this my fault? Is it the fault of the students also in remediation here, struggling to catch-up and learn what should have been taught to them in their high schools?

This leads me to believe that high school was worth what I paid for it; zilch, nada, nothing. These same words could be used to describe what most high school teachers get paid. With starting salaries around \$25,000, teachers receive very little compensation for their degrees and time spent in college.

I'm sure people are standing in line at college registrations to become educators. Future teachers dreaming of the day that they will also have to coach, drive a school bus and teach drivers education to supplement their ability to eat.

It is easy for the taxpayers to point their fingers at students and call us lazy and apathetic. These same people who say our country is "going down the drain" are the ones who scream the loudest when money is needed for education.

But hey, what do they care? By the time America's educational level plummets to the bottom of the list and there is no longer any oceanfront retirement property in Florida, they will all be dead.

Our problems with education are not easy to solve. However, ignoring the problem allows us to slip further and further behind the rest of the world.

We students are the answer. Although we have gotten the "short end of the stick," we can overcome the obstacles by uniting as a single and strong political unit. We can vote for those who value education and refuse to cut educational benefits.

As we gear up to be the leaders of tomorrow we can teach our children sooner, and better, giving them the tools and opportunities to bring our nation back to the top of the world's educational level.

"How do you avoid road rage?"

SHERRY MIDDLETON,
FASHION MERCHANDISING
MAJOR

"I just follow the rules and avoid eye contact."

LISA SMART,
EDUCATION
MAJOR

"To avoid potential road rage, I wave friendly at people I upset and smile real big."

DAVA BUTLER, SEC-
ONDARY EDUCATION
MAJOR

"I usually blow kisses to the other drivers, but it just makes them more mad."

SHANE TURNER, POLITICAL
SCIENCE MAJOR

"I try to drive just as aggressively as everyone else, but I guess there is no way to avoid someone else's insanity."

DAPHANIE JOHNSON, EARLY

CHILDHOOD EDUCATION
MAJOR

"I say a quick prayer and ask God to remove the rage from my heart."

ZENEARIA SANTEE, COM-
PUTER SCIENCE MAJOR

"Do unto others as

you would have them do unto you."

MISTY ARNOLD,
CRIMINAL JUSTICE
MAJOR

"I have a two-year-old so I turn on my lights all times of the day. I avoid getting angry by aggressively chewing gum and smile with the knowledge that I'm getting my life and my daughter's life to a safe destination."

MICHAEL BALLARD, FOR-
ESTRY AND ANTHROPO-
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"I drive a big beast of a vehicle."

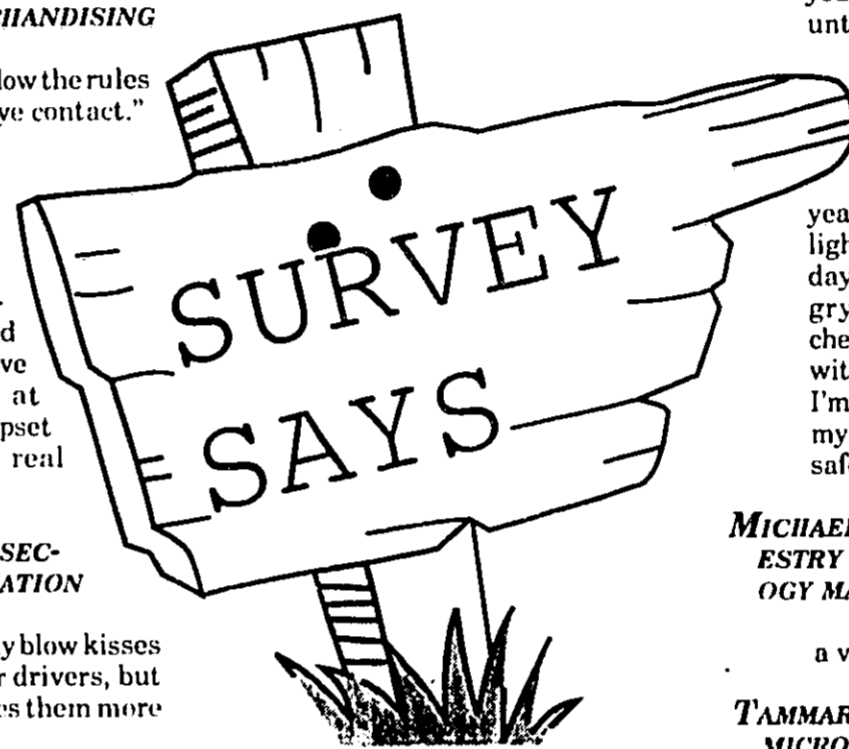
TAMMARA HEARD, PRE-MED/
MICROBIOLOGY MAJOR

"I ride with my friend...or ride the bus."

MICHELLE HARKRIDER,
EDUCATION MAJOR

"I let people go-get away from them-then try to forgive them."

This survey has been compiled by Opinion Page Editor Jamie Jones.



Barriers fall for Berlin native

By L. EPHIE HEARNE
Staff Reporter

"After the wall came down, there were a lot more possibilities," said Uwe Michael Carl, an exchange student from the eastern part of Berlin, when asked how he ended up in Waco.

Carl's mother received an advertisement concerning exchange programs early in 1993 and asked him if he was interested. He was, and arrived in Waco that August. One week later, he was attending 12th grade at La Vega High School.

After graduating in 1994, Carl returned to Germany. To graduate from high school in Germany, students must have a certain number of points, so he repeated the 12th grade and, after completing the 13th grade in Germany, he graduated in 1996.

While at La Vega, Carl's class went on a field trip to Baylor University. That is when he decided he wanted to come to the United States for his college education. His host family had already extended an invitation for his return, so after completing his mandatory Army service, Carl returned to Waco.

In 1997, he enrolled at MCC and earned the honor of becoming a Tartan Scholar. When he went back to Germany over the summer, he worked in the mail room at a bank.

Continuing his studies toward a degree in international business finance this year, Carl plans to attend Baylor.

Carl said he misses the food in Germany, as it is generally healthier. His favorites here are corn and barbecue.

Although there is more to do in Berlin, because of its size, Carl has found plenty to do in Waco. He enjoys movies, plays, comedy shows, and football. He is a big Cowboys

fan. When not reading for school, he enjoys American magazines and newspapers, such as the Wall Street Journal, Business News, and Playboy.

Carl says he plans "to work on Wall Street" after graduating from Baylor. Considering the current international crisis regarding the stock market, when asked about investing, he said, "Never invest money that you might need for something else."



GERMAN EXCHANGE student Uwe Karl is presently attending MCC.

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7th INNING STRETCH

By BRIAN SHELTON

Staff Reporter

Many of us have daydreamed about becoming a legendary figure in the world of sports, however, as we become older these dreams often fade.

Although this is unfortunate there is a solution for those who occasionally experience these unfulfilled nightmares so, don't throw in the towel just yet.

MCC provides you the chance to become the glorified heroes you've always wanted to become by offering physical education courses.

The great thing about these courses is it doesn't matter how good, bad or inexperienced you are. Anyone can join and everyone must contribute.

In addition, many of the sources encompass games and even play-offs. I'm enrolled in the softball course and we are currently involved in a playoff with three teams made from our class.

Although the talent pool is usually not on the collegiate level, the competition is intense. It also gives you something to brag to your family and friends about.

There are a variety of courses available including: tennis, volleyball, basketball, golf, bowling and many more. So, when you're registering next semester, read the course descriptions in the MCC handbook and choose a PE course that most interests you.

A look at the pros

My prayers are with Yankee outfielder Darryl Strawberry, who recently was diagnosed with colon cancer. For a man who possessed enough power to overcome a serious drug and alcohol addiction hopefully has enough strength to fight the disease that's been devastating to so many.

Here's a bold statement: Baseball journeyman Jim Leyritz is the best clutch power-hitter in the game. He helped the Yankees win it all in '96 but, whether he can do the same for the Padres this season will be the true test.

For all you sports fans following this record breaking baseball season so closely: Surprise, the '98 football season is heading into it's seventh week! But, don't worry, you haven't missed anything. Just another ho-hum season in which Brett Favre will win his fourth straight MVP award and then battle John Elway and the Denver Broncos in the Super Bowl.

The passing of a legend

Former SMU running back Doak Walker recently passed away due to complications from a skiing accident. He was a true legend and will be missed.

MEMBERS OF THE PRESS CLUB try to control a calf in the recent Heart of Texas Fair and Rodeo calf dressing competition. Three clubs placed in the competition including Cosmetology who got first place, Physical Therapy who grabbed second and the Press Club who got third in the men's competition.

Photo by Justin Braswell



Tennis: doubles claim crowns as singles struggle

By KYLE DAVIS

Staff Reporter

The Highlassie tennis team recently competed in two tournaments containing both doubles and singles competition.

The MCC Open was held September 25-26 and the ITA Texas Regional occurred October 2-4. Both tournaments were in Waco.

In the MCC Open, there were nine teams competing in the field. In flight 1, Kristen Davies, Ashley Jensen, and Phyllis Wilunda all defeated their opponents in the first round of play. Davies and Jensen were defeated in the quarterfinals. Wilunda took care of her opponent 6-2, 6-2. The semifinal match between Wilunda and North Central Texas' Caroline Svensson was a grueling one. Wilunda lost 3-6, 6-2, 6-4.

Flight 2 contained a couple of Highlassies. Both Kristen Graif and Denise Amagan advanced to the semifinals. In the final, Graif was defeated by Rachel Moroles of North Central Texas by a score of 6-4, 6-1.

Flight 3 contained Amanda Schneider and Floresita Lopez from MCC. Both were first round winners. Lopez bowed out in the quarterfinals 6-3, 7-5. Schneider went on to be the lone Highlassie champion in singles play, as she beat Rebecca Kerley of Collin County Community College.

The doubles competition crowned a champion from MCC in both flights. The duo of Amagan and Wilunda cut down the North Cen-

tral Texas team of Moroles and Svensson by a count of 6-0, 6-1 in the championship match. Davies and Graif bounced their MCC counterpart of Jensen and Lopez in the final by a score of 7-6, 7-6.

The ITA Texas Regional featured teams from seven community colleges from as far away as Georgia. The singles tournament consisted of a winner's bracket and a consolation bracket.

Winning in the first round were Schneider, Graif, Wilunda, and Davies while Amagan and Lopez were defeated.

Lopez was knocked out in the quarterfinals of the consolation bracket. Amagan advanced all the way to the final in the consolation bracket before being defeated by Brandice Mueller of Tyler Junior College 6-2, 6-4.

In the winner's division, Schneider and Davies were bounced from the tournament in the second round. Graif was defeated in the quarterfinals, 6-1, 6-0 by topseeded Brenda Vlasak of Tyler Junior College.

Wilunda advanced to the semifinals before being defeated by second seeded Majorie Terburgh of Tyler Junior College, 1-6, 6-3, 7-5.

In doubles action, the team of Davies and Jensen had to retire due to injury in the semifinals of the consolation bracket.

The duo of Amagan and Schneider was defeated in the quarterfinals 6-2, 6-0. Graif and Wilunda advanced to the championship match before retiring because of an injury against Terburgh and Vlasak.



Photo by Justin Braswell

HIGHLASSIE Phyllis Wilunda rares back for a serve in a recent tournament.

Clubs involved in calf cover-up Three of four clubs take home money

By JASON HOSKINS

Sports Editor

Late last Tuesday night, 48 students from area colleges walked on to the dusty floor of the coliseum. They all had one intention, being the fastest to grab a calf.

The group separated into their respective teams and delegated positions.

One grabbed the rope connected to the calf and the others waited anxiously to do the task of dressing a calf faster than any other team.

Various clubs from the college participated in the college calf dressing contest last Tuesday at the Heart of Texas Fair and Rodeo.

The object of the competition is to pull a sweat shirt over the hind legs and then over the torso before any other team.

Three clubs represented the college in the women's competition.

Sherri Howard, Lesley Praesel, Tanci Harris and Krystal West led the cosmetology department to victory with another MCC club close behind.

The Physical Therapy Club represented by Andrea Knight,

Suzanne Strahan, Shanna Graham and Patricia Layne finished just behind Cosmo Phi to come in second place.

The calf had the upper hand on Jamie Jones, Jennifer Wokaty, Jacqueline Harvey and Amanda Priest of the MCC Press Club.

On the men's side, the Press Club was the only group from MCC that participated.

Justin Braswell, Brian Hall, Travis Eyers and Jason Hoskins of the Press Club finished third behind two tough TSTC teams.

A review

'An Ideal Husband' an attention grabber

By CHRIS REYES

Staff reporter

MCC's production of Oscar Wilde's "An Ideal Husband" was really good.

The cast was outstanding and along with the help of their production staff the show was great. Those who saw this production agree that it took some practice and time to get the different, and complicated, language down as wanted. It was amazing to me how these drama students actually took the audience back to the turn of the century.

There were three main characters that caught my attention.

Ben Cole, who played Lord Chiltern, was really into his character and was excellent. He only turned his back once, yet his voice carried clearly.

Traciyn Jones, who played the evil Mrs. Cheveley, was great in her role. She was always the center of attention, and she was scandalous. She made it seem that she was taking control.

The other character who grabbed my attention was Lord Goring, who was played by David McConnell. Through all the conflict in the play between Lord Chiltern, Lady Chiltern and Mrs. Cheveley, Lord

Goring seemed to be the comic relief. He was extremely humorous.

He only seemed to have a serious side to him once and I'm sure that was enough for him.

Overall the entire cast was great! The play was well organized and everyone did very well.

Kathleen Cochran, the costume designer, did a great job on the tightly fitted suits and the long dresses that the cast wore as they would have in London in 1903.

Tim Poertner did great on this particular scenery.

It was like a ball room that you would see in London at this time with big, long windows and antique furniture.

Teams missed green in recent tournaments

By JULIAN L. RAMON

Staff Reporter

The Highlassie golf team finished its third tournament of the semester last week.

After taking first at the Hardin-Simmons University Classic, the team played in Portland, Oregon. The Highlassies fell short, finishing 12th. Former MCC golfer Claire Hunter helped lead the University of Oregon to victory by shooting a 75-74-74. The tournament was played on Sept. 28-29.

At the Lady Cardinal Invitational, which took place at Lamar University in Beaumont, the Highlassies finished 7th. This tournament was played Oct. 5-6. The tournament was shortened, however, due to rain. Highlassie Rebekah Martin, who finished fifth, shot a 40-39. Susanna Helmersson finished 12th, shooting a 38-45.

The Highlassies will start their next tournament tomorrow in Belton on the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor campus.

By KEVIN BROCK

Staff Reporter

The men's golf team began play last month finishing third in it's first tournament on Sept. 12, 13 at Paris College.

Christopher Ohren led the team with rounds of 74, 76 for a total of 149 while Christopher Gilbert shot a 75, 77 for 152. Others shooting well were Curtis Ohren 76, 74 for 150, Brian Williams 75, 78 for 153 and Stuart Whicher 74, 84 for 158.

The team will continue play Oct. 19-20 at Tyler College, Oct. 26-27 at Odessa College, and then it will serve as host to a tournament on Nov. 9.

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