

King Resigns As Board Member

By Donna Richter

Guy King, Jr., chairman of the MCC Board of Trustees, resigned his position at last night's board meeting. King resigned due to his move from Waco to Houston.

The Board accepted King's resignation and appointed Richard Garcia to serve as new chairman.

Mrs. Laura Smith was appointed to fill the vacant board position. She is a member of the Goals For Waco Commission, and was recently chairman of development for the Art Center. Mrs. Smith has served as president of the Evangelia Board, the Waco - McLennan County Bar Auxiliary, the McLennan County Council on Alcoholism and was first president of the Freeman House Board.

Garcia was appointed to the Board in May, 1972 to replace Dr. G.W. Henderson who had resigned his position. Garcia was re-elected to the Board in April, 1974 to fill a six-year term. He was elected vice-chairman of the board in April, 1974.

King was elected to the Board for a six-year term in April, 1972. He was elected secretary of the Board in May, 1972; vice-chairman in April, 1974 and chairman in April, 1976.

"I would like to commend the students for conducting themselves in a responsible manner; I commend the staff and faculty for running the institution in an outstanding manner; and I also commend Dr. Ball—he provides the school with great leadership," said King.

Board members awarded bids for the construction of lighting fixtures for the parking lot adjacent to the new fieldhouse. General Electric Supply Co. was awarded a \$9,492.46 bid for light fixtures, lamps and standards, while Tom Cuff Electric Co. won a

\$2,190 bid for installation of the lights. Ten lights will be constructed—six in the parking lot and four nearer the building.

Henry Apperson, history and geography instructor, was granted a faculty development leave to pursue his doctorate at North Texas State University in Denton. Apperson's leave will begin Fall, 1977. Each year one faculty member is given such a leave to pursue advanced

college work.

Board members also approved a 4.7 per cent increase budget revision.

"We routinely revise the budget at the middle of each year in light of income and expenditures," said Dr. Wilbur Ball, MCC president.

All but 1.8 per cent of the increase are due to purchase of bookstore merchandise, new programs and utilities. All but

utilities are offset by income, said Ball.

"We think this is a fairly small increase for the middle of the year. We think it's a clean budget, all except for the utilities—they're the only thing that hurt us," he said.

In other business, the Board accepted the resignation of Mrs. Sandra Duckett, part-time LVN instructor, who has taken a job with Mexia State School.

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An MCC student will run in the Boston Marathon in about two months. He qualified for the race by placing in a marathon run in Galveston.

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A piano recital to be held Friday morning would be ordinary for any other pianist. But it won't be for Sandy Anderson, a cerebral palsy victim.

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Almost every afternoon about 20 elementary-age kids invade the MCC pool for lessons in competitive swimming.

Some of them may even become Olympic swimmers.

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Guy King, Jr. (left) resigned as chairman of the Board of Trustees last night. Richard Garcia (center) was appointed to the chairmanship, and Mrs. Laura Smith (right) was appointed to fill the vacancy on the Board.

SG To Impeach Two Representatives

By Amy Dunlap

Impeachment procedures for two Student Government representatives were discussed at Monday's Student Government meeting. Because of excessive absenteeism representatives Leslie Rathman and James Bush have been contacted and given the opportunity to resign from Student Government.

If there is no resignation from these representatives, impeachment procedures will begin next week.

Paula Roerick presented a cheerleader recommendation to be sent to Dean of Student Services Dr. LaVerne Wong. The recommendation calls for an "alternate system" to be followed concerning cheerleader vacancies.

Under the present system, there is no provision for an alternate to fill a vacancy left by resignation, low grade average or transferring by a cheerleader. The new system calls for "the vacancy(ies) to be

filled by the remaining candidates in the order they finished in the election." This would lessen the strain put on cheerleaders at the time of a vacancy and guarantee that a replacement would be made.

The Highlassies and Highlanders were voted to receive the Student Government Faculty and Student Recognition Certificate. Student Government decided that both basketball teams represented MCC outstandingly well this season.

Student Government President Mike Kelley appointed a committee to purchase Athletic Banners to be placed in Highlander Gym honoring the Highlanders and Highlassies. Members of the committee are Paula Roerick, Laura Langford and Albert Apel.

Kelley said "Gary and Wayne Duncans' six-piece band has

agreed to play April 29 at the Highland Games. It is by a general consensus that we have this band again. Everyone enjoyed them last year."

Student Government appropriated \$150 from the budget's Dance Fund for this concert.

Director of Student Activities Don Bynum announced that the budget revision proposed at last week's meeting had been approved by Dr. Wong. The revision redistributed some of the present funds into categories where more money was needed.

Rita McNamara, Martha Kudelka, Carol Mitchell, Donna Towns and Donna Goates were appointed by Kelley to compile a theme on "New Directions In '77" for state competition. This theme will be judged in April at the Central Texas Student Government Association state meeting on Padre Island.

The winning school will be honored with the Texas Outstanding Junior College title.

Student Government Secretary Carol Degrate said, "an absentee report will be made and read at each of the following meetings."

Absenteeism has been a major problem for Student Government this semester. A quorum of 13 must be reached before the meeting can be called to order. It is often 15 to 20 minutes after the scheduled 10 a.m. meeting time before the meeting can begin.

Kelley urged all representatives to "keep busy". Representatives were asked to talk to teachers and students to find out if there are any problems on campus Student Government should look into. "With the state convention dragging near, we sometimes have a tendency to slow down. We are trying to keep this from happening," he said.

Signs Of Spring Invade Campus

By Marcia Mathews

It seems that only yesterday students braved the cold weather with heavy coats in the morning only to shed them later because of the smothering temperatures of the afternoon. Hey! That was yesterday!

Spring is threatening those cold mornings. Soon overcoats and sweaters will be put away and T-shirts, shorts, and tank-tops will reign once more. The unusually cold winter of 1976-77 is all the more a good reason for hopes of an earlier spring.

The signs of spring are invading the campus, slowly but surely. The golds and Auburns of autumn disappear to be replaced by the soft yellows, greens and pinks seen on budding trees. Once bare and unfurrowed flower beds are now sprouting an assortment of greenery and flowers.

Not only is spring approaching weather-wise—spring can also be seen people-wise. Activity Hour may occasionally find a number of students enjoying the sunshine or studying under the shade of a nearby tree. Sometimes classes seem endless as "spring fever" takes over, nudging the mind out of class and into the warm outdoors.

The more adventurous student may enjoy taking a walk down the nature trail. Located just behind the LA building, the nature trail is marked at its entrance and winds down the ravine and through the trees bordering the campus. The Campus Lions Club first established the trail in the spring of 1971 for the purpose of promoting the beauty of the natural surroundings of MCC.

MCC has some of the most beautiful surroundings on campus compared to any other in Texas. The nature trail is only one way of enjoying the spring weather. Explore the nature trail and explore the beauties of the upcoming spring.



photo by Donna Richter

The MCC nature trail is a definite sign that spring is not far away.

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calendar

Wednesday, March 9
Coed foosball tournament begins, 10 a.m., Games Room

Thursday, March 10
Talent Show application ends, Student Activities Office
Drama play, "Bus Stop" opens, 8 p.m., Fine Arts Theatre

Friday, March 11
Inter-Club Council meeting, 10 a.m., Tartan Room
MCC baseball tournament, 12 p.m. and 3 p.m., baseball field
Water polo challenge intramural deadline, Student Activities Office
Drama play, "Bus Stop," 8 p.m., Fine Arts Theatre

Saturday, March 12
MCC Baseball tournament, 11 a.m., baseball field
Drama play, "Bus Stop," 8 p.m., Fine Arts Theatre

Monday, March 14
Student Government meeting, 10 a.m., Tartan Room

Tuesday, March 15
Highlanders vs Eastern Oklahoma (double header), 1 p.m., here

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Health Services Presents Speaker On Alcoholism

Health Services will present a lecture by Nancy Franks, director of McLennan County Council on Alcoholism at 10 a.m. Mar. 14 in the Lecture Hall.

Mrs. Franks will speak on the problems of alcohol and drugs and alternatives to them. Her talk will also focus on the effects of alcohol on the addicted individual, his family and the community.

Instructor Displays Artwork

Artwork by John Chatmas, art instructor, is on display in the Amarillo Art Center through Mar. 13. The show features two-dimensional work from artists in Texas, New Mexico and Oklahoma.

Shell Oil Interviewing

Shell Oil Company will be on campus Wed., March 16, to interview students for the positions of secretary, accounting assistance, computer operator, and geophysical assistants. Contact Placement Office for more information.

Leathercraft Course Begins Tuesday

Designed to teach the student to make useful articles from leather, Leathercraft will begin Mar. 15 at MCC.

The six-week class will meet Tuesdays from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. A study of leather, including buying, cutting, treating, dyeing and tooling will be emphasized.

Registration is open through Friday and cost is \$11. Further information is available by calling MCC's Continuing Education Office at 756-6551, ext. 217.

Work Study Students Paid Early

April 1 is the scheduled pay day for College Work study students, but because of the Texas Junior College Teachers Association convention in San Antonio, the checks will be disbursed on March 31.

Office Personnel Sponsors Show

MCC Office Personnel Association will sponsor a style show March 22 at 7:30 p.m. in the Fine Arts Theatre. Fashions will be by Cinderella. Admission will be \$1.25 and door prizes will be given.

ASK Collects Cigarette Packages

Afro Student Kindred is collecting empty cigarette packages. For each package collected, a patient in Marlin Hospital will receive three seconds free on a kidney machine. ASK requests that everyone save empty packages and give them to any club member.

Southwestern Corporation Offers Summer Jobs

Jim Hollman a Southwestern representative, will be on campus Tuesday, March 15, to speak with students interested in summer employment. Students may possibly make anywhere from \$2000 to \$4000 this summer. For more information, contact the Placement Office.

Waco Sailing Club Holds First Regatta

Waco Sailing Club will have its first regatta on March 13 at 2 p.m. Skippers and their crews should be at the Ridgewood launching ramp on Lake Waco for this first "tuning" or practice race.

This race is scheduled so that everyone can prepare for the regular Spring Series that begin March 20. Anyone interested in crewing for a boat should attend this race, as further information will be given at this time.

MCC students, faculty and staff racing Sunday include Ray Murray, sailing instructor; Susan Cochran, counselor; Don Bynum, director of Student Activities; Mark Helm, John Pemberton, Tana Cutney, Sherry Gilham, Rusty Fickes and Ralph Johnson, night school instructor.

Application Deadline For Talent Show Tomorrow

Deadline for applications for the all-campus talent show is tomorrow. Student Activity Director Don Bynum said, "More talent is needed for the show." In past years talent has ranged from guitar players to comedy acts. The talent show will be March 16 at 10 a.m. in the Student Center.

Afro Student Kindred will sponsor a dance March 19 from 9 p.m. until 1 a.m. at the Bledsoe-Miller Community Center. A \$1 donation per person will be taken. Food and drinks will be available.

Nursing Students Association will hold a meeting March 14 at 10 a.m. in the Health Careers Building. Guest speaker Dr. Harold LeCrone will discuss the "Patient in Pain".

Afro Student Kindred is sponsoring two bake sales this week. They will be Friday at 10 a.m. in the Student Center and Saturday outside the Woolco Department Store.

Dance Company Performs Halftime

The MCC Dance Company, directed by Sandy Hinton, performed during halftime of the Highlassie-South Plains game and also the Highlander-Claenden contest.

The drill team did a routine to "Baby Face" for their first performance and to "Shake Your Booty" for their finale. Their no-mistake performance was greatly appreciated by the sparse crowd in Hunt Gymnasium on the McMurry campus.

The trip brought about an unexpected happening when the back end of the van in which the drill team was traveling was smashed in the repair shop of the Dodge dealership in Abilene. Insurance covered the cost of repairs for the van.

MCC Runner Qualifies For Boston Marathon



Photo by Donna Richter

James Kennedy shows off the medal he won at the American National Marathon.

By Donna Richter

James Kennedy, MCC student, is glad he's alive.

He ran his first full-length 26 mile marathon Saturday in Galveston.

Kennedy placed 36th out of 500 runners in the American National Marathon which was run over Seawall Blvd. on Galveston Island.

His time of two hours and 59 minutes qualifies him to run in the Boston Marathon in six weeks.

"I really wonder if I'm alive — my blood pressure right now is 136 over 60," said Kennedy. (Normal blood pressure is 110 over 70.)

"It was really bad weather to run in; it was cold, rainy and windy," he said. "I hope things

will be better in Boston."

Kennedy said he is "satisfied" with his finishing position. He ran in 15th place for 18 miles of the race.

"I've decided to take on the biggest full-length marathons I can in the next three years. My goal is to run in the 1980 Olympics," said Kennedy.

Kennedy will run up steep hills such as those found in Cameron Park and Woodway to build stamina for the Boston Marathon. He is also seeking financial sponsors. Anyone interested in supporting him may contact T-Shirt World.

Kennedy ran in the Texas Open 12 Kilometer Chapter and the March of Dimes Walk-a-thon earlier this year.

Movie Review

Producer Uncovers Idea; Gets Trains Into Disaster Lot

By Bryan Davis

After having "disaster movies" made about airplanes, overturned ships, earthquakes, floods, towering infernos, exploding blimps and more airplanes, one gets the impression there is no catastrophe left undone. Leave it to Carlo Ponti to give the railways equal time.

"The Cassandra Crossing" (Lake Air Cinema) is a pleasant surprise in the fact that it is a film similar to the "best" disaster movie (The Poseidon Adventure) and that it doesn't allow the special effects to dominate the entire film.

The movie is about a train leaving Geneva, Switzerland bound for Sweden. On board is a stowaway infected with a highly infectious bacteria to be used in germ warfare. As the train progresses, so does the plague, and the passengers begin dropping like flies.

Officials, afraid of an epidemic, will not allow the train to stop, except only shortly, to seal it off. At last, Poland agrees to let the train stop and be quarantined. However, to reach Poland the train must travel over the Cassandra Crossing, a fragile old bridge condemned after World War II.

Intermingled in this fast-pace plot is an interesting "all-star" cast including Ava Gardner, Lee Strasburg, O.J. Simpson, Martin Sheen, Burt Lancaster, Sophia Loren, Richard Harris and Ann Turkel (Mrs. Richard Harris). Also on board is a joveable beagle who gets more laughs than the actors.

The adventure becomes quite believable because most of the actors are convincing. Particularly worth mentioning is Strasburg as the courageous old man terrified of returning to the country where his family died in a concentration camp. And "the Juice" himself has made quite a step up from saving cats in "The Towering Inferno," to saving lives here.

If you like a film that keeps you on the edge of your seat, you had better hold on, or you may find yourself falling into the aisle.

The musical score is as chilling as the film, and adds to the excitement. Another plus is the beautiful photography of the European countryside the train passes through.

All in all, this film contains a little of something for almost everyone — spine tingling suspense, realistic special effects, excellent musical score, superior photography, beautiful women, romance, humor, a dirty old woman, a villain and even man's best friend.

The film does have its faults, chiefly too much violence. But this is no more than audiences are accustomed to in an R-rated film. And, of course, the producers here didn't forget to conveniently place a nun among the passengers. (Have you ever wondered if there is a rule which states a nun must be aboard every doomed vehicle?) Oh well, consider yourself lucky. Thank goodness this one doesn't sing!

Counselors Host HS Luncheon

MCC Counselors will host an area counselor and principal luncheon Wednesday from 11:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. MCC Counselor Susan Cochran is coordinator of the luncheon.

Area high schools that have accepted the invitations are Richfield, Jefferson-Moore, Reicher Catholic, Waco High, Hill County Schools, La Vega, Groesbeck, Marlin, Connally, Lorena, Mart, McGregor, China Spring, Rosebud-Lott, Moody and Hubbard.

MCC President Dr. Wilbur Ball and Dean of Student Services Dr. LaVerne Wong will give welcoming addresses at the meeting.

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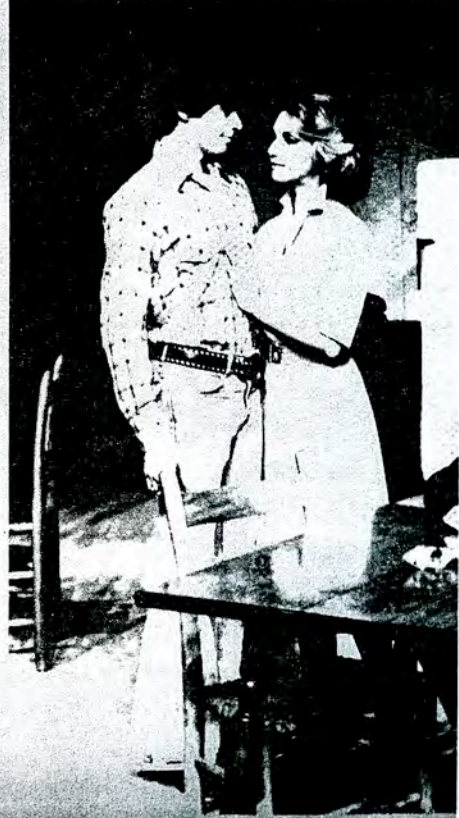
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Bo Decker, played by Craig Sanders, catches his love Cherie, played by Rita Foster.



"Bus Stop" deals with three love triangles. Eddie Wiley and Rachel Elliott, at



Bo Decker(Craig Sanders) is feeling depressed and Virgil Blessing (Gary Bentley) plays his guitar to lighten the load.

WILLIAM 'BUS



Bus driver Carl, played by Keith Hoylard, played by Glenda P

Cast And Crew Discovers Set Troublesome

By Byran Davis

The Drama Department's spring production of "Bus Stop" awaits tomorrow night's opening performance at 8 p.m. in the Fine Arts Theater.

Additional performances of William Inge's classic production will be presented March 11 and 12, and again March 17, 18, and 19. Each performance will begin at 8 p.m.

Chief among pre-production problems of "Bus Stop" was preparation of the set. Being a very realistic play, "Bus Stop", requires a realistic set. Great detail is stressed in this period play of 1955. Among them are coffee brewing, food being eaten, and actual period costumes of which "Bus Stop" director Allen Galli replied, "Thank goodness for Goodwill."

Another problem faced by the crew was designing the set and finding the right properties without cluttering the small stage. Hours of searching were involved behind every visible item on stage. This detailed search took students to junk dealers and thrift stores. The mood of any play, and invariably its success or failure is often determined by such

research.

Actor Kevin Colston, also serving on crew said, "There are a few problems still left to iron out, but they'll be finished by Thursday." If the play itself is as impressive as the set, it will be something one shouldn't miss.

Preparation for the play has been a "rewarding experience for all those involved." According to Galli, it produced a "great feeling of unified effort."

Because cast members usually serve on the crew also, it has been double work for them. Those particularly involved in preparing for the production of "Bus Stop" are Ross Mormino, production manager; John Cleavelin, technical director, and CaSandra Cossey, costume mistress. Also Debbie Clemons and Karen Schmalriede and Mark Williams helped with set, props and costumes.

The play will be presented free of charge to MCC students, faculty and staff. Non-MCC students will be charged \$1 and the general public \$1.50. Reservations can be made by calling Ext. 283 in the Fine Arts Building.



(photos by MCC Public Information)

(L to R): Craig Sanders and Rita Foster, Kevin Colston and Glenda Preston.

INGE'S STOP'



and restaurant owner Grace and her relationship of their own.



Bo Decker is ready to take Sheriff Will Masters, played by Bill Tindall. Gary Bently is in the back is wondering if he should stop Bo or not.

Exhibitions On Architecture Here Saturday

Two exhibitions focusing on Texas' architectural heritage opened Saturday at The Art Center and will be on view through Mar. 20.

"Texas Public Buildings of the 19th Century," a large group of photographs by Todd Webb, are the result of a survey of Texas architecture commissioned by the Amon Carter Museum in Fort Worth and the School of Architecture at the University of Texas in Austin.

Webb's photographic record of churches, forts, bridges, hotels, federal buildings, and commercial structures provides a visual history of the development of architecture in Texas.

In a land of climatic and geographical contrast, settled by people of diverse backgrounds, indigenous architecture did not result in any universal styles. The 19th century buildings in these photographs are typical of the broad spectrum of architectural

expressions that grew out of the different cultures of Texas under its six flags.

For another view of 19th century Texas architecture, Art Center director Paul Harris has selected six large prints by New York artist Richard Haas. Following a comprehensive tour of the architectural landmarks of the state, Haas created a portfolio of etchings and lithographs.

Haas' prints were the result of a tour the New York artist made of the architectural landmarks of the state. He selected a few of the finest examples for a portfolio of etchings and lithographs. The series of prints were commissioned by Delahunty Gallery of Dallas as a special Bicentennial project and are on loan to The Art Center from the gallery.

Student work from the Center's winter session of classes will be on view during March in the upper level studios.



Architecture such as this picture of the Sam Houston State University main building, will be exhibited Saturday at the Art Center.

League Encourages MCC Participants

By Debbie Garrett

MCC's Continuing Education sponsors the McLennan County Swim League (MCSSL). At the present not one MCC student is enrolled in this competitive swim class.

The swim league consists of two divisions. Division One is open to boys and girls in junior high, high school, and college, who can swim any stroke a distance of 75 feet. Division Two is designed for girls and boys grade three through six who can swim any stroke a distance of 45 feet.

Joseph Claire coaches the Waco Flying Dolphins and the Swim League. He is a former swim coach from the University of Alabama. He is also the league's judge and director.

Both girls and boys compete with and against one another.

Division One for the spring session practices Monday through Thursday, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at the MCC pool. Division Two practices Monday through Friday, from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. at the MCC pool. Costs of the class is \$15.

Claire said, "It is possible for swimming to become popular and to achieve this we need to get more people doing it."

Part of the M.C.S.L. program is to increase the number of participants in the already formed swim programs. Also begin new programs that will serve as Feeder Programs to the AAU Group Swimming Program.

A Feeder Program is one that prepares the student for the next higher level of swimming.

"Where this new program has been introduced, the number of participants has increased and overall the program works with favorable success," said Claire.

Each team in the League is made up of the same number of members with an assortment of skill levels.

One of the advantages of the new feeder program is the experience that the participants will receive from competition in the classes.

Claire said, "Equal and intense competition provides a team loyalty experience."

Each swimmer in the M.C.S.L. will receive a

McLennan County Swimming "T" shirt.

The League encourages the swimmers to work hard at practice, to try hard in the meets, and to get back to work following a meet.

The next session will be the

summer session. Practices will be Monday through Friday from 6 to 8 p.m. at Lions Pool, for Division One.

Division Two summer session will hold practice Monday through Friday from 8 to 9 p.m. at Lions Pool.

Piano Recital End Of Dream For Anderson

By Donna Richter

Two and one half years ago Mrs. Sandy Anderson, a victim of cerebral palsy, only dreamed of learning to play the piano.

At 10 a.m. Friday in the Fine Arts Theatre, she will officially mark a dream that has become reality with her first public piano recital.

Mrs. Anderson's recital will be the embodiment of three months of practice, the patience of her instructor and the work of a group of MCC students who three years ago helped raise part of \$14,000 for an operation to treat her disease.

A fund raising drive led by various students and campus organizations raised more than \$9,000 of the operation's cost. Mrs. Anderson underwent cyrosurgery, a process that freezes a part of the brain, in September, 1974.

Her recital Friday will be a duet with music instructor Joyce Scott. They will play "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring."

"Other music sounds fair-to-middlin'," said Mrs. Anderson,

"but this really sounds like something."

Mrs. Scott has arranged several pieces of music to suit Mrs. Anderson. The recital piece is arranged so that Mrs. Anderson will use only one hand.

Mrs. Scott also taped her part of the duet so Mrs. Anderson could practice at home.

"There's a lot of love in that woman (Mrs. Scott)," said Mrs. Anderson. "She's patient as hell, but she doesn't baby me either."

Mrs. Anderson feels that being able to play the piano is a "huge accomplishment," but she will mark possibly an even greater accomplishment when she graduates in May.

She hopes to work at McLennan County Mental Health and Mental Retardation as a mental health aide, and of course continue playing the piano.

"It cost \$24,000 to even get my hands on a piano. I'm not going to quit now," she said.



photo by John Pemberton

Scots 'N Water member collected a wide assortment of trash during their Saturday clean-up of the Brazos River West Bank.

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Clarendon Bulldogs Upset MCC In Regional Tournament

By Terry Tacker

Carl Davis and Larry Mackey combined for 56 points to lead the Clarendon Bulldogs to a 93-92 win over the Highlanders in the first round of the Region V Tournament in Abilene. MCC ended the season as conference champions and a 24-7 record.

The Highlanders fell behind by as much as seven points, 43-36. Coach Johnny Carter's crew played much better the second half, but were never able to control the tempo of the contest.

The Highlanders obviously left their shooting eyes in Waco, finishing with a 42.4 field goal percentage. Also, while Clarendon was connecting on 25 of 33 free throw attempts, MCC could only muster a meek eight of 17 foul shots.

MCC converted on three quick Bulldog turnovers to jump to a 8-1 lead. But Clarendon rallied behind Mackey and Davis to take a 15-14 margin. Glenn Minnex picked up his third foul with 10:06 remaining and his absence left a hole in the Highlander's rebounding efforts. The Bulldogs continued to build their lead, taking 43-36 margin into the dressing room.

Vinnie Johnson, Sam Worthen and Ed Marshall scored all but five of MCC's second half field goals. Johnson, who made the All-Regional team, was his usual unstoppable self. "V.J."

ended his MCC career with 37 points on 17 field goals and three free throws.

The Highlanders, on a beautiful assist from Worthen to Johnson, grabbed the lead 65-63 with 11:57 left. It appeared the Bulldogs, who entered the tournament seventh-seeded, might fold under the MCC attack. But Davis and Mackey began to work even harder, scoring from way outside the Orange defense.

After the Bulldogs grabbed the lead 71-65, Johnson scored four consecutive field goals and Minnex added another to tie the score at 75. Both teams were extremely tired at this point due to the fastpaced action. But Clarendon found hidden energy and this carried them to an upset victory.

Davis connected on a jump shot to tie the score 90-90 with 53 seconds remaining. Bobby Nard stole the ball away at midcourt with 50 seconds left and things looked grim for MCC

supporters.

Don Fee, a reserve guard, calmly dropped in a pair of free throws with 28 seconds left to give the Bulldogs a 92-90 lead. After a missed MCC shot, Mackey was fouled and the point guard connected on the first of his one-and-one attempts to give Clarendon a 93-90 lead.

Johnson scored with four seconds left to cut the final margin to 93-92. Clarendon threw the ball inbound against the MCC press and two Highlanders had a chance to steal the ball. A final shot at the buzzer by the Highlanders fell astray and Clarendon had their hard-earned victory.

The exciting contest closely resembled all three of the MCC games last year. But a year ago, MCC found a way to win.

Western Texas captured first place in the tournament with a win over Midland College and thus advancing to the national tournament in Hutchinson, Kansas.

Scoring Points

By Terry Tacker

It appears it will be a REBUILDING YEAR FOR THE HIGHLANDER BASEBALL TEAM, as early predictions stated. The Orange, after splitting with Temple, have dropped nine of their last 10 games. Louis Rendon, Bret Blackwell and Terry Kunkel are leading the hitters on the team right now and Coach Rick Butler is grooming his young pitching staff. Last year's Highlanders had the similar start, starting the season losing eight of its first nine games. They began to improve in the final non-conference games and wound up finishing second in the conference and 21-21 overall. Hopefully, history will repeat itself, only this time MCC finishing in first place in the conference.

WITH ARKANSAS BEING CROWNED 1977 Southwest Conference basketball champions, talk has already begun about next year. The SWC promises to be stronger in 1978 when eight of this year's top ten scorers return and four of the five all SWC selections return. Moreover, champion Arkansas welcomes its top five scorers and Texas A&M brings back the ineligible Karl Godine and Jarvis Williams, NCAA willing.

With the National Basketball Association rounding up its regular season play, THE HOUSTON ROCKETS appear destined for the playoffs. The Rockets have proved that professional basketball can draw its share of fans in Texas. Houston has drawn 254,528 in 31 games at the Summit this season (8,210 average) and need 6,891 to break their seasonal attendance record of 261,418 set last year.

With spring comes SOUTHWEST CONFERENCE FOOTBALL SPRING DRILLS. Baylor needs to fill major holes in their lineup and they had better do it in a hurry. Baylor plays in order Texas Tech, Kentucky, Nebraska, Houston, SMU and Texas A&M for the start of next year and only SMU failed to play in a bowl game.

THE STATE OF TEXAS' NUMBER ONE HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL PLAYER might just be San Antonio Burbank's Gilbert Salinas. Salinas, who stands 6'11" tall, is compared often to former UCLA All-America Bill Walton. The 17-year old senior averages about 20 points a game but could, according to Burbank's coach Earl Meyer, score much more. "He could score 30 or 40 points a game," said Meyer, "he's got all the shots but what makes him so great he can penetrate the defense and pass off." Salina has received 200 scholarship offers from colleges coast to coast.

Netters Tackle Weatherford

The MCC tennis team takes on Weatherford tomorrow on the MCC courts at noon. The match with the Coyotes will be the third conference match of the year.

Tuesday, the Highlanders play Cooke in another conference match. Starting time on the MCC courts has been set for 1:30 p.m.

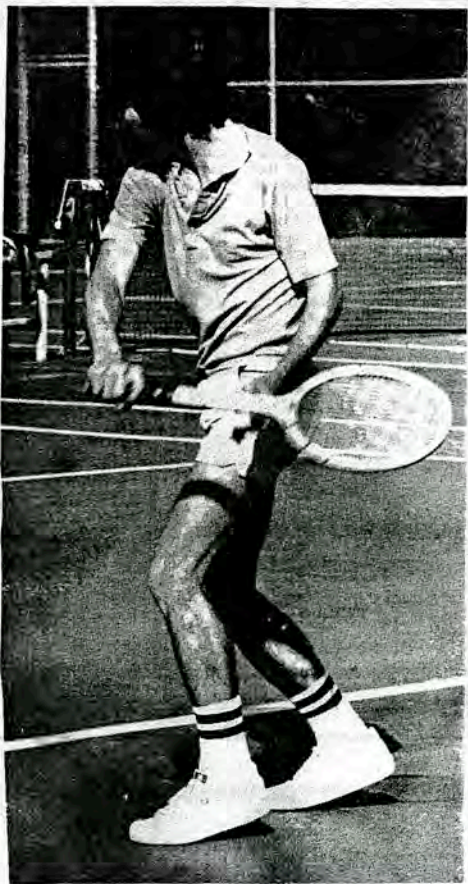


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Tim Roerick in action against the Temple Leopards Friday at the MCC courts.

Davis Pleased With Highlassie Season

South Plains College of Levelland defeated the Highlassies 72-67 in the finals of the Region V Women's Tournament in Abilene to advance to the national tournament in Overland Park, Kansas. But not even the loss to the nationally-ranked Texanettes could put a damper on the MCC women's successful season.

Coach Pam Davis' crew finished the second season of their existence with a 24-6 record and a conference co-championship. The success of the Highlassies comes as a surprise considering the 9-13 initial season record.

"We would have loved to go to the nationals, naturally, but personally we met our goals. The experience of playing in the regionals will help us down the line and the girls will never forget playing in the regionals. It will be something that they'll always remember," said Davis.

The successful year will naturally help in Mrs. Davis' recruiting efforts this year, also.

"The response has been real good so far. Most of the girls are still involved in track and they cannot sign until they are through with the U.I.L. activities," said Davis.

As is always the case, height will be the number one factor that Mrs. Davis will look for in her recruits.

"Besides height, we need a consistent shooter for the outside positions. But most of all we need backup people for the post positions," said Davis.

The five starters, Sharon Whitney, Carolyn Johnson, Jackie Swain, Gaye Loewe and Claire Morris return next year along with reserves Ellen Lindemann, Linda Bell, Kathy Jarvis, Owedie Kemp and Carolyn Kennedy. The "last of the original" Highlassies, Kathy Bullock, Pat James and Janice Wallace will graduate.

Davis will send her troops through an off-season program later in the spring. But for now, the women are enjoying the break from action and are enjoying the success of the 1977 season.

Foosball, Water Polo On Tap

In this weeks action, there will be a Coed Foosball Tournament and a Water Polo match.

The Foosball tournament will begin today and will be played all during the Activity Hour. Interested students may sign up at the Games Room window.

Foosball Tournament rules are as follows:

1. Male and Female only!
2. Single elimination
3. Play must begin no later than ten minutes after 10 AM. The team not showing forfeits the game.
4. Five out of nine points designates game winners.
5. The best 2 out of 3 games designates the contest winners who will advance to the next round.
6. All-dead balls must be returned to middle of court.
7. No saves! All goals count.
8. No spinning of players. All turns of handle must be less than 360 degrees. Scores made by spinning are awarded to the opposing team.
9. Each team should pay for one game with the loser of the 3rd game (if played) paying for it.
10. Trophies will be awarded to the first and second place winners.

Concerning the Water Polo matches, Coach Ray Murray expressed desire that all the clubs on campus get together and challenge each other in challenge matches.

Highlanders Split With Crowder 4-0, 3-0; Host Tournament Friday, Saturday

Bryan Combs allowed no runs in seven innings of work yesterday to lead the Highlanders to a second-game victory over Crowder College of Missouri. MCC dropped the first game 4-0 but rallied behind Combs to take the finale 3-0.

The visitors dominated play in the opener. Donald George, freshman from Waco Richfield and Darwin Case pitched for the Highlanders.

The Highlanders broke a nine-game losing streak with the 3-0 win. Combs gave up no

walks in his seven innings of work and struck out seven Crowder batters.

MCC scored all its runs in the same inning when Blackwell and Burt Burrows opened with singles. Steve Kennedy drove in both runners and Scott Nichol contributed a sacrifice fly to score Kennedy.

The annual MCC Tournament will be held Friday and Saturday at MCC Field and Veterans Field, located behind the Veterans Hospital. Bee County, Paris and Ranger are

the participants besides host team MCC.

Ranger is defending Northern Texas Conference champions and field another strong team. Bee County has another excellent squad while Paris has flexed its muscles with a doubleheader sweep over the Highlanders in Paris.

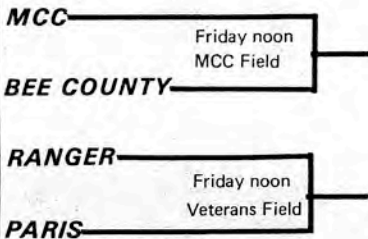
Action begins Friday at noon when Bee County plays MCC at the MCC Field. Also at noon at Veterans Field, Paris takes on Ranger.



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MCC third baseman Louis Rendon flies out to left field during Highlander-Crowder game yesterday.

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After the first round games, the two losing teams will play and the two winning teams will play at 3 p.m. Friday on both fields. The tournament will continue in a double-elimination process until a champion is crowned after the Saturday championship game.

Paris Sweeps MCC

Paris Jr. College swept a doubleheader from the Highlanders 7-3 and 6-1 Saturday in Paris.

MCC collected nine hits in the opener. Bret Blackwell had his fifth double of the season and Burt Burrows, Glen Mead and Robert Simmons also banged out doubles.

The only MCC run in the second game came on Louis Rendon's home run, his second of the season.

FIRST GAME

MCC 000 000 3-3 9 1
PJC 002 023 x-7 8 0
WP- Newton
LP- Weibold (1-3)

SECOND GAME

MCC 001 000 0-1 4 0
PJC 010 005 x-6 8 0
WP- Velamibias
LP- Tucker (0-1)

Sann, Highlanders Grab Championships

The Highlander Golf squad won its third tournament in a row by shooting a team total of 304 to win the Eastfield College Invitational at the Mesquite Golf Course near Dallas.

Weatherford finished second in the team standings with a 305 score, Paris took third with 308 and Grayson finished fourth in the 10-team field with a 313 score.

David Sann finished first in the individual standings with a 71. Mike Michalka 75, Jack Twedell 79, and Gary Collins 79, rounded out the MCC scores.

Coach Jimmy Clayton's golfers participate in the Southwestern Recreational Tournament in Fort Worth Friday and Saturday. MCC is the defending champions in that tournament.



photo by John Pemberton

The Eastside Gang proudly display their trophies after they had defeated the Black Six for the mens intramural basketball championship. Members of the team that finished the competition with a perfect 5-0 record are top row: Craig Lewis, Malcomb Beck and Ricky Hicks and bottom row: Greg Dobbins, Reginald Thomas and Ronald Rush.

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