

Results tallied Friday

Lambert takes VP post

By Judi Sleja

Posters, slogans and promises were abundant last Friday as politically-oriented students rallied for one of the most prestigious titles on campus.

A seat on the Student Government.

Campaigning for a seat as representative of MCC's student body were 23 full-time students from many high schools in Central Texas.

Ruby Lambert was elected vice president. Freshmen Bill Bradley and Greg Reinhart also ran for the post.

Other officers were elected last spring. They are: Mark Rauschuber, president; Katey Jones, secretary; Janie Salazar, treasurer; and Kevin Walters, parliamentarian.

Representatives are: Ronnie Glaesmann, sophomore, of Riesel High School; Randy Vernon, freshman, of Abilene Cooper High School; Jill McDaniel, sophomore, from Jefferson Moore High School; Cindi Gorham, freshman and Layce Lefevre, freshman, John Schellenberg, and Sherry Ann Hinson, all of Midway High School.

Also, Natalie Mansolo and Gilda Ramos, sophomores, and Joseph Dodson, freshman, all of University High School; Melissa Crain,

sophomore, and Bryan Cantrell, freshman, both of McGregor High School.

Also, Debbie Herbert, sophomore, of China Spring High School; Beatrice Salazar, freshman, from Rosebud-Lott High School; Angela Kellerman, freshman from Gatesville High School; Tim Nemece, and Steve Stanislav, sophomores, both of West High School; and Roger Capps, sophomore, of Richfield High School.

The number of representatives is determined by one representative for every 100 full-time students as stated in the Constitution of the Student Assembly.

To qualify for a Student Government seat, a student must be full-time (12 or more hours) and maintain at least a 2.0 overall grade point average.

The office of president must be occupied by a sophomore (30 or more hours.) The office of vice president is open only to freshmen.

Don Bynum and Paul Holder will serve as faculty advisers to this year's Student Government. "We have a fantastic year in store," Bynum said. "Traditionally, the Student Government sponsors mini concerts, the watermelon cut, the raft race, Kicker Day, gameroom tour-

naments and Corrigan Week. Also, we sponsor the annual Highland Games, which is our biggest event of the year," said Bynum.

Student Government representatives are generally responsible for gathering ideas and suggestions from their peers to relay to the faculty. For this reason, suggestion boxes are placed in MCC's main buildings.

Bynum added that Student Government meetings are not closed to the student body. "Meetings are held every Monday at 10 a.m. and are open to any student wishing to attend."

Meeting of 'the minds' tomorrow

Over 200 students attending MCC on merit scholarships are invited to attend a meeting to be held in their honor on Sept. 16 at 10 a.m. in the Lecture Hall.

Award pins will be presented to each merit scholar to acknowledge scholastic achievement.

Refreshments will be served.

20 workshops draw freshmen

By Joanne Adkison

Freshmen enrolled in orientation have 20 workshops from which to choose while earning required credits.

Workshops will meet at the 10 a.m. Activity Hour (MWF) in the Administration Classroom building. Selections include: "How to Survive in Your New Apartment," Sept. 28; "How to Score Better on Tests," Oct. 7 and Nov. 6; "How to Choose a Major," Sept. 18 and Nov. 16; "How to Get Over Fear of Tests," Sept. 21 and Nov. 13; "How to Cope with Separation and Divorce," Sept. 25; "Brief Methods of Managing Stress," Sept. 30 and Nov. 25.

Also, "Job Interview Skills," Oct. 2 and Nov. 18; "How to

Budget Your Money," Oct. 5 and Oct. 16; "How to Cope with the Death of Someone Close," Oct. 9; "How to Write a Good Resume," Oct. 12; "Finding a Job in Your Field," Oct. 19 and Nov. 11; "Dress for Success," Oct. 21; "How to Stop Procrastinating," Oct. 23 and Nov. 23; "How to Cope with Depression," Oct. 28; "How to Cope with Anger," Nov. 4 and "How to Cope with Cancer," Nov. 30.

"The Growth Group" (Sept. 21) and "Assertive Training" (Oct. 7) workshops meet from 1-3 p.m.

The workshops "How to Study More Effectively" and "The Job Market in Central Texas," which met on Sept. 9 and 11, were scheduled only once.

Committee awards private donor scholarships

Students who have received scholarships for the fall semester are Joanne Adkison, Richard C. Moore scholarship; Kim Alumbaugh, McLennan County Medical Auxillary; Eddie Ray Banik, SPIST Lodge No. 35 ELK; Patricia Bell, Lone Oak,

American Business Womens Association; Melanie Burnette, Richard C. Moore; Deborah Diane De Sopo, McLennan County Medical and Philathea Class Austin Avenue Methodist Church.

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ton Palace and ABWA.

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Also, Carol Benton Waddell, Beverly Hills Lions Club, Henry Griffin and Florine Green; Brenda K. Wilde, McLennan County Medical Auxillary, Nettie Stern Spark and Henry Griffin; Patricia Williams, La Vega Educational Secretary Association and Cheryl Young, Lone Star, ABWA.

Bye-bye trihalomethane

Cl₂ + NH₄ yields H₂O

By Judi Sleja

It looks like water. It tastes like water. It smells like water. So, what is it? It's water.

But it's not the same water Wacoans have been drinking.

Beginning Sept. 14, Waco's tap water became a new mixture of chlorine and ammonia that cannot be detected through smell, taste, or appearance.

Studies by the Environmental Protection Agency have determined high levels of trihalomethane contamination contribute to some forms of cancer.

The City of Waco announced in August that it would change its water disinfecting process to comply with maximum levels of trihalomethane contamination.

Trihalomethanes are formed when chlorine is added to raw water and combines

with natural organic substances, the most common of which is chloroform. After the EPA study in 1978, Waco chemists have been tracking trihalomethane levels in Waco's drinking water. Chemists found the level to be dangerously high.

Director of Water Treatment and Pollution Control for the City of Waco Mike Meadows, said the addition of ammonia causes anemia in both humans using kidney dialysis machines and fish living in aquariums filled with Waco water.

Meadows added that the addition of carbon filtering systems to both the dialysis machines and aquarium pumps will eliminate the problem.

Ruby Burns, an MCC counselor, has been using a dialysis machine for more than a year and explains that the change is not that much of a problem. "I was told about the water

change in July. It was clearly explained to me, so I'm not worried about it."

Burns recently had a dialysis machine installed in her home, so she no longer stays in the hospital for treatment.

A charcoal, or carbon, filter was added to her machine at that time to assure that no chloramine is added to her system.

For those people owning tropical fish tanks, carbon filters are easily installed and may be purchased at any fish store.

Laws required the city to comply with the new EPA standards more than a year ago. Waco chemists report that without the new system, controlling the levels would be impossible.

The new system has been estimated to cost the city sums in excess of \$127,000 initially. Yearly costs will add \$70,000.

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MCC'ers speak out**BU football draws mixed reactions**

By Gilda Ramos

It's time to pull out the blankets, pom-poms, and the old pigskin.

Baylor football had a feeling of excitement for Baylor freshmen, since this was the first time they attended a college game as a student. But MCC students have mixed feelings about Baylor football.

Marisa Martinez, MCC sophomore, said she has

always liked Baylor but, "I like Baylor football even more now that I have a boyfriend going there."

Martinez said, "It's even more exciting when it's a hard-hitting game." She also said that she did not mind that MCC doesn't have a football team. "The baseball team makes up for that."

Some MCC male students were concerned that MCC doesn't have a football team. John Jansing, MCC freshman

and 1980-81 All-State football star from Reicher, feels that there are enough MCC students to start a football team.

Bill Futch, MCC sophomore, likes both Texas teams equally, but his favorite pro team is the Miami Dolphins because "They're from Florida," he said.

Futch lived in Florida 15 years before moving to Waco, but he is still a Baylor fan because "Baylor's in Waco,"

he said, "and this is the first time I've ever lived in a college town."

Futch, like Jansing, felt it would be "more exciting if MCC had a football team. I would probably try out if they did," he said. Futch also said

that the reason there probably wasn't a football team at MCC is because of "the cost in building up the program."

"It would take money for a football field, a weight room, football coaches, and uniforms," he said.

Body language talks**Lybrand speaks on communications**

By Vern Pecore

"Life is a constant discovery of who I am and what I will be," said nationally-known speaker/humorist and non-verbal communication specialist Jayne Lybrand, who spoke to MCC freshmen Sept. 9.

As part of orientation, the freshmen class attended the one-hour lecture entitled "Breaking The Ice."

"If you can learn to com-

municate, it can change your life," said Lybrand. Topics included in the program ranged from ways to dress successfully to ways to talk to the opposite sex before you speak out loud.

Lybrand defined communication as "the me in me and the you in you coming together to make a we."

Lybrand has had ten years' experience as a college ad-

ministrator. A Bedford native, she served in the capacity of Director of Student Activities at Tarrant County.

She is on the road about 20 days out of every month, speaking at 150 engagements and 42 television shows. Lybrand has worked with such people as The Oak Ridge Boys, Larry Gatlin and Terri Gibbs.

"You can read the need in people's eyes," said Lybrand.

**Last days of summer...**

The final days of summer were celebrated on Sept. 4 with a watermelon cut sponsored by Student Government. Julian Gonzalez, an MCC baseball player, enjoyed the festivities along with about 700 other students. The Pan American Student Forum donated a pinata for the event, and entertainment was provided by the MCC Dance Company. (Photo by Johnson)

It's old home week at MCC**China Spring graduates adjust to college life**

By Kurt Salisbury

High school ties die hard, but some never die at all.

For 24 exes of China Spring High, those ties may never be broken.

Hailing from a small rural community northwest of Waco, these students have made their new stomping ground MCC: Tony Montanez, Larry Skarpa, Louis

Rosen, Raylynn Hollingsworth, Ann Helona, Mark Dowdy, Susan Bourgault, Janie Witt, Dana Martin, Chris Aaron, Deela Curry, Terrie Peacock, Karla Ligt, Robby Barlow, Jim Ditto, Kirk Petty, John Whitlatch, Karl Gowens, Ann Burt, Todd Spivey, Ronn Hollingsworth, Robin Poston, Scott Simpson, and Kurt Salisbury.

The question, "How have you adjusted to college life?" was put to these new freshmen, and all basically had the same thing to say: that they all really enjoyed going here and like the atmosphere.

Tony Montanez said, "I have adjusted in that I meet more new people every day. As far as studying goes, I'm still trying."

Janie Witt replied, "I have adjusted to college life except that I have to go to bed earlier. Oh yeah, I really enjoy drill team," she said, adding a giggle.

One of the more confident replies came from Ronn Hollingsworth who said, "For me it's been a breeze—I've had no trouble adjusting. I have met some new people, most of them good."

Susan Bourgault's reply was, "Oh, I've really adapted to the point where I don't even have to study," she said.

"For instance, right now I'm skipping a class because I didn't study and I don't want to fall the text. I really like being in drill team because it's fun and I get to meet some really nice people, but, I have met some real jerks, if you

know what I mean! But really I haven't studied at all so I guess I'm doing alright, thank you," she said.

When Deela Curry was asked, she answered sincerely, "I work and go to school, so I had to learn to budget my time to where I can work and study without losing too much sleep. I like going here because there are no wasted classes—I mean there is always something to do, and I like going home earlier because I can get things done at home."

"Yea, I have met a lot of good people, really good people."

Larry Skarpa said, "Since I

only go to classes two days a week, I don't really have the workload that others have. I do have some, but what I have isn't as hard as what I expected. I don't have much of a chance meeting new people, but the ones I do meet are okay."

The graduates are good friends and are trying to be friendly with everyone else.

Karl Gowens put it this way, "I have met a lot of good people here who are really friendly, but I'll never lose touch with my friends from high school." So goes the CHS class of '81 as they work to get a foothold on the workload at MCC.

Walters assumes post as media technician; likes MCC atmosphere

By Billy Bardin

If you're ever in the vicinity of the Science Building and the Lecture Hall, follow the steps down to the Media Center and meet a new face.

Her name is Sandy Walters. She's MCC's new media technician and a recent graduate of Baylor University.

Walters was hired this summer to manage the delivery of audio and visual equipment to various classrooms.

Since Walters' employment, she has developed a fondness for MCC. When asked how she felt about

MCC, Walters said, "I believe that MCC is geared more toward the community and has a more relaxed atmosphere than most other colleges."

Part of this is due to the fact that "MCC professors are more human and believable than Baylor professors," says Walters.

Summing it up, Walters adds "Baylor is a school steeped with tradition that provides an excellent background. But for many students, MCC has a more loose atmosphere that also serves the needs of the students."

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Apartment managers praise student occupants

By Julie Cain

Most student tenants rate an "A" from Waco apartment managers. However, managers do not always fare as well with students.

"The management promised a dead bolt key and other things that were not delivered," said Donna Smith, who lives at Whispering Oaks. Another Whispering Oaks resident disagreed. Freshman Keni Reding, said, "The management is real concern-

ed if anything is wrong. They are always willing to help."

Sophomore Jeanne Gauntt, who lives in a garage apartment managed by Robbie Riggs, said, "I feel that knowing your manager on a personal basis makes things go a lot smoother." Harold Manning, sophomore, a resident of Lake Ridge Manor, said "My manager is very nice. He is understanding about students and young people living in his apartments."

"Student residents are just as — or more — responsible than families or young professionals," said Town Oaks Manager Ruthie Bartos.

More students live in area apartments in the fall than any other time of the year, according to area apartment managers.

Jackie Watson, manager of Village Green Apartments, said, "Managers should run the complex, not the complex

run the managers." She feels if managers have problems with students it is the managers' fault for not making the rules clear.

Because of policy, students who do not support themselves have their parents sign the lease. Therefore, "Students are more responsible, since parents are just as liable for the apartments," said Sandra

Cloer, assistant manager of Village Green Apartments.

Gemini Village Manager Cheryl Davis and The Willows Manager Elizabeth Bryant feel students have more pride in their apartments than most tenants.

"Usually it is the first time they have lived away from home, so students take good care of their new establishment," said Davis.

Bryant summarized it for most of the managers, "Students are my favorite residents."

These folks do windows . . .

Housekeeping experts divulge trade secrets

By Journalism 351 Class

This is a story with a lot of dirt in it.

To most people, cleaning house seems like a chore that will never end. But to 64-year-old Lena Mae Stearling, it's more than a chore. It's her job.

Stearling, Home Furniture Company's maid, dusts about 1000 pieces of furniture a day. "I sometimes use Pledge when I dust, but I usually just use a dry clean rag to go over the furniture," said Stearling.

She continued, "If it hadn't been for a couple of people I work with, I would have left years ago." Stearling will retire next April when she turns 65.

Patricia Frank has many miles to dust before retirement. Frank, an MCC business-executive secretary major, cleans house twice a week for a private home. She's a novice at the task.

"Housecleaning is okay," said Frank. "It gives me a feeling of accomplishment and it helps pay for my education."

But she hates to do windows. "Cleaning is not a very hard job. The windows are the toughest task, especially if there are a lot of them."

Ruthie May Lee, Village Green Apartments' maid, offered some tips on windows for Frank. "Windows clean better with ammonia and water (half and half). Wipe the windows with newspaper, but don't use the funnies. The color will come off on the window."

A cleaning wizard, Lee has 25 years experience, wears about a size 3 dress, loves people and loves to work. She's also a gourmet of cleaning preparations.

She often prepares her own cleansers from scratch. She thinks her home remedies are better than most commercial products.

"When you don't have liquid bowl cleaner, you can use four cups of washing powder and one-half cup of bleach. Let it sit and then scrub. It will come out cleaner than liquid," suggested Lee. More tips by Lee will follow at the end of this story.

Ken Ball, owner of his own cleaning service, preferred Lysol for cleaning restrooms. "Lysol leaves that smell that

people like to smell when they walk into the bathroom."

Bell, unlike others, takes pride in washing windows. "People clean windows differently. I find that if you use a mixture of vinegar and water, it does not leave streaks."

The feeling of accomplishment and the philosophy that "time is money" keep Bell going.

Essie Abercrombie, one of MCC's student center custodians found that a sponge and a rubber glove come in more handy than a brush for cleaning toilets. "It works better with a sponge because you can go all the way around the toilet bowl, and that's my way of cleaning."

Busy emergency room day proves depressing

By Debbie Cowover

"Dr. Pryor to emergency, stat! Dr. Pryor to emergency, stat!" I heard the same type of calls all day.

Ever wonder what it would be like to spend a day in the emergency room? Not as a patient, but as an observer? I certainly have. So one day I decided to find out for myself.

As I entered the hospital at 6:45 that morning, I noticed nurses and doctors scurrying everywhere. My eyes then focused on a man sprawled across the lobby floor. I later learned that he had come in for a doctor's appointment and gone under cardiac arrest while waiting.

At about 7:30, a young boy and his grandmother were admitted. They had been in a car accident. The little boy had a broken collar bone. His grandmother had broken three ribs.

By the time 8 a.m. rolled around, my stomach had taken enough punishment. So I decided to head for the cafeteria. After gulping down a small portion of overcooked eggs and burnt biscuits, I went back down to "the room."

Much to my surprise, it was crowded. I got the feeling I was in McDonald's during the lunch rush. A few pregnancy cases, along with the general "aches and pains" patients, had strolled in.

Time passed over-awfully slowly. I grew tired. Sud-

denly, an alarm sounded and aroused me from my sleepy state. Afterwards, a rough, deep-toned voice came over the intercom system, "Attention! The alarm has been accidentally triggered. It is a false alarm. We are working

on the problem at present. Thank you."

Well, it was ten minutes before the alarm was finally cut off. Bells kept ringing in my head for some time.

The worst part of the entire

day came after 3 p.m. I sat quietly watching while three members of a family arrived to see a loved one, only to find they were too late. It was after this that I made my exit.

I'd rather be at home.

Thoral deodorizer, Forward, Radene, Purex and Clophane are some of the cleansing products Abercrombie uses at work.

Clophane is her favorite product. "I never use it at home but I would recommend it because it's good," said Abercrombie.

By the way, Essie is the Aunt of Baylor football star Walter Abercrombie. Essie is the star of the journalism department because she tackles the task of cleaning the journalism room, which is often the Superbowl of messiness.

Some people who clean are carrying on a family tradition.

Edna Jefferson, Hillcrest Baptist Hospital custodian said, "My mother did it. My

older sister did it. So I guess I'm just carrying on a tradition. I did wish I'd had the chance to be a mom, but I never married. I guess I've had a good life and I hope I live to a ripe old age."

Jefferson considers her work and the people she works with enjoyable. "I can safely say I don't hate anyone I work with, I like every one of them," said Jefferson.

"When meeting people, I love it. When it gets busy, it gets a little back-breaking."

To make your own housekeeping less back-breaking, here are a few easy tips:

1. Don't mix bleach or ammonia with other cleaners because it makes toxic fumes.
2. Use bleach water to remove mildew around the bathtub.
3. Pine Sol and Mr. Clean are best on floors.
4. Steam cleaning is better for carpets than shampooing because steam cleaning leaves no residue.
5. Lysol bowl cleaner takes off water drops from the toilet bowl.
6. A drop of muratic acid will take off cigarette burns on marble vanity tops. Use the acid with caution.
7. Ammonia with water and a brush will clean jewelry.
8. Turn off the ice box before cleaning because the water will drip, even with frost-free freezers.

You've Got A Friend . . .

To personalize your college experience and to provide the faculty and staff an opportunity to assist you and to know you better, the student mentoring program is being implemented. A mentor is a friend, a guide, a listener, a helper. The faculty or staff member will serve as the mentor and as a valuable resource and college contact for you, the student. Your mentor will:

- be a friend, a sponsor, a good listener
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- provide you moral support
- help you "learn the ropes" at MCC and college life
- talk and visit with you
- help you succeed in college

If you are interested in this mentoring program and would like a special MCC friend, complete the form below and drop it by the Office of the Dean of Student Services in the Administration Building as soon as possible.

Yes, I would like a member of the MCC faculty or staff as my mentor. I am interested in participating in the Student Mentoring Program.

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Folksinger in search of 'good old days'

John Boswell was born in the mountains of Oregon. He grew up in the West Texas area and at one time lived in Waco. "I grew up on homemade music," said Boswell.

As a teenager in the 1960's, Boswell played rhythm guitar in a rock-and-roll band that performed songs by such artists as The Turtles, The Beatles and Bob Dylan. "I've been directly influenced by Kris Kristofferson and Gordon Lightfoot," said Boswell.

His early years found him in the Navy working as a frogman. Boswell also did one year's tour duty in Vietnam. "I came back to the states and decided to pursue professional entertainment as a career," said Boswell.

Boswell has a degree in music from Texas Tech. He used this to his advantage by working for one season as a singer and dancer at Disney

World. Due to a union strike, his job was terminated.

"There was a time when I became sick of the music business and I moved to Dallas to frame houses for a couple years." Slowly Boswell's love for music surfaced again.

Boswell is interested in the humanistic side of folk music and shuns the hype and money associated with today's music scene. Traveling in an old pickup truck, Boswell has played in almost every part of the country. He spent three and one-half years in Canada working a tour that included 34 clubs he played frequently.

Boswell has recorded an album of original material, but also plays music by other artists. "I play music by people in the folk music category," said Boswell.

Last year, Boswell worked through the Texas Commission of the Arts in Lub-

bock. He taught folk music to approximately 9,000 elementary school students.

These days, his efforts are directed toward playing small clubs and setting up a non-profit organization called Native Lands. The corporation would consist of a horse-drawn prairie schooner, three Indian ponies pulling a rig with tee-pees, followed by a fully equipped chuck wagon and four mounted riders. The wagon train would go around and perform at school programs and festivals of heritage and ecology.

What does the future hold for Boswell? "I'm trying to learn what it really means to be a folk singer," said Boswell. His plans include working with youth and writing more songs.

When in Waco, Boswell plays at the Pump Station, in the Water-Works restaurant, located at 101 Mill Avenue.



John Boswell explains his folksinger lifestyle. (Photo by Laverty)

REVIEW OF INNOCENT AGE

Fogelberg journeys into time to capture youth

By Vern Pecore

Dan Fogelberg has captured the essence of youth in the album "The Innocent Age." Just released, the double album has already scored a top-ten single.

You may remember the song "Same Old Lang Syne." It was released last December and billed as a single from the forthcoming album "The Innocent Age." Due to setbacks incurred during the produc-

tion of the album, Fogelberg was forced to delay the release date of the record.

"Hard To Say" is the current single release and is receiving airplay rapidly. The song is a laidback cut that employs the background harmony vocals of Eagle Glen Frey.

Another track that is noteworthy is "The Sand And The Foam." It is a beautiful acoustic ballad about the years of childhood as related

to how short this part of life is.

"Run For The Roses" traces the life of a racehorse from birth to the prospect of racing. The song incorporates the style of John Denver and the feel of a country/folk melody.

Fogelberg and Emmylou Harris blend their talented voices to produce "Only The Heart May Know," a beautiful ballad that focuses on friendship and other memories of the past.

"Nexus" is an up-tempo cut that features a Latin sound with a blend of jazz. Other up-tempo tracks include "Times Like These," featured in the movie "Urban Cowboy," "Stolen Moments" and the album's title cut fare well.

As usual, Fogelberg surrounds himself with his friends who are all accomplished singers and/or musicians. Included on the lp are Joni Mitchell, Don Henley (Eagles), Michael Brecker

(Steely Dan), Russ Kunkel (Drummer for Linda Ronstadt, James Taylor) and the UCLA band.

Dan Fogelberg gives an excellent performance throughout the album, blending light pop and country with orchestral overtones. It is a must for Fogelberg fans and also for anyone who appreciates an all-around performer.

REVIEW: ALBUM NOT UP TO PAR

Foreigner - 'the fourth' flops

By Craig Palu

If you're really tired of disappointments, tired of not getting your money's worth, tired of bad news, just plain fed up with everything, then don't buy Foreigner's new album, *Foreigner 4*. This album will push you straight over the edge.

To say the least, this album is strictly bad news. Of course, they include their top hit "Urgent," which is climbing

the charts, but the rest of this album will be left sitting in the basement.

Lou Gramm is great on the vocals on "Urgent," and Junior Walker also does a great sax solo on the song. Unfortunately, the rest of the songs on this album don't measure up to "Urgent," or Foreigner's full potential.

In a band known for its vocals, you may not recognize that this is really Foreigner,

but it is. The songs on *Four* are boring, not to mention dull. You're not going to get a "Double Vision" or "Cold as Ice," or "Dirty White Boy," on this album.

For a long time, Foreigner, not to mention Bad Company and Van Halen were supposed to be poor imitations of, well decent imitations of, Led Zeppelin. But with this album, Foreigner fell out of that group.

REVIEW: ATTICUS TERRIFIC

'To Kill a Mockingbird' flies

By Joey Chapa

If suspense and drama excites you then the Waco Civic Theatre's production of "To Kill a Mockingbird" is the show for you.

Set in the little town of Macom, Alabama, "To Kill A Mockingbird" centers around a small-town lawyer who is going to defend a black man, accused of beating and raping a white girl. Once the townspeople learn that a white

man is going to defend a black man — well, all I can say is to be prepared to be on the edge of your seats for the rest of the play.

Although the play drags at first, the entrance of two talented youths quickly pick up the pace. Eight-year-old Brenda Erklitz and eleven-year-old Joe Fortune enchanted the audience with their portrayals of Scout and Jem. Cindy Allgood and Scott

Wallace also turned in strong performances as Jean and Atticus Finch.

Overall, "To Kill a Mockingbird" is a must for theatre lovers. The mixture of a talented cast and crew make this play one of the best for WCT.

"To Kill A Mockingbird" runs through Sept. 26. For reservations call 776-1591.

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MCC rafters hit 'Sunburn City' along Brazos

By Harold Manning

Imagine being accompanied by banditos, rebels, and vikings on a treacherous journey up the Brazos River.

That's the situation I faced when I volunteered to cover the Fifth Annual Great Texas Raft Race. I doubt that even Lewis and Clark could have imagined such an adventure.

When I arrived at the MCC arena at 10 a.m., many of the participants had already launched their crafts. I knew then that the next couple of hours were going to be interesting.

One of the rafts, built and manned by the Lochridge-Priest Service Department, came equipped with the bare necessities of river survival: a barbecue pit and a keg of fuel. I later learned that they never even finished the race.

After surveying the rest of the rafts in the water, I decided to check out the raft that I would be fortunate enough to occupy. I walked up to the metal fence that housed the MCC vessels, and saw a sleek, aerodynamic boat with three plastic fuselages, on top of which were a number of comfortable-looking, barstool-type chairs.

I said to myself, "Hey, this won't be too bad."

As I began to imagine myself gliding easily through the water at the helm of this beautiful raft, Mark Rauschuber, our Student Government president, called to me and asked me what I thought.

After talking to Mark for a while, I realized that the raft I was looking at was the faculty raft. Our raft was the two blocks of styrofoam sitting next to it.

That's right, the one without seats.

It was still a lot better than some of the other participants' rafts. One entry was nothing but an innertube in which one man sat using two ping-pong paddles for locomotion.

Finally, noon rolled around and we were off and running. The MCC student raft was in the first heat. We were dead last by the time we got 50 yards out.

When we arrived at the first bridge, people from the sixth heat were passing us. We decided to re-group and think about the situation. We stopped and took a dip in the river.

After this spiritual renewal, we journeyed on to the tune

of "99 Bottles of 'Fuel' on the Wall" and "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer."

An hour later (or maybe it was two hours later) we arrived at the crossroads of the Brazos River where people began to cheer us on. David Johnson, a Herald photographer, was standing on the side of the river and we threw him a present. If he was going to follow us down the river, he needed it.

About 3:30 p.m. we approached the Suspension Bridge and figured we were just about through. Two of our crew members couldn't resist the temptation. They jumped off the bridge.

Guess who passed us as we were waiting to pick up our stray crew? That's right, the man on the innertube with the ping-pong paddles.

We were still in good spirits because we could just about see the finish line.

Four hours and fifteen minutes after starting (and two cases of fuel later) the MCC Student Government raft crossed I-35. The race was over.

Even though we didn't make quite as good a showing as the faculty raft (one hour, 32 minutes), we did accom-



Out-of-town contestants gallantly paddle toward the finish line in the Great Texas Raft Race held on the Brazos River Labor Day.

plish one thing: that at MCC, we really are "something special."

Anyone who happened to catch any part of our journey could not deny that fact. They would also have noticed that there was no one else on the river having a better time. Except maybe for the winning raft.

As for this reporter, well, I walked over to my friend's campsite at Fort Fisher and sat down to a brisket, potato salad, and baked bean dinner. I then looked at myself and said, "Boy are you sunburned." I mean, even my scalp was bright crimson. Still is.

And that's the way it was, Labor Day, Sept. 7, 1981.

Burnette and Company abandon raft, choose overland route

By Melanie Burnette

Ah Summer! Those muggy hot days and steamy Texas nights are following Father Time right out the back door. Halloween and Thanksgiving are right around the corner.

This reporter spent her last summer days with half of Waco Labor Day weekend at The Great Texas Raft Race. After two years of playing spectator, I decided to join the crazy crew from Giovanni's and hit the high seas.

When I first caught sight of Giovanni's vessel, I almost decided to become a spectator for another year. But, courageously, I followed through with my earlier resolution.

The craft resembled the cat-walk on Skull Island at Six Flags, and it was just as stable. At first there were 20 people and only four paddles. Later on we picked up 10 more paddles (from somewhere). But it didn't really matter. The Giovanni's raft was headed nowhere fast.

The only redeeming factor about the raft was the keg of "fuel" placed right smack in the middle. More about that later.

Anyway, we were in the seventh heat (number 164) and when we got to the starting line everything looked hunky-dory. Everything was perfect until the announcer said GO, and then the Giovanni's crew found themselves dead-last.

Valiantly, we struggled a few yards, and then some kindhearted soul cried out, "Break time." Needless to say, there were no arguments.

After the Giovanni's craft had sped away from the starting line, we started noticing other boats that had started in heats behind us were beginning to pass us on both sides. Thoroughly humiliated, we practiced good sportsmanship by splashing tons of water on those we could reach.

Our luck was to change for the better. Another raft pulled

up along side our speeding vessel. Just as we were about to flood their decks with water, I heard a motor running. "Let's compromise!" our captain screamed, "Our fuel for your motor power."

To our joy, the captain of the other raft agreed, and we became partners. The Giovanni's raft was hooked on, and we were sailing smoothly. Everybody kicked up their feet, laid back and enjoyed the good life. Some of us jumped in the grimy waters of the Brazos and cooled off. Boy-oh-boy, was it ever great.

But life is brutal; good things don't last forever. Our motor powered friends turned on us. Maliciously, they cut our connecting rope. The Giovanni stopped dead in her tracks. We screamed obscenities at their traitorous backs. We cajoled. We promised. But they were around the bend, and we were floating aimlessly down the river.



Waco Jaycees attempt finishing the GTRR in their idea of the floating parachute. (Photos by Consuelo Arriola)

After another hour in the burning sun, (and about 50 feet further) tempers began to get short. Our sternman yelled unkind things to us, and then he cut off our "fuel" supply.

By this time, I was fed up with the whole enterprise. I was hot, sun-burned, burned out and feeling the effects of the "good life." Then the captain (he was the one wearing the number) decided to recede. The raft was split up into five separate parts, all connected with rope.

So the captain and three others (plus me) cut the rope connecting us to the main body (and the "fuel"). We started moving for once.

We traitors had been paddling along for awhile when a motor boat pulled up alongside and asked us if we needed a lift. We did.

We dumped our sectioned raft, and loaded our gear on the Phantom. This part of the day had to have been the most satisfying. We were actually watching trees go by at a definable rate.

The couple that owned the

Phantom were an interesting pair. They told me that they enjoyed picking up tired sailors, and that they do year after year. We passed by our Giovanni's raft and waved. No one waved back. They didn't even crack a smile.

The couple sped us back to the Marina where we yelled our thank-yous and dragged our junk to shore. Then we dived in and swam around the deserted starting point. It was funny how the place, bustling with excitement before, had become so quiet.

Five tired, hungry ex-sailors struggled up the hill toward the parking lots and loaded in the captain's (yep, he still had number 164 on) truck. We grabbed double cheeseburgers and fries at Burger King, and then headed home.

One thing was clear in the minds of all of us. We were never ever going on a raft again, unless it was built for speed.

Ah summer, the slow, hot days are creeping out the back door. But the Great Texas Raft Race was a good way to see it out.



Contestants aboard the MCC student raft were: (l to r) Joe Parker, Arron Watkins, Florence Davis, Harold Manning, Bill Bradley, Debbie Herbert, Mark Rauschuber, Kately Jones, Melissa Crain, Mike Heller and Kevin Walters. They didn't win the race, but at least they finished.

Season starts Nov. 9

DeWeese anticipates very good season

By Amy Neal

MCC's men's basketball team will open the season here Nov. 9 against Tyler Junior College. Coach Ken DeWeese feels this will be a hard game, since Tyler won their regional tournament last year.

Coach DeWeese has a positive attitude toward this year's team. He said, "They should be a much more well-rounded team. They should be better because of more

college experience. Last year, we had a lot of freshmen making a big step from high school basketball to college basketball."

Bill Jones and Carl Fitzgerald are two of last year's starters who will be returning this year. According to DeWeese, because Jones and Fitzgerald started last year doesn't mean they will start this year. "Though they will be a great advantage to the team whether they start or

not."

MCC has eight returning players and has recruited seven more. Two returning from last year's team are sophomores Greg Hunt (5'9") from Houston and Kevin Fitchett (6'5") also from Houston. They were "red shirts" last year, meaning they worked out at every practice with the team, but were ineligible to play.

"Hunt and Fitchett will also be beneficial to the success of

the Highlanders," said DeWeese.

DeWeese has already begun practices. The team works out three to four hours a day, physically and mentally preparing themselves for the season ahead.

"MCC will have a tougher schedule in conference this year. Hill and Cisco will both be tougher. Cook will be very tough as they finished sixth in the nation last year," DeWeese said.

"I'm looking forward to this season with great anticipation. I enjoyed coaching last year's team and was very proud of their 23-10 record," he said. Anyone "with exceptional talent" interested in trying out for the team should get in contact with Coach DeWeese no later than Oct. 1.

DeWeese invites both faculty and students to come support the Highlanders, who he said are "pretty nice guys who are fun to watch."

Baseball hopefuls practicing hard to make team

By Harold Manning

MCC has a good chance this year to continue the tradition of producing a nationally-ranked baseball team. Right now, however, there are quite a few newcomers who don't even know if they will get the chance to try on a Highlander uniform.

The fact of the matter is that most of them won't. Even though about 53 hopefuls are experiencing the same stomach cramps and blisters as those who made the team last year, Coach Butler can only have about 26 on his roster. The rest will have to be released through a series of "cuts."

All a prospective player can do right now is run just a little faster than he ever has before, hit the ball a little harder, and consistently come up with those big defensive plays that he could never quite turn over in high school. What can he do after all that? Just wait.

And maybe pray a little.

Mark Walsh, a transfer student from Baylor, said, "It's hard to stop thinking about. I mean you have to keep telling yourself you're good enough, but it's hard to convince yourself that there aren't enough guys out there

good enough to beat you out for that last spot on the roster. Especially when there are guys from all over the country trying out."

Last year, by the end of the season, the Highlanders were ranked third in the nation. Anyone who tries out for the team would have to place some high expectations on himself, both mentally and physically.

It is fairly easy to see that an athlete could feel pretty bad if a cut came around and his name wasn't on the list of those who made it.

Billy Futch, a sophomore, said the first thing he felt when he didn't see his name on last year's list was anger.

"It bothered me because my brother made the team a couple of years ago and I always thought I could play in college. I just told myself it was my own fault because I played around all summer and didn't stay in shape."

He also said that after a while he got over it, and after all, "A team that made it to Nationals the year before is only going to take the best."

Settling for being less-than-the-best could be a little harder for some people. Learning to give something 100 percent

and accepting the fact that sometimes even that is not enough is quite an accomplishment in itself.

When spring rolls around the Highlander baseball team

will take to the field for the first time. There will be 26 players left out of the 53 who tried out this fall.

Mark Walsh, along with the rest of this year's hopefuls,

may or may not be one of those. But it's a safe bet that all 53 will have learned something special by then.

And isn't that what college is all about?

Tennis players strive for nationals

By David Johnson

"Experience could make the difference this year," explained MCC Tennis Coach Carmack Berryman.

Berryman has five of last year's starters returning to the '81-82 tennis squad.

They are: Richard "Big Red" Tatum, a Waco Richfield product; Tom "Surfer" Adams, of San Diego, Calif.; Mario "Drop Shot" Rauch, from Germany, who is also MCC's clay court specialist; and Jimmy "Bud Man" LaRoe from the tennis empire of Terrell; and Elda Salinas, of Sabinal.

"Since practically everyone is a sophomore, I think we'll have the advantage on mental toughness this year," said Berryman.

Rounding out the men's team are sophomore transfer students Don Woods, from

East Texas State University, originally of Palm Desert Calif.; Eddie Stricker, of Riverside, Calif.; and Ronen Graziani, from Israel. The lone freshman is Oscar Villerreal, who is a product of MCC's West Texas connections.

The ladies' team features the local talents of Cherly Oxley, from Waco Reicher; Dana Drewyer, of Waco Richfield; and two players from Marlin, Gina Gisting and Kim Alston. All are freshmen at MCC.

Tom Adams, returning letterman, said, "In my opinion this year's team is as good, if

not better than last year's. We should have made nationals last year, but we just choked our way out of it. This year it could be different."

Another letterman, Richard Tatum, said, "We have a lot of good players this year that have the talent to take this team places. On a good day we could beat anybody."

"Experience could be the difference in the three-set matches this year. I'd rather not see any three-setters, but if it comes to that, hopefully our experience will benefit us," concluded Berryman.

Intramurals swing into action

By Mark Edwards

It's intramural sports time again!

And the first sport that will be coming our way, will be co-ed volleyball.

"Co-ed volleyball is not like other sports. This is more like a social sport," said Coach Ray Murray. He added, "Volleyball is a great sport. It helps a person make new friends."

Some of the rules have been revised to help make playing together more fun.

First, the men may not spike the ball, but the women can. The women must hit the ball at least once before going back over the net. At the end of the season, the top two teams will be considered the winners.

Next sport will be flag football for men and women. This will take part the first of October. Coach Murray said, "It should be fun and attract many students." He also stated that the winning teams

will be the ones with the best plays.

Frisbee football will be another attraction. This sport is much like flag football, but participants use a frisbee.

If you like to play chess, you can enter a tournament at the Student Activities Office. After 12 people have signed up, the playing will begin.

This fall, a racquetball tournament will begin about the last of October. The Student Calendar has information on most of the competition.

All games will be played during the activity period on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 10-11 a.m. There will be no cost for students.

"It's really important for our students to be involved in an activity. When a person identifies with the school, he tends to better himself and get more out of the situation," said Murray.

Each member of a winning team will receive a T-shirt.

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