

Speech Department Holds Tourney



High school speech competitors eagerly await the awarding of trophies in the Student Center.

A mass of buzzing voices, nervously pacing feet and fluttering tummies filled the student center Jan. 10 for the second annual MCC-Waco High School Speech Tournament and Festival.

Several hundred students from 34 junior and senior high schools competed for awards.

"It was a little hectic," said Gigi Airheart, a freshman MCC student helping the North Junior Debate teams. "The most hectic part of the whole tournament, though, was trying to order 36 orders of Church's Chicken at noon," she said.

Richfield High School won the Sweepstakes trophy for the senior high school

division and Kinkaid took the junior high school Sweepstakes award.

Mary Katherine Van Dyke of Kinkaid took the Lydia Klatt Traveling trophy for outstanding girl speaker at the tournament and Adam Erelli, also of Kinkaid, won the Henry Klatt Traveling trophy for outstanding boy speaker at the tournament.

Richfield High School won top honors in debate, prose reading, solo-acting, extemporaneous speaking and duet-acting.

Kinkaid won top honors in junior high prose reading, Novice debate, junior high oratory, junior high extemporaneous speaking, junior high solo-acting and junior high duet-acting.

Pine Tree High School was awarded trophies in debate, oratory, poetry reading and extemporaneous speaking.

North Junior High received top honors in junior high extemporaneous speaking, junior high oratory and Novice debate.

Georgetown and Kilgore both placed in high school poetry reading while Fairway Junior High won all junior high honors in

this division.

Jefferson-Moore took top honors in oratory and duet-acting.

Reicher High School and Killeen High School won first and second places, respectively, in Readers Theater competition.

Cleburne, Copperas Cove, Reicher, Killeen, Gladewater and Temple high schools all received honors in various events.

For comic relief from the nervous tension of the tournament, MCC speech students sponsored the Forensics Fiasco. This informal tournament included a number of unconventional events plus a prediction contest of who was going to win in the original tournament.

Tim Johnson from San Angelo won the Humorous Quote Card Interpretation; Darrell Beauchamp from Belton won the Mascot Madness; and Woody Rhodes from Richfield won the Tall Tale Telling contest.

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Board Rejects Student Center

The addition to the Student Center, delayed because of bad weather and construction problems, appears completed. The heating is installed, the windows are polished, the sidewalks are swept clean. The building is at long last ready for use, right? Wrong.

The white, modern addition, with its assortment of game rooms and offices, is not quite ready for occupancy. Several major items on its "punch" list need to be corrected, and acceptance of the new building will be postponed until the situation can be taken care of.

At its monthly meeting, Jan. 14, board of trustees members toured the Student Center. President Dr. Wilbur Ball commented that "The board makes a cursory inspection of the project to determine in a general way whether the building is satisfactory. It (the board) can not do a

thorough inspection of a building in a half hour. Basically they depend on the architects to advise them."

After a tour, the board returned to its meeting where members of the architectural firm of Bennett, Carnahan, Hearne, and Thomas advised the board not to approve the building until the items on the "punch" list were completed. Main items of controversy included stairstep widths and an unfinished aggregate floor. There were also minor items such as spots on carpet and paint touch-ups which needed to be corrected said Mel Post Director of Administrative Services.

The basketball field house was accepted at the same meeting and will be completed with the addition of a few finishing touches.

The contractor of the Center, W.H. Barsh, owner of Barsh Construction

Company, rose to say that the punch list was a problem itself, and his company would not accept it. He also added that the entire project was handled by the architects in a vindictive and harassing way. Barsh told the board that he wanted to do a good job but felt that his men should not have to be intimidated by the architect.

The board appointed two of its members—Chairman Thomas E. Mooney and member Bob Sheehy—to meet with members of both the architectural and construction firms to work out differences.

"This committee will examine the punch list to see wherein the controversy lies, and the final payment will be held until the punch list is completed. This is a case where we should not try to pre-judge either the contractor or the architect," said Dr. Ball.

As soon as the controversies over the punch list are settled, corrections will be



Mel Post, director of administrative services, examines a building flaw in the Student Center addition.

made, and the new building will be accepted. Until then, students will have to be content simply to look at their new Student Center.

Eight Positions Open

The Student Government convened an informal meeting Monday to reacquaint themselves and determine the needs for the Spring Semester of 1975. It was determined that seven representative vacancies and the Office of Secretary will be open for election.

Don Bynum, Director of Student Activities, said, "A Scholarship for tuition and matriculation fees will be awarded to the position of Office of Secretary, provided the individual is not presently on a scholarship program."

The secretary's position requires keeping the Roll, filing, answering correspondence and recording the minutes of weekly meetings.

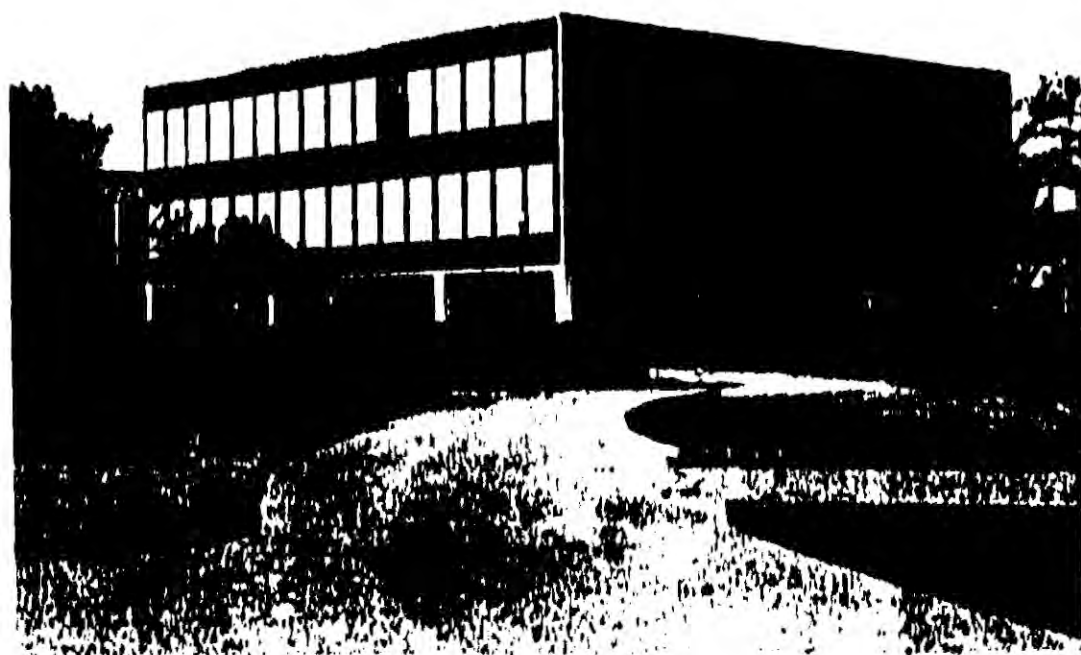
Applications for student government

representative and secretary may be picked up at the Student Activities Office on the ground floor of the Student Center.

The applications must be turned in by Jan. 24. Elections will be in the Student Center Jan. 30 and 31.

The representative applicants must have completed the previous college semester with at least a 2.0 grade average or if a first semester student, at least a "C" average the last semester in high school. The average time required of each member is about three hours per week.

"The Student Government representatives will continue to meet each Monday at 10 a.m. in the Student Center Conference Room. Campaigning may continue through the elections," said Bynum.



FROM THE OUTSIDE—New Student Center appears deceptively complete.

Sophomore Dieter Loses Weight



Betty K. Kirkbride, sophomore, proudly receives the Weight Watchers' trophy from Health Services Director, Blanche Willis.

Betty K. Kirkbride, sophomore mental health major, is a big loser. And she is proud of it. In just one semester Miss Kirkbride lost 47 pounds and is still losing more weight.

She won the Diet Watchers trophy for losing the most weight during the semester. This unofficial campus organization has seven members who participated in the weight loss race.

"Being heavy can be lonely if you are not outgoing," said Miss Kirkbride.

Since shedding the excess poundage, Miss Kirkbride says she has gained a new outlook on life. She can participate in more physical activities, has more self-confidence and is more readily accepted by others. Even her grades have improved.

"Someday I will be out in the professional world and I do not want to look like a baby blimp," Miss Kirkbride candidly admitted.

Overweight since the age of six, Miss Kirkbride decided at 27 to do something about it. People always told her she just had to lose weight, but "I am the kind of person who does just the opposite of what I am told to do," said Miss Kirkbride.

Then she saw a lovely red pantsuit and fell in love with it. Naturally, it was too small. She began seeing her doctor, who

put her on a steak and egg diet with lots of water for two weeks, off and on. When she is not on the steak and egg diet, Miss Kirkbride eats fish, poultry, and vegetables. She lost 20 pounds the first month.

Her weight has now dropped from 270 to 223 pounds. After losing all that weight, the pantsuit was gone when she went back to purchase it.

"It would have been too big for me by then anyway," laughed Miss Kirkbride.

Miss Kirkbride's tremendous weight loss even inspired me to lose ten pounds, said the health services director, Blanche Willis.

Most obese people say, "I have gland trouble." But according to most doctors' findings, only about 5 percent of obesity problems are gland related. The most abused and over-used gland is the mouth.

"If you are thick and tired of it, join up and count down with the Dieters Club," said Blanche Willis, director of health services and club advisor. An increase in membership will enable the club to become official.

Anyone interested in losing weight may come by the First Aid Room, Student Center, Fri. at 10 a.m. for the Dieters' first meeting.

Couple Prefers Waco

Supporting a family and attending college at the same time seems an ambitious task; but to one married couple attending school, the solution and resulting way of life is quite unique.

The couple are Kenneth Martin, sophomore, and Yvonne Martin, freshman, from Texas and California, respectively.

The fact that they both attend school may not seem unusual; however, their many other interests make it seem almost impossible. Their interests include working at the Dallas Fire Department, raising two children, working a farm and serving on the city government of Leroy.

Mr. Martin is employed by the Dallas Fire Department. Every third day he drives from Leroy to Dallas, works a 24-hour shift, and drives back to Waco, and has been doing this for the past eight years. He has been with the Department for eleven years.

"We just like Waco better than Dallas," said Mrs. Martin. "It's a nice family town."

Two of their biggest interests are their children, Sherrie, 11, and Kevin, 10.

Two years ago the Martins acquired a 64-acre farm in Leroy. They said it was a new way of life for them and that it was a goal finally reached. The farm is occupied by a number of animals: 15 head of cattle, nine pigs, three dogs, two guinea fowl, one cat and an adopted peacock.

"We all pitch in and work together said Mrs. Martin. "The kids do the feeding in the morning, before school."

"Both of them are already driving the tractor," added Mr. Martin.

Active participation in the Leroy city government is also a part of this couple's dynamic routine. Leroy was incorporated after the Martins bought their farm, so they both volunteered to serve on the incorporation committee.

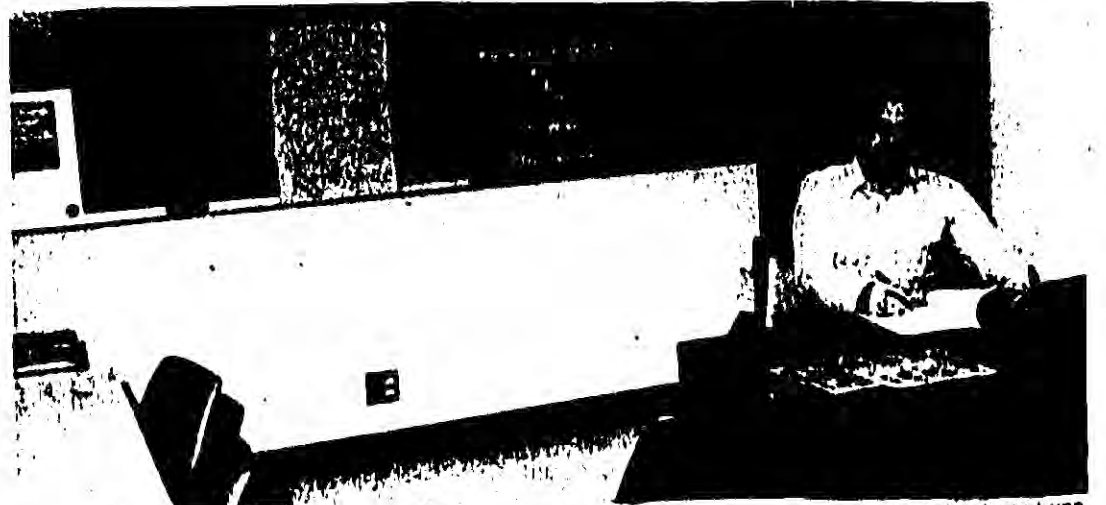
After the incorporation, it was necessary to form a city government. "I ran for the city council and was elected," said Mr. Martin. "Yvonne was nominated city secretary."

The reason for their involvement is simple. "We wanted to preserve a rural area," said Mr. Martin.

"You'd be surprised," said Mrs. Martin. "You really find time to do what you enjoy doing."



Yvonne and Kenneth Martin share studies, home, and family.



Ed Lindsay, counselor, sits in new Reading Room, waiting for students.

Reading Room Open

Applied Science Room 208 now houses a new counseling service. A Student Reading Room has been opened to make available more guidance information to the students.

Ed Lindsay, who set up this project and is responsible for its operation, said "The purpose is to reach as many students as possible, making information available on job opportunities, careers, transfers to senior colleges and to provide a reading room in a more central location."

"A person who specializes in helping students to succeed and overcome temporary defeats, trying to help the individual obtain his desired goals is what it's all about," said Lindsay.

"The student will be more apt to drop in

for a second and chat with the Counselor. This will give our office more exposure to the student, more opportunity for them to get answers to their questions."

"This convenient extension of the counseling office will provide an atmosphere of positive attitude and feeling of well being for a close working relationship with everyone involved," Lindsay said.

The Reading Room will be open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Counselors will be in Room 208 Mondays 10 to 11 a.m., Tuesday 9:30 to 10:30 a.m., Wednesday 10 to 11 a.m., Thursday 9:30 to 10:30 a.m., Friday 2 to 3 p.m. A schedule of Counselors time available will be posted on the Room 208 door.

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Pipeline

Dr. Burnett Speaks

Dr. Donald S. Burnett, associate professor of nuclear geochemistry at the California Institute of Technology, will speak on "Chemical and Isotopic Studies on Lunar Materials" at the meeting of the Heart O' Texas Chapter of the American Chemical Society at 8 p.m. tonight in the Lecture Hall.

Doing It Naturally

A new course entitled "Doing What Comes Naturally" will begin Wednesday, Jan. 22, through the Continuing Education Division.

The course, designed to use art as a basis for persons to become more creative and communicative in their daily lives, will be taught by Don Magid. A private art instructor in Waco, Magid stressed the fact that this is not simply an art course, but a study of art as a means to obtain an understanding of basic creativity. Elements of design, such as color and texture, will be stressed in the course, as well as people-to-people communication.

Classes will be held Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. for six weeks, and the cost is \$11 per person. Persons may register by mail or phone with the Continuing Education Division, 756-6551, ext. 217.

Basketball Car Caravan

A car caravan is in the works for the MCC-Hill game on Thursday in Hillsboro.

Streamers will be provided by cheerleaders for all persons meeting in front of the Administration building at 6 p.m.

The caravan will leave for the game at 6:30 p.m. with signs and noisemakers.

The caravan is sponsored by the Inter-Club Council and the cheerleaders.

Parents Without Partners

A general meeting of the Parents Without Partners, Chapter 202, will be held on Jan. 28, 1975, at 8:00 p.m. in the Texas Power & Light Bldg., 3600 Franklin Ave.

An election of new officers for the coming year will be on the agenda. The meeting is open to the Public.

Sweethearts Due

The deadline for turning in a nominating form for Homecoming Sweetheart is Jan. 29. These forms are to be accompanied by a picture of the nominee when turned into the Student Activities Office.

The nominee must be female, a full time student and be nominated by a club or by petition.

Collins Gets New Position

The Homecoming basketball game is Feb. 10, against Southwest Christian College. The Sweetheart nominees will be presented at half-time and the Homecoming Sweetheart will be crowned at that time.

Jess Collins became math coordinator at the beginning of this semester after the resignation of Wayne Duncan. Duncan remains on the staff as math instructor.

Collins, married and the father of two, has taught at MCC for six years. He was previously chairman of the math department at Sam Houston High School and coordinator of the secondary schools in Arlington.

Duncan said he resigned to give someone else the opportunity to gain experience in this area. He has held the position since 1968. Duncan said he is looking forward to spending more time teaching and working with the newly formed astronomy club.

Swimming Nights

Faculty and Student Swim Nights will be held on Mondays and Wednesdays, this semester. The swimming pool will be open 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. The gym will be open from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. on these same days.

Nursing Program Deadline

Deadline for submitting applications for admission to the February class of the Vocational Nursing Program is Feb. 3. Class members will register Feb. 4 and begin classes Feb. 17.

Graduates are qualified to take the vocational nursing state board examination. Upon successful completion of the examination, the graduate receives a license to practice as a Licensed

Vocational Nurse.

Information may be obtained in the Health Careers building on this program.

Reasonable Spirits

Spirit will abound Feb. 17 in the gymnasium during the MCC-Hill basketball game. No do not get your hopes up. Circle K is not serving free mixed drinks or other forms of artificial spirits. The spirit present at this game will be provided in part by the clubs and organizations on campus.

Clubs are going to attempt to build spirit by any "reasonable" means. (Drums, horns, yells, drill team, signs, posters, sweatshirts, etc.)

Members of the faculty will judge the clubs and present an award to the winner at the end of the game.

Scrapbook Competition

The Third Annual Scrapbook Competition is underway with all officially recognized campus clubs and organizations eligible for entry.

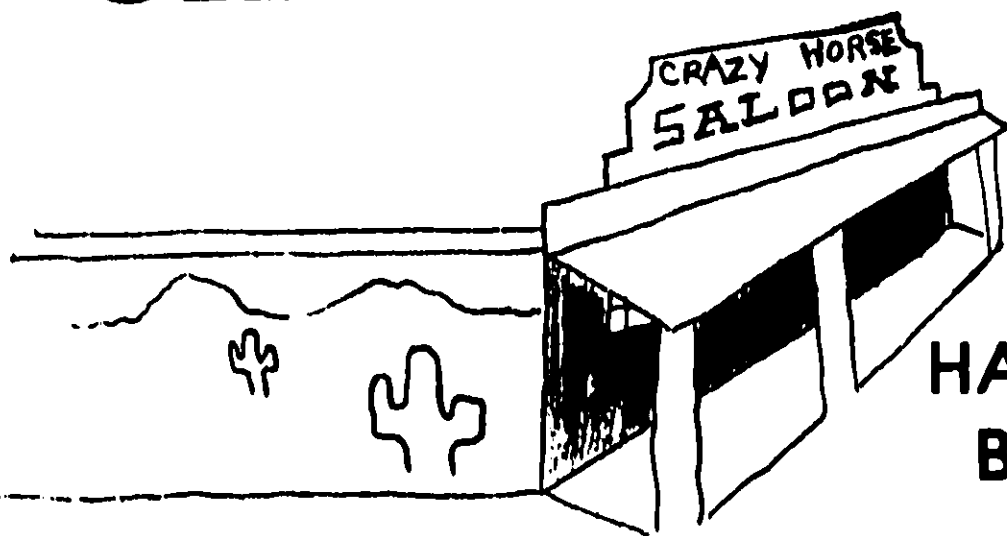
All entries must be submitted to the Student Activities Office by April 18.

Scrapbooks will be judged in the following categories: total appearance, neatness, originality, artistic design, content.

The main contents of the book should stress the activities of the current year, though a brief history of the club should be included.

The books will be judged by a panel of MCC related personnel, excluding students.

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Highlanders Prepare for Rebels

By Louis Haak

MCC 96 — Cooke 65

The Highlanders used a 55-point second half to take a 96-65 win over Cooke County in Northern Texas Junior College Athletic Conference action Monday night in the gymnasium.

The win brings the Highlander's season record to 13-3 and 3-0 in league play.

"Weasel" Johnson and John Derrick led the Highlander scoring with 21 points each. They were followed by A. C. Kuykendall with 16 points and Craig Smoak with 14.

The Big Orange won another decisive victory on the boards 70-39. Derrick corralled 19, Smoak seized 15 and Ivan Gordon got 10 big ones.

Malcomb Patten has worked his way back into the lineup even though in the past three games he has yet to score a point. Patten has been helping the Highlander's defense and has been bringing the ball down the court against the press.

Coach Johnny Carter cleared the bench with five minutes left in the game and let the reserves mop up. Blake Rasner, Paul Lamb, Tom Box, Craig Baggett, and Blue Mitchell outscored Cooke 12-4.

The Highlanders will travel to Hillsboro to try to extend their league record to 4-0 on Thursday against the Hill Rebels.

MCC 105 — Bulldogs 94

Coach Johnny Carter's Highlanders got sweet revenge for an early season loss with their defeat of the Navarro Bulldogs 105-94 Jan. 9 in Corsicana.

A.C. Kuykendall held a hot hand, hitting 13 field goals and finished the night with 27 points.



Photo by Jim Munson

John Derrick goes up for a basket against Cooke County. Derrick scored 21 points in the contest.

John Derrick scored 24 points, and collected 24 rebounds and blocked 8 shots. The Big Orange dominated the backboards 53-39.

"Weasel" Johnson scored 19 points, made 10 assists and ripped-off 4 steals, though he sat out much of the second half with four fouls.

Craig Smoak had 7 assists, a season high for him. Smoak also scored 9 points to go with his 12 rebounds.

Danny Kaspar rounded out the top Highlander scorers with 5 field goals for 10 points.

MCC 89 - Cardinals 102

The Henderson County Cardinals defeated the Highlanders 102-89 in the Navarro Classic on Jan. 10 in Corsicana.

The Cardinals drove the Highlander's lanes for easy layups and short jump shots. The Cardinals shot a sizzling 57 per cent from the field in destroying the Highlander's 1-3-1 zone.

There was one bright moment for Coach Johnny Carter though as Carlos Blackwood finally seems to have arrived as a working part of the Big Orange Machine. Blackwood came off the bench to score 7 points in the first half and a total of 11 for the game.

John Derrick led the Highlanders' scoring with 11 field goals for 22 points, pulled down 17 rebounds and blocked 7 shots.

The Highlanders won the battle of the boards 42-37, but the advantage had little effect on the outcome of the game.

"Weasel" Johnson hit for 19 points and had 11 assists. Craig Smoak and A.C. Kuykendall fired in 12 points each.

MCC 91 — Coyotes 73

Still smarting from their loss to Henderson County, the Highlanders took their anger out on the unsuspecting Weatherford Coyotes 91-73 Jan. 13 on the Highlander's home court. It was the first action for both teams in the Northern Texas Junior College Athletic Conference.

Craig Smoak has finally arrived. Smoak scored 19 points, grabbed 17 rebounds and passed out 8 assists. This is his best point production this year.

"Weasel" Johnson led the scoring with 24 points, dished out 14 assists and stole the ball five times.

The Highlanders led 38-30 at the half but were picked up by A.C. Kuykendall who had 12 points in the second half and 15 for the game. Kuykendall has the knack for being in the right place at the right time and usually that place is wide open for a breakaway basket. This, plus his ability to hit from the outside, has made Kuykendall a dangerous offensive player.

John Derrick was held well below his usual scoring with only 14 points, but he grabbed 15 rebounds. Derrick helped the Highlanders to dominate the Coyotes on the boards 50-43. The team defense of the Highlanders forced their yellow clad opponents into numerous mistakes and caused them to shoot but 38 per cent from the field.

The Highlanders committed 27 turnovers in one of their sloppiest offensive performances of the year.

MCC 94 — Rams 85

All the elements of a frenzied contest were present in the game between the Highlanders and Southwest Christian College. The Highlanders ignored a noisy

Ram crowd to take a 94-85 win on Jan. 16 in Terrell.

It was the Highlanders' defense that was in the spotlight in this Northern Texas Junior College Athletic Conference for SCC came into the contest average 101 points per game and had a 17-1 record.

The Highlanders were leading 80-77 with 3:57 and used the clutch freethrow shooting of Craig Smoak and John Derrick to outscore the Rams 14-8 in the time remaining.

This game was highlighted by the best play by the 1-3-1 zone in recent weeks as they held the Rams 16 points below their seasons average.

A.C. Kuykendall led the Highlanders' scores with 30 points on 15 field goals. Kuykendall put on a bit of show after the game was out of reach when he took the outlet pass on a fastbreak and waited dribbling in the lane until the SCC players could make their futile runs down the court. This little maneuver also ran down the time on the clocks.

The SCC Rams led 52-44 at halftime but the Highlanders were able to put three Rams on the bench with fouls. This was too great a disadvantage for the Rams to overcome.

The last two minutes of the contest were all Smoak and Kuykendall, with Smoak hitting 6 of 6 from the charity line and Kuykendall hitting two baskets on fast-breaks.

Carlos Blackwood, though his scoring has yet to reach its peak, has added his defensive and rebounding skills to the arsenal of Coach Johnny Carter. Blackwood scored 6 points on three field goals, but more important, he pulled down 12 rebounds and hounded the Ram players with his quick hands and gutsy moves on defense.

John Derrick was the second leading scorer for the Highlanders, collecting 24 points on 10 field goals and 4 free-throws. Smoak had 12 points and grabbed 11 rebounds.

Danny Kaspar hit 5 field goals for 10 points. "Weasel" Johnson was held to only 4 points as he sat out eight minutes in the second half with four fouls.



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A.C. Kuykendall puts the ball in on a back door play against Cooke County. Kuykendall had 16 points in the game.

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