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**IN THE SWING**  
Mike Orren drives his ball down the fifth fairway. Orren went on to finish third in the regional meet at Lake Waco Country Club.

photos by Marvin Clynych

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## Summer school attracts ambitious students

by Julie Richter

In one week the spring semester will end and students will close their books for three blissful months. But for some students, summer vacation won't last long. They'll be back in just three weeks for summer school.

Now why would anyone ever want to go to school in the summer?

"To keep up with other students and to lighten my load in the fall," says John Moreno, a

freshman medical lab technology major.

"To finish my requirements for a degree I'm getting from Tarleton," says Ed Barrack, a sophomore majoring in industrial education.

Moreno and Barrack are two of the many students who choose to attend summer classes. They list lighter work loads, more teacher attention and shorter class days as reasons for enrolling.

Instructors as well as students enjoy the summer school atmosphere. Not only is the additional income helpful, but some teachers believe summer students have better attitudes.

"Students are more attentive in the summer," said Myra Callaway, English instructor. "It's not like in public schools where the poorer students are trying to make up subjects they've failed. In college, the students are usually better. They're ambitious."

Jerry Scarborough, psychology instructor, finds the summer atmosphere more relaxed.

"Students are usually just taking one or two courses and they're not loaded down," he said. "They're happier and more relaxed."

Scarborough said the daily schedule also gives his classes more continuity.

It's nice to get paid in the summer, said Ray Murray, who teaches physical education classes.

Murray said students are more motivated in the summer. "They're here in the summer solely because they want to be," he said.

About 1,200 students attend the first semester according to Counselor Keith Geisler. Less attend the second term, he said.

The majority of summer students are spring students continuing their studies, said Geisler. Students home for the summer, students disillusioned with larger universities and early admission students also attend.

Early admission students have completed their junior year in high school. To enroll they must

have a "B" average or better and must have permission from their high school principal as well as approval from LaVerne Wong, dean of student services.

"These students are getting a jump on things and learning what college is like" said Geisler.

He said the early admissions program gives students who excel in certain subjects the opportunity to take more advanced courses.

Some students attend summer school at an even earlier age. Continuing education offers a variety of classes in the summer for children ages six and older.

They can learn ballet, disco dancing, gymnastics, and typing or improve their reading skills. Participation in arts and crafts as

well as guitar and piano lessons is usually good.

Bill Strother, assistant dean of continuing education, said the classes give children an opportunity for summer recreation and enrichment.

The focal point of the children's program is Operation Waterproof, Strother said. About 1,000 to 1,500 children take swimming lessons from qualified water safety instructors each summer.

Continuing Education will also sponsor a women's forum this summer in cooperation with the League of Women Voters and the Institute of Cultural Affairs, an interglobal research, training and demonstration group that leads organizations in communication and goal setting.

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## Highland Herald wins 7 awards

Highland Herald staff members won seven awards at the Texas Junior College Press Association's convention in Arlington last weekend, qualifying the publication for second place in sweepstakes.

Four first place awards were given for entries from the spring and fall of 1978. Patricia Miles won first in the picture panel division. Marvin Clynych won first place in the news photography category. In advertising, Julie Richter won first place. The staff also was awarded first place in headline writing.

Three staff members won third place certificates: Robert Gough in sportswriting; Donna Richter

in sports photography; and Julie Richter in news writing.

Staff members heard several speakers at the two-day conference and received a critique of their publication from Dr. M.L. "Redd" Gibson, of the University of Texas at Austin.

In another contest, the Highland Herald was placed in the first place category by the Columbia Scholastic Press Association. The publication received 884 total points out of a possible 1,000. Judges complimented the publication's news coverage, saying, "You have a very newsworthy newspaper." Sports and feature writing were both praised in the critique.



**WHY ME ???**— Highland Games queen Tina Sumpter and John Reed look longingly outside the Baptist Student Union's jail while jailer Greg Neely stands firm.

# Pipeline

## Jazz ensembles to play

An outdoor jazz concert is scheduled today at 5:45 p.m. at the amphitheatre next to the baseball field. Performing will be jazz ensembles I and II. The music of Charlie Parker, Chuck Mangione, Art Pepper and others will be performed by the ensembles. Admission is free.

## Soccer team wins third

A soccer team of MCC students took third place in the Baylor Spring Invitational Soccer Tournament held April 21-22. The MCC group was defeated by Baylor in the first game of the four-team tournament but defeated Louisiana State University by a score of 5-3 in the second game.

Southern Methodist University placed first in the tournament, Baylor came in second, the MCC students third and LSU was fourth.

The team, sponsored by Mr. Gatti's Pizza, is now participating in the Waco Soccer League

## Owens to conduct clinic

Trumpet player Jimmy Owens and his band will conduct a jazz workshop here June 4-8. The workshop, equal to two credit hours, has a registration fee of \$50. For more information contact music instructor Dave Hibbard, fine arts building.

## Recitals to be presented

A music department presentation featuring freshmen Robyn Ford and Susan Whitson in a joint recital is slated today at 8 p.m. in the fine arts theater. Both Ford and Whitson were in the drama department's "Anything Goes."

The fine arts department will present a faculty recital featuring Ralph Dowden, voice instructor Friday at 8:15 p.m. at the fine arts theater. Dowden will be accompanied by pianist Karrin Ford and John Groves, hornist.

## Summer school... from page 1

Ken Willis, dean of continuing education, said the forum, slated for June 2, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., is designed to bring citizens together to consider the needs, strengths and problems of the community.

Cost of the forum is \$6. Registration can be completed by mail, or in person at the continuing education office. Mailed registration should be post-

marked by May 28. Registration in person will continue through May 30.

Willis said persons interested in being group leaders for the forum can attend a special training session June 1.

"This is a time for women to share their concerns, insights, hopes, and anxieties with others from the community," Willis said.

## Puppets enliven teaching task

Lessons do not have to be learned the hard way. They can be learned easily using the expressive hands and words of the puppet people.

The group of speech students have used puppets to teach lessons at organizations in the Waco area.

Steve Campbell, Helen McCoy and Jennette Willingham became interested in puppets after Jenna Karraway gave a speech about her experience as a puppeteer in their persuasive

speaking class. Karraway has been the director of puppetry at Axtel Baptist Church for three years. Karraway, Campbell, McCoy and Willingham now write scripts and produce programs to teach elementary students lessons about respecting themselves and others.

The puppet shows have proved to be successful in teaching lessons because children would rather listen to puppets than teachers, Karraway said.

"Teachers have been very receptive to our program and may begin to teach lessons with puppets," said Karraway.

Puppet educational shows have come to age through Sesame Street and other programs. This method of teaching may be experimented on the college level to replace book reading.

"There are thousands of things you can do with puppets. There has been some talk of having puppets recite plays or poems in college English classes," said Campbell.

The Puppet People may begin a summer workshop to train teachers in puppeteering. They think their teaching method will grow in popularity because of a puppet's ability to capture the student's attention.

### Viewpoint

## Nuclear plants must be curtailed

by Donna Johnson

In several years, nuclear power plants may become an accepted part of the American way of life; if we survive that long.

Threats posed by nuclear power are real, and imminent. Some say the dangers of nuclear plants are being exaggerated; the facts say otherwise.

One government study found that an accident could cost 45,000 lives and \$17 billion or more in property damage. In view of what happened recently at Three Mile Island, we cannot afford to ignore these figures.

Three Mile Island was not the first nuclear power accident. On Oct. 5, 1966 the reactor at the Enrico Fermi Power Plant near Monroe, Mich., underwent a partial melt down. There have been many other accidents at power plants.

So far, no catastrophes have occurred, but there are no promises for the future.

Nuclear power is not "safe," as proponents claim. During normal operation, nuclear facilities cause increased exposure of workers and the public

to low-level radiation.

Data have been accumulated that show any dose of radiation could cause malignancy. Such findings are part of the reason some former nuclear power advocates are beginning to oppose new plants.

David Lillenthal, former Chairman of the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission has said, "Once a bright hope shared by all mankind, myself included, the rash proliferation of atomic power plants has become one of the ugliest clouds overhanging America."

Early nuclear advocates, including Lillenthal, once claimed atomic energy would produce "electricity too cheap to meter." Today's electric bills prove this has not happened.

Cost and difficulties have been far greater than expected. Tax dollars subsidize the nuclear industry by providing funding for research, liability protection, uranium enrichment services and waste management.

In many areas, nuclear power plants are driving electric bills

higher by special charges used to finance future power plants.

To make up for the monetary loss at Three Mile Island, the company owning the plant is expected to raise its electric bills in the near future.

Clearly, nuclear power plants are not the low cost supplier of energy expected. In addition, they are extremely dangerous. Yet our government continues to sink millions of dollars into the atomic industry.

One reason for this might be that promoters of nuclear power are huge companies which also happen to be top contractors for the Pentagon.

It seems the nuclear industry scratches the governments back, which in turn scratches the industry's back while the back of the public goes on itching.

A possible solution to the problem is solar energy, which so far has been almost unnoticed.

There are no large companies to reap huge benefits from solar energy, and perhaps this is why it has been largely ignored by the government. Three Mile Island's

clean up operation totals more than the 1979 federal government funding for solar energy.

Solar energy is a renewable energy source and unlike nuclear plants, it is not capital intensive. Therefore, solar energy could produce 500,000 construction jobs alone, which is three times the number of jobs produced by the nuclear industry. This would certainly be a boost to our sluggish economy.

More importantly, solar energy does not threaten us with annihilation. It's something we can live with.

### Letter

## Nukes pose danger

DEAR EDITOR,

Some people do not take Murphy's law seriously... "If anything can go wrong it will." People make mistakes--even those people we define as the most intelligent, the most highly trained--doctors, lawyers, scientists, engineers, physicists. The machines that we create make mistakes. A mistake at a nuclear power plant dispersing radioactivity over the populace is always possible and always unacceptable.

Fortunately, there are few nuclear power plants operating in our country and there are more operating in our home state, Texas. We can exercise our choice to stop building new plants while we still have a choice. If we become dependent on nuclear power for a major source of energy it will become so much a part of our system that we will have no choice. If we

continue building nuclear power plants, what will we do with the thousands of tons of highly dangerous and non-destructible nuclear waste? As (philosophy instructor) Dan Walker says, "There is no such thing as throwing one's garbage away."

Joyce Moore  
(former student)

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# Detour

Book review

## 'The Bronx Zoo' houses rowdy animals

by Robert Gough

Poor, poor Sparky Lyle. Never has any relief pitcher had to put up with so much adversity. His ungrateful and domineering owner signs a 100 mile-an-hour flamethrower to a multi-year, multi-million dollar contract that in effect puts Lyle out of a job. The same owner hires another pitcher, this one a sore-armed free agent who makes more than twice Lyle's annual salary. One of his talented but controversial teammates makes enough egotistical statements to put Muhammed Ali to shame. No wonder Sparky Lyle wants to be traded.

If you haven't guessed yet, the owner is George Steinbrenner,

the controversial teammate is Reggie Jackson and the team is the 1978 New York Yankees; a collection of social opposites who fought and scratched (not only with their opponents) their way to the world championship at the Oakland A's. Lyle, in conjunction with Peter Golenbock, gives his account of that season in his aptly named book "The Bronx Zoo" (Crown Publishers, \$8.95).

Lyle begins the saga on the October 1977 day when he learned that he had won the Cy Young Award as the best pitcher in the American League for his relief work during the '77 season. He then recalls events of his

earlier life that culminated in his current success, mostly biographical stories that if they are not well written, then at least are easy to read. The happy times end, however, when Lyle and his wife, Mary, hear over the van radio that the Yanks have signed free agent Rich "Goose" Gossage to a six-year, \$2.75 million contract. Then and there Lyle knows the '78 season will be a flop for him because Gossage will be getting all the crucial calls. Lyle goes from prince to pauper, or as third baseman Graig Nettles put it, "from Cy Young to sayonara."

The bulk of the book focuses on the daily exploits and drama

that made the Yankee team something of a soap opera with its heroes and villains. There are a lot of good guys. Nettles for one is described by Lyle as one of the team's keys for years and Sparky sharply criticizes a rumored trade of Nettles by Steinbrenner. Mickey Rivers and Roy White would be no problem and would play great if everyone would just leave them alone. Catfish Hunter, Elston Howard and Billy Martin among others are praised on one way or another, Martin especially. Says Lyle of his former manager, "This team could never have become what it did without Billy Martin managing it."

There are also some bad guys. Jackson is chastized for his inflammatory remarks that send the clubhouse into uproar after uproar. Most of those remarks center around Thurman Munson, captain and team leader before the arrival of Jackson. Lyle can't understand, though in all fairness to Jackson he tries, why Reggie says one thing to a writer and expects his teammates to understand.

Steinbrenner easily comes away with the title as "most ripped owner in a sports 'tell-all' novel." No one gets as much heat as George does. He is pictured as a corporate bully who tries to run the team like his other business; firing, hiring and benching players at will if their play offends him. Of White, Lyle says, "I don't know why, but George has a tremendous dislike for Roy. I've been told that sometimes when Billy plays Roy, George calls him up on the phone and orders him to play (Lou) Piniella or someone else." Lyle also describes his trouble in trying to wrangle a few thousand dollars out of Steinbrenner when he finds out about all the money Gossage and Andy Messersmith (the sore-armed pitcher) are making. Sparky finally gets his contract up to \$135,000 a year, but Lyle seems to think that George took the dealing all too personally.

As intended, the book is funny but not on the scale of Jim Bouton's "Ball Four." There are several humorous incidents that make enjoyable reading. To keep

Coach Yogi Berra from filching his toothpaste, Lyle fills his Ultrabrite tube with White Heat. Former Yankee pitcher Fritz Peterson's elaborate and hilarious practical joke on Munson involving a mail-order gun holster escapade is described in detail. Perhaps the most interesting episode involves Lyle and bullpen mate Rawly Eastwick. It seems Eastwick was always finding things in the bullpen, mostly small scraps of metal or tin, and without a word would walk up to Lyle, smile and present it to Sparky. Lyle would then find something for Rawly, who would politely thank him. Lyle intended to make some type of sculpture for Eastwick out of the stuff he had given him, but Rawly was traded before he finished.

One-liners have a special place, too. For example, Catfish says of Jackson's new candybar, "When you unwrap a Reggie Bar, it tells you how good it is."

About the only real negative aspect of the book is Lyle's, everpresent belly-aching over everything. Sparky is constantly complaining about his salary, or his being "buried" in the bullpen and not getting enough work, or the way Martin and some of the players are treated by Steinbrenner. He gets his point across the first time and the book starts to drag with each sermon.

Not surprisingly, the book is laced with typical profanity. After all, these are tobacco-chewing ballplayers living in a relatively male-dominated job atmosphere, not the Mormon Tabernacle Choir. In fact, Lyle steers away from the sex-type of humor and mentions little of players' wild night lives on the road, contrary to Bouton's recollections in "Ball Four."

In the end, Lyle's prophecy came true as he was buried in the bullpen and given middle-inning, mop-up relief work. But his wishes were finally granted after the season when he was traded to the Texas Rangers and given a contract that satisfied him. Sparky's tremendous slider had always done his talking for him. Now, through "The Bronx Zoo," Sparky can speak for himself.



## Water Works worth trip

by Mark Lockridge

It looks like a barn. Its proximity to the river makes one think of a salmon cannery rather than one of the most popular restaurants in Waco.

Only the sign that reads Water Works and the number of cars in the parking lot tell a passerby this place is a popular meeting place (or the city sewer control office).

But go inside, try the food and you will know you have found one of the better eateries in town.

Lunch and dinner menus have a fine selection. The dish to avoid is the spaghetti. I have yet to find a place in Waco with good Italian food and Water Works is no exception.

For lunch recently, when my companion and I were seated at a nice table, she assured me I was in for a real treat. At first I was skeptical. Who wouldn't be in this town? My tune soon changed. We were advised of the specials of the day by a waiter dressed in authentic 1920s attire all the way down to his spats. After a reasonable time, ten minutes, he returned, took our order and had it out to us in fifteen minutes.

We both enjoyed the barbecue, potatoes and salad bar thoroughly. If anything was wrong with the meal, it was that it was so good that I ate too fast and paid for it with indigestion.

Undoubtedly, the best feature of this restaurant is the fabulous salad bar. Lettuce, tomatoes, peppers, onions, cheese, beets, beans, every munchie your stomach desires is found at the salad bar.

Other good features include good service, nice atmosphere, live entertainment, good drinks and most importantly reasonable prices.

So if you don't mind taking a date into a dilapidated old building that seems to be teetering on the verge of collapse, the Water Works is certainly a worthwhile dining experience.

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## Peaches blooms into disco dynamite

The peach has finally blossomed.

Peaches & Herb have been around since the mid-sixties, never quite making it to stardom. Well, all that has changed. Their new album, "2 Hot" is a winner in every sense of the word.

Much of the credit however, belongs to producer Freddie Perren. He has blended the talent of Peaches & Herb with a score of fabulous musicians splendidly.

Perren along with Dino Fekaris wrote all the music and lyrics. Both did a commendable job on an old theme—love. Nearly every song on the album is directed to the emotions of the listener.

The musicians that combined for this disc also sparkle. John Barnes on keyboards, Bob "Boggie" Bowles on guitar and David Walker on percussion were all outstanding.

Of course, an album can not be successful with just superior backing musicians. There must be strong talent up front.

Peaches & Herb supply this energy. Singing with unusual sincerity, an aura of love comes through vividly.

From the outset, the album cooks. Side one has four super songs. Starting with "We've Got Love" and ending with "All Your Love," side one boils with the disco-love theme. Also on side one is "Shake Your Groove Thing," a popular top 40 song and "Reunited," without a doubt the finest slow song since vintage Commodores.

The flip side of the disc offers more disco-love. This side is not quite as fabulous as the other but it would still make the album sell.

From "Love it Up Tonight" to "Easy as Pie," Peaches & Herb leave the listener begging for more.

This disc is one of the best musical excursions available in stores today. With strong talent, both in production and up front, it will make Peaches & Herb the stars they have always wanted to be.

## Summer increases job fight

by Chuck Ortlip

The competition for jobs this summer is going to be stiff, according to Nancy Neill, director of placement.

"There are not a lot of (summer) jobs available," Neill said, "students looking will have to be diligent, and start looking early."

Of the jobs available this summer, about 65 per cent are fulltime positions, Neill said. She and Director of Student Services Dr. LaVerne Wong are trying to place students in the jobs "they are most qualified for."

"The reputation of MCC students is good in Waco among employers and citizens in general," she said.

Neill cites as an example that Waco is one of three Texas cities a Dallas-based company is considering for a branch office.

She was recently contacted by the Waco Chamber of Commerce to represent MCC to the company, since the company is interested in hiring secretaries and

clerks and is impressed with MCC and its secretarial school. Neill also said the company will be hiring part time secretarial help, and said this was unusual since most secretarial jobs are full time.

When asked about work-study program jobs on the campus for employment this summer and next fall, Neill says although she has not been here long enough to see any trends for student job requests, there are always more students who want a campus job than there are positions. All jobs will be "first come first served," she says.

Neill encourages all students who are interested in campus summer employment to come by the job placement office to see if they qualify for the work-study program. If the student has a Basic Educational Opportunity Grant it will be easier for Financial Aids Director Steve Crump, to evaluate needs. Without the BEOG, Crump will

## Speech club enjoys year

by Mark Lockridge

"Winning isn't everything, it is the only thing," is a famous quotation that does not sit well with Ann Harrell, speech instructor and forensic coach. "With our team, fun is number one," said Harrell.

After enjoying a fine season in forensic competition this year, Harrell is all too happy to discuss the success of her squad.

"We have all had such a good time together this year. Being able to travel and enter more quality tournaments around the nation not only developed the team into seasoned performers but gave the kids a chance to mature a little," said Harrell.

Harrell's speech group culminated their fine season with a fine showing at the Phi Rho Pi

### Recek, Sumpter win elections

Mike Recek defeated Tana Carpenter for president of student government during recent student elections. Denise Oliverio was elected secretary and Debra Oplie was elected treasurer. Bennie Lambert will be parliamentarian having defeated Sheila King for the position.

Queen of the Highland Games was Tina Sumpter who won over Kathelean Sauls, Andrea Bush, Patricia Degrate, Beverly Hubbard, Kathleen Cathey, Laura Kline, Cindy Pavlas and Debbie Slobojan.

James Bergman won the best pair of male legs contest.

National Speech Tournament in Bloomington, Minn. recently. Among the awards garnered by the squad were a gold medal in "Speech to Entertain," and a silver medal for "Oral Interpretation," both by Patty Cox. Also receiving awards were Helen McCoy for "Persuasive Speaking" and Mary Lyons, who received the fellowship award.

"The nationals in Minnesota were the result of a lot of hard work by these kids," said Harrell. In preparing for the nationals, her troops participated in the Southwest Texas State Speech Tournament, bringing home eight awards including two firsts. They have won awards in tournaments in San Antonio, Pensacola, Florida and Waco.

However, winning awards is not what this team is all about stresses Harrell. "We stress the binding of the team into a unit," she said. "We don't have any primadonnas on this squad."

If there were, she would not

want them, Harrell said. She emphasizes the importance of becoming a complete student. This is exemplified by the qualifications that must be met to enter competition.

A student must not only be diligent and productive but maintain at least a 2.0 grade point average, said Harrell. Finance also plays an important role in determining the group going to a tournament. "Normally, about five students are all we can afford to take on a trip. The trip to Minnesota for the Nationals cost right at \$2,000 and that was eating burgers and the least expensive things on the menus," she said.

After the forensic team's fine year, Harrell has the task of rebuilding for next year. "I don't do much recruiting on local high school campuses, but I do have the connections that let me know where the talent is," she said. "Surprisingly, much of the talent I find is right here on campus. Many students really have a gift of speaking but just need someone to bring it out."

## Joggers make tracks in Fun Run race

Several students and faculty members participated in the one and a half mile "Fun Run" April 25 on the MCC campus.

First place in the male 25 years and under category went to Jason Waldrep. Waldrep was also overall winner of the race. Second place in the 25 years and under category went to Delee Inberg and Russel Bill came in third.

In the female 25 years and under category, first place went to Tracey Starr. Annette

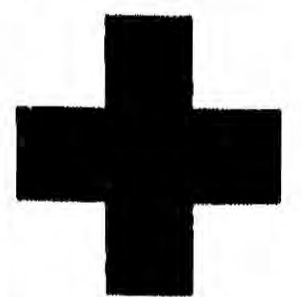
Neuman was second and Connie Miller came in third.

In the male 25 years and over category first place went to Michael Gant, Counselor John Nobis came in second and counseling Director Bill Mygdal was third.

There were no entrants in the female 25 years and over category. All winners received "Good Life" T-shirts.

The "Fun Run" was sponsored by health services and the health-physical education department.

## Bob Hope says: "Red Cross helps veterans, too!"



be able to work with them, but it will be more difficult, she said.

If the student wants to work in the fall, a BEOG application for the '79-'80 school year should be filled out.

Neill says she and Student Activities Director Don Bynum hope to do an "awareness survey" this summer and talk confidentially with 50 to 100 students to see what they think about student services and get ideas as to how the services may be improved in the fall.

Neill says they hope not only to get ideas as to how the job placement center can be improved, but how counseling services and financial aids may also be improved.

She also plans to get out among students to let them know she is here to help place them in jobs.

# Student defeats retarded label

Helen McCoy could teach us all something.

Labeled borderline retarded while attending high school in Missouri, McCoy became discouraged and dropped out. Since dropping out of school, she not only overcame her retarded label but used it to help her write an award winning speech, "Self-Fulfilling Prophecy."

The award was a bronze medal in Persuasive Speaking at a national forensic tournament in Bloomington, Minn.

However, success did not come easily. "Once I was labeled as borderline retarded, all that the teachers could do was

babysit me. They all thought I was incapable of learning. They were wrong," she said. Mental retardation does not mean a person is incapable of learning, only that a person learns at a slower rate than normal people, she said.

"The worst thing that can happen to a person is for that person to get a bad label," said McCoy. "After my high school teachers told me that I couldn't learn, I soon found myself believing it."

"My lack of confidence was the reason I dropped out of school," she said. "This was partly my fault, but the teachers didn't

help any. It got to the point that I resented all teachers. They didn't care if I did my lessons or not. They just wanted to get me out of the flow of things," she said.

Down but still determined, McCoy was persuaded by a friend to take the General Educational Development Test. If she passed, she had the equivalent of a high school diploma. To her surprise she passed. Since then, everything has gotten better and better.

After attending night school at Drury College in Fort Wood Mo. she moved to Waco. Currently she is maintaining a 3.0 grade

point average and making her presence felt in the Speech Department.

Since becoming involved with the speech department, she has gained an immeasurable amount of confidence, she said. Much of her achievement came through the help of speech instructor Ann Harrell. "Ann would never give me something and say 'try this,' she just said 'do it,'" said McCoy. McCoy's only regret about speech is that she did not discover it sooner.

Speech has helped me gain the confidence I need for most situations," said McCoy.

McCoy has adapted so well, that a person unaware of her drawback would never notice any discrepancy. Included in her condition are such minor things as the inability to read off colored paper and a slight speech impairment.

After this semester, McCoy plans to attend either Texas Woman's University or the University of Texas at Arlington. "I hope to get my teaching certificate and go into special education," she said. "I think that there is starting to be a greater awareness toward the special student."

# Adults take Right to Read

by Londa Sheppard

Peggy and her husband wanted to have a child, but she needed a part time job to provide for the baby. When she applied at a local grocery store as a cashier, she couldn't read well enough to fill out the application correctly. So, the 21-year-old newlywed decided to improve her reading skills through the Right to Read program here.

After commuting twice a week from Hillsboro to Waco for a year and a half, she was able to read well enough to apply for the job again. This time she got the job, and after working three months she was named "employee of the month."

The days passed slowly for George, who had no hobbies or interests outside the nursing home. A 104-year-old man who cannot read is easily cut off from the outside world. The reading specialist sent a volunteer to teach him to read. Now he can read his Bible, the only literature he is interested in reading.

Even something like instructions on the label of a medicine bottle can stump the illiterate. Mrs. Smith, age 69, about "did her husband in" when she put Absorbine Jr. on his hemorrhoids. She couldn't read well enough to identify the ointment. "Papa, her husband, thought he was doomed for life," said B.J. Carlile, director of the Right to Read program.

Since then, volunteers have been sent to aid the elderly couple.

Mrs. Smith is now the first out of eight children in her family to read.

job," Carlile said. Getting a high school diploma ranks a close second. Still another reason, popular among younger men, is to be able to pass the GED and get into the Army.

Right to Read is a three-year program funded by a government grant. The current appropriation will expire Aug. 31, but Carlile believes the grant will be renewed. "The program extends over four counties--Bosque, Hill, Falls, and McLennan, and we have over 500 enrolled ranging from the ages of 16 to 104," she said.

"We also provide English as a

specialist works with volunteers and the students in a reading lab setting.

Among the various methods used in the program, most popular is the Laubach method, which is an association with pictures and sounds. SRA and the Steck-Vaughn Series are also widely used. Students also improve skills by using reading skills practice kits, which develop reading comprehension, vocabulary, story analysis and research skills. Sequence cards, control readers and language masters are also used.

The most popular method among the students is the "hits program," an individualized cassette learning program. A student listens to a contemporary song and then takes a reading comprehension test over the words and meaning of the song. "By using this method, a student develops reading comprehension skills without realizing he is learning anything," Carlile said.

Anyone interested in becoming a volunteer should contact Carlile, in faculty office 116, or Taylor in the reading lab located on the first floor of the LA building.

Hours can be arranged to meet the student's schedule and gas mileage is furnished at 15 cents per mile.

*'The main purpose people enroll...is to get a better job.'*

She wrote her first letter to her sister in Houston three months ago.

Although names in the examples are fictitious, these stories are true accounts of adults who have dramatically improved their reading skills since they enrolled in the Right to Read program.

Like the majority of people who enroll in Right to Read classes, they had a specific purpose in mind before they began the course. "The main reason people enroll in the reading program is to get a better

second language class to foreigners. ESL classes are taught at University High School and at La Chica Restaurant, which is managed by eight Koreans," Carlile said.

Each new student is evaluated by reading specialist Linda Taylor to determine his reading level. Then, she and a volunteer map out a specialized program for the student. The procedure usually involves a one-to-one relationship between the student and teacher, however, classroom teaching is used at MCC and Mart High School, where the

# Act regulates bill collection

Everyone has been bothered by unwanted bills at one time or another. Most debtors pay the debt after a few overdue notices at the latest. But some people do not pay their bills; they either cannot afford it or do not feel the bills are justified.

Whatever the reason for not paying a bill, ignoring it will not make it go away. Creditors seldom forget someone owes them money. An indebted consumer cannot procrastinate very long without being contacted by a collection agency.

The main purpose of the collection agency is to collect the unpaid debt. But there are restrictions on how the agency can collect the debt.

The Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, which became effective last year, lists what collection agencies can...and

cannot do.

According to the bill, the collector must tell the debtor, either on the first contact or in writing within five days, that, unless the debtor questions the bill within 30 days, the collector will assume the debt is valid.

The following practices are forbidden by the act:

- abusive telephone practices, such as repeated phone calls.
- publication of names of consumers refusing to pay bills.
- contacting a debtor at an unusual or inconvenient time or place; 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. is assumed to be convenient.
- misrepresenting the situation by claiming the debtor committed a crime.
- depositing checks before the date on the check.
- contacting a debtor who has

written the collection agency telling them he does not intend to pay or asking the agency not to contact him again. The creditor may then only contact him again to inform him of additional action that will be taken against his account.

--using an envelope with a name or logo on it which suggests debt collection.

--telling someone other than the debtor that the debtor owes money.

--threatening to have wages retained to pay debts or to confiscate property unless such action is intended and legal.

Anyone who suspects they are being contacted by a collection agency who is violating this act can notify the Better Business Bureau or state attorney general's office.

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# Students oppose, defend abortion in survey

by Anthony DeMarco

With the ERA in the forefront of the news and women demanding more say over what they can do with their lives, the question of abortion has arisen as a strong emotional issue that brings out a wide range of views.

A recent survey of students here shows a majority in the 18-21 age group think more pressing reasons than the parents' choice are needed to justify abortion. Rape and medical reasons were often given as acceptable justifications.

Teachers from sociology, business and English distributed the questionnaire to 258 students. From the answers received, the 18 through 21-year-old group was picked for analysis.

When asked "under what condition would you find abortion acceptable?" students generally gave several answers.

No one answer had a clear majority.

Among the 18-21 age group, 27 percent thought medical reasons such as danger to the mother's health or fear that the baby was deformed were reasons for abortion. Twenty-four percent thought rape or incest was an acceptable reason.

Surprisingly, 11 percent of the respondents said not being able to take care of the child, either because of financial or mental problems, was enough reason for abortions.

Ten percent gave general answers like: "no other choice; unable to have the baby adopted; parents do not intend to get married; or the mother would be left alone."

Other answers were too diverse to show a trend.

When broken down by religious affiliations, of the 42

Catholics surveyed 28 percent said abortion was all right for medical reasons. For 26 percent no reasons was acceptable. Nineteen percent said rape was an acceptable reason for abortion. For 26 percent no reason was acceptable. Nineteen percent said rape was an acceptable reason for abortion. For 26 percent no reason was acceptable. Other religions were more tolerant.

Of the 74 Baptists surveyed 30 percent thought medical reasons made abortion an option. Rape and other forcible sex crimes were adequate reasons for 20 percent of the Baptists surveyed.

Seventeen percent said an unwanted baby and 15 percent said not being able to take care of the baby were legitimate causes for abortion.

Out of 28 Methodists canvassed, 36 percent said rape was

the most acceptable reason. While 25 percent said that medical needs were a good reason, 14 percent gave other reasons. This group was the most diverse.

Among Church of Christ members 32 percent of the 19 surveyed said rape or forcible sex crimes were adequate reasons. 15 percent said unwanted children and another 15 percent said that medical reasons were good enough to have an abortion.

There were those who listed none as religion. Out of those 23 percent said medical was acceptable followed by 14 percent gave money and another 14 percent gave various reasons. All other religions had less than ten answers.

These findings will hopefully give you some idea what our fellow students are thinking.

# Assembly recognizes achievers

Plaid Vests was named Outstanding Campus Organization while Afro Student Kindred won Outstanding Scrapbook at the awards assembly Wednesday.

The presentations were two of the more than 100 awards presented at the annual event.

Outstanding Scholarship awards were presented to students in arts and sciences and vocational-technical programs.

Arts and Science winners were: Ted Uptmore, agriculture; Jimmy Johnson, art; Robert Mullins, biology; Lark Leazar, chemistry; Sherri Struth, choir; Roy Bradley, concert band; and Vicki Pauling, drama. Others were: Tommy Bartosh, engineering, mathematics and physics; Lorita Manning, English; Roland Stewart, government; Anneliese McMurtry, history; Stacy Colyer, health and physical education; and Gary Pavlica, jazz band. Also recognized were: Julie Richter, journalism - academic; Frank Fitzpatrick, journalism - campus publications; Mary Lopez, philosophy; Donna

Dickson, piano; Blasa Rodriguez, spanish; and Jenna Caraway, speech.

Vocational-technical winners were: Rebecca Mosby, associate degree nursing; Anna Caneady, child care and development; Judy Patterson, cosmetology; Julie Marshall, data processing management; Kirk Lipscomb, data processing programming; Rebecca Neuman, economics; Susan Zipperlen, junior accounting; and Susan Newsom, law enforcement. Others were: Richard Garcia, management development; Dixie McIntosh, mental health associates programs; Brenda Henry, office education; Samuel Williams, postal service administration; Karen Hernandez, radiologic technology; Linda Easter, real estate; Jeanette Concilio, teacher aid; and Phyllis Hurry, vocational nursing.

Awards were also presented to students for outstanding service to campus organizations. They were: Kathleen Saulas, Afro Student Kindred; Star Akin, Baptist Student Union; Charles Hill, Circle K; Kirk Lipscomb,

Data Processing Management Association; Terry Cummings, Nursing Students Association; Jean White, Office Education Association; Dixie McIntosh, Organization of Human Services; Martha Lopez, Phi Theta Kappa; Andrew Locher, Plaid Vests; Jonathan Laubert, Sigma Delta Phi; Tina Sumpter, Student Government; and Judy Patterson, Vocational Industrial Clubs of America.

Four special awards were presented. Freddie Bartles won the Wall Street Journal Student Achievement Award. The award is presented annually by the Dow Jones Corp. Bartles will receive a medal and a one-year subscription to the Wall Street Journal.

Sally Sandlin was presented the CRC Press Freshman Chemistry Achievement. She will receive a scroll and the CRC handbook of chemistry and physics.

Susan Smith, English instructor also recognized winners of first place entries in "Heather," the campus literary magazine.

Don Bynum, director of student activities, presented a plaque to Galen Harry, outgoing President of SG.

Christine Wicker, journalism instructor, presented awards won by students at the Texas Junior

College Press Association's convention.

Certificates were also presented to 22 students named to Who's Who.

Sponsors and advisors of campus organizations were also recognized for their service.

# SG recommends earlier spring break

Student Government has recommended that spring break be scheduled earlier next year. The suggestion was made in the organization's Monday meeting.

President Galen Harry said the late spring break schedule throws off the academic performance of teachers and students. He said SG hoped the break could be timed with other area colleges' schedules.

SG also suggested that bleachers be placed around the tennis courts for spectators during matches.

A sidewalk connecting the health-physical education

building with the courts was also recommended.

The suggestions will be submitted to Dean Wong and the Student Services Council.

SG also presented several awards of appreciation. Karen Glass, student activities secretary, was recognized for her cooperation with SG. Angle Harlan was recognized for serving as lifeguard during free swims this semester.

Sigma Delta Phi, Alpha Omega and Circle K were all recognized for raising funds for the March of Dimes.



# Children need voice

by Donna Johnson

"Bless the hearts and the children in this world they have no voice they have no choice."

International Year of the Child is being celebrated this year to focus world attention on children, the silent majority.

Children make up more than 50 percent of the world's population, yet most are excluded from decision making,

their contributions to society are often regarded as insignificant and they have few legal rights.

Their only rights are those adults give them. They are completely at the mercy of their parents and adult society in general.

Realizing this, the United Nations has adopted a Declaration of Child Rights.

The Declaration states: All children have the right to affection, love and understanding,

To adequate nutrition and medical care.

To free education.

To full opportunity for play and recreation.

To a name and nationality.

To special care, if handicapped.

To be among the first to receive aid in times of disaster.

To learn to be a useful member of society and to develop individual abilities.

To be brought up in a spirit of peace and universal brotherhood.

To enjoy these rights regardless of race, color, sex, religion, national or social order.

These rights cannot be enforced now on a worldwide basis, but they are goals for societies to work towards.

Dr. Ann Garrett, child development director, said the Declaration of Child Rights and the Year of the Child will make adults more aware of their responsibilities for children, but will not produce any tangible results such as new government programs right now.

One reason for this, she explained, is that the money crunch is too great and children are a low priority.

However, Garrett said she feels it is worthwhile for the present

generation to invest in the young.

"Children are the world's most valuable raw material," she said, "We cannot fail to use our best efforts to guide, refine and nurture their development."

Garrett said cultures have always acknowledged that what is built by one generation must be preserved by the next.

She says she is optimistic about the future of our culture because she is optimistic about today's younger generation.

"Have faith in today's young people," she said. "They are free spirits who are not afraid of change, yet they also show great responsibility."

# Students frolic at Highland Games

by Julie Richter

Early-morning rain threatened to spoil Friday's Highland Games, but the sun came out just as students were dismissed from afternoon classes to celebrate the annual event.

"Small Talk," a local band, provided entertainment for an hour as spectators feasted on hot dogs, sandwiches, homemade ice cream, snow cones and soft drinks.

As tummies grew full and faces turned sunburned, attention shifted to more serious matters. Tina Sumpter was crowned Queen of the Games. Men were equally represented when James Bergman was presented with the best male legs award.

Strength, rather than beauty, was needed to compete in the first event of the afternoon, the caber toss. Contestants were confronted with a difficult task--to toss a 12-foot, 80-pound pole end-over-end into the air. Out of 37 caber tossers, only 10 managed to flip the cumbersome pole. Ed Grazier finally won the event, setting a new record at 34 feet, two inches.

For the second event, contestants didn't need powerful muscles. They needed the instincts of a frog. Leap-frogging proved awkward for some, but Stacy Colyer and Galen Harry had no trouble hopping their way to victory and its reward--two plastic swim floats.

Meanwhile, at the Baptist

Student Union's jail, President Dr. Wilbur Ball and his gang Director of Student Activities Don Bynum, religion instructor Dale Hughes, business instructor Don McCauley and Karen Glass, were being held hostage. Rumor was that Ball had been put in for 25 cents and would serve a sentence of fifteen minutes. Others who served a 30-minute sentence for \$1 weren't so lucky.

Back at the contests, participants donned black leather straps for the three-legged race. The name of this game was coordination, a skill many couples seemed to lack. Instead, they had perfected a talent for falling down in a tangle of arms and legs. Juliet Anderson and Toby Allen managed to stay untangled long enough to win the race. Their efforts were rewarded with an artificial leg.

In cowchip throwing contest contestants pulled chips from three suspicious-looking brown trash bags, making sure to grasp the dried patties with only one hand. Spectators looked for shelter as cowchips sailed and soared through the air with the not-so-greatest of ease. Winner Pedro Rasado-Maldona had a throw of 111 feet, four inches. He was awarded a gold-sprayed cow chip.

The next contest, the walking race, must have been misnamed. Contestants started the race at a fast walk but finished at a run. Michelle Cooper won the women's division and Roy Watson won the men's. Their walking abilities were rewarded with a pair of flip flops.

Pie-eating contestants were in for a surprise first bite. As winner Toby Allen said, "That pie is cold!" But Allen wasn't to

upset. After finishing the frozen pie, he was comforted with a first prize of Pepto Bismol.

The next three events required contestants have throwing skills. In both the egg toss and the water balloon toss, contestants tried to be extremely careful. But as partners spread further apart, broken eggs and splattered balloons increased.

Ed Depperschmidt and Kenny Huff were awarded toy baseball gloves and balls for winning the egg throw, while Rod Hill and Phil Porter sported raincoats

after winning the balloon throw. Depperschmidt and Huff also won the frisbee contest.

Highlighting the afternoon was the annual tug-o-war that teamed women against men. While the rope popped and cracked, each side tried to pull the other through a mountain of shaving cream. The female side triumphed first, but not to be outdone, the males recruited more aid and vengefully pulled their foes through the remaining mess.



JUMPING OUT AND HANGING IN were part of Highland Games Friday as Goldie Suber gave a jump frogs could imitate and tug of war participants (left to right) Paula Aston, Louise Lewis, Denise Oliverio, Valerie Jurek, Tina Sumpter and Wendy Wilkerson pulled.



NOTHING TO IT--Bruce Dailey makes tossing an 80-pound pole look easy, but as Mark Henson's tongue-biting expression shows, the event was a strain on everyone.

## Games began as picnic

The history of the Highland Games is as long as the history of the school itself. The Highland Games made their debut in the spring of 1967 when the MCC campus was on the former site of James Connally Air Force Base. The present campus grounds had already been purchased and the grounds of the old William

Cameron summer home set the stage for the first games.

According to Student Activities Director Don Bynum the first games consisted of the egg toss, the water balloon toss and a half mile freshman-sophomore relay race. A student-faculty volleyball game was also on the bill. Students came out on the winning end during that first volleyball match.

"Some of the campus clubs sold food but most people brought sack lunches, it was more of a picnic than anything," said Bynum. According to Bynum the first games were well attended. Of the approximately 800 students enrolled about half participated.

The 1968 edition of Highland Games saw the first tug-of-war between men and women students. This year the games were held on the Cameron Park clubhouse grounds, since the present campus was under construction. When the campus was finally completed in 1969, the present grounds became the setting for the games.

In 1973 the first band provided pre-game performance for students. It has been a tradition ever since for a band to play about an hour before the games begin.

Three years later another tradition was started when the Queen of the Highland Games and the male with the prettiest legs were elected.

According to Bynum, the two contests take the place of the Heather King and Queen contests once held during the discontinued Spring Fling. The contests give "equal time" to male and female students, Bynum said.

Last year the first male entered the Queen of the Highland Games contest, but the contestant was disqualified by the board of election judges because "he did not meet the qualifications of a coed."

The caber toss has been popular among contestants and spectators alike since its origination 11 years ago. According to Bynum, the first caber dried out and became lighter as time went on. The caber's weight shrunk to around 50 pounds and was thrown a little more than 53 feet. The caber presently used, was given to MCC by the Scottish Highland Games. The caber is 12 feet long and weighs 80 pounds.

Some contests of the past included the dart throw, in which students could throw darts at photographs of faculty members, and the dunking booth.

# Zoo to get Texan facelift

In the future, kids attending educational programs at the Central Texas Zoo may name the wallaby, muntjac and duiker as their favorite animals.

Elephants, monkeys and lions will all take a back seat to such native Texas animals when the Cen-Tex Zoo completes its ten-year renovation in 1990. The "master plan" will feature Texas animals housed in a replica of their native geographical region. Remodeling, to start next year, will aid in public education as well as in the conservation of Texas animals.

"Education will be based on demonstrating how an animal fits into its ecological niche," said education curator Dewayne Clark.

Currently on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings the zoo offers an educational program for local students from kindergarten to fifth grade. The program includes a slide presentation and guided tour.

Inspired by the tour, students draw pictures of their favorite animals. Recently a class from Dripping Springs nominated the baby jaguar named "Pete" as their favorite animal.

However small mammals, large mammals, birds, reptiles and birds of prey all native to Texas will become the center of attraction.

"One-third of the zoo will be

exotic and the rest a living museum of Texas," said zoo Director Tim Jones. "So far six sections depicting the different geographical regions of Texas are planned," he said.

Sections will house plants, rocks and animals found in each geographical region. Sections will include desert, grassland and swamps.

Nocturnal animals, such as the raccoon, will have their sleeping cycles reversed. By keeping a red light on during the day and a white light on at night, the raccoons will be made active during the zoo's visiting hours.

Jones said the average zoo visitor would rather see an exhibit of active squirrels than watch the more exotic animals traditionally seen at zoos.

Although the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum in Tucson is based on the same theme, Jones predicts big things for the Waco program.

"The new zoo will be different and famous," said Jones. "It will be an attraction for tourists coming through the Central Texas area." He said he expects a definite increase in the 80,000 annual visitors.

Jones would not release figures of the total cost estimates for renovation, but said government grants, private donations and special fund raising activities will continue to help raise money for the new facility.



DON'T EAT THE ART, PLEASE

photos by Earl Burt



HOLD THAT POSE



BAAAAAH Y'ALL



# Time, weather on 'Landers' side

by Trip Stidham

Baseball fans don't like to see the rain but baseball coach Rick Butler and his Highlanders could care less if it rains the rest of the week.

The Highlanders (15-5) are in the driver's seat in Region V at this point, with Ranger (9-7) in second and Hill (4-16) third. Ranger has eight games left to play, four each with MCC and Hill. Ranger must win seven out of eight to tie with MCC and all of the games to win it. The tough thing about the games is they are all on the road.

MCC was scheduled to play Ranger yesterday but rain forced a delay. If the Highlanders can win two of the four games, they will be the outright champions. The teams will play doubleheaders today and Friday. Under MCC policy no athletic event can take place after Saturday because of finals. So if it rains and they cannot play those games with Ranger, there is no way the games can be rescheduled and Ranger must play MCC to have any chance. If they do play those games,

Ranger will then play two games, with Hill on Sunday. But after that the presidents of each school will decide whether Hill and Ranger can make up the final two games.

What all this says is Ranger must play MCC before Hill and if time or weather stand in the way, then it is all over but an official decision declaring the champion. In this case the decision would be made by Dr. Alton Laird, Region V director from Cooke County College. MCC has a better record and percentage than Ranger and is the logical choice.

Coach Jack Allen of Ranger wants to play these four games with MCC on a neutral site, but coach Butler is not favorable. MCC had to play the Rangers six times at Ranger and only twice here and he thinks those final four should be played here.

If the Highlanders are declared champions of Region V, they would probably play Delgado of New Orleans at a neutral site. It would be a best two-out-of-three, nine inning series.



**TIRING PRACTICE**—Woody Dawson does some wrist strengthening practice, while Mark Etier watches in preparation for the last four games of the season. Bad weather has caused some cancellations and the games may not be played before the Saturday deadline set by MCC rules. If the rains continue MCC may be declared the region champion without playing another game.

photo by Tom Quigley

## Sports



**GOLFER** Mark Orren takes careful shots and keeps careful score during the NJCCA regional tournament.

photos by Marvin Clynech

## Golfers qualify for nationals

Highlander golfers pounded in a 1-over-par 865 to wrap up the National Junior College Athletes Association Region V National Qualifying Tournament with a 17-stroke win over Odessa in the 54-hole tourney at Lake Waco Country Club on Monday and Tuesday.

"We've had some pretty good teams in the past, but this was the lowest 54-hole score we've ever had," Coach Jimmy Clayton said.

Kent Hilburn won medalist honors with a 4-under-par 212, having shot rounds of 71-71-70. Andy Barron of Weatherford came in second with a 1-under-par 215. Third and fourth places belonged to Mike Orren with an

even-par total of 216, while Kenny Huff finished with a 218. Larry Salter placed ninth with a 54-hole total of 223, and Eddie Depperschmidt rounded up the Highlander scoring with a 224.

Odessa finished the tournament in second place with a 882, with New Mexico a good ten strokes behind with a 892. Fourth place belonged to Weatherford with a 897, with Western Texas following close behind with a 898. Midland placed sixth with a 904, while Grayson finished last with a 910.

"I was real proud of the way the team played, and we're looking forward to the national tournament," Clayton said.

MCC and Odessa will advance to the NJCAA National Tournament in Odessa on June 6-9, where there will be 23-24 teams competing for the national championship.



**Eddie Depperschmidt--Age: 19--Classification: freshman** He graduated from Clear Lake High School in Houston. During his high school career, he was runner-up medalist in the Texas State Junior Tourney. In his spare time he enjoys listening to the Rolling Stones, water-skiing, going to the beach, and watching professional sports. Billiards is one of his favorite hobbies. His plans include vacationing in California this summer and possibly attending the University of Texas at Austin. Like the rest of the team, he is confident about winning the regional tournament. "I think we'll win regionals easily. I think we have a good shot at the national championship," he said.



**Bob Peters--Age: 20--Classification: sophomore** He graduated from Cholla High School in Tucson, Arizona. He enjoys hunting, fishing, beer-drinking, and chewing tobacco. He likes to play basketball, target-shoot his rifle, and drive nice cars. After graduation he plans to attend Southwest Texas State University, where he will study to become a police officer. His favorite musicians include Alice Cooper, Elton John, Neil Diamond, Gordon Lightfoot, and Doobie Brothers. "I think we'll win the regional tournament, but I don't know how we'll do in nationals," he said of the team's chances.



**Greg Aune--Age: 18--Classification: freshman** He graduated from Hillcrest High School in Dallas last year. In his spare time he enjoys playing basketball, football, and water-skiing. He plans to attend the University of Texas at Austin when he leaves MCC. He is also optimistic about the regional tournament. "We should win regionals because we're playing here."

## Meet the Golfers

**Kent Hillburn--Age: 20--Classification: sophomore** He graduated from Hardin-Jefferson in Beaumont. His hobbies range from photography to tennis to fishing. He plans to attend either the University of Texas at Austin or Lamar University, where he will major in marketing. "He seems to think the team is ready for the regional tourney. "We started playing better toward the end of the year. It gave us a lot more confidence."



**Jim Kidd--Age: 19--Classification: freshman** He graduated from Edina West High School in Minneapolis. When he was a junior, he won the state golf tournament in Minnesota. Last summer he competed in the All-American golf tournament. In his spare time he likes to play hockey, snow ski, and ride motocross. His favorite musicians are Little Feet, Led Zepplin, and Charlie Daniels. He also likes to hunt and water-ski. Having a good outlook on the season he said, "I think we have a strong team, and we should win regionals without any problem."

**Mike Orren--Age: 18--Classification: freshman** He graduated from Abilene Cooper High School where he was known as the "Abilene Drain-Machine." Since coming here, his friends have given him a new nickname--"Big O." As for his contribution to the team this year, he was low man for the team in the Southwest Texas State Invitational. Mike said jokingly, "My mental game has kept me from sweeping every tournament." He has a good outlook on the season for the team. "If everyone plays to his potential, we'll win nationals." In his spare time Mike enjoys working on his 1969 Chevonne; listening to hard rock music--Styx, Kansas, Foreigner, Kiss, Van Halen, Head East; gambling; and watching girls at the Baylor library. He also enjoys sports, especially summer softball.



## Trouble eyes fourth title

Despite a streak of bad weather that has left the intramural softball tournaments with only one day to be completed, two champions will be crowned Friday if enough games can be played and weather permits.

Trouble goes for an unprecedented fourth straight women's championship when

they play the Orange Crush for the title. Both teams have one loss in the double-elimination tourney so Friday's winner will capture the crown.

The men's situation is much more complicated. The Saints and the Wild Dunch will play at 10 a.m. sharp for the right to meet the Last of the Outlaws in the finals. Immediately following

the Saints-Wild Dunch game, the Outlaws will play the survivor. Should the Outlaws lose, a second game will be needed to complete the tournament. In-

tramural Director Ray Murray said the first men's game will start immediately at 10 o'clock and it is imperative for participants to be on time.

## Sports commentary

# Don't rip 'murals

by Robert Gough

As a regular participant and observer of the intramural sports program for the last two years, this reporter has seen first-hand that the underlying but ever present criticism of the program is not without basis.

The program is not perfect nor is it completely satisfactory to a good number of the students and faculty involved, but to lay all blame for its shortcomings on one man, Intramural Director Ray Murray, is a gross injustice. I will give no excuses for Murray because he does not need them. The job of intramural director is full-time, and Murray has neither the time nor the resources to devote his full attention to intramurals. Teaching fitness, sailing and social dance classes (among others) is a full-time occupation obviously more important than any intramural program.

Murray's staff includes one freshman student assistant, Bobby Hunt. Hunt has classes like everyone else, but still must arrive early to prepare for a day's games and stay late to gather equipment, record scores, etc. The intramural budget does not allow for the best equipment nor can it always replace equipment that is lost, broken or stolen. Officially, three days a week with one hour per day are allotted for intramural activities, but tardy participants, holidays and rainouts bite deeply into this time. Like everyone, Murray has his faults, and one of them is he cannot control the weather.

Anyone claiming the intramural program here is unsuccessful need only come watch the games to see that business is booming. Five different team sports for men and women, involving 105 teams and several hundred participants, were offered this year. Everyone from average student to student athlete to instructor played this year, for blood or fun. Despite all this activity, a big problem is caused by the participants themselves. Their apathy meant that more than 25 percent of games scheduled during the 1978 fall and 1979 spring semesters were forfeited. In the women's softball tournament 54.5 percent was forfeited while 31 percent of the men's flag football tourney ended in default. I pose this question then to the critics; Do teams forfeit and quit because the intramural program is faulty, or is the intramural program faulty because teams forfeit and quit? Or is it both?

The best way to answer those questions is for participants to get actively involved in the organization of each tournament. Student government when they are not busy putting windows in doors, could help by preparing the field or court for play or making sure teams know when they play and that they will show up. Closer to home, a class for physical education majors could be formed, either for credit or on a voluntary basis. Actual experience in forming and running a tournament, under Murray's supervision, would prove valuable to a prospective coach.

come early or stay late to get the games started on time and help their tourney run a little more smoothly. Participants need to realize their commitment when they form teams and thus reduce the staggering percentage of forfeits. The intramural program is here for students, faculty and staff of this college; for it to improve it needs forceful action, not static criticism.



**TOUCHING ALL THE BASES--** Ritsey Redrick scores a run for Trouble but it is not enough to give her team a win. Orange Crush won the game 8-6 on Monday, forcing a third and final game between the rivals to determine the women's softball champions.

photo by Earl Burt

## Bauchum, Hall ink pacts here

# Trojan duo signs cage letters

by Trip Stidham

Daryl Baucham and Ozell Hall, the backbone of Waco's University High School basketball team, have signed letters of intent to come here in the fall.

The 6-4 Baucham averaged 20.8 points and 14 rebounds a game. He made the All-District team, Super Centex team and was recognized as a member of the All-Region III-AAAA team.

"Daryl is a very versatile player, he can play any position on the floor. He is a good shooter and can score either inside or outside," said Carter.

Hall stands 6 feet 6 inches. He averaged 20.4 points and 12 rebounds a game. He was a three-time All-District performer

and voted 15-AAAA Player of Year by the district's coaches.

"Hall is a strong 6-6 player, a good shooter, a quick aggressive rebounder and definitely fulfills our needs for next year," said Carter.

"Daryl and Ozell were out top recruiting choices and it is very gratifying to get them. I think we have just filled gaps for next year's team, with two quality people. With the addition of these two, we have a nucleus for an outstanding team.

"Both are team players, the kind of players I am looking for with team concept and that's what it takes to win," said Carter.

At University Baucham and

Hall helped the Trojans to a 28-5 record and the district title. They played for coach Leroy Coleman, who was named Super Centex coach of the Year.

"Coach Coleman did just one whale of a job with the Trojan team. Daryl and Ozell play with sound fundamentals and are ready to step in, and they got those things from Coach Coleman," said Carter.

"I guess you could say I am extremely pleased on signing these players, but not just as outstanding players, but also as outstanding people. They come from winning programs and have tasted victory and know what it takes to become successful," said Carter.

# Disappointed netters advance to regional tournament

by Patricia Miles

Coach Carmack Berryman's netters begin play at the Regional Tournament in Midland Friday. Placing a disappointing second in the conference team competition, the netters have a tough road ahead

at regionals. In the past, Midland and Odessa have been top teams in the National Tournament. Last year the men's teams from Midland, Odessa and New Mexico Junior College all tied for

the top position at nationals. In women's nationals Midland and Odessa were the number one and two teams.

"It will be tough," said Berryman, "but we'll give it our best shot and see where the fuzzy ball bounces."

Although the team placed only second at conference, some individuals did well.

Terry Ward won the finals in men's singles by defeating teammate Mike Kerr (7-5) (6-1). In the doubles final, Ward and Kerr defeated Cooke's Alex Chisholm and David Rios (7-5) (6-0).

Mary DeLano made it to the finals where she was defeated by Val Hutcheon from Cooke (6-1) (6-2). Carla Begley from Hill defeated Chris Lucas (7-5) (7-5) the first round. DeLano and Lucas lost in the doubles semi-final to Cooke's Terry Wall and Ann Clarke (6-3) (6-3).

Hutcheon defeated Carol Martin in the semi-finals (6-1) (6-2). Janice Babbitt lost to Hutcheon in the second round (6-4) (6-4). Patricia Miles and Babbitt teamed up in doubles but were defeated by Hill's Kim Ewing and Carla Begley in the quarter-finals (0-6) (6-3) (7-6).

Vic Baker lost the second round to Bill Ashburn from Cooke (6-4) (2-6) (6-4). Stan Bhend was defeated by Alex Chisholm in the quarter-finals (6-3) (6-3). Bruce Hershey and Bhend were defeated in the quarter-finals by Kevin Long and Rick Thrillkill (7-5) (2-6) (7-5).

Overall, the team score for Cooke was 49 points to MCC's 46 points.



WATCH THAT RETURN—Mary DeLano returns a serve to Val Hutcheon in conference finals match.

photo by Patricia Miles

# Meet the 'Landers

**Brad Hisle** Height: 5'7 Weight: 150 Classification: Freshman Age: 19 Position: Infield Bats: Both Throws: Right Hisle likes water skiing and tennis. He plans to return to MCC and continue his studies in business salesmanship before going on to a four year school. He attended Temple High School where he was All-District in baseball and basketball.



**Andy "Woody" Dawson** Height: 5'8 Weight: 142 Age: 19 Classification: Freshman Position: Shortstop Bats: Left Throws: Right. Dawson plans to return to MCC. He came from Waxahachie High School and was two years All-District, Honorable Mention All-Metro his junior year, and Player of the Year in District 6-AAA his senior year. He was drafted by the Chicago White Sox in the sixteenth round last year. Dawson is majoring in business and plays golf in his spare time.



**Charlie O'Brien** Height: 6'2 Weight: 205 Age: 19 Classification: Freshman Position: Catcher Bats: Right Throws: Right O'Brien wants to go back home and play for either Wichita State, Oklahoma State, or Arkansas. He attended Bishop Kelley High School in Tulsa. He was All-Conference for three years, Most Valuable Player in 1978, All-State, All-Metro, All-City Player of the Year in 78, Oklahoma-California player nomination and third team All-American. He was drafted by the Texas Rangers in the fourteenth round last year. O'Brien plays basketball in his spare time. He is a P.E. Major.



**Jeff Patterson** Height: 5'11 Weight: 185 Classification: Freshman Age: 19 Position: Pitcher Bats: Right Throws: Right Patterson attended Dallas Highland Park where he was All-District. He is undecided about his major but is taking physical education. He plans to return to MCC. He likes to fish and hunt in his spare time.



**Todd Yancey** Height: 6'0 Weight: 185 Age: 20 Classification: Sophomore Position: SS-3B Bats: Right Throws: Right Yancey attended South Garland High School where he made first team All-District and was named second team All-Greater Dallas his senior year. After this year, Yancey plans to attend Lamar University. He enjoys hunting in his spare time and is majoring in business.



# So you think you know sports?

Questions:

1. What pitcher gave up Hank Aaron's 715th home run?
2. Ted Williams was the last major leaguer to hit .400 in a season, but who was the last to do it in the National League?
3. Who holds the record for most yards gained rushing in his collegiate football career?
4. What was the nickname of college football's Harry Stuhldreher, Don Miller, Jim Crowley and Elmer Layden?
5. What four professional football teams have a losing record in the Super Bowl?

Answers:

1. Tom Seaver
2. Fred Lynn
3. Archie Manning
4. The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse
5. The Cleveland Browns, Dallas Cowboys, Washington Redskins, and the New York Jets

# Catfish snubbed by bass anglers

Perhaps one of the most disgusting attitudes I've come across is the die-hard bass fisherman. They live in a world of bass make-believe. Some would like to ignore all other fresh water fish but bass. They may be missing out on some exceptional fish. One overlooked and under estimated fish is the catfish.

In an effort to dispell some of the myths about freshwater cats, Field and Stream magazine published an article specifically

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dealing with catfish in the April '78 edition. The article exposes an interesting comparison rarely thought of. Author Frank Sargeant said modern bass fishing methods are not far away from the best catfishing methods.

"First, most good catches of both species are made from offshore 'structure.' Second, the largest of both species are most often caught with live bait -- usually large shiners. Third, both readily take artificial lures, though the lures must be presented somewhat differently to catch channel cats. And finally, both species feed best in low light."

Despite the similarities in feeding, bass fishermen still tend to crown bass as king of fresh water fish. Perhaps these die-hard bass fishermen would not turn up their noses if they knew that the world record cat was caught on a leadhead jig and weighed in at a nice 58 pounds, proving that cats are as susceptible to lures as bass.

Catfishing has a twofold advantage. The first advantage lays in the Texas catfish stocking program. Last year, over half a million fish were stocked in Texas waters. If continued, the population will grow. The second advantage is the bag and size limits. The daily bag limit for public waters is 25 fish, possession limit is 50 with a 9 inch minimum size requirement. With these limits enforced, Texas catfish will be caught in quantity and quality without devastating the population.

Catfish are not hard to catch once located. The ideal spot for cats during the day is in deep water preferably in a fast moving channel. One idea behind the channel theory is that small bait

fish like shiners and perch are caught in the fast moving current and swept into the channel right

in the catfish's mouth. The channel provides continual cool, as well as low light which the catfish prefer.

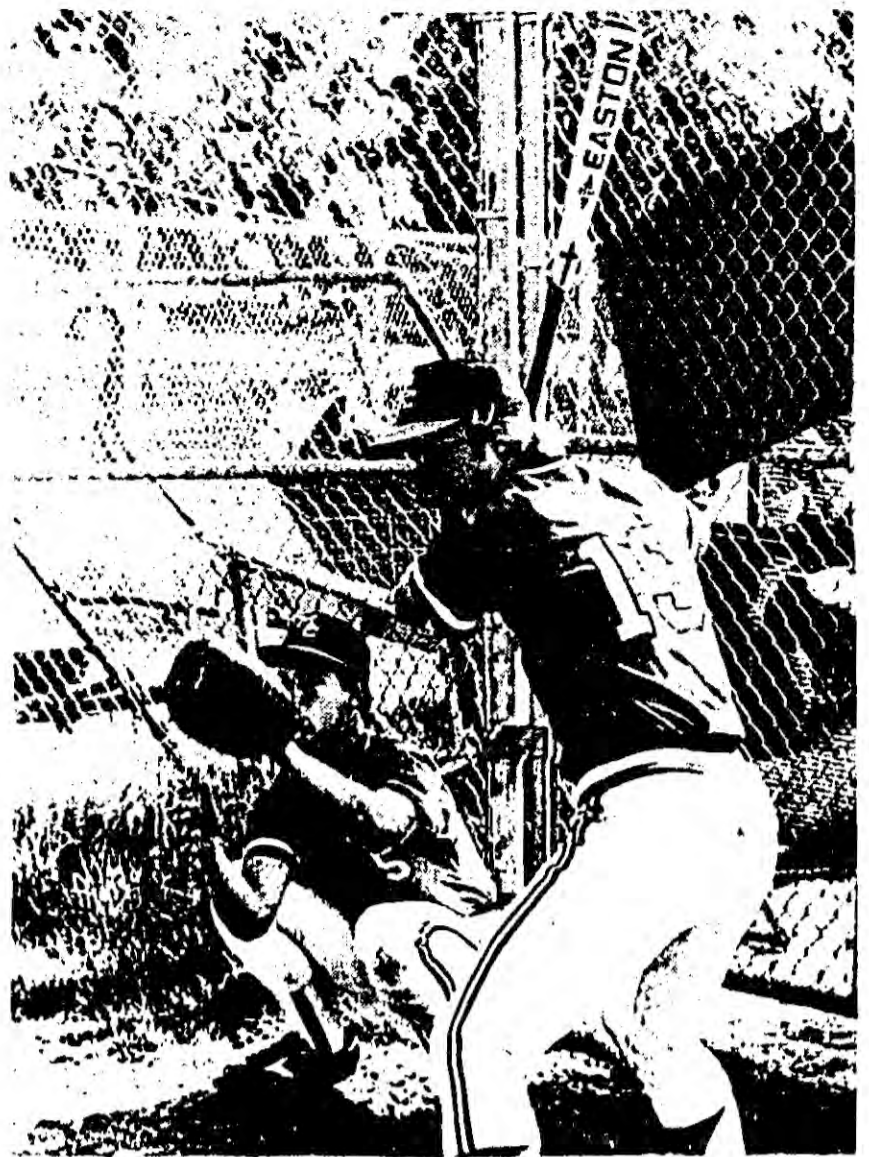
At night, cats will start looking for food along the wall of the channel and in shallows. Many fishermen call this "climbing the wall."

Although I have caught a couple of cats on Mann's Razorbacks and Bomber Model As, the best all-around baits include: blood and dough baits, minnows and Canadian worms. I have been told that sponge bait is very effective.

For those who have not caught a cat, it is quite an experience. For those who have not eaten a cat, it is a delectable experience. Try 'em, you'll like 'em.

PRACTICE, PRACTICE, PRACTICE—Todd Yancey waits for the pitch while Joe Hefertepe gets ready to catch anything that gets through during a recent practice session.

photo by Tom Quigley



## Meet the Highlanders



**Mike Gothard** Height: 5'9 Weight: 165 Classification: Sophomore Age: 20 Position: Leftfield Bats: Left Throws: Right Gothard is undecided about his major, but enjoys being a practical joker. He plans to attend the University of Texas at Arlington. He attended Arlington Lamar where he was All-District.



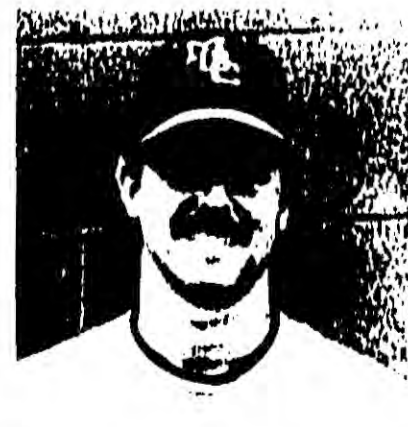
**Joe Llamas** Height: 6'0 Weight: 152 Classification: Freshman Age: 19 Position: Pitcher Bats: Right Throws: Right Llamas came to MCC from Cayon High School in New Braunfels. He was All-District two years, Most Athletic, and MVP in baseball. His hobby and his major is art. He also enjoys riding motorcycles and dancing. He plans to return next year before continuing his education at a four-year school.



**Rusty Kunkel** Height: 5'9 Weight: 150 Age: 20 Classification: Sophomore Position: DH-1B Bats: Right Throws: Right Kunkel is undecided about his major but plans to attend the University of Florida. He attended Fort Worth's O.D. Wyatt High School where he was a three-time All-District performer. Kunkel likes to hunt and fish when he finds time.



**Brad Coker** Height: 5'10 Weight: 195 Classification: Freshman Age: 19 Position: Catcher Bats: Right Throws: Right Coker comes to MCC by way of Waco's Jefferson-Moore High School. At Jeff-Moore, Coker made All-District in football and baseball and was named to the All-State team in baseball. He hopes to major in horticulture and enjoys being outside and especially likes fishing and hunting.



**Darron Callaway** Height: 6'0 Weight: 175 Classification: Sophomore Age: 20 Position: Rightfield Bats: Right Throws: Right Callaway returns from last year's team and has proved to be a valuable addition to the starting line-up. Serving part time duty last year, the L.D. Bell (Hurst) ex hit .265 and .288 in conference play. This year Darron is batting at a .250 clip and has stolen seven bases in nine tries.



**Ted Tobolka** Height: 6'3 Weight: 190 Age: 19 Classification: Freshman Position: Pitcher Bats: Left Throws: Right Tobolka attended Dallas Jovuit where he was three years All-District, two years All-State, two years the District Most Valuable Player, first team Greater Dallas and first team All-Metro. He plans to return to MCC. He enjoys playing golf and currently is majoring in business.



**Mark Eiler** Height: 5'11 Weight: 160 Classification: Freshman Age: 19 Position: Infield Bats: Right Throws: Right Eiler attended Austin Westlake High School. He plans to return to MCC next year before going to the University of Texas. At Westlake Eiler made All-District in football, basketball and baseball. He enjoys tennis, fishing and skiing. His major is general business.



**Craig McMurtry** Height: 6'4 Weight: 175 Classification: Freshman Age: 19 Position: Pitcher Bats: Right Throws: Right McMurtry is a business major and plans to return to MCC next year. He made All-District in basketball and baseball while attending Troy High School. He also was a state qualifier in track. He likes fishing, hunting and playing the guitar.