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## January wage hike to affect work force

by Brenda Cockrell

Fewer students will be employed as a result of the new minimum wage increase, according to Waco employers contacted this week.

Most of the ten employers surveyed said they will cut back the number of persons presently employed. Businesses selected all employ MCC students.

January 1, minimum wage will increase to \$2.65 per hour, and will affect 75 per cent of the national nonsupervisory work force.

Involved in this increase are those employed in telephone, telegraph, radio, television, building and maintenance of highways, wholesalers, clerical, bank, insurance, advertising, and those employees who travel across state lines. Also people who work in construction, gasoline service, and transit operation may be affected.

Those exempt from this wage increase will be full-time students employed in retail or service establishments, teachers and academic administrative personnel, independent retailers, and casual baby-sitters.

Advocates of the minimum wage increase feel that "...employers will find that an increase in minimum wage will...increase productivity,

output, and employment opportunities."

A contradictory statement was made by a local retailer. He said, "if an employee wants to increase his output he will, whether you pay him \$1.65 or \$2.65."

Another employer stated "those who get paid this much usually don't increase at all."

Opponents to the increase state "...it is certain to be inflationary" and that government should "delay until the economy is more stable."

This seems to get a majority vote among those employers interviewed. One employer states that he is "against the increase because it will force him to eliminate jobs."

Another employer said that they are already in the process of increasing prices to cover the wage hike.

Mark Prowell, of the Geneco Inc. said, "We need to look at examples of what has happened before. Look at Great Britain for an example. We are on the same road as they were ten years ago."

Some of the interviewed feel it is essential for government to pay more attention to things that have affected inflationary problems in the past and relate these to today's present economy condition.



photo by Donna Richter

Big Tex Welcomes --- The State Fair of Texas in Dallas offers entertainment, excitement and refreshments to hundreds of Central Texas visitors each year. The fair will run Oct. 7-23.

## Council alters GPA weight

A proposal to give grade point averages equal consideration in nominating students for Who's Who in American Junior Colleges was accepted by the Student Services Council Tuesday.

Nominees to Who's Who are given points based on their campus and community activities, and grade point averages. Under the previous system, activities were awarded more points than grades.

"Students are here to study and those who do should at least be given equal consideration," said Spanish instructor Daniel Paniagua.

The new system, devised during the meeting by Dean of Instruction Ronald Smith, will assign points to the grade point average on six levels. A student having an average of 3.75 or better will receive the maximum of 12 points.

In other business, a motion proposed by Judy Ladd

requesting that the Interclub Council organize a campaign to promote a cafeteria "clean-up" was unanimously passed.

Council members, concerned about trays and trash left in the dining area, discussed a number of ways to eliminate the problem. Members agreed that along range campaign, perhaps with some form of positive reinforcement, would be the best solution.

Dean of Student Services and council chairman Dr. La Verne Wong plans to present the council's request and suggestions to the Interclub Council for consideration.

Consideration of the student role in providing input for the improvement of instruction was delayed until the next meeting. The next scheduled meeting for the council will be Nov. 1.

The council, composed of administrators, faculty and students, meets the first Tuesday of every month.

## Plaid Vests plan travel to Kansas for first speech contest of year

Imagine yourself all alone, about to deliver a speech to be critiqued by merciless judges.

The thought alone, enough to send most normal people into hysteria, has been the goal of four scholarship students who will compete for the first time this week.

They have spent approximately 20 hours a week practicing the very thing that gives most of us goose bumps.

These four students, along with six others, will experience their first taste of tournament life Friday in Manhattan, Kansas, at the 30th Annual Larry Woods Memorial Tournament, held on the campus of Kansas State

University.

The tournament, which is the first of the year, will be sponsored by the Plaid Vest Speech Club.

According to speech instructor Ann Harrell, the tournament will have an emphasis on acquainting students with various events of speech tournament life.

Harrell said she was "extremely excited" over the prospects of her students. Harrell said there has never been such a large group in a tournament so early in the year.

The 10 students who will travel to Kansas are participating in at least three events apiece. These events

include oratory, rhetorical criticism, informative, after dinner, extemporaneous, impromptu speaking, and poetry and prose interpretation.

Those students participating will be Joey Derting, Carolyn Massie, Ann King, Mary Lyons, Martha McConnell, and Kathy Miller. The four freshman scholarship students are Liz Mormino, Charlotte Shumate, Andy Loehrer, and Troy Rash.

Competitor Mormino said that although the Kansas Tournament is important, its main purpose is to "break the ice" for larger tournaments such as the "biggie" Florida tournament to be held in January.

# Court members take oath, committees report on progress

Members of the Student Government supreme court were sworn in at Monday's meeting.

Sophomores Denise Kuykendall and Mark Lassefer and freshmen Galen Harry and

Sharon Shields took the oath. Vickie Blocker, another member of the supreme court, will be sworn in at a later date.

The games room committee reported that the Football tournament was in progress and

that, if all goes as scheduled, the championship games will be on Friday.

The scrapbook committee, along with the essay committee, reported the progress made since last week's meeting. The mini-concert committee is in the process of getting a band for an upcoming performance. The bands "Natural Times" and were being considered on the basis of availability.

Rene McWest said the HPE Splash Days had been canceled, but the pool would be re-opened soon.

In the area of new business, members were reminded of the list that was given last week concerning priorities for the activities of Student Government. A committee of four was formed to review the list and present a report to the others at next Monday's meeting. Tom Gabbert was selected chairman of the committee, with Terri Wilt, Belinda Henjosa, and Gene Jackson to serve as members.

A motion was passed to provide money for President Kelley's expenses on his upcoming trip to the ACUI Conference. He will gather information for Student Government and report on his experiences at the Arlington conference.

# pipeline

## Workshop explores careers

The Career Exploration Workshop will meet today and Oct. 19 at 10 a.m. This workshop is designed for the student who is yet undecided in a career and wishes to find out more about himself and the career opportunities that are open to him.

## Health Services to offer CPR

Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation training sessions can be arranged for faculty, staff, and students here whenever 12 or more people express an interest in receiving this training. According to Carolyn Rodabough, director of health services, the program will consist of two evening sessions, lasting a total of six to eight hours, depending on the size of the group. There will be no charge for the training, and class time will be arranged to meet the needs of the participants. Those persons interested in this type of program may contact Carolyn Rodabough in health services at extension 392.

## PING trains how to swing

A PING (People Involved in New Goals) workshop will be sponsored by the counseling offices beginning Monday, Oct. 19. If you have been out of school for quite some time and are just trying to get back in the swing of school, this workshop is for you. The workshop also provides credit for orientation classes. The workshop will be held in the Conference Room across from the Counseling Office.

## BEOG payday upcoming

Students who are entitled to money from the Basic Educational Opportunity Grant may pick up checks Oct. 24 in the Financial Aid Office.

## Counseling sponsors workshop

The Counseling Office is sponsoring a Racial Awareness Workshop beginning Oct. 17. The workshop is designed to help people learn how to get along with others, or associate better. The Oct. 17 meeting will be in the Highlander Room at 10 a.m. Other meetings will be on Oct. 19 in the Project Room and Oct. 24 in the Highlander Room. All meetings are during the 10 o'clock hour.

## Computer war to be viewed

The Astronomy Club will host a movie tonight in the HPE Lecture Hall. The 1970 thriller entitled "Colossus - The Forbain Project" centers around a computer named Colossus designed to control the United States defense. When Colossus establishes contact with Russia's comparable computer Guardian, the inventors must scramble to bring the two under control. As an added attraction, the slide presentation "A Childhood's End" is compressed by former MCC students, will be shown prior to the film.

Club president Don Urbanovsky said that after the movie the club telescope will be set up to view "the stars and galaxies".

The film is open to the public. Tickets will be sold in advance and also at the door for 50 cents.

## Health Services begins ABY

Health Services will be starting the ABY Group. This is a diet control group to discuss eating habits, explore new ways of dieting, share information regarding current diets, offer encouragement to one another and even exercise together. This year the group also invites those who wish to gain weight, learn about improving nutritional habits, or learn how to set up an exercise program they can stick to, to join during this time.

Students interested in joining a group, may call Carolyn Rodabough in Health Services (Ext. 392), or go by the Health Service office on the ground floor of the student center.

October 19th will be the first meeting day, at 12 noon.

# Band to premier with assortment of tunes

Making its first public appearance, the concert band will perform Oct. 21 in the Fine Arts Theater at 10 a.m.

The program will include "Cout Festival" by William P. Latham, "Irish Tune from County Derry" by Percy Grainger, "Suspiros De Espana" by A. Alvarez, "Allerseelen" by Richard Strauss, "Suite for Band" by Francois Joseph Gossec, and "First Suite in E-Flat for Military Band" by Gustav Holst.

Director Bill Haskett said the band is progressing well, but he is disappointed in the quality of

music available for bands to play.

"So many people are hack-writing today," he said. "They write bad music because there's a good market for it. I don't know who is to blame—the ones who write it, or the band directors who buy it.

Haskett said composers do write good music, but it is seldom heard because it's too difficult for the average high school band to perform, and producers refuse to publish it because they know it won't sell.

Haskett hopes the band can eventually perform for area high schools.

# calendar of events

**Wednesday, October 12**  
Circle K meeting, 10 a.m., Tartan Room  
Baptist Student Union meeting, 10 a.m., LA 204  
Alpha Sigma Phi meeting, 10 a.m., SB202  
Afro Student Kindred meeting, 10 a.m., LA 207  
Plaid Vests meeting, 10 a.m., LA 101

Astronomy Club movie, 7-11 p.m., HPE Lecture Hall  
Football Tournament, 10 a.m., Games Room

**Thursday, October 13**  
Jogging Groups

**Friday, October 14**  
Football Tournament, 10 a.m., Games Room  
Deadline for entries in Coed Billiard Tournament  
Inner-Club Council meeting, 10 a.m., Tartan Room

**Monday, October 17**  
Student Government meeting, 10 a.m., Tartan Room

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# entertainment

## MCC ex-student displays artwork

by Laura Gulmont

The excitement of being around art instructors here caused Patricia Tillman to get serious about art.

This week she's creating some excitement of her own with a display of her work in the Fine Arts Building.

Tillman's exhibit includes work completed over the last five years. She began as a student here, went on to the University of Texas at Austin, and is now pursuing a master of fine arts degree at the University of Oklahoma. Pieces are included in the exhibit from all three periods of study.

Starting her academic career at a community college had some advantages as well as disadvantages, Tillman said. Among the advantages was a close-knit group where she was able to get to know her instructors. They gave her the chance to experiment with different types of art, she said, which aided her in deciding where her interests were.

On the other hand, she said, being a transfer to UT means "you have to hustle, because no



matter what your standing at a junior college was, you still have to prove yourself to them."

At UT she was put into an 'unclassified' class where students don't receive credit until they prove themselves. Another disadvantage was that as a transfer student she couldn't pre-register and art classes filled up quickly. She said she was one of the lucky ones and "things at UT flowed well for me."

For beginning art students, her advice was "to be open minded to ideas that are new to them." In order to have a more open viewpoint, she said, a

student should get as much art history as possible. She said art history helped give her a better perspective on different types of art.

The exhibit on display shows Tillman's progression from realistic to abstract forms.

The difference between abstract and realistic art, Tillman explained, is that the realistic artist is concerned with getting all the details of an object and giving a three-dimensional impression. The abstract artist deals directly with his surface as a one-dimensional medium, giving



the impression of the object.

Tillman expressed a disillusionment over the part politics plays in art. She said an average or second-rate artist could become an overnight success if he played politics.

Once an artist could be discovered for his work, she said, however today, an artist needs to be an aggressive and assertive person, who will push to meet the right people and to go to the right dealers. She believes politics has been responsible for turning a lot of artists off. Some artists have

survived the political scene and continue to paint for themselves, she said, while others have given up and gone on to other things.

When asked about the general public's attitude toward art, she said the attitude of the public is 20 years behind what's happening in the art world. She cited the example of Carl Andre who was commissioned to do a work of art for a town square. His composition of huge boulders situated on the ground was not well received.

He called it art. The townspeople didn't.

She hopes to sidestep the problems of politics as well as change some opinions about art by becoming a teacher.

Tillman's goal is to teach on the college level, however, she has considered high school teaching as a way of helping motivate students earlier.

At that level, she said, the kind of excitement she found in the art department here, is usually missing and students are turned off before they find out what art is all about.

## 'Yes' combines knowledge with capability

by Bob Pruitt

For the first time since "Close To The Edge," Yes has produced a successful record that combines electrical knowledge with their hard rocking capabilities.

The return of Rick Wakeman seems to be the spark that Yes

has been searching for since Wakeman's departure in 1974 to do his own thing.

Wakeman had left the group for a number of publicized reasons. He was outwardly disgusted with the band's recording of "Tales of

Topographic Oceans," and the direction the band was heading.

At this time, Wakeman was also enjoying a great deal of success from his first solo album, "The Six Wives of Henry VIII".

In an effort to keep the group

together, Yes recruited Swiss keyboard artist Patrick Moraz. Unfortunately, Moraz did not fill the gap adequately, as was evident on the album "Relayer".

Now the group is back together and on the album "Going For One", they seemed to have laid a foundation upon which they can now build and grow. Chris Squire is matchless on bass providing backbone to carry the group through those parts that are less than good.

The album is good, but it is not one of those albums that a listener can sit down and really get into from the first cut to the last note.

Nonetheless, there are some outstanding cuts on the album. The title track, "Going For One" is one of these, with the

entire band contributing towards a solid rock effort.

But they seem to have exhausted themselves on that one song, and not until the final cut do they revive enough to produce another outstanding song.

"Awaken" is the last cut and awaken they do as Rick Wakeman pulls out all the stops on a church organ, carrying the album to a grand finale.

The album is good, but there are too many dull moments.

If you are an avid Yes fan, buy it. If not, wait a while.

Eventually the combination of Wakeman and Squire should come up with something even better. The foundation is there if they are willing to go for the one.

## Participation slump postpones campus talent show till Oct. 28

Student Activities has postponed the Talent Show to secure more acts.

Don Bynum, director of Student Activities, has received only three applications and is unsatisfied with student participation.

"We really don't have as much participation as we'd like to have, but we are happy with the different kinds of acts we have," said Bynum.

The three acts include a dance group called "Three Is Enough", a four piece progressive and rock 'n roll band and a female rifle twirler.

"The talent show is a good opportunity for students, who don't normally get a chance, to show their talent," said Bynum. "They get to see if they can perform in front of the public and see what kind of results they get."

Bynum said past shows have been presented in the spring, but this year Student Activities is hosting a fall show, hoping to discover acts that may possibly be used for recruiting at high schools later in the year.

Past shows have featured comedians, singers, pianists and modern dancers. Bynum would like to see the same type of acts in this year's show.

"Last year we had a student who had been a professional comedian," said Bynum. "He was so good that when he paused between jokes, you could have heard a pin drop. No one could wait to hear what he was going to say next."

The show has been rescheduled for Oct. 28. Applications can be picked up in the Student Activities office. Deadline for entries is Oct. 21.

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# sports

## MCC linksters journey to San Marcos Monday

Coach Jimmy Clayton's golf team, fresh off a second place finish in the University of Texas junior college tournament, will participate Monday and Tuesday in the Southwest Texas State University Invitational tournament in San Marcos. Action will be held on the Woodcreek Country Club.

The SWTSU Invitational will be a small tournament with only a few schools participating. Clayton has indicated that he will carry six players, who will be chosen after qualifying rounds this week.

The University of Texas junior varsity will provide a strong challenge for the Highlanders.

### Highlander tennis match postponed

The fall tennis match between the Highlanders and Navarro Jr. College scheduled for Tuesday at the MCC Courts, was postponed due to the cold conditions.

MCC coach Carmack Berryman did not know if the match would be rescheduled.

### 1977 Highlander Schedule

|            |                       |   |
|------------|-----------------------|---|
| Nov. 11-12 | Hill Classic          | T |
| 14         | Henderson County      | T |
| 21         | Temple                | T |
| 25-26      | MCC Classic           | H |
| 28         | Temple                | H |
| Dec. 1-2-3 | Temple Tournament     | T |
| 6          | Henderson County      | H |
| 9-10       | Navarro Classic       | T |
| 15-16      | MCC Christmas Classic | H |
| Jan. 14    | Northwood             | H |
| 17         | Cisco                 | T |
| 21         | Hill                  | H |
| 23         | Grayson               | T |
| 26         | Cooke                 | H |
| 30         | Southwest Christian   | H |
| Feb. 2     | Weatherford           | T |
| 4          | Ranger                | H |
| 7          | Cisco                 | H |
| 11         | Hill                  | T |
| 13         | Grayson               | H |
| 16         | Cooke                 | T |
| 20         | Southwest Christian   | T |
| 23         | Weatherford           | H |
| 25         | Ranger                | T |

Coach: Johnny Carter

Starting time- 7:30 except tournament play

**Intramural football**  
semifinal action  
Cowboys vs. The Saints  
Wild Bunch vs. The Outlaws  
today at 10 a.m.

## Meet The 1977 Highlassies



**Kathy Westerfield**—Height: 5'6"—Weight: 120—Age: 19—Position: Guard—Classification: Freshman—Three time all-district, three time all-state and a member of the North-South all-star squad are the impressive credentials of Kathy. She is determined to make a position for herself in the 1977 edition of the Highlassies. Kathy lists swimming and playing the piano as her hobbies, but for now her main concern is for MCC to have a winning season. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Westerfield....



**Linda Linam**—Height: 5'9"—Weight: 125—Age: 18—Position: Forward—Classification: Freshman—Linda combines with Debra Davis to give the three year old MCC women's basketball program their most impressive recruits. She led the Robinson Rockettes to the state finals in Austin last March. For her play in the state tournament, the accounting major was named first-team All-State and she was later named to the Amarillo Globe first-team All-State squad. Linda also participated in the Texas North-South contest. After two years at MCC, she hopes to continue playing at a major college. The college's beautiful campus and also the strong basketball program attracted Linda to MCC. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Linam....



**Debbie Staudt**—Height: 5'11"—Weight: 135—Age: 18—Position: Post—Classification: Freshman—Debbie will add needed depth to the inside position for the Highlassies. At Meridian High School, she was voted to the district 13B all-district squad. Debbie has only one goal for herself and the team—to win. Her hobbies are swimming and fishing. Debbie chose to attend MCC because of convenience and to play basketball. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Staudt....



**Sally Sandlin**—Height: 5'5"—Weight: 124—Age: 18—Position: Forward—Classification: Freshman—Sally was a vital member of the state runner-up Midway Pantherette 1976 team and Highlassie coach Pam Davis hopes she will bring her winning ways to MCC. While at Midway, Sally was named all-district for league BAAA and was also awarded the 2nd-team all-state honor. The microbiology major thinks the Highlassies have a strong chance of reaching the national tournament and she hopes to be a definite asset for the team. Sally is an active person, playing softball and also enjoying painting and singing. She lists the convenience of being so close to home as one reason for attending MCC. Sally is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Sandlin....



**Jan Rogers**—Height: 5'5"—Weight: 130—Age: 19—Position: Guard—Classification: Freshman—Jan is one of the few Highlassies to not come from a Waco area high school. She is a graduate of Throckmorton High School, where she was voted the Most Valuable Player. Jan hopes to become a better player through the course of the 1977 season. The child care major enjoys water skiing, tennis, singing and playing guitar. The opportunity to continue to play basketball and the beautiful campus attracted Jan to sign with the Highlassies. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Rogers....



**Debra Davis**—Height: 6"—Weight: 135—Age: 18—Position: Post—Classification: Freshman—Debra will be a definite threat to break the sophomore-laden starting lineup for the 1977 Highlassies. While at Gatesville High School, Debra was named to the BAAA first team All-District team and was also honored by being named to the Amarillo Globe second team All-State squad. This summer, Debra was chosen to participate in the annual Texas North-South girl's basketball all-star classic. Her goal for the upcoming season is for the Highlassie team to gain a berth in the national tournament. Debra's hobbies are all sports and working with mentally retarded children. The physical education major is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clay J. Davis....