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Wilbur A. Ball PAC: a continuing history of talent and growth

By TERI LYN EISMA

Strange sounds have come out of the restroom, but especially strange are echoes of vocal cords and clarinet music.

In the years before the Performing Arts Center was built, practicing music students would play and sing in the restrooms of the Fine Arts Building, according to commercial music director David Hibbard. "It was the only way to get out of the halls," he said.

Art, drama, voice and instrumental music classes were outgrowing the Fine Arts Building five to six years before the PAC was built, according to fine arts chairman Bill Haskett.

Three years ago, he added, two portable buildings which are now used for the driver's education classes were used to house commercial music classes, ensembles, and faculty offices.

Even "the portable buildings were crammed full," Hibbard said. Faculty members were forced to share office space and even use closets as offices, Hibbard added.

"The theater was much too small. We had to hold musicals in the Highlands," said Dr. Wilbur A. Ball, who was president at the time.

In answer to the problem of overcrowding, MCC decided to build. Ball, other administrators

Haskett, Hibbard and James Henderson worked very closely with architects, designing the building to meet with the faculty's requests. The result is a building "primarily for the performing arts...music and drama," said Ball.

"I don't think they come for the building. I think they come for what's inside."

In November 1985, during the highly celebrated 20th anniversary of the creation of MCC, the campus held a grand opening of the newly-built facility, which features a lobby and art exhibit area, a 350-

seat theater and professionally equipped stage, 2,000 square foot scenery construction shop, 19 practice rooms, rehearsal hall, listening room, 17 soundproof offices/studios, and its very own recording studio.

That fall, the drama and music departments produced and performed the musical "The Golden Apple" in the PAC.

Since the grand opening the PAC has been used for many community projects, such as choir practices and performances, lectures, press conferences, etc., as well as campus activities.

When Ball announced his retirement as president, chairman of the

Board James Hardwick and the other trustees decided to honor him by re-naming the PAC the Wilbur A. Ball Performing Arts Center, by having a bronze bust replica of Ball sculpted and exhibited in the WAB-PAC, and by awarding Ball the position of President Emeritus.

The crowding problems of five years ago, "are not much different from now," Hibbard said. "Drama has grown in leaps and bounds in the last year. A lot of people are crammed into the programs...and growth has again made a space crunch."

"I don't think they (students) come for the building," Haskett said. "I think they come for what's inside."

Bronze bust to be unveiled

By LESLEY WILSON

The features of the man who put this college on the map will be displayed at a reception from 2-4 p.m. on March 19.

The display, in the form of a bronze bust of Dr. Wilbur A. Ball, will serve as a tribute to his 22 years of service as president and founder of MCC.

Eugenie Kamrath Mygdal, otherwise known as "Gigi," served as the bust's sculptor. The piece took her about seven months to complete.

The sculpture is to be unveiled in the Performing Arts Center which, on the day of the reception, will be renamed the Wilbur A. Ball Performing Arts Center.

Anyone may attend the reception. Special invitations have been sent to the media, government officials, board members, and friends of Ball.

Incidentally, even though he is retired, Ball is still keeping in step with the college by working part-time in the Community Services Center.

Rush named queen

By TOM BUTLER

In a halftime ceremony at Saturday night's Homecoming basketball game, Natalie Rush was crowned the 1989 Homecoming Queen. Rush, the Nursing Club's nominee, was selected among the other 12 candidates. The first runner-up was the Student Government's representative Stephanie Crumpton.

"I was so nervous," Rush said. "Nothing went right all day. I wanted it to be over."

After the ceremony, Rush and her escort Brad Gooden celebrated at the homecoming dance held in the Student Center.

The other nominees were Maria (Chiqui) Sanchez, Cynthia Dickenson, Lori Inlay Nixon, Dorothy Matthews, Mary Stewart, Robin Davis, Kathy Leos, Lesley Wilson and Jeannie Swank.



Photo by Ken Crawford

GLEAMING SMILE...Natalie Rush, this year's Homecoming Queen, is crowned by Chowle Ramos, last year's queen, Saturday night during half-time of the basketball game. Rush's escort, Brad Gooden, watches on.

Edwards introduces bill

By KEBANA REED

Senator Chet Edwards is introducing a bill that will make it easy for parents to save for their children's education. The bill is called the "College Opportunity Act."

Under the bill, the legislation will authorize the state to issue \$75 million in zero-coupon general obligation bonds. These tax exempt bonds can be purchased by parents to pay for their children's college education.

Edwards said, "This will be a great way for Texans to invest in the future. Educating our young people is crucial to our economic growth and prosperity. If Texans have a simple, affordable way to make that investment, the entire state will benefit by having an educated work force that can meet the challenges of Texas in the 21st century."

The bonds will be offered in various denominations and have maturities ranging from five to twenty years. The interest will be exempt from federal income taxes until maturity. Parents who use the investment to send their children to Texas colleges and universities will receive a bonus of up to \$400. Based on present bond rates of 7.5 percent, parents can buy a bond for \$1,150 when their baby is born, and it will be worth \$5,000

when the child turns 20. It will be possible to invest more or less, depending on a family's resources and needs.

In recent years the cost of college has increased dramatically, while the ability of families to afford those costs has not kept pace. According to the College Board, since 1980 public college tuition has risen 70 percent, and private college tuition has gone up 90 percent. In those same eight years, the average family income increased only 33 percent. To slow that trend, last year Senator Edwards sponsored an amendment preventing university boards of regents in Texas from being able to double undergraduate tuition.

Another recent study by the Council for Advancement and Support of Education shows few families are adequately prepared for these rising costs. Only five out of ten young people say they have saved for college, and almost half say the cost of tuition will keep them from going to college.

Education is the foundation of our future," Edwards said. "The increasing inability of families to pay for their children's college education could be a serious crack in that foundation if we do not act now. The "College Opportunity Act" would be a solid investment in our future."

Highlanders dunk lions

By JEFF CALAWAY

"From a coaching standpoint, I hate to admit that dunks can get us excited..." said head MCC basketball coach Ken DeWeese.

But, that was certainly the case, Saturday night at the Highlands as the Highlanders beat the Southwestern Christian College Rams, 142-110.

The Rams stayed close to the Highlanders in the first half going into the locker room, trailing by eight, 62-54.

The Highlanders seemed sluggish at times in the first half as DeWeese substituted freely, trying to find a combination that would work against the determined Rams.

"It seemed we were playing not to lose," DeWeese said about his team in the first half.

But, then the dunks came! The Highlanders came roaring out the second half, with their first six points coming off of dunks.

Henry Golightly, Jason Hooten, and Shone Wyatt followed the dunks with three consecutive three-point shots to put the Highlanders up 83-68 with 16:13 remaining.

Wyatt followed his three-

pointer with a reverse dunk and a jumper as the Highlanders went up 87-68 with 15:30 on the clock.

MCC continued to dominate the second half as they out scored the Rams 39-13 with 13:00 minutes left in the half.

With 4:45 left in the half, the Highlanders continued their air attack with continuing fast breaks on the out manned Ram team, who only brought six players to the game, and went ahead 120-95.

The final dunk was the most incredible as Maurice Gandy caught an ally oop pass to put the Highlanders up 122-96 with 4:15 on the clock, before going on to the final score of 142-110.

Byron Young and Gandy with 17 points, led the Highlanders in scoring, who had nine players scoring in double figures. He also contributed 15 rebounds as the Highlanders dominated Southwestern in rebounds as well, with a 57-16 edge in rebounding.

Don Hutto was the only solid player for MCC in the first half, scoring 16 on the night, 10 of those coming in the opening half. Wyatt followed closely behind Gandy, Young, and Hutto with 15 points, eight of those coming off of dunks.

Sean Gookby, Patrick Fairly,

Golightly, and Hooten all had 12 points each with Billy Carlock adding 11.

With the victory, MCC moved up to 8-6 in conference play and 17-14 over all.

The win also put the Highlanders in the Region 5 playoffs, playing against the top ranked Junior College team in the nation, Odessa Junior College.

The Highlanders will take on Odessa at 9:00 p.m., Thursday at the Highlands.

Other matchups will include South Plains JC and Ranger JC at noon Thursday, Midland College against Grayson College at 2 p.m. and Weatherford College will play Howard College at 5 p.m.

DeWeese was proud of his team, reaching the playoffs. "Three weeks ago we had to win six of the next seven to get in the playoffs and that's what we did," DeWeese said.

He felt his team showed character and lived up to the past in reaching the tournament.

DeWeese was also optimistic about his chances in the tournament. "Anybody can do well...it's a new season," DeWeese said.



Photo by E. G. Boren

FIERY HOMECOMING CELEBRATION... The Homecoming Bonfire goes up in smoke last Thursday night to open homecoming festivities. Athletes and homecoming queen candidates,

were introduced and performances by the Dance Company and commercial music classes were featured. Various campus organizations provided food and drinks for the occasion.

Skinheads: A problem that hits too close to home

A teenage boy was out for a fun night at the Heart of Texas Fair, when suddenly he was surrounded by a group of young men on the midway. They were making vulgar, degrading remarks to the teenager who was not bothering anyone. Why? Because of his skin color.

America has been bombarded by an epidemic of racism. With the Klu Klux Klan spearheading the drive of racism for many, many years, there has been a new organization to come onto the scene, young white racists-skinheads.

This organization is sometimes referred to as the Knights of the Klu Klux Klan. They claim that they are not Nazis, but their actions resemble that of the Nazis in World War II. They claim they are not violent, but they have been charged with murders, assaults, and acts of vandalism. They call themselves "white power skinheads," and they should not be overlooked.

According to Sassy magazine, it is estimated that 3,500 skinheads are active nationwide. Their ages range from 13 to 25. The group is divided into two categories: non-racist and racist. The members have the characteristics of an average street gang: shaved heads, combat boots, tattoos, and suspenders that they call braces. They come from abusive, poor, and broken homes where all there is for them to do is turn violence and hatred towards others. A majority of skinheads are also high school dropouts who are unable to find work, the magazine claims.

Of the two categories, the racist skinheads are more threatening with their acts of racial violence. Their movement is strongest in the Midwest, the South and California. An example of this is the Ar an Youth Movement with 1,400 members in Southern Califor-

nia. Some of their ideas include wanting a perfect world where whites live separately from all other races because they believe whites are the "chosen race."

Some claim that they do not hate blacks, but they picture the perfect society as one without blacks. They refer to blacks as being a hindrance to whites. Whites are the superior race, or so they claim.

One of the major problems concerning these racists is the young people who are brainwashed into joining this organization. These people are too young to realize what they are doing to society. Their minds and ideas are being warped at an early age. They cannot possibly understand for what they are fighting.

These young white racists need to wake up and realize this is not the 1800s or Germany in the 1940s. Everyone is created equal. No race is superior over any other.

These racists have infested Texas and yes, even the city of Waco. It's time that people stop trying to push racism under the rug like it's not a problem and stop denying that young people are involved.

Our future depends on today's youth, and there cannot be unity if people do not realize the harm that these groups are causing to the equality of our nation. People should be more aware of the dangers on society that they are inflicting and realize the problem is not just going to fade away.

It should be made known to the skinheads that they are the minority, and that the decent citizens of America far outnumber them. Their ignorant and unrealistic ideas of our society will never occur as long as we don't condone their actions.



Reginald's spring break turns out to be reality, not fantasy.

Congratulations Dr. Ball!

A warm and sincere congratulations goes out to Dr. Wilbur A. Ball, past president of MCC, as being the distinguished honoree for the dedication of the Performing Arts Center in his name.

Ball is also to be commended as being the first in MCC history to be honored with the unveiling of a bronze bust sculpture replica.

In commemoration to Ball's more than 22 years of service, dedication and hard work, the college, as well as, we at the Highland Herald staff wish much continued success and prosperity to Dr. Ball for the years to come.

Pro-choice vs...

By DARIN BROCK

Should abortion be legal?

That is a question that may never be answered. As of now, getting an abortion is legal. However, there is a chance that the Roe vs. Wade Supreme Court decision that legalized abortion may be overturned. This decision would be a sorry case of misjudgment and justice gone awry.

In some cases, an abortion is a medical necessity. A woman should not have to needlessly endanger her life for the life of a baby or anyone else (unless she chooses to). This would be the equivalent of killing a live person for his heart, so that the organ could be given to someone who is dying of heart failure.

Another defense of abortion is the question of those children conceived through incest or rape. Surely a woman would not be expected to give birth to a child under these circumstances. Think of the emotional, physical, and social implications that would be

wrought upon the helpless mother. Pro-life groups say that if a child is conceived under these circumstances, that medical advances can prescribe drugs to stop the pregnancy. But isn't that abortion too?

Adoption is an often suggested solution to unwanted children. If the mother wants to do this, it is a great alternative. Even if she doesn't, it should be her option to have an abortion. Having a baby, and then giving it up, is like having to work for nine months and never getting paid.

Also, what happens if the baby is going to be born deformed or retarded? Though it may sound cruel, sometimes such children are better off dead.

Many groups argue that a baby is alive at the moment of conception. This is not true. After one month, if the fetus was removed from the mother, it could not live on its own. The fetus is alive, but

only through its mother.

Pro-life groups then argue that the situation is like someone living by some artificial means. But this is not so because the person was living and breathing, outside the womb, before their heart or kidney failed.

Finally, the most contradictory fact about the new question is that the same Supreme Court that is contemplating the outlawing of abortion is the court that is for the death penalty. I guess its all in the timing.

The war between pro-life and pro-abortion groups will be long and hard, and there may never be a winner. I would like to take the time to say that many women and I are against killing of any kind. Still, the fact remains that there should be the right of choice-to abort or have the baby.

No choice

BY CLAY LASSETER

Abortion. Does anyone of us know what it is all about?

May we hope that the United States Supreme Court reverses their decision, making abortions illegal.

Yes, people ask whether the pregnancy would be harmful to the health of the mother? But would this justify an abortion? Medical opinions are sometimes wrong. Would it be right to kill a fellow human because that one *might* harm his fellow man? If *at the time of childbirth* a choice must be made between the life of the mother and that of the child, it is up to the individuals concerned to make that choice. However, advances in medical procedures in many lands have made this situation very rare.

U.S. Health and Human Services Secretary Richard Schweiker of the Reagan Administration stated on "Meet The Press:" "I think where actually I see the contradiction (of prohibiting abortion) is that we have a proposal to save the baby seals, we are going to save the baby whales, we are even going to save the snail darters and stop a dam, but we won't save the unborn child. I have trouble understanding why we can get all wrought up about tadpoles and not unborn kids."

The issue of rape also has to be considered. But, advances in the medical field have hindered the use of this problem as an excuse for abortion. When a woman is raped and she goes immediately to the hospital, the physician on hand will give her a pregnancy test. If the test results are negative, the physician will prescribe a "morning after" pill. The drug, Ovral, will prevent impending pregnancy. If the results are positive, the woman was already pregnant before the rape.

If mothers or parents do not want a baby, adoption is always an alternative. In 1984, 160,000 babies were aborted, thus cutting the newborn babies available for adoption to a trickle. The Daily Telegraph of London states: "Childless couples who want to adopt now have to wait years for a suitable baby and in many cases will never get a newborn infant."

Those who argue for abortion contend that the fetus is not a human entity because it can not live by itself. If that is the case, what is to be said of adults whose survival depends on the use of an artificial kidney machine or the aid of a battery-powered heart pacemaker? Certainly those people cannot be said to be less than human entities just because they cannot exist independently of these aids.

The medical profession generally agrees that life begins at the moment of conception. Yes, at conception! Therefore, can it be said that the aborted fetus is not a life that has been snuffed out? How do you answer?

Let those that favor abortion think about this fact: If their parents, especially their mothers, had held such a passionate desire for legal abortion, they themselves might well have ended up in a

garbage can! Do they regret that their mothers were more concerned with the "right of life?"

Diary of an Unborn Child

Anonymous

October 5

Today my life began. My parents do not know it yet, but it is I already. And I am to be a girl. I shall have blond hair and blue eyes. Just about everything is settled though, even the fact that I shall love flowers.

October 19

Some say that I am not a real person yet, that only my mother exists. But I am a real person, just as a small crumb of bread is truly bread. My mother is. And I am.

October 23

My mouth is just beginning to open now. Just think, in a year or so I shall be laughing and later talking. I know what my first word will be: MAMA.

October 25

My heart began to beat today all by itself. From now on it shall gently beat for the rest of my life without ever stopping to rest! And after many years it will tire. It will stop, and then I shall die.

November 2

I am growing a bit everyday. My arms are beginning to take shape. But I have to wait a long time before these little legs will raise to my mother's arms, before these little arms will be able to

gather flowers and embrace my father.

November 12

Tiny fingers are beginning to form on my hands. Funny how small they are! I'll be able to stroke my mother's hair with them.

November 20

It wasn't until today that the doctor told mom that I am living here under her heart. Oh, how happy she must be! Are you happy, Mom?

November 25

My mom and dad are probably thinking about a name for me. But they don't even know that I am a little girl. I want to be called Kathy. I am getting so big already.

December 10

My hair is growing. It is smooth and bright and shiny. I wonder what kind of hair Mom has?

December 13

I am just able to see. It's dark around me. When mom brings me into the world it will be full of sunshine and flowers. But what I want more than anything is to see my mom. How do you look, Mom?

December 24

I wonder if Mom hears the whispering of my heart? Some children come into the world a little sick. But my heart is strong and healthy. It beats so evenly: tup-tup, tup-tup. You'll have a healthy little daughter, Mom!

December 28

Today my mother killed me.

The HIGHLAND HERALD POLL

Do you want the 10 a.m. M-W-F hour free?



CHUCK BELVILLE, sophomore, music major. "Yes. So I can participate in student activities or homework rehearsal."



RACHAEL GIBBS, freshman, undecided. "Yes, to have time to finish my English assignments."



DIONNE ALLEN, sophomore, physical therapy. "Yes, because all the students should be able to be involved in all the activities that occur during this time."



DON BEAUCHAMP, sophomore, business administration. "Yes, gives you a chance to prepare for later classes, or to look over any other assignments."



CHAD HUGHES, sophomore, comp. theory and music. "I don't like it because it doesn't pertain to music students."



JOHN PICCIOTTA, freshman, music major. "I think all classes should be out so more bands can play in the student center."



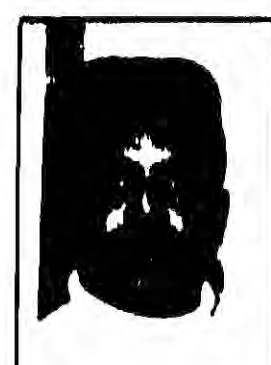
TERRENCE AMES, freshman, undeclared. "I don't think there should be mandatory classes at the 10 o'clock hour. Classes should be optional for students who work."



LUCITA JORDAN, sophomore, elementary education. "Yes, I think the 10 a.m. period should be open. It's a good opportunity for students to meet other people and to just relax."



MARK GERICK, freshman, biology. "Yes because people socialize and have fun."



KEN WALTON, freshman, undeclared. "I want the 10 o'clock hour free to socialize and to relax."



ADELA ZAPATA, sophomore, elementary education. "Yes, it should be a free hour so students can study and get ready for their next class."



JOHN RUSSELL, freshman, music major. "No. The classes that I'm taking now have to be taken anyway, so I might as well take them early and have the afternoon free. A better suggestion would be to have the 12-1 hour free."

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NEWS BRIEFS

Shuttle changes schedule

The Shuttle Parking Van has changed its hours to enable students to get to 9 a.m. classes instead of 8 a.m. classes.

Fashion show today

Fashion merchandising students will have a fashion show for visiting high school counselors today.

Health risk profile this week

The health risk profile, a medical program designed to provide individuals with specific information on their physical condition and medical needs, will be offered to students for the first time along with faculty and staff from 7-9 a.m. Thursday and Friday in the Student Center.

Administered by Hillcrest Baptist Medical Center, the blood tests (including cholesterol levels), will cost \$22.50, a reduction over last year's cost. The full health risk profile, which includes analysis and counseling based on an extensive questionnaire completed by the individual, has an additional cost. The latter program is optional, and many get only the blood tests results. Further information on the program can be obtained from the student activities office in the Student Center.

Art show deadline March 15

The deadline to enter artwork in the Annual Student Exhibition is March 15. The exhibition will be held in the Performing Arts Center March 29-May 5.

A maximum of three entries that have been completed within the last two years may be entered in each media. Entries must be ready to hang or install and not previously exhibited in competition at MCC.

As much as \$200 will be awarded to the winners as determined by the juror Hershall Seals. Entry forms are available in the art department, FA 112, FA 113, or from Brenda Price.

High school heads visit today

The annual "Counselor-Administrator Luncheon" will be held here today for area high school counselors and administrators to become more familiar with MCC.

The visitors are being updated on various programs at MCC and the opportunities available to graduating high school students.

Phi Theta Kappa to initiate

Phi Theta Kappa will hold an initiation ceremony on March 15 at 10 a.m. in the Lecture Hall, and current members are urged to attend a 10 a.m. March 13 meeting in LA 204 to plan the ceremony. If unable to attend, please contact Ruby Burns, John Nobis or Karen Norwood.

Established in 1918, Phi Theta Kappa is the national junior and community college honorary scholastic fraternity that is the companion organization of National Honor Society in high schools and Phi Beta Kappa of senior colleges.

The primary purposes are to promote scholarship, develop leadership, service and character, and bring about a fellowship among the students of the community colleges of the United States.

Lifeguards needed at H-PE

Positions are available for qualified lifeguards in the physical education department. Interested students should contact Coach James Burroughs there for more information.

RSA's meeting room changed

The Returning Students Association's meeting place has been changed from room 213 to room 210 in the Liberal Arts Building.

'Up With People' due

Up With People, an intercultural musical group, will perform at the Ferrel Events Center on March 14, at 7:30 p.m.

Board hires Hensley and Haynes

By SARA WARTES

In its February meeting, the Board of Trustees approved Mary Hensley for the position of Director of Institutional Research, Planning and Program Development and Craig Cooper Haynes as Circulation Reference Librarian.

Hensley began her duties effective Feb. 16. She has been working part-time as an administrative assistant. In her duties in this newly created position, Hensley will report directly to MCC President Dennis Michaelis.

Haynes has been working at the

San Luis Obispo City-County Library. He will be moving from Arroyo Grande, Calif., and will begin his duties on April 3. Haynes will fill the position vacated by Jane Gamez when she was named Library Director.

In other action, the board split the annual vending machine contract, awarding the soft drink concession to Coca Cola and the contract for juice, coffee, snacks, sandwiches and milk to Payne and Sons/Tom's Waco.

The vending contracts will provide MCC with 41 percent of the profits from soft drinks and 21 percent of the other snack profits. For the past five years, Quality Vending has contracted to provide all

snacks and soft drinks on an annually renewable 5-year contract. In addition to receiving a percentage of the vending machine profits, MCC will control prices charged. Coca Cola agreed to provide other brands of soft drinks, such as Dr. Pepper.

Other business to come before the board included: a report by Director of Personnel Richard Coronado; a report on the Master Plan Effort and Mission Statement; a proposal for bad debt write-off of unpaid short term emergency loans.

The next meeting of the board will be March 14 at 7:30 p.m. in the administration board room.

Shuttle services

By LISA HORNE

Taking advantage of the shuttle services on campus can now help students "write off" parking tickets.

If a student has received a ticket, it can be cancelled by just riding the shuttle. To take advantage of this new program a student may use the shuttle for five separate days during his or her next 10 class days.

Each day a student rides the shuttle the driver will validate his or her card. Students may take the validated card and their ticket to the office of Student Activities/Health Services where it will be voided.

Plaid vests win again

By SANDRA M. HEWITT-PARSONS

Five students won awards at the PHI RHO PI VI regional speech tournament, Feb. 9-11, held at Temple Junior College.

Jason Stringer and Laurel McCormick received first place in cross-examination team debate. They defeated a team from Tyler Junior College in the semi-finals and a team from San Jacinto College in the finals to win the tournament.

Stringer, who is a freshman, also received second place in extemporaneous speaking and was a finalist in impromptu speaking.

Donna Schoenemann, sophomore, was a finalist in three individual events: oral interpretation (mixed genre), dramatic interpretation and prose interpretation. She received third place in oral interpretation and third place in dramatic interpretation.

Gwyn Boswell, sophomore, in her second forensic competition received a third place in persuasive speaking.

Richard Caldwell, sophomore, who was attending his first college tournament, was a finalist in poetry interpretation.

Others who competed in the 11 different events at the tournament were, Robin Debrule, Sherry King and Shannon Doss.



BRINGING HOME AWARDS from the PHI RHO PI region VI speech tournament Feb. 9-11 are left to right Donna Schoenemann, Laurel McCormick, Jason Stringer and Sherry King.

Art Center Offers Classes

By LISA HORNE

The Art Center has many opportunities for anyone interested in art.

Most students think of the Art Center as a place to go for reviewing fine art. Many people do not know that the Art Center also con-

ducts classes. Beginning in March,

During the months of June and July, the Art Center offers a summer program for children. The summer program gives children the opportunity to learn fun and creative activities in art.

To register for upcoming classes in March, call the Art Cen-

ter at 742-4371 or mail in an application sheet.

The Art Center will offer classes for adults such as sculpture with models, life drawing, and a workshop in pottery. These classes will continue throughout the school year. They will be taught by volunteers.

Club news Club news Club news

By TAMMY RICHARDS and JENNIFER JOHNSON

Student's on the Move for Christ is planning a trip to Atlanta March 29-April 2 for the National Baptist Student Retreat. The thirty members going are having fund-raisers, such as concerts at churches, bake sales here at school, community car washes and garage sales, and a two night musical at a local church. Club members also go to nursing homes to sing to the elderly. Anyone interested in donating funds should contact Lanelle Tate, the President of the club, or their sponsor, Winfred Watkins.

The International Club held a party Friday, Feb. 24 that was entertaining as well as educational. The members met at the Woodhollo Apartments clubhouse to share the details of the recent vacations of fellow club members to other countries. Maria Sanchez, the President of the International

Club, invites anyone who wishes to meet people from other countries to join this exciting club.

The Student Government has been writing a proposal to suggest that all mandatory classes be prohibited during the 10:00 a.m. hour and that all classes running into the 10:00 a.m. hour be prohibited also.

The Phi Theta Kappa will be having initiations held on March 15 at 10:00 a.m. in the Lecture Hall. There were 189 prospective PTK applications mailed and applications are still being accepted. For any more information please contact Ruby Burns (Ext. 589).

The Music Educators National Conference just returned from an exciting trip to San Antonio for the Texas Music Educators Conference on Feb. 10 and 11 of this month.

The Zeta Omega Eta is a religious organization that provides students with an opportunity for Christian fellowship and service. This club is looking for more members. For any more information please contact the sponsor, Linda Beatty (Ext. 255).

There is a Silent Club that the Interpretive Training students participate in. This is a social club. A meeting will be held on March 11 at the TU Electric building at 3600 Franklin Ave. at 7:00 p.m. Members are required to wear green and bring salad things for this particular meeting.

The Student Government is running for the title of President of State Office and President of Regional Office.

CLASSIFIEDS

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Major universities welcome students

By TED MESSICK

Spring break next week will be a time that a number of us will be checking out four-year schools for possible transfer.

Most of the major universities like Texas, A&M, Houston, and Baylor conduct tours on weekdays from 9-5. They usually have counselors available for questions about credit transfers, financial aid, and other such goodies. All the colleges contacted said it would be better to call ahead. However, they all stressed quite strongly that they wouldn't turn anyone away.

Carolyn Hardy at Stephen F. Austin State University said her school offers daily tours of the campus from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Mondays-Friday, and two tours on Saturdays. She did recommend taking the Saturday tour since no counselors are there. The weekday tours, however, provide a walking tour of all the dormitories as well as the school buildings.

After the tours, SFA counselors are available to assess which courses will transfer according to a degree plan. They will also see that you can talk to the head of the department in your major, and show you the financial aids office to check on grants and loans. Although they will accept you out of the blue, it was stressed that a phone call ahead of time would be appreciated so they can make sure to have all the people that could help you in any way are present. The phone number for SFASU is (409) 568-2504.

Sam Houston State University was also "transfer friendly," even to the point of having a 1-800 number. The number to Sam Houston is 1-800-BEARCAT. Admissions counselor Joey Brand Chandler said her school would be "more than happy" to see any of our students. They conduct their tours from 9-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays. Counselors will also be available to talk

about credits, courses, etc. She also stressed calling ahead of time, but they won't turn anyone away.

Tarleton State in Stephenville offers tours Mondays-Fridays from 9 a.m.-noon and 1-4 p.m. on the hour. Tarleton's offices will be closed on both March 10 and 17. They, like the others, have counselors available during these hours and, like the others, prefer a phone call ahead of time. Call (817) 968-0845.

Some of the other schools contacted included Southwest Texas State, North Texas in Denton, and East Texas in Commerce. All those schools offer tours also.

Most of the people who were contacted were friendly and excited about their schools and what they have to offer. Almost everyone was also quite excited about being able to show possible future students their school.



Photo by Ken Crawford

ALL WOMAN BAND Texas Sugar performed Feb. 22 in the student center at 10 a.m.

Region 5 Tourney

Women

Western Texas vs. Ranger JC 1 p.m. today New Mexico JC vs. Cisco JC 3 p.m. today Odessa JC vs. MCC 7 p.m. tonight Frank Phillips JC vs. Grayson JC 9 p.m. tonight Semifinals 7 and 9 p.m. Wednesday Finals 7 p.m. Thursday

Men

South Plains JC vs. Ranger JC 12 p.m. Thursday Midland College vs. Grayson JC 2 p.m. Thursday Weatherford vs. Howard College 5 p.m. Thursday Odessa JC vs. MCC 9 p.m. Thursday Semifinals 7:30 and 9 p.m. Friday Finals 7:30 p.m. Saturday All games will be played at the Highlands.

'Landers to face Odessa

BY CLAY LASSETER

After winning their last six of eight ball games, the Highlanders are on the right track as they head into the Region 5 tournament this week at the Highlands. But, according to Coach Ken DeWeese, do not give him the credit for their upsurge.

"I do not know the reason for their why they are playing better. We're peaking at the right now and I didn't do it. Two weeks ago I didn't know if we were going to make the regional tournament," said DeWeese.

The Highlanders did make it, however, they get the dubious honor to play top-ranked Odessa Junior College, which features perhaps the best JUCO player in history - Larry Johnson.

Johnson, which has already signed with UNLV, and Odessa will meet the Highlanders at 9 p.m. Thursday.

DeWeese is familiar with Johnson. When Johnson came out of high school, his final two choices came down to Odessa and MCC,

with him opting to go west. "He's a very fine young man. I am looking forward to seeing him play," said DeWeese. "He's a future NBA number one draft pick."

DeWeese points out, however, that Odessa isn't the only team to watch, with all the teams showcasing talent.

South Plains has defeated Odessa this year, and according to DeWeese, Howard County has the best talent in the tournament. The four teams from the west has all been ranked in the top twenty sometime this season.

With Ranger, Weatherford and Grayson joining the Highlanders, the tournament should be exciting.

The women's tournament will be just as strong and exciting as the men's tournament, with the number five team in the nation, Grayson, coming to town. The Highlassies will face Odessa Junior College at 7 p.m. tonight.

DeWeese is extremely happy about hosting the tournament. "I hope everybody in Waco will support it," said DeWeese.



Photo by Ken Crawford

HANG TIME...Shone Wyatt demonstrates a 180 degree dunk. The Highlanders stumped Southwestern Christian College in the



homecoming game, 142-110, Saturday night at the Highlands. Wyatt after the reverse dunk.

hard so far this year," said Hudson.

The Region V Womens Basketball Tournament will begin Tuesday at 1 p.m.

The Highlassies will play Odessa Tuesday at 7 p.m.

'Lassies win three

By CARMEN FRENCH

After three exciting wins against Ranger, Weatherford, and Southwest Christian the MCC Highlassies are 7-5. "The girls made up their minds that they wanted to make the playoffs and they did," said Coach Wendell Hudson. The Highlassies defeated SWCC last Saturday with a score of 103-60.

Lana Larson hit nine three-pointers and finished with a season high of 33 points.

The win has gave the Highlassies a spot in the Region 5 postseason tourney at the Highlands.

The Highlassies also defeated Weatherford 81-68.

Leading scorers were Sandra Jones with 30 points and Lana Larson with 20 points. The Highlassies also defeated Ranger two weeks ago with a score of 89-87.

"With 25 seconds left Shawn Medlock was fouled by Ranger, with one second left to shoot two free throws the Ranger coach called time-out three times, one after the other. Finally Shawn shot the ball and made it both times to gives us the 89-87 win," said Hudson.

Leading scorers were Shawn Medlock with 21 points and Lana Larson with 15 points.

Angie Laws had 10 rebounds.

"The girls haven't shot the ball enough but they have played very

Highlanders win beat Ranger, 91-73

By JEFF CALAWAY

After last Saturday's 91-73 victory over Ranger Junior College, the MCC Highlanders had some good news and some bad news.

First, the bad news, the Highlanders cannot win the North Texas Junior College Athletic Conference. That will be decided between Ranger, Grayson and Weatherford, who after Feb. 18 were in a three way tie for first with 9-3 records.

Now, the good news, the Highlanders are in the National Junior College Athletic Association playoffs and after the game against Ranger, seem to be playing their best ball of the year.

Maurice Gandy scored the first four points of the game for the Highlanders, a sign of the things to come as he finished the night with 28 points on the night.

Shone Wyatt hit a three-point shot to tie Ranger at 9-9 with 16:06 remaining in the half.

Byron Young kept the Highlanders in the game from the 14:20 mark to the 10:40 scoring eight of the Highlanders' ten points.

Ranger went ahead, 32-26, when Javier Ayala entered the game and hit a quick jumper to pull MCC within four to make the score 32-28 with 6:13 left in the first half.

Henry Golightly made four straight points to tie the game at 32 all with 5:38 left on the clock in the first half.

Wyatt hit his second three-pointer of the night, then followed that with a two point basket to put the Highlanders up, 42-36, with 2:02 remaining in the first half.

Following a turn around jumper with 55 seconds left in the first half

by Warren Briggs, MCC went in the locker room at half winning, 44-40.

Gandy opened the second half the same way he did the first scoring the four points of the half. His first basket came early in the second half to put the Highlanders, 46-40. Ranger then went on an 8-0 run before Gandy made his second bucket to tie the game at 48-48.

The Highlanders then went on a run of their own outscoring Ranger, 11-2 to go up 59-50 with 11:26 left in the game.

They followed that run with eight points in a little over a minute to go up, 67-53, with 10:00 on the clock.

Billy Carlock followed up a missed free throw from Golightly who made his first shot to go up 70-58 with 8:00 to play.

Gandy scored six consecutive points, including a dunk, to put the Highlanders up 83-65 with 3:08 remaining in the game.

After a basket by Young, Gandy scored two free throws and then ended his night with a reverse slam that brought the house to its feet to make the score, 89-71, with 46 seconds left.

Jason Hooten closed out the scoring with two free throws to get the final score of 91-73.

With the victory, the Highlanders moved to 7-5 in conference play and 16-15 overall.

Besides the team leading 28 points, Gandy also had 22 rebounds. Young followed Gandy in scoring with 18 while Ayala had 13 points.

Rangers leading scorer was Kenneth Austin, who had 33, followed by Reginald Davis with 14 and Ronald Marshall who had 10.

Tennis teams succeed

The tennis team placed second in the men's division and third in the women's division this past weekend at the MCC Invitational Tournament at the Sul Ross Tennis Center.

Tyler Junior College, whose men are ranked third and whose women are ranked first nationally, took first place in all events in both men and women's tennis play. Final standings beginning with MCC players names, are as follows; Jorgen Bystrom lost in the semifinals to Mike Tremblay of Tyler 3-6, 6-3, 6-3, Stefan Cambal lost in the second round to Mike Martiney of Tyler 7-6, 6-4, David

Garcia lost in the second round to Kevin Trahan of Tyler 4-6, 7-5, 6-3, and Rob Grant lost in the finals to Mark Martinez of Tyler 6-0, 6-4.

In men's doubles Rob Grant and Mike Brown lost in the finals to Tom Adler and Pat Gonzales of Tyler 3-6, 6-3, 6-3, and Stefan Cambal and Jorgen Bystrom lost in the semifinals to Sallerno and Tremely of Tyler 6-4, 3-6, 6-3.

Final standings in M.C.C. Women's Tennis are as follows; Jolanda Schrouns lost in the semifinals 3-6, 7-5, 6-2, to Wendy Frazier, who ranked fifth nationally, Maria Carlson lost in the second

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Teachers select health in survey

By SHERRY WILLIAMS

Weight control, walking, blood work on cholesterol levels, and stress management are areas of interest to MCC faculty and staff according to a Faculty/Staff Wellness Assessment Survey.

Last fall, Evelyn Pratkanis organized a survey on behalf of President Dennis Michaelis to assess the areas that would be of interest if the school were to implement a Faculty/Staff Wellness Program. More than half of the questionnaires were completed and returned by the Nov. 21 deadline.

Of the participants in the survey, 70.2 percent said they would be willing to share in the cost of providing a wellness activity if the cost were affordable. A scheduling conflict is evident with only 27.1 percent available at the 4-5 p.m. time period.

A committee of faculty and staff members was compiling the results of the survey and planning several programs to present to Michaelis last week. Specific programs have not been announced.

Intramural play-offs

By SHERRY WILLIAMS

Slam dunks, 3-point shots, and cheering fans are not limited to "pro" basketball games. Intramurals coordinator Wendell Hudson said that standing ovations are common for the exciting plays made during men's intramural basketball games.

Going into play-offs this week without a dominant team, Hudson expects an exciting competition for slam dunks, 3-point shots and a place in the championship game to be held Friday, March 3 at 10 a.m. in The Highlands.

The deadline for racquetball sign-ups has been moved to March 3. The open, double-elimination tournament will begin after spring break, so find a partner and sign up today.

Don't forget about "Summer in Scotland," a par 3 scramble golf tournament to be held at Lake Waco Country Club March 11. The cost is \$5 and registration is in HPE 113 or the Student Activities Office. Coach Hudson said he is hoping for wide participation among faculty, staff, and students, so that other golf tournaments can be planned later in the semester.

After Spring Break sign up for pickleball and/or four-person volleyball. Coach Hudson is excited about pickleball, which will be played one day per week during the activity hour, and encourages everyone to try this new sport.

Highlanders defeat San Jac

By CLAY LASSETER

After dropping the first two games of their tournament on Friday, the Highlanders bounced back to win two games on Sunday, clinching second place behind San Jacinto.

Sunday was highlighted with a 9-5 win over three-time national champion San Jacinto. The Highlanders defeated Howard College 6-2 in the nightcap.

The Highlanders erupted for four runs in the first inning and Steve Medina hit a two-run homer in the second to give the Highlanders a 6-0 lead. The Highlanders added some insurance runs in the fifth as Rusty Silcox, (3-0), got the win.

Against Howard, Bret Lowry, (1-0), tossed a six-hitter and John Finke added a two-run homer to spark the Highlanders past the Hawks, the defending Region 5 champions.

On Friday, the Highlanders dropped a 9-6 decision to Vernon Junior College and then an 8-1 loss to Laredo Junior College.

In the opener, the Highlanders let a 6-2 lead slip away, before the Chaparrals blasted in seven runs in the fifth inning off of three MCC pitchers.

In the nightcap, Laredo ignited for three homers and Leonel Villanueva fired a three-hitter. MCC's Steve Medina drew a bases loaded walk to score Chris Silka to give the Highlanders a 1-0 lead in the third inning.

Villanueva allowed three walks and struck out six as Terrance Saylor, Juan Salina, and Luis Vasquez all hit home runs to propel Laredo.

The Highlanders are now 6-3.



Photo by Ken Crawford

SAFE BY INCHES...Darren Glenn slides back into first after a line drive catch. Denny Bowles reaches for the throw in an attempted double play.

'Guys and Dolls' to open tomorrow

By AIMEE FARR

The Drama department has just completed work on the last major play of the season, the Damon Runyon classic "Guys and Dolls," which will begin playing this week.

The musical will premier on March 1 at 8 p.m. and will continue to run March 2-5, with two shows on March 4 at 2 and 8 p.m. There will be a matinee at 2:30 p.m. March 5.

"Guys and Dolls," with a cast of

45, is one of the largest productions to grace the MCC stage. The story centers around New York gamblers and their "dolls," who want to get married. The "guys" would rather gamble than take out the garbage. The play is also filled with drinking and gambling, along with a religious revival.

"The audience can expect strong, lovable characters, comedy, romance, and a good old time," according to director Lou Lindsey.

Tickets are free of charge for students and faculty, excluding

Saturday night in which tickets go for the regular price of \$5.

A traditional musical, set in the late 1940s, "Guys and Dolls" features such well-loved songs such as: "Adelaide's Lament," "Sit Down You're Rockin' the Boat," and a few love songs thrown in for good measure. "Every song does something," Lindsey said. Gail Geary and Karen Albrecht are in charge of vocal direction. The orchestra conductor is Donnie Balmos.

"Guys and Dolls" not only offers a treat for the ears, but for the

eyes as well. The cast has spent countless hours perfecting the dance routines, under the direction of choreographer Flo Wendorf.

The scenery, along with the costumes, further enhances the visual impact of the play. According to Dave Borron, in charge of scenery and technical direction, "This is really seven individual sets," he said. Julia McClellan and Kristi Gathright are responsible for the costumes for all 45 members of the cast. Denise Maze was the assistant director/stage manager.



Photo by Ken Crawford

RAUCOUS REBOUND... Carolyn Bennett pulls down a rebound in the Highladies 103-60 victory over Southwestern Christian College Lady Rams, Saturday at the Highlands.

Athletes fight, break window

By TERI LYN EISMA

activities and health services.

A fight between two male students Feb. 13 broke a Student Center window and has left tennis player Nick Zinsmeister off-court until Spring Break.

Zinsmeister and basketball player Billy Carlock fell through the bottom third of a window during the 10 a.m. hour that Monday. Carlock had cuts on his hands and upper left arm, and Zinsmeister had a piece of glass about 2 centimeters square lodged above his right knee as well as a severed right leg tendon and cut right wrist.

"Both boys are very lucky their injuries weren't very severe. I think they both know that," said Greg Clark, director of student ac-

The window was broken up to four feet from the floor, according to Dr. LaVerne Wong, vice president of student services, while the rest of the window was intact. "Had the glass slid down, it would have been terrible...That glass is heavy."

The window was replaced Feb. 20 at a cost to the college of approximately \$500, Wong said.

MCC has not filed legal action against the athletes, but has "put (them) on some kind of work detail in the cafeteria," Wong said. Anything else "would be like isolating two people who got a traffic ticket...it was an accident." If a window were broken at one of the dances, Wong said in example, MCC would replace it.

'Lassies win trio

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round to Mandy Nall of Tyler 6-2, 6-0, Brenda Haag lost in the quarter finals to Rossi from Cooke 7-5, 7-5, Christine Lopez lost in the quarter finals to Mona Zatestam of Cooke 6-3, 6-2, Kelly Massa lost in the quarter finals to Cathey O'Brien of Cooke 6-2, 6-2, and Jennifer Hotz lost in the first round to Andrea Pollmann of Cooke 6-0, 6-1.

In women's doubles Christine Lopez and Kelly Massa lost to Agassi and O'Brien of Cooke 6-3, 6-2, and Jolanda Schreurs and Maria Carlsson lost to Mandy Nall

and Wendy Frazier of Tyler 6-3, 7-6.

Other MCC tennis news includes the victory of the women's team over the San Jacinto women's team who is ranked sixth nationally, and the men's victories over San Jacinto and North Texas State.

The MCC women's tennis team plays again here Wednesday March 1, against St. Edwards at 2 p. m., and the men's tennis team plays again against Weatherford there on March 16.

Jazzbos--all that jazz

By ELIZABETH DELEON

What does Bill Haskett, Ken Frazier, Dick Gimble, David Hibbard, Bill Howard, Julian Jones, Rob Page, and Roger Rush all have in common? Well, despite the fact that they are all music instructors on campus they all share a special bond, for they are the Faculty Jazz Ensemble, otherwise known as the "Jazzbos."

The "Jazzbos" is a not just credited towards one person but instead is known as a "group effort," according to Haskett, chairman of the fine arts department, although he jokingly said, "In charge of THAT group, no way, I wouldn't claim them--no one would." He went on to say that they are a group of good friends who have a great time together.

"Jazzbos" performs all types of jazz from the 1930s Dixieland era to the late 1940s and 1950s bop era. "When we perform concerts we try to play a little bit of everything, including some rock or other popular tunes to keep the audience interested," Haskett said.

The purpose of the band was to allow high quality performers to get the chance to grow as musicians as well as to have fun doing what they do best, play music.

"Jazzbos" recently performed at the Rotunda in the state capital

as a promotion for the Community Colleges Month. Other community performances include having concerts around and in the community, performing at the Hippodrome, as well as future performances in connection with the Brazos River Festival.

Other projects in which the band is involved with include performing at area high schools which promote students an interest in musical abilities, as well as serving a strong purpose in recruitment which really helps the music program in student enrollment, said Haskett.

A clinic for the group will be given by Bobby Schew, a famous trumpeter, later in May and through this program members of the group will learn more music techniques as well as to get the chance to "Toot our own horn with a famous person," Haskett said.

In the band, Haskett plays the trombone, books performances and schedules tours for the band, Frazier is on guitar, Gimble is on bass, Hibbard is on trumpet, Howard is on keyboards, Jones is on guitar, Page is on saxophone and writes the band's arrangements, and Rush is on drums.

"Jazzbos" rehearses every Monday night.



By ELIZABETH DELEON
entertainment editor

Believe it or not

The grammys: A wonderful time

Being the dedicated music lover that I am, not a day goes by that I don't project some type of rhythmic tune (preferably loud rock or rappin' soul) into the inner sensations of my audible senses.

Honestly, I would not be caught dead without a radio, walkman, stereo, compact disc or other type of quality sound system constantly surrounding me. This is the reason why I could not pass up the golden

opportunity, the chance that only comes once a year, when all music personalities ranging from rock, country, soul and rap and other types of music join forces to see who will be nominated as best group, favorite male or female vocalist, or even best song for the year. This is the all popular gala event otherwise known as the Grammys.

If you think that these awards are not anything but a bunch of hulla-ballo, think again because Willie Nelson even goes all out for this event.

Now, I am not trying to put down someone's personal appearance, but some of those famous musicians are outrageous. For example, let's look at Tracy Chapman, now here is a woman who has potential (or so I've heard),

but how can anyone possibly take someone serious that sounds something like a sheep going baa-baa, despite the fact that she looks like a Buckwheat reject.

Next, we have the world famous Michael Jackson, you know the guy, he's the one that brought the moonwalk into existence only because he couldn't be on the moon the first time we set foot on it. Seriously, I like the moonwalk, the problem is Michael, he thinks

that he is "Bad" and he is to a certain extent because he acts too much like his sisters.

Rick Astley is a little pale, and how can anyone not know the words to his songs it's the same

thing over and over "yea yea yea yea yeaaaaaaa!" Come on, folks, let's put a little more language into our vocabulary.

Despite what you may think, the Grammys is not all full of

weirdos, for there are many fine musicians in all kinds of categories pertaining to music, some of my favorites include: that awesome hunk of a hunk George Michael, who I am sure anyone would want

to have "Faith" in. We sure can't forget the lovely Whitney, who is just "So Emotional" with every song she sings. Your "pushing it" a little if you think that Salt-N-Pepa is not fast enough for you. How-

ever, if country is your type then Randy Travis may swoon you "forever and ever."

Can you believe it? Bobby McFerrin worried some of his listeners to death with his song

"Don't Worry Be Happy," but listen here you just can't get rid of that song so fast. This is one of the best songs there is. Okay, I admit that at first the song got on my nerves, but hey after I started lis-

tening to it I got used to it. That song is my motto, my inspiration, my ideal of spreading happiness to others and what a better way than through music.

With the grammys over, I can only wait until next year. But, I will get by on listening to my favorite performers and waiting for the next singing sensation to make the scene and their lifelong dream coming true, when the host says those three magical words... "The envelope please."



JAZZBOS PLAY in the rotunda of the State Capitol as a promotion for the Community Colleges Month in February. Standing left to right are Ken Frazier; Bill Haskett; Betty Denton, State Representative/D; Julian Jones; Roger Rush; Dick Gimble; Dave Hibbard; Bill Howard and Rob Page.

NAMES in the news...NAMES in the news...NAMES

Shannon Murphy, a recovering alcoholic, is interested in starting up a new student AA meeting and student support group.....

While the rest of us were suffering through the "February freeze" early this month, one lucky MCC student, Janet Hornish, was basking on the beaches of Hawaii with her husband. When they returned to find the runways iced over at DFW it was a rude shock. Since they hadn't taken coats to Hawaii, they were forced to wrap up in blankets borrowed from the plane to make it to their car in the sub-freezing weather. At least their chill bumps had a tan.....

With the JUCO basketball season coming to a climax, Coach Ken DeWeese's sophomores are getting some national attention from some college basketball power houses. One such player is 5-ft. 8-inch guard Henry Gollightly who is being recruited by the likes of Oklahoma University and North Carolina State and other Division I schools.....

Doroteo "Ted" De Luna, a past-president (1971) of Student Government, and Chris Taylor helped with the filling of helium balloons for the National Trio Day celebration held here Saturday.....

Tanya Clark from Student Government will be doing a photo session for a professional modeling studio soon. From this, she expects to gain experience in working with professional models and perhaps meet some "big name" models.....

Kris Hughes, Becky Vasquez and Wanda Crain were honored during a luncheon at the Waco Lion's Den, Feb. 23. Hughes and Vasquez received awards as outstanding volunteers for the Family Abuse Center and Crain was recognized as an outstanding full-time worker.....

Francine Logan is a volunteer who works with students who have drug, alcohol, and family problems or who just need someone to talk to. The mental health major video tapes peer sessions between the students and has been donating her time since the beginning of the spring semester.....

Ending a two-month tournament at Video Oasis in Lake Air Mall, MCC student Harvey Evans won the "Video Quarterback Superbowl" on Feb. 18 with his partner Chris Justice of Waco High School.....

MCC STUDENT SUPPORT GROUPS	
Mon. 10:00 a.m.	NA-Narcotics Anonymous Fine Arts, rm. 115
Mon. Noon	ACA-Adult Children of Alcoholics Student Center, rm. 301
Wed. 10:00 a.m.	AA-Alcoholics Anonymous Fine Arts, rm. 115
Fri. Noon	CODA-Co-dependency Anonymous Student Center, rm. 301

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Shuttle service is available from 7:45 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. and from 3:30 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. Students may park their cars on the parking lot facing College Drive at the Community Services Center and be shuttled to and from Health Careers and the Administration Building approximately every 10 minutes.

We encourage you to take advantage of this service. If you use the shuttle for five separate days during your next ten class days, you can have your ticket cancelled. The shuttle driver will validate your card each day you ride, and you may take the validated card and your ticket to the office of Student Activities/Health Services where it will be voided. Thanks for your cooperation in parking safely.

MCC DRAMA DEPARTMENT PRESENTS

GUYS & DOLLS

A MUSICAL FABLE of BROADWAY

Based on a story and characters by Damon Runyon
Music & Lyrics by Frank Loesser
Book by Jo Swearing and Abe Burrows

March 1, 2, 3, and 4
8:00 p.m.

March 4 and 5
2:30 p.m.

Scholarship Performance
March 4 at 8:00
All seats are \$5 for this performance

For more information - 750-3500

Women Gain National Attention

By Kebana Reed

Dianne Murphy and Linda Storrs have worked at a local savings and loan for 21 years, and they have seen improvements accelerate for women in the work place during the last 10 years.

"Advancement is possible now at a faster rate than before," said Storrs, assistant vice president at the S&L, while Vice President Murphy said, "I don't believe I would be where I am today if I had skipped around to different jobs instead of staying with this one."

They both agreed that patience is necessary in getting to the top and it takes a lot of hard work to prove yourself as a "company person."

Helen Quiram, a businesswoman for 38 years said, "Today's woman is more talented, aggressive, and volatile in balancing a job and home."

"Our children are also smarter now than when I was growing up," she said.

Quiram said she feels that the church has made a tremendous breakthrough in getting woman to the top, but sees it taking longer for other positions.

"There's still corporate positions that are filled only by men not because of ability or age, but that is slowly changing."

Discrimination exists among the age groups in women, she said. "A lot of women in the age group 50-60 have a lot to offer, but they are not being recognized for what they can offer."

After five years of annual Congressional Resolutions marking the week of March 8 as a time to reflect on women's historic contributions, the passage of Public Law 100-9 in 1987 officially established March as National Women's History Month.

PUBLIC LAW 100-9
Designating March as
"Women's History Month"

Whereas American women of every race, class, and ethnic background helped found the Nation in countless recorded and unrecorded ways as servants, slaves, nurses, nuns, homemakers, industrial workers, teachers, reformers, soldiers and pioneers.

Whereas American women have played and continue to play a critical economic, cultural and social role in every sphere of our Nation's life by constituting a significant portion to the labor force working in and outside of the home.

Whereas American women have played a unique role throughout our history by providing the majority of the Nation's volunteer labor force and have been particularly important in the establishment of early charitable, philanthropic and cultural institutions in the country.

Whereas American women of every race, class, and ethnic background served as early leaders in the forefront of every major progressive social change movement, not only to secure their own right of suffrage and equal opportunity, but also in the abolitionist movement, the emancipation movement, the industrial labor union movement and the modern civil rights movement.

Whereas despite these contributions, the role of American women in history has been consistently overlooked and undervalued in the body of American history.

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, that the month of March is designated as "Women's History Month," and the president is requested to issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States to observe such month with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

Women's history is a whole new way of looking at the events and individuals who have made this country what it is today. The

multi-cultural study of women's lives brings to the fore many new themes in American life, stories to which all girls and boys, women and men can relate.

History, as it has been traditionally taught, has focused on political, military and economic leaders and events. This approach has virtually excluded women, people of color, and the mass of America's ordinary citizens. To the children of those ignored groups, history has come to be seen as remote and lifeless, a tale having little bearing on their own lives. By expanding the focus of "history" to include the stories of women's lives, whether they reflect everyday life experiences or the effect on individuals of the "big events" of our nation's history, we give students a deeper and more relevant appreciation of American history.

Women's history celebrates the heroines of our past, women whose important contributions have, for too long, been left out of the history textbooks. Women of previous generations who have left their mark on our society provide important role models for our daughters and sons as they endeavor to envision what their own lives might hold in store. Women's history also celebrates the lives of common women from all walks of life, women whose everyday struggle for survival in a growing nation made possible the lives we lead today. It is in the lives of such women, whether grand eloquent or steadfastly ordinary, that inspiration and vision for the future can be found.

Women's history provides a new perspective for looking at the past, a perspective which honors the richness and diversity of the lives of the many women who came before us. Women's history also provides a perspective for imagining the future. This new perspective enables us to see ourselves as part of the continuum of changing attitudes and opportunities, roles and rewards for women.

MCC is celebrating National Women's History Month by invit-

ing speakers to share their personal experiences with students and the public at three luncheons planned during March.

On March 14, Martha Cotera will be the guest speaker. She has written a book, *Dona Doormat: No Esta Aqui*. Cotera is a business woman, publisher, author and speaker. She has been featured on the cover of *Texas Business Magazine*. In 1987, she received the Texas Association of Mexican American Chamber of Commerce Business Person of the Year Award. She has her own business in Austin called Information Systems Development that serves as a data bank and clearing house for research.

Cotera's program will be at noon in the Highlander Room on the third floor of the Student Center. Cotera will also speak in the cafeteria March 14 at 6 p.m. She is sponsored by the Hispanic Women's Network and MCC's student services.

On March 15, Jessie Lee Janes will be the guest speaker. She will be talking about Dr. Hallie Earl, the first woman graduate of Baylor Medical School and the first woman doctor to practice in McLennan County.

Janes knew Dr. Earl personally and wrote a book, *A Woman For All Ages*. Health care specialists and faculty are encouraged to come. The noon program will be in the Highlander Room.

On March 30, Dorothy Shellenberger will be the guest speaker. She will review the book, *The Hiding Place*, by Corie Ten Boom, and tell the escape plan of the family in World War II in Germany. Shellenberger has performed in a play adapted from the book and writes for *Guide Post Magazine*. The noon program will be in the Highlander Room.

Tickets will be \$2.50 for each luncheon. A limited number of free tickets will be available to students.

These programs are provided as part of MCC's Cultural Enrichment Series.

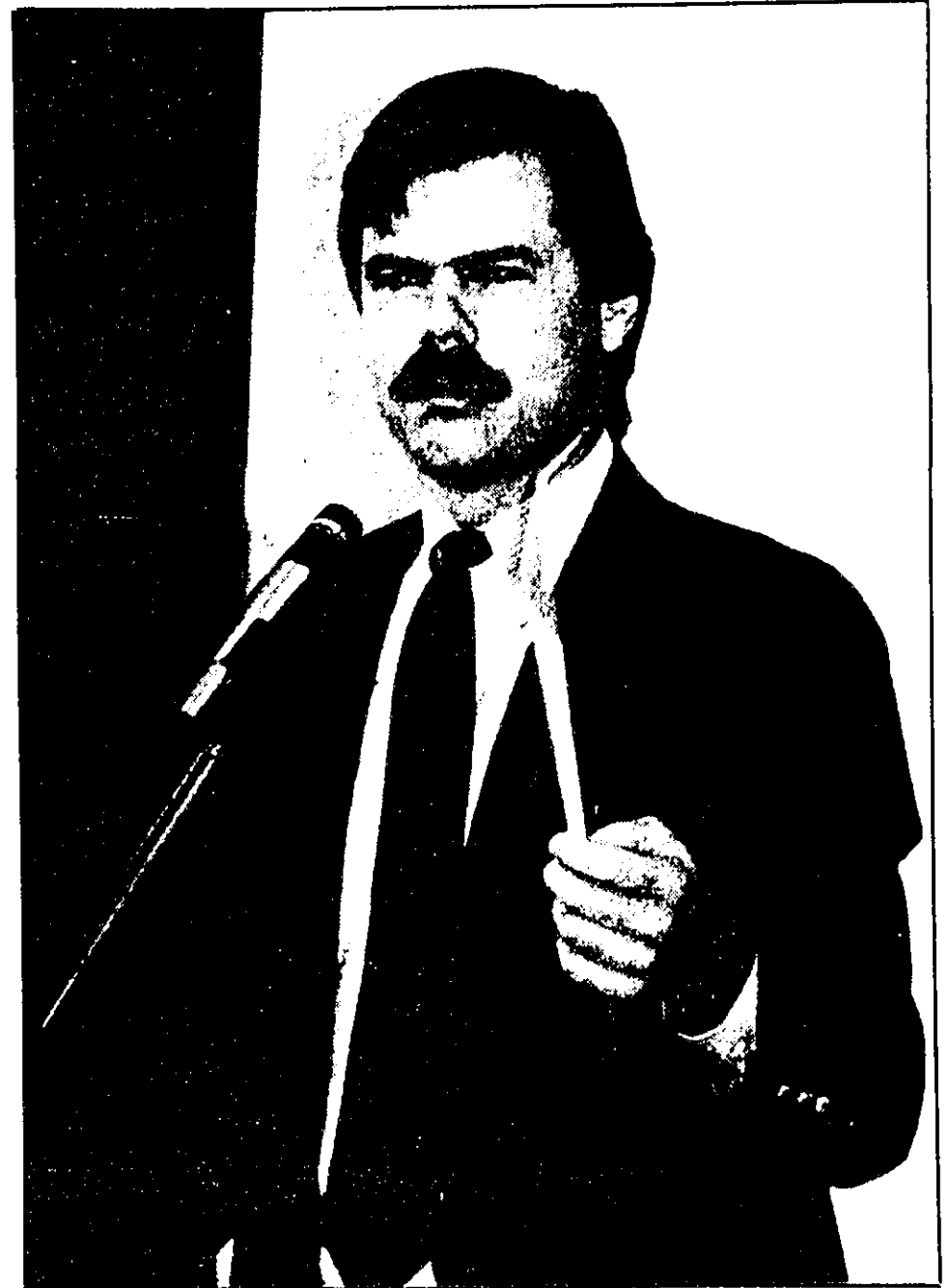


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BOBBY HAWTHORNE, director of journalism for the University Interscholastic League, gives some pointers on news, feature, editorial and headline writing to 140 area high school students and teachers and 32 MCC journalism students in the Lecture Hall Feb. 22. Most of those high school students will be competing in district journalism contests here March 28.

Student Focus

By KEITH JENKINS

features editor



Spring break: making the best of a bad time

It's vacation time again as students get ready next week for another spring break. Time for sleeping late and having fun in the sun.

But when looking at how the weather has been these past few weeks, spring break may not be so enjoyable if you stay in Waco. Rain and cold just aren't the best ingredients for having time away from school.

So the question of how to spend spring break when the weather is awful may come to mind to a lot of students.

If you have to work during the entire week or if you don't really care what it's like outside, then you probably will be just content with having the time off.

But if you're the type of person who loves to be active and simply hate to be cooped up indoors during a vacation, then staying in Waco may be a problem.

If you have the opportunity, try and travel somewhere where the climate may be just right for you and the kind of things that you enjoy doing. If you're always complaining about how Waco is so boring, jump at the first chance you get to go out of town because staying here might drive you crazy.

But if there is absolutely no possible way of leaving town, try and enjoy what you can in Waco. It might be wise to use this time off to your advantage if you have a lot of studying to catch up on or if you need to do something else important that you've been putting off for a long time.

By now, you may be tired of always just going to a movie, eating out, or "cruising the valley." In that case, try something new with your friends that will occupy your time. Anything is probably better than just sitting at home everyday during spring break.

Hopefully the weather will be perfect to where making plans for next week won't be such a major problem, but if it is, take some of these suggestions to make the week a little bit more enjoyable and bearable.

And if you're fortunate to be able to travel somewhere like Florida, enjoy every divine second of it while the rest of us may be still stuck here under umbrellas and in overcoats.

Woman plans campus beauty

By SARA WARTES

When does spring begin? For Dianne Feyerherm it begins in October.

That's when she begins to plan the flower beds that will colorfully announce the arrival of spring on campus.

Feyerherm has been supervisor of grounds maintenance since she obtained her bachelor's degree in ornamental horticulture from Texas Tech University five years ago.

Did being a woman cause her any difficulties when she arrived to take on the traditional male occupation? "I think it would be normal if they (the grounds crew) wondered what kind of person they were getting, but if they had an adjustment period they kept it to themselves. They treated me great."

Feyerherm's relationship with the grounds keepers has been a satisfying experience for her. "When I came I didn't have practical experience. I had the educational background."

The grounds keepers who had been here for several years would advise her about how they had done things in the past. Some things she felt needed to be changed.

"The guys know that I need them too. They know I'm not going to be telling them about something if I don't know anything about it. They know I respect it if they know something," also stated Feyerherm.

Although other women were in her horticulture program at Tech, Feyerherm says most of them went into landscape design rather than grounds maintenance. She is the only woman who attends the Grounds Managers Seminars conducted for other colleges and universities in Texas.

Maintaining the beauty of MCC's campus is a responsibility that Feyerherm takes seriously.

"First impressions really play a big part in students choosing an institution," she said. "The whole idea is to keep the campus in as natural a setting as possible."

That natural look requires year round planning by Feyerherm and the grounds crew. Every season has its own set of tasks, some to

prepare for the season that follows. Behind the scenes during the drab winter months, the grounds crew is always aware that spring is just around the corner.

Daffodil bulbs, purchased and planted last fall, are beginning to come up in beds around campus. They will provide early spring flowers for years to come. In January, seeds were planted in the greenhouse to provide plants for transplanting to flower beds in early April after the last frost.

"We know what's going to grow and work well here," Feyerherm said. In addition to the tried and true varieties such as marigolds and periwinkles, she tries to "get something new and different every year." Sometimes the new varieties work well and sometimes they don't. But Feyerherm is always working to provide variety to the campus.

During the growing season, mowing is one of the top priorities. Two temporary workers are hired

just for this purpose. They ride the mowers every day, covering the entire campus once a week. Fert-

ilizing, spraying pesticides, trimming and weeding flower beds keep the other grounds keepers busy all summer.

Even during the winter, when one might assume the work load would decrease, the eight grounds keepers have a busy schedule. Pruning the hundreds of trees that are such an important part of the "park" atmosphere is one winter task. When trees become weak or diseased they may have to be removed to make room for other trees. Last year alone 150 new trees were planted on the campus.

Repairing equipment and replacing expansion boards in sidewalks are also important winter duties. When sidewalks and streets are icy, the grounds crew sands them to keep things moving. In addition, the unglamorous task of keeping the campus free of trash falls to the grounds crew in all seasons.

Always, no matter what the season, Feyerherm and the grounds maintenance crew are planning ahead. Their goal? To make the MCC campus the most beautiful in the state.

Success: are the pressures worth it

By KEITH JENKINS

When thinking back to your childhood, how many times did you say something like, "When I grow up, I want to be a rich and famous doctor or lawyer."

Although not everyone has the same dream when they are growing up, people constantly strive to reach goals and be successful from the time they are kids to the point of maturity.

It is only natural and common for people to desire success in life either in school or in a career. Usually the road to reach the top takes a lot of hard work and determination with results that can be rewarding.

But on the other hand, sometimes that road can be filled with pressure and anxiety. Pressure can exist to the point that it can cause a person to do things that they may regret later on in life.

Our society has placed so much importance and emphasis on a person being successful that from the time students are in high school to when they get into college, many are pushed toward an excessive amount of academic

performance. Various experts agree that this amount of pressure can be caused by teachers, friends, and even parents.

Performance can cause them to think they are a failure when in fact they are not.

When it's always expected by others, especially parents, for a person to never make mistakes and to only do good, they may do anything to keep up what is expected. But when they can't live up to other people's expectations, accepting their mistakes can be difficult to handle. Resulting dishonesty can sometimes be the way a person tries to conceal the truth when their reputation of excellence is in jeopardy.

Some students are constantly faced by the thoughts that they must always do well and accept nothing less than their best performance. This drive of always trying to do your best can be a tremendous help in reaching your goals, but it can also be harmful in some cases. When students are only used to achieving success, any kind of decline in their per-

formance usually the pressure exerted by others causes a person to focus on a higher education, becoming rich and famous, or climbing the ladder to the top in their career. These all can be signs of success, but they also can be the exact keys to the recognition that a person hopes for in pleasing everyone's intentions.

By the time this obsession of wanting success is the only focus that a person has, they may do anything no matter what the cost or consequences may be. When a person is at this point in their life, is success really worth it and will it be beneficial?

When taking everything into consideration, it all boils down to whether a person really believes that true success is having the pressure of trying to please everyone instead of just pleasing themselves.

Based on experts' opinions, self-gratitude is the best kind of success. When a person is driven by a force of personal ambition based on not what others expect or want from you, but by the person's own desires, the pressure can be decreased.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Likes article 'Support groups aids addicts'

Dear Ms. Eisma,

I would like to say that I enjoyed your article in the Feb. 14 issue of the Highland Herald. I am at the present taking a 14 hour load as well as tutoring and taking note in two classes (plus 7 hours) and am only saying this to light the brevity of a situation I take time to write about.

"Support groups aid addicts" is an excellent example of responsible journalism. I should wear a hat to tip it to you. The subject is one that is of current concern to all of us. MCC may prove to be an excellent example of other educational facilities of various levels.

Ms. Eisma, please understand that this is in no way a retraction of my previous letter. I am simply stating the facts as I see them.

Something I'd like to see more of is responsible journalism. With the tools of language and communication and the power of the press, you are at the helm of a mighty media instrument that can be significant to the students as well as the community it serves.

There is a great amount of special interest and activity groups that concern the general student body that the Herald could introduce to the student body. An example of an open method of going

about this might be to have a member of each group and/or club (authors chosen by club) submit a story to the Herald that might even be used as recruitment for the club.

I'd like to see a regular column devoted to the students answering the question; what brings you to MCC? It should be a unique column to look forward to from week to week. Students will eventually come to see that they are not as

different as they seem to think they are nor are they weird. Their fears and dreams are shared by many. This could be important to someone who may be trying to find themselves. You may find yourself in the pages of the Highland Herald, write.

Keep up the excellent work, Ms. Eisma. I'm looking forward to the next issue.

Raymond Hulley

card of thanks

We would like to express our sincere appreciation to all who gave flowers, cards, etc., during the recent loss of our mother. Your expressions of sympathy have meant so much to us during this time.

Nelda Miller and Linda Snider