

Educators Attend TSTA Conv.

Faculty and administrative staff left last Thursday to attend the 29th annual Texas Junior College Teachers Association convention at the Fairmount Hotel in Dallas.

Registration began at 2 p.m. and ended at 10 p.m.

Exhibits were open, committee meetings, demonstrations and tours of the

Dallas County Community College Campuses were also going on at this time.

The convention opening held its first general session from 7 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. in the International Ballroom. A reception was held for TJCTA members honoring Past President and introducing candidates for state office.

Friday morning faculty and staff members had breakfast and panel discussion on the "Rights of Teachers: Four Perspectives", from 7:30 a.m. until 8:45 a.m. in the Gold Room.

Following the panel discussion there were section meetings.

Mickey Ferguson, director of public information was chairman of two journalism and public information section meetings. The topic for the first discussion was "Time and Money: Managing for Top Productivity," and for the second "Public Service Announcements." Dr. Ann Hansen Garrett,

child care program director was chairman for the child development section meeting. Her topic was "Statues of Core Curriculum Development." William Hasket music coordinator led the music section meeting on the topic of "Comprehensive Musicianship at the College Level."

Clyde Koehne, government instructor was on the Membership Services Committee.

During the second general session the TJCTA All State Honor Band performed.

Five MCC students performed with the band. The students were Cay Greiner, clarinetist, Mark McKee base clarinetist, Manuel Pena and Steve Snyder, trombonists and trumpeter David Roos. The first concert was at 7:30 to 9 p.m. March 5 and 11:30 a.m. March 8.

At the third general session, Democratic Rep. Barbara Jordan spoke after the group heard the All-State junior college band.

Reminding teachers that the TJCTA constitution began with a statement that all should strive for excellence in education, Miss Jordan said that excellence could result only if freedom in the classroom is protected.

"You can't bar the door to freedom in the classroom," she said.

Community pressures are one of the greatest threats to academic freedom. The writers of the constitution knew it. They had just fought a revolution to protect freedom, she said. Provincial ideas that would censor textbooks, or fire teachers for encouraging independent thought are threats to freedom.

"A teacher must foster inquiry...even at the cost of discomfort to things established," she said.

Students have a right to political expression in the classroom. The law guarantees it. They have a right to be free of proselytizing religion in the classroom. The law guarantees it, she said.

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Richard Wordsworth Will Entertain With Performances This Week

Richard Wordsworth, grandson of the English poet William Wordsworth, will visit MCC tomorrow and Friday.

Wordsworth will give several lectures and performances including "A Press Interview With Thomas Jefferson in 1806." Costumed in 19th century dress, Wordsworth will portray Jefferson and quote directly from his writings. David Wiley, Jamie Oliver, Donna Richter and Dale Hughes, speech students, will also participate in the interview.

"Amerigo Vespucci's Namesakes Create a New Nation" will also be performed with the interview by Readers Theater.

Don Bynum, director of student activities said, "We expect a packed house for all of Wordsworth's programs."

"This is a great opportunity to have someone this well-traveled and well-known on campus," Bynum said. "This is probably one of the most outstanding programs we've had on campus in all of MCC's existence."

"He's had the most national exposure on the college circuit of anyone we've ever had," said Bynum.

Wordsworth graduated from Cambridge University to the English classical theatre in which he played a leading role. He is featured in Who's Who in Theatre.

During the past five years Wordsworth has made a transition from the theatrical to the academic world. He has made five American tours, increasingly centering on universities. His tours began with The Bliss of Solitude, a one-man entertainment about his great, great grandfather. Since that time his entertainment has expanded to include eight talks.

In "A Press Interview With Thomas Jefferson," Jefferson is portrayed in his 63rd year. He is approaching the latter half of his second term as President.

Jefferson is described by his contemporaries as tall, with the loose posture of an outdoorsman.

The Irish poet, Tom Moore, wrote of Jefferson; "He is a

large man; in fact, I have never met a man of loftier stature. He has a noble face with a Scotch-Irish cast of feature, and with curly hair of reddish tint, although greatly mixed with grey. His mouth is large and firm set, while his nose is of true Scottish type and unusually wide at the nostrils. As to his eyes, I would say that they are of a grayish and light blue tint mixed, and steely in expression. His brow is broad and white and very free from wrinkles. His whole appearance denotes a man of vigorous actions, and did I not know he was President of the United States, I would judge him to be a gentleman of landed property, with all the inclinations of a fox-hunting squire."

Contemporaries of closer acquaintance described his capacity for sympathy, his wide range of interests, brilliant play of mind, reflected in a face that "beamed with benevolence and intelligence."

—by Donna Richter

B of T Meeting Postponed Till Next Week

The Board of Trustees meeting has been postponed until March 16. The regular meeting was supposed to be held on March 9.

"We have several large items on the agenda that we are trying to get ready for the board meeting, and there was also the teachers meeting last week," Dr. Wilbur Ball president said was some of the reasons for the postponement.

"We are trying to get a proposal ready for faculty, administrative, and classified raises. The classified raises include secretaries and custodians," said Dr. Ball.

"We are also working on plans to make recommendations for a new telephone system, to present preliminary plans for the new field house and to revise the budget," he said.



Richard Wordsworth, grandson of the English poet, William Wordsworth, will be on campus Thursday and Friday with performances each day.

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WEATHER



The extended forecast for Wednesday through Friday, calls for clear to partly cloudy with cool nights and warm afternoons. No rain is forecast for this 3 day period.

Highest temperature last week was 85 degrees, with the lowest being 42 degrees.

Total rainfall for last week, and the first part of this week was 1.78 inches.

On March 4 thunderstorms developed in the Waco area and moved through. Heavy rains fell with pea to marble size hail. By 8:00 p.m. the thunderstorms had moved off to the south and southeast, leaving behind the season's first hail.

SG Met Monday For Business

Student Government met Monday to swear in Scott Calley, elected Feb. 4 and 5 as a student representative and to appropriate a maximum of \$350 for the cheerleaders' and a reporter's expenses to the National Junior College Basketball Tournament in Hutchinson, Kansas from Monday to Friday.

The Student Government also approved a revised budget for the spring semester.

Rep. Dale Britt said that a booth would be set up on March 17 and 18 in the Student Center to register people who wanted to give blood on March 19. He said that those who wanted to give blood would be assigned a specific time on March 19 to give a unit.

Pres. Bobby Kacal said that Dr. LaVerne Wong, dean of student services, had disapproved the recommendations to revise cheerleader elections. Student Government decided to send a letter to Dr. Wong again asking for a change in the cheerleader election process.

In a memo to the Student Government, Dr. Wong said she disapproved the new cheerleader selection process because it would take the election process away from the students. The selection of cheerleaders should lie with the students and not with a board of judges. The board of judges would be hard to implement, and having faculty as judges would put a strain on student-faculty relationships.

A committee was set up to investigate the possibility of putting a postage stamp machine in the bookstore.

Make Who Believe?

When Baylor University captured the Southwest Conference Championship two years ago, several books and publications were written about Baylor's success. One of the most notable was Grant Teaff's I Believe.

Though Baylor wasn't as successful in the SWC last season, a bulletin board in one of MCC's debate offices prophesizes that there will still be books written about the team. The title of Teaff's new book? Make Believe.

On Campus Report

Skateboard to Class
Skateboarding has returned as a college fad. Recently in Los Angeles 7,000 spectators paid \$4 each to watch the national skateboarding championships. For campus transportation new plastic, shock-absorbing models costing \$30 to \$40 each are less expensive than bicycles, and there is no worry about locking up. They may be carried into class.

Unclaimed Scholarships
This year The Highland Herald joined about 1,200 newspapers in accepting advertising from "\$33,500,000 Unclaimed Scholarships." The offer of a list of 152 unclaimed scholarships sources sells for \$13.95. The list may be helpful to some and a disappointment to others, but the product does exist. The promoter behind the ad is G. Paul York of Portland, Maine.

A spokeswoman for the Maine State Consumer Council says, "He appears to be honest, but he hasn't been around long enough to have any complaints."

More than \$20,000 in advertising credit has been extended him by the nation's college newspapers, but those papers demanding prepayment of ads have received such.

A virtually word-for-word imitation of York's list bearing a Los Angeles address is being advertised in some college papers and sells for \$10.95.

About the imitation, York said, "There isn't a damn thing I can do about it since my list isn't copyrighted."

Student Suicides
Estimates of numbers of student suicides from "Psychiatry, Education and the Young Adult" reports that on a campus of 10,000 students:

-1,000 students will have emotional conflicts severe enough to warrant professional help;

-100 to 200 will become apathetic and unable to organize their efforts;

-15 to 25 will become ill enough to require treatment in a mental hospital.

-Five to 20 will attempt suicide, and one to three will succeed.

Other studies show that the rate of suicides among young people is less than among older people, but it is second only to accidental death as a cause of death in the college age group. Each year 10,000 college students in the United States try suicide and 1,000 succeed.

Junior College Veterans
Last March, 1,152,583 veterans were using the G.I. Bill for a college education--617,106 of them in junior colleges. Of those signing up for

benefits during the last school year, about 75 per cent enrolled in junior colleges, reports the American Association of Community and Junior Colleges.

JuCo Employees Lose To Atty. Gen. Ruling

An Attorney General's ruling has given the rights of state employees to teachers and employees of state colleges and universities including a part of the law which requires the payment of half an employee's accumulated sick leave when that employee resigns or is terminated.

The ruling does not now apply to junior colleges, an attorney general's staff lawyer explained Monday in a phone interview. Community colleges

and public schools gain the bulk of their funds from state monies, but are ruled by locally elected boards of trustees. State colleges and universities are governed by state-level boards, the Attorney General's Office explained.

The Jan. 16 opinion related to the Appropriations Act which states the sick leave reimbursement law. Atty. Gen. John Hill ruled on request by the commissioner of the Coordinating Board of the Texas College and University System.

Hill ruled that the law applies to "state institutions of higher education" and that a college could not have separate maximum levels of accruing sick leave for actual leave and for payment upon termination of employment, and that all contractors paid by a college would also be included in the law.

The Attorney General's Office said that although MCC was considered an "institution of higher education" and was "supported by the state of Texas" the Appropriations Act only pertains to the senior colleges.

The wording of this provision does not state that it pertains only to senior colleges. According to the Attorney General's Office this fact is taken for granted.

A staff lawyer in office in Austin said that junior colleges might be treated with the same benefits, but that they would have to request an opinion as did the commissioner in the senior college system.

Should MCC be included in future rulings, the expense to the college would be great. Teachers are allowed to accrue up to 90 days sick leave, one for each month of service. Salaries are based on nine months of work, so the daily rate of pay averages \$70. A teacher who has been with MCC ten years or long enough to accrue 90 days of sick leave would have a higher daily rate of pay in most circumstances.

Council Approves Light

The Waco City Council yesterday finally approved a traffic light on the corner of 19th street and Powell drive. Construction will begin immediately.

Wordsworth's Calendar of Events

RICHARD WORDSWORTH
On Campus
Thursday & Friday

THURSDAY

12:15 p.m. - Lecture Hall Building "Let Me Play The Lion Too" - A comparison approach to Shakespeare of the actor and the academic. (Joint meeting of English classes) Open to public.

8:00 p.m. - HPE Lecture Hall "Amerigo Vespucci's Namesakes Create A New Nation" - Special multi-media presentation of MCC Reader's Theatre students on the American Revolution, George Washington, and John Adams. "Press Interview With Thomas Jefferson" - A costume presentation starring Richard Wordsworth as the costumed Jefferson quoting directly from Jefferson's writings. (Open to the general public, seating reservations may be made by calling the Student Activities Office at MCC).

FRIDAY

10:00 a.m. - Lecture Hall Building "Taxation No Tyranny" - The British reaction to the Declaration of Independence.

12:10 p.m. - Lecture Hall Building "Poetry and Prose of the Wordsworth Circle" - Readings from Wordsworth, Coleridge, Charles Lamb, and Dorothy Wordsworth's "Journal". (Joint meeting of English classes)

8:00 p.m. - HPE Lecture Hall Repeat of Thursday night's performance. (Open to the general public, seating reservations may be made by calling the Student Activities Office at MCC).

All of the above programs are open to all students, faculty and staff of MCC, and the community. Seating reservations must be made for the two night performances by calling the MCC Student Activities Office at 756-5551, ext. 420.

Calendar

Wednesday, March 10
The McLennan Singers, directed by Ken Alford, 10 a.m., Fine Arts Theater.

Thursday, March 11
Reader's Theater, Amerigo Vespucci's Namesakes Create a New Nation with "Interview with Thomas Jefferson", starring Richard Wordsworth, 8 p.m., HPE Lecture Hall.

Friday, March 12
Junior College Speech Festival, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., 25 Rooms. "Taxation No Tyranny" starring Richard Wordsworth,

10 a.m., Lecture Hall. A repeat of Thursday night's performance. Baseball Tournament, 12 and 3 p.m., Here. Concert Band, 10 a.m. Fine Arts Theater.

Saturday, March 13
Regional UIL Music Contests, 6:30 a.m. to 8 p.m., Fine Arts Building.

Cen-Tex Novice Debate Series, 12 to 8 p.m. 25 Rooms.

Monday, March 15
DPMA banquet, Student Center, 7 to 10 p.m. Student Government, Tartan Room, 10 a.m. Baseball, Panola, There, Doubleheader, 1:30 p.m.

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Astro Movies To Be Shown

The Astronomy Club will show two movies and a slide presentation at 7 p.m. March 17 in the HPE Lecture Hall. A 50 cent admission will be charged.

The movies are "Other Planets," "No Place Like Earth" (a documentary) and "The Day the Earth Stood Still"; (a science fiction film). Michael Renny and Patricia Neal are the stars of "The Day the Earth Stood Still."

"Robert Wise who directed The Day the Earth Stood Still," said Wayne Duncan, Astronomy club sponsor, "also directed the Sound of Music and The Andromeda Strain."

"A Trip to the Solar System and Beyond" is the title of the slide presentation. Members of the club will give this presentation set to contemporary music.

After the movies, the Astronomy Club's telescope will be set up to viewing the heavens.



Sexuality Workshop Opens Soon

"Is There a Plumber in the House?", is the first in a series of workshops on "Human Sexuality" to be sponsored by the Counseling Office, Central Texas Planned Parenthood, State Department of Health and the instructional staff. Each workshop will be Mondays, 10 a.m., in the Lecture Hall beginning Monday.

The workshops will involve brief lectures, media

Sophomore Janie Pendleton won one of three awards of merit for radiologic technology students in the state for a paper she wrote on thermography. She received notice of the honor last week.

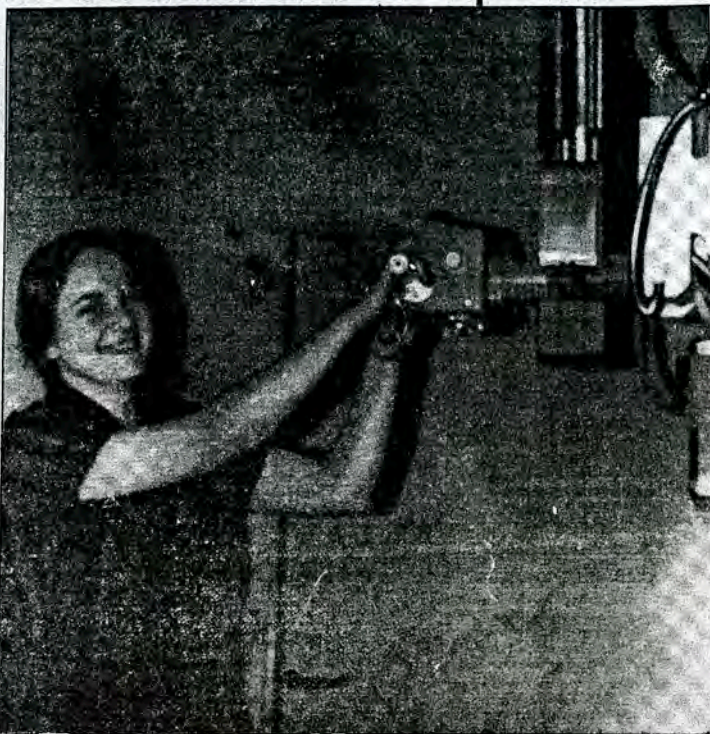
The paper described a system of photography using body heat instead of conventional X ray. The system identifies tumors and other disorders where body heat is greater at the diseased organ.

Miss Pendleton, a graduate of Cranfills Gap, will present her paper April 23 at the annual meeting of the Texas Society of Radiologic Technologists (TSRT) to be held in Waco. The TSRT at that time will present her and two others with awards including a trophy, ribbon and cash award for first, second and third places. Although the three winners have been notified, first, second and third place order has not been announced. First place winner will receive a \$50, second \$25, and third \$15.

About 1,000 professional radiologic technicians will hear Miss Pendleton and the other two students read their papers at the April 21 to 24 convention. RT Program Director Larry James is president of the Central Texas Society of Radiologic Technologists which will host the convention.

presentations and question and answer periods to present human sexuality. The workshops after Monday are "Preventive Maintenance" (Contraception), "VD-The Gift That Keeps Giving", and "Values Clarification" (Values sharing and personal decision making). Any student wanting more information can call Susan Cochran, counselor, ext. 388.

X-Ray Student Writes Paper



Janie Pendleton, student RT, is shown operating an X-ray tube at Providence Hospital, where she is currently in training.

Photo by Daniel Bacon



Ten Year Teachers Still Around

EDITORS NOTE

Twenty-one MCC staff and faculty were part of the beginning of the college. Others will be featured in future editions.



Joe Zajick

MCC is celebrating its tenth year of service to the community. Several faculty and administrators have been with the college since its beginning in 1966. Some of these commented on changes in the students and in teaching methods over the years that they have been with MCC.

Joe D. Zajick, currently subject area coordinator for the chemistry department, began as a chemistry instructor in 1966 and was the only member of his department.

"We've grown in size," said Zajick, "but we're still functioning on the same basis as we were in 1966."

Zajick said that he had not noticed any real difference in the students over the years.



Scott Adams

Scott Adams began as a history instructor and still holds the same position that he had in 1966.

"I've seen changes in behavior, discipline, dress and academic ability every two or three years," said Adams. "I've experienced a general decline in academic ability among students. There is no inferiority in the quality of instruction as compared to the four year colleges in Texas."



Hoyt Burnette

Hoyt Burnette came to MCC in 1966 as an instructor and then became a coordinator for biology and chemistry. After attending graduate school in New York for a year, he was made chairman of the biology department. For the last three years, Burnette has been division director of the science, math and HPE.

"The instructors knew each other better," Burnette said. "Now with all the different buildings, it's hard to communicate with the others."

"There used to be more emphasis on academic training, now the emphasis is on practical training."

Dr. Chester Hastings, vice-president and director of program development, began as a dean of instruction when MCC started. During his second year with MCC, he was made dean of the college.

"There's more freedom in dress and behavior among the students," Hastings said. "On the average, the student body is older."

Dr. Hastings also said that MCC now has a larger evening program with non-credit courses as compared to no non-credit courses during the first year of its existence.

"There is more student interest in vocational and technical courses than there was 10 years ago," said Hastings.

Chester Hastings



"We've grown in size and variety and of course quality," said Ken Alford conductor of the McLennan Singers and music instructor.



Robert Trout began as an economic and business instructor in 1966 and holds the same title. Trout said that the students have been more conforming over the years, and that the students' attitude has been very cooperative.

"Teaching methods have been modified more toward individualized instruction," said Trout.

Faculty Members Avoid Fieldhouse Questions

Last week several instructors were interviewed to find out what their reactions were on the new proposed field house. They were asked to answer two questions. What are your feelings, or mixed feelings about the new field house project? And, Do you feel that this might have some effect on future pay raises?

The majority of the instructors answered the questions by saying that they did not have enough information to form an opinion as to whether they would be for or against it. As for the wages, most felt that the future pay raises would not be effected.

However, Miller Brister, Director of the Management Development Program, and Donald McCauley, Director of Business and Office Education, both had comments.

Brister said that he had not received any information on the field house project, and could not make a decision either for or against it. Brister did feel however that the past administration had made good decisions on the buildings we now have on campus.

McCauley felt that class rooms were too crowded, and that possibly what was needed to do is build more academic class rooms. McCauley has always been the type of man to think of the student first. He believes in teaching and training the student, thus giving the student a good education.

After interviewing McCauley, Ronald Smith, Dean of Instruction, was questioned about the crowding problem that had been mentioned. He said that there was some over crowding of students, but not to the extent that something could not be worked out. He also said that all of the buildings were open during the evening classes, and that all of them were being used.

Smith said that within a year or more, over crowding could become a problem in the evening classes.

Robert Willis, Dean of Continuing Education, said that the Liberal Arts building, Administration Classroom building, Health Careers building, Physical Education building and the Fine Arts building were being fully utilized for evening classes.

Willis also said, that some of the non-credit classes were over crowded, but the problem was being worked out. The Continuing Education Program covers a three county area.

With the possibility of evening classes becoming over crowded in the near future, maybe the new proposed field house could solve some of the problems for space.

Speech Dept. Hosts Tourney

MCC's Speech Department will host a junior college speech tournament Friday. The Central Texas Novice Debate series will also be held on the campus Saturday.

Schools attending the meet on Friday will be Henderson County Junior College, Southwestern College, San Jacinto Junior College and MCC.

Odessa Junior College, Henderson County Junior College, San Jacinto Junior College, MCC, Stephen F. Austin University and Southwest Texas State will participate in the debate tournament on Saturday.

Events for the Friday competition will be solo and duet acting, prose and poetry interpretation, extemporaneous speaking and oratory.

David Wiley and Marvin Schroeder both placed in oratory at a tournament held last weekend at North Texas State University.

Wiley placed second and received a silver platter for his achievement. Schroeder placed fourth. Topic of Wiley's speech was "The Need For Non-Conformity," while Schroeder spoke on "Smoking's A Good Thing."

Schools Participate In UIL Contest

Bill Hasket music coordinator and instructor is in charge of the North Zone Region VIII Solo and Ensemble UIL contest Saturday.

The contest will begin at 8 a.m. and will last until about 7 p.m. It will be held in the Fine Arts building.

The high schools participating are Richfield, Waco, and Jefferson Moore. University junior and senior high, Midway, Connally, Robinson, North and South junior high, Collins Middle school and Waco All City Orchestra.

There will be 10 judges who will judge an entry every eight minutes.

The judges are David Stockberger, Mike Stirman, and James Jones from Temple, Richard Crain and Bob Johnson from Belton, and John Brewer and David Pennington from Killeen.

The other three judges have not been hired.

First and second place winners will be awarded with medals.

New Ag Program Slated

A agriculture program will begin this fall. The program is academic and will provide the first two years of a four year bachelors degree.

Students may transfer the courses to colleges and universities like Texas A&M, Sam Houston State University and Tarleton State College.

"Most of the courses for the program we already offer. They are general courses such as English, Government, History and Math," said Dr. Ronald Smith dean of instructions.

Three new courses will be offered.

The first is a course in animal science which is the study of livestock industry, the types and breeds of animals and their productivity. The course will be three semester hours, two lecture hours and four lab hours.

The second course offered is Agronomy, the fundamentals of field crop production. It is three semester hours, two lecture hours and four lab hours.

The third course is Agricultural Economics which is three semester hours, two lecture hours and four lab hours.

"This program is not like the one at Texas State Technical Institute. It is not vocational," said Dr. Smith.

"We had various expressions of interest from the community so Dr. Hastings vice president of the college and program director established an advisory committee," said Dr. Smith.

The program was made of people interested, and knowledgeable about the program.

"The advisory committee consisted of 10 or more people. Some of them were high school agriculture teachers and businessmen, one was a banker who dealt with agriculture, another was the Assistant Dean in Agriculture College at Texas A&M," he said.

"The advisory committee met with Dr. Hasting, Dr. Wong, dean of student services, and myself and recommended very strongly that we proceed to establish the program.

The coordinating Board for colleges approved the core curriculum for agriculture which guarantees a list of courses for transfer to senior colleges and universities in Texas.

"I am presently interviewing people for the position of instructor of the new classes," said Dr. Smith.

The program will be under the division of science, math and physical education.

The classrooms will be located in the science building.

"Several of the labs will take place off campus because the college does not own and is not going to buy cattle or farms," he said.

"The new instructor will be making contacts with the farmers in the area to get a cooperative relationship with them," he said.



Photo by Terry Tacker

Mark Talaga, guard and Mike Simcik, manager with Highlander fans after the championship game with Amarillo last Saturday;

Pipeline

Art Show Begins on 17th

The MCC Annual Student Art Show will be held March 17th through April 9th. Any MCC student may enter up to five pieces of work in any media. Recognition will be for first, second, and third places, with the possibility of several honorable mentions. Juror for the show will be Ary J. Arlan, painter, who is the Assistant Professor of Art, Head of Painting and Drawing, and Chairman of Exhibitions at Baylor University. Entries should be delivered to Kathy

Voss in the Art Department between 12:30 and 4:30.

Game Played Today

The championship game of the intramural basketball tournament will be held at 10 a.m. today in Highlander Gym. The two teams gunning for the crown are the Untouchables and the Shooting Stars.

Racketball Begins Friday

Intramural Racketball Doubles teams will be accepted

through Friday. Games will start Monday. Turn in your teams to the Student Activities Office in the Student Center or to Ray Murray in the HPE Building.

Nat. Finals Will Be

Broadcasted on Radio

KWTX-AM and KEFC-FM WILL BROADCAST THE Highlander national tournament games, beginning with the San Jacinto contest on

Monday morning. Dave South and Frank Fallon will cover the game for KWTX beginning at 10:30 a.m. with the pre-game show.

Scot-n-Water Meet Today

The Scots-n-Water will meet Today in the HPE conference room at 10 a.m. Any members who wish to attend the upcoming canoe trip must attend this meeting.

Sports

Golfers Perform Well In Fairway Battle



The Highlander golf team participated in the Bevo Invitational Golf Tournament Monday and Tuesday in Austin. The tournament consisted of 54 holes and was played on the Morris-Williams Golf Course. Overall, MCC finished in the two-day tournament.

After the first 27 holes, the Highlanders were in third position with a score of 592. Texas University was in first place with a score of 565, Mary Hardin-Baylor had a 584, Southwestern University 618, Southwestern Texas 623, and Concordia carted a 700.

Dan Croonquist scored 113, good enough for fourth place after the first day of competition. Dale Carlisle shot a 118, Frank Johnson 119, and Jack Twedell had a score of 120, themselves. It is still early in the year so we hope MCC will start off on the right foot Friday in the MCC Tournament...Bill Singer, a two time twenty-game winning pitcher with the California Angels is now a Texas Ranger. The surgeon who operated on his right elbow promised that the 31-year old Singer will be a new man. The Rangers hope so. The problem is that Singer is having trouble adjusting to Texas life. A couple of days ago, a member of the press corps showed up at the practice field wearing a Willie Nelson T-shirt. "Who," asked Singer, "is Willie Nelson?"

Jeff Burroughs, who had an off year, batting for the Texas Rangers in 1975, reported to the Rangers camp the other day looking fit and trim. "This is about the seventh spring training I've spent with Jeff and this is the best condition I have

After the final 27 holes were played, the Highlanders came in second behind Texas. The Longhorns had a team score of 1110 and MCC finished with 1154. Dan Croonquist won the individual honor medal with a score of 218.



ever seen him in," said shortstop Toby Harrah...West Virginia assistant sports information director Mike Bowyer says play-by-play announcers can have a tough time with the Mountaineers roster, which includes Maurice Robinson, Tony Robertson, Bill Robertson, and Tommy Roberts. Bowyer gives this sample of the potential confusion: "Robertson passes to Robertson...to Robinson, to Roberts, back to Robertson...I mean Robertson, uh, that is, Robinson. Roberts scores." Speaking of basketball, Denver's Rookie of the Year candidate, David Thompson, appears to have successfully completed his league internship. He scored a pro-career high of 50 points in just 42 minutes of play during a 140-116 romp over San Antonio.



The MCC Golf Team: Row 1- Steve Elkins, Frank Johnson, Russell Orth, Mark Beckner, Rick Hessner. Row 2- Bobby Heath, Greg Grost, Dan Croonquist, Mark Knutson, David Sann. Row 3- David Fuhrman, Clark Beckner, Dirk Kerley, Cary Collins, Jack Twedell, Dale Carlisle, Coach Jimmy Clayton

Odds & Ends

If Western Texas can do it, then why can't we? Last year the Westerners from Big Spring took the national championship crown after a victory over MCC in the regional tourney. Now all the attention is on the Highlanders as they head to Hutchinson, Kan. for the national tournament which begins Monday. The Highlanders will play San Jacinto College at 11 a.m. in

first round action. In two meetings between the teams, the Ravens won the first game in Pasadena and MCC won the second contest in Waco. Radio stations KEFC-FM and KWTX-AM will broadcast all the action of the MCC games throughout the tournament. Head yell leader Jo Burns will have reports of the games broadcast on radio stations W-A-C-O and K-R-Z-I. Good luck to the

Highlanders and bring back the national trophy...The MCC baseball team had two doubleheaders rained out. This break from action is needed to give the players time to get over their bouts with the flu. The Highlanders are now faced with an eight-game losing streak. We have no doubt that the team will come around and start winning games. When teams begin to lose, they get down on

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Highlanders Region Champs

Get Set For Nationals In Kansas

by Terry Tacker

With 43 seconds left in the MCC-Amarillo championship game of the Region V Junior College Tournament in Abilene, Highlander Coach Johnny Carter called timeout. His team

was behind but had possession of the ball. The score was 72-71. Apparently, the plan for winning the ball game was for guard Burt Burrows to throw an alley-oop pass to postman John

Derrick, since the Badgers did not have a player capable of stopping Derrick.

But the plan failed. Derrick did not have the position to catch the pass. If he went up, he

would foul. There would be no trip to Hutchinson, Kan., for the Highlanders.

After a Darrell Holliman free shot that made the score 73-71 in favor of Amarillo, Vinnie Johnson made a beautiful basket with 17 seconds left to tie the score.

The buzzer sounds. Overtime! Can MCC win three close games in a row? They had beaten Howard College 95-93 in the first round of the tourney, New Mexico Military Institute 74-73 in the second, and now faced overtime against Amarillo College. Somehow the amazing Highlanders did win.

MCC outscored Amarillo 12-8 in the overtime period and defeated the Badgers 85-81. The Highlanders now carry their 30-3 record to Hutchinson for the 1976 National Junior College Tournament.

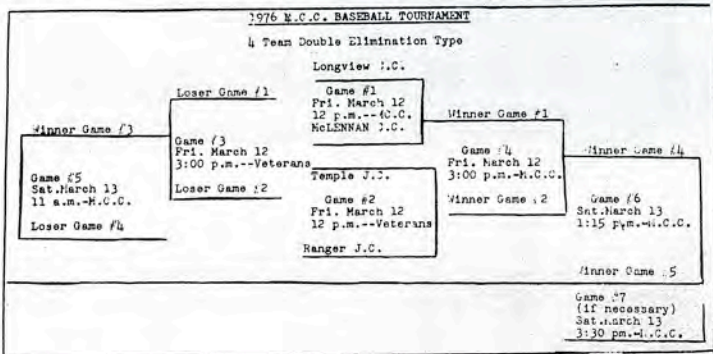
Johnson, freshman from Brooklyn, N.Y., was voted the Most Valuable Player of the regional tournament. Derrick, sophomore from South Garland, was elected to the all-tournament team.

The Highlander's chief problem in the game was to stop the Hawks Marvin "Cowboy" Johnson. Johnson went into the game as the nation's number one scorer. The Howard spread offense centered around Johnson with Johnson going to the basket whenever he was able. MCC switched players defending Johnson throughout the game, but he still managed to put up 36 points.

MCC, led by Vinnie Johnson and Ed Marshall, held several 10-point leads throughout the first half. The Highlanders had the upper hand in rebounding and also forced the Hawks into numerous turnovers with their press. The score at halftime showed MCC with a 47-38 lead.

The Hawks began to gain momentum in the early stages of the second half. A Reggie Leffall basket cut the MCC lead to 53-51. MCC built its lead back to 56-51 on a free throw by Skippy Black and a John Derrick score. But "Cowboy" Johnson then went to work and gave Howard a 60-59 lead with 10 minutes left in the game.

At that point, MCC began to gain a little momentum. It looked as though the Howard players began to tire because of the fast pace. Scores by Glen Minnex, Johnson, Derrick gave MCC a 91-86 lead with 1:40 left. Cowboy Johnson's baskets enabled the Hawks to get close but they could never overcome



Front row- Steve Hirth, Randy Essenburg, Tim Roehrick, James Eakins, and Rick Perry. Back Row- Elaine Kocian, Denise Norred, Sherry Collazo, Arlene Simms, and Coach Don Tatum.

Netters Volley With Pirates

The Highlander tennis team gets back into action today with a match against Southwestern University. The contest will be played at 2:30 p.m. in Georgetown. This weekend the netters will travel to Corsicana to participate in the super-tough Navarro Invitational Tournament. Monday, MCC will be in Gainesville for a conference match against Cooke County. The action will

also begin at 2:30 p.m.

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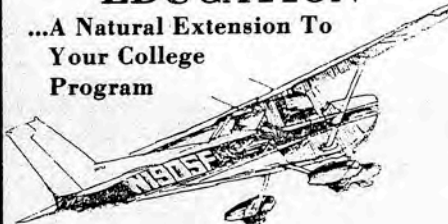
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Highlanders. It was with six seconds showing on the clock that Marshall sank his picture-perfect jumpshot for the final victory margin.

MCC shot 53.7 per cent from the field compared to the Hawks 44.8. MCC had a 60-49 rebounding advantage.

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The Highlanders, battling

from behind throughout the game, defeated New Mexico Military Institute 74-73 in second round action. The Broncos had defeated Hill Junior College 100-79 in their first game of the tournament.

The Broncos' style of play reflected their school. They were disciplined-oriented, played tough defense, and slowed the action waiting for an easy shot at the basket.

NMMI's high post offense led by Frank McLelland gave the Highlanders a hard time in the first half. MCC shot only 32.1 per cent from the field in the first 20 minutes. The Broncos biggest lead of the half was nine points. MCC produced 25 points, the lowest score by the Highlanders in a half this year.

The second half proved to be a different story to the relief of MCC fans. Two Johnson baskets cut the Broncos' lead to three points, 54-51. Mark Talaga's free throws tied the score for the first time since early in the game. Baskets by Minnex and Derrick gave the Highlanders their largest lead of the contest, 68-62.

But the Broncos refused to give up. A pair of Dave McConico free throws with 2:02 remaining, cut the margin to 68-66. MCC had just enough momentum to hold off the Bronco rally. Marshall hit a basket that produced a 70-67 advantage. After the Broncos hit two free throws, Derrick hit a layup for a 72-69 lead with 33 seconds left. Derrick then hit a jumpshot with six seconds left to give the Highlanders a 74-71 lead. NMMI, with no defense applied by MCC, scored a basket at the buzzer but the Highlanders had the victory.

The Broncos played close-to-perfect basketball throughout the game but even this could not slow up MCC's drive to the championship. The Broncos had two men waiting for the Highlander's Johnson at the top of the circle hoping to cut down on Vinnie's scoring.

MCC shot 43.8 per cent from the field compared to the Broncos 41.0. The Highlanders also led in rebounding 42-39. Derrick led all rebounders with 14.

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The Highlanders earned their



Glen Minnex (32) attempts to pass the ball to John Derrick (40) in the NMMI contest.

berth in the national tournament with a tough 85-81 overtime win over Amarillo College.

The Badgers were a surprise team throughout the tournament. They upset Grayson County and defending national champion Western Texas to advance to the finals.

The Highlander's Vinnie Johnson, and Amarillo's Darrell Holliman, staged a personal duel during the game. Johnson scored 43 points while Holliman, a 6-1 sophomore guard, tallied 46.

MCC led the contest through most of the first half. Amarillo would always be on the Highlanders' heels waiting for

MCC to make a mistake. Three-point play by Holliman gave the Badgers a 30-29 lead with 5:01 left in the half. But Johnson quickly put the Highlanders back in front. MCC led 37-36 at the half.

After Holliman's excellent production, the Badgers scoring fell to 6-10 postman Alonzo Campbell. Highlanders Black and Minnex, took turns guarding Campbell and both did an excellent job.

The Highlanders started the second half in a 2-1-2 zone defense in an attempt to stop Holliman. That strategy was to

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Vinnie Johnson (15) goes above the rim for two points while Ed Marshall (50) watches,

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no avail, as MCC switched defenses throughout the half. A bucket by Carl Walton gave the lead to Amarillo 72-71. That is when Coach Carter called timeout and set up the pass in to

Derrick. During the year, sophomore Carlos Blackwood has come into a game and ignited the Highlanders to victory. This game against Amarillo was no



PHOTO BY Terry Tacker

Freshman Ed Marshall (50) in action against Amarillo during the championship game of the Region V Tournament. MCC defeated the Badgers 85-81.

exception. The Panama City native scored four points in overtime and particularly made a difficult layup with ease to give MCC a 81-79 lead. Johnson scored two baskets at the end of the game to give the Highlanders victory.

For the Highlanders and Highlander supporters, it was time to celebrate.

Carter Named Coach Of The Year

Johnny Carter was named Region V Coach of the Year Saturday night. Carter has coached the Highlanders to a 30-3 record, a region championship and trip to the national tournament in his third year at MCC.

Carter, who compiled a 160-13 record, including three state titles, at Kennard (Class A) High School, increased his record at MCC to 79-18 at MCC. Also selected at the tournament was the All-Region V team. Selected from MCC were 6-0 guard Vinnie Johnson and 6-7 postman John Derrick, who were the only Northern Conference players of the first team.

Johnson was named the Most Valuable Player of the region tourney, and Derrick made the all-tournament team for the second consecutive year.



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MCC Coach Johnny Carter receiving first place plaque from Region V Tournament official following the Highlanders 85-81 win over Amarillo.

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