

Large voter turnout elects leaders

The highest voter turnout in at least seven years elected a Student Government vice-president, parliamentarian, 18 representatives, and five cheerleaders.

Don Bynum, director of Student Activities, said the 441 voters "represented about 11 per cent of the student body."

Paul Essenburg and Greg Roscher were elected to the offices of vice president and parliamentarian, respectfully. New Student Government representatives are Paula Aston, Andrea Bush, Tana Carpenter, Connie Carson, Candy Carter, Kem Foster, Sandy Garipey, Chuck Hill, and Judy Howerton.

Others include Sheila Iglehart, Susan Johnson, Patty King, Bennie Lambert, Jeff Lynn, Denise Oliverio, Mike Recek, Liz Stanford, and Tina Sumpter.

Leading cheers for this year will be Candy Carter, Kay Compton, Kem Foster, Rene McWest, and Robin Ross.



IT'S A LONG WAY DOWN -- Sophomore Kay Compton jumps for joy after being elected one of five cheerleaders.

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New head counselor

Mygdal stifles students' stress

by Lana Stone

It's the day before a big test and you're so uptight you can't concentrate, so what do you do?

Try the counseling office. Dr. William Mygdal, new head of Counseling Services, may be able to help.

Mygdal recently taught a relaxation workshop at Baylor University focusing on physical and mental relaxation. He showed students how to control extreme physical and mental stress.

Students were taught how to control physical tension and bring it to a minimum. Mygdal also taught students how to monitor nervousness and to be more reasonable when under stress.

Prior to his work with relaxation techniques, Mygdal served in the Peace Corps for two years in West Africa. "I was looking for something more interesting than going into graduate school or the Army. It was really my personal alternative," Mygdal said.

While in Africa, he taught English as a foreign language in the equivalent of junior high school. He also taught civics and helped with the construction of schools.

At that time, West Africa had just become an independent republic and its people spoke mostly French. Being in such a

situation gave him a chance to depend totally on himself. "In Africa, there weren't any people to turn to because they all spoke a different language," Mygdal said.

When asked what kind of impact being in the Peace Corps had on him, Mygdal replied, "The organization helped Africa learn about America, and we got to know ourselves better. I learned to face a challenge and meet it, even if that challenge was difficult. I would highly recommend joining the Peace Corps because it is a valuable experience, especially for young people who need to sort out their beliefs and convictions."

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Mygdal was employed by Vanguard High School for two years before coming here. He was vice principal for one year and principal one year. While at Vanguard, he had broad responsibilities, such as initiating fund-raising drives and planning innovation in the school's educational system.

Mygdal sees some big

differences between high school and college life. "High school students, in general, live in a more protected kind of world," he said. "It's really great to see college students learning to make decisions on their own and taking responsibility for their actions."

Mygdal's intentions as head of Counseling Services? "I will become more familiar with the operations here, and I'll be working with our excellent counseling staff. I plan to assess the students' needs and find out how the counseling unit can be most effective in its duty."

As for changes, Mygdal said if there are any major changes in

the near future, they will be gradual, and he will make sure the changes are based on real needs of students. "We are here to help people function more effectively, and that ranges from emotional counseling to career-choice aid," he said. "We will try new and different approaches and improve as situations and students change."



NEW HEAD COUNSELOR Bill Mygdal not only advises, but helps students cope with stress.

Pipeline

Look Ma — no ice!

Does iceless hockey sound different and fun? If this appeals to you, join the Waco Y Family Center adult iceless hockey program. Beginning on Sept. 26, iceless hockey for Y members will meet Tuesdays from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. in the gymnasium on 1115 Columbus. Iceless hockey provides all of the fast paced action of hockey except that the gym floor will be used instead of ice.

Seminar offers crime prevention

On September 20, there will be a free crime prevention seminar held in the lecture hall in two different sessions. In the morning session, 9:30-12, security, street security, and fraud avoidance will be covered. In the afternoon session, 3:30, resource materials and specific "how to" sheets will be furnished to train you to organize and teach crime prevention techniques in your own neighborhood. The training is sponsored by the Dallas Geriatric Research Institute, the city of Waco, Retired Senior Volunteer Program and MCC. This seminar is open to anyone interested in learning how to prevent crime.

Roll up your sleeve

Health Service will be offering influenza vaccine injections for the faculty, staff, student athletes, and students 35 years of age and older Monday and Tuesday, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. in the first aid room, ground floor of the student center.

Film talks about rape

Cathy Ronner, executive director of the Texas Rape Prevention and Control Project, will present a film and discussion on the *Crime of Rape* October 4, at 10 a.m. in the Lecture Hall Building. It will be open to the public.

Allen tells methods

On Tuesday, September 26, *Woody Allen: An American Comedy* will be shown in the health and physical education building lecture hall at 7 p.m. and again on Wednesday, September 27 at 10 a.m.

Show seeks talent

Can you dance, sing, play an instrument? Maybe you are a comedian, or at least think you are. Make your start in the "world of entertainment" by signing up for the talent show, on Oct. 13. The deadline for getting an application is Sept. 29. Because the show is not competitive, there will be no judges, and therefore, no prizes will be given.

Movie review

'Rain' leaves audience gray

"Who'll Stop The Rain" is a turbulent story with a flattened affect, a story of troubled souls whose days turn into nightmares. Czech born director Karel Reiz ("Saturday Night-Sunday Morning;" "Isadora") has been careful not to let any of it matter.

Robert Stone based the film on his book, "Dog Soldiers," which would have been a better title for the movie -- straightforward and not apt to cause confusion over symbolism and metaphor.

Here we have war correspondent John Converse (Michael Moriarty), embittered by the futility and terror of Vietnam, deciding he'll smuggle a sack of heroin into the United States and make some fast money. He enlists his buddy, Ray Hicks (Nick Nolte), a merchant seaman returning to the states. Nolte doesn't like the idea of carrying smack and says so in a great many four letter words. But

he finally agrees to deliver it to Converse's wife, Marge (Tuesday Weld), in Berkeley where he will collect a gratuity.

Marge has no money for Hicks, but never mind. Corrupt narcotics agent (Anthony Zerbe) has been tipped off and is waiting to grab the heroin for his own nefarious purposes.

Hicks then forces Marge to leave Berkeley with him for her own protection. What follows is not a chase, but an odyssey. The stop briefly in Beverly Hills where Hicks tries to sell the heroin. In an outburst of violence he shoots smack into the veins of a man and his wife and then leaves without knowing whether he has killed them or not.

A different image of Hicks comes when he takes Marge to a deserted cabin in Arizona, apparently an old haunt of his. Marge, hooked on prescription drugs, is pretty strung out. Hicks

tends her quietly, with gentleness and sensitivity. This, the film says, is no ordinary jerk. He is a complicated man.

Tuesday Weld's portrayal of Marge is polished. There are no rough spots in her performance. As Converse's valiant but confused wife, she is neither larger nor smaller than life. Nolte tends to be larger, but he carries the weight of the film.

Conversely, Moriarty, as Converse doesn't get such good marks. He is dependable. That is to say dependably the same whether he's playing the ruthless young Nazi commander in "Holocaust" or the idealist turned cynic in "Who'll Stop The Rain." It is unsettling to see him always expressionless in voice and visage, and looking as if part of his frontal lobe had been removed.

Perhaps Director Reiz wanted it this way. If so it must have been his intent to leave the audience vacant as well.

Raza Unida candidate speaks Friday

Mario Compean, Raza Unida Party candidate for governor, will speak in the lecture hall at 10 a.m. Friday. Compean's appearance is being sponsored by Chicanos Unidos.

Thirty-seven-year-old Compean said he wants to inform the people of Central Texas that they have a choice this November.

Mario Compean was born in Caldwell County and for the past 35 years has been a resident of San Antonio. He is a graduate of Edgewood High School and has a bachelor's degree from St. Mary's University where he majored in government.

Dear Charlie...

by Hani Tannour

Dear Charlie,

In the last few days I have been going to classes with temperatures almost at freezing. I can't even take notes as cold as some of my classes get, all I can do is get myself together to warm myself. Charlie what am I to do?

Brrr,
Frozen

Dear Frozen,

It seems to me that you have quite a problem all iced up as you are. I might be able to help though.

You might want to bring a thermos of hot coffee or cocoa to drink in class to thaw you out.

In classes where food or drink is prohibited, you can always wear long johns, a couple of sweaters and bring a blanket for extra protection.

There also is the alternative of eating candy to create heat energy through chemical reactions in your body.

However, it could be possible that whoever is responsible for this energy consuming problem might read this article and set the thermostat at a higher level.

Editor's Note: Questions or problems for Dear Charlie would be addressed to "The Highland Herald"

Erkfitz wants tax cut

Support of the free enterprise system is a large part of the platform of Gordon L. Erkfitz, candidate for state representative section 35-B.

Originally from Michigan, Erkfitz is a self-employed businessman with a firm belief in the system.

At a recent press conference, Erkfitz spoke about taxes and inflation.

"I want the right to work and earn a living and be able to enjoy the fruits of my labor," he said. "When over 50 percent of our income is eaten up in taxes and inflation, we are not enjoying the fruits of our labors."

At a recent fund-raising cocktail party State Sen. Walter Mandgen told the media Erkfitz would be voting with the majority against personal income tax and deficit spending.

Erkfitz said his platform is simple. He wants to reduce unnecessary government spending and burdens on the taxpayer.

Commenting on some of the major issues facing government today, Erkfitz said, "Tax limitation is the only way we are going to permanently reduce the size of government and control

inflation. I believe we must return to a strong local educational system where learning takes place and graduation is a sign of knowledge, not age. I, also, will support a constitutional amendment guaranteeing to each individual the right to work."

About the agricultural issue, Erkfitz said, "It's time to open up world markets to our farmers and allow their productivity to be rewarded, not penalized."

On the issue of senior citizen rights, Erkfitz said, "I will work to help senior citizens maintain their quality of life by eliminating inflationary governmental policies."

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Help for the Handicapped

Text by Julie Richter
photos by Marvin Clynch

Maintenance men are giving the campus an overhaul to make it comply with federal laws for the handicapped.

Phones are attached lower on walls, others have added amplifiers and doors open more easily as a result of the adjustments.

The overhaul is part of the school's compliance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, which prohibits discrimination against the handicapped in areas of employment, program accessibility and student programs, activities and services.

"We were required to make a study of the regulations and how the college fit them," said Chester Hastings, vice president of program development. Each department was required to evaluate its program in relation to opportunities for the handicapped.

"Most policy and procedure was corrected right on the spot," said Hastings, "but the physical things take time."

Regulations do not require that each facility or every part of a facility be accessible to and usable by handicapped persons, said Hastings. Structural changes in existing facilities are required only when there is no other feasible way to make programs and activities accessible to the handicapped. A committee was formed last September to study accessibility of the campus. The committee included campus representatives, handicapped students and off-campus representatives of community organizations that serve handicapped persons.

An architect and campus maintenance men also gave suggestions that were organized in a transition plan to complete by 1980.

The long list of adjustments includes reducing the tension on doors so they open more easily; modifying the sill levels at entrances to buildings; installing grab bars in designated restroom stalls; lowering mirrors and towel dispensers; making additional curb cuts in sidewalks; and installing knurled hardware to assist in obtaining a firm grip.

Other modifications require the work of off-campus contractors. They include raising and lowering of lavatories, commodes, urinals and water fountains; attaching bubblers to some water fountains; lowering some telephones and adding amplifiers to others; modifying the open railings at the tops of some open stairways; installing a visual alarm system; modifying the bell system to serve as an audible alarm system; and installing a ramp to the lower floor of the applied science building.

Hastings believes most places on campus can be made accessible to the handicapped, except upstairs in the faculty office building.

"The teachers will just have to come downstairs," he said.

Plastic decals have been ordered for all accessible exterior entrances. The white and blue decals are the international symbol for the handicapped. Hastings hopes to have the decals up before the end of the month.



SOPHOMORE ANTHONY CERVANTEZ uses one of the many ramps that accommodate the physically limited.



BRaille NUMBERS on elevator indicate different floors.



AMPLIFIERS HAVE BEEN added to telephones (above and below)



Special Services assists 26

While some adjustments are "in the works", other features on campus already aid the handicapped.

Their nucleus is Special Services. This fall, Special Services is helping 26 students.

Deborah Dahl, director of Special Services, said much of the help handicapped students get from the center comes from mobility aides who push wheelchairs and open doors.

"Handicapped students get a lot of support here from a caring staff and faculty," said Dahl. "They are given enough attention to compensate for extra problems like the fact that the campus is so spread out."

The facility also operates a physically limited van that carries handicapped students to and from school in the mornings and afternoons. To insure its safety, the interior of the van is being rearranged, said Dahl.

"If there was a wreck and the driver was injured, there would

be no way for students to get out," said Dahl. "The rear door is blocked by seats and the side lift must be operated by the driver."

Special Services was responsible for the installation of the push button red light at 19th

and Powell. Dahl said the light was installed to help blind student Kelvin Spencer cross the street.

One improvement Dahl would like to see is an increase in parking spaces for handicapped students.

Presently, seven spaces are reserved. Dahl has requested the number be increased to 17.

Vice President of Program Development Chester Hastings said more spaces will probably not be allotted, but the ends of the parking islands may be designated as handicapped parking.

"We can't afford to have space just sitting there idle," Hastings said.

To further accommodate handicapped students most buildings on campus can be reached by ramps or elevators.

Blind students will find many elevators are equipped with Braille numbers which indicate different floors.



Sports

For upcoming seasons

Coaches confident

Coach Rick Butler's MCC baseball team and Coach Pam Davis' and Coach Johnny Carter's basketball teams are all well underway for their upcoming seasons.

The Highlander baseball team scrimmaged Mary-Hardin Baylor this past Saturday, dropping two out of three games. They lost the first game 7-2, won the second 4-2, but dropped the third 4-3.

Coach Butler said he was very happy with the way his team hit the ball. MCC collected 18 hits in 15 innings of play. Butler said that Bobby Cavazos and Brad Hisle were two surprise hitters who both hit the ball really well. He also cited Darren Callaway, Mark Simon, Ted Williams and Mike Gothard as having good days at the plate.

As for pitching, Butler says "they are exactly where I thought they would be. I was a little disappointed in their control. I know each one of them has better control. Quite a few of them were trying to be a little too fine with their pitches. Of course, we are trying to teach them a new philosophy to set up hitters and

they have not completely grasped it yet." Defensively MCC played

well according to Butler. "We made a few physical errors which are going to happen every once in a while. That's the reason you practice hard so you can eliminate them. We did make three mental errors which led to four runs. They were all made by sophomores, which disappointed me."

Butler said that he and Coach Kilgo have been impressed by a lot of things the young players have done. He went on to add that several freshmen and transfer players are strongly challenging the sophomores and that he is a little disappointed that some of the sophomores have not taken it seriously at this point.

Butler thinks the pitching will come around and the hitting will be very productive, while the defense should be sound.

Coach Pam Davis' Highclassies are in their third week of practice as they prepare for their season opening game November 10 against South Plains at the Highlands.

"We are very young and we are just getting used to full court

practice," Davis said. "We have a lot of talent and a lot more depth at the post position. We have got some strong people to handle the ball. I think if we keep everyone healthy we will have no trouble being contenders. One nice thing is that all but four of our players are freshmen."

Coach Johnny Carter's Highlanders began practice Monday in what hopes to be a very memorable season. "I feel real good about our possibilities and chances. The enthusiasm seems to be good, the players seem to realize what we can do."

"We should be very strong inside because we have more height inside than ever before, assuming we are able to go through the season with little injuries, our depth will be excellent."

"We have several players on this team who are capable of being front liners," Carter closes by saying, "Talent alone does not win championships, it takes hard work and team unity."



POWER VOLLEYBALL -- Fans can enjoy intramural volleyball in the health-physical education building at the 10 o'clock hour.

Unbeatens spotlight VB tourney

Eight teams have reached the quarter-finals in both divisions of this year's coed volleyball tournament, but 16 other clubs are still in the running as competition swings into its third week.

The Force, the Born Losers, the Bandits and C.C. and Crew are undefeated in the Red division while the Question Marks, the BSU Disciples, the Unorganization and the Hard Hitters are all 2-0 in the Blue division.

In upcoming action this Friday, WJDTCF (We're Just Doing This For Credit) meets Sweet and Sticky, the Spikers take on Chester's Molesters, and the Odd Crew plays the Wild Turkeys in Red division consolation games. In the Blue division, the Rangers play Flight is Enough, the Sun Bums meet the Slime and the Jolly Volleys encounter Gouthood Gravy.

Monday's matches continue in the loser's bracket with teams that survive Friday's play. But the real action begins on Wednesday when the eight undefeated teams square off to determine the four semi-finalists. At 10 a.m. the Question Marks play the BSU Disciples and the Unorganization tangles with the Hard Hitters. Immediately following these matches, the Force meets the Born Loser's while the Bandits take on C.C. and Crew. Two other loser's bracket games are also scheduled for Wednesday.

Football Fortunes

by Robert Gough and Tex Sildham

The college rankings this week have placed three Southwest Conference teams in the top ten. Arkansas is ranked second behind number one Alabama. Texas is sixth with A&M tenth. All three schools are in action this week.

The Arkansas Razorbacks, the team picked by Sports Illustrated to win it all, plays the Cowboys of Oklahoma State. The Hogs have too much offense for the Cowboy defense. My choice, Arkansas by 21.

The Texas Longhorns, a 34-0 winner last week over Rice, will play the Wyoming Cowboys. This will be Texas' first home game and Coach Fred Akers says his Longhorns will look much better this week. Akers is a bad name in Wyoming territory and the Cowboys should have something to try and settle but they won't do it Saturday.

My choice, Texas by 24.

The Texas Aggies travel to Boston College Saturday. B.C. is coming off a disappointing loss to the midshipmen of Navy. Aggies are ranked in the top ten and their offense sparkled late in the game last week against Kansas.

My choice A&M by 10.

In other games around the conference, the Baylor Bears travel to Kentucky to meet the Wildcats. The Bears lost last week to Georgia while Kentucky tied South Carolina 21-21. The Wildcats' only loss last year was to Baylor and maybe the reason for the tie last week for Kentucky was the fact they were looking ahead to Baylor. The Cats are waiting and Baylor had better be prepared.

My choice, Kentucky by 10.

In a big game Alabama's Crimson Tide should beat the USC Oklahoma. Rice has no chance whatsoever.

My choice, Oklahoma by 35.

The SMU Mustangs have looked fairly good this year but they meet third ranked Penn State. SMU should play the Lions close but after last week's win over Ohio State, the Lions won't let SMU beat them.

My choice, Penn State by 10.

The Oregon Ducks should down the TCU Horn Frogs by 3. Houston should win their first game by 7 over Utah, while Arizona and Texas Tech is a toss-up.

In a big game the Alabama Crimson Tide should beat the USC Trojans by 6. UCLA over Kansas by 10, Missouri over Mississippi by 3, and Michigan by 1 over Notre Dame.

Pro picks

Tampa Bay and Baltimore pulled the big upsets in last week's action in the NFL, and don't be surprised to see both clubs win again this week.

The Buccaneers used three Viking turnovers to win the biggest game in their short history, 16-10, while Baltimore's Joe Washington made everyone forget Lydell Mitchell as he participated in three different scores enroute to a 34-27 upset of New England. Los Angeles proved themselves to be Super Bowl contenders with a 27-14 victory over Dallas and Houston kept up their winning ways by edging the 49ers 20-19.

DALLAS 21 ST. LOUIS 14 It is always tough to play a team that has yet to win and it will be doubly difficult for the Pokes to beat their old nemesis, St. Louis. The Card defense has yet to jell and St. Louis would have gone without a touchdown against the Redskins if it wasn't for Mel Gray's 27 yard reverse. Dallas may have received the shot in the arm they needed in their uninspired performance in L.A. and should be on their game Sunday.

LOS ANGELES 28 HOUSTON 10 The Ram defense was awesome last week against Dallas and should have an easier time with a young Oller front line. Earl Campbell gained 76 yards rushing in Houston's narrow win over San Francisco but will have to fight for every inch this week. Pat Haden's impressive performance last week should continue through another game as the Rams look forward to their fourth win.

CHICAGO 24 MINNESOTA 21 This Monday night encounter should be a thriller. The Bears shutout Detroit 19-0 last week and will be high as a kite for the Vikings. Despite Minnesota's two losses, they played a tough Denver team down to the wire before winning in overtime. If the Vikes play Chicago as tough, then this Monday night game will be better than last week's.

OAKLAND 27 NEW ENGLAND 17 Former SMU star Arthur Wittington and Mark Van Eeghen led a devastating ground game that smashed the Pack last Sunday while the Pats humiliated themselves on prime time television. Looks like a Raider shoe-in, right? Don't be so sure. Despite quarterback Steve Grogan's poor showing, he led an amazing comeback that would have won the game if not for the heroics of Baltimore's Joe Washington. Still, Oakland will be at home and will be the favorite.

WASHINGTON 31 NEW YORK JETS 16 Washington's Redskins may have grey beards, but their hearts are pure gold. Sunday's 28-10 win over the Cards proved that Washington is still to be reckoned with. The Jets stay at the top of the AFC East may be short-lived, especially after the Seahawks beat them in New York last week.

The best of the rest: Tampa Bay 13, Atlanta 10; Baltimore 20, Buffalo 17; Pittsburgh 35, Cleveland 20; Green Bay 14, San Diego 13; Cincinnati 24, New Orleans 17.

Last week's results: 7 right, 3 wrong, .700 pct.