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Children express idealistic versions of Thanksgiving

By Melanie Burnette
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To most people, Thanksgiving means stuffing themselves with turkey and dressing, sweet potatoes, cranberry sauce, ham, hot rolls and various types of pies.

It means a welcome holiday from the grueling grind of college life.

Rarely do people think about the actual meaning of Thanksgiving. In fact, some celebrators haven't thought about the true meaning of Thanksgiving since the second grade class discussed, "What Does Thanksgiving Mean To You?"

Children have a way of looking at such ideas through different eyes. They can see clearly the meanings of such holidays when "older folk" just can't seem to agree on a meaning.

At Lake Waco Elementary, Mrs. Judith Arnold's second grade class was excited about the upcoming holiday, and here's what they had to say.

"Thanksgiving is a time when I want to pray for all the good things in my family."

"Thanksgiving was when the foreign people came over on the Mayflower so they could pray the way they wanted to pray and not make anybody mad when they prayed."

"It is a very special day."

"When Thanksgiving comes I feel very thankful for my mother and father and aunts and uncles and brothers and grandmother and grandfather."

"Thanksgiving is when I sit around and eat a lot."

"I pray for God and thank my mom."

"On Thanksgiving I am very, very thankful for my mother and my father."

"We go to my aunt's house

and eat potato salad, strawberry pie, chocolate pie, pumpkin pie, cakes, cookies and that kind of thing."

"I usually get sick on Thanksgiving 'cause I eat too much, so I don't feel thankful for nothing."

"On Thanksgiving I am thankful for my mom and dad, my friends, my dog, my food, the birds, the trees, the houses, and everything God made for me."

"We go to the country, and my daddy goes hunting for deer and wild turkey, and I go picking up yellow, orange, and green leaves and make rings for the doors. I stay outside, and when it's time to eat, I eat lots and lots."

"Thanksgiving is when the Pilgrims had a big party and they invited about ninety Indians, and ate good food, and danced, and had lots of fun."

Volunteers aid needy

For some people, Thanksgiving is just another day of wondering how to feed the family.

There are over 300 families in need in the Waco and McLennan County area.

Various organizations such as the Salvation Army, Waco Baptist Association, and Caritas are only a few that have committed themselves to assisting families the year-round.

These groups provide food and clothing, pay utility bills and do other things which help a family survive without income.

During the holiday season, however, more emphasis is placed on a few "luxuries" than the essentials. Every family hopes to be able to enjoy the holidays, and to have a Thanksgiving and Christmas

"I am very very thankful this Thanksgiving because my little brother is new and he can eat turkey with me."

"I like my mother at Thanksgiving 'cause she feeds me food I like to eat."

Maybe the kids have the right idea about Thanksgiving. Their comments contain just the right amount of simplicity that gives Thanksgiving the thoughtfulness such a holiday deserves.

Center aids battered women

By Wendell Washington
Staff Writer

Battering cuts across all racial, ethnic, educational, and socio-economic boundaries to include women, the elderly, and the handicapped, according to an information booklet written to provide "Resources for Battered Women in Waco."

dinner, which, through the years, have become American institutions.

Eileen Meroney, caseworker for the Waco Salvation Army said that although they do not have a Thanksgiving program specifically, "Volunteer groups call and ask for names of families that they can adopt for the holiday season."

"Every name we have is checked out to determine the amount of assistance needed. Sometimes welfare and food stamps aren't enough," continued Meroney.

Some families are only temporarily needy; others permanently. Whether the breadwinner is out of work, ill or permanently disabled, almost every family that applies for assistance is helped in some way.



MCC president coordinates publicity

Dr. Jerome Weynand, Texas Public Community/Junior College Assn. president; Dr. Wilbur Ball, MCC president; and Texas Gov. Bill Clements (left to right) are shown at the signing of the proclamation designating Nov. 16-22 Texas Community College Week. As chairman of the information services committee, Dr. Ball was responsible for coordinating statewide publicity about the event. (See related editorial, page 8.)

Based on the latest census estimates done by the Survey Research Program Criminal Justice Center at Sam Houston State University, at least 800,000 women in Texas have been abused at some time by a spouse, with an average age of 37.

Of this number, 80 percent of the cases go unreported. It is felt that women refuse to report their abusers due to fear of retaliation.

Two MCC students, Renee Klunk and Arlyn Storey aid in providing confidential sheltering, counseling, and referral services for battered women.

The women said the purpose of the center is to provide a place for refuge, and to make the "tortured" women physically and mentally aware

of services available in Waco that can help them with every aspect of coping with this crisis.

Klunk and Storey are also instrumental in educating the area by giving workshop training programs to any person or group requesting them and by keeping the 24-hour crisis line available at 753-8401.

Klunk and Storey agree that it is important for a battered woman to know if she is hit once, she probably will be hit again.

The Battered Women's Shelter and Emergency Service Center defines a battered woman as one who is physically assaulted by her husband, boyfriend, or some other significant person.

Talent show results in

By Tim Isaacks
Editor

The MCC Dazzling Review was held Friday, November 21, in the Highlands at 7:30 p.m. Dance company members demonstrated various routines amid talent acts competing for trophies.

The first place winners were Laura Fulcher and Daryl Colyer, singing the duet, "You Don't Bring Me Flowers." The couple was accompanied by Laura Anderson playing the piano.

The second place winner was Amy Johns, performing a jazz dance to "Ride Like the Wind."

Denise Quiram won third place performing a modern dance to "Magic."

The show was sprinkled with dancers, singers, and comics. Masters of Ceremonies before the audience of 400 were Sandy Hinton, director of the MCC Dance Company, and Don Bynum, director of Student Activities.

The show was followed by an awards presentation.

Artist's works reflect television

By Olu Aolarin
Staff Writer

"Television is the most universal visual instrument of our time. It is looked at by more people for longer periods of time than any other object," says New York artist Mimi Smith.

Due to the importance and presence of television, Smith is included in the group of visual artists who address it as a medium of subject matter. Her drawings have been on exhibition in the Art Center since November 15 and will remain on exhibit until December 7.

For the past five years, Smith

has based her work directly on television news broadcasts.

During newscasts, she records passages of information on world events, disasters, crimes, weather, sports, and products of commercial sponsors. These notes are then translated into images and later transcribed in ink and colored pencils in an area on paper the size and shape of a television screen.

Smith has made audio tape recordings to further emphasize the sound of television. In the recordings, several voice tracks by the artist recite news and commercials, along with

personal comments such as "Shut up" chanted like an incantation.

Smith's color television drawings, with bands of color and nice penmanship, fairly glow on black paper. They are attractive, seductive and convincing like the medium from which they are abstracted.

Her drawings represent a personal effort to respond to an important phenomenon most of us only passively accept, and an effort to comprehend something more often looked at than seen, more often experienced than understood.

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Williamson, White highlight UNCF dinner

By David Green
Staff Writer

Paul Quinn College held its annual Negro College Fund dinner Friday night, November 14, in the Brazos Room of the Convention Center. Proceeds

Crafts, bake sale set for December

A Crafts and Bake Sale will be held December 5, 8, and 10, from 10 a.m.-12 noon on the bridge of the Student Center.

Clubs or groups are welcome to participate and can receive more information from the student activities office in the Student Center.

Workshop set for today

MCC's Career Testing and Information Services will conduct a workshop to discuss career decisions at 7 p.m. November 25 and December 2 in the Highlander Room of the Student Center.

The workshop is only one of the services provided by MCC's new Career Testing and Information Service.

Services are to help persons undecided on a career and to help them get started in the right direction by assessing their abilities, work values and interests.

"The services are for adults in the community as well as for MCC students," director Lynn Abernathy said. "I hope MCC students and others in the community will take advantage of these excellent services," she added.

The first-year program is funded by the Texas Education Agency at a cost of \$47,000.

Testing is free to MCC students, but there is a \$10 charge to non-students to cover cost of printed materials.

"An individual can find a satisfying career," Abernathy concluded.

To make reservations or for more information about the workshop call Lynn Abernathy at 756-6551, ext. 386.

from the dinner will go towards supporting the education of Black students wanting to attend college who do not have the necessary funds.

Guest speakers for the dinner were television-movie personality, Fred Williamson, and singer-businessman, Barry White. White received an honorary Ph.D. last year from Paul Quinn.

Williamson was the first to speak to the crowd that attended the dinner. He opened up his engagement by saying that he was speaking under protest. "When I was asked to come here I was told that all I would have to do was crown the queen and stand around and look pretty," Williamson joked.

Williamson talked about his favorite topic, himself. "I have heard people say that I'm arrogant, that I think I'm pretty, and that I know that I'm one bad dude," Williamson said. "And I'm here to verify that. If I don't feel that way about myself, how can I expect everyone else to feel that way

about me?

"You should always think highly of yourself, because if you don't respect yourself, then others won't respect you."

Williamson also added, "Being black is not an obstacle but an asset. You have to be that much better to succeed."

"Never let anyone tell you that you can't do something. If you tell me I can't do something, then I'll do it twice. I have never lost at anything in life. See, a loser quits after a defeat, but a winner keeps on trying."

Besides his participation in the UNCF drive, Williamson is also involved in an annual fund-raising Celebrity Basketball tournament that is a yearly television special in Los Angeles. The special involves top basketball stars against television-movie personalities in a charity basketball game.

Williamson has been a regular in the Arthur Ashe Celebrity Tennis Tournament since its start five years ago. He has also launched a two-day seminar at black colleges where the business world is explained to the students. A Street Olympics is another of Williamson's projects. Celebrities take to the streets to indulge in an Olympic against children in events such as kick-ball and track.

Williamson is now currently doing a sequel to the movie "Three the Hard Way." It will star Williamson, Jim Brown, and Jim Kelly. The movie was written, directed, and produced by Williamson and is entitled, "One Down and Two to Go."

White made his second trip in as many years to the dinner. In addressing the crowd, White stated, "When I saw the slogan for this year's drive, '108 Years-

The Hard Way,' the word 'hard' struck a nerve. Because anything you want in life badly enough is not going to be easy to obtain."

"We, as a people, must learn to pull together, and this is what this drive is all about, White said."

"It's like the story where this fisherman puts these crabs in a bucket without a top. And the kid asks, 'Won't they get out like that?' And just as sure as one starts to climb out of the bucket, another crab reaches up and pulls it back in."

White complimented the talent that had been displayed in the solo by Sherry McAshann, and the duet performed by Debra Young and Mark Scales. "Let them display their talent," White said. "Put a stage up for them, and give the people something to come and see. Everyone needs a reason to do anything."

The ceremonies then ended with the presentation of awards. Dr. Helen Harris presented the Outstanding Civic Award to the Waco Alumni Chapter, Paul Quinn College National Alumni Association, and to Captain (recently promoted to Major) Ervin Jennings of the Nineteenth Street Chapel, Fort Worth, Texas.

Other awards presented were the Corporate Award, presented by Dr. L.C. Wood, to American Income Life Insurance Company, Huck Manufacturing Company, and the Alumni Award presented to Cleoda Bables, James Gibson, Dr. Roy

Pan-Am will be out to lunch

MCC's Pan-American Club will hold an off campus meeting tonight, at 7:30 p.m. at El Conquistador Restaurant. Officers for the club are: Domingo Rivas, president; Janie Salazar, vice-president; Charlie Lugo Jr., treasurer; and Mary Salazar, secretary.

Fashion students tour Big D

Approximately 70 fashion merchandising and management development students recently completed an all day study tour in Dallas. Highlights of the tour included a walking tour of the Apparel Mart and visiting with several of the showrooms regarding the selling and buying of their lines

L. Walker, and Dr. Samuel Lindsay. Dr. Samuel McClendon was the presenter. Barry White Incorporated received the Fred D. Patterson Award. Fred Williamson also received a special award from Paul Quinn College.

Speech team competes in SWT tourney

The MCC speech squad recently competed at the Annual Southwest Texas State University speech festival, in preparation for what appears will be an excellent year of competition.

Receiving awards at the festival were Tina Ferguson, Amy Johns, Rocky Connor, Danny McNair, Jeff Manske and Victor Damm.

The next tournament is a senior college tournament at Wichita Falls in early December.

Victor Damm, president of the Plaid Vests (speech club) feels that the speech competitors will probably surprise their opponents at the meet.

Ribbon sale successful

MCC's Office Education Association will repeat their ribbon sale later on in the year, according to David Malone, a member.

The ribbons were to represent messages like: red for "I like your body;" blue for "I like to know you better;" green, "You're nice;" yellow, "You turn me off;" checkered, "You are confused!" and pink, "You are a fink."

Ribbons sold for 25 cents; if a person wanted to find out who sent the ribbon they were to pay 25 cents. If the person who sent the ribbon wanted to remain anonymous, they were to pay 50 cents. Ribbons were sent to students and teachers.

Instructor speaks to club

Dr. B.S. Thyagarajan, instructor at the University of Texas at San Antonio, spoke in the lecture hall Friday, November 14, at the ten o'clock hour. The speech, sponsored by

the Science Department and the Science Club, was entitled "Insect Pheromones," and concerned the selective control of the world's insect population to man's advantage.

ROTC available for questions

Air Force ROTC students and officers from MCC and Baylor will be at the Student Center December 5 at 10 a.m. The ROTC program will be explained and

questions answered. If interested, come by and find out what it takes to be a member of the AFROTC program. The program is approved for HPE credit.

MCCOPA to hear guest speaker

The McLennan Community College Office Personnel (MCCOPA) will meet December 2, 1980 in the 4th floor conference room at noon. The guest speaker for the meeting will be students from Sylvia Cook's Floral Design Class at TSTI. The students will present to the group a program on how to prepare inexpensive table centerpieces, napkin rings and other Christmas decorations. A regular business meeting will follow the program.

Aids available

Community colleges have distinct advantages over many large universities, namely financial opportunities for underprivileged students who need to continue their education but don't have sufficient funds.

However, Steve Crump, director of financial aids, said no MCC student having financial difficulties should drop out of school until they have come by the financial aids office and talked to him.

Crump gave one prerequisite he looks for when dealing with such cases. It is an attribute called sincerity.

"If they need the money and show that they do, I'll help them to get it," he said.

"Most loans," he continued, "take at least four to six weeks to return and under certain circumstances, a student can borrow up to \$2,500."

Students must be enrolled no less than six hours to be eligible. In addition, the quarters that people stuff the Student Center jukebox with are also instrumental in helping students with financial problems.

According to Don Rynum, student activities director, "Income received by the college from the jukebox is deposited in a student loan fund," which is disbursed under Crump's supervision in the financial aids office.

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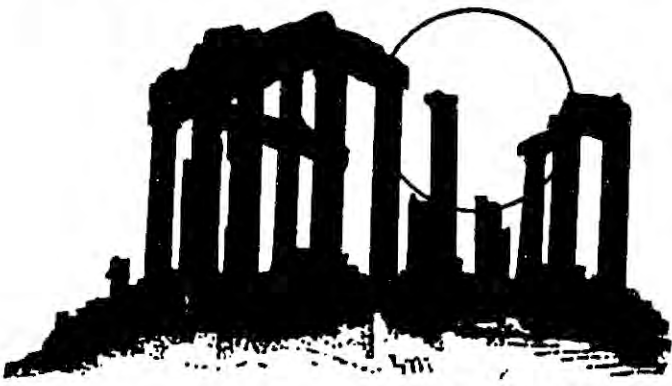
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Suicide rate reflects American lifestyle



By Chris Banks
Staff Writer

(Second in a series)

As the movie "Ordinary People" attempted to portray, suicide can be attempted at any time, by anyone.

Women in America attempt suicide three times as often as men; however, men complete suicide about three times as often as women. Twenty percent of those who attempt suicide repeat the act, and each subsequent attempt tends to be more lethal.

Ten percent of those who attempt suicide eventually succeed in killing themselves.

In general the suicide rate for blacks is much lower than for whites. The figures for both groups are much closer in urban areas. In urban areas such as Harlem in New York, the

rate for blacks is higher than for whites in other geographic areas.

Psychologically speaking, these facts would tend to support the contention that suicide is a product of our societal structure. The blacks in New York are products of a fast-paced aggressive life-style.

Could this be another of the effects of our stress-related society? The facts reported by Dr. Marv Miller, in a paper compiled in 1977 seem to support this theory.

Dentists and lawyers also have high suicide rates. According to studies conducted at the University of Oregon, suicide among medical doctors, dentists, and lawyers are three times as common as among non-professional white-collar workers.

The number of doctors who kill themselves in the U.S. is about the size of a graduating class from an average-sized medical school, and the rate for female physicians is higher than for males.

According to the American Psychiatric Association, suicide among physicians is usually related to problems such as drug abuse, alcoholism, and divorce.

Education also has a bearing on the suicide rate. People with more than average education are less likely to complete suicide than people with less education.

Among young people, the situation is reversed. It appears that college students have a higher suicide rate than non-college students of the same age.

Bells are ringing from atop library

By Katey Jones
News Editor

The bells you've been hearing aren't a result of mid-term fatigue, they're the Schulmerick Carillons, perched atop the library.

The carillons, a gift of the Cooper Foundation in 1970, are made up of 25 Flemish-tuned bells and 25 harp-tuned bells. These chromatically programmed bells play every 15 minutes from 8 a.m. until 8 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

This musical instrument plays the Westminster Strike every hour followed by the correct hour strike. It then leads into a full song. On the quarter-hour one-fourth of the Westminster is played and one-half is played on the half-hour.

According to Gary Luft, director of administrative services, the chimes were originally located on the Fine Arts building, but in July they were moved to the library where the central location allows them to be heard and enjoyed by more people.

The equipment, consisting of a recorded program set-up, is stored in the library basement. A console-keyboard is also present, but it is used only on a special occasion.

The Schulmerick Carillon is considered to have the most beautiful percussive sounds ever created by man. Their distinctive tone has made them the most majestic musical tower voice of the ages.

Having become the desired memorial and focal point of communities and institutions, they are used in churches, memorial parks, schools and universities, town halls, parks, business institutions, and historical shrines.

So don't worry, it's not marbles rolling out of your head and clanging onto the pavement, it's just the Schulmerick Carillons.

In general, the frequency of suicides increases with age. Suicides are quite rare below the age of 15 and above the age of 90; however, there are documented cases of suicides by children under the age of ten.

Suicide rates are lowest among married people in

almost all age groups.

Every person, Christian or Jew, rich or poor, white or black, young or old, fat or thin, tall or short, educated or illiterate, may commit suicide.

Therefore, suicide in that sense, is one of the few things in American life that is truly democratic.

Cheerleaders instigate support

By Mickey Priddy and
David Johnson
Staff Writers

MCC Cheerleaders Suzi Lehman, Kelle Garner, Ann Foote, Lanette Hansard, and Ruth Anne Winkelman are into Highlander Spirit.

Whether it be basketball, baseball, tennis or golf, you'll find these girls there cheering for their beloved Highlanders.

"We support all of our athletic events, no matter when or where they're played," said Lehman.

Lehman graduated from Waco High School and is in her sophomore year at MCC. She plans to attend Southwest Texas State in the future. Her hobbies are gymnastics, dancing, and art.

"In Waco you don't go out to have fun, you find your fun and take it out," stated Lehman.

Foote works at Red Lobster Restaurant. She's a graduate of Richfield High School, a part-time philosopher, and loves to eat and drink.

Garner graduated from Waco High School and is employed at

J. T. McCord's. She plans on transferring to a college in California. Her hobbies are sailing and snow skiing.

Hansard and Winkelman graduated from Riesel High School. Both of the girls are currently unemployed, but plan to work over the holidays. They enjoy the same hobbies) dancing and gymnastics.

None of the girls are rookies at cheerleading. All of them had experience in high school.

The girls like MCC because, "It's a fun school, and a great place to be."

To be selected among the "Fabulous Five," the girls performed for a panel of three judges. "A lot of girls tried out, but in the end, only we five were chosen," said Lehman.

The cheerleaders went to camp this summer, where they won numerous ribbons in competition.

The girls practice every day from 12-2 p.m. in the HPE Building.

When they aren't cheerleading, they're either working, attending drill team practice, or studying.

Overseas scholarships offered

The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International, which annually offers graduate, undergraduate, vocational, teachers of the handicapped, and journalism scholarships is seeking qualified young men and women in this area who are eligible to apply for special educational awards. The awards are for studying abroad during the 1982-83 academic year. Interested applicants can contact the Rotary Club, Room 104, Quality Inn, 4809 West Waco Drive for application forms.

Graduate scholarships are for those who have a bachelor's degree or equivalent, and are between the ages of 18 and 28. Undergraduate scholarships are for those students who are studying at the university level, and will have completed two years of university work prior to the commencement of award studies. Those applicants must be between 18 and 24.

Persons between the ages of 21 and 50 with a secondary school degree and at least two years of working experience are eligible for vocational scholarships.

Scholarships for teachers of the handicapped are available to those persons between 25 and

50 who have been engaged as full-time teachers of the mentally, physically or educationally handicapped for at least two years at the time of application.

Journalism scholarships are granted to students who have been actively pursuing full-time post-secondary studies for two years in print or broadcast journalism, or to journalists who have been employed in full-time positions for two years at the time of application. Age requirements are 21 through 28, and those applying must intend to pursue the profession of journalism after completion of their award studies.

Awards may be used for almost any field of study, but study or training must be undertaken in one of the countries or territories in which there are Rotary clubs.

Expenses covered by the scholarships include round trip transportation, educational, living and miscellaneous related expenses for one academic year, limited educational travel during the study year, plus a period of intensive language training in the country of study prior to the beginning of the regular academic year in certain cases.



State Department of Highways
and Public Transportation

Citizens honor college

By Billy Reaves
Staff Writer

MCC as well as other community colleges around the state is being recognized during the week of November 16-22.

Governor Bill Clements, in a ceremony at the capitol, proclaimed the week as Texas Community College Week.

Dr. Wilbur A. Ball, president, is chairman of the statewide effort sponsored by the Texas Public Community-Jr. College Association.

Two proclamations were announced locally by Waco mayor David S. Dow, and The McLennan County Commissioners. Both proclaimed November 16-22 as McLennan Community College Week and urged the citizens of Waco and McLennan County to take pride in and support the institution.

In keeping with the proclamations MCC is offering festivities of their own. These included a Family Night basketball game in which nearly 800 fans, parents and students saw the Highlanders defeat Navarro Jr. College on the 19th.

The Drama Department also offered their first performance of Tennessee Williams "The Nightingale" to an audience of over 200 people. Other performances will be held on the 20th, 21st and 22nd.

Another upcoming event is being sponsored by the Student

Activities Office on the 21. The "Dazzling Review" a talent show is offering nine acts for judging and various other acts for audience enjoyment.

Houses to open

By Larry Hawk
Staff Writer

Historic Waco Foundation will sponsor "Christmas on the Brazos" December 7.

Participants will tour four of Waco's restored homes. Each home will have different Christmas decorations, with refreshments and gift items for sale.

At 1 p.m., tour members will travel to the Earle Napier Kinnard House, and later will visit the East Terrace, Fort, and McCullough Houses. There will be live entertainment at each house.

Advance ticket sales began November 24 at the Waco Chamber of Commerce, Westview National Bank, Central National Bank, American Bank, and First Federal Savings and Loan on Valley Mills Drive.

Tickets are \$3.50 for adults and \$1.50 for students, with children under 12 getting in free. The price of the ticket includes bus service from the Waco Convention Center and admission to the restored homes.



RECORD REVIEW

'Cheap Trick' disc not worth the vinyl

By Larry Hauk

Success spoils.

After listening to Cheap Trick's last album *All Shook Up*, this saying seems to hold true. For both of their last two albums, in fact.

When Cheap Trick emerged in the mid-seventies, critics actually compared them to the Beatles. Their first few albums were good, but they couldn't get any air play. Then came their best album, *Live at Budokan*. The album went platinum, and people were saying that it was the best live album since the Who's *Live at Leeds*.

Then came *Dream Police*, the group's worst album. The great songs that they were famous for just weren't there. *All Shook Up* is better than *Dream Police*, but it still isn't up to par with their older material.

The first side is really pretty good, with "Stop This Game" and "Can't Stop but I'm Going to Try," featuring Rick

Neilson's guitar. Nielson also wrote or co-wrote every song on the album. "Baby Loves to Rock" is also a good song off the first side, as is "World's Greatest Lover."

But an album has two sides, and the second side is a waste of vinyl.

The opening song, "High Priest of Rhythmic Noise," almost sounds new wave. "I Love You Honey But I Hate Your Friends" should have been sung by Rod Stewart, not Cheap Trick. And the last song on the record is the worst. "Who D' King" features Bun. E Carlos on the drums. In fact, he plays the only instrument in the entire song.

If a friend has the album already, have him record the first side for you, or record it from the radio.

If you do buy this album, you'll be buying it for one side only. And that doesn't sound like a good deal to me.

By Melanie Burnette
Some people are notorious about bawling during sad movies.

I am one of those people.

I have cried my way through such infamous tear-jerkers as "The Other Side of the Mountain," "The Champ," and "Love Story."

But never, ever, ever have my tears streaked my mascara as they did when I saw "The Elephant Man."

For those unfortunates who haven't seen this heart-wrenching movie, it is the true story about John Merrick, (the "Elephant Man") who was the victim of the disease neurofibromatosis.

The disease, although little understood, strikes over 100,000 Americans yearly. It causes severe deformation, and in Merrick's case, the most severe ever recorded.

Unlike the Broadway play with the same title, the movie portrays Merrick the way he really was. The make-up is too believable and the character is hideously ugly. The movie was very accurate in its depiction of Merrick. There are several drawings of the real man, and if anything Merrick was more severely deformed than the movie shows.

The name, "Elephant Man" was given to Merrick because his mother was attacked by a wild elephant when she was four months pregnant. Back then, most people believed that if a pregnant woman was subjected to a horrifying sight, she would "mark" her unborn child. Later this theory was discarded, but not before Merrick was given his nick-name.

Actually, neurofibromatosis doesn't show up until later childhood, when the symptoms are small brown spots that later turn into neurofibromas, ugly but benign tumors that form

MOVIE REVIEW

Film reveals stirring drama

anywhere on the body, particularly on the back, stomach and chest. In some cases, there can be as many as thousands of tumors forming on one person.

Another manifestation of the disease is "elephant skin"; large, hanging folds of skin.

John Merrick didn't do anything wonderful; he just lived his life in spite of the odds. But somehow the story is excellent. The special effects are brilliantly done. The movie is entirely black and white, the photographers capture the gloom, the darkness, and the mood of Victorian London.

The sound effects are consistent; the banging of broilers, the hissing of gas burners, and the chiming of the town clock. All these effects bring the audience back into the sooty, industrialized London of 1890.

When the movie first presents Merrick's character without the hood, it is frightening. But as they show him over and over, the viewer becomes accustomed to his gruesome appearance.

The personality of Merrick was touchingly portrayed by actor John Hurt, and I found myself completely forgetting his looks and wondering at his sweetness. I found myself hating the people that laughed at him, stared at him, and ran away from him.

The sadness of the movie is the knowledge of Merrick's extreme intelligence, his gentleness, and his love for people. It wouldn't have been so heart-grIPPING if Merrick didn't realize the extent of his horrifying looks. But he did.

One of the most powerful scenes in the movie is when a famous actress (played by Anne Bancroft) visits Merrick at his apartments. Although she is saddened and shocked at his appearance, she talks to him and gives him a copy of "Romeo and Juliet." Merrick opens the book and begins reading the script, and she reads her part. Then she kisses him on the

cheek, and Merrick is so happy he proudly places her picture in "a place of honor" by his bed.

The tragic moments are many, however. People chase him down, laugh at him, and always remind him of his appearance.

One of Merrick's dreams was to be able to sleep on his back "like normal people" (he had to sleep sitting up because he would suffocate). One night after he had gone to the theatre, Merrick solemnly lay down on his back and died.

And I cried.

BOOK REVIEW

Working folk relate dreams

Have you ever wondered how rich people got rich? Why poor people were poor? What the immigrants who came to American in the early 1900's thought of this country? What the immigrants who are coming over now think of the U.S.?

"American Dreams, Lost and Found," contains over 300 interviews with people from all walks of life, and the author, Studs Terkel, asks all 300 if they have found the American Dream.

Terkel personally interviewed the people, which is no small task in itself. He spoke with rural citizens and city people, whites, blacks, Mexican-Americans, and Indians, not to mention immigrants from all over the world, for one purpose: to find out if they had achieved their American Dream.

After the several years of research and compilation, Terkel had the views of people from every different race, color, and social class.

"American Dreams, Lost and Found" is available in the library. Its entertainment value and thorough research make it worth reading.

David Johnson remembers

Ah, those golden days

By David Johnson

In my neighborhood, as in many others, there is a stagnant, mosquito-ridden channel of water called a creek.

As I drove by the other day, I noticed construction workers pouring concrete into the old creek bed. In a flash, memories of how I had spent many a summer's day searching for adventure here washed across my mind.

Memories of how Weasel, Stan-the-man, Rick-the-attick and I lost days at a time here doing what we enjoyed: Crawdad fishing. Wow, what a sport!

You say you don't know what a crawdad is? It's a small, lobster-like crustacean that lives in backwaters, rivers, and creeks, all over the country. If you're not careful, they can pinch the heck out of you.

We caught most of them for a

fisherman that lived next door to me, who used them on his trotlines. We were paid top price for our tireless work, all of two cents a crawdad.

We thought we were big-time businessmen, making enough money to buy the creek and starting our own corporation "Crawdads Inc."

We would sit and fish for crawdads from sunup to sunset. You must understand that fishing for crawdads takes a lot of coordination and technique, and we had our technique down pat.

They are great bait for cat-fish; trotliners use them regularly to catch large, freshwater game fish. Many people regard crawdad tails as a delicacy, comparing them with the likes of shrimp and lobster.

We didn't catch that many for eating, although we did try them once, and they weren't

bad.

Coordination would come later on in life, as my father had told me.

Anyway, we would tie a small slice of bacon on a long piece of string and go to the creek.

Weasel would work one end, while Rick tried the middle of the creek.

Stan and I were an inseparable team. Stan would tease a crawdad into eating the bacon, and pull him up to the surface of the water. That's when I went to work.

Since I have fast hands, I would reach behind the prey and snatch him. We would catch hundreds in a days time, and have more fun than if we had ring-side tickets at the circus.

It was a heck of a way to make a living, but when you're 10 years old, you're in it for the fun, not for big bucks.

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	Monday, December 15	8:00-10:15
	Friday, December 12	10:45- 1:00
	Monday, December 15	10:45- 1:00
	Friday, December 12	2:00- 4:15
	Monday, December 15	2:00- 4:15
TTTh	Thursday, December 11	8:00-10:15
	Tuesday, December 16	8:00-10:15
	Thursday, December 11	10:45- 1:00
	Tuesday, December 16	10:45- 1:00
	Thursday, December 11	2:00- 4:15
	Saturday, December 13	9:00-11:15
	Tuesday, December 16	2:00- 4:15
SATURDAY OTHER DAY CLASSES		

EVENING SCHEDULE

Classes meeting only one night per week	Exam Day	Exam Time
MW	6:45-9:00 on regular meeting night during December 10-16	5:20- 6:35
	W, M Dec. 10 and 15*	6:45- 9:00
	Wednesday, December 10	6:45- 9:00
	Monday, December 15	6:45- 9:00
TT	Th, T, Dec. 11 and 16*	5:20- 6:35
	Thursday, December 11	6:45- 9:00
	Tuesday, December 16	6:45- 9:00

* The schedule precludes the option of an uninterrupted period of 135 minutes.

50-hour work-week

Schedule tough for student

Many students are forced to work their way through school, a task not easily conquered. It takes a special person to take on such responsibility.

Mary Kay Carter is just such a person.

Carter, a second year student at MCC, crams school and a 50 hour work week into her schedule.

"My school work suffers because of my job, but I am wrapped up in my job and carry a lot of responsibility as assistant manager at Mr. Gatti's on Lake Shore," says Carter.

Carter lives in an apartment on Colcord, and pays for all her schooling. She believes in finishing her college education no matter how tough the going gets. She fears never returning if she quits now.

In the future, Carter plans on buying a Mr. Gatti's franchise with a partner and some day go

into business for herself.

Carter, a business major, believes, "The whole world is in business of some kind."

Carter admits, at this time, work is her main concern but no one should let their mind stop

learning if they have the opportunity.

In five years, Carter plans on having a business degree and all the job experience a college student could ask for at graduation.

Students raise money

The participants of the March of Dime's "Dance-A-Thon" experienced the best of both worlds recently. Not only did the dancers have a lot of fun, they contributed to a worthy cause.

MCC's Student Government co-sponsored the affair, which was held at the Richland Mall November 14 and 15.

Sally Breeman, Executive Director of the Waco Chapter of the Heart of Texas March of Dimes, said the affair was quite successful. "The money raised goes in our general fund now, but at the end of the year 60

percent of all the money raised goes to the New York Chapter."

"Some money is used locally to help with birth defects and pre-natal care. The money sent to New York is used for research which benefits all the chapters, and Texas receives back more than we send out," Breeman said.

The dance marathon raised \$15,000 for the fund. The participants solicited pledges from donors who paid the dancers according to the hours danced.

Special credit should go to Jonathon Laubert, who was the co-ordinator and clown. Ac-

In Lacy-Lakeview

Hunger Relief Farm started north of Waco

By Clark Griffin
Staff Reporter

World Hunger Relief Inc. is now building a Research and Training Farm five miles north of Waco in Lacy-Lakeview. It is owned by Bob Salley and operated by Carl Ryther. Ryther said, "This is only an experimental project in which agricultural models are developed for use in foreign countries to help alleviate hunger."

"In January, 1976," said Salley, "my wife and I performed our first concert to raise money for hunger relief. By May of that same year, World Hunger Relief Inc. was founded." The Salley's ministry has carried them to many churches and college campuses throughout the Southwest.

Carl Ryther is a 17-year veteran agri-missionary in Bangladesh on leave in Waco from the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board.

"Wherever family or village agri-missions are discussed or attempted," said Ryther, "my experience and knowledge is drawn upon."

Ryther speaks, demonstrates, and shows slide presentations to groups interested in this experimental farm. Ryther claims that this is done in order

to get people interested and involved in the Farm's response to the needs of the world's hungry.

Ryther said, "The farm is now involved with research in developing agri-missions models based on a balanced ecological cycle." Some of the more evident research models that can be located in various parts of the farm are rabbits, earth worms, rice and fish farming, mini-gardens, goats, and the production of alcohol.

Ryther said, "These models will help us train the hungry world to feed themselves. We are now planning to have a bold mission thrust to Haiti this summer in the form of agri-missions."

World Hunger Relief Inc. has as its slogan, "Small is Beautiful." "Our solution is to go to foreign countries and into their villages to work with people on solving their hunger needs," said Salley. "Though it may help solve massive problems, the project will begin on a small scale with individuals," he said.

"I believe the success or failure of bold mission thrusts hinges on our response to world hunger," Salley said. "Enough food can be produced to feed the world," he said, "but it must be produced where the need is rather than being shipped to the needy. A very small percentage of food relief arrives at the actual point of greatest need."

A program is now being set up to train volunteers in the most efficient methods of maximizing food production in the areas the volunteers would serve for up to a two-year period. Ryther said, "These training programs would not only be for missionaries and volunteers, but for anyone who wishes to learn how to help combat world hunger."

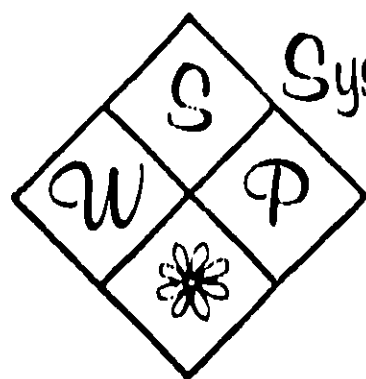
Waco Y offers activities

Friday, November 28, will be a school holiday for the Waco Independent School District and Midway School District. The Waco Y Family Center will be offering an all day program of fun activities for children.

This is a program for working parents \$7.00 per child, and \$5.00 for a second child. There will be games, sports, music, stories and arts and craft, and swimming. To register, call the Waco Y Family Center at 754-3571. The children will need a swimsuit, towel and a sack lunch. They may be dropped off at the Waco Y Family Center between 8-8:30 a.m. and picked up between 5-5:45 p.m.

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According to Abigail VanBuren ("Dear Abby"), three bike riders are killed in accidents every day in the United States. In her column at right, Campus Nurse Carolyn Rodabough gives pointers on how to avoid biking mishaps.

Rx from Rodabough

Bicycles, benefits, and pre-cautions

More and more students and faculty members are bicycling to MCC this fall. The extended summer weather we have had, plus the high cost of gasoline, may have played a part in the increased use of bicycles for transportation.

Healthwise, bicycling is an excellent form of exercise. A primary benefit to be reaped from bicycling is improved cardiovascular fitness.

The constant, rhythmic leg motion provides more efficient pumping of blood from the extremities to the heart. There is also improved blood flow to

the brain, an increase in the heart's volume, and a slower heart rate, which leads to lowered blood pressure.

This aerobic form of exercise prevents fatty deposits from developing in the liver and in the arteries. It can aid in weight reduction, too. Biking is a great way to relieve tension and mental fatigue. Just what college students need!

Be sure that your bike is equipped with basic safety features such as reflectors and a headlight that can be seen for 500 feet.

When riding at dusk or at night wear light colored clothing.

Additional reflector tape on handle bars and the rear fender would also increase your visibility to motorists.

Remember to give hand signals at least 10 seconds before you begin a turn and always obey the same traffic signals and signs as motorists.

Try to map out a biking route to your destination that

eliminates the necessity of traveling in heavy traffic. If you must make difficult turns at crowded intersections, dismount and walk your bike in the pedestrian crosswalk.

By the way, pedestrians always have the right-of-way. Cyclists should ride on the right side of the road, and when riding in a group remain in single file for optimal safety.

Lastly, keep your bike in good repair. Faulty brakes and unprotected chains can be especially dangerous. In addition to chain guards, leg bands or clips give added protection for keeping clothing from being caught between the chain and sprocket.

Tires should be checked frequently for recommended tire pressure and adequate tread. Lubricate all moving parts at least once a month and tighten all nuts and bolts. Keeping your bike in good shape and following the safety rules should help you get the most out of your bicycling.

'Masterpiece' gives 'beastly' show

By David Green
Staff Writer

If music soothes the savage beast, then it brings out the beast in man.

On Friday, November 14, the group "Masterpiece" did just that. They brought out the beast in MCC students at the 10 a.m. hour in the Student Center. The performance was sponsored by Student Government.

Drummer Ronnie Bean got things started with "Things I do for You," a popular tune by "Confunction," followed by Tray Franklin stepping in and swaying the audience with "I Just Begun to Love You." Charlie Shaw then added a little

baritone magic with Brick's "Push, Push."

"Funking for Jamaica," brought a few students to their feet to dance. Franklin kept the students hopping with the Jackson's "Lovely One," then was joined by Merle Gooden as they converged into "Rapper's Delight."

The group was then joined by female vocalist, Zena Bean. She sang Gladys Knight's "Landlord," and Stacy Lattisaw's "Let Me be Your Angel."

Ronnie Bean then ended the show with Switch's "Sparkle," which was carried into various songs such as, Smokey Robinson's "Turn the Lights

Down Low," and Barbra Streisand's "The Way We Were."

As the students filed out of the Student Center on their way to class, the group broke into "Pop It," by One Way.

Members of the group include: Tray Franklin, vocals; Charlie Shaw, vocal-keyboards; Ronnie Bean, vocals-drums; David Bean, bass; Michael Smith, guitar; Miquel Joseph Francis Ray Custard, percussions; Zena Bean, vocals; and Merle Gooden, vocals-dance. Avis Bean and Debbie Perkins provided dance routines to the group's music.

KATEY'S BARGAIN POST

By Katey Jones
Staff Writer

Get a cup of coffee for only 10 cents at Giovanni's on the Highland Mall.

Hurry! November Sales going on now in every department at Cox's, located in the Westview Shopping Center.

Eat breakfast at Ira's Restaurant for only \$1.00. The plate consists of 2 eggs, bacon, hash browns, toast or biscuits. Ira's is located at 2310 W. Waco Drive.

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Landers take seven and two mark

By David Green
Staff Writer

After losing their opening game against Temple, the Highlanders tried like all the dickens to get their coach his first win at MCC. They gave it all they had. But after four periods of play and then an overtime, the Highlander roundballers failed to deliver.

Fighting it out all the way with a tough Kilgore team, the Highlanders found themselves dead-even with their opponents after four periods of play, 57-57. Time after time, the Highlanders had an opportunity to put away Kilgore. Time after time, they failed. And in the overtime period, Kilgore prevailed, 67-63.

"It was a game we should have won and didn't," a disappointed Ken DeWeese said.

Feeling that they owed their coach more than what they were giving him, the Highlanders then proceeded to win their next four contests. They got a bit of revenge the following game in a rematch with Kilgore, this time taking

them handily, 67-43.

Chuck Hall paced the win over Kilgore with 16 points, followed by Carl Fitzgerald's 11. In their earlier loss to the same Kilgore team, Hall again paced MCC with 29 points, and Wacoan Darryl Baucham tallied 14.

The next game saw the Highlanders unmercifully whip up on Concordia 98-49. The Highlanders dominated the game from start to finish. The reserves played the majority of the game, which gave them some needed experience.

Ronnie Smith and Fitzgerald both added 18 points to go along with William Boatwright's 16 to pace the route over Concordia. Bill Jones also had a good game rebounding.

Navarro was the next to fall at the hands of the Highlanders, who by this time had gotten real used to giving their coach victories. Throughout the game, MCC had to fight off surges from Navarro to win 56-52. The game helped the Highlanders realize that everyone wasn't going to be as easy as Concordia had been.

Hall and Baucham again paced the Highlanders scoring attack with 18 and 15 respectively. Fitzgerald and Boatwright both turned in good games defensively for MCC. Mookie Smith, Tommy and Howard Hoseby all scored ten to lead Navarro's attack.

The Highlanders then traveled to Temple to face the team that had handed them their opening loss by a ten-point deficit. Once again, they avenged their loss and squeaked out a real toughie, 49-47.

The game was a constant battle which saw the score change leads numerous times. Hall continued to show his generalship on the floor and held the team together. His 18 points once again led the Highlanders. Bill Jones contributed eight to the winning cause.

With a 7-2 record (including the three in Mexico), the Highlanders are looking pretty good. They're also showing a maturity not expected at the beginning of the season. MCC travels to Henderson next to try and keep the streak going.



The nationally ranked Highlander golfers are L-R top, Jody S Crivner, Eddie Welch, Carl Bielstein, Conrad Broussard, Brett Nelson. L-R standing, are Coach Jimmy Clayton, Greg Tubbs, Ricky Chalk, Jerry Foltz, Duane Standley, and Bill Tanner.

MCC golfers 'the best'

By David Green
Staff Writer

"We're the best team in the state of Texas."

These are the confident words of Highlander golf coach Jimmy Clayton. Clayton, who has been at MCC for 10 years, feels this way for good reasons. For the last seven years, the Highlanders have won the North Texas Junior College Athletic Conference.

Besides winning the conference last year, MCC won the Region 5 tournament and finished second nationally. This fall, the team has been victorious in four tournaments: the Woodland Invitational (MCC won the Junior College Division), Temple Junior

College Invitational, Sam Houston State Invitational, and MCC Invitational.

Bill Tanner finished second individually in the Woodland Invitational with a 152. Tanner also shot a 140, along with Carl Bielstein, (140) to finish third at Temple. Duane Standley took a second at Sam Houston with a 152 total. Jerry Foltz took first on home soil at the MCC Invitational with a 145.

The fall schedule has been completed but Coach Clayton expects the team to participate in six more tournaments in the spring.

Last year, the Highlanders competed in 11 tournaments and won nine.

Highlassies dominate court

Tuesday, November 10, the women's basketball team traveled to Kilgore to stomp them 72 to 60 with Tracey Rector and Nadine Horn both scoring 21 points.

Kilgore came to meet the Lassies at MCC only to lose again 72 to 53. Jennifer Stone was high point scorer with 15 points.

The MCC women lost to Henderson by only one point Tuesday the 15 with a final

score of 74 to 75. Tracey Rector again was high point scorer with 16 points.

Navarro proved to be the Lassies come-back November 18 here at MCC. The Lassies

killed Navarro 81 to 52 with Jan Wilks scoring 18 points.

November 21 and 22, Panola hosted a tournament in Panola. The Lassies lost to Panola 68 to 70 with Felice Lewis scoring 20 points. The second night, the MCC women destroyed Kilgore one more time. The final score was 89 to 67 and Jennifer Stone scored 17 points.

Flag football champions announced

By David Green
Staff Writer

Intramural flag football came to an end November 12. After weeks of play, a champion was finally decided from the 15 men's teams and five women's teams.

In the men's division, the 60ers took the crown with a 18-0

victory over the Mix Breeds. The 60ers breezed through the double elimination tournament going undefeated. The Mix Breeds had a harder time of things, losing once and having to play overtime games their previous two before the championship game.

In the ladies' division, Zapp totally dominated the tour-

nament. They went undefeated in their three games en route to the championship. They were also unscored upon.

In the championship game, Zapp dominated the game from start to finish. With an overpowering offense and a very stingy defense, Zapp rolled over the Looney Tunes, 42-0. The Looney Tunes were defeated one other time before their shellacking by Zapp.

Team members of the champion 60ers are: Damon Patterson, Kevin Walters, Travis Churchman, Keith Stafford, David Churchman, Craig Icolor, Harvey Welch, Jerry White, Randy Trammell, and Johnny Wilson.

Members of the champion Zapp are: Lashenda Johnson, Sandra Holmes, Rosalyn Scarlett, Vicki Benson, Rita Scarlett, Angela Mayon, Sarah Estelle, Kavey Williams, Cassandra Giddings, Terry Roberts, and Coach Edie Brown.

"I thought we had just as good a chance of winning as anybody else," Trammell said about the 60ers' performance.

Angela Mayon of Zapp said, "We knew that we were going to win, and we knew that no one would score on us."



Tom Adams rips a backhand winner during a dual match.

Notters win TJC match

The Mighty Highlander Tennis Team chalked up another victory November 13, with a win of 7-2, over Temple Junior College.

The Men's teams were the only ones in competition on this date.

In singles, Tom Adams def Steve Riza, 7-5, 6-0. Jack Shoohey def Terry Wilkins, 6-2, 6-3. Eric Sorenson lost to Mike Finch, 7-5, 7-6. Brad Clark def Donny Rains, 2-6, 6-0, 6-1. Jimmy Laloo lost to Russell Storn, 7-6, 6-2. Richard Tat'm def Jose

Jasso, 6-1, 6-2.

In doubles competition, Adams and Shoohey def Riza and Wilkins, 7-5, 6-4. Itauch and Sorenson def Rains and Finch, 6-1, 6-1, and the team of Tatum and Laloo def Jasso and Hernandez, 6-0, 6-7, 6-1, in a thrilling three setter.

Coach Berryman stated, "I'm very pleased with the way the team is playing in these dual matches. I hope in the future that we can keep up our winning ways."



The Zapp girls that took the championship were: 1st row, Terry Roberts, and Sylvia Williams; 2nd row, Rosalyn Scarlett, Vicki Benson, Sarah Estelle, Kavey Williams, Sandra Holmes, Rita Scarlett, and Lashenda Johnson; 3rd row, Cassandra Giddings, Angela Mayon.

EDITORIALS

Garden ordeal continues to plague overweight souls

By Melanie Burnette
Feature Editor

Remember when God said to Adam and Eve, "But of the tree of knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it?" Everybody thought God didn't want us to know there was an opposite sex. That's not what God meant. The truth is, God was trying to prevent people from over-eating.

God knew there were plenty of other fruit trees in the Garden of Eden, and He knew if He didn't set at least one fruit tree aside, Adam and Eve would never stop eating.

But unfortunately, Eve didn't listen to God and she ate of the forbidden fruit. When God heard what Eve had done, He was angry. He then created cellulite.

Since that time, God has continued to shower his wrath upon Woman. He created "saddle bag" thighs, double chins, rebellious posteriors, lumpy knees, and the "spare tire."

He has tormented Woman with sugar, alcoholic beverages, starches, carbohydrates, and the empty calorie.

He has created the escalator, the chair, the bed, the car, and the elevator.

And worst of all, God created Hunger.

When Woman tried to make it on grapefruit and water, God caused the stomach to writhe in agony. When Woman had consumed her caloric intake for the day, God created McDonald's commercials on television.

God created horrible people who were skinny and ate German Chocolate cake in front of Woman and then smacked their lips.

God created grannies who baked all day and everyday and then forced Woman over because they were "lonely."

God created "Sweet n' Low" and saccharin, and then dared Woman to eat it after He created cancer in rats.

God created those ghastly stretch knit pants.

Then God created His Ace in the Hole. He created scales, and Woman could no longer hide from herself.

And God said, "In sorrow shalt thou eat of all the days of thy life."

MCC celebrates 15th

Fifteen years ago this month, voters took one of the most significant steps in the history of McLennan County when they approved the creation of a junior college district. Dr. Wilbur Ball was soon hired to guide the destinies of the new school and he set up quarters in a rented office in the 800 block of Washington Avenue.

From those slim and humble beginnings, McLennan Community College has grown to become one of the finest two-year colleges in the nation. The setting chosen for the new school was a master stroke--150 acres next to historic Cameron Park. The modern, functional educational plant that has evolved there can't be matched for beauty anywhere, in our judgment.

MCC (as the headline writers quickly dubbed the new college) opened its doors in temporary quarters at James Connally Air Force Base 10 months after voters gave the go-ahead. Construction of the new plant began the following summer and the new facilities were occupied on Jan. 6, 1969.

Aided by dedicated trustees and with outstanding community support, Dr. Ball has done a masterful job in developing a first-class institution on the banks of the Bosque. Today, MCC pumps over \$12 million annually into the county's economy and has an enrollment of 7,000 students, 3,000 in college credit courses. It has brought widespread, favorable publicity to Waco through its winning athletic, drama and music programs.

But above all, MCC is providing opportunity of highest quality to students who can earn two years' college credit at reasonable cost while living at home. Besides college credit courses, there are studies designed for vocational and technical career training and a third facet--a continuing education program which offers non-credit classes for those interested in civic, cultural or recreational subjects.

In 1966, when "McLennan Community College" was chosen as the school's name, it became unique as the first school in Texas to have the word "community" within its name. It has continued to be unique in many ways.

We take great pride in the achievements of McLennan Community College, we predict continued success and a bright future for this fine institution, and we salute it on the occasion of its 15th anniversary celebration--which is being observed in conjunction with Texas Community College Week.

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We erred...

In the November 11 issue of the Highland Herald, a mistake was made about dates and times of advising sessions for Spring, 1981.

Students with signed degree plans or signed advising cards may pick up packets on the following dates:

A-M November 24-25

N-Z November 26 and December 1

All other students may obtain permits on a first come, first serve basis beginning December 2.

Early registration for night students will be December 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 9, 10, and 11 between 5-8 p.m.

Christmas cash to flow

By Olu Solarin
Staff Writer

Jingle bells, jingle bells, jingle all the way...

It's that time of year again.

It's a pity that not all bells are found on sleighs. The majority are found on the jingle-jangle of cash registers reminding you of the high cost of Christmas gifts.

However, hope for an economical Christmas is not lost.

Valuable gifts at reasonable prices are available on campus at MCC's book store and at the Art Center.

For less than \$10 the bookstore has scented candles of various sizes, with prices starting at 25 cents to \$5.00.

"Snoopy" diaries are available in daily and weekly, pocket diaries at \$2.00, and monthly ones at \$2.50.

Hand-made pots at \$2.40 are good decorations for Christmas trees.

Novels can be perfect gifts for friends and family. The book store has a large variety of best selling novels including 'The Power Eaters, by Diana Daven Port, Sophia by A.E. Hoehner, Ordinary People by Judith Guest, and for the sports fans, Even Big Guys Cry by Alex Karras with Herb Gluck.

Exclusive pens can also be purchased between \$5.05 to \$10.00.

At the Art Center artistic calendars, perforated post cards printed in full color, and little artistic puzzle-like boxes can be purchased at under \$10.00.

Christmas tree ornaments are from 25 cents to \$4.00, clay flower vases and wooden

BACHELOR'S KITCHEN

By Tim Isaacks
Editor

From June to September we sweat, burn, roast, swelter, and dry up. It can really make one look forward to winter. But when Texas decides to get cold, it gets COLD.

Running from the car to the house doesn't usually warm up the body, so here are some concoctions to knock the icicles out of your toes.

My all-time personal favorite is hot chocolate. There's nothing like a cup of hot chocolate in front of a fire on a winter afternoon at your grandparents' house.

Hot Dr Pepper is good with a slice of lemon in it. And chili is ever-popular as a hot stomach-filler.

Standing in the shower while using a hair dryer can give you a real charge too (just wanted

to make sure you were reading the article).

The classic cure-all for colds, as well as being a great belly-warmer, is chicken noodle soup, crackers, milk and a few slices of salami. If you're really hungry, throw in a deviled ham sandwich. Something about this meal seems very continental.

If you're into a little eccentric cooking, toast some marshmallows over the stove, put them on graham crackers and chocolate bars. Of course, with an electric stove this won't be a very successful venture.

Various alcoholic beverages will also go a long way towards warming the body, but far be it from me to promote drunken savagery in my column.

What? You say you're on a diet and don't want to eat? Well then, just sit in front of the heater, and stay cold inside!

letter to the editor

A few weeks ago during an intramural flag football game, I lost my temper and struck a player from the other team.

True, he had been illegally blocking me and had been asked

several times to stop, but that wasn't reason enough for me to take things into my own hands.

The game was supposedly being refereed by two young men, but they were not doing a good job and let things get out of hand.

So, to Ray Murray, the instructor in charge of intramurals, and the player who I struck, I express my deepest apology. I, (who call some games myself), know that everything can't be called.

Again, to Mr. Murray and the student I struck, I apologize. I tried to get the player's attention after the game to let him know that I was sorry for losing my temper.

Thank you very much.

David Green

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