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## Baylor offers \$5,000

By MARY KUJAWA

Applications for a \$5,000 Presidential Scholarship to Baylor are now being accepted in the office of President Dennis Michaelis. This scholarship was established by President Herbert H. Reynolds of Baylor University in conjunction with the Waco Higher Education Consortium also including the presidents of MCC, TSTL and Paul Quinn.

The scholarship is available to all MCC students who are planning to transfer to Baylor in the 1990-91 academic year. Michaelis is asking those students who will be graduating with an Associate's Degree to submit an application to his office.

Applications must include copies of the students transcripts and letters explaining their interest in the scholarship and their plans for the future. Applications must be limited to a total of five pages. All applications are due by Friday, March 30 at 5 p.m. in Michaelis's office. If there are any questions about the scholarship or application, please contact Fay Gutierrez in Michaelis's office.

The application will be judged by Michaelis and possibly a few faculty members. "We will be considering the whole range of the application when judging," said Michaelis. There is no financial need requirement and no grade level requirement for the scholarship.

Once the recommendation for the scholarship is made by Michaelis, Baylor will concur with the recommendation and make the formal announcement, according to William J. Dube III, dean for admissions, academic scholarships and financial aid at Baylor.

"We are very glad that this opportunity will be made available to the students and are looking forward to administering it," said Dube.

The Presidential Scholarship will become an annual scholarship provided by Baylor to a qualified transfer student from MCC, TSTL and Paul Quinn. The scholarship came about as a result of the Waco Higher Education Consortium. The purpose of the consortium is for the four colleges in Waco to explore ways to work together and combine resources.



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ANNETTE FEIND is escorted by Steve Bohannon after being crowned 1990 Homecoming Queen Feb. 20 at halftime of the Highlander basketball game.

## Nursing Club entry chosen for queen

By ROBERT M. BROWN

For 21 years the tradition of Homecoming Queen has been kept alive at MCC, and this year is no exception. Annette Feind of the Nursing Club has been nominated 1990 Homecoming Queen with first runner-up Tara Jean Adams of MCC Student Government.

This year's other Homecoming Queen nominees are Kristi Corbett from Zeta Omepa Eta, Diane E. Craig from the Dance Company,

Christy Davis from the Baptist Student Union, Laura Evans from D.R.A.W., Bunitta Harrington, petition, Rhonda Renee Henderson, petition, Terry Lynn Hoffman from Phi Theta Alpha, Rachel Spomer from Press Club, Shoko Suzuki from International Students Organization and Carrie Tindall from Cosmo Phi.

The nominees are selected by clubs and organizations on campus which they are involved in or if

they do not belong to a club then they can still become a nominee by collecting a petition with 25 names saying "We want this woman to be queen."

Homecoming activities began last Tuesday night with a bonfire where students were entertained by music and the Dance Company. The activities ended the next night in the Highlands with the announcement of the nominees at the basketball games.

## Edwards hears deaf concerns

By SAM ALLGOOD

A deaf education parental support group met on campus Feb. 19 to voice its concerns on the lack of deaf program funding to state Senator Chet Edwards, D-Waco.

An assortment of speakers informed Edwards on a variety of deaf issues. As each speaker talked an interpreter signed. The strain of communicating showed on the faces of some deaf speakers as their sign language is translated aloud.

"Deaf education is in trouble in Texas," Kathy Bartlett said. "Equipment and material has deteriorated. An increase is needed just to keep the program on an even keel."

"Without funding there are no rights for the deaf. We need a line item funding of \$35 million for state-wide funding. It's not a matter of want but a matter of need," she said.

Gathering written testimony at the meeting to forward to the Senate Education Committee was Waco teacher Leigh Cranshaw. Addressing the group, she said, "I don't want them to ever forget us."

"Deaf teachers are told to provide only 'adequate' (state requirement) education," she said. "Adequate is not enough."

Deaf education issues face an age-old problem "I understand the lack of money but the apathy is there. We need more parent involvement. This is not enough," Cranshaw said.

It was announced that Larry Umberger will be the first deaf student from the community to graduate from MCC.

Concerned parent Sharon Palmer cried softly into the microphone as she spoke of the loss suffered by her son through lack of therapy at school. With iron in her voice she said, "Whatever you do, fight for your children!"

Edwards said Texas is facing so many challenges some issues aren't addressed. This is not through insensitivity but through loss, he said.

He told the group, "I will be happy to pass on your concern, but I need your help." He urged them to contact state-wide office candidates and ask where they stand on deaf issues. If the candidates are unaware, inform them.

"Unless you squeak a little, you won't get the grease," he said.

A little over 1 million voters take part in the Texas primary. Around 1 million deaf people of voting age live in Texas.

"Even if only half of the voting age deaf voted as a block, you could literally elect the next governor of Texas. With 500,000 votes I could forget every other group in Texas," Edwards said.

"Bottom line... you can make a difference," said Edwards. "Progress is like driving up a hill, you can't go into neutral, you must continue upward or you'll fall backwards."

## More hats in ring in trustees race

With the filing deadline two weeks away, three have filed for two positions on the college's Board of Trustees while a third post had no candidates at press time.

The only contested race thus far is for district six where Leonard Farley and Carl D. McIntosh have both filed. The post is held by long time trustee Norma Podet who has not filed for re-election.

Charles R. Cox has filed for district four, a post currently held by

Ray Perry. Perry has not announced for re-election, either.

No one has filed for district two, a post currently held by Ernest Uptmore.

Filing deadline is March 21 and the election will be May 5.

Others on the board and the dates when their terms expire include Lawrence Johnson, district one, 1992; Pauline Chavez, district three, 1992; James Hardwicke, district five, 1994; and Danny Uptmore, district seven, 1994.

## Teacher at Berlin Wall

By SARA WARTES

The East German border guard had a flower pinned to the lapel of his austere green uniform. And he was smiling.

It was a symbol of the remarkable and historic events witnessed by Henry Apperson, history instructor, when he went to Germany in November to participate in the historic opening of the Berlin Wall.

"I never thought that I would see it in my lifetime," Apperson said. "It gave me a world view that I had never had before. It brought to life some of the things I'd been teaching about for over 20 years. I came back really excited."

Apperson's first encounter with an East German soldier had been somewhat different. He landed in Nuremberg, West Germany, where his daughter and her husband, an Army officer, live. He met his grandson, Joshua Alan, for the first time and made a quick tour of the Nuremberg area. Then his trip to Berlin continued by night train.

He had just managed to doze off in his berth in the sleeping car when the door flew open and the lights came on. "I looked up and there was a green uniform with a little red stripe across the cap, and I knew I was in East Germany. I said to myself, 'Oh boy, what have I done?'"

The other passengers in the car who spoke English were able to reassure Apperson that all the soldier wanted was to see his passport, but it was a sobering experience.

### The Wall

Arriving in Berlin, Apperson went straight to the Wall. "The first thing I saw was little white crosses with dates when people had been killed trying to cross," Apperson said.

However the tension that had surrounded the wall for decades had been replaced by an almost festive atmosphere. "You could chip on the wall and nobody minded. It was a totally non-threatening experience, almost friendly. People would very freely give up their chisel and let you chip awhile. They were trying to chip a piece of the wall with the paint on it, some of the graffiti. But it was a lot easier for me to just pick up pieces off of the ground. I got a plastic bagful and should have got tons more. It was there and it was free and nobody minded."

At the Brandenburg Gate two East German guards stood on top of the Wall in a relaxed manner. "You could just walk right up to them. I saw no German guard with a gun showing anywhere."

Apperson said he shouted to one of the guards that he was from America and gave him the "thumbs up" sign. The guard didn't respond but looked at him in a friendly way. Later Apperson recognized the guard in television footage when a young girl climbed onto the wall to present him with a bouquet of flowers.

### In search of history

Apperson spent the following day at the historic Reichstag. Once the seat of the German government, it is now a monument situated only 50 feet west of the Berlin Wall. "The Reichstag is a must for anybody going to Berlin. It has all the history. It's



STANDING AT CHECKPOINT CHARLIE, history teacher Henry Apperson celebrates an event he thought would never happen in his lifetime--the opening of the Berlin Wall.

one of the few places where you see everything about Nazi Germany and the camps and Hitler."

Apperson said the experience gave him a new historical perspective. "I can understand, in a way, how, with the difficulties brought about by the Treu-

ty of Versailles at the end of World War I, the war reparations and all those things, how they eventually turned to National Socialism. I don't agree with it, of course, but I can understand."

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EDITORIAL

Don't trash the beach

Great news! Next week is the much-anticipated, well-deserved and sanity-saving period known as Spring Break.

So go ahead, have a great time. You've earned it. The week of Spring Break can get you over the winter slump and into the home stretch.


Just one word of warning. If you are one of the thousands of students heading south for the Texas coast, don't trash the beach!

It should be simple. Beer cans, bread wrappers and broken flip-flops don't grow on the beach. Somebody has to import them. So whatever you take with you to the beach, take it with you when you leave. What could be easier than that?

So enjoy this collegiate rite of spring. Feel the sand between your toes, meet the date of your dreams. Breathe the fresh sea air (and the carbon monoxide from all those trucks cruising the beach). But when you get ready to leave, check around for the trash you are responsible for. If you had room in your car to haul it in, you can surely haul it off.

Don't trash the beach!

Point of View



By SARA WARTES  
Editor-in-Chief

Save the endangered cussword

Some situations seem to call for a few well-chosen words outside the ordinary vocabulary. Say you left the sunroof open on your car and a sudden shower soaked your 50-page term paper due that day. "My goodness" probably wouldn't express your feelings very well. All languages seem to have a few words held in reserve for extreme occasions.

When I was growing up, we had a word that was so bad if the teacher even suspected you were thinking it you had to stand in the hall. Nobody ever said it out loud, although you did see it hastily scribbled on a wall occasionally.

I didn't even know what it meant for a long time. In fact, it didn't really matter what it meant. I'm sure if I had ever tried to say it out loud my jaw would have locked. The point was, like Mount Everest, it was there.

You probably know the word. It starts with "f."

We still can't print it in the newspaper, but that is about the only restriction still in effect for this word. It is rapidly replacing "you know" as a meaningless addition to conversation. Used as a noun, a verb, and in several variations as a modifier, it can be overheard in casual conversation in nearly any circumstance outside of church. Children shout it on the playground. Chic young women say it when they break a fingernail. Macho men say it for no apparent reason.

Richard Pryor probably holds the record for using it the most times in one sentence, but he has lots of competition. Comedians sprinkle it through their monologues like pepper on an egg. It's usually good for a laugh, for some reason. Statements that wouldn't otherwise be funny will get a laugh if they contain this word enough times.

What I want to know is, what do these people say when they get mad if you've used up all the cusswords in casual conversation, how do you let off steam when things go really wrong?

What does Richard Pryor say when he slams the car door on his finger (or catches on fire)?

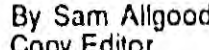
Hollywood is responsible for this loss of language power. Back in the sixties the battle between "artistic freedom" and "censorship" was fought. The argument out of Hollywood was that movie makers wanted to portray reality, record the way people really talked.

This argument has some validity. "Gone With the Wind" would have suffered if in the final scene Rhett Butler had said, "Frankly, Scarlett, I don't give a hoot." It just wouldn't have rung true.

The thing was, the really hard language that soon filled the movie theaters wasn't the way people really talked. About the only place most people heard that kind of language was in the movies. They knew about it, of course, but they were saving it for emergencies. But after a generation had been inoculated with four-letter words, the impact was lost. These words began to be heard commonly around town. In going for shock value, movie makers in effect reduced their own ability to shock.

So here we are, deprived of another American institution. I guess somebody needs to invent a new word that is too bad to say out loud. Or maybe there already is one and I just haven't heard it. I'll have to check the walls more carefully.

Speaking for myself



By Sam Allgood  
Copy Editor

Trash reincarnate

An effort is underway that will largely effect the quality of future life in America. It has the potential to raise the quality of life among poor of all backgrounds. It is a well-known, largely ignored thing called recycling.

Born-again trash. Marketable items from garbage. Recycling.

The more valuable an item is the more it will be sought after. When the price of copper rose recently, Wacoans climbed atop Wal Mart, dismantled giant air-conditioners and removed the copper condensers. Raise the value of an aluminum can to 1.5 cents and people will crawl through dumpsters for them.

It stands to reason that if the bounty on glass bottles is upped, they too will disappear.

While recycling efforts have increased, the prices paid for the materials have decreased.

A decline in prices leads to a decrease in earnings of the individual recycler and an increase in trash.

Middle to upper class adults are the country's top consumers, top trash producers and top tax payers. As consumer lions who pay subsidies to those who feed us (farmers), why not subsidize those who clean our cage. Divert some tax revenues — perhaps some "peace dividend" — into raising and stabilizing recyclable material prices.

In a nutshell, the well off will be sharing the wealth with the less fortunate while curbing a trash problem they perpetuate.

Subsidizing artificially increased prices is still giving hard earned tax dollars away. However, unlike welfare, recycling requires work.

Motivated by an across the board price increase in materials, the poor, jobless and handicapped will be able to raise their standard of living by working hard, honestly, and independently in the best American tradition. We must embrace recycling before "America the Beautiful" becomes a song of irony.

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TOP FIVE EXCUSES OVER-HEARD ON WHY PEOPLE AREN'T ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN ELECTIONS



THE EIGHTEEN-YEAR OLD.  
"ELECTION DAY IS THE SAME DAY I HAVE TO GO FOR ACNE TREATMENT."



THE GRANMOM.  
"MY BUNIONS ARE FLARING UP."



THE EXISTENTIALIST POET WEIRDO (WHO SHOULDN'T VOTE ANYWAY.)  
"THE BLOSSOMING FLOWER OF APATHY LOVES ME."




THE OUT-OF-TOWNER.  
"KLAKTU VIGNO VILCH."  
TRANSLATION: "WHAT ELECTION?"



THE AVERAGE CITIZEN.  
"I'VE NO CHOICE OTHER THAN TO VOTE FOR A BUNCH OF IDIOTS."

MARTIN LUTHER KING

Personally speaking



By ELIZABETH DELEON  
Senior Associate Editor

Bad lyrics, not music

What has happened to the world we live in Everywhere you look you find corruption in even the most artistic forms of life.

Take for instance today's music. Watching the Grammy's a couple of weeks ago, I was appalled at hearing that certain groups were exempt from receiving not even a nomination or much less an invitation to the "biggest night for music on television."

Of course, the corruption is their own doing, but let's face it, it is pushed to the limits when not even a teenager can buy an album or tape because it is too explicit, or because they are not of age.

As silly as it may sound, it is true. Nowadays performers, especially rappers and some heavy metal bands, think that in order for the music to sell that it must contain an abundance of foul language.

Okay, the beat is good, but in actuality, this is not real music because real music is a form of art in itself.

Some may say that it is art because they are showing a form of expression. However, in actuality, it is just a way of rebellion.

By putting labels on things, not only does it cause more rebellion, but also influences minors to want to do or have something all the more.

The bad language which appears as the lyrics in today's music is totally unacceptable and something should be done about it. However, putting restrictions as to who can buy the tapes is not the answer because if people are determined to have something bad enough they are going to obtain it some way or another.


Representatives from the recording business claim that these explicit tapes increase sales. What's more important, sales increases or the knowledge of knowing the difference between right and wrong.

I will admit that I do own a few rap and heavy metal tapes, but I did not buy them for rebellion's sake. Even so, I am still concerned with what it teaches our society about the new generation of music.

Music is supposed to be a sound which is pleasing and harmonious to the ear. Bad language is not. So, let's teach our next generation what true music really is and bring the quality up to the potential that the real musicians are able to aspire.


HIGHLAND HERALD POLL

Why does the man always have to pay for the date?




CHRISTIAN AULI, freshman, exchange student.

"It's custom and it is expected."




KRISTI RILEY, freshman, legal secretary.

"If the guy asks, I'll pay, because he goes through all the trouble just to ask."




RANDY COLE, freshman, business.

"Girls are too cheap."



RICARDO VARGAS, freshman, psychology.

"Courtesy."




LYNETTE STEWARD, sophomore, psychology.

"They don't. It should be a joint effort. Women shouldn't always depend on the men in this society."




GATY BOWDIN, freshman, architecture.

"I think the couple should discuss who pays, and come to some sort of agreement."




UTEVI BONJANJA, sophomore, computer science engineering.

"It's customary."




KEVIN MCGILL, freshman, engineering.

"It is a man's responsibility to pay for the courteship and the girl's father pays for the wedding. If it leads to what, it is customarily done this way. Men provide for women."



TAMMY TUMILLINGTON, freshman, secondary education.

"If the girl paid, the guys ego would be hurt."



JENNIFER THEILD, freshman, marine biology.

"I don't think the guy should always have to pay. I think that whoever does the asking should pay."



# Program brings LIFE to illiterate students

By VALLORY A. MALONE  
Jackie Torrez wants to read the letters her kindergarten daughter brings home.  
Preston McMurray is relearning to read following a motorcycle accident.

Neill Purvis, 53, has suffered four heart attacks, can no longer do construction work and must learn to read before he can be retrained for any other work.

And "George" wants a better job.

They have something in common — Jackie, Preston, Neill and "George" are all enrolled in Project LIFE (Learning is for Everyone).

According to a new study, one in three Texans are functionally illiterate. Basically that means that one in three Texans can not read or write beyond sixth grade level.

Barbara Sloan, coordinator of Project LIFE, hopes to change those statistics. "Our program, a pilot program for the State of Texas, is different," she said.

"In as much as it is not a structured type classroom in which you sit down, have a book and read the book. We will be bringing in the community on a heavy basis where instead of just reading books, we will have literature from those different agencies so that in the process of learning to read, we'll be teaching folks about our community as well," she said.

Sloan said the traditional classroom experience was not successful the first time around for these students. A different, more adult approach might be just what is needed, she said.

The program's curriculum not only teaches students to read but also covers such things as how to complete a job application, money management, insurance and banking. There will be films on nutrition and child care as well.

"We are bilingual, so some of these will be in Spanish," Sloan said. The curriculum is designed so that a student will learn techniques to enable him to go out into the community and get a job. In addition to all this, students will gain hands-on computer skills.

In the words of one student of the program, "It's pretty hard right now. With all the words you've got everywhere today, you've got to know how to read."

George (not his real name), began the program about five months ago at second grade level and now reads at fourth grade level. The decision to be a part of Project LIFE is a decision that he and his wife are proud of. George hopes to get his GED and go on to college some day.

Torrez wants to be able to read the letters that her daughter's kindergarten sends home. She wants to be able to help her daughter with homework.

"I felt sad," she said, "but then I said to myself, what can I do. My mom and dad didn't know how to read either. My mom never helped me when I went to school. I was in special education classes, and they would help us sometimes, and sometimes they wouldn't. There were so many people in the classes."

Now Torrez hopes to finish the program, go back to her school and graduate "so I can show my kids."

Purvis, 53, says he began the classes because "I couldn't read and I've always wanted to." He said he has missed a lot by not being able to read, but he managed mostly by recognizing shapes and colors when it came to signs.

"I guess there were many times that I wished I could read, but I really just didn't think about it until I got to the place where I couldn't work."



photo by Wade Carpenter

NEILL PURVIS, a student of Project LIFE (Learning is for Everyone), makes grandfather clocks. He donated this one to the college, and it keeps time in Bennie Lambert's office.

Purvis has suffered four heart attacks. Up until that time he was in construction work and said he was never too concerned about his inability to read until he could no longer do the hard labor he was used to. Now he wants to and is learning to read.

Other courageous people are taking that step toward literacy. If you know someone who cannot read this story, tell them about it.

Project LIFE classes are going on in four area locations:

— Alternative Learning Center (GED) daily.

— Paul Quinn College (Tuesday-Thursday evenings).

— MCC main campus (Monday-Wednesday evenings).

— MCC Downtown Center (time pending).

For more information call the MCC main office. Tutor training sessions are being held every Friday at 2 p.m. at the Downtown Center.

"If one person in every three adults can't read, that leaves two other people to help teach. So we are looking for not only the student who needs the assistance, but also the person who will help tutor," Sloan said.

## NEWS BRIEFS

### Health Fair today in Student Center

The MCC Wellness Program will be presenting The 1990 Health Fair today in the Student Center. The fair will run from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Some of the attractions will include free blood pressure checking, nutrition information, body fat calculations, flexibility testing, healthy snacks and much more. Cholesterol screening will also be available for \$5. Representatives of local health agencies will also be present to answer questions.

### Health Career opportunities Wednesday

The Health Careers Career Day will be held from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. on Wednesday in the Student Center. Over 40 health care institutions will be on campus to talk to students about jobs. This will be an excellent opportunity for students to look into the growing area of health as a possible career, according to the college placement office.

### 'Great Teachers' here Friday

In honor of excellent teaching in high schools, MCC will host its first "Great Teacher Connections" workshop Friday.

The workshop, which is to be held at the Community Services Center on the MCC campus, is designed to celebrate the great teaching that is accomplished in the high school classrooms.

The workshop creates an opportunity for high school teachers to meet and work with community college faculty who share their common goals of good teaching and student success.

A dinner for all participants, superintendents and principals from participating high schools will end the day's activities.

For more information, contact Randall Schormann at 750-3560.

### Plantation Foods tour Thursday

Those interested in touring the data processing area of Plantation Foods on Thursday from 2-3 p.m. should call extension 594 to make reservations. This is another program designed to help students plan their careers and find employment by the college's placement office.

### 'Gong Show' entertains Friday

Back by popular demand is the MCC Gong Show. Open to all students and employees, this second talent contest is for singers, dancers, comedians and anyone who has a talent to share. The Gong Show will be held at 10 a.m. Friday in the Student Center. To sign up, stop by the Office of Student Activities and Health Services by 3 p.m. Wednesday.

### Support Services honored

The college recognized several outstanding student achievers in the Support Services Program at a luncheon Feb. 23 in the Student Center.

Speaker at the luncheon was Dr. Will Nicklas from the University of North Texas, state president of the Texas Association of Student Special Services Programs. Other guests who attended were support services program directors from Paul Quinn, Navarro and Hill colleges. For more information regarding the MCC Support Services Program, contact Patsy White, coordinator/counselor of the program at 750-3573.

### Art entries due this week

The annual Student Art Exhibition will be held March 27 - May 5 and any MCC student may enter. MCC students may enter any three works completed within the last two years, but have not been exhibited in competition at MCC.

Entries are to be delivered March 8 between 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m. to the Fine Arts Building room 112 or 113. All entries will be judged by Mike Donahue, chairman of art at Temple Jr. College, and an award of \$200 will be given at his discretion. Entry blanks may be picked up in the FA Building or contact Brenda Price in the office of Performing Arts.

### Scholarships for blind set

Each year at its national convention in July the National Federation of the Blind gives to legally blind persons pursuing or planning to pursue a full-time post-secondary course of study a broad array of scholarships.

All scholarships are awarded on the basis of academic excellence, service to the community and financial need.

Applications for National Federation of the Blind scholarships must be received by March 31. The applications can be obtained from James F. Kuback, director of Financial Aids.

### Keep Waco 'Beautiful'

In an effort to keep America beautiful, the fourth annual Partners In Pride competition has been opened to Waco residents.

Entries must include a completed application including the summary of the project and supplemental documentation such as pictures, press clippings or brochures. All entries should be received by Friday, April 6. Mail to Partners In Pride Awards, P.O. Box 1493, Waco, Texas, 76703-1493. A panel of experts in community affairs will review entries and choose winners in April. Winners will be notified by May 4 and awards presented in late May.

### Loan counseling March 19

"Entrance loan" counseling sessions continue. Sessions are held Mondays at 10:10-11 a.m. and Wednesdays at 11 a.m.-noon in the SC's Tartan Room. This month's sessions will be held March 7, 12, 19, 21, 26, and 28. Students receiving loans are required to attend one session per year. Failure to attend one of the sessions will delay receipt of loan. For dates on additional sessions call the office of financial aids.

### 'Images of Success' at Crossroads

Starting March 22, Rae Moore, head of the fashion merchandising program, will be teaching a new course called "Images of Success" for credit or non credit at the Crossroads Center Building. The class, which meets Thursdays at 6:35-8:15 p.m., costs \$48. For more information call 750-3592.

## Forston running for council

By ANDY WALLACE

Announcing for the Waco City Council's District One seat is Joe Forston, MCC's director of computer data processing.

Forston said the key to creating and maintaining a strong and stable economy is to attract and keep major industries. "The present council has done a good job in recent months by working with the Greater Waco Chamber of Commerce and others to attract large companies to Waco, and I plan to work hard with them to continue this trend," he said.

"I also believe that we should, at the same time, work as hard and as diligently to encourage and assist with the development of small businesses. Small businesses and 'mom & pop' neighborhood stores

play a vital role in our local economy and deserve the attention and consideration that major industries receive," he said.

Additional concerns Forston said are substance abuse, crime and safety, and health care for the young and the elderly. "I am concerned about these areas, and if I'm elected, I will work vigorously with other city council members to insure that these concerns are addressed and that major improvements are made."

Forston's wide range of education and job experience has prepared him for a position on the city council. He has earned degrees in quantitative business analysis and mathematics. He is also a certified public accountant.

# MEASLES: What you should know

By SANDRA M. HEWITT-PARSONS

Four cases of measles have been confirmed in Waco so far in 1990 with two more cases suspected, according to Patti Uptmore, R.N., of the McLennan County Health Department.

Uptmore said no cases have been reported on the MCC campus. The two reported and confirmed cases from local schools were at Baylor University and McGregor ISD. The other two confirmed cases were infants.

The County Health Department receives vaccine from the State Health Department in Austin. The vaccine is on back order from the nation's only measles vaccine manufacturer, Merck Sharp & Dohme, according to a statement made last week by Public Health Advisor Steve McNelly with the Texas Department of Health's immunization bureau.

The Waco-McLennan County Health Department offers to vaccinate only high-risk individuals until supplies of the vaccine allow a change in the present policy. This policy was in effect as of Thursday Feb. 22.

Those considered at high risk by the health department are children from 12 to 15 months who have never been immunized, stu-

dents in a school with one or more confirmed cases on campus and any person exposed to the measles.

Health officials say that measles is a more serious disease than some people think and is very contagious.

Only about 15 percent of measles cases have to be hospitalized. Complications due to the measles include ear infections and pneumonia. Uptmore said that pneumonia was a complication which could cause death.

Measles are responsible for three deaths in Dallas' reported 600 cases. Involved were two children 14 months and 18 months and one 26-year-old. Houston reported three deaths from the measles outbreak last year.

Laredo and El Paso have reported over 100 measles cases and Austin 10. Hill county has reported eight cases and other surrounding counties, Bell, Bosque, Coryell, Freestone and Limestone have no reported cases as of last week.

McNelly said in a report in the Tribune-Herald that Texas' close proximity to Mexico may account for the unusually high number of cases in the Lone Star State. He said TDH has received a report which says Mexico has more than 5,000 cases of measles.

Measles are caused by a virus and spread through respiratory secretions. They are transmitted in the same way as cold and flu viruses.

During the onset stage measles looks like a cold with runny eyes and nose, a cough and a low grade temperature of 100 to 101 is common, said Uptmore.

In about three days a blotchy-red flat rash appears first on the face and then on the body and later on the arms and legs. White spots may also appear under the tongue and inside the mouth.

Uptmore said, it's possible for "some people to have it and not know it." An infected person is contagious from the onset of symptoms until at least four days following the outbreak of the rash. The incubation period is 10 days.

The American Academy of Pediatrics' Committee on Infectious Diseases now recommends that all children receive two doses of the vaccine. First immunizations of the MMR (measles, mumps and rubella) should be given at 15 months and a booster before entering junior high school.

Dr. Sudha Assar of Hillcrest Medical Center says all children 12

years old and older should be reimmunized for measles. It is felt that the doses received at 15 months wanes after 12 years of age.

The measles outbreak first hit Texas in November 1988, according to the Texas Department of Health. By September 1989, 3,038 cases had been recorded, with nine deaths attributed to the disease.

According to the Center for Disease Control, a measles epidemic exists if there are more than five cases a year.

Local health officials are now saying that people born after 1957 need only one dose of the vaccine unless there is an outbreak in their school or work place. Ninety-five percent of people should be protected by one dose.

Those who are in a high risk category may receive the vaccine for \$1 at the health district's immunizations clinics from 2 to 4:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays and 10 a.m. to noon on the second Saturday of each month.

Because of the low supply of the vaccine health officials are asking that those who don't need it and have not been exposed, let someone else who has not had the vaccine have it.

Students who had little hope of entering college are now

# Upward Bound

By RACHEL SPOMER

The Upward Bound Program celebrated National Trio Day on Saturday, Feb. 24. Upward Bound is a program designed to help underprivileged high school children excel in school.

National Trio Day is a time set aside to celebrate the combination of programs. Although this year none of the plans could be finalized, the day is usually celebrated by rallies and speakers. Last year, some of the speakers included Rev. Hooker, speakers from Passport Success and from NAACP. Students also gave success-story speeches.

The immediate goal of Upward Bound is to keep students from dropping out of high school. Upward Bound is a federally funded project. High school students are chosen mainly because of their background. Only students who would be the first in their family to receive a four year degree are chosen. The ultimate goal is for them to enroll in a four year college.

The program consists of classes, workshops and counseling. The classes meet at MCC every Wednesday evening and two Saturdays a month. The classes are math, english and study skills. The workshops are on issues such as teen pregnancy, self-esteem and drugs. The students are paid ten dollars a week for participating.

The program continues through the summer with six weeks of classes that coincide with the high school classes they will be taking the next fall.

Upward Bound is designed to give under privileged children a head start.

# Marlin inmates to enroll in courses

By THOMAS BUTLER

Prisoners in Texas Department of Criminal Justice's Marlin unit are now taking college classes from MCC.

The school is giving classes in business, history, psychology, and sociology. One hundred and fifty-five inmates are currently enrolled, with enough students for three full classes in the business courses. Classes meet for three hours one night a week. The enrollment is limited to prisoners who have a high school diploma or G.E.D.

The courses are taught with the same text and syllabus that are used on main campus.

Four of the five teachers supplied by MCC are part time, with Jerry Jordan being the only exception. Jordan is MCC's program director for business management. The teachers must take an orientation course to learn how to interact with the prisoners.

The tuition for one class per inmate is being paid by the state, but a student may take more than one class if he pays for it himself. The prisoners can apply for the Pell Grant. In fact, according to Dean of Continuing Education Gary Stretcher, 12 to 15 inmates are receiving the grant this semester. The money not used for books or tuition is put in an account that can be used in the prison commissary.

The program is considered a privilege and the students will be dropped from the course if they misbehave. So far no problems have been reported, but Stretcher pointed out there were some unexpected absences. "It looks like they could keep them in class in a prison," he said.

Next semester the college will offer more classes, and hands-on vocational courses may be added down the road, said Stretcher.



# 'Landers, 'Lassies to regionals

## Men dunk Southwest Christian

By STEVE JEAN

The Highlanders are in the regional tournament once again, are seeded number one, and are preparing to play against a tough New Mexico Junior College team Thursday at 5 p.m. in Snyder.

"They are a fast paced team and we have to control the tempo of the game," said Coach Ken DeWeese. "It's not that we can't run with them, we just want to run at our pace."

The Highlanders will leave tomorrow morning for what will be expected to be an exciting and fun-filled tournament.

"We just want to play our game the way we want," said DeWeese. The Highlanders finished the regular season Saturday night with a 132-87 victory over the Rams of Southwest Christian College to finish first place in conference play for the 18th time in the last 23 years and the seventh time in 10 years under the direction of DeWeese.

The first half was exciting in that the Highlanders jumped out to a 10-5 lead just minutes into the game before the Rams caught back and took the lead on a 9-2 run with 14:25 left to play in the half. A 14-2 run with Maurice Gandy hitting seven of his game high 35 points to go along with his 15 rebounds made the score 26-16 just midway through the first half.

Playing Ram-tough, the school from Terrell fought back with a 16-5 run to take a one point lead with a little over seven minutes remaining.

Playing for nothing else but pride and showing their perimeter shooting ability, the Rams took a 12 point lead on a 14-3 run with 2:40 left in the half.

To close the half the Highlanders went on 14-5 run of their own sparked by two three-pointers by Don Hutto to tie the score 51-51 at halftime.

"Southwest Christian got off to a fast start and they really played well in the first half. We were not at all surprised by the way they played," said DeWeese.

In the second half the Highlanders looked as if they were getting primed for the regional tournament as they scored 26 of the game's next 32 points to take a demanding lead 77-57 with 13:15 to play on a three-point play by Billy Carlock who had 32 on the night.

Being in total control of the game the Highlanders defense went to work forcing the Rams to commit several turnovers as they extended their lead on a basket by Darryl Frederick to 93-65 midway through the second half.

The rest of the game was just a run and gun and fun good time as the Highlanders had several high light film dunks from the starters as well as the second and third teams to seal sole possession of the conference with a 11-3 record and 23-8 record overall.

"We were prepared mentally for the game and knew the Rams



HOT HAND. . . Billy Carlock hits two of his game high 42 points.  
photo by Wade Carpenter

would play us tough," said DeWeese.

"We just had an exceptional second half performance from the entire team," said DeWeese.

### A Homecoming of Sorts

Last Wednesday the Highlanders played before a near capacity crowd at the Highlands for homecoming festivities and came out victorious 88-78 over the Coyotes of Weatherford.

The game was played at a mediocre pace but with a great deal of intensity as Carlock scored 42 points to aid the Highlanders.

During the game the Highlanders had 35 shots at the charity stripe and made 22 including several late in the game to help seal the victory.

"It was a game we needed to win and we did," said DeWeese.

"Billy did well defensively and he also did a good job rebounding for us," said DeWeese.

Patrick Fairley added in the cause by chipping in 13 points and Gandy also added his aid as well by throwing up 10 points for the Highlanders.

"It was a game in which we out-rebounded them and played very poised at the end," said DeWeese.

### The End Of An Era

The Tornadoses from TSTI came to the Highlands on Feb. 17 in hopes of winning the last game ever between the cross-town rivals but came away empty handed as the Highlanders won 87-81.

With a minute remaining in the game the Tornadoses missed on eight attempts from three point land and could not send the game into overtime.

A frustrated coach Carl Love said "I guess it just wasn't meant to be. Anytime you get seven or eight chances like we did and you don't make it then it's not in your destiny to win the ballgame."

Going scoreless in the last four minutes of the game the Highlanders tried to give the game away as well as the referees.

"That one ref must have been a TSTI alum or maybe he went to the Carl Love school of officiating," said DeWeese, adding that he was just happy to get out of the game with a victory.

The three guard rotation the Highlanders use led the Highlanders as Hutto had 19 points, followed by Javier Ayala with 17 points and six rebounds and Hylon Louide who had 15 points.

Going in at intermission the score was knotted up at 42-42 as Tornados Keith Whitfield hit a NBA range three-pointer to tie it up.

Using a 11-3 run to open second half play the Highlanders took a 53-45 lead early on and were up by as many as 11 points at the half way mark of the half.

"I think the lead we had about halfway through the second was the difference in the game," said DeWeese.

The Tornadoses fought back to get in the game but just could not come up with a basket in the closing minutes.

"It has been an exciting and fun series which has been MCC dominated," said Love.

"It's been a lot of fun and they have always played us tough," said DeWeese. "I have great respect for coach Love and wish him well in his future endeavors."

## Women win region trip, face Howard

By BRIAN SHAW

The women's basketball team overcame a sluggish start to roll over the Weatherford College Lady Coyotes, 95-72, in its Homecoming game last Wednesday night at the Highlands.

The Highlassies struggled in the first half against the Lady Coyotes, who have won only one conference game during the season. They failed to capitalize on Weatherford's 16 team fouls in the half, hitting only 15 of 27 free throws. They scored seven points in the last seven seconds — on two personal fouls and a technical — to get their halftime margin.

With 15:03 left in the first half and Weatherford ahead 10-8, Coach Wendell Hudson replaced the entire starting lineup. The team's top two scorers on the night, Shanda Reese with 17 and Martine Anderson with 16, both came off the bench.

After trading 20-14 with 10 minutes in the half, the Highlassies rallied to lead 34-26 at the 4:58 mark. Weatherford rallied to tie the game before collapsing in the last seven seconds.

The second half held no such suspense. The Highlassies never led by less than their halftime margin and with 3:20 left in the game led by 30, 88-58. They played a more up-tempo game in the second half, and the Lady Coyotes did not adjust well. Shawn Medlock, playing in her final home game, scored 12 of her 15 points in the half and made several key steals.

"We let them play with us too long. We just decided to go out there and blow them away," Medlock said after the game.

Reese agreed, "We usually play at that tempo. We tried to get them to play at our tempo," she said.

Anderson, who said that she has been slowed by pulled ligaments in her foot, grabbed several key rebounds in addition to her 16 points. She said it was just a matter of time before the team got untracked. "We knew we were going to beat them."



JUMP SHOT! Tabitha Truesdale shots over a Lady Coyote. The Highlassies defeated Weatherford 95-72 on their way to the regional tournament.  
photo by Wade Carpenter

## Golf team wins first tourney

The MCC golf team is putting itself back into a familiar position as it won its first tournament over eight other junior colleges and beat several other four year schools at the San Houston State Invitational at Huntsville last weekend.

The Highlanders held off Paris and San Jacinto by a stroke to win the junior college division with a 630 team score. Close behind the two second place teams were Lon Morris and Navarro, each with 638, Temple with a 636, Bosier Parish, La. with 639, Grayson at 648, and Eastfield at 662.

Perennial national power Sam

Houston State won the university division with a 596, but MCC

topped Sam Houston's second team and the first teams of East Texas State and Austin College in the meet.

For the third tournament in a row, MCC's Gary Clark finished runner up for medalist honors with a 76.6, just one stroke behind Chris Thompson of Navarro.

Other MCC individuals were Dino Mazzaola and Terry Nightingale with 88s, Scott Brake at 102, and Jimmy Ray Sawyer at 171.

The Highlassies qualified for the Region V Tournament with the victory, moving to 15-12 and 7-4 in conference play. "We're officially in the tournament," Coach Wendell Hudson said after the game. He said that he was "90 per cent sure" that Howard would be their first round opponent. The tournament will be held today through Thursday in Snyder.

## Netters win own tourney

By ANDY WALLACE

The Highlanders ran away with first place in the MCC Invitational Tennis Tournament last week while the Highlassies placed a respectable second.

"This was one of the largest tournaments of the year," said tennis coach Carmack Berryman. "The men's draw was so big we had to have three flights."

The tournament drew schools from all directions. Nearby schools Temple Junior College, Navarro, Collin County and Cooke College attended, while more lengthy trips were made by Weatherford College, Wharton, and New Mexico Military Academy.

The men's team took top honors by sweeping four of the five championship categories. The men's singles was divided into three flights of 16 competitors.

Andreas Matzinger blazed through his flight winning all of his matches in straight sets. Matzinger met teammate Rob Grant in the semifinals. After Matzinger took the first set 6-3, Grant retired the match. Matzinger defeated fellow Highlander Mike Brown in the finals 6-0, 6-4.

Ola Wallander coasted to the finals of flight 2 by easily defeating Chris Reitzel of Navarro and Peter Farthing of Temple. Wallander lost to Luis Moreno of Temple 6-2, 6-4 in the championship match. "It was disappointing to lose in the finals," said Wallander. "But other than that, I had a great tournament."

Freshman Johan Geditschka fought his way to the finals of flight 3 by beating Tony Sifuentes of Weatherford and Chris Womack of Temple, both in straight sets. Geditschka met Frank Bronson of New Mexico Military Academy in the final round. After dropping the first set, Geditschka stole the victory by handing Bronson a 4-6, 6-2, 6-3 defeat.

In doubles, the Highlanders dominated both flights. MCC's Philp Bogel and Scott Mounce lost a tough, three hour, three set, semifinal match 6-2, 2-6, 6-3 to Temple's Davis and Womack. MCC's Geditschka and Wallander defeated Davis and Womack 6-2, 6-2 in the championship of flight 1.

Brown and Grant took three sets to win flight 2 against fellow Highlanders Juan Gutierrez and Andreas Matzinger 4-6, 6-4, 6-2.

In the women's, MCC placed second behind a talented Cooke College team. The Highlassies could not seem to get past the mixed quarterfinal round. Maria Carlsson and Jennifer Hotz lost in the quarterfinals of flight 1, while Kelly Massa and Lori Valdez lost in the quarterfinals of flight 2. Valdez reached the finals of consolation by defeating Michelle Warren of Collin County and Nell Karrer of Weatherford before losing to Becky Duncan of Navarro 6-1, 6-0.

In doubles, Carlsson and Massa lost in the quarterfinals to Cooke College's Marlis Krebs and Yolanda Schers. Highlassies, Brenda Haag and Lori Valdez reached the finals by defeating Temple's Barnett and Molson 6-4, 1-6, 7-5.

## Gizzards lead intramurals

By MELISSA HIGHFIELD

As of Feb. 26, the Intramural Basketball games have put the Gizzards on top and have left the Weekend Warriors at the bottom. Although the Gizzards are undefeated with a record of 3-0, the team Too Short, who is also undefeated, is hot on their heels needing up one more win to tie the records.

While the Gizzards and Too Short are battling it out at the top,

the Weekend Warriors and the Regulators are battling it out at the bottom. The Weekend Warriors have obviously been doing other things with their weekends seeing that their record is 0-3 and perhaps the Regulators have been partying by their side, also with a 0-3 record.

Do the Right Thing, G.O.H. and The Hoosiers are all tied with a record of 2-1. The Raiders and the Chad Team are also tied with a 1-2

record while the H.W.A.'s are not far behind with one win and one loss.

During the fourth week of February, Do the Right Thing beat the Regulators 33-20, while the Gizzards romped on the Raiders with a 32-18 win. Also, The Hoosiers barely nipped by the Chad Team by two, ending the game with a 28-26 win. The team G.O.H. beat the Weekend Warriors with a score of 2-0.

while Hudis, Nix, Pratt, Chris Siska and Jeff Andrewantha scored once each.

Braxton Hickman scored for the Gators on an RBI single by Mekoy, Mondello in the second inning. Behrver C.L. Baskin, who took over in the fourth, held the Highlanders scoreless. Benny Bryant gave up four runs after taking over in the first.

The Highlanders came to within an out of winning by the tournament's eight run rule, but Rick Ellstrom hit a solo home run with two outs in the fifth to keep the Gators alive. Hickman promptly followed with a solo blast of his own, making the score 9-3.

The Gators scratched for then had two runs in the top of the seventh. Ellstrom singled home Andre Earthly, and John Abercrombie

sacrificed Randy Brown home. The game ended when Ellstrom was called out at second for leaving too early on the sacrifice fly.

Hickman went the distance for the Highlanders, striking out four and walking three. He said later that he was disappointed with the pitches he threw for home runs, but "I felt like I was still strong all the way through seven innings."

The Gators, the defending national champions, and the Highlanders both finished the tournament with 4-1 records, with the championship going to the Highlanders on the basis of this victory. They moved to 12-5 overall.

After losing to Vernon, 8-6, on the 23rd, they defeated Texarkana and Pandia on the 24th. They out-lugged Hill, 12-11, on Sunday before playing the Gators, whom they have now beaten in two of three games this season.

## Nine run 1st lifts Highlanders

By BRIAN SHAW

The baseball team captured the championship of the McLennan Invitational by skimming the San Jacinto College Gators, 9-5, on Feb. 26 at the MCC Baseball Field.

After starter Rod Huffman (3-0) held the Gators scoreless in the top of the first inning, his team mates took over. Twelve Highlanders batted in the inning, blistering the Gators for unmerited and chasing starter Robert Henkel after only one third of an inning.

Cedric Allen went two for two in the inning, blasting a three run home run on his second trip. He scored two of the team's runs. Brian Pratt drove in two runs on a double, while John Finke, Mark Ruds, James Nix and Mark Prather collected one RBI each on singles. Prather also scored twice,



JEFF ANDREWANTHA is ready for a hit or a throw to keep a San Jacinto base runner from scoring last week.  
photo by Wade Carpenter



# 'Pippin' opens tomorrow

By DAVID FAULKNER

The campus cast and crew of the 1972 Tony Award-winning comedy musical "Pippin" has accomplished an incredible feat.

With rehearsal time limited to three hours a night they have brought together song, dance and lines into a enjoyable musical.

The show opens Wednesday and continues through Sunday with 8 p.m. performances through Saturday and 2:30 shows Saturday and Sunday afternoons.

The musical is the story of Prince Pippin, played by Richard Caldwell, who is first in line to his fathers throne but who does not like politics or war. He would rather seek self-discovery than the power and riches being king could provide him.

He does not find personal fulfillment until he meets Catherine, played by Cheryl Anderson, and her young son.

Playing the part of wicked step-mother Fastrada is Zana Gibson and Jeff Tribbitt plays Louis, Pippin's step-brother. Both will stop at nothing to see Louis become king.

Two of the best and most enjoyable parts are played by Cham Newhouse as the Leading Player and Jill Bowen as Pippin's grandmother.

The Leading Player provides the audience with commentary on the play and sets up the scenes. Bowen is wonderful as the fiery grandmother who has doted on Pippin most of his life.

Both actors bring excitement and energy to their parts which affects the audience.

However, the rest of the cast can not be overlooked for everyone involved does a wonderful job.

The musical is colorful, fast paced and sure to please most everyone.

Special mention should also go to choreographer Karen Lamb. She has worked long and hard to train people who have had little or no dance training to perform some difficult routines.

She also started a physical conditioning program for the cast. Before rehearsal they go through a 30-minute aerobic type warm-up to get themselves prepared.

The musical won two 1972 Tony awards for its acting and choreography. The score was written by Stephen Schwartz who also wrote the music and lyrics for "Godspell." Choreography for the original musical was done by Bob Fosse.

The main cast members are Richard Caldwell as Pippin, Cham Newhouse as the Leading Player, Richard Martin as Charlemagne, Cheryl Anderson as Catherine, Jill Bowen as Berthe, Zana Gibson as Fastrada, Jeff Tribbitt as Louis, Shelly Lawson as the lead dancer. Dave Borron is technical director, John Rutello is costume designer, and Donnie Balmos is music director.

For reservations call 750-3500. MCC students, faculty and staff members are admitted free except on "scholarship night" when all tickets are \$5. Admission for others is \$5 for adults, \$3 for students, and special group rates.



photo by Nathan Newberry

CONTINUING EDUCATION includes many subjects and interests, as demonstrated by these students working on T-shirt design.

## T-shirts designed

By MELISSA HIGHFILL

The Continuing Education program introduced a new T-shirt painting class in the Crossroads West Center.

The classes started Feb 5 and will last five weeks. The upcoming class is scheduled to start March 26 from 12:15 to 2:15 p.m. on Mondays. The class costs \$29. This fee does not include the \$20 for supplies.

Students will learn types of painting strokes, free hand design, pattern designing and fabric dying.

According to instructor Edith Austin, hand painting T-shirts is "in." The most popular design today is the southwestern look. This type of design has been popular around the Santa Fe area for quite some time and is slowly making its way to Waco. In her recent classes she

has seen many creative designs.

Edith Austin, a native Texan (this makes the bluebonnet her favorite design), has been painting several years. The conception of her business occurred on a trip to Las Vegas, when she saw hand painted T-shirts for sale. At that moment she realized she could do this herself. Now retired from business and teaching school from Oklahoma, Austin comes highly recommended by the Continuing Education Director Warren Johnson.

Some other classes available are Collage and Texture in Contemporary Art starting March 24, Stenciling March 27, Creating Silk Plants I & II March 28 and Handknitting March 22. For more information, contact the Continuing Education Department or the office at the Crossroads West Center.



photo by Wade Carpenter

PICK A CARD, ANY CARD from the deck of magician and instructor Pat Keen. Keen, who owns Keen's Magic and Gift Shop, recently performed at the Student Center.

## Abracadabra! Magician dazzles audience

By AIMEE FARR

"Anybody out there like to win 100 bucks?" Not the typical 10 o'clock Student Center entertainment fare.

Hands shot up as Pat Keen, a magician and owner of Keen's Magic and Gift Shop, performed in the Student Center Feb. 21.

Keen took the top hat and cape for a double-breasted suit. He invited six people and a helper to come up on stage. He took a \$100 bill from his wallet and placed it in a wooden box. He locks the box.

He asks the helper to go through the seven possible keys to the box and find the right key. He asks the helper to make sure the box is locked and to test the key. The keys were mixed together.

The six members of the audience were then asked to pick one key. The helper got the left over key. If they chose the right key, they got the \$100. However, just to be fair, Keen gave them the opportunity to exchange keys with the helper.

One by one, with looks of anticipation they walked towards the box and tried their luck. Some opted to exchange their key, others stuck with the one they chose. No body walked away any richer. Sure enough, someone had given away the right key as the helper's key opened the lock.

In another trick, Keen picked a member from the audience and had her pick a card from a fanned deck he held. "I'm going to read your mind!" he said. He cut the cards three times. He set the entire deck in a box and closed the lid.

Then he had her sit on it. "I learned this from a doctor at Scott and White," he said. Keen had her look up and say "ahh..." while he gazed down her throat. Naturally, he guessed the card she had shown the audience.

"The doctor told me to use a woman and to use hindsight," Keen joked. He performed many other feats of magic which dumbfounded the audience. You could hear gasps of amazement, and "How did he do that?" seemed to whisper throughout the room.

"That's why I never tell a trick," Keen said after his performance. "When I can take your mind and make it go 'whoof!' six months later they will still be wondering how you did that," he said.

"Not only do I try to involve the audience, I try to get them in on it," he said. Keen began practicing magic 17 years ago when he used to visit crippled children in Shiner hospitals. Keen's daughter has cerebral palsy.

Keen is a former student as well as a teacher. He was a member of the first graduating class at MCC. He designed the MCC flag, and won a \$100 for it back in 1966.

Keen teaches Theatrical Make up and Magic in continuing education. During the last four years, over 300 youngsters have taken his children's magic course, he said.

Keen has performed with Bob Hope, "Night Court's" Harry Anderson and on "The Love Boat." He has also been involved in the special effects makeup in "Dirty Dancing" and "Summer School," he said.

He has just returned from a trip to Las Vegas, where he performed at the Tropicana.

# Voting fears unfounded

By JOHN DAVIDSON

A slightly nervous young man walks down the sidewalk leading up to a large high school building. A cardboard placard in the grass in front of it designates it as an election polling place.

Gripping his crumpled, pink voter registration card, he wonders what to make of the hundreds of obnoxious television and newspaper campaign ads he has been bombarded with for the past few months—wondering if he will make the right choice.

It is his first time to vote.

Contrary to the preconceived notions of many, voting is nothing to be frightened of, according to McLennan County Elections Administrator John Willingham.

"The first thing a person who is interested in voting must do is register," Willingham said. "This can be done either by mail or in person, but must be taken care of 30 days prior to the election he wishes to vote in."

After obtaining and mailing in the registration card, Willingham said the next important step in voting is to make some decisions as to who to vote for.

"A voter will need to familiarize himself with the candidates," Willingham said. "He should know where they stand on the issues—maybe know a little of their background."

He said a voter will also be concerned with where the polling places are located. For persons who wish to vote early, Richland Mall, the County Records Building and St. Paul Lutheran Church will be open from Feb. 21 to March 9.

"It is very important that the

college students in this area are aware that they can vote early, since spring break is coming up and many of them will be out of town during the elections," Willingham said.

Voters also must know their precinct numbers. Willingham said these numbers are located on their registration cards they receive in the mail, and are to be matched to locations designated in the newspapers. The elections department can also give this information.

Willingham said after an individual has found his polling place, he should go there between the hours of 7 a.m. and 7 p.m.

"At this time he will be given a ballot, and instructions on how to use it. In the primaries, a person must choose between parties. They can vote either in the Republican or the Democratic primary, but not in both," Willingham said.

Willingham said the winners of these primaries will then be listed on another ballot in November, from which voters may choose candidates from both parties.

Willingham said many people seem to be intimidated by the bulky, lever-operated voting machines, but they have since been replaced by simpler optically scanned ballots.

"The machines which required you to go in and pull the curtain are now obsolete," Willingham said. "The ballots we have now are a lot easier to use. You fill in circles with a pencil, not unlike a test answer sheet, and the marks are read by a computer. So there is really no reason for anyone—even persons voting for the first time—to be afraid of it."

# Speech students compete, triumph

By PAUL CROSBY

In two recent tournaments, the speech team placed in several categories. Co-director of Forensics Ann Harrell said the speech team is one of the best MCC has had.

At the Phi Rho Pi Regional competition held the second week in February, first-year speech student Mike Lawhorn placed first in Extemporaneous Speaking, second in Cross Examination Debate and third in Informative Speaking.

First-year student Meredith Cummings placed first in a Speech to Entertain, second in Oral Interpretation, third in Reader's Theatre and sixth in Poetry. And second-year speech student James Bone placed second in Cross Examination Debate and fifth in Ex-

temporaneous Speaking.

Lawrence Dixon, Angela Montoya and Brian Glick all placed third in Reader's Theatre.

At the East Central Texas competition held the third week in February, Cummings placed second in Reader's Theatre, third in Oral Interpretation, fourth in an After Dinner Speech, fifth in Poetry and fifth in Dramatic Interpretation.

Lawrence Dixon placed second in Reader's Theatre and sixth in Poetry, and Brian Glick and Angela Montoya placed second in Reader's Theatre.

Harrell said MCC was the only two-year college at this tournament. Seventeen schools attended from four states. MCC was sixth overall.

# Art pieces loaned

By DAVID FAULKNER

The Art Center has agreed to loan some of its extra art to the convention center. Three other public buildings in Waco already are participating in the art loan program.

The loan program has been in the planning stages for two years. According to Joe Kagle, Art Center director, the goal of the program is to loan out as many pieces as possible.

The Hamorsky cowboy sculpture on the first floor of the Waco City Hall is part of the loan pro-

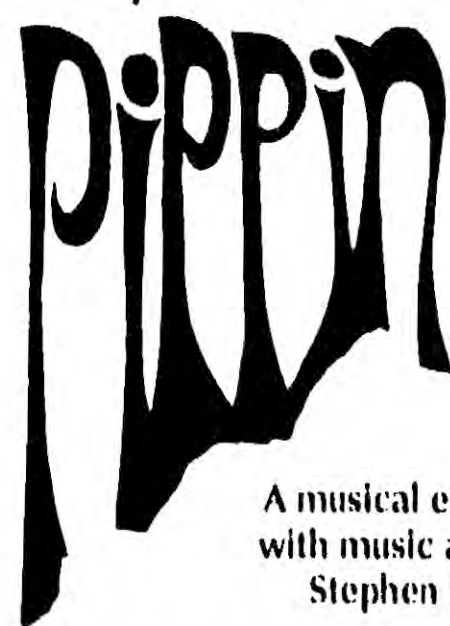
gram, as are seven artworks in the Waco Chamber of Commerce. Works of four Waco artists are displayed at KCTF TV, the city's public television station.

The Art Center insurance covers the pieces while on loan.

The art displayed in the convention center includes five pieces of North Carolina painter Terrance Corbin's work and one piece of Karl Umlauf's work. Umlauf is the artist in residence at Baylor University.

The center plans to have a reception in March to introduce the convention center display.

MCC Fine Arts Department presents



A musical extravaganza with music and lyrics by Stephen Schwartz

March 7-10 at 8 p.m.  
March 10-11 at 2:30 p.m.  
Ball Performing Arts Center

For reservations, call 750-3500

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### ASTRO COMPIES

OUR STORY: FIVE FRIENDS WITH EX-TRAKTIVE WILLIAM SHATNER TO SAVE THE WORLD FROM TERRIFYING ASTRO-SCIENCE.



HED BEST KERRY ONE OF THE SAILORS IS LANDING!



JUST THEN SHATNER ARRIVED WITH A "RESCUE 911" CAMERA CREW...



### BY JOHN DAVIDSON

BUT THEN FROM THE EAST SHATNER'S CREW ARRIVED IN THEIR RESCUE 911. HE WASN'T EVEN NEARLY A SAILOR.





history-making event in November, 1980, brought visitors from all over the world, including Henry Apperson, MCC history instructor.