

## **Sports Highlights**

Basketball teams win-on to regionals

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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, TSTI, and Paul

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

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 inmited 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's and possibly a few faculty members. "We will be considering the whole range of the appheation when judging, " said Mr chaelts. There is no financial need requirement and no grade level requirement for the scholarship

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

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

The Presidential Scholarship will become an annual scholarship provided by Baylor to a qualified transfer student from MCC, TSTI, 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 resource.



ANNETTE FEIND is escorted by Steve Bohannan 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 years other Homecoming Queen nominees are Kristi Corbitt from Zeta Omega Eta, Diane E Craig from the Dance Company,

aristy Davis from the Baptist student Umon, Laura Evans from DRAW, Bunnita Harrington, petition, Rhonda Renee Henderson, petition, Terry Lynn Hoffman from Phi Theta Alpha, Rachel Sporner from Press Club, Shoko Suzuki from International Students Organization and Carrie Tindall from Cosmo Plu

The nommees are selected by clubs and organizations on campus which they are involved in or if they can still become a nominee by collecting a petition with 25 names saying "We want this wom an to be queen'

Homecoming activities began last Tuesday night with a bonfue where students were entertained by music and the Dance Company. The activities ended the next night in the Highlands with the an nouncement of the normnges 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

"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. "Ade-

quate 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 contime upward or you'll fall back-

## More hats in ring in trustees race

With the filing deadline two Ray Perry, Perry has not anweeks away, three have filed for two positions on the college's Board of Trustees while a third post had no candidates at press

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 dis trict four, a post currently held by

nounced 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 Upfmore, district seven, 1994.

# Teacher at Berlin Wall

By SARA WARTES

The East German border guard had a flower printed to the lapel of his austere green uniform. And

It was a symbol of the remarkable and historic events witnessed by Henry Apperson, history in structor, 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 life

time," Apperson said "It gave me a world view that I had never had before. If brought to life some of the things I'd been teaching about for over 20 years 1 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 four of the Naremberg 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 undorm. with a little red stripe across the cap, and I knew I was in East Germany. I said to myself, 'Oh boy, what

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

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 triendly. People would very freely give up their chisel and let you chip awhile. They were try ing to chip a piece of the wall with the paint out, 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 tous more. It was there and it was free and nobody numbed"

At the Brandenburg Gate two East German guards stood on top of the Walt 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 triendly way Later Apperson recognized the guard in television tootage 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 all feet west of the Berlin Wall. "The Replietag is a must for anybody going to Berlin II has all the history II'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.

about Nazi Germany and the camps and Hitler."

historical perspective "I can understand, in a way., course, but I can understand" , how, with the difficulties brought about by the Trea-

one of the few places where you see everything - ty of Versailles at the end of World War I, the war reparations and all those things, how they eventually Apperson said the experience gave him a new turned to National Socialism. I don't agree with it, of

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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 pattle 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 moculated 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

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 luture 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 recy

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 mate rials 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 subst dies 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 handrcapped 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 Beauti ful becomes a song of nony

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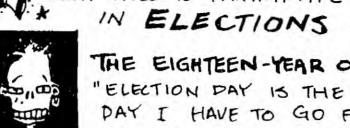
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TOP FIVE EXCUSES OVER-HEARD ON WHY PEOPLE AREN'T ABLE TO PARTICIPATE



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 SHOUDN'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. "

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## 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

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

are going to obtain it some way or another.

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 harmomous 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.

## Not that you ask...

By SANDRA HEWITT-PARSONS **Editorial Editor** 



## Taxaphobia

Is it the math or the tax forms which has many of us in its grasp this time of the year

Yes, tax forms are out and Uncle Sam is patiently waiting to receive our fair share again this year. As time goes by I often wonder why a slight tax increase cost me over a \$100 and a big tax cut saves me 50 cents.

I've come to the realization that nothing can bring the family closer than testing its powers of deductions especially when filling out one of those new revised and improved tax forms the government seems to issue each year.

This year's tax form is definitely a critter dreamed up by some

bureaucratic committee up in Washington whose job it seems is to see that we stay totally confused and thus keep their jobs. "Money magazine" recently announced it had 50 tax professionals commissioned to prepare the return for its make-believe family. The

experts came up with 50 different opinions of the tax liabilities ranging Hey, most of us college students could handle liabilities like that,

considering this typical average American family makes an income of

Confusion still exists over three years after President Reagan and Congress promised us a major tax overhaul to simplify and make paying taxes easier and fairer.

Well, it did remove some of us from the tax rolls and another 10 million of us found taxes simpler when we lost some of those valuable deductions. We might find that the only thing worse than paying taxes is

not having to pay them. I'm proud to be an American and pay taxes, but it's this time of the year which sets me to thinking I could be just as proud at half the cost.

Someone once said that filling out our income taxes makes liars out of more of us than cards or golf put together. It seems that when we think we are being fair to the powers that be, we wake up the next morning feeling like Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid or Daniel in the lion's den.

Taxaphobia. Is that the fear of paying or not having to pay taxes Does the government get it If so, at the rate taxes are going up, the government could price itself right out of the market.

At least for now Texans don't have to face a state income tax like some other states do, but I guess we shouldn't count our deductions for next year until they hatch.

## To Our Readers:

Because you, the readers, are the most important focus of our work, the Highland Herald staff would like to hear your opinions.

We strongly urge you to express your views and suggestions on any aspect of this newspaper.

Please submit your opinions in the Highland Herald mailbox in the Student Center near the front door, or contact the Journalism Department at 750-3444.

Your cooperation is appreciated.

## HIGHLAND HERALD POLL

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



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## Program brings LIFE to illiterate students

By VALLORY A. MALONE Jackie Torrez wants to read the

letters her kindergarten daughter brings home.

Preston MeMurray is relearning to read following a motorcycle ac-

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

And "George" wants a better

They have something in common - Jackie, Preston, Neill and "George" are all enrolled in Project LIFE (Learning is for Every-

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's 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 those different agencies so that in es.' 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 Span ish," Sloan said. The curriculum is designed so that a student will learn techniques to enable himr 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 where instead of just reading sometimes they wouldn't. There books, we will have literature from were so many people in the class-

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.'

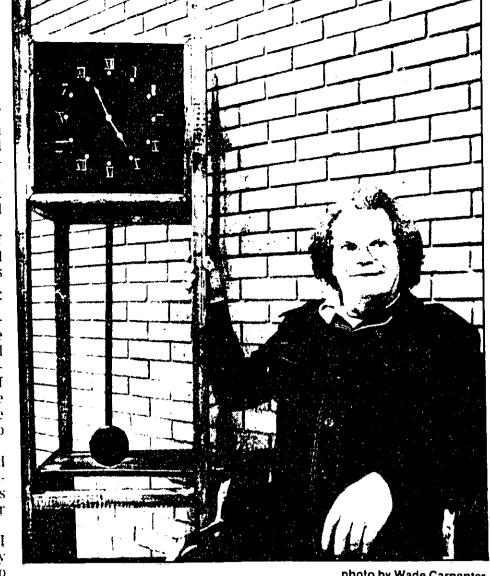


photo by Wade Carpenter

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 con cerned 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

"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

#### 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, coordinatorcounselor 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. Kubacak, 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, Kae 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 6:35-8:45 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 Fortson, MCC's director of computer data processing.

Fortson 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 difigently to encourage and asbusinesses. Small businesses and public accountant. 'mom & pop' neighborhood stores

inv and deserve the attention and consideration that major industries receive," he said. Additional concerns Fortson said are substance abuse, crime

play a vital role in our local econo-

and safety, and health care for the young and the elderly. "Lam concerned about these areas, and if T'm elected, I will work vigorously with other city council members to insure that these concerns are addressed and that major improvements are made." Fortson's wide range of educa-

tion and job experience has prepared him for a position on the city conneil He has earned degrees in quantitative business analysis and sist with the development of small - mathematics. He is also a certified

# 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 eases 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 McInelly 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 allows 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 themeasles.

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 countres, Bell, Bosque, Coryell, Freestone and Limestone have no reported cases as of last week.

McInelly 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

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 blotchyred flat rash appears first on the face and then on the body and later on the arms and legs. White splotches 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 Pediatries' 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 enter ing jumor high school.

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

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

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 4:30p.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 Satur day, Feb. 24. Upward Bound is a program designed to help under privileged high school children excell in school.

National Trio Day is a time set aside to celebrate the combonation of programs. Although this year none of the plans could be finalized, the day is usually celebrated by railies and speakers. Last year, some of the speakers included Rev. Hooker, speakers from Passport Sucess and

from NAACP, Students also gave sucess 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 choosen mainly because of their background. Only students who would be the first in their family to recieve a four year degree are choosen. The ultimate goal is for them to enroll in a

The program consists of classes, workshops and counselling. 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 pregenacy, 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 shoot classes they will be taking the next

Upward Bound is designed to give under privileged children a head

# Marlin inmates to enroll in courses

By THOMAS BUTLER

Prisoners in Texas Department of Criminal Justice's Martin unitare 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

The courses are taught with the same text and syllabus that are used on main campus. Four of the five teachers sup-

plied by MCC are part time, with derry Jordan being the only exception. Jordan is MCC's program director for business management. fation course tolearn how to inter - down the road, said Stretcher. act with the prisoners

mate 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 fution is put in an account that can be used in the prison commis-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 ofter more classes, and hands on The teachers must take an orien—vocational courses may be added

# The fution for one class per in-

# '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 is expected to be an exciting and funfilled 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 fought 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 145 run of their own sparked by two three-pointers by Don Hutto to tie the score 51-51 at halftime.

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 game the Tornadoes missed on and 23-8 record overall.

the game and knew the Rams into overtime

By MELISSA HIGHFILL

Basketball games have put the

Gizzards on top and have left the

Weekend Warriors at the bottom

Although the Gizzards are unde-

leated with a record of 30, the

team Too Short, who is also unde-

tested, is hot on their heels need

my one more win to tie the re-

courts

As of Feb 26, the Intramural



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 a 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 Covotes of Weatherford.

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

During the game the Highland-"Southwest Christian got off to a lers 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 aided 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 on trebounded them and played very poised at the end," said DeWeese

### The End Of An Era

The Tornadoes 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 87-84

With a minute remaining in the eight attempts from three-point "We were prepared mentally for - land and could not send the game

the bottom The Weekend War

riors 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

Gizzards lead intramurals

03 record

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 desti-

ny 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 officialing," said DeWeese, adding that he was just happy to get out of the

The three guard rotation the Highlanders use led the Highland ers as Hutto had 19 points, followed by Javier Avala with 17 points and six rebounds and Hulon Loudde who had 15 points.

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

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 hallway through the second was the difference in the game," said

DeWeese. The Tornadoes fought back to get in the game but just could not come up with a basket in the clos ing minutes

"It has been an exciting and tun series which has been MCC domi nated," said Love.

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

During the fourth week of Feb.

ruary, Do the Right Thang beat

the Regulators 33 20, while the Giz

zards romped on the Raiders with

a 32 18 wm Also, The Hoosters

barely nicked by the Chad Team

the Weekend Warriors and the record while the HWA's are not

Regulators are battling it out at tar behind with one win and one

Do the Right Thang, G.O.H. and by two, ending the game with a 28

The Hoosiers are all fied with a - 26 win The team GOH beat the

# 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 tree 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 might, Shanda Reese with 17 and Martine Anderson with 16, both came off the to beat them."

After trailing 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 re-She said it was just a matter of time before the team got untracked. "We knew we were going

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 tenbounds in addition to her 16 points. Ins. 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 fmals 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 fmals," said Wallander, "But other than that. I had a great tourna-

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

In doubles, the Highlanders dominated both flights. MCC's Philip Bogel and Scott Mounce lost a tough, three hour, three set, senufinal match 6-2, 2-6, 6-3 to Temple's Davis and Womack. MCC's Gedlitschka 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 jinxed quarterfinal round. Maria Carlsson and Jennifer Hotz lost in the quarterimals 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 61, 60.

In doubles, Carlsson and Massa lost in the quarterfinals to Cooke College's Marks Krebs and Yolanda Schers, Highlassies, Brenda Hang and Lort Valdez reached the finals by defeating Temple's Barnett and Molson 64, 1-6, 7-5.

photo by Wada Carpunter



JUMP SHOT! Tabitha Truesdale shots over a Lady Coyote. The Highlassies deleated 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 jumor colleges and beat several other four year schools at the Sain Houston Stafe Invitational at Huntsville last weekend

The Highlanders held off Paris and San Jacinto by a stroke to win the jumor college division with a 630 team score Close behind the two second place teams were Lon-Morris and Navarro, each with 633s, Temple with a 635, Bosier Parish, Lac, with 639, Grayson at 648, and Eastfield at 652

Perennial national power Sam

acoring last wook.

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

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

For the third tournament in a row, MCC's Gary Clark finished runner up for medalist honors with a 76.76, just one stroke behind Chris Thompson of Navarro.

Other MCC individuals were Dino Mazzola and Terry Nightin gale with 1588, Scott Brake at 162, and Jimmy Ray Sawyer at 171

#### While the Gizzards and Toc. record of 2.1. The Raiders and the Weekend Warriors with a score of Short are battling it out at the top. Child Team are also fied with a 12 - 20 Nine run 1st lifts Highlanders sacrificed Randy Brown home while Rudis, Nrs. Pratt, Chris Sitka By BRIAN SHAW The game ended when Ellstrom and Jeff Andrewartha scored once The baseball team captured the was called out at second for leav Braxton Bickman scored for the mg too early on the sacrifice liv Gators on an 1001 single by Mick Huffman went the distance for ey, Mondello in the second mining the Highlanders, striking out four Rehever C.L. Baskin, who took and walking three the said later over in the fourth, held the High-After starter Rod Hullman (3.0) that he was drappointed with the landers scoreless Benny Bryant pitches he threw for home rims. gave up four runs after taking over but "I tell like I was still strong all in the first the way through seven minings The Gators, the defending na The Highlanders came to within tional champions, and the High an out of winning by the fournalanders both timshed the fourna ment's eight run rule, but thek fill ment with 41 records, with the strom bit a solo home run with two championship going to the High Cedric Allen went two for two in outs in the fifth to keep the Gators landers on the basis of this victory.

JEFF ANDREWARTHA is ready for a hit or a throw to keep a San Jacinto base runner from

championship of the McLennan Invitational by skinning the Sun Ja cinto College Gators, 95, on Feb. 25 at the MCC Baseball Field

held the Gators scoreless in the top of the first mming, his team mates took over. Twelve Highland. ers batted in the immig, blistering the Gators for unierums and chas ing starter Robert Henkel atteronly one third of an inning

the mning, 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 Jahn Finke, Mark

alive. Hielman promptly tollowed with a solo blast of his own, mak my the score 93

The Gators scratched for then Rudis, James Nix and Mark last two runs in the top of the sev-Prather collected one RBI each on - each Ellstrom singled home Andre - have now beaten in two of three singles Prather also scored twice. Earthly, and John Abercrombie Patries this season

They moved to 125 overall After losing to Vernon, 8.6, on

the 23rd, they deteated Texarkana and Panola on the 24th They onto - lugged Hill, 12 11, on Sunday before playing the Gators, whom they

# 'Pippin'opens tomorrow

By DAVID FAULKNER

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 stepmother Fastrada is Zana Gibson h 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 grandmoth-

The Leading Player provides the audience with commentary on the play and sets up the scenes. Bowen is wonderful as the fiesty 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 The campus cast and crew of can not be overlooked for everyone involved does a wonderful job.

The musical is colorful, fast paced and sure to please most ev-

Special mention should also go to choreograpper Karen Lamb. She has worked long and hard to train people who have had little or no dance training to perfrom 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

The man cast members are Richard Caldwell as Pippin, Cham Newhouse as the Leading Player, Richard Martin as Charlemagne, Cherly 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 direc-

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 dosign.

## T-shirts designed

By MELISSA HIGHFILL

The Continuing Education program introduced a new T-shirt (tins makes the bluebonnet her fapainting class in the Crossroads vorite design), has been painting West Center.

will last five weeks. The upcoming - Las. Vegas, when she saw hand class is scheduled to start March - painted T shirts for sale. At that 26 from 12:15 to 2:15 p.m. on Mon. Informent she realized she could do days. The class costs \$29. This fee this herself. Now refired from does not include the \$20 for sup-

painting strokes, free hand design — Education Director Warren John ing, pattern designing and tabric son

According to instructor Edith Aus Un, hand painting T shirts is "in." The most popular design today is Plants I & II March 26 and Handk the southwestern look. This type of mitting March 22. For more intor design has been popular around mation, contact the Continuing the Santa Fe area for quite some time and is slowly making its way tice at the Crossroads West to Waco. In her recent classes she Center.

MISTRO LOMBIES

OUR STORY: FRATE MINDS

has seen many creative designs

Edith Austin, a native Texan several years. The conception of The classes started Feb 5 and ther business occurred on a trip to business and teaching school from Oklahoma, Austin comes highly Students will learn types of recommended by the Continuing

Some other classes available are Collage and Texture in Contemporary Art starting March 24, Steneding March 27, Creating Silk Education Department or the of



for Pat Keen. Keen, who owns Keen's Magic and Gift Shop, recently performed at the Student Center

## Abracadabral Magician dazzles audience

By AIMEE FARR

100 bucks" Not the typical 10 look up and say "ahh..." while he o'clock Student Center entertain-gazed down her throat. Naturally,

Hands shot up as Pat Keen, a the audience. magician and owner of Keen's "The doctor told me to use a Magic and Gift Shop, performed in woman and to use hindsight," the Student Center Feb. 21.

bill from his wallet and placed it in whisper throughout the room. a wooden box. He locks the box.

and find the right key. He asks the make it go 'whoof!' six months latlocked and to test the key. The you did that," he said. keys were mixed together

be fair. Keen gave them the oppor -rebral palsy funity to exchange keys with the Keen is a former student as well

pation they walked towards the He designed the MCC flag, and box and tried their luck. Some opt won a \$100 for it back in 1966. ed to exchange their key, others. Keen teaches Theatrical Make stuck with the one they chose. No -up and Magic in continuing educabody walked away any richer from During the last four years Sure enough, someone had given over 300 youngsters have taken his away the right key as the helper's children's magic course, he said key opened the lock

member from the audience and derson and on "The Love Boat" had her pick a card from a familed. He has also been involved in the deck he held. "I'm going to read special effects makeup in "Dirty your mind" he said He cut the Dancing" and "Summer School," eards three times. He set the en he said tire deck in a box and closed the ... He has just returned from a trip.

Then he had her sit on it "I at the Tropicana.

learned this from a doctor at Scott "Anybody out there like to win and White," he said. Keen had her he guessed the card she had shown

Keen joked. He performed many Keen torsook the top hat and other feats of magic which dumbcape for a double-breasted suit. He founded the audience. You could myited six people and a helper to hear gasps of amazement, and come up on stage. He took a \$100 "How did he do that" seemed to

"That's why I never tell a trick," He asks the helper to go through. Keen, said after his performance. the seven possible keys to the box "When I can take your mind and helper to make sure the box is er they will still be wondering how

"Not only do I try to involve the The six members of the audit audience, I try to get them in on ence were then asked to pick one it," he said. Keen began practicing key. The helper got the left over magic 17 years ago when he used key. If they chose the right key, to visit crippled children in Shriner they got the \$100. However, just to hospitals. Keen's daughter has ce-

as a teacher. He was a member of One by one, with looks of antici the first graduating class at MCC

Keen has performed with Bob In another trick, Keen picked a Hope, "Night Court's" Harry An

to Las Vegas, where he performed

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JUST THEN SHATNER word Hunt 10. NI COUNTY KE GOT IN ARRIVED WITH A And the Internation 'RESCUE 911" CAMERA CREW. String gulle Miller all OKAY, SET FHASERS ON "KILL"! NO, MAKE THAT "STUN"! OH, HECK!SET I'HASFRS ON "MILDLY IRRITATE .

# 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 Ad-

ministrator 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 issuesmaybe know a little of their background." He said a voter will also be con-

places are located. For persons who wish to vote early. Richland answer sheet, and the marks are Mall, the County Records Building read by a computer. So there is and St. Paul Lutheran Church will really no reason for anyone-even

"It is very important that the to be afraid of it."

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," Wil-

lingham 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 repaced 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 cerned with where the polling a lot easier to use. You fill in circles with a pencil, not unlike a test be open from Feb. 21 to March 9. persons voting for the first time —

## Speech students compete, triumph

By PAUL CROSBY

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 Exammation Debate and fifth in Ex-

temporaneous Speaking. In two recent tournaments, the Lawrence Dixon, Angela Mon-

toya and Brian Glick all placed third in Reader's Theatre. At the East Central Texas com-

petition held the third week in February, Cumnungs 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

# 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 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 Hamorszky cowboy sculp

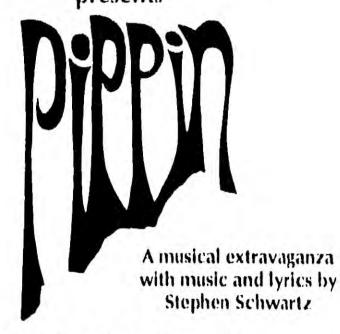
ture on the first floor of the Waco City Hall is part of the loan program, as are seven artworks in the Waco Chamber of Commerce Works of four Waco artists are displayed at KCTF TV, the city's pubhe television station

The Art Center insurance cov ers the pieces while on loan The art displayed in the conven-

tion 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 Uni

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

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# Champion rider trades bulls for books

By SAM ALLGOOD

You've fulfilled your lifetime goal of becoming a world champion in a highly competitive sport. Where do you go now If you're Leon "Cowboy" Robison you go to

In 1987 he became the National Old-Timers Rodeo Association (over 40) World Champion Bull-Rider. To accumulate the winning points he entered 80 rodeos across America and Canada travelling over 100,000 miles.

He won the Canadian Old-Timers Rodeo Association National Bull-Riding Championship in 1988. Throughout the entire competition he was bucked off only once.

Last year he began a major change in his life. Competing in the Heart of Texas Rodeo he enjoyed the friendly, helpful people he met here. The Ponca, Okla., native chose to live in Waco out of all the places he's been to (45 states and Canada).

A pamphlet from MCC came to his attention. In no time he traded the arena for the classroom. "I figured college was more important than rodeo," he said. "The older I get the hungrier I get for knowledge. To go to MCC is probably

one of the high points of my life." While earning a 3.5 GPA last fall he developed some faculty insights. "These people are some of the most dedicated I've seen. They've taught me more in a short period of time than I'd thought possible."

"Linda Austin (English) was very instrumental in keeping me in college," he said. "She did a fantastic job."

In rodeo competition the world can field a lot of people against you. Robison brings the competition into perspective, "I don't rodeo against anyone. The ultimate for me is to draw a good bull and it's me and him against 100 points (each can be awarded up to 50 points)."

Bull-riding is seen by many as the most dangerous sport in the world. Fellow riders would give odds as to whether Robison and his partner would make the next event. "We always made it," he said.

The most important person to the bull-rider is his running-mate. During the rodeo their relationship resembles those of men in a combat zone. Beyond best-friends, they watch each other's back, pay strict attention to vital detail, and risk their lives in a heartbeat for each

During one event his runningmate Doug Carpenter was gored in the throat ripping it wide open. Robison faced down the fightingbull and drug his friend to safety. "When he goes down the next thing I know I'm in the arena," he said.

Robison's lean face shows the legacy of long-time bull-riding. His easy smile reveals teeth he was never born with. Bones have been broken and rebroken.

"When you get hit, it goes dead. You don't feel nothing," he said.

Although the odds on eating dirt are excellent, bull-riders must observe strict codes of conduct and dress. An automatic "goose egg" (0) is given for not wearing a hat. "When people go to a rodeo they want to see cowboys," he said. Cussing is a \$10 fine and drinking

can get you blacklisted. Movie cowboys do shots of "redeye" before going into action. Robison prefers Mountain Dew. He said "Alcohol will slow down your reflexes enough to get you hurt or killed." He measures distances between rodeos in six-packs of the highly caffeinated drink.

He downplays his achievements giving credit where it's due. "The only way a guy my age can ride bulls for 30 years is by the grace of

Stitched across the right cuff of his riding shirts is Luke 22:42 (Let thine will and not mine be done). "It's the last thing I want to see before I nod for the gate to open." he said.

He wants to invest his expertise in our future generations. "People in the position to influence kids should do so in the right direction," he said. "I personally think if they don't it's a failure. We fail ourselves, our kids and the good Lord."

Robison doesn't rest on his laurels. "I want to qualify for the Texas finals and NOTRA finals this summer," he said.

The following is a composite bull-ride account gleaned from factual anecdotes related by Robison. So snug down your Stetson and hit the chute, partner.

Your straddling "Red Light-ning" a blood-red 2,000 pound Mexican lighting-bull-Brahma mix that has never been ridden and will attack any man.

You nod, the gate opens, "Light-ning" lifts his head and explodes into the arena.

Heels kicked sky-high he drops his head low. As you downdraft the bull whips his huge head back trying to dashboard your face. You take the smashing impact on your

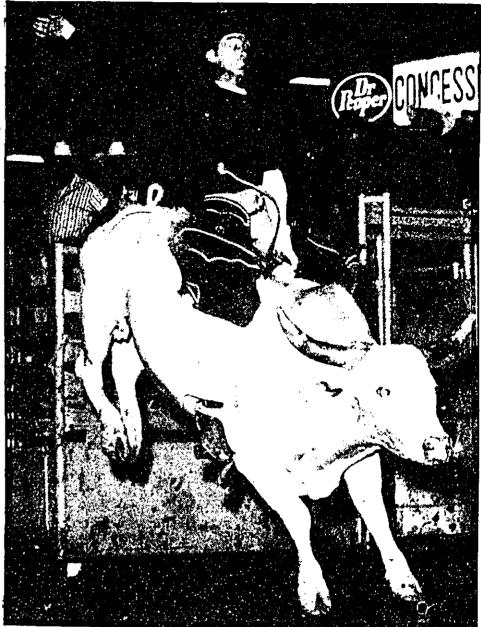
A bull-fighter (clown) runs close by catching the bull's eye drawing him into a right-hand spin. Powerful neck muscles pumping the bull shifts into high gear. Spinning on the murderous merry-go-round your mind blanks leaving conditioned reflexes to take control. Or

Breaking rhythm and bonds of gravity the bull seems to stand on his head. You're thrown forward over the suicide wrap forcing your hand closed over the rope.

Now you're hung-up with an enraged animal 12 times your size which has no concept of mercy. In desperation you try to push away the hooked horns dead-set on spreading your ribs. Fat chance.

Bright colors flash by as a bullfighter distracts "Lightning." Strong hands pull you free. You listen for your score as your part ner drags you through the dirt. If you're "Cowboy" Robison it's

all in a days work.



WORLD CHAMPION BULL-RIDER Leon "Cowboy" Robison does what he does best

Success Story

## Dropout beats odds to become veterinarian

By ELIZABETH DELEON

"You can't advance if you don't try," is the motto Dee Pederson has had for herself through the road to success.

Pederson, a local woman veterinarian, struggled to become one of the first woman veterinarians in Waco to operate her own animal

Although she dropped out of school at the age of sixteen, it did not shatter her dreams of having a career in science and medicine. She decided to do something about that dream six years later.

"I was 22 at the time and decided that I wanted and needed to do something with my life. I thought that it would be difficult at first since I cheated myself out of the education needed. So, I decided to go back to school. I went to MCC and I am so glad I did," said Pe-

"As I had to work to support myself while going to school, I took on odd jobs such as dog grooming and pampering. I felt that this was an advantage because growing up, we always had a bunch of different animals. This helped me to become more knowledgeable of animals," said Peder-

She had an affinity for animals and an interest in medicine, so she decided to become a veterinarian. "It is just a good melding of the two," said Pederson.

-After Pederson decided a career in vetermary medicine was: for her, she went on to pursue her education at Baylor and the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor. She later obtained her doctorate at Texas A&M University.



Photo by Elizabeth Deleon

VETERINARIAN DEE PEDERSON, a former MCC student, analyzes one of her canine patients.

"While I was in yet school, wom en were not as well accepted because there weren't too many of us. The role of a woman has come a long way since then because the model of the traditional male or temale occupation is a thing of the past," said Pederson.

As for the animals, she is most concerned with and interested in alleviating their suffering, she

would be sort of hard to give shots. Her most exotic experience has or other types of medication to an imals because they are afraid of said. hurting them. You have to do your iob knowing that you are not there. Tice is small, it suits her needs "I to see the animals suffer, but in wouldn't trade it for the whole stead to help repair the situation,"

medicine, such as giving shots sacrifices."

However, her practice is incorpo rating other services such as be havior and selection counseling. It adjusts animals and people to

each other. Selection counseling determines what pets are best for certain types of people.

The only thing which bothers her in her field is animal abuse. "There's just no excuse for it," she

Pederson is involved with the lo cal animal shelter and is a mem ber of the zoo board. It angers her when owners become irresponsible and leave their animals at the shelter. However, she would rather the owners leave their pets there rather than on the streets,

she said. "Hundreds of ammals are brought in daily by irresponsible owners. I am glad that we can help because we find good homes for them through animal adoption. Tve even brought home a few to keep for myself," she said.

Although Pederson owns a small chine, she says that this suits her for the time being because she is happy and comfortable because she accomplished this all on her own. "I wouldn't trade it for the world," she said.

Her practice deals mainly with small animals, but she likes to "Most people would think that it work with the exotic types as well. been in working with monkeys, she

> Although her vetermary prac world," she said.

"It just goes to show that you Her small general animal practican do anything if you want to bad tice specializes in preventative enough, yet are willing to make MCC's own Wright brother

## He's building his dream, his own flying machine

By AIMEE FARR

under a picture on the wall by the 185 mph. The plane's top speed side of the desk. It represents a should be near 201 mph, he said. dream and years of labor for the man sitting in the chair.

In the photograph, a plane streaks across a light blue sky to the right of Jim Hail, department chairman of humanities and behavioral sciences.

The racy two-seater is not for sale. The aircraft is still experi- some of the work is done in the mental. Hail can't buy it, but he can build it.

Hail is no stranger to hands-on work. He built his house. He also built the shed which serves as the incubator for his "baby." He started building his dream a year ago.

Had began his love affair with planes when he was young, building models "It sounds funny, but there is lots of similarity in construction," he said

16 He flies a couple of hours a ministration regulations, only cer week in a friend's plane if the tified mechanics can work on air weather permits. He used to own a craft. However, as it's builder, he Cessna, but was forced to sell it is going to obtain certification in due to the cost of upkeep and han order to work on it.

gar rent, he said. he said. "With the engine, instru-day, he saidments and radio, you could put a lot of money into it. It depends on for his plane. He is leaning to-

used engine to save money. "You can build an affordable atrplane," he said.

country amplane made for speed and long distance flying. When A photograph is loosely stuck up - completed, it should cruise about

Hail orders the pieces as he needs them. However, it involves a little more work than the models he used to work on as a child.

"The term 'kit' is a misnomer. They just ship you the metal. You cut it out and shape it. It takes lots of handiwork," Hail said. However, factory. For example, most people don't have hydraulic presses, so they bend some parts before they ship them, he said.

The wing ribs came stamped out and bent, but he had to frim them, he said. Most people would be somewhat skeptical of a homebuilt plane. Not Hail.

"The quality depends on the builder. It's not an unknown. I know every rivet I put into it," he He has been flying since he was - said. Due to Federal Aviation Ad-

Hail hopes to have the plane Buying a new plane would prove near completion by next summer. too costly, so he has decided to the usually spends a couple of build one. The engines alone for hours in the shed, working on the new planes can cost up to \$21,000, plane. Sometimes he spends all

Hail hasn't decided on a name what kind of equipment you get," wards white paint with color trim, he said. He just recently bought as he said. Half may use his wife's unitials for the call letters, he said.

"Flying is total freedom in a way. An exhibitation — such a The plane has a 26 foot wing view — it's hard to explain. I'm span and will be 24 feet long from looking forward to flying if the nose to fail. It is primarily a cross - first time," he said.

## Teacher witnesses history in Berlin

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That night he left for Munchen (Munich) to visit Dachau, one of the early labor camps instituted by Hitler. On the train he met Andreas, a young man from Frankfurt Oder, East Germany. He was travelling to Munich to visit his brother whom he hadn't seen for 10 years. Andreas told Apperson that he earned the equivalent of \$50 per month as an electrician in East Germany, "Then he opened up his bag and we had his sausage and cold beverage. He shared that with me. I'm really sorry that I don't have his address."

#### Dachau

The day of Apperson's visit to Dachau was cold and rainy. "I guess when I first saw it, it didn't look as threatening to me. I saw the guard houses and all, but it is kind of a beautiful, white washed area." But he watched a movie, "KZ Dachau," and saw, among other things, a depiction of sick parade," where people who claimed to be ill were paraded around the grounds. "That was the beginning of the pain." Ap-

After watching the movie, a sober mood prevailed in the group that filed out to visit the barracks buildings. Apperson said. The barracks buildings were originally designed for 50 people, but 400 people were forced in. The bunks were time in a row, three feet high and about four feet by eight feet.

The ladders leading to the top bunks were worn from the hundreds of feet that had climbed them. "1 put my hand on the ladder, and it was just too much. It was my physical link to the past. It was an incredi ble experience for me."

This visit to the ovons, where those who died in the

camp were cremated, was another emotional experience. "It was a very feeble kind of apology, but to each one, as I walked along the row of ovens, I apologized as best I could for all of humanity."

On Thanksgiving Day, Apperson left Munich to return to Nuremberg for another brief visit with his family. On the train he met Theresa Hartmann, a stately German woman in her sixties. Frau Hartmann told him of her childhood when she looked forward to becoming 10 years of age so she could joint the Hitler Youth Corps. When Apperson told her he was a teacher shesaid, "It must be a very lonely existence to be a teacher, to resist all the pressures of society and teach the truth." Apperson said he has since thought often about her words. "Maybe all of us who teach should be a little more lonely," he said

#### Back in the Classroom

Apperson said when he returned to Waco his students were eager to hear about his trip. "There were some really exciting, electrifying moments in the class," he said. He had a drawing in each class for one person to get a piece of the Berlin Wall and a pebble from Dachau.

When he presented the prize to one of the winners, Barbara Roscher, she was so impressed by what Apperson said that she had his words engraved on a pluque which she gave him at the end of the semesier. He has since given a similar plaque to his

It reads, "Two small pebbles from Dachau and the Berlin Wall, symbols of man's most outrageous at tempts to crush the human spirit. They both failed:



the colorful western side of the Berlin Wall see visitors from all over the world, including Henry

East German soldlers in "No Man's Land." The Apportson, MCC history instructor.