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## NEWS BRIEFS

### Jazz concert Wednesday

Beth Ullman, a new voice instructor at McLennan Community College, and her husband, pianist Rich Harney, will present a free jazz concert in the MCC Performing Arts Center at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 24. Ullman, an active performer, songwriter and voice coach, was voted female jazz vocalist of the year by the *Austin Chronicle*. She and Harney plan to release their latest CD the same week as the MCC concert. The public is invited to attend.

### Go bananas

Banana splits and non-alcoholic boat drinks will be sold underneath the student center on Wednesday, Aug. 21. The event will take place from 10 a.m.- noon and will feature a DJ playing live music and a limbo contest.

### Student Government elections

Applications for Student Government elections will be accepted from Sept. 1-13th. Applications can be picked up at the Office of Student Activities, located across from the game room in the Student Center. In order to be eligible to serve, a student must have a 2.0 grade point and be enrolled in at least nine hours. Elections will be held on Sept. 15 and 16 in several different buildings to give students more of an opportunity to vote. For more information on running for Student Government, contact Lisa Hatley at 750-3420.

### New trustees elected

Bob Sheehy Jr. and Steven Smith were sworn in as trustees of McLennan Community College on May 31 and new officers were elected at the meeting of the MCC Board of Trustees held the same night. Judge Bill Logue administered the oath of office to Sheehy and Smith, who were elected May 7 to represent Districts 5 and 7, respectively. All three officers who served for the past two years were re-elected: Don Hay as chairman, Cleoda Bables as vice-chairman, and Pauline Chavez as secretary. Carl McIntosh and Randy Cox are other board members whose terms will continue. The board passed a resolution commending James Hardwick for his 10 years on the board and Danny Uptmore for 15 years of service as a trustee.

### Cosmetology has senior discounts

Persons age 62 and over receive 20 percent off cosmetology services at McLennan Community College on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. With the senior citizen discount, haircuts are \$2.80, manicures \$1.80 and a shampoo and set is \$3.60. Services are performed by experienced students in the MCC cosmetology program under the supervision of instructors. Other services offered include perms, tints, rinses, hot oil treatments, frosting and pedicures. The cosmetology salon is open from 9:15 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and appointments are not necessary. Curbside parking is available and the facility is wheelchair accessible. For more information, call 750-3601.

### Carnival of Learning Saturday

KCTF public television will sponsor the Carnival of Learning this Saturday from 2-7 p.m. at the Heart of Texas Fairgrounds in the Fine Arts Building. The carnival will feature educational booths, an auction for children, and live entertainment from Marko Ellinger and Carl Anderson. There will also be free gifts for the first 200 children. For more information call 755-3472.

## Renovation projects around campus nearing completion

By TRACIE LYNCH

Construction crews are putting the finishing touches to several renovation projects around campus.

Johnette McKown, vice president of business services, said that most of the projects have been completed or will be completed soon.

McKown said she expects the Community Services Center project, which is the largest project in an \$8 million renovation package, to

be completed by late September. The work in the CSC involves double-decking the gymnasium area to create new office and classroom space.

McKown also said that the CSC courtyard, fountain and parking lot should be finished by the beginning of the school year. Announcement of the official opening of this area will be announced soon.

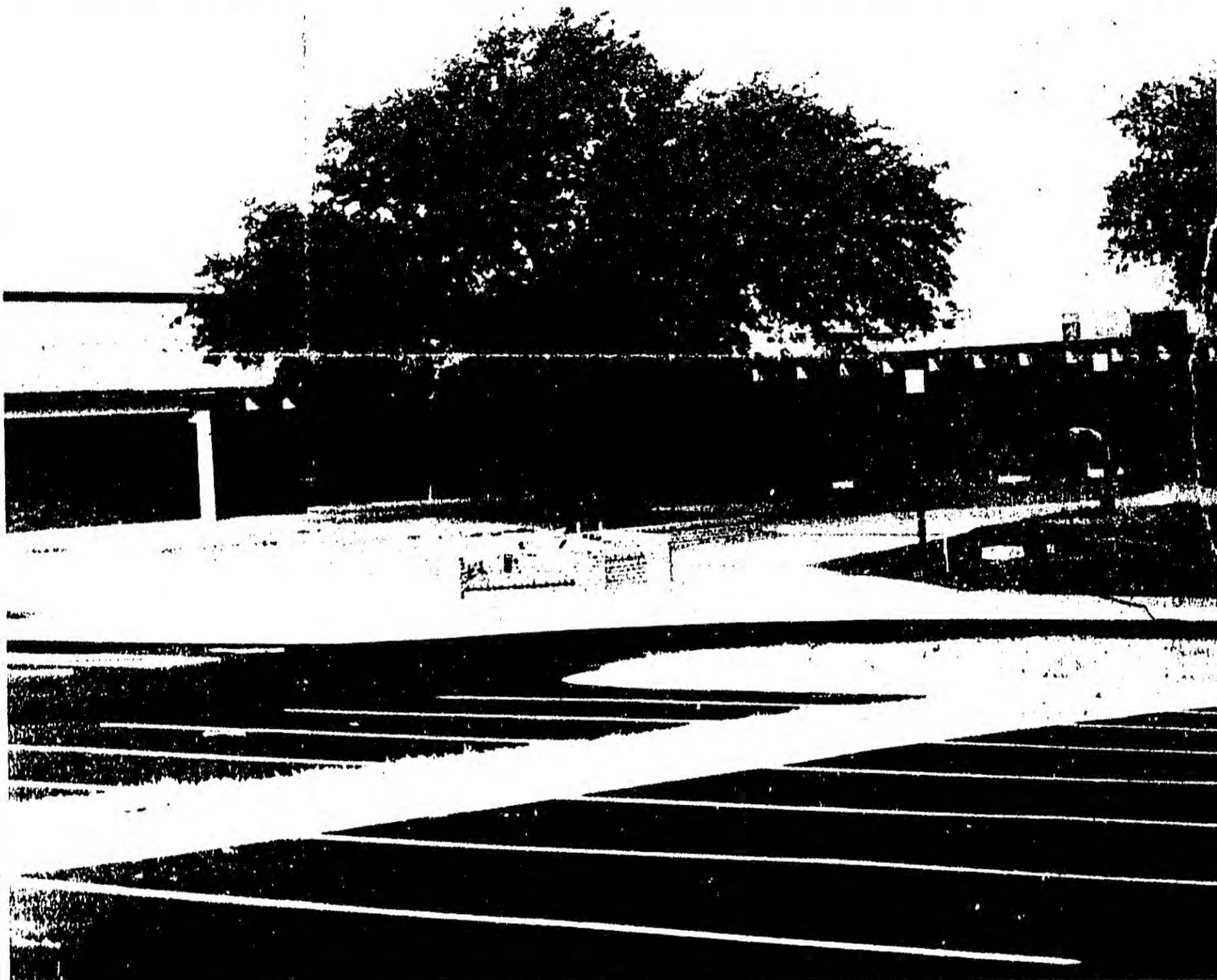
McKown said that construction crews have also completed work on eleva-

tors in several of the buildings on campus. Workers have altered the elevators in the Administration/Classroom Building, the Applied Sciences Building, the Liberal Arts Building, the Health Careers Building and the Student Center to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1991.

Changes to the various elevators included lowering the controls and installing ultra-sensitive emergency door controls. Workers in-

the Student Center also had to widen the elevator shaft and install a new cab. McKown said that work to the Student Center elevator had taken longer than the construction company originally anticipated.

McKown also said that crews have replaced the roofs on the Fine Arts and Applied Science Buildings and are putting the finishing touches to the newly-named Student Services Building (formerly  
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FROM DREAM TO DREAM COME TRUE -- (Top) Work is almost done on the \$8 million renovation of the Community Services Center. (Bottom) An artists'

rendering of the CSC renovation, drawn last year before construction began. Completion of the project is scheduled for early September.

## Baseball team seeking elusive championship

By JEFF TALBERT

For six straight years the MCC baseball team has been to the state tournament, but . . .

"We're the only team in Texas that's been there six times," coach Paul Miller said, "but we need to take the next step and win the thing."

Taking the next step will mean improving on last season's team, which finished 37-19. The Highlanders finished second to Hill in the conference, but still advanced to the state tournament. They beat Northeast Texas 10-1, but the team was eliminated after losing to Galveston

10-6 and Navarro 7-1.

Miller said the main problem was lack of pitching depth.

"We just struggled all year to find our fourth and fifth pitchers," Miller said. "But this year the pitching staff will be much deeper."

Two of the three main pitchers will be returning from last year. Chad Tidwell will be attending the University of Arkansas, but Brian Teakle (9-1) and David Harper (8-2) will be back.

Also, Miller said this is one of the best recruiting classes he has had at MCC.

"Three of our pitchers were drafted by professional baseball teams in the

June draft, but did not sign contracts," Miller said. They are Zach McWhirter of Plano, Brock Rumfield of Belton and Dinetrick Murph from Caldwell.

Other notable MCC recruits this year include catcher Danny Campbell from South Garland, who was selected player of the year in the Metroplex, and Chris Connally who played for Midland Lee. Miller said Connally has excellent speed and more power than anyone he has seen in a long time.

Miller said that anyone who would like to try out for the team as a walk-on, tryouts will be the first day of school at 2 p.m.

In Case You Missed It...

## With or without Jimmy, Cowboys still the best

By AARON TUDOR

Everything is O.K. in Dallas. Trust me on this one. The Cowboys will win a third straight Super Bowl, and they'll do it without Jimmy Johnson. Believe me, I was skeptical when Barry Switzer took over. But the more I see and the more I think about it, the more I believe the Cowboys are better off this season with Switzer.

I know it sounds crazy, but it's true.

Johnson believed in letting his assistant coaches coach. He let his assistants make most of the calls during the game.

Well, Switzer has the same group of assistants that Johnson had, except that Norv Turner's been replaced by his mentor Ernie Zampese. That's not a bad deal, trading in the student for the teacher. In any case, it's basically the same group of coaches that they won with last year.

Another thing Johnson did was motivate, and he did it better than probably anyone in the league. But this team isn't a bunch of rookies anymore, they're seasoned veterans. Most of the players have two Super Bowl rings. Think they need a couple of Jimmy's rah-rah pep talks to get them

back there? Not hardly.

Johnson's best quality was his eye for talent. He knew if a guy could play or not. And if the Cowboys don't draft well in the next couple of years, it will eventually hurt them. But for right now they still have the most talent in the league, hand's down. And it will take more than the loss of Johnson and a couple of free agents to change that.

So sit back, relax, and watch the Cowboys tear through the league again. There's a different captain, but the crew and ship are still the same.

## Golfers fall at state tourney

By JEFF TALBERT

The men's golf team saw its season come to a close last year, finishing seventh of 18 teams at the regional golf tournament April 24-25.

"It was the worst golf tournament in years," coach Stan Mitchell said. "We had just one bad day out there, but it just killed us."

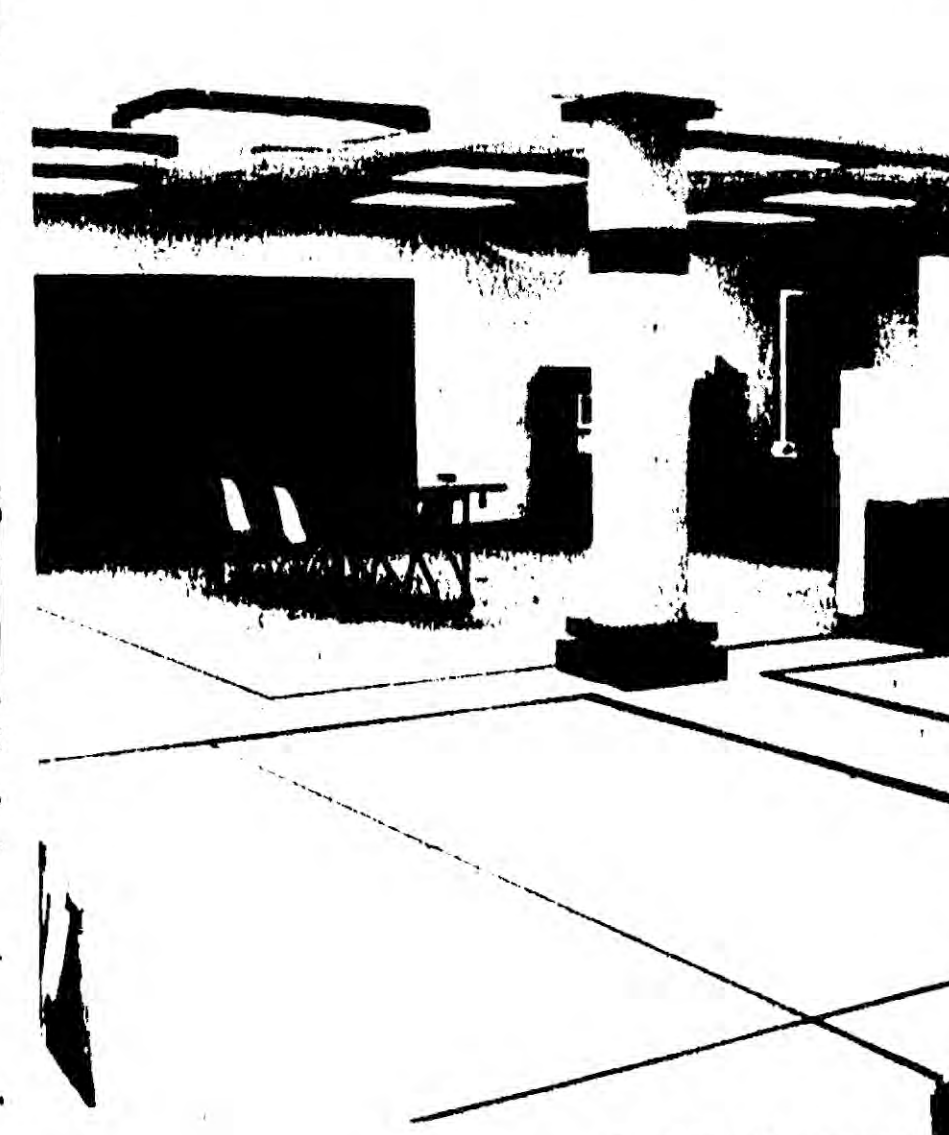
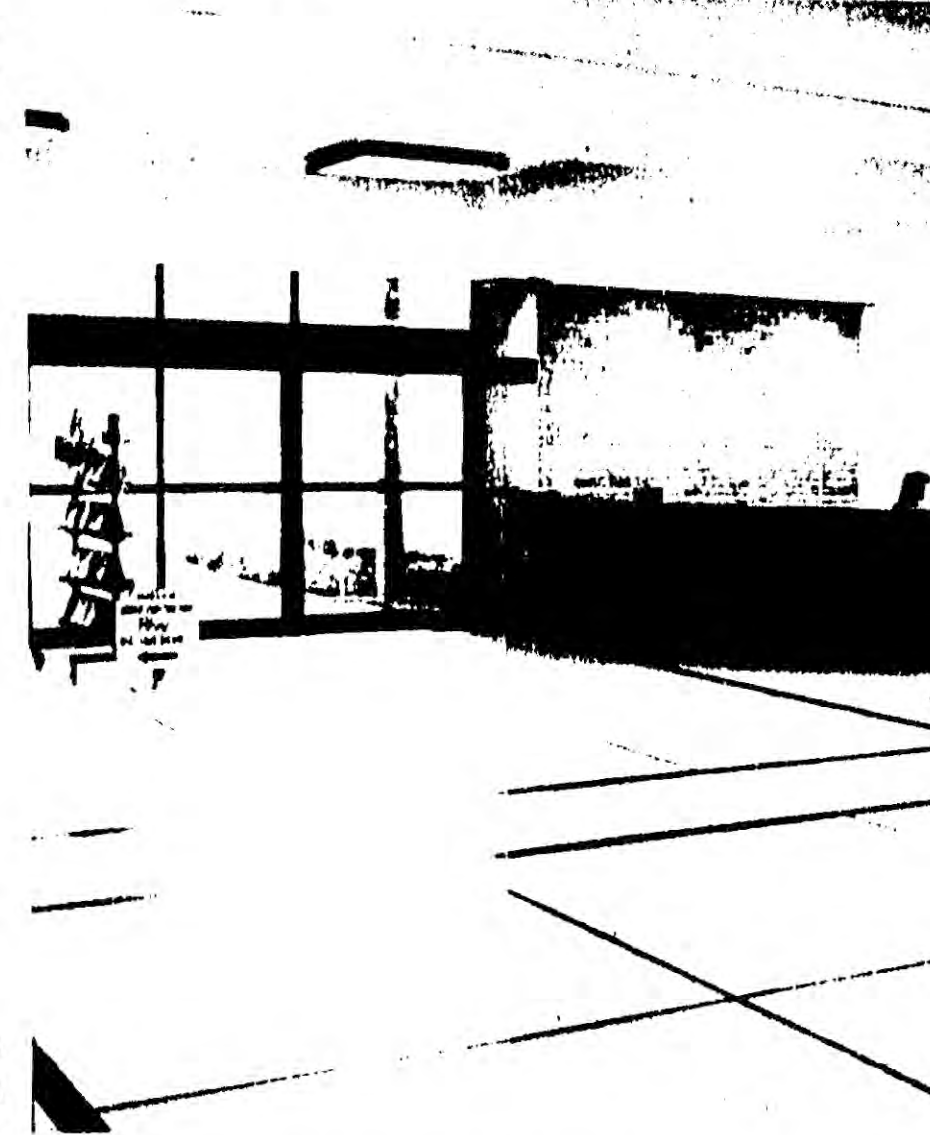
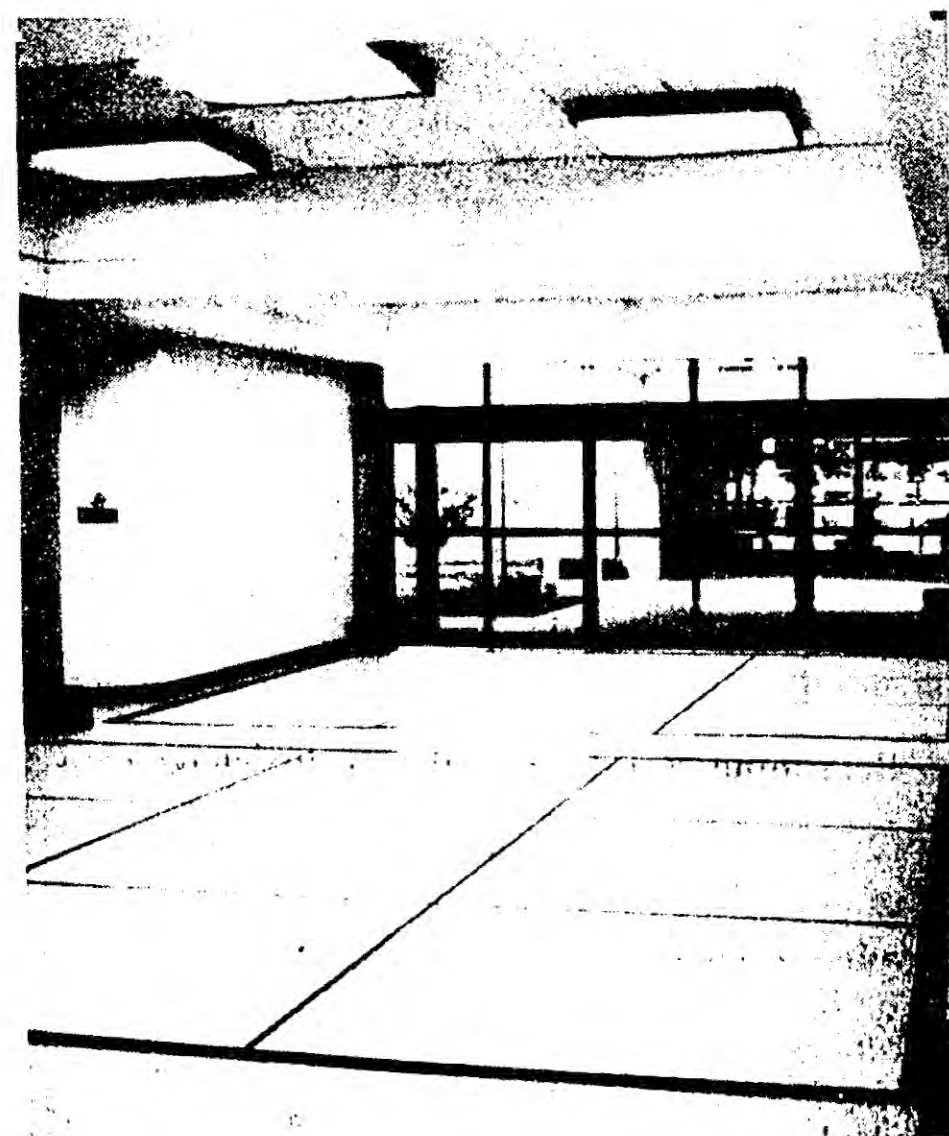
The team finished with a score of 310-304-297. However, the tournament was not a reflection of the season as a whole, Mitchell said. "We played real well until the regional golf tour-

nament."

Mitchell said having experience in the tournament will help this year's team, with Kris Kelley, Daniel Tidebrink, and Patricio Beautell all returning from last year's team.

If anyone would like to be a part of this year's team, they should contact Mitchell, who will set up a time to watch them play. However, Mitchell said fewer spots are available this year than before.

"The NJCAA has limited the number of players we can certify from the usual 24 down to 12."



Photos by Brooks Whittington

THINGS, THEY ARE A CHANGIN'--- Many buildings on campus got a facelift this summer as part of a

massive renovation. Receiving the most change were the CSC and the Administration Building.

## EDITORIAL

## Make use of school services

A new school year is upon us and that means it's once again time for the trials and tribulations of college.

While attaining a college education is not easy, it is worthwhile. To this end, MCC offers a number of services to make your experience here easier and more enjoyable.

To help ease parking problems, shuttle bus services are available in the parking lot of the Community Services Center.

Need a break in your schedule? Intramural sports are held during the 10 o'clock hour almost all year round.

If you have trouble in a class, MCC offers a wide variety of tutorials.

And counseling services can help you with a wide variety of matters including class scheduling, career counseling, and degree plans.

These and many other services are here for your benefit so take advantage of them. They can help new students make a smoother transition into college life, and they can help prepare returning students for graduation or transfer.

Whether you are a new or returning student, we're glad you're here. Here's hoping all of you have a great year at MCC!

# We want to hear from you WRITE A LETTER TO THE EDITOR

# Four-C Business College now part of MCC

Four-C Business College has closed and McLennan Community College has assumed responsibility for providing transcripts and for helping Four-C students complete their programs of study.

Miki McKenzie, owner and director of Four-C, on June 2 announced her intention to donate the downtown Waco business and property to MCC, which operates its Downtown Center next door at 711 Washington. MCC staff members have been working for the past month with

currently enrolled Four-C students to help them with the transition to MCC.

McKenzie said the reason for turning over the business to MCC is that she's ready to shed the roles of administrator and small business owner.

"Schools are so highly regulated that it's getting difficult to run a small school," she said. "It's also hard to keep up with all the changes in equipment and software these days.

"We had thought of selling the school, but then we got this idea," said Mrs.

McKenzie, whose future plans depend on what her husband decides to do with his company in Cleburne. "It's a good opportunity for our students, and it's also a boost to the downtown Waco area. So everybody benefits."

Founded in 1924, Four-C has trained thousands of students in secretarial, word processing, accounting, data entry, administrative assistant and drafting skills. It is accredited by the Commission for Independent Colleges and Schools and is certified by

the Texas Education Agency.

"We are delighted about this gift and are trying to make it as easy as possible for Four-C students to enroll in degree or certificate programs at MCC," said Dr. Dennis Michaelis, MCC president. "MCC offers programs similar to those at Four-C, including office administration, accounting, computer information systems and various secretarial areas such as legal secretary and medical secretary. We welcome these students to MCC and be-

lieve this will be a very positive move for them."

"Students loved our small school environment at Four-C, but there are a lot of caring people at MCC," Mrs. McKenzie said. "There will be advantages for them at MCC - they will get credit for courses they've already taken, and they can go on for more education. I know they can handle it - they have what it takes."

Four-C College includes about 10,000 square feet plus a parking lot and smaller building on the lot.

The property and its contents, including computers and office furniture, were donated by the McKenzies to the MCC Foundation.

To receive copies of transcripts, Four-C graduates or former students can call 750-3631. For enrollment information, students should call 750-3520.

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# MORE OFFERED

## *Curriculum broadened with four new programs*

### Commercial Music Management added to list

Beginning Fall 1994, McLennan Community College will offer a unique, new associate degree program in commercial music management.

The two-year degree program is designed to prepare entry-level managers for a variety of professional careers in the music and entertainment industry, including music merchandising, arts management, artist management and the recording industry. There are many opportunities available for graduates with an Associate in Applied Science degree in commercial music management, such as jobs managing recording artists or performing groups, positions in recording and post-production studios and careers in concert and special events promotion.

"The music and entertainment industry is one of the fastest growing industries in the world with an annual growth rate of over 16 percent," says David Hibbard, MCC Commercial Music Program director. "New jobs are created every day, and this new degree program will help meet the demand for skilled personnel."

A leader in commercial music and music industry education since 1980, MCC offers three other commercial music degrees: performance, audio technology and song writing/composition.

Approximately 20 percent of the students in the program come from outside

McLennan County - mostly from the Dallas-Fort Worth, Houston and Corpus Christi areas.

Approximately 6,000

students attend MCC each semester, but the college has small classes with a 20:1 student/teacher ratio. The MCC music faculty is

composed of accomplished professionals who have produced, written, recorded and performed all types of music.

The commercial music management program is a joint venture of MCC's Commercial Music and Business Management

Programs. For more information on the opportunities available, contact MCC at 750-3483 or 750-3578.

### Legal Assistant program fills up fast

Fall classes in the new Legal Assistant Program at McLennan Community College are already filled, and students who want to enroll must wait until the spring semester.

"We expected a great deal of interest in the program, but we were surprised at the overwhelming response," says Donnie Hagan, director of Human Services programs at MCC.

The new program was approved to begin in Fall 1994 by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board. Thirty-five students have been accepted for each of the three courses being offered, and there is a waiting list. The 67-hour, two-year Legal Assistant program leads to an Associate in Applied Science degree.

While the job of legal assistant or paralegal has traditionally been held by women, about 20 percent of MCC's students are men.

"This field is attractive to a lot of people," says Linda Gassaway, program director and instructor for the Legal Assistant program. "Finally there is an opportunity at MCC for area students to take

classes and prepare for a career as a legal assistant."

Students will study the court system, litigation processes, manual and computerized legal research, investigation and law office management.

It is predicted that the

job of legal assistant will be one of the fastest growing professions in the nation during the next 10 years. Beginning legal assistants can expect to earn starting salaries of \$15,000 to \$25,000 in the Central Texas area. Legal

assistants in large cities, such as Houston, may earn more.

Persons who are interested in the program may enroll this fall in required supporting classes, such as Business Law, Business English or

General Psychology, Hagan said. The three legal assistant courses being offered this fall, plus additional courses, will be scheduled in Spring 1995.

For complete details on MCC's Legal Assistant Program, call 750-3580.

### Network Management begins

The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board has approved a new degree program at McLennan Community College that will help prepare students for jobs managing computer networks.

Beginning with the fall semester, MCC will offer a two-year associate of applied science degree, as well as a one-year certificate, in the field of network administration.

"Because of rapid advancements in the computer industry, there is a growing need for networking and information technology support specialists," says Karen Norwood, director of Business Programs at MCC. "MCC's challenging new degree

program incorporates the competencies needed for the microcomputer applications degree with additional courses in data communications and advanced

networking."

Students who complete the program will be qualified for professional positions working with microcomputers, networks and

mainframes.

To learn more about the new network administration program, contact MCC at 750-3438.

### Data Base Specialist

A new degree program — Data Base Specialist — is being introduced at McLennan Community College this fall.

An effective, current data base is vital to the success of any organization. MCC's Data Base Specialist program teaches students how to set up a company's data base so that it is one of

management's most important assets.

Courses cover microcomputer data bases, including both large and small computers, and data base programming. Students may earn an associate in applied science degree in two years or a certificate in one year. To learn more, call Karen Norwood at 750-

3438. MCC fall classes begin Aug. 29. Express and telephone registration continue through Aug. 11; traditional registration will be held Aug. 25 and 27. For college admission information, call 750-3520.

(Public Information Office releases)



**BUNCHES OF BOOKS** -- Diedra Amos, left, and Juanita Alexander made a major haul from the Bookstore Monday. The staff has been extremely busy reading texts and supplies for the start of classes Monday.

Photo by Brooks Whittington

# Law Enforcement has 22 summer graduates

Twenty-two law enforcement students graduated from the Heart of Texas Regional Police Academy basic police certification course June 16 at MCC.

Mike Gassaway, Judge of McLennan County Court at Law #2, was the keynote speaker at the ceremony.

The students completed a 12-week classroom course required by the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement

Officer Standards in Education. The students may now become licensed peace officers, explained Dave Keel, director of the police academy at MCC.

The graduates include Melissa Carol Bice, John W. Brown, David C. Camilleri, Jim Todd Christensen, Kevin Lee Cobb, Brent Ellis Ewing, Gerald W. Fuentes, William A. Hitch and Roger L.

Hooten. Also, Chris L. Hudson, William D. Johnson, Roy A. Kincannon, William C. Lawson, John D. Metts, Craig Eugene Miller, Vicky L. O'Dell, Andrew D. Stryker, Steve Brett Weaver, Larry Doyle Wilkey, Justin Williams and Justin Booth Zang. (Public Information Office release)

## McDowell represents college at National Leadership meet

Samara McDowell, a senior at Waco High School in this fall, was selected to represent McLennan Community College at the 5th

annual National Student Leadership Congress in Washington, D.C., June 4-9.

A participant in the Upward Bound program at MCC, Samara was selected as a finalist in the competition by her peers. She was chosen as the MCC representative based on her original essay on the governmental process.

McDowell's plans are to attend college and major in accounting after graduation

from high school next spring.

The leadership conference is sponsored by the National Council Educational Opportunity Association to promote leadership, community service and political awareness in a diverse society.

For more information on the Upward Bound program, call Brenda Wilkerson at 750-3538.

(Public Information Office release)

## Legal Assistant program Attorney Gassaway heads new program

Waco attorney Linda Gassaway has been selected as program director for McLennan Community College's new Legal Assistant degree program.

The new two-year program, which begins in Fall 1994, will prepare legal assistants (paralegals) for positions in law firms and legal departments of business, industry and government. Graduates of the 67-hour program will earn an Associate in Applied Science degree.

Gassaway will leave her law practice to devote herself fulltime to MCC's new program.

"I was a teacher for eight years before attending law school," she says. "This is an opportunity to teach something that I love."

"I'm excited about this

new adventure, which will meet some of the community's needs and give people an opportunity to upgrade their skills and enter the legal field."

The legal assistant program will cover the court systems, litigation processes, manual and computerized legal research, investigation and law office management.

Gassaway received her Bachelor's degree from St. Mary's College in Notre Dame, Ind., and her law degree from The University of Texas at Austin. She has been a Waco attorney for the past 12 years.

Persons interested in the legal assistant program at MCC should call 750-3580 for more information.

(Public Information Office release)



**LONG LINES** filled the Bookstore a week before classes begin. But early registration by telephone and express computer has helped prevent the crush that used to prevail as the fall semester began.

Photo by Brooks Whittington

## For Physical Therapy Assistants Gresham asked to serve on national task force

Barbara Gresham, program director for the Physical Therapist Assistant program at McLennan Community College, was one of 10 persons selected to serve on a national task force of the American Physical Therapy Association.

The task force will develop a consistent process of evaluating the clinical performance of physical therapist and physical therapist assistant students. The project is expected to take about three years to complete.

years to complete.

MCC's two-year Physical Therapist Assistant program prepares individuals to perform a variety of patient care functions under the supervision of a physical therapist. Graduates of the program receive an Associate in Applied Science degree and are eligible to take the state licensure examination.

(Public Information Office release)

## Finishing touches

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the Administration Building) and to the Administration/Classroom Building.

Maintenance crews replaced two chillers in the cooling tower in the Central Utility Plant this summer. McKown said the new chillers are more environmentally sound and should help to reduce utility costs as well.

The school is preparing to seek bids on a computerized energy management system. The new system will control the air conditioning and heating for every building on campus from one centralized location, which is also expected to save money over a period of time.

## Toombs to retire Feyerherm takes over as director

Dianne Feyerherm has been named director of the physical plant at MCC effective Sept. 1. She will replace Dee Toombs, who is retiring from the post after 14 years.

Feyerherm, a resident of West, joined MCC 10 years ago as grounds maintenance supervisor and most recently held the position of assistant director of the physical plant. She holds a degree in horticulture from Texas Tech University.

She will be responsible for 48 employees working in the areas of construction, building maintenance, utilities, campus security, inventory, warehousing and grounds and custodial care.

Toombs, who will officially retire Aug. 31, received high praise from Johnette McKown, vice president of fiscal affairs.

"Over the past five years, I have come to highly value his level of expertise in all areas of the Physical Plant. For the past two years, Dee has concentrated his time in guiding our major construction projects, so he has been less visible to many of you, but his presence and knowledge have been felt as he continued to lend advice and assistance.

"I personally will miss a treasured friend and colleague who has been invaluable to this college for the past 14 years."

(Compiled from E-Mail and Public Information releases)



**JOURNALISM MILESTONE** -- Tom Buckner and research assistant Tracie Lynch look over final tabulations of a census of two-year colleges, a work of more than four years. Lynch, an MCC student who is transferring to Baylor this fall, this summer telephoned about 800 colleges that had not responded to mailed questionnaires. The census, sponsored by the Community

College Journalism Association and the Freedom Forum Media Studies Center of New York, determined which colleges have programs in mass communications and also student media. The census of more than 1,500 two-year colleges in this country has been completed, and more than 100 schools have responded from Canada, according to Buckner.