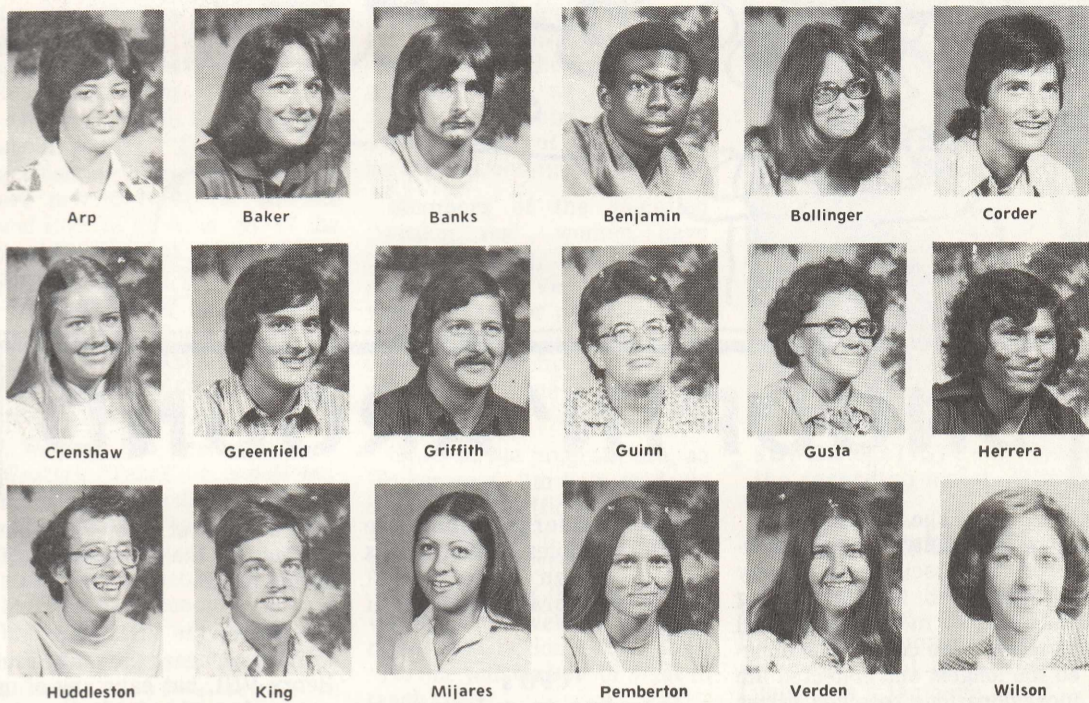


Eighteen Students Named Who's Who



Eighteen sophomore students have been named to Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges, according to Dr. Duane Hood, Dean of Student Services and Registrar.

Seven Snyder students are Kellye Crenshaw, Charles Greenfield, Daniel Herrera, Robert Huddleston, Elizabeth Mijares, Deneese Pemberton and Nancy Ann Wilson.

Others are Karen Arp of Ropesville, Temi Baker of Knox City, Mike Banks of Channing, Walter Benjamin of Richmond, Va., Amy Carol Bollinger and Thomas Griffith of Roscoe, Allen Corder of Lake Charles, La., Lila Isobel Guinn and Jean Gusta of Hermleigh, Randy King of Roby, and Janice Verden of Wheeler.

Information on each of the students will be included in the current Who's Who volume, and membership certificates will be presented to them.

Faculty members nominate students for Who's Who recognition on the basis of academic performance and leadership, extracurricular activities and service to the college, citizenship, and civic participation.

Ms. Arp, a physical education major, is manager of the Dusters basketball team. She came to WTC on a basketball scholarship in 1975 after graduating from Ropes High School, but was unable to play this season because of a knee injury. She is on the Dean's List, and has maintained a 3.36 grade point average.

Ms. Baker, a Knox City High School graduate, is also a physical education major and is captain of the Dusters. She is on the Dean's List and has a 3.48 GPA.

Banks, Student Senate president, is a physical education major and trainer for the Westerners and Dusters. He is a member of Phi Theta Kappa and has a 3.28 GPA. He was named Outstanding Male Student at WTC's 1976 Annual Recognition Program and is a graduate of Channing High School.

Benjamin, a business major, is a member of the Westerner squad and received a basketball scholarship. He has been named to the Dean's List and has a 3.72 GPA. He also is a member of the Student Senate.

Ms. Bollinger, a Hermleigh

High School graduate, is majoring in business. She serves as treasurer of Phi Theta Kappa and has been named to the Dean's List. Her GPA is 3.29.

Corder is a member of the Westerner basketball team and received an athletic scholarship. He has a 3.31 GPA and is a graduate of LaGrange High School in Lake Charles.

Ms. Crenshaw, a graduate of Snyder High School, is majoring in psychology. She is a member of Phi Theta Kappa and Kappa Chi, and has been named to the President's List and the Dean's List with a GPA of 3.95.

Greenfield also graduated from Snyder High School and is majoring in mass communications. He is a Phi Theta Kappa member and has maintained a 3.33 GPA.

Griffith graduated from Roscoe High School. He is a sophomore business major and has been named to the President's List and the Dean's List with a GPA of 3.85.

Ms. Guinn is an art major and member of the Snyder Palette Club. She has been named to the Dean's List and has a GPA of 3.30.

Mrs. Gusta is Phi Theta Kappa historian and a psychology major. She has maintained a GPA of 3.95 and has been named to the President's List and the Dean's List.

Herrera graduated from Snyder High School and is an engineering major. He is a member of Phi Theta Kappa and has a GPA of 3.26.

Huddleston was twice named winner in the Current Events portion of the WTC Social Sciences contests for high school students while at Snyder High School, and received two scholarships. He is a history-international relations major, member of Phi Theta Kappa, with a GPA of 3.81, and member of Kappa Chi.

King graduated from Roby High School and is majoring in agriculture. He has maintained a 3.49 GPA and has served as WTC's Student Intramural Director. He is also a deputy sheriff in Fisher County and was named Mr. WTC last spring.

Ms. Mijares, a Snyder High School graduate, is a psychology major and member of Phi Theta Kappa with a GPA of 3.42. She has been named to the Dean's List. See Who, Page 2



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WTC, Other Community Colleges Bargain For State Appropriations

by Kathy Spencer

"We can live with what the LBB (Legislative Budget Board) recommends, but we can do better with 100 percent of what we requested," said Dr. Robert Clinton, Western Texas College president, referring to WTC's status in the 65th legislative session dealing with biennial appropriations for junior colleges.

LBB allocation recommendations for 1978-79 are about nine percent less than WTC's official request, which includes academic and vocational-technical program appropriations. According to Dr. Clinton, "We're in pretty good shape."

The 13-member LBB, consisting of the Speakers of the Texas House and Senate, Lieutenant Governor, and other appointed legislative figures, studies requests between sessions and makes recommendations to the Legislature.

Junior and community college as well as university administrative personnel, including Dr. Clinton, have been in Austin this semester to bargain for funding. The process includes legislative subcommittee hearings and budget recommendations to the Higher Education Committee, which reports to the House Appropriations Committee before House members act on the proposal. Also, a Conference Committee resolves differences between House and Senate recommendations, with the final appropriations bill going to Governor Dolph Briscoe for approval before the Legislature adjourns.

Administration, LBB, and the governor's office recommendations for 1978 for Texas two-year schools are \$271.5 million, \$222.6 million, and \$196.6 million, respectively. For 1979,

recommendations include, in order, \$318 million, \$235.6 million, and \$207.1 million. These estimates are based only on a formula until final spring enrollment figures are available.

According to data released during a board of trustees meeting Feb. 14, WTC's estimated academic appropriation for 1978 is \$734,000 while the LBB recommends \$676,500. Junior college and LBB requested rates for 1979 are \$789,800 and \$711,000, respectively, reflecting 7.6 and 5.1 percent increases. Thus biennium institutional and LBB totals are approximately \$1.52 and \$1.39 million. Estimated college occupational-technical appropriation for 1978 is \$470,700, with an LBB figure of \$434,000. WTC's and the LBB's requested rates for 1979 include \$492,000 and \$456,000, respectively. Total institutional and LBB estimates for 1978 and 1979 are about \$962,600 and \$890,000.

These figures are derived from multiplying total contact hours for each instructional area by the appropriate contact hour rate.

State funds are not intended for physical plant operations, bonded indebtedness, campus security, major repairs and renovation. Such expenses are paid by local revenues.

Contact hours are defined as one student in a supervised learning situation for one hour. A collection of audited cost data on the actual cost of courses is taken at all public community/junior colleges each year and determines the actual cost per contact hour for each program.

Community/junior college 1978-1979 biennium appropriations will be discussed by the House Committee on Higher Education early this

month. Senate committee consideration is scheduled next month.

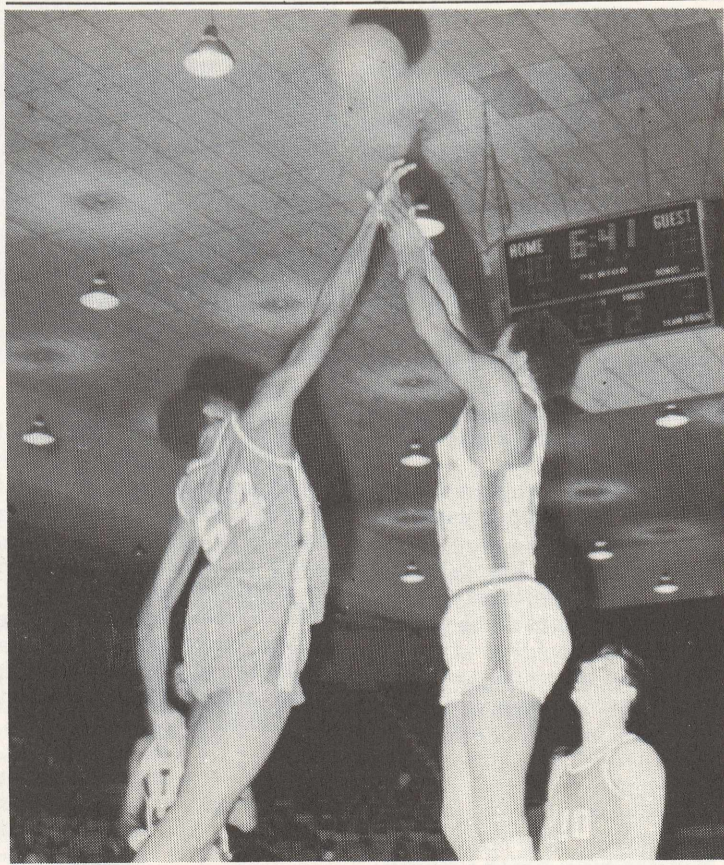
Higher appropriations are not the only concerns of junior college officials. Two LBB recommendations are expected to be protested, including discontinuation of contingency funds for enrollment growth. The contingency program was developed to meet a 30 percent annual enrollment growth in higher educational institutions that began in the 1960's.

Although universities have discontinued use of contingency money, some junior colleges continue using it. According to Dr. Clinton, however, most junior colleges do not receive such funds because colleges or universities have exhausted the available money.

The other protest involves college requests for financing continuing education or community service programs, created to aid people of all ages with differing personal interests, who represent varied professions. Funding has been recommended for colleges and universities, while junior college officials claim they should also be funded for continuing education offerings.

A recent letter sent to Sen. Ray Farabee, Rep. Mike Ezzell, and Rep. Elmer Martin from Dr. Clinton's office clarified the position of WTC's board of trustees and administration regarding certain House and Senate bills, including Senate Bill 211-House Bill 510; House Bill 761, and House Bill 337-338.

Regarding S.B. 211-H.B. 510, WTC wants continued efforts to achieve adoption of median contact hour formula rates as adopted and approved by the Texas Public Community/Junior College Association, the Coordinating Board, and the see Funding, page 3



UP AND AWAY! — WT's Lawrence Butler (23) sails one over an NMMI defender. The Westerners in fact have "sailed" into the regional playoffs, with action starting tonight against Ranger. See related story, page 8. (photo by Linda Grissom)

editorially

Obscene Or Not?

By PAULA

What is obscene?

As defined by Webster's Dictionary, it is "offensive to one's feelings, or to prevailing notions of modesty or decency; lewd; disgusting or repulsive."

However, in 1973, the Supreme Court decided that a work was obscene if "taken as a whole (it) lacks serious literary, artistic, political or scientific value."

The latest obscenity attack is directed toward Larry Flynt, publisher of *Hustler* magazine. Flynt received a six-month jail term and \$1000 fine for pandering obscenity, as well as a seven to 25-year prison sentence and \$10,000 fine for "organized crime."

The question remains: is Flynt protected under the First Amendment, or is the community, who objects to his material?

Actually it works both ways! "Congress shall make no law... abridging the freedom of speech or of the press..." is the cornerstone of our press liberty, but it serves to protect all citizens against infringements upon their private rights as well as the publishers of questionable material against prosecution.

Community standards vary from city to city. Publications such as "girly magazines" have been banned in Snyder, whereas in New York City officials are trying zoning ordinances.

Communities offer excuses, saying they are protecting their children. But what about the violence they see on television?

History has recorded many works of literature as obscene. In 1933 an attempt was made to suppress James Joyce's novel *Ulysses*, and D. H. Lawrence's *Lady Chatterley's Lover* was kept out of the country for years.

Esquire magazine was once refused a postal permit on grounds of obscenity and a Mercury magazine editor was arrested because his publication contained a short story about a prostitute.

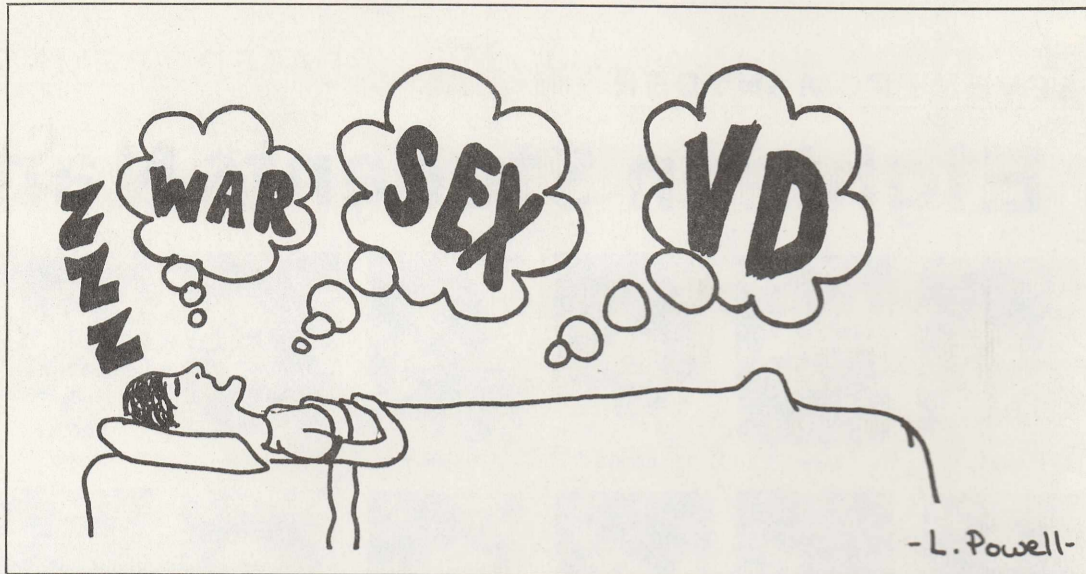
About 40 years ago, a customs inspector refused to admit two books of photos, judging them obscene. One of the books was titled "Ceiling Sistine Chapel" by a "Michael Angelo".

What is obscene and what isn't is an age-old question. In a recent poll conducted on the WTC campus, students and faculty gave examples of what they considered obscene, including war, VD, birth defects, abortion, poverty, welfare, prejudiced people, foul language, and violence on TV.

More specific examples are "the execution of Gary Gilmore" and "advertisements of sanitary napkins."

In short, a noted lawyer for *Screw* magazine once stated, "Obscenity is a moving target. As our mores liberalize, so does its definition."

What is obscene?



SNOOPIN' AROUND

Do The Hustle!

Cooke County College sponsored a Muscular Distrophy Marathon Feb. 26. The dancing started at 9 a.m. and lasted until midnight. The couple who danced the longest and collected the most donations received prizes from Schick. It was broadcast live from 8 p.m. until midnight on KGAF. Spectators were invited to come and watch. There was a charge of fifty cents and at 8 p.m. anyone could pay \$1.50 and boogie with the contestants!

The Letter

Stephen F. Austin UPD received a letter from the FBI, warning them about the existence of a lethal chemical which has shown up in Washington, Oregon and Colorado. The chemical is a

white powdered substance which resembles heroin. If it is tasted, it can cause instant death and brain damage if smelled.

UFO's

According to a lecture at Tarrant County Junior College, UFO's are real. The speaker has been in contact with the UFO organization for 18 years, and has been doing thorough research for six. He also supported the subject with evidence.

The Sting!

20,000 scorpions are at Texas Tech, in the Biology building! Now don't get over-excited; only about 20 are alive! Dr. Oscar Frank collected this numerous amount of scorpions

over a period of seven years and is studying their biological offspring habits.

Henry the VIII, I Am

We've all heard the song about Henry VIII, but have any of us seen the play? Well, the students of Southwest Texas State have. The play was presented at the Drama Center. If you ever get a chance to go and see this play, be sure to!

Up, Up and Away!

We all like to travel, and you can now go to Europe and earn credit for going. The cost will be \$1,407 per student. There will be two different tours but both will start at the same time. For more information, call or write Angelo State University, in care of Dr. James Hademenos.

REVIEW

'Whodunit' Suspenseful

by Kay Ellington

Spend an elegant evening at the "theatre."

Instead of driving to the Hayloft in Lubbock or, depending upon your preference, the Stampede in Big Spring, go to the drama department's dinner theatre.

The show is a WTC production, yet hardly "Snyderish."

Lovely, evening gown-clad young ladies provide table service in a candlelight, reservation-only affair.

An appetizing dinner is served in an environment unmatched by local restaurants with dessert at intermission between "acts".

Piano background music highlights dining.

The show opens with a scream that snatches the audience's attention. In the background, someone sings "Three Blind Mice" and we know that an Agatha Christie murder mystery, "The Mousetrap," has begun.

The plot is suspenseful. Eight people are snowed in at an English boarding house, and along with the audience, they know that one of them is a murderer. What's more, he — or she — will kill again. The story flows on and, yes, someone is killed. The viewer is then left fiercely wondering... "Who-dunit?"

The "praise" list is lengthy for this production. First, a tip-of-the-hat should go to Director Charles Holland. Play selection, cutting, composition and all basic elements of the show were done well.

Next, Dawna Williams, stage manager, performed like a veteran in her debut. All technical aspects were superlative.

On the whole, the cast is fresh and sincere. The character of Mollie Ralston (Sarah Coleman) is technically skilled, but seemed to lack the sincerity and

freshness of the rest of the bunch. Miss Coleman, however, did render an enjoyable portrayal.

The remainder of the performers were fascinating. Pete Tercero, as the Spanish Christopher Wren, enters, jeers at the idea of a killing, and immediately viewers tag him as "the one".

A suave African (Joy Evans) seems a bit sadistic; so, we decide "he-dunit".

Tesa Mohler is a "bloody good" old British lady, while Lee Kirby has the role of Major Metcalf "down to a tee".

Mohler is an actress with touring company experience and has, in addition, performed at the San Angelo Civic Theatre and Angelo State University — and it shows!

Kirby is a Lubbock Coronado grad, but this viewer is convinced that he is an "Oxford man in disguise."

The strongest general point of the show is that all the players are low-keyed. It's very easy to become melodramatic in a Dame Christie mystery, but these performers don't.

Last note on "Mousetrap": You'll be shocked at "who-actually-dunit"!

★WHO

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Ms. Pemberton, Snyder High School graduate and president of Phi Theta Kappa, is a business major. She has been named to the Dean's List and has a GPA of 3.50.

Ms. Verden, member of the Dusters basketball team, is a graduate of Wheeler High School and a transfer student from Wayland Baptist College. She has a GPA of 3.40.

Mrs. Wilson graduated from Snyder High School. She has maintained a GPA of 3.81 and her off-campus activities include membership in the Women's Auxiliary of Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

WRIGHT ON!

Procrastination Getting To You?

by Diane Wright

Has spring fever struck you yet? Do you find yourself putting things off — like homework? Maybe it isn't spring fever, but a four-season mood. And, when you put things off, do you hate yourself later? Want to change?

If you say, "I hope things will get better" or "I wish things were better" or "Maybe it'll be okay," you're wasting your time. These three phrases are nothing more than daydreams and wishful thinking and don't accomplish a thing. So, the first thing to do is strike them from your vocabulary!

If you put things off until you absolutely have to do them, because you have a deadline, again you're wasting your time in self-delusion. You're what you do in your present moments, not what you say you'll do.

Examples of this procrastination include staying with a job you don't enjoy and aren't growing in, waiting for relationship difficulties (like shyness, phobias, etc.) to improve instead of working on them, putting off various little things (like homework, or cleaning your room), being afraid to move away from familiar surroundings, putting diets off until tomorrow (tomorrow never arrives), getting sick when you have something undesirable to do, being afraid to show your real feelings toward someone, and being bored at any time.

The good side of procrastination is sketchy. By putting things off, you don't have to do anything unpleasant. If you stay exactly where you are, never moving or changing your job, even when you're not happy, you eliminate any changes that might be involved. If you're bored, you're able to blame it on someone else or something — not accepting the responsibility

for boredom yourself. If you're waiting for things to get better, you can blame the world for your bad luck and unhappiness.

What can you do to get rid of all these excuses? First, take time and break it down into small-range periods, doing what you want and yet not putting anything off.

Have you been postponing reading a book or writing a letter? Sit down and do it. Once you get into doing it, it can be enjoyable. Look at it this way: eventually the task will be finished and you can do whatever you want.

Try to find a reason for your being afraid to do something. Usually, there's no reason. (Think positively!)

Putting off dieting or exercising? Start it right now! Once you initiate a routine of exercises every night or morning, you'll find them easier to ac-

complish every time and you'll start feeling better physically and emotionally. If you really want to cut down on your eating, just think "FIGHT FAT" and think of someone who has been commenting on your weight.

Be creative. If your mind seems to go to sleep or wander in class, wake it up by thinking of some important question. Don't let yourself be bored!

If you're critical of other people (usually, those who say they're bored and have all these excuses for putting things off are critical), keep a journal. You'll soon see a critical personality surface in this journal and you'll also get tired of keeping the entries.

Main points: don't sit around and gripe. Do something about it. Don't be bored; enjoy life — it's only here for a while. Get out of your rut and live. Get on the stick and be a doer!!

NOTICE

Scuba class meeting has been changed from March 14 to March 11 at 1 p.m.



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GRADUATES PLACED

Welding Profitable Program

by Kay Ellington

Imagine making \$8.20 an hour and travelling around the world to do it! The training is available on campus for students to do just that in WTC's welding program.

Instructor Sam Walker talked about welding. "Three boys that graduated from our program are now working for Browne and Root in Houston, one of the world's largest construction companies."

He explained that it is a worldwide firm, and the former students, Jody Ashley, Lewayne Fagin, and Scott Cockerell, have been to Indonesia.

Welding has been a part of Western Texas' occupational-technical curriculum since the college opened in 1971. Walker has taught "since the beginning." His co-instructor, Delwin Murray, has been here, according to Walker, "for five years."

Walker agreed that there seems to be a trend in vocational education and thinks it "is great."

As for demand for welders, the instructor said in this area, the oil industry employs many graduates.

"Wages vary, depending upon the job," he noted.

Interestingly enough, there is not a "typical" welding student. "Some of our students are really good academically, but come out here because they enjoy working with their hands. On the other hand, we have some who are not-so-good, academically, but will probably be very successful welders!"

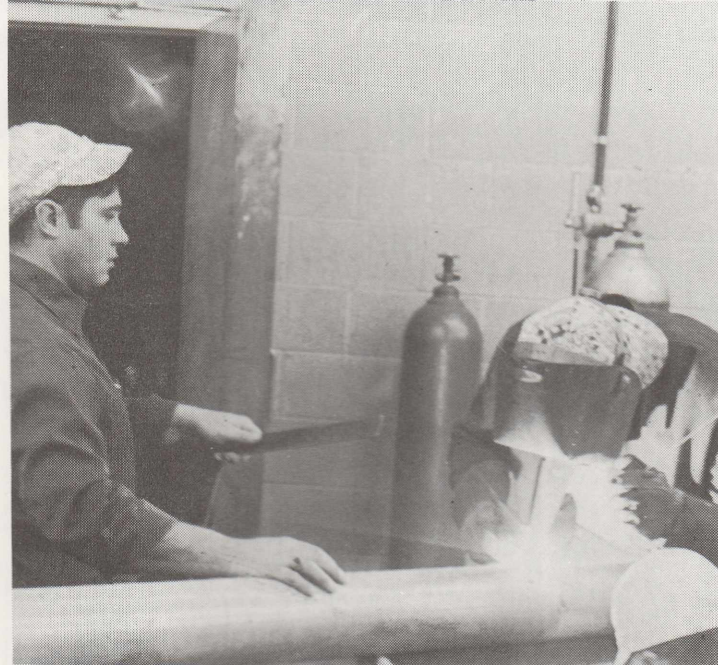
Members of the so-called "weaker sex", women, have taken welding, too. Walker stated, "We've had three women take our program. One of them was an art student, advancing her hobby. Another one still welds some in Colorado City."

Goals of the program are, as Walker said, "to help students become self-sufficient, and we are trying to help them become gainfully employed."

As for one of the biggest advantages of welding, Walker cited instructional freedom. "No one tells us how or what to teach."

The success of the program can be verified by the number of graduates employed. Walker noted, "We have a few that don't, but most of our graduates get jobs."

Sounds nice, doesn't it?



SPARKS FLY! — One student at work in the welding shop (above) while instructor Charles Walker observes another during lab (below). (photos by Debbie Sutton)

PTK Attends Confab

Eleven members of WTC's Phi Theta Kappa chapter participated in the state PTK convention in San Antonio last weekend.

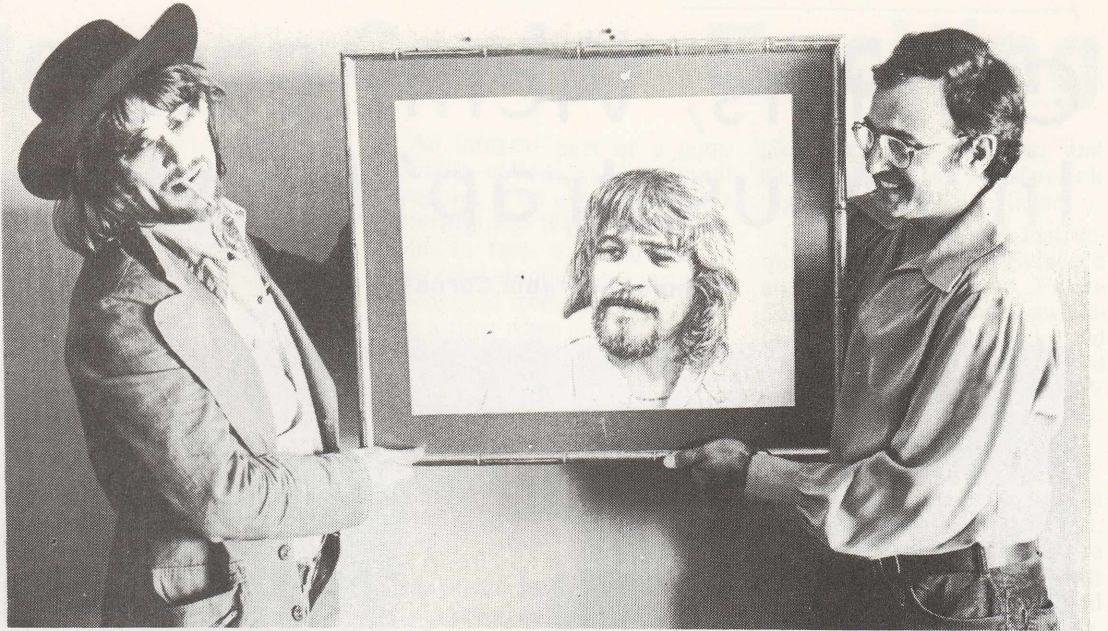
Students planned to hear the San Antonio Symphony and attend several concerts and recitals in keeping with the year-long emphasis on music in all Phi Theta Kappa programs this year.

Tours of the Alamo, missions,

and the Institute of Texan Cultures were also slated.

Members attending were Deneese Pemberton, president; Kenneth Gusta, vice-president; Amy Bollinger, treasurer; John Day, Carlton Lee, Lisa McBroom, Patricia Osborne, Rachel Phillips, Mike Ross, Terry Scarbrough and William Sullenger.

Dr. Mary Hood and Dr. Ed Barkowsky, faculty sponsors, accompanied the students.



SUPER ARTIST! — Waylon Jennings (left) and artist Paul Milosevich hold a drawing of the recording artist. Milosevich's works are on display in the fine arts gallery.

Milosevich Paints Collector Items

What do Willie Nelson, Waylon Jennings and Tom T., Hall have in common? They all agree that Paul Milosevich of Lubbock is a fantastic artist — and his exhibit of portraits of recording artists and other subjects will remain in the WTC fine arts gallery through March.

Milosevich has done a series of limited edition prints from designs he made last year of the three entertainers. The prints will be personally signed by both Milosevich and the individual entertainers, making them collector's items.

Born in Trinidad, Colo. of Yugoslavian parents, Milosevich worked his way through high school and college doing a variety of jobs in the mid-west and western states, including caddy and driving range shagger, prison camp clerk, fertilizer sacker, gas pump jockey,

janitor, wheat-harvest hand (Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas and Nebraska), and truck driver.

The artist was once described by Hall as a "self-proclaimed artist-in-residence of country pickers." Indeed, Milosevich gave up a comfortable position as art professor at Texas Tech University to pursue his first love: drawing and painting the things that interest him. One of those interests is country music performers.

Jennings has said, "Paul, you have turned me on to art. Through you, I have learned more about my music."

Also, Nelson says, "Paul, thank you for sharing your talent!"

Hall describes, "Paul draws songs, which is why we're pals." The artist has illustrated two record albums for the singer and a series of original

paintings for Hall's home near Nashville. Hall has even included Milosevich in one of his songs, "I'd Like To Be Crazy."

He received the M.A. degree in painting from California State University in Long Beach. His work has received regional and national awards. His murals, portraits and landscapes are in public and private collections in the U.S. and Europe. Milosevich's commercial free-lance clients include Mercury Records and Phonogram, Incorporated.

Milosevich divides his time between his studio home in Lubbock and the family farm in Colorado, with periodic visits to his parents' native land, Yugoslavia.

He became involved with "country music art" after he gave some of his drawings to a few recording artists to show them his appreciation for their music. A "mutual admiration society" developed between him and such entertainers as Billy Joe Shaver, Kris Kristofferson, Rita Coolidge, Johnny Rodriguez, Marijohn Wilkin, Jessi Colter and others.

WT 'Green Day' Held

You may not have realized it, but Feb. 24 was 'Green Day' on campus!

What is Green Day? It's a special day honoring the basketball players preparing for regional competition and is always held prior to the last home game before play offs.

To boost spirit, everyone was supposed to wear green or wear green "roll on" pins.

A sock hop was held in the Student Center, with Larry Barber

and his Music Express providing music. Those who wore green received free sundaes or banana splits.

Oh, woe those determined dieters!!

(FUNDING, cont. from page 1)

State Board of Education. Also, requested are continued efforts to insure full formula funding for out-of district (off-campus) courses.

some good news" was reported by Dr. Clinton. The "bad news" originated from House Committee on Appropriations Chairman Bill Presnal, who recommended a cutback of \$23.5 million in fundings for off-campus community college courses. Dr. Clinton has been in Austin and returned with an optimistic outlook for continuation of extension centers, after a rider on them was opposed by junior college officials.

"Good news" for junior college employees was discussed in the campus meeting. Legislative and Executive Committees have expressed approval of and support for legislation assuring all community/junior college employees of benefits of an insurance program without adversely affecting programs already available. House approval is expected on this bill.

Total enrollments in community/junior colleges grew from 62,289 in 1966 to 278,931 in 1975, an increase of 348 percent. Forty-one percent of students in public education are served by community/junior colleges like WTC. Rapid enrollment growth and shifts in student population distributions toward junior colleges illustrate the need for contact hour formula rates, based on prior year enrollments, with an annual inflation factor of 7.6 percent to meet funding appropriations.

In the weeks immediately ahead, bills affecting two-year institutions will be studied by legislative committees.

ATTENTION GRADUATES!

A reminder: graduation is approaching. Commencement exercises will be held in the central courtyard Thursday, May 12. All graduates will receive 10 free announcements and may order more if desired from the college bookstore.

BREAK AWAY!

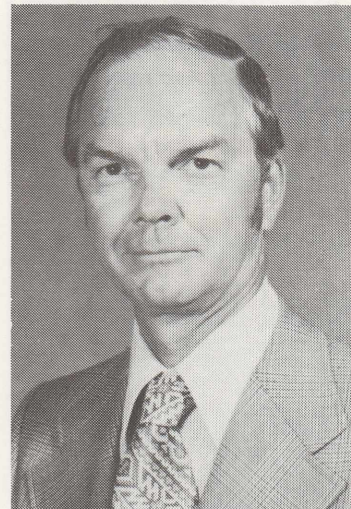
Spring break is scheduled from March 14-18. So get away and have a nice vacation!

Foosball, Wrestling

A doubles foosball tournament was held Monday in the WTC gameroom, according to Mickey Baird, Student Activities Director. Entry fee was one dollar, which paid for the games; the remainder going to the winners.

On March 24, an arm wrestling tournament will be held for all "muscle people." There will be three weight classes: 0-145, light; 146-179, medium; and 180-plus, heavy. The weigh-in is March 22, with competition starting at 10:30 a.m., March 24. Weigh-in will be in front of the Student Activities office, and the faculty will be judges.

Ike James and Terry Scarbrough are helping sponsor both events.



Dr. Clinton

According to Dr. Clinton, "We would like to see continued efforts to achieve full formula funding for all contact hours for 1976 and support H.B. 761 in efforts to permit allocation of certain federal funds to junior colleges by the Texas Education Agency."

The college, however, opposes H.B. 337-338 relating to single member trustee districts for all community colleges. Dr. Clinton said, "These may be good bills for large cities, but we believe they are not good for all colleges, especially those of our (WTC's) size."

During a February WTC faculty and administration meeting, "some bad news and

Culprits, Victims Star In 'Mousetrap' Mystery

photos by Paula Cornoyer



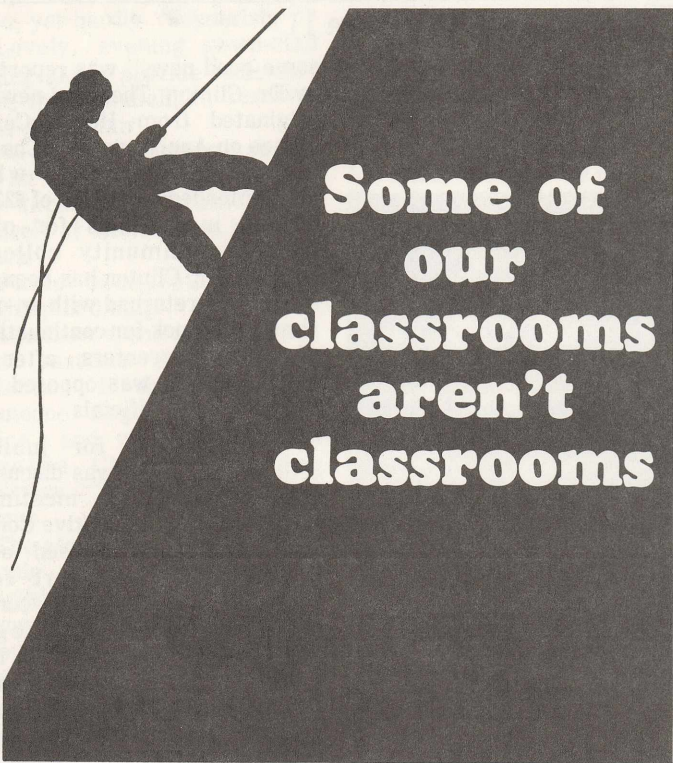
Sgt. Trotter attempts to kill Mollie



Christopher, Mollie, and Giles argue

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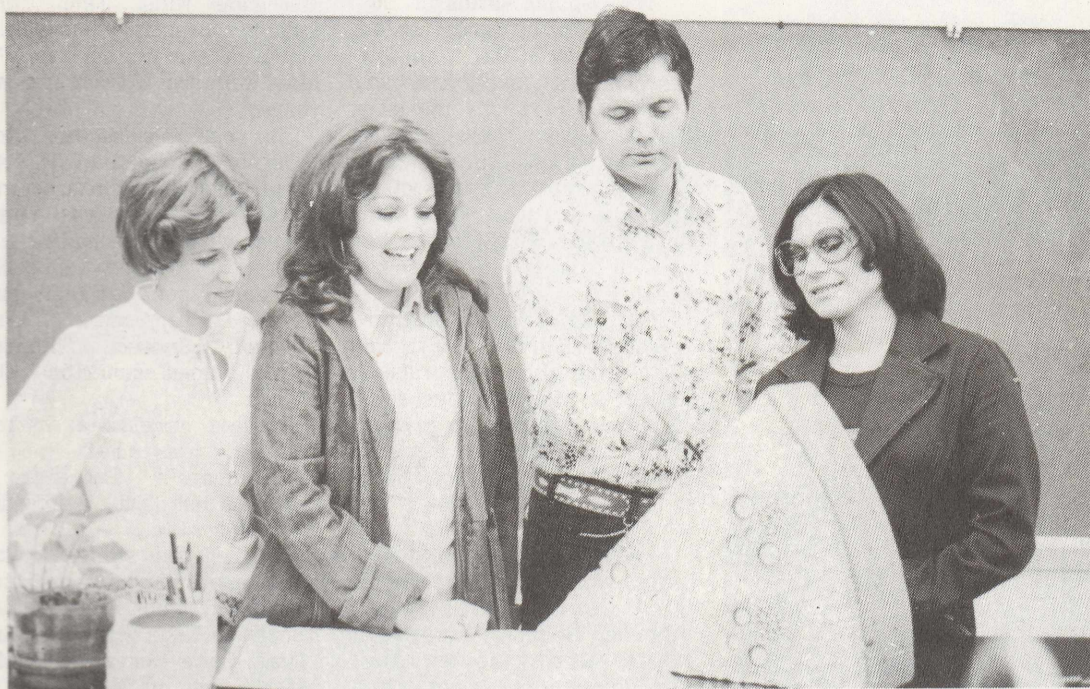
Mrs. Boyle was mysteriously murdered



Sgt. Trotter questions Miss Casewell, and Christopher and Mr. Zahisha listen.

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Sweetwater Extension Center Exciting



GREEN CHEESE? — Lab assistant Charles Haggard helps his wife, Dixie, with students in general botany at Sweetwater.



TOP FIGURE — Instructor Bill Halbert takes a break during his Monday night accounting class in Sweetwater.



LARGE CLASS — The psychology of adjustment class has 54 enrolled this term, the largest single course figure for any extension offering.



SMILE! — The 34 members of Dr. Reaves' sociology of marriage and the family class pose for the photographer.

An integral part of a community college's educational program is its extension center offering, and WTC is no exception. In fact, a major reason why total enrollment is virtually unchanged from last year, during a time when college and university headcount is generally down, is the Sweetwater academic and occupational-technical extension program.

A total of 152 students are enrolled in 14 classes, eight academic and six oc-tech, in nine subject areas this semester. This figure represents almost 20 percent of the number signed up right here on the main campus!

What's even more surprising is that, of all Sweetwater classes scheduled, not a single course was killed because of insufficient enrollment! Plus, Sweetwater High School's rooms are in use Monday through Thursday evenings.

Academic courses and instructors are Freehand Drawing (Art), Ned Moore; Special Problems in Painting (Art), Lois Shaw; General Botany (Biology), Dixie Haggard; Principles of Accounting (Business Administration), Bill Halbert; Composition II (English), Dr. Ed Barkowsky; Psychology of Adjustment (Psychology), Dr. Joe Reaves; Sociology of Marriage and the Family

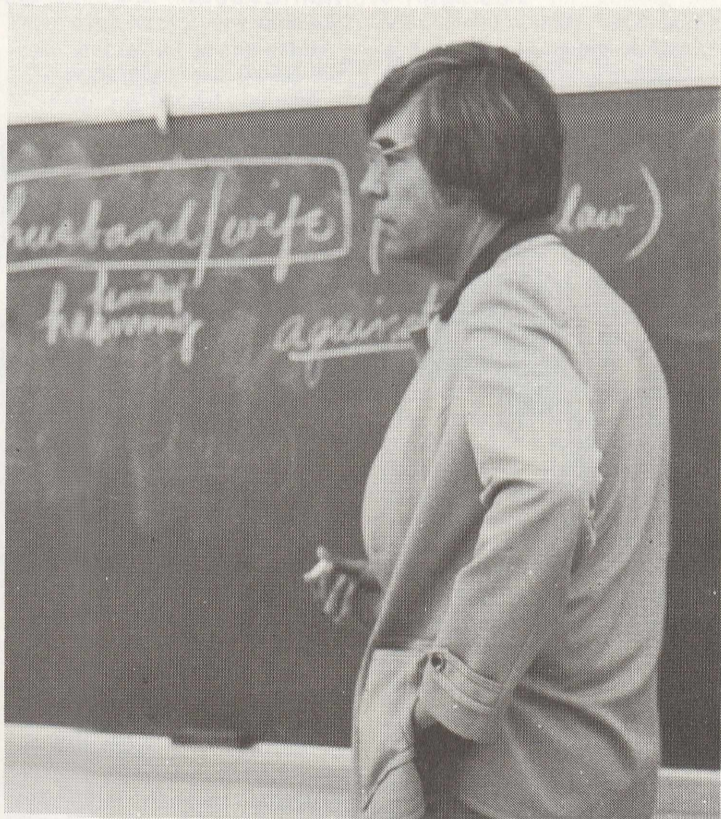
(Sociology), Dr. Reaves; and Fundamentals of Speech (Speech), Darrell Woolwine.

Oc-tech classes and instructors include Criminal Evidence and Procedures, and Police Community Relations (Law Enforcement), Ray Robbins; and Principles of Management and Internships I, II, III, and IV (Mid-Management), R. D. Lewis and Charles Henderson.

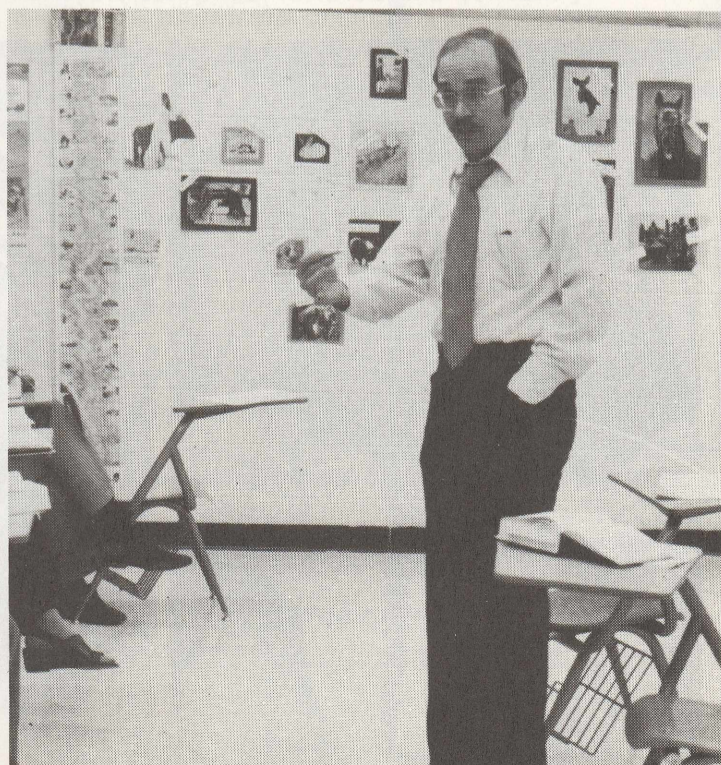
In addition to the "ordinary" learning experiences of lectures and audio-visual presentations, WTC students at the center are treated to outstanding guest speakers. Psychology and Sociology classes, for example, have heard 132nd District Judge Wayland Hold and Dr. Nelson Brice, who demonstrated hypnosis. Also scheduled are Col. Burer of Webb Air Force Base, Big Spring, who will relate his seven-year experience as a Vietnam POW, Dr. David Wiman, and John Short, high school counselor.

About 130 additional students are enrolled in academic and oc-tech courses at three other extension centers in Haskell, Rotan, and Colorado City. What's more, many of the students attend classes at more than one campus.

Hooray to Sweetwater and the WTC extension centers! Hang in there!!



QUESTION? — Law enforcement instructor Ray Robbins fields a question during his Thursday extension class in criminal evidence.



LISTEN TO ME! — Dr. Ed Barkowsky stresses a point during a Tuesday evening English session at Sweetwater High School.

Lovely Loretta Lynn: 'You're Lookin' At Country!'



"You Ain't Woman Enough" Loretta Sings At Melody Ranch



Mooney and Loretta: Complete Devotion to Each Other



The real country music star — warm, cheerful, friendly!

story and photos by
Debbie Sutton

"When You're Lookin' at Me, You're Lookin' at Country" describes the lovely lady who wrote and performs the song. Loretta Lynn is true country with her songs of life set in the Kentucky hills. She tells of the hardships and the joys of living in a place and time when nothing came easy in her ballads.

The "Coalminer's Daughter" herself brought her 'down home' performing style and grace to Abilene's Melody Ranch last Thursday. She was en route to Ft. Worth for a coliseum engagement with Conway Twitty, the other half of this year's top country music duo.

Born in a small town in Kentucky called Butcher Hollow (pronounced locally as "Butcher Holler"), Loretta, at age 14, married Mooney (short for Moonshine) Lynn, and before she was 18, was the mother of four children.

Loretta has always loved to sing, and says she got started by "singin' to my babies." Her husband encouraged her to sing professionally, and persisted until she tried.

The family moved to Washington and, while Mooney worked in logging camps and on construction crews, Loretta cared for the children and wrote songs. It was here, in 1961, when her fourth child started to school, that she released her first record, "I'm a Honky Tonk Girl," which quickly made the "Top Ten" charts.

Then another move, this time to Tennessee, and another record release, appropriately called "Success."

In Tennessee, things started happening for Loretta. In 1963-64, her music won her the "Most Promising" title. Now, she has received more honors than any other performer in The Country Music Association and The Academy of Country Music.

She has won every award presented, most more than once, and a year hasn't passed that she hasn't gained recognition of some sort. In fact, Loretta Lynn is the only woman in history to be named "Entertainer of the Year." She has a personal museum at Loretta

Lynn's Dude Ranch in Hurricane Mills, Tenn. filled with her awards. Besides, she has been one of the Top Ten Most Admired Women for two years.

This year, Loretta was voted "The No. 1 Choice for T.V.," accomplished when the three major television networks determined which personalities to contract for series, specials, and guest spots. In fact, just Friday she emceed the nationally-televised "Midnight Special" taped earlier by NBC-TV.

Another milestone in her career was her book, "Coalminer's Daughter," published last April, telling the story of her life.

Many of the songs Loretta writes are about her husband. "Fist City," "You Ain't Woman Enough to Take My Man," and "Don't Come Home a Drinkin' (With Lovin' on Your Mind)" are a few examples.

Seeing Mr. and Mrs. Lynn together, the first thing one notices is their complete devotion to each other. Although both have worked hard to make Loretta a success, it is apparent that their family comes first.

The Lynns have six children: Betty, Jack, Earnest Ray, Cissy, and the youngest, twins Patsy and Peggy. Earnest Ray has just made a recording for MCA (the same label his mother records on) but has done numerous voice tracks, too.

Loretta recently completed a new album which is a tribute to the late Patsy Cline, one of her closest friends. The album is titled "I Remember Patsy" and will be released in mid or late March.

What are they really like? Mooney is a gentle man, easy to like and easy to talk to. He is quick to smile and full of natural wit and sweet country charm.

Loretta has a small town casualness about her, making one forget to feel inferior. She has none of the aloofness expected in a person with success as great as hers. She virtually bubbles with laughter and cheer.

One of country music's greatest artists — a very warm and feeling person. She is Loretta Lynn.



Mooney — Easy to Like and Talk To



Her husband outside their four bus

BRINGS BACK MEMORIES

Lady Travels To Africa

by Stacy Payne

'Living with a pack of wild animals' is a statement sometimes used to describe the feeling we have for the many brothers and sisters who share our home. Not so with Snyderite Opal Williams who actually has a den full of animals most of us envision in the deepest, darkest parts of Africa, the icy mountains of Alaska and Canada, and almost any other place you can think of!

Imagine staring into the bulging eyes of a huge Canadian moose, the bared lips of a hyena, or peering up into the air to see a large brown eagle about to scoop you into its claws!

Even knowing that the taxidermist did an excellent job on the now very dead and stuffed animals, a feeling of uneasiness still fills the room.

Mrs. Williams isn't, in the least, afraid of them — in fact, she's quite proud. She and the late Mr. Von Roeder spent years on their hunting expeditions.

The hardest animal to catch and their most prized possession was the Dahl's white sheep.

"We called this our Alaskan hunt, when actually we were over the border a little bit into Canada. The Dahl's white sheep is a very proud trophy to have and extremely hard to catch. It's up in the steep mountains!"

Also on their hunting expedition in Alaska, they caught a moose, and a grizzly bear they made into a beautiful rug.

Probably the most exciting hunting happened on their African safari where their most prized possessions were caught. They met many of the natives,

learned of their culture and encountered some 'not-so-nice' experiences.

"One night, about two or three in the morning, 90 miles from Iringa (a city in Africa), our guide's wife ran to my tent door and screamed something about the big elephants coming. Apparently we had made our camp in their favorite eating place and they were upset about it!"

She continued, "I was so frightened! I thought they were coming to get us, but all they wanted was the fruits that fell from the tree that we laid our tents under because of the enormous shade. I was so frightened that I climbed up a gigantic baobab tree. I asked our guide's wife how high the elephants could reach, and she told me that their long trunks could extend farther than I could climb!"

"With those words, I discontinued the climb and thought, 'well if they're gonna die, I might as well die with them,' but we finally got rid of them — and as you can see I didn't perish in the jungle!"

Meeting the natives of the seemingly savage country was another of the Von Roeder's encounter.

"I felt sorry for them, because their way of life is the poorest I have ever seen. I don't see how they can bring their children up in that kind of way. They were very, very nice and really helped us on the safari."

"I remember one guide that we had. He bought a piece of material and made it into a skirt — it literally hung on him! He wore that piece of material until

it was completely worn out! Finally, one day he went and bought him another piece of material. He probably wore that until it was practically nothing also!"

The animals caught on the safari are numerous and varied. "The most dangerous animal that we got was the cape buffalo. He is a very mean animal and very big. The most beautiful one we caught was the Grant's gazelle."

Other animals they have as trophies in their den are the wart hog, foghorn steer, antelopes, eland, hyena, lizards and zebras.

Ivory elephant tusks, ebony carvings, bracelets from the hair of an elephant's tail and tapestries are other things adorning the den.

Ms. Williams explained that the late Mr. Von Roeder had loved hunting all his life.

"From childhood on, he used to take his target with him when he went to school and when he was out in the country. He'd walk part way and ride his horse the other times. He always took his target and a sling-shot — something to hunt with. It was really born into him!"

She also met missionaries overseas. It was two days before they returned to the United States.

"We had finished the arrangements for getting Mr. Von Roder's body back home, and we had a couple of days — so I asked the hotel manager if he knew of any missionaries in the vicinity. He said yes. I was so excited and so were they when they knew that there were some more English-speaking people around!"

She continued, "I even went to church with them the next day. They had been there for about a year and we had a very nice visit."

So the journey was home and Ms. Williams (then Ms. Von Roeder) took with her many fond, yet exciting and dangerous, memories.

If you ever get the chance, stop by and see her. She's got the nearest thing to deepest, darkest Africa in her own den!



HANGIN' AROUND — Mrs. Opal Williams shows off some of the animals that "hang around" her house. (photo by Linda Grissom)

Vandals Eat Machine

by Kay Ellington

FLASH!!! CULPRITS VANDALIZE MONSTROUS WTC COMPUTER IN ENORMOUS, DAMAGING ACT!!!

Yes, folks, one of WTC's computers valued at \$300,000 is ruined. The "crime" occurred in late February in the oc-tech division.

It all started when Paul Cormier, secretarial science instructor, started to use the machine, which handles the bulk of paperwork on campus. The computer was donated to the college by an Abilene bank.

Nothing happened. No lights blinking. No whirring. Nothing!

So, the college contacted an expert to service the machine.

He started at the 'GO' button and worked through every facet of the apparatus. He spent two days checking circuit cards and the like.

Finally, totally confounded by the malfunction, the repairman peered down and saw frayed insulation on some wiring.

Well, he decided to "experiment," plug the computer in and turn it on. IMMEDIATELY, the computer burned up!

Who were the vandals that chewed on the wiring and ruined a machine worth nearly half-a-million?

Rats!

Westerners Whip OC In Finale

Coach Mike Mitchell's conference titlist Westerners ended the regular season here Feb. 24 with a 76-72 victory over a surprisingly strong Odessa College squad.

The Westerners were behind most of the game. They trailed 39-35 at half and had been down by as many as nine points.

With about eight minutes left, WTC took a slim 47-45 lead and never trailed again.

The "Green Machine" opened with a 1-3-1 zone, then got behind as Odessa began stalling. The Westerners changed to a man-to-man press, and after they closed the gap went back into a 1-3-1 zone. Odessa used both man-to-man and zone defenses.

The locals actually won the game at the line, putting in 18 of 26 compared to only 2 of 6 for Odessa. The Wranglers, though, lead 35-29 in field goals.

"Rebounding was the big factor in the victory," declared Coach Mitchell. "We got a lot of follow-up shots and tip-ins."

WTC ended the season with a 28-3 overall record and a 15-3 conference mark. Odessa ended with a 19-12 slate for the season and an 8-10 league record.

Lawrence Butler roped 22 points for WTC, Darryl Smith pitched in 21, and Alan Corder gained 14.

Also, Walter Benjamin contributed 11, and Larry Orton scored eight. For Odessa, Durell Jackson and Tony Forch each collected 16.

Typists Get New Materials

Learning materials in the typing center have recently been repackaged in boxes provided by Media Systems Co., a firm which produced them.

This individualized system for learning typing consists of a textbook correlated with slide-

tape presentations viewed by students at special carrels.

The center is open from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. weekdays and from 6:30-9:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. A qualified instructor is available during these hours.

ATTENTION!

Up With People will appear at the Scurry County Coliseum Tuesday, March 15 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$2.50 and \$3.50, available at the Chamber of Commerce, West Texas State Bank and Snyder National Bank.

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Gusta Wins Honor Scholarship

Kenneth Gusta, vice-president of WTC's Psi Zeta Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, was awarded the Jessica Carter Harrelson Memorial Scholarship at the annual state PTK convention in San Antonio last weekend.

The scholarship is made annually to one Phi Theta Kappa member in Texas who shows unusual dedication to the ideals represented by the honor fraternity.

It is for tuition, housing, and meals at the annual National Honors Institute, an intensive 10-day study of a topic designated by the national office of Phi Theta Kappa. Topic for 1977 is "Music: The Listener's Art," and the institute will be held in June at Cumberland College, near Nashville, Tenn.

According to Dr. Ed Barkowsky and Dr. Mary Hood, chapter sponsors, Gusta was nominated for a Distinguished Service Award; however, he was chosen to receive the scholarship, a more prestigious award.

"It is as though he were chosen as the best of all Texas Phi Theta Kappans," Dr. Barkowsky noted. "It's quite an honor to know that, of the more than 2500 members in 53 Texas chapters, a member of Psi Zeta chapter was chosen."

Standards for selecting a winner of the award are based chiefly on scholarship, dedication, and service shown by the nominee in his local chapter activities. Gusta was cited by fellow members for his untiring efforts in supporting various PTK projects and for his work as chapter vice-president.



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WTC VS. RANGER

Green Opens Regional Action Tonight

by Kay Ellington

The Westerners open regional tournament play tonight at nine o'clock against the Ranger Junior College Rangers in Abilene at McMurry College's Hunt P.E. Center.

WTC has not played the Rangers this year, but Coach Mike Mitchell was a spectator at their qualifying game and described their style of play.

"They're strong on the front line and play very good defense. Offensively, they're inside-oriented and very strong at the center and forward positions."

As for WTC, Mitchell explained, "We're going to take one game at a time. Right now, we're concerned with Ranger."

Unless you're a newcomer or a hermit, you know that WTC won the national championship in 1975. The coach compared

that team, which he also led, to the current edition of the Westerners.

"They were bigger and more physical then, but they did not shoot as well as this team."

He continued, "Our starting line this year is 6-8, 6-8, 6-5. The line that year was 6-8, 6-7 and 6-6, but they were just more physical."

This season has been unpredictable for the Snyder collegians. They took their first eight games, including the reputable Hutchinson, Ks. tournament, but suddenly dropped their initial two conference contests while ranked number two in the nation.

"The losses were good in a way, I guess," said Mitchell, "because it snapped the team back to reality. After winning at

Hutchinson, we had reached a point of self-content."

He further explained the losses. "Really, though, I guess they happened because, whenever you play 31 games, you're not going to win them all. If you just lose two or three, you're doing good. It just so happened that the two we lost were back-to-back."

Western Texas has had the unique ability to win the close games, but Mitchell saw this as insignificant because as he pointed out, "The ones we lost have also been close ones, too."

The starting crew tonight includes Lawrence Butler, who is leading the Westerners with 700 season points. The 6-3 guard from Glasgow, Mo. is averaging 25.8 points a game. Other starters are Darryl Smith with 469 points for a 16.7 average and

the leading rebounder with 252. Also starting are Larry Orton, Butch Person and Alan Corder.

Ranger wound up 7-7 in conference play and 14-11 for the year.

The "hometown team," however, finished with a 13-2

loop slate and a 28-2 season mark.

The regional tourney extends tonight, tomorrow night and Saturday night. The championship will be determined Saturday, with the winner advancing to the national finals in Hutchinson, Ks.



WATCH THIS! — NMMI's Mark Zeller (44) seems to be showing off his acrobatics in a Feb. 17 clash with WTC. His "tricks" didn't work, though, because the Westerners won, 50-49 in overtime. (photo by Linda Grissom)

NMMI Nudges WTC In Overtime

New Mexico Military Institute slipped past Western Texas' Westerners, 50-49, here Feb. 17 in a Western Junior College Athletic Conference overtime contest.

The score was tied 44-44 at the end of regulation play, and the Military outscored WTC 6-5 in overtime. NMMI got off the last shot in regulation and missed, sending it into an extra inning.

WT's Alan Corder hit a bucket to give WTC a narrow 46-44 lead, then Darryl Smith hit the front end of a 1 and 1 for a 47-44 advantage, but New Mexico's Reg Franklin hit two baskets to give the visitors a 48-47 margin with 30 seconds remaining.

Lawrence Butler hit a 22-footer for WTC for a 49-48 lead. Corder fouled Franklin with two seconds showing, and WTC called time out.

Franklin hit both free throws for the victory. Butler got off the last shot of the game for the locals, but the ball went in the basket and bounced out as NMMI held onto their lead.

The Military led throughout the first half. They began a stalling game. WTC pressured, trying to get the ball, and NMMI was able to get some easy layups. They led by nine points at one time in the first half, but WTC closed to within three at 28-25 at halftime.

The lead changed hands several times in the second period. NMMI executed its game plan well, but the Westerners missed some crucial free throws in overtime.

Also Feb. 17, Frank Phillips beat Howard College to give the Westerners undisputed claim to the Western Junior College Athletic Conference title.

Smith led WTC with 19 points and Corder contributed 10. Butler, who has been averaging 26 points a contest, saw action only in the second half due to a knee injury. He tallied 4.

Also, Larry Orton garnered 9, Doug Worthington 4, and Butch Person 3 for WT.

Franklin won scoring honors for NMMI with 22 points. Marty Zeller and Harvey Daniels each collected 10.

Several basketball coaches from other schools attended the game, including Sonny Allen of Southern Methodist, Gerald Myers and George Davidson of Texas Tech, Steve Moehler, assistant at the University of Texas, Steve Sparks of Weber State, Utah; Mike Pollio, Old Dominion University, Norfolk, Va.; Morris McHone, assistant at Florida State; and Robert Trammell, assistant from the University of South Alabama.

Butler Paces WT Over Howard

WTC's Lawrence Butler canned 42 points in pacing the Westerners to an 86-77 triumph over Howard College Feb. 21 in Big Spring. It was WTC's 14th win in 17 league outings.

The host Hawks began to stall after gaining a 6-4 lead early in the game. WTC trailed by as much as 9, but two steals combined with some poor Howard shooting enabled WTC to take a 35-30 lead at halftime.

Butler collected 22 of his 42 in the first stanza. He scored 18 of the first 20 WTC points.

The lead changed hands

several times in the second frame. WTC was behind, 63-62, with five minutes left, but they made seven straight free throws, aided by two technicals called against Howard, to go up, 69-63. The Westerners made 21 of their last 27 points at the line.

WTC used 1-3-1 and 2-1-2 zones, and a man-to-man defense. Howard tried a 1-3-1 zone and a full court man-to-man press.

The locals' record was 27-3 for the season and 14-3 in conference play, making Howard 19-11 and 10-7, respectively. Darryl Smith also hit in dou-

ble figures for the Westerners, getting 21 points. Mike Little tallied 23 for Howard.

Also contributing for the "Mean Green" were Alan Corder 9, Benjamin 7, Robert Brown 3, Larry Orton 2, and Doug Worthington 2.

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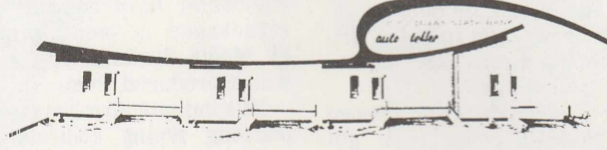
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Fems 'Steal' First Tourney Tilt

by Kay Ellington

One down, two to go!
The Dusters stole a 62-56 victory from Clarendon Junior College Monday night in the Women's Region V Junior College Athletic Association basketball tournament in Abilene.

For awhile, though, it looked like WTC might drop one in this single elimination tourney.

Clarendon jumped out to an 8-0 lead, and six minutes passed on the clock before Temi Baker finally broke open the boards with an outside jumper to make it 8-2.

For the next four or five minutes, each squad exchanged baskets amid a flurry of fouls. Before the tussle ended, both the Clarendon ladies and WTC fems had several starters foul out.

8:30 proved to be a magic time for the Western women because that's when they finally started clamping down on their opponents' scoring. Debbie McIvor came on especially strong on defense.

Cindy Luttrull, Pam Tatum and Baker, meanwhile, managed to hold some offense together.

WTC finally got the upper end of this see-saw slugfest with 3:30 left in the half. Luttrull dropped a layup in to make it 19-18.

For most of the first half, the narrow lead exchanged between each unit. But, 41 seconds away from the buzzer, Baker sunk two to give the Dusters a 26-22 margin, a lead they took with them to the lockers.

Clarendon's downfall in the second half was fouls. Three of their starters fouled out in the last period, so the Dusters were able to grab a better hold on the boards.

The lead, however, did continue to change hands. It was tied up four times; Clarendon led four times while WTC led the rest of the time — including when it counts... at the end.

Luttrull and Janice Verden fouled out for WTC in the second half, but not before they each made their mark. Luttrull kept WTC untracked offensively, as

the leading scorer with 13, while Verden made some strong defensive plays.

With about four minutes left in the game, Baker, who also had a very strong offensive game for WTC, put the Dusters ahead to stay, 54-49.

The rest of the game was simply "control play," and each side picked up a few more baskets.

When the buzzer rang, though, WTC had locked up a 62-56 triumph and won the right to advance in the regional tourney.

The key to the victory was, according to Coach Sid Simpson, "Good defense. We had poise." Concerning the remainder of the tourney, though, he added, "We've got to improve our shooting to win the tournament."

The Dusters were to play South Plains College Tuesday night. Assuming that they won Tuesday, WTC would have tangled with either Howard College or McLennan College for the championship Wednesday night and the chance to advance to nationals.



LUCKY 13 — Duster Debbie McIvor (13) attempts a shot for two against Clarendon in the first round of the Region 5 Tournament, while teammate Pam Tatum (44) plays defense. (photo by Paula Cornoyer)

Weatherford Defeats Dusters

Weatherford Junior College defeated the Western Texas Dusters, 66-50, in a non-conference basketball tilt in Weatherford Feb. 17.

The Dusters led 4-2, but Weatherford jumped ahead, 22-8, and coasted the rest of the way. The Dusters were never able to catch up.

Halftime score was 33-19, and the hosts took a slim 33-31 second period edge.

Cathy Hooper and Lesa Wardlaw sparked the Coyette attack with 16 and 17 points,

respectively. Patti Dunlap contributed 12.

For the Dusters, Pam Tatum roped 13 points, and Temi Baker put in 10. They were the only two girls in double figures.

Janice Verden tried to play on a sore ankle, but was able to score only 4 points. Also scoring were Cindy Luttrull 8, Debbie McIvor 7, Annie Tillman 6, and Rosemary Scott 2.

The Dusters were 15-9 for the season. They lead the Western Junior College Athletic Conference by a full game with a 5-1 record.

Ladies Edge Howard In Overtime

Western Texas' Dusters clinched a tie for the Western Junior College Athletic Conference basketball crown by nipping Howard College, 78-77, in overtime in Big Spring Feb. 21.

With the Dusters trailing 77-76 with eight seconds remaining, Cindy Luttrull intercepted a pass and threw the ball halfway down the court to Temi Baker, who drove in for a layup with four seconds left for the winning points.

Luttrull hit 5 of 6 long-range shots from 25 feet in overtime, and she finished the night with 15 points.

Rosemary Scott played her best game of the season, hitting 10 of 15 from the floor and three free throws for 23 points. Pam Tatum, who fouled out early,

had 18 points, and Baker contributed 11.

It was a physical game from start to finish. Howard took a 26-16 lead in the first half, but quick baskets by Tatum and Scott narrowed the margin. Howard was ahead, 31-25, at halftime.

Sid Simpson, Duster coach, was ejected from the game 2 minutes into the second frame. He said it was the first time in 26 years of coaching that he has been thrown out of a contest.

The Dusters employed a full court press four points down with four minutes left. They benefitted by some quick turnovers and gained the lead 65-63, but Linda Batla of Howard hit a 25-footer to send the game into overtime.

Hawkette Tammy Edwards was the game's leading scorer with 38 points. Batla contributed 14.

The Dusters were 16-9 for the season and 6-1 in conference play, while Howard was 18-9 and 3-4, respectively.



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Golfers Lead Conference Race

Coach Bob O'Day's WTC golf team won the 6th Western Conference tournament at the Snyder Country Club Saturday with a 309 and took over the lead in the loop race by 2½ points with three tournaments remaining.

Midland College was runnerup with 311. Scores of other teams include Odessa College 314, Howard 319, New Mexico JC 328, Clarendon 334, Amarillo 336, and Frank Phillips 337. New Mexico Military withdrew after nine holes, saying the weather was too bad for play.

The tournament was postponed two hours because of snow. The temperature was 37 degrees with winds from the northeast at 30 miles per hour, causing a low chill factor.

Point standings through six conference tournaments are: Western Texas 47½, New Mexico 45, Odessa 39, Midland 35½, Howard 32, Amarillo 28, Clarendon 17½, NMMI 13½ and Frank Phillips 10.

Individual WTC scores were freshman Ronald Koerth 75, sophomore Donnie Loerwald 77, freshman Tommy Taylor 78, freshman Miller Scott 79, and freshman Chris Brown 81.

Odessa's Guy Strandemo was medalist with a 74, and WTC's Koerth was runnerup medalist with a 75.

WTC trailed NMJC by 1½ points going into the tournament but, since the Westerners placed first and New Mexico fifth, the locals moved into the front position.

Scores were high in the tourney because of poor weather conditions. Only 13 of 45 players broke 80, and no golfer shot even par.

Loerwald moved from fourth place in the conference to second with a total of 442 strokes or a 73.7 average, trailing conference leader Gary Varnadore from Odessa College by one shot.

Brown remains in sixth place with 448 strokes or a 74.6 average, and Scott is 10th with a 75.6 mean.

Coach O'Day said he was pleased with the second place finish at Big Spring and first place finish at Snyder.

"We trailed New Mexico Junior College going into the spring conference schedule, and now lead them. We played well considering poor weather at both places." He said WTC came back on the back nine at Snyder. "We made the turn at 25 over par and probably were in 6th or 7th place. On the back nine, we shot four over par to win by two strokes."

Scott and Loerwald shot even par in the final nine holes with Taylor and Koerth shooting two over par.

Odessa College had won the 5th Western Conference tournament at the Big Spring Country Club Friday with a 300, one point better than Western Texas' 301.

Third place went to New Mexico JC with a 302. Midland and Clarendon tied for fourth with 307, Howard was sixth with 310, Frank Phillips seventh with 315,

and Amarillo and NMMI tied for eighth with 316.

Individual WTC results Friday were Loerwald 70, Brown 71, Taylor 79, Koerth 80 and Scott 83.

OC's medalist Varnadore fired a 67. Loerwald was runnerup medalist with a 70, and Brown placed third in individual honors with a 71.

Remainder of the spring schedule includes three intercollegiate tournaments, two conference tournaments and the regional tournament.

In conference play, each school enters five players and the four low medal scores count toward the team scores.

Matches left are:

March 10-11-12, Intercollegiate Tourney, Las Cruces, N.M.; March 26-27, Schreiner JC Dual, Snyder; March 31-April 1, Conference Tourney, Amarillo; April 8-9-10, Southern Intercollegiate, Alexander City, Ala.; April 22, Conference Tourney, Hobbs, N.M.; April 29-30, Regional Tournament, Denison; June 6-10, NJCAA National Tourney, Ft. Meyers, Fla.



WINNERS! — Showing off a Western Conference tournament trophy are several members of the WTC golf team. Shown are (front row) Chris Brown, Donnie Loerwald and Tommy Taylor. Standing are Brown McCrory, Coach Bob O'Day and Ronald Koerth. (photo by Linda Grissom)

Women Rack-Up Season With Odessa Win

Coach Sid Simpson's Dusters sewed up the Western Junior College Athletic Conference crown here Feb. 24 with a 78-69 win over Odessa College. It was the third straight outright conference championship for the Dusters in their three years as an organization.

WTC ended regulation play with a 17-9 season record and 7-1 conference mark. Second place went to South Plains with a 6-2 conference slate, Clarendon was third at 4-4, Howard fourth at 3-5, and Odessa fifth with 0-8.

"We won the game, but we'll have to play much better to win anything else," declared Coach Simpson.

The Dusters led all the way. They had a 6 to 7 point lead throughout the first half except just before intermission when Odessa made a run, narrowing the gap to three at 35-32. The Dusters led by as many as 15 points in the second half.

"Our offense was pretty good, but we were sluggish on defense," Simpson said.

Cindy Luttrull was the leading

Duster scorer with 19 points. Temi Baker was just one point behind with 18. Pam Tatum roped 15, and Rosemary Scott put in 12.

For Odessa, Doxie Dutton pitched in 20 points, and Irene Garcia netted 14.

The unseeded Dusters met Clarendon Monday in the Hunt P.E. Center on the McMurry campus in the first round of the regional tournament. South Plains was top seeded and drew a first-round bye.

Long Necks Hold First In Basketball

Intramural basketball started but is almost over, with mediocre participation, according to Coach Lee Burke. Mel Reed, intramural student assistant, stated that, due to night courses and conflicting schedules, several of the teams have had to forfeit.

Holding first place is the Long Necks, followed by the James Gang in second. Tied for third are the Coors Kids and Fan-

tom's Five. Other teams participating are Diamond M and BSU.

Anyone interested can join a team if they let Reed or Burke know 24 hours before a game. Reed said one girl is playing, Terri Scott, on the James Gang.

Other intramural activities include racketball and tennis. Volleyball is planned for both men and women.

WT Linksters Under Par NMJC

WTC's golf team defeated New Mexico Junior College in a dual match at the Snyder Country Club Feb. 17 by seven strokes. The Westerners fired an 8 over par 428 compared to 435 by the visitors.

Each school played seven members and counted the six low scores in medal play.

Individual WTC scores were: sophomore Donnie Loerwald 69,

freshman Ronald Koerth 70, sophomore Brown McCrory 72, freshman Tommy Taylor 72, sophomore Dave Foster 72, freshman Chris Brown 73, and freshman Terry Kendrick 73.

Loerwald and NMJC golfer Montie Watson tied for medalist honors with 69, one under par.

Coach Bob O'Day stated that he was pleased with the consistent play of the Westerners in

the dual match.

"We were only 11 over par for seven players. NMJC played well, but we played better," he said. New Mexico lead the conference, standing 2½ points ahead of WTC. They have beaten Texas Tech University twice this spring.

"We will have to play consistent golf this semester like we did against them if we are going to catch them in the conference race," O'Day said.

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