

Board approves new maintenance facility

Estimated cost \$30,000

by Jana Harris

Final approval was given to seek bids for a new 30x60-foot maintenance building at the March meeting of the college board of trustees.

The new structure, which will cost an estimated \$30,000, was prompted by recent expansion of the cosmetology classroom space. The metal building will be located south of the maintenance area on the east end of the campus.

While housing the repair workshop, the construction also will be used as a freight center for arriving shipments.

In addition, the board authorized a building appraisal plan to update estimates for insurance coverage of campus facilities. The service will be contracted with a value appraisal firm, regionally headquartered in Big Spring. The firm will give a complete breakdown on each campus building for approximately \$9,000, with annual updates at 15 per cent of the initial cost.

In other campus business, Roy Baze was officially sworn in as a trustee to fill

the term of former member Wacil McNair.

The bid of \$4,860 submitted by Jim Walters of Lubbock was accepted to purchase copy paper for campus machines.

A low bid of \$4,250 was accepted to purchase a word processor from Agriplex of Lubbock. Because of the variance on submitted bids, the equipment will be fully inspected before further action is taken.

Though the bid of \$1,345 from Kelly Moore Paints of Abilene for paint and supplies was not the lowest bid, it was approved because of its superior quality. The purchases will be used for summer improvements in the dormitories.

The board will ask for a re-bid on 12 stack washer and dryer combinations since only two bids were submitted with only one complying with the specifications. The appliances will be located in the student apartment complex.

The board approved beginning construction of a fence around one apartment. Plans for fencing around others in the complex will be made later.

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Two chapter officers honored

PTK sponsor, scrapbook recognized at state confab

by Julie Crow

Dr. Mary Hood, Phi Theta Kappa co-advisor, received the state advisor award, and the organization's scrapbook took top honors at the Texas convention in Galveston March 3-6.

Attending were Dr. Mary Hood, Oziel Gonzalez, vice-president, and Margaret Langis, co-historian.

Chris Sturdevant, president of the Psi Zeta chapter, received honorable mention for outstanding chapter president, while Gonzalez got honorable mention for the Distinguished Service Award as outstanding member in the state.

"There are 63 chapters in Texas that were possible nominees for the awards received," Dr. Hood said.

She has sponsored the

chapter since 1973 and has served as chairman of the sponsors advisory committee. She was placed in the National Sponsors' Hall in 1981.

The scrapbook is the main duty of the co-historians, Langis and Cheryl Wright. Its cover was painted by Debora Schubert. Several members helped with it. "The scrapbook is wonderful, but there is still more to add before it's entered into competition at the national convention in Kansas," Dr. Hood said.

Psi Zeta also won a \$250 scholarship for one member to attend the Honors Institute at Greenvale, N.Y. June 5-11.

Dr. Jack Stone, president of Galveston College, welcomed all members. The

main speech was given by Dr. Beau Bobbitt, human resource manager for Brown and Root Computer Services. His topic was "The Achievement of Success for High Achievers."

Psi Zeta chaired the nominations committee, which verifies candidates for state office by ensuring they have good credentials. They also elected state officers.

Dr. Hood said, "The two most impressive seminars were the tour of the University of Texas' Medical Branch and the tour of the Texas Clipper, a Texas A&M ship, that's located at one of A&M's campuses, Pelican Island."

PTK is the only nationally-recognized honor society for junior-community college students.

Students charged in recent golf course vandalism case

Two WTC students have been charged with criminal mischief in connection with vandalism on the college golf course March 3.

Clifford Odell Westerman, 20, of Ralls and Jon Kendall Strickland, 18, of Haskell are accused of entering the golf course and causing extensive damage to tee dispensers, course signs and greens turf. Damages totaled \$2,000.

They were arrested on

campus by city police March 18. Snyder police filed charges against them with Dist. Attorney Pete Greene March 21.

Bill Mitchell, course supervisor, called the police about 10:30 a.m. March 3 to report the criminal mischief complaint. He said some missing items were recovered from the edge of the course lake but most had not been found.

Vocational nurses graduate

Graduates of the vocational nursing program who received their certificates in a February 25 ceremony are Linnie Pitchford, Lavelle Eicke, Cindy Merritt and Cipi Sosa.

"When you receive a certificate, it means you have completed 12 months of school, 648 clock hours in the classroom and 1,000 clock hours working in the hospital. You're now eligible to take the final exam in Austin to receive your license," said Winnie Poyner, RN, instructor.

Students receiving caps were Sharon Boyd, Doreen Gregg, Rosa Martinez, Lana Insell, Lisa Smith, Leslie Fletcher, Irene Fuentes, Bobbie McKinney, Julie Hall, Monica Sanchez, Rhonda Weems, Pat Walker and Belinda Highfield.

"The students who have received caps have finished the first six months and will spend the next six in preclinical. They will work in the hospital, doctors' clinic and nursing home," she said.

Diane Beard, RN, also instructs in the program.



PIE IN THE EYE—Freshman Ronnie Hoff, half of the winning EMT entry, is suprised by Tonia Sanders after the Senate-sponsored pie-eating contest. See related photos and story, pages 6 and 7. —James Hernandez photo

America's 'goats' singled out

by John Moesch

About the only sure thing we can anticipate at the close of a year is that various newspapers and magazines will provide unending lists of what was "in" and what was "out", what was hot and what was not, from the previous 12 months. Although it's only March, we've already witnessed performances that merit special recognition, these early winners, losers and often oddballs that deserve an award (of some sort, anyway).

First off, the "Ronald Reagan I gave up a successful film career to become President" award—and the winner by a landslide is New Jersey Generals star running back Hershel Walker. The zillion-dollar whiz-kid from Bulldog country has failed (so far) to live up to his seven-digit salary. His 3.5 yards per carry isn't the kind of thing expected of the South's most famous "good ole boy."

The "Rev. Sun Yung Moon humanitarian" award is graciously given to Mrs. Paula Rivera, a Hidalgo, Texas housewife who has gone into the faith-healing business, food-first. It seems she saw the image of Jesus Christ on a corn tortilla she was preparing, and now has gawking religious fanatics visiting the phenomenon daily. Mrs. Rivera is doing her best to play her new-found role to its fullest by accepting monetary donations from her followers to erect a shrine for the "sacred tortilla."

There's no doubt as to this year's winner of the "Billie Jean King I've said too much already" honor (or better known as the "George A. Custer personality" award), Interior Secretary James Watt. His remark that Indians proved the failure of socialism will long be remembered as a classic "open mouth, insert foot" comment.

Continuing, the prestigious "Robert E. Lee close but no cigars" recipient is Hollywood stuntman Ron Broyles who wanted to become a member of the 1,000-foot club by scaling the side of a Houston skyscraper. Little did he know, the structure measured only 997 feet. WHOOPS!

Now for the biggie, congratulations to the entire Reagan Administration for winning the "Boston Tea Party what's 10 percent to you people" award. Their proposed tax on interest and dividends paid has the banking industry screaming bloody murder and the U.S. ready to lynch the whole lot of them.

A few poor souls have been omitted that deserve something, so, Dishonorable Mention goes to the Environmental Protection Agency, the Houston Rockets and John Hinckley Jr. for proving that some things just won't end.

Racial barrier not understood

by Joyce Wallace

One of the most familiar sights in today's higher educational institutions: Black students gather in one area of the cafeteria, White students associate in another. Each enjoys the conversation and company of mutual friends, ignoring the other.

Separate dining tables are only one of the visible signs of racial division. The major problem is that both minority and anglo students face each other at vast distances.

Many minority students feel that socializing with "other" students means surrendering their cultural identity. Then, minority students many times lack role models during class discussions. White students feel that minority students who are given special treatment sometimes deny them jobs and places in advanced educational settings.

If people would go on, live their lives and stop reminding themselves that they're Blacks and Whites on campus, then all racial tension would fade. Too many things are broken down to color.

If White and Black students would come together on issues of mutual interest, pressures wouldn't be as severe. According to Harold Wallace, vice chancellor of university affairs at North Carolina University, "Racial problems are all over the country. To think there'll be no racial tension here is unrealistic." There are those who believe that racism can be controlled and that the campus is a good place to start.

White students ought to listen to minority's problems more and respect the things that make them different. Minorities ought to learn to deal with White people's education, to possibly try to strive and achieve in traditional channels without losing self-respect.

Words are one thing and attitudes are another, but until attitudes change, anglos and minorities will keep staring at each other and they won't even understand why.



Judicial system ineffective

by Patricia Quiros

What has happened to justice? Some laws seem so corrupt and contradictory that an offender has more rights than a victim.

Some folks in California are trying to do something about it. Last summer, Proposition 8 was introduced as a state pledge to erase many of the legal rules which have restrained the police and kept prosecutors from taking action.

The "Victims' Bill of Rights" is a collection of law-and-order ideas. According to *Newsweek*, "The provisions read more like a counter-Constitution. The right to bail would be revoked. Illegally-seized evidence would be admissible in court. Prosecutors would be able to inform juries about the prior criminal records of defendants. Felons would have to pay restitution to their victims."

In one rape-murder case, the rapist had warned his victim not to go to the police. She did, and he was later arrested. But he got out on a \$1,500 bond and, soon after, tracked down his victim and murdered her.

Had Proposition 8 or the "Victims' Bill of Rights" been in effect during the case, Nancy Lugassy might be alive today.

Such legal proposals aren't a bad idea. In fact, it's about time somebody cared enough to take the time to get something started in the right direction—and maybe even get some minds to begin thinking. After all, doesn't the offender usually get away with the crime -- and at the taxpayer's expense?

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Darn ducks! Why can't they speak to me?

by Renee Plummer

"If I could talk to the animals, just imagine it..."

While spending an afternoon at the park, away from the hustle and bustle of school, I found myself sitting and watching people stroll by the pond. I had forgotten all my worries, not even thinking about the research paper which has been on my mind every minute of the day lately...that was the relaxing part of the afternoon.

The children seemed to be having fun playing on the swings, running around the trees and feeding the ducks. I decided that if they could have fun feeding these feathery creatures, I could, too.

Then the frustration set in. I started wondering what the squawks from the animals would mean, if I could understand them. Sometimes the noises seem to be "thank-ing" me for the food, while others seem to insult me with, "Look lady, can't you see I'm tired of this stale bread?" or "Please, would you stop staring at me?"

If they were going to "talk" to me, I supposed I could talk to them, too, like I would talk to a baby. Then I realized that people were staring at me, just as I had been staring at the ducks.

At this point, I decided to leave. Why should I sit at the park and be insulted by some ducks, and stared at by people I don't even know, when I could be at the dorm working on my research paper?

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'I LIKE IT'—Newspaper staff members took top honors in their Rocky Mountain Press Association division last weekend at Santa Fe. —WTC photo

Western Texan wins first at press meet; journalists bag several individual places

Last weekend WTC journalists walked away with 15 awards, including the top small junior college newspaper, from the Rocky Mountain Collegiate Press Association convention in Santa Fe, N.M.

The association is divided into four divisions, two senior college and university groups and two junior college categories, with competitors representing 10 Western states. WTC participated in division II-B, the largest of the four.

In 'canned competition' based upon articles, photography and drawings submitted from calendar year 1982, *The Western Texan* received the coveted first place general excellence award. This marks the first time for the publication to win this overall recognition.

Randall Gray of Hermleigh received first places for brite, general/specialized column and illustration and second place in sports news.

Sophomore Robert Mendoza of Sweetwater received second place in picture story, third in news photo, and honorable mentions in feature and sports photo.

Ozona freshman Jana Harris received second place in news feature, as sophomore Margo Thibault of Snyder took second in sports feature.

In sport news, freshman Brenda Johnson of Lubbock placed third, while Mike Boles of Snyder received third in sports column.

Erika Lee, Ozona freshman, placed third in editorial cartoon competition.

Staff awards for *The Western Texan* included first place in page make-up, third in typography/design and layout, and third and honorable mention in ad campaign.

In 'live competition' at the Santa Fe Hilton Inn and Sweeney Convention Center, Harris and Johnson competed for Journalist of the Year. This involved two hours of interviews and three hours of writing feature, editorial and news stories.

Snyder freshman Joyce Wallace competed in live news and feature writing, while Thibault and Lee participated in feature writing.

Thibault scored 85, just out of the top three places. First place score was 95.

In the Broadcaster of the Year live competition, Snyder sophomore Patricia Quiros, freshman John Moesch of Roby and freshman Kevin Starnes of Snyder vied in broadcast news writing and TV announcing.

Quiros placed sixth in the open announcing contest. All colleges and universities in the RMCPA were eligible to enter, including top winner Brigham Young University. Moesch finished ninth in this event.

Live photography competitors were Mendoza and sophomore James Hernandez of Roscoe. Their contest will be judged next week after entries on the convention theme, "The Spirit of Santa Fe," are received at Eastern New Mexico University.

Candy Turnbo, Snyder freshman, also attended, with Dr. Mike McBride, publications adviser.

Next year's RMCPA conference will be hosted by BYU in Provo, Utah.

Staff and Press Club members also will compete at the Texas Intercollegiate Press Association in Dallas April 7-9.

Campus briefs...

Baptist Student Union members will attend the Southwestern Seminary Missions Conference in Ft. Worth April 8-10. The theme is "In His Will." Contact the BSU for more information and reservations.

Every Wednesday at 8 a.m., Bible study and fellowship for commuters meets in the Center. There is also a Luncheon at noon for everyone on campus.

A ski trip to Red River, N.M. highlighted Christian Student Center activities during March.

Members making the spring break trip were Mary Ybarra, Kerry Gardner, Jon Goodwin, Judy Irwin, Janet McCain, Scott Sharp, John Stephens, Todd Stephens, Anthony Tate, Tracey Westmoreland and Penny Wolfe.

March 17, a St. Patrick's Day celebration and a birthday party were observed.

GOOD SHOW—Lorie Grandclair and Cheryl Jackson display the college drama department's 'superior' award. It was one of three given. —Robert Mendoza photo

'Laundry' superior in play festival here

by Margo Thibault

"We had a lot of fun. They enjoyed being in Snyder." Jim Rambo, drama director, expressed the overall success of the Texas Junior College Speech and Theatre Association Play Festival held on campus March 17-19.

Nine junior colleges were hosted by WTC. Each year a location is determined.

Ron Schultz of Texas Tech University was the critic judge for 11 shows presented by the nine colleges. "This was not a contest," said Rambo. "It was a festival basing recognition on the total production: acting, directing and technical considerations, placing the plays in two categories, excellent and superior."

"Laundry and Bourbon," WTC's entry, was rated superior.

Rambo acknowledged public interest as a plus, saying it was a "good house for our show." Other shows drew community audiences, though not in large measures. Thus "Laundry and Bourbon" stole the show—so-to-speak.

Robert Loveless received the Greg Schneider Memorial Award for Technical Excellence. In this case, set design was the theme. "Laundry and Bourbon" was also chosen for its technical excellence. Lorie Grandclair and Cheryl Jackson were cited for their acting excellence.

WTC's drama department made available an array of entertainment for its festival participants: Angelina College, Bee County College, Lee College, North Harris County College, Panola College, Paris Junior College,

Wharton County Junior College and Weatherford College.

A swimming party was held Thursday evening on campus. Friday evening, the Diamond M Museum hosted a gathering, including songs by music major Joe Martin, WTC sophomore from Tennessee. A spaghetti dinner, catered by George Gann and highlighted by Broadway hits sung by Jane Womack, music instructor, prepared the 144 participants for the awards dinner. Anticipation and amicability were favorable ingredients for this creative lot in their gala celebration.

Sounds like a happy, festive ending? Happy, but no ending here. WTC's drama cast starts rehearsing for "The Boyfriend" by Sandy Wilson Monday evening. April 28 is the opening date.





TALENTED STRINGS—Highly-acclaimed classical guitarist Neill Archer Roan, who has performed at Carnegie Hall, will display his artistry April 2. —WTC photo

'Brilliant' classical guitarist Roan slated for April Fine Arts Theatre presentation

by Cheryl Wright

Neill Archer Roan, credited as "one of America's brilliant young guitarists," will appear in recital April 2 at 7:30 p.m. in the Fine Arts Theatre.

Roan will present a program which includes the works of such masters as John Dowland, Johann Sebastian Bach, Mauro Giuliani, Manuel De Falla, Francisco Tarrega and Agustin Barrios Mangore.

Since 1972, Roan's musical sensitivity, along with his command of late 17th and early 18th century repertoire for the guitar, has earned him acclaim in two continents.

After a debut at Carnegie Recital Hall in 1979, the young guitarist's performance was critiqued as "exhibiting a command of coloristic nuances and ability to get over the strings of his instrument with a high degree of proficiency" by *The New*

York Times.

Roan has appeared as soloist and in chamber music recitals in the United States, Canada, Central America and Europe. He gains much of his recognition through his ability to "perform with assurance and sensitive attention to musical detail and expressive values while exhibiting considerable virtuosity in this difficult work," said the *Omaha World-Herald*.

Other performance engagements include: The National Theatre of Costa Rica, the British Columbia

International Festival and, in December, a third Carnegie Hall recital.

Roan also appears as guest artist with orchestras that include the Chicago String Ensemble, the Nebraska Sinfonia and the Nebraska Chamber Orchestra.

Presently, the famed guitarist participates in the Nebraska Arts Council Touring Program and the Mid-America Arts Alliance Regional Touring Program.

Tickets for the Neill Archer Roan recital will be available at the door—\$6 for adults, \$3 for students.

Lamaze class begins soon

by Joyce Wallace

The Lamaze II Prepared Childbirth and Infant Care class will soon be offered in the nurses' lab, but the actual starting date is not yet known.

"The cost for the class will be set by the instructors, and the price will be determined by what the doctors' fees are," said Diane Beard, RN, instructor. The other instructor is Linda Mize, RN.

"The Lamaze method was originated by Fereand Lamaze in France, then he went to Russia to learn everything about it," said Beard.

"Lamaze is a prepared childbirth, teaching the couple what will happen to the body, and it is not a natural childbirth," said Beard. Parents learn breathing techniques, relaxation and what medications are used

and what they mean.

There will be six sessions totaling 18 hours. Classes will meet Tuesdays and Wednesdays, but the exact time has not been set. The minimum enrollment is 15 couples.

"Infant care is not taught in all areas. It depends on where you take the course. We show the couples how to feed the baby, how to take care of it, and what to do if an incident occurs, and when you are to call a doctor," Beard said.

Students should come to class dressed in slacks and bring two pillows and a blanket. The coach (father) should attend every session, if possible.

"The majority of the mothers and fathers are having their first child and some are having their second," Beard said.

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Rattlesnake roundup a success; Ransberger suffers 37th mistake

by Roberto Mendoza

The 25th annual Sweetwater Jaycee Rattlesnake Roundup was held March 11-13 at the Nolan County Coliseum in Sweetwater.

Since 1958, the Jaycees have sponsored the roundup, with all proceeds going to residents of Sweetwater's Sunshine Inn, a center for the handicapped and disadvantaged.

The snake venom is made available for public and private research by reputable groups and individuals. Extractions have been used in treating ailments of unborn children, mental disorders, snake bites and cancer, among others.

The roundup began because the annual number of livestock killed or lamed by the bite of the rattler increased. In 1958, Sweetwater Jaycees decided to aid local farmers and ranchers by holding the first festival. While the hunt helps to control the snake population, it's by no means exterminating the reptile.

Other events highlighting the Rattlesnake Roundup were the Miss Snake Charmer Queen Contest, first annual rattler run and the largest snake award. Over \$170,000 was paid to hunters from 1978 to 1982. Jaycees paid \$2.50 per pound for the first 5,000 pounds of snake meat, \$1.25 each for the next 5,000 and \$1 for each additional pound.

This roundup had 15,053 pounds of snakes, short of the 1982 poundage of 17,960.

Over 35,000 people went through the gates of Nolan

County Coliseum to witness snake-handling demonstrations which explain the myths and the dangers of rattlers. Also inside, snake meat and souvenirs were available.

A new record was set this year in the snake meat eating contest. Eddie Presley from Sweetwater consumed 15 ounces in two minutes, besting the old mark of 14 ounces.

In the rattlesnake run, 400 participated over a 10-kilometer path. A Sweetwater local, Ricky Lopez, won in 33 minutes, 27 seconds.

The largest snake award went to the Coke County Hunting Club with a 74-inch slitherer.

Sixteen young ladies from the area competed Thursday night, March 10, for the title of Miss Rattlesnake Queen 1983. The pageant attracted a full house to witness the crowning of Nancy Ficken of Sweetwater.

At the 5 o'clock show Saturday, March 12, Bill Ransberger (professional snake handler) and Ficken were conducting snake demonstrations, and Ransberger was bitten for the 37th time. He got it on his right knee while moving a trash can. The venomous viper was apparently hidden

underneath the can which was used to house dead snakes.

He calmly walked over to the opposite side of the snake pit and rolled up his right pant leg to examine himself. When confirming his suspicion of being bitten, he asked Ficken to push the rattlesnake that was on a table into a pit and to get the snake bite kit out of a bag on a separate table in the pit.

To the amazement of the audience, Ransberger administered first aid to himself with Ficken's help. Then he was moved to the hunters' registration trailer.

As people stood on the outside of the trailer to await word of Ransberger's condition, "Whistling" Ray Jones, mascot for the Dallas Cowboys, emerged from the trailer and told the crowd Ransberger was fine. Ransberger was again moved, this time from the trailer, and taken to Rolling Plains Memorial Hospital.

Ficken acted calmly during the crisis. Asked what was going through her mind, she said, "Just to do whatever Ransberger told me to do." One might say that she earned her new title.

Ransberger returned to the roundup Sunday, walking with a slight limp.



OUCH!—Snake queen Nancy Ficken learns first-hand of her new-found responsibilities, tending professional handler Bill Ransberger's injury. —Robert Mendoza photo

Cosmetology graduates honored

A reception for three cosmetology graduates was held recently in the college lab.

Tracey Wilbanks, Vicki

Givens and Shannon Gruntham completed the course under the direction of Judy Border, cosmetology instructor.

Museum slates toy display

by Kevin Starnes

An exhibition of playthings plans to send the youngest of heart back to the time of innocence. The Scurry County Museum is opening a toy display Sunday which will continue through May 21. The museum will open at 2 p.m. for commencement activities and close at 4 p.m.

Children of all ages are urged to come. For the smaller ones, tables will be set up for an Alice in Wonderland tea party. Emily Hataway will lead in the singing of classic children's melodies.

Toys in the exhibit are partly a collection originating from the museum's own reserve. However, local citizens loaned most of the items on display. When collecting the toys, the museum asked for those made before 1950. The collection now contains merchandise dating to 1880 and some worth up to \$4,000.

Many dolls are in the showing, plus, there are mechanical and metal toys, novelty items, books and comics. They even have a little girl's wood burning stove and miniature washing machine that actually works.

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Pie eaters pro

by Cheryl Wright

"To the left...No, up! That was my ear, dummy! Oh my, here comes another disgusting spoonful of chocolate cream pie...."

Those who participated in the campus pie-eating contest March 3 can probably relate to this desperate conversation. Nine teams competed for a \$50 cash prize — not to mention a free pie facial for the "eaters."

Spectators flocked from all over to witness this dessert-delicious event. Members of the Press Club, VICA, Rodeo Club, Texas Marketing and Management Association, Martial Arts, Senate, PTK and Residence Hall Council chomped and munched as much as their mouths could possibly take in — but to no avail. The only thing they received was left-over pie in the face! (and

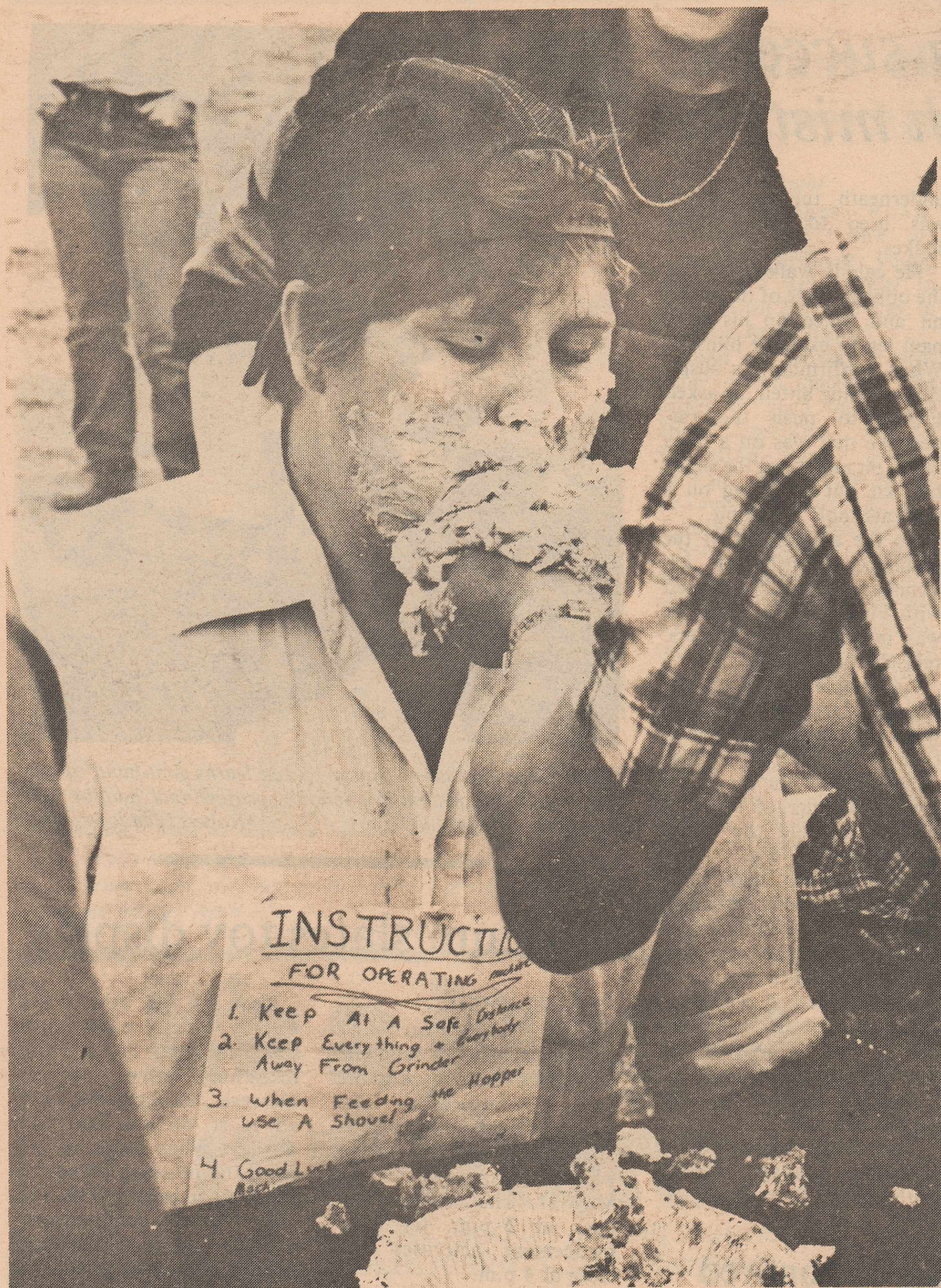
probably a severe case of acid-indigestion)

EMT's Ronnie Hoff and Jerol Morrow gobbled up the competition by being first to consume an entire pie, not even wasting a crumb!

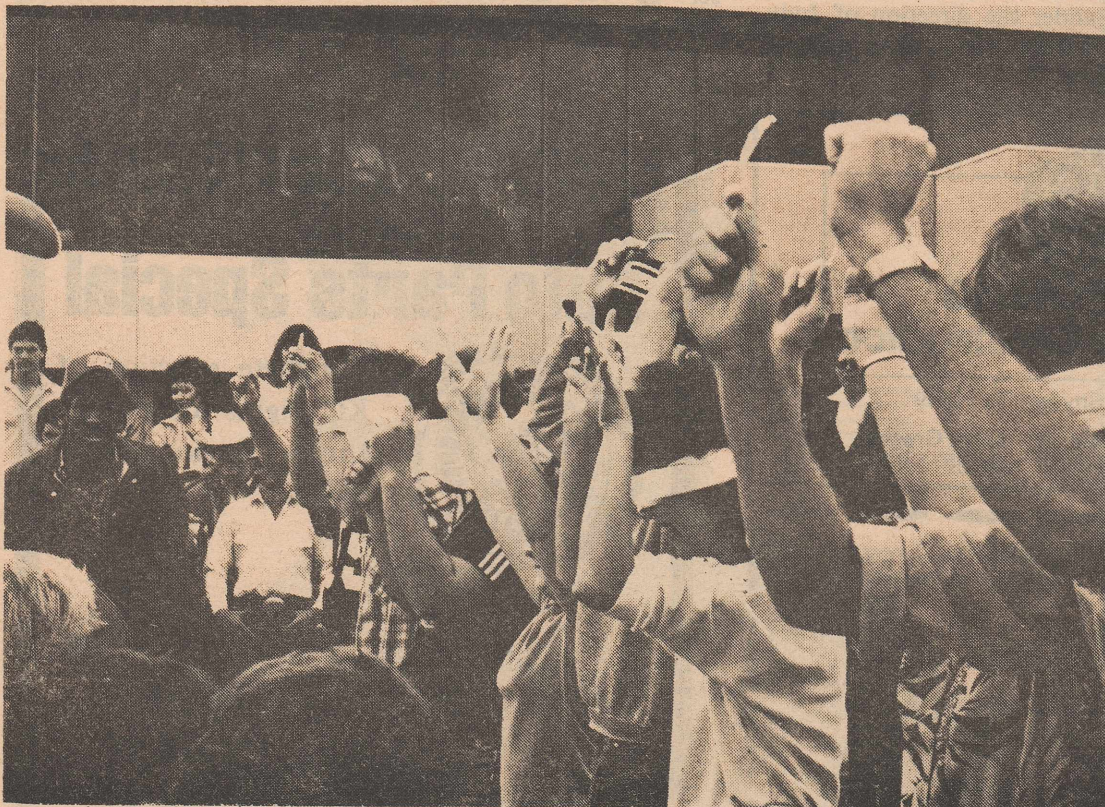
The pie-eating rules were simple:

- (1) Eater sits on hands.
- (2) Feeder blindfolded.
- (3) No touching.
- (4) Up-Down-Right-Left (only verbal communication).
- (5) Eat whole pie.
- (6) Get one plastic spoon only.
- (7) Pie plate must remain on table at all times.
- (8) Must eat from feeder, not by putting face in plate.
- (9) Blindfolds not to be removed until commanded to do so.

The winner is...pie all eaten and must be the cleanest. BURRRP!



MOUTHFUL—Forget the spoon, find a shovel. Rider DeFreese munches down on the chocolate cream pie 'neatly'.



SPOONS READY—Anticipation mounts as the contestants prepare for the go-ahead signal and a possible \$50 winner-take-all.



HOLD IT—It's too late to back out for Hermleigh sophomore Tracy Warren. Student Senator Billy Kelley makes sure of it!

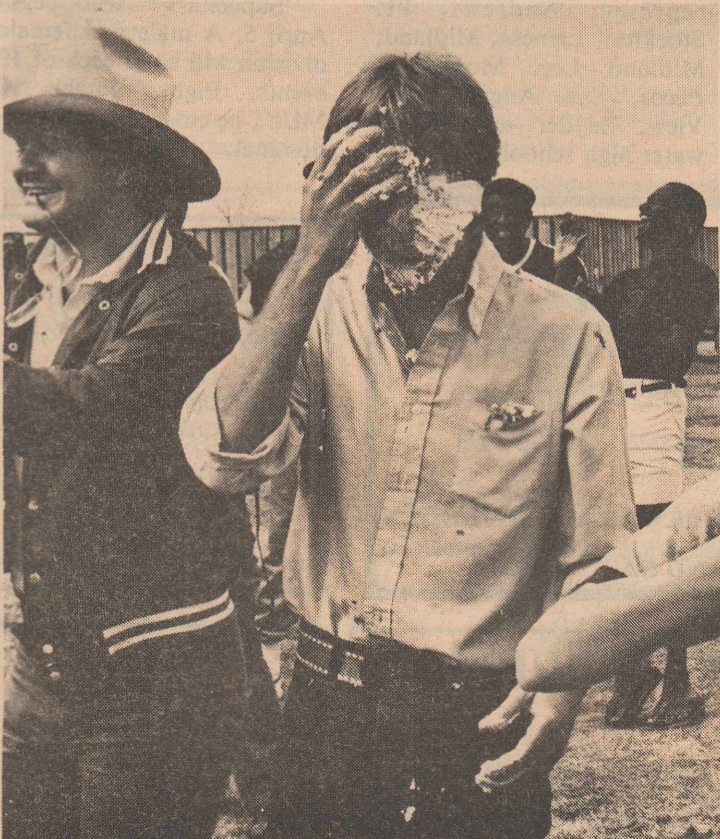
Love that it's all in the spoon!



MMMMM GOOD—The first bite is always the best and the last is the worst, as Jerol Morrow and Jana Harris find out.



CATCH—Over the lips and through the gums, look out tummy here it comes! Rodeo Club member Weldon Hurt will lose a thumb if he's not careful via Rowdy Rasberry.

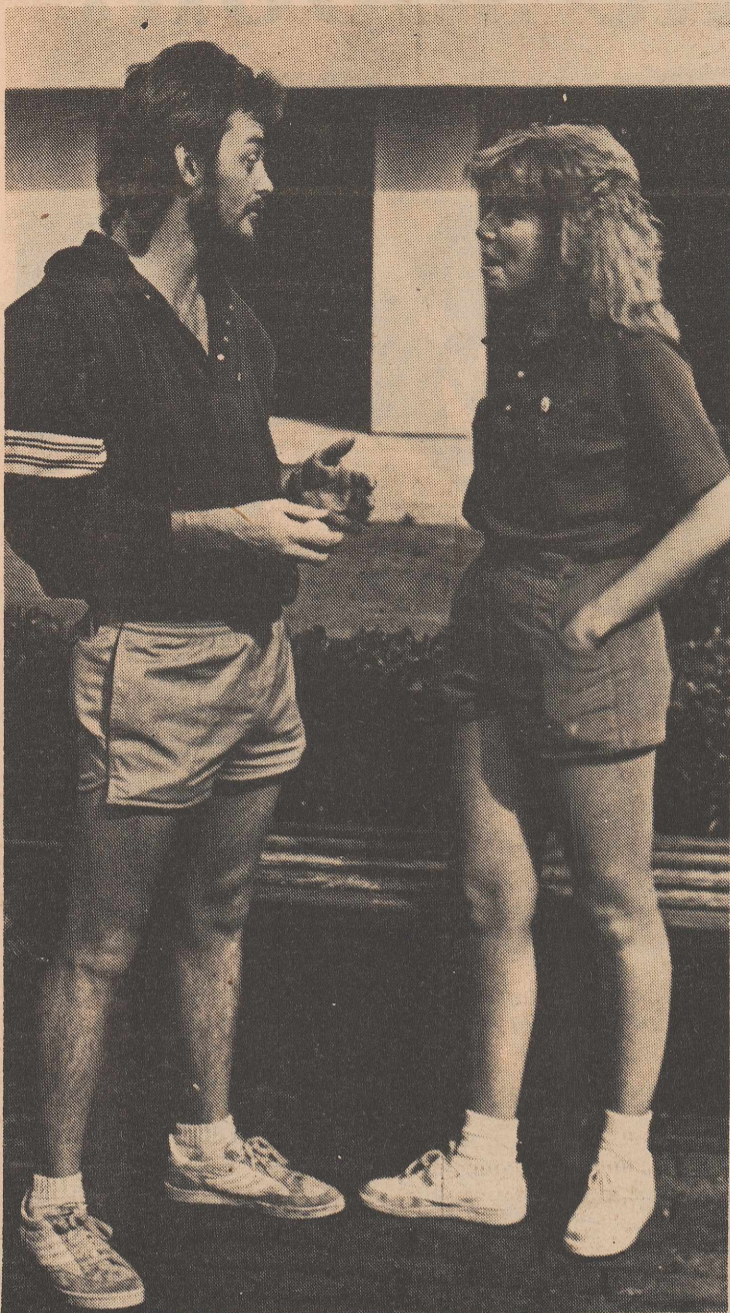


BLINDED—Who turned out the lights on EMT'er Ronnie Hoff? That's the breaks, kid.



CAUTION—Chomping at the bits, Rider DeFreese warns onlookers about the danger of interrupting his feast. The eats were good while they lasted, but what a mess.

—James Hernandez photos



READY FOR SPRING—Victor Sawyers of Snyder and Robin Banks of Lubbock select fashionable seasonal clothing for the coming warm months. —Robert Mendoza photo

Take care of spring, summer wardrobe

by Chris Sturdevant

With the coming of March 21, spring is officially upon us, with summer around the corner. The afternoons are warming up enough to wear lightweight spring and summer fashions. Shorts, lightweight pants, shirts and jackets are appearing more often.

I'll leave the selection of styles and colors up to you, but here are some tips on buying and care.

This year's wide variety of styles and fabrics allows for comfort, versatility and easy care. Some are easier to care for than others, so read the

care instructions and content labels before you buy. Although 100 percent cotton will last three times as long as blends (cotton/polyester), it (cotton) is delicate and ironing it isn't my idea of summer fun.

Blends such as cotton/polyester and cotton/dacron wash and wear well, but don't believe the tags that say, "Never Needs Ironing." When buying blends, always check the percentage of cotton—the more cotton it has, the more it will shrink and wrinkle.

Man-made fabrics such as rayon, polyester and acetate

are easier to care for, but they aren't as comfortable and won't last as long. However, they tend to be less expensive, and since these are seasonal clothes they should last for more than one year.

When cleaning these garments, read carefully and follow the washing instructions. Some items that say "Dry Clean Only" can be hand washed in a mild detergent like Woolite. But to protect your clothes, try to follow the manufacturer's instructions whenever possible.

Have fun this summer, but remember: your clothes are an investment.

Newspaper rates First Class in contest

The Western Texan has received a First Class honor rating for the 1982 fall semester from the Associated Collegiate Press, national critique service of the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis.

In Coverage and Content, "good" ratings were given for scope and balance of sources, timeliness and vitality of content, and sports coverage.

Five "very good" ratings

were cited in Writing and Editing for depth and feature stories, sports stories, copyediting, proofreading, and headline writing and presentation. News stories earned a "fair" mark.

In Opinion Content, editorial and opinion feature writing gained "excellent" ratings, as editorial cartoons netted a "very good" and range of opinion content "fair."

Two "excellent" ratings

were earned in Design for body typography and printing quality, while headline schedule scored "very good." Front page and opinion page/section got "good" marks, as other news, feature and sports pages tallied "fair."

In Photography, Art and Graphics, photo quality and cutlines netted "excellent" scores, as photo content was "very good" and art and graphics "fair."

* REMINDER *

Deadline to enter the Student Senate "Superstars Competition" is April 1. Sign up in the Activities Office.

"Superstars" will begin April 5. A male and female division will be in each of 10 events. Eight of the 10 MUST be entered by each individual.

College hosts UIL competition

WTC will host the District 2-AAAA UIL literary competition tomorrow and Saturday.

Contests scheduled Friday are debate, speech, ready writing and science. Saturday's events are journalism, calculator applications,

number sense, spelling, shorthand and typewriting.

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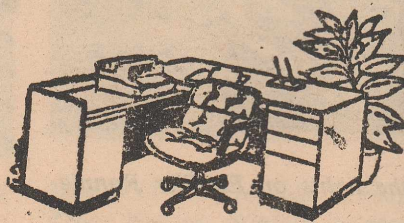
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College needs crime program

by John Dunnam

Glancing through the college catalog, it appears a person can learn something right here at good old WTC about any career he might want to pursue. But there is one area that, according to statistics, more and more people are entering that is conspicuously missing.

Have any of you ever considered a life of crime? There is a program for law enforcement, so why not?

I know you've heard that crime doesn't pay, but that's only if you get caught. And think of the good parts: You pick your own hours; there is the chance to travel; and, the money you make is limited only by your imagination.

You may be thinking that you are not the criminal type. Posh! Has anyone ever told you that you have a devious mind? Does your family refer to your friends as hoodlums? Have you ever, I mean even once, cheated on a test?

Almost everyone has criminal tendencies—they just have to be discovered and developed. Some of the

top cons in the country started out straight and might not be where they are today if an opportunity had not presented itself.

Don't wait. Start your training today. Steal from your roommate while he sleeps. Use the money to start a dope habit. It will be fun at first and later on will provide the necessary motivation to succeed in your chosen profession.

The advantages of college training for a career in crime are self-evident. Who gets all the stiff sentences? Its the poor slob who cops a TV here, snatches a purse there, and rides around in a stolen car. The fool, probably illiterate, risks his life on every heist, then has to sell his stuff at 10 cents on the dollar. There ought to be a law.

What we're talking here is white collar crime. Exciting computer capers. Embezzling. And the old stand-by, real estate swindles. Do you have any idea how much South Dakota beach front property is going for these days?

For the bright, ambitious,

and, okay, lucky young person, there is a fortune just waiting to be taken. Consider this. The population is getting older, and it's a fact that old people are one of the most lucrative targets...I mean markets for the slick operator, which you can become if you set your mind to it.

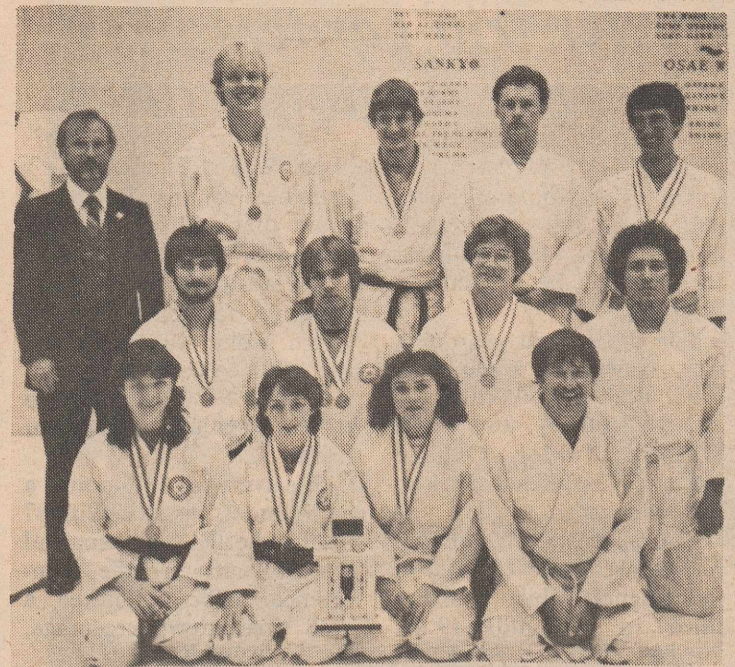
The worst that can happen if you get caught is you will be sent to one of these minimum security prisons. These places are more like country clubs than jails. Plus, you get to brush noses with some of the best criminal minds in the business. They are a great place to just sit back and enjoy the facilities, while planning your next career move. Best of all, your rent will be paid for the next five to 10 years, depending on your behavior.

Of course crime, not even white collar crime, is all fun and games. Sometimes it's dirty, sleazy and dangerous work. But somebody has to do it. Otherwise, what will happen to our law enforcement program?

Foster fills interim post

In addition to his golf coaching and pro shop duties, Dave Foster has been named interim athletic director. He will officially assume the position next year.

The job had been filled on a temporary basis by President Don Newbury the last two years.



ALL-STAR LINEUP—Coach Shell Hillis is pictured with members of the judo team that took state championship honors at Beeville Junior College. —WTC photo

Judoists take state title; 11 win individual places

by John Foster

Coach Shell Hillis' judo squad is the 1983 Texas State Collegiate Judo Team Champion. WTC took the title Saturday at Bee College in Beeville with 25 points.

The University of Texas at Austin came in second with 17 points, as Tarrant County Junior College was third with 10 points. Ten colleges took part.

Local winners were Tania Mackey, first, women's 106-lb. division; Loretta Book, first, women's 134-lb.; Marjann Morrow, first, women's 158-lb.; Christian Morgan, first,

men's 143-lb., and Jerol Morrow, first, men's 209-lb. Morgan placed first in the men's open and was grand champion.

Others placing were Don Boone, second, men's 132-lb.; Dean Mackey, second, men's 156-lb., and Chuck Wood, second, men's 172-lb. Frank Roberts finished third in men's over 209-lb. Bill Starling and Guy Ybarra were fourth and fifth in their respective divisions.

The team next plays in the National Collegiate Judo Championships at Michigan State University in Lansing April 1 and 2.

Blood drive set Tuesday in Center

United Blood Services, in conjunction with the Student Senate, will sponsor a blood drive Tuesday in the Student Center.

You must be at least 17 and not older than 65 to donate blood.

A few tips for prospective donors include:

1. Eat a substantial meal before donating, preferably

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Duster trio garners bevy of league, regional titles

by Brenda Johnson

Taking the conference title and receiving post-season honors came hand-in-hand for Coach Joe Cushing's Dusters.

For the second year in a row, New Deal sophomore Vicki Teal was chosen to the All-Region V and All-Western Junior College Athletic Conference basketball teams.

The 6-1 post averaged 15.2 points per game (fourth in the league), while boasting third in rebounds (9.4), blocked shots (33) and steals (75). With a percentage of .852, she ranks second in freethrow shooting.

As far as school records go, Teal holds the most free throws attempted and made in a game, season and career and best freethrow percentage in a season and career as well as the most points in a season.

The record-breaking sophomore Duster has been selected to play in the Junior College All-Star game April

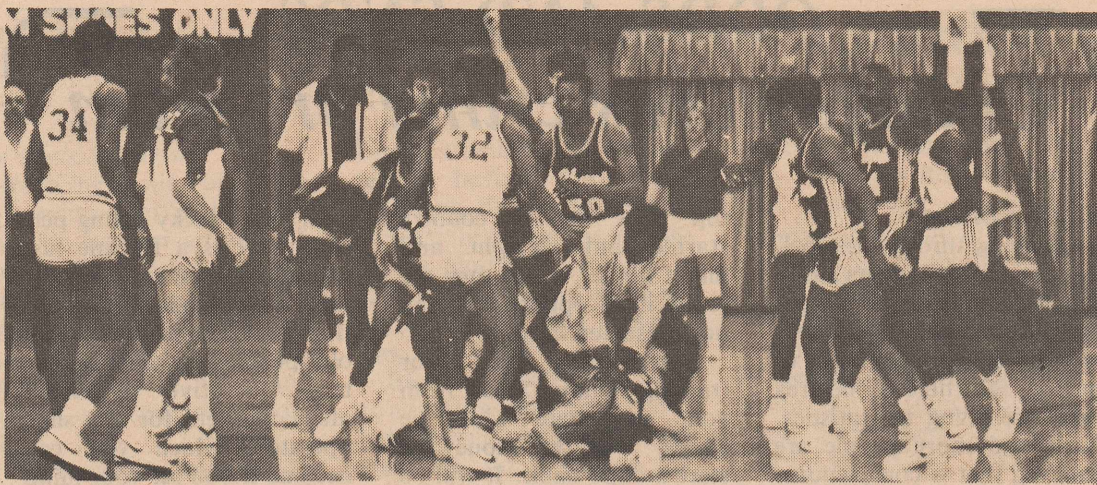
9 in Waco. She will be a member of the Region V team that will clash with a team from Region XIV.

She was joined by Ramona Irlbeck, sophomore point guard from Abernathy, on the WJCAC first team. Irlbeck was also named to the All-Region V tournament team.

She averaged 13.6 points a game and 6.2 assists. With 87 steals, she led her team and was second in the conference. Irlbeck boasted a .758 freethrow percentage, fourth in the league.

Merkel sophomore Norma Frazier received Honorable Mention on the WJCAC team. She finished out the season with 13.0 points a game and 8.3 rebounds per tilt. She was fifth in the conference in steals and eighth in freethrow percentage with .734.

With his squad finishing at 27-7 on the year and 10-1 in loop play, Cushing took WJCAC Coach of the Year honors.



LET ME AT 'EM!—Midland College Coach Jerry Stone tries to break up a bench-clearing brawl that marred WTC's final home outing Feb. 24. The defending national champion Chaps prevailed, 74-65. —James Hernandez photo

Men drop pair as year concludes

As the Westerners have proven many times, turnovers can be the key to a win for either team.

In a Western Conference playoff game Feb. 26, eighth-ranked WTC vied for a Region V Tournament berth against the No. 5 unit, South Plains College, and fell, 75-64.

Turnovers, walking violations, bad passes and fouls made it harder for the Western men to stay in the match.

WTC gave up only 23 field goals to SPC's 28 but allowed 29 points in free throws while putting in only eight.

Into the second half, South Plains led 37-30 but allowed the Westerners to come within one, 37-36, before pulling ahead again.

The men fell to 10-21 on the year, 7-11 in conference play and 0-1 in the post-

season playoffs.

Freshman Larry Banks led the Westerners in scoring with 18 despite his missing 11 minutes of the game. Banks sat out for five minutes because of foul trouble and then fouled out.

Richie Fells finished with 14, followed by Daryl Ward with 10.

Not knowing about their playoff position, WTC went up against the defending NJCAA National Tournament champion Midland College Chaparrals Feb. 24 in their final game of regular conference play.

Midland was the only team in the league at that point to have a spot in the regional meet. The No. 20 nationally-ranked team was 27-3 on the year and 16-1 in loop play.

They had been averaging 87.4 points a game and giving up only 71.9.

WTC concentrated on Midland and almost had a victory. The locals led most of the game, including the half at 41-35. They held the Chaps to 74 points while compiling 65 of their own.

The men had one more field goal than Midland, but only half as many (11) free throws.

They shot 27 of 54 from the floor and 11 of 15 from the stripe.

Banks was high with 20 points, while Ward added 12. Darrell Joiner was in double digits with 10.

Banks, the 6-5 Navasota freshman, was chosen to the all-WJCAC team. He led the unit with an average of over 17 points a game.

Buffalo, N.Y. freshman Fred Johnson and Austin sophomore Mike Speight received Honorable Mention.



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Fems bounce UTEP, 77-68

Queens shut Duster season door

by Brenda Johnson

Howard College took on WTC's Dusters in the quarterfinals of the Region V Tournament March 4 in Big Spring and came out on top, 77-68, but they really had to work for this one.

The Western women had lost to the Queens the past two years in quarterfinals, but this year they were hoping to avenge those losses.

The Dusters trailed by as much as 13 points at one time. They pulled to within six just before the half, but when the buzzer rang the score was 38-30 in Howard's favor. Teal had 14 of her

final 18 points by the half.

Steals were the solution as WTC made its move on a Mary Nell Clayton shot with 12:20 left in the game. The women tied it up at 46. They took the lead with 11 minutes to go on two points by Dale Pieper.

A few missed shots and six minutes later, Howard boasted a four-point lead at 60-56 and increased the margin to 10 with two minutes to go.

Howard's Nell Haskins led all scorers with a 37-point performance.

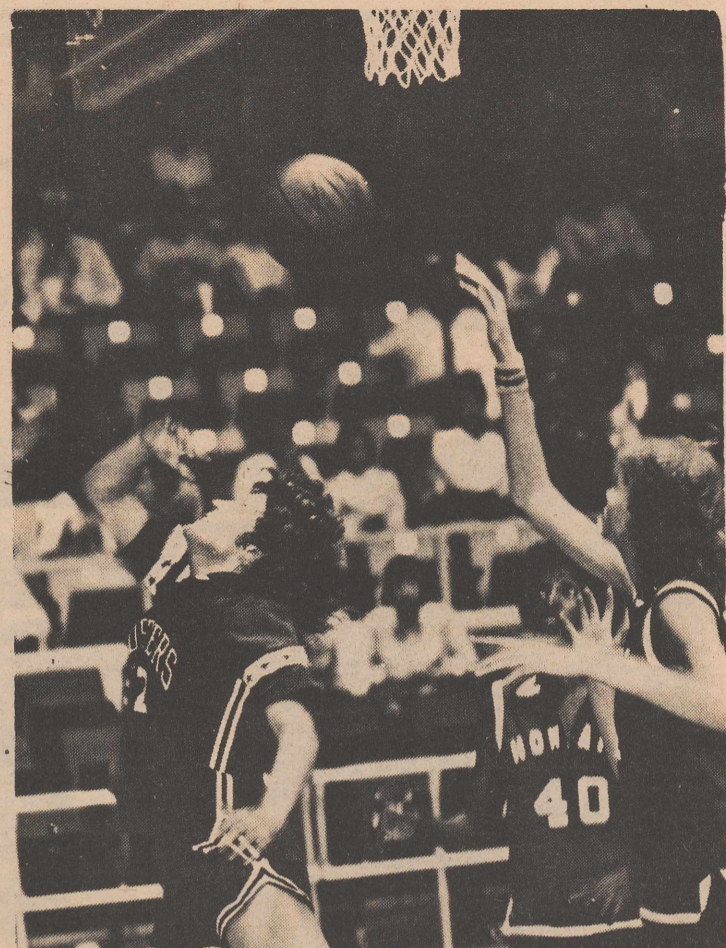
Needing only six points to become the school's leading

scorer in a single season, WTC's Teal finished with 18.

Irlbeck turned in 14 points, followed by Clayton and Frazier at 10 apiece.

Earlier, Feb. 26, the squad matched up here against The University of Texas at El Paso in a non-conference match. Irlbeck set a new season record with her sole assist in the 77-68 victory.

Teal fired home 21 points and pulled down 16 rebounds to set the Duster pace. Stacy Gaither chipped in 14 while Irlbeck added 12. Frazier and Pieper came down with 11 and eight boards, respectively.



FAREWELL—Record-setting Vicki Teal closes an illustrious career here with six individual school marks and several all-star selections. Howard College upset the top-seeded Dusters in the region tourney March 4. —James Hernandez photo

Chain Gang unbeaten in intramural race

by Mike Boles

The Chain Gang emerged as the only undefeated team in three-on-three intramural basketball following the week-long spring holiday. Bobby Rucker, Beth Owen and Petey Petri have nine wins against no losses.

The Backseaters (Elliott Cox, Mary Hawkins and Chris Williams) are second with five wins and a lone loss. The Rockcrushers (Tim Flynn, Angie Neff and Sam Hansard) are third with six wins and two losses.

Tied for fourth are The Wheaties (Riley Kitchens, Linda Parker and Quent Gilbert) and The Anthill Mob (Rick Woodson, Margaret Langis and Mark Ingebrigtsen) with five wins and two losses. Alone in sixth place with five wins and

three losses is the Awesome 3 (Rickey Housden, Dana Kight and Cliff Payne).

The Ropers (Mark Mauldin, Gayla Newton and Craig Murdoch) and The Idiots (Bryan Carter, Linda Fischer and Larry Motley) are tied for seventh with four wins and three losses. Help (Kip Elkins, Tana Mauldin and Greg Rhodes) and the Bill Does (Bill Starling, Tania Mackey and Jerol Morrow) round out the league.

Games are played Tuesday nights in the gym beginning at 8:30.

Intramural volleyball began Monday night with the A-team narrowly defeating the NADS 15-0, 14-16, 15-9. Other teams in the league are: DFWUs, Bad As, Nasty Girls (alias Duster basketball

team), L&Ms and the Golf team (which doesn't yet have a team name).

Games are played in the gym Mondays and Wednesdays at 7:30 and 8:15 p.m., and Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6:15 p.m.

Intramural softball began today at activity period on the golf driving range. Games will be played every Tuesday and Thursday at 11:15 a.m. Teams consist of The NADS, Hunters, Bloopers, Hammerheads, Bushmasters, Nasty Girls, BFDs and Cowboys.

Intramural tennis championships are set to get underway within the next month. Brackets are made, so you can find out who to play by contacting Mike Boles in the gym between 6 and 9 p.m.

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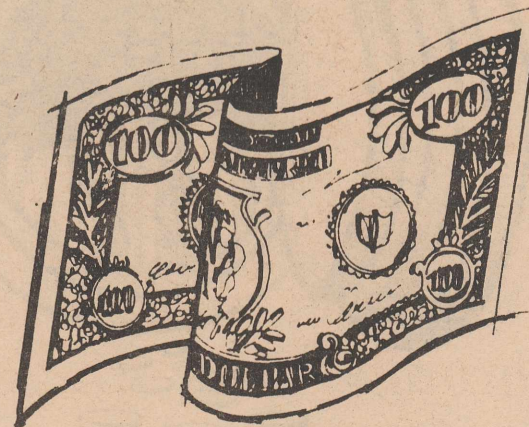
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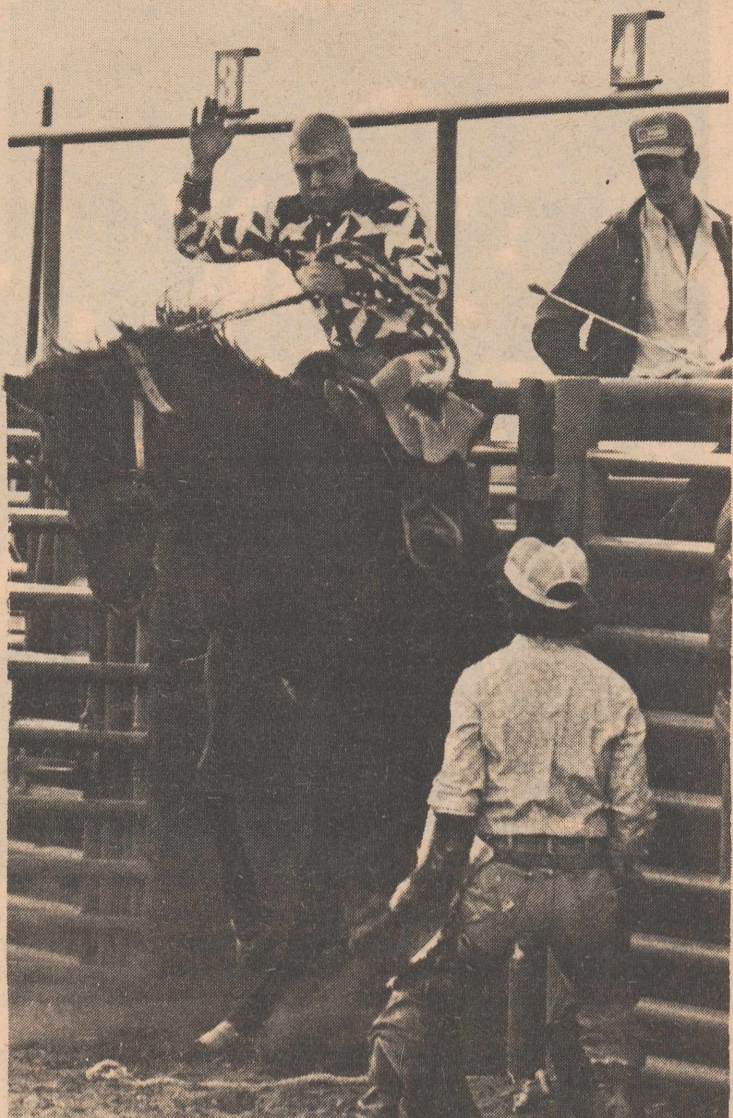
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TOES POINTED OUT—C.J. Urbanek, Stinnett freshman, charges out of the chute in saddle-bronc practice. WTC's rodeo team competes next week at Tarleton State University. Tickets for the annual NIRA rodeo here April 14-17 are on sale for \$3 (adults) and \$2 (students) from Rodeo Queen candidates and team members. -WTC photo

Mike's mumblings

Trouble awaits at outsiders' tourney

by Mike Boles

Have you ever played in an outsiders' basketball tournament? DON'T! I think after two of these fiascos, I've learned some valuable lessons. These tourneys are usually sponsored by a high school senior class, high school booster club or benefit group to help someone in financial trouble.

Anyone is eligible to play except high school UIL athletes, NCAA or NJCAA basketball players and, of course, professional roundballers.

I had assembled what I thought was an excellent group of players. But, I

never really thought about the way that we and other good teams would get whipped!

I won't mention the name of the town of the first tournament, but it was near Snyder. Of the four first-round games, three were decided by the referees. Finally, in the championship tilt, the two refs were a brother and brother-in-law of one of the team's players. Guess, who won?

We packed our bags and traveled 200 miles round-trip to try our luck again. And, you wouldn't believe who we had in the striped shirt—the agriculture teacher and his

assistant. The head ref wore green and yellow Converse running shoes, with white and red Nike socks and yellow peddle-pusher shorts. He knew about as much about basketball as he did about color coordinating!

The point is: when you pay an entry fee to play in such an event, it seems as though the organizers would foresee these and other problems and try to solve them. You need to hire competent people to blow those whistles.

So, if you plan on playing in or sponsoring such an event, you best strap on your guns, 'cause you just might need them!

Linksters win second, third in meets

March brought Coach Dave Foster's linksters two high places at invitational intercollegiate tournaments in San Angelo and Paris.

They first went to San Angelo March 7-8 for the 36-hole Angelo State University meet. Eighteen holes were played each day at the San Angelo Country Club.

WTC placed third with a score of 610, behind champion Hardin-Simmons University's 604 and runner-up South Plains College's 607.

Other finishers were Eastern New Mexico University 624, ASU 634, Midland College 648, McMurry College 650, Sul Ross State University 669, Austin College 675 and Howard Payne

University 691.

Sophomore Ronnie Fletcher and freshman Mark Ingebrigtsen fired 151s to pace the Westerners. Other team tallies were Mike Hafley 152, Scott McDonough 158 and Sam Hansard 163.

HSU's Ken Lawrence, a former WTC links star, tied for medalist honors with a 147.

The team next went to Paris March 10-11. They placed second with a score of 597, behind Paris' 584.

Sophomore Petey Petri and Mark Dees of Paris tied for individual medalist with a score of 143, but Petri beat Dees on the first extra hole when he chipped in for a birdie.

Other places went to

Weatherford (611), New Mexico Junior (620), Temple (622), Paris No. 2 (626), Dallas Richland (633), San Jacinto (633), Grayson (641), Texarkana (653), Dallas Eastfield (659) and Jacksonville (withdrew).

Other WTC individuals scoring were Bobby Rucker 147, Fletcher 152, Eric McGraw 155, Ingebrigtsen 158 and Rick Woodson 159.

Foster was pleased with the way his team played in both meets. He said, "Paris is a hard team to beat at home, just as we are on the WTC golf course."

WTC is in a three-way tie for the conference lead with Odessa and NMJC. Following the 54-hole Southern Intercollegiate Tournament this weekend in Dadeville, Ala., the locals resume loop action April 3-5 in Roswell, N.M.

Individually, Fletcher, Rucker, Petri and Hafley are in third, fourth, ninth and 12th, respectively, in the Western Conference.

'Speedy' Moffett inducted into Hall of Honor

James Milton (Speedy) Moffett, campus pro shop assistant and retired Snyder High School baseball coach, will be inducted into the Texas High School Coaches Association Hall of Honor this summer.

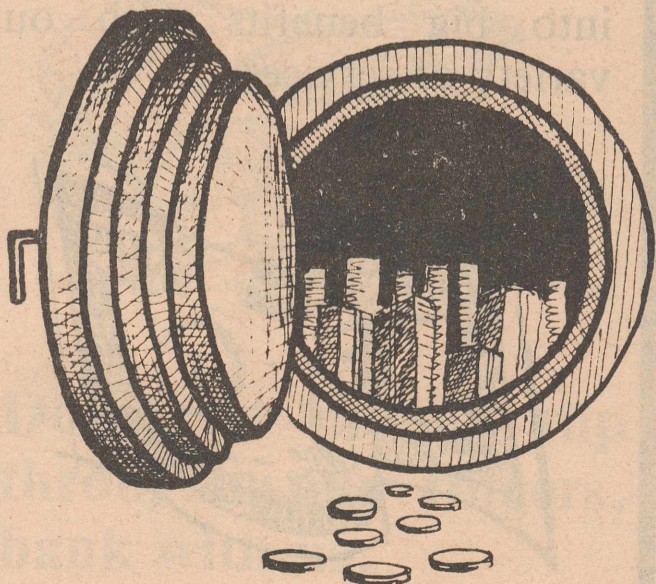
Moffett was the catalyst in beginning Snyder school athletic programs.

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