

## WTC students send mail to cheer ailing classmate

Jimmy Whitney, a Western Texas College management major, was at the M.D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston as of Friday undergoing treatment for stomach cancer.

Whitney was to celebrate his 21st birthday this past Sunday, Sept. 29. To "cheer up" the student, WTC students and faculty sent a variety of student-signed cards and a birthday banner to Houston last week.

Although Whitney could not attend, the First Christian Church of Snyder, where he is a member, was to meet Sunday afternoon to celebrate his birthday also.

## Student total misses all-time record, but still one of highest for WTC fall

By Jennifer Blaine  
Texan Staffer

The final count is in and WTC is now at its highest enrollment since the fall of 1989. The head count stands at 1,116—just 28 short of the 1989 count and 203 short of the 1984 all-time fall record of 1,319.

Both full and part-time enrollment is up. There are 491 part-timers compared to 462 in 1990 and 625 full-time students compared to 598 in 1990. All totaled, there are 588 men and 528 women compared to 549 men and 511 women

in 1990.

"We're up 5 percent from the previous fall," said Dan Dever, WTC registrar.

Enrollment in the extension centers are up also. The Price Daniel Unit is at 121, compared to 107 in 1990 and 95 in 1989. The Crosbyton extension center is at 19 with no class offered there in 1990.

Semester hours, the number of hours a student is enrolled for, are also up. They are at their highest number since See ENROLLMENT, page 3

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## 2 shows are fall offering from drama

By Sheri Hunter  
Texan Staffer

For the first time in many years, the WTC Drama Department will execute two plays this fall.

The first of the two plays will be "Long Day's Journey Into Night" by Eugene O'Neil. The play will run Oct. 31-Nov. 3.

Drama instructor Jim Rambo, who will direct, notes that O'Neil wrote the play based on his own unhappy childhood. He said O'Neil wrote the play only with the understanding that it would not be released until 25 years after his death.

In fact, however, his wife—with a court's approval—released it a mere three months after the playwright's death.

"It is definitely ranked with the greats," said Rambo, "A play worth all of the effort to produce and to watch."

Principal players in the WTC cast are Amber Adams as "Mary," the morphine-addicted mother; Richard Lack as "Tyrone," the drunken father; Brandon Neeley as "Jamie," the older brother; and Scott Clark as "Edmund," the younger brother patterned after O'Neil himself. Also in the cast is Sherri Cribbs as "Cathleen.

Crew members will be:

—Director's assistant, Greg Combs.  
—Dramaturg-sound design, Wade Freeman.

—Scenery-costume design, Jim Rambo.

—Light design, Guy Wiley.

—Properties mistress, Jennifer Hatley.

—Wardrobe mistress, Mary Ann Cooper.

—Sound technician, Brian Martinez.

The second of the two plays will be "The Nerd," a comedy by Larry Shue. "The Nerd" will run from Nov. 21-25.

Its cast consists of Brian Martinez, Jennifer Hatley, Wade Freeman, Scott Clark, Mary Ann Cooper and Greg Combs. Crew members are Sherri Cribbs, assistant to the director; Guy Wiley, scenery design; Amber Adams, costume design; Richard Lack, properties/set dressing; and Guy Wiley, light and sound design.



### New cheerleaders

This six-member group will lead the cheers during 1991-92 for WTC athletic teams. Group members are (top row, from left) Jacqui Allen, Buffy Giddens, Marlyn Kay, (bottom row) Jeran Ware, Beatrice Rivera

and Tammie Blair. They will be introduced at a "Meet the Athlete" event slated Oct. 14 on campus. (Texan Photo by Mark Carroll)

## New bunch named as WTC yell squad

Two returning sophomores joined by four freshmen

Jennifer Blaine  
Texan Staffer

This fall's WTC cheerleaders seem to have one thing in common: they enjoy getting the fans involved and, between them, they have more than 13 years combined cheering experience from high school and junior high.

Out of the six, four of the new cheerleaders are from Colorado City, one is from San Angelo and one is from Snyder.

Buffy Giddens and Marlyn Kay are the two returning sophomores from last year's squad.

Buffy is a physical therapy major. She graduated from Wichita Falls Rider High School. While in high school, she

was involved with many activities including basketball, volleyball, National Honor Society, Fellowship of Christian Athlete (FCA) and Spanish Club. She was also chosen for several class honors and a nomination for Who's Who.

Marlyn has been a dancer for over 12 years and enjoys tennis and acting. She is an elementary education major and was involved with many activities during her high school years. She played tennis, was a member of the band, one act play, flag corps (captain her senior year) and held a leadership office every year. UIL, FCA, honor roll and Students Against Drunk Driving (SADD) were also involvements for her.

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## Winning fight vs. cancer makes perspective 'new'

By Angela McCall  
Texan Staffer

"I'm as healthy as I can be now," says Ray Robbins, WTC's tall, silver-haired epitome of a law-man. But Robbins tells, and says his friends know, of the time last year when he nearly died.

His nemesis was cancer.

After a malignant tumor was removed from Robbins' sinus area in the spring of 1990, he began a regimen of 60 radiation treatments at the Southwest Cancer Center in Lubbock. A few weeks into the treatments, complications set in. "I lost 40 pounds in about three weeks time, and just almost starved to death," Robbins says, as he leans back in his chair, calmly using a

large pair of scissors to clip tiny loose threads from the underside of his tie.

As a former police chief, Robbins knows the business of dealing with criminals, but the adversary cancer called for a store of new weapons.

Education, good friends and a personal relationship with the Lord are things Robbins had spent years acquiring, and he says all joined with him in his battle.

Sounding a little surprised himself, Robbins says with a smile, "I didn't miss a class." It wasn't until six days after the 1990 graduation that he was hospitalized, "... sick as a horse, but I was here," Robbins remembers.

WTC friends joined with Robbins in his battle, driving him to treatments,

and later taking turns staying with him in his Lubbock apartment. The apartment was a solution for Robbins, who was no longer able to make the daily 200-mile round trip.

His doctor said he didn't want him to be alone and "that was all it took," he says. "There was somebody with me every night that I was up there, just so I wouldn't be by myself."

Robbins sums up his feelings about his comrades with, "Just absolutely amazing. I probably would have died if I hadn't had some good friends."

Friends also prayed. "I feel very strongly about that," he said with another snip at his tie, adding, "Very strongly."

Considering both his physical and

emotional state, Robbins says "giving up" would have been easy. He says he didn't focus on it, but emphasized the point that others kept sending up prayers.

"Don't give up," Robbins would advise someone in a similar situation. "You can do a whole lot more than you realize you can—if you're there to do it. You can do in your life just about anything you want to do if you want to bad enough, and I think that includes living." After a quiet sip of water, he grins, "I don't know—some people call it faith."

The cancer is gone. Robbins says he continues to receive good reports, has regained 10 pounds, and feels great.

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## New senate committees begin work

By Keitha St. Clair  
Texan Staffer

The 1991-92 Western Texas College Student Senate discussed leadership and selected committees Sept. 18 at a scheduled lock-in in the Student Center.

The Traffic Appeals Board, Dance Committee, Recreation Committee, Student Life Committee and Entertainment Committee were organized.

Michael Contreras was selected Senate Chaplain and Brian Martinez will serve as Student Welfare Person.

The Traffic Appeals Board hears student protests to campus parking citations. Lei Holcomb will serve as board advisor. Other members include Jason Bradford, Page Bishop, Terri Mathews and David Noll.

The Dance Committee is responsible for all dances held throughout the year. It plans monthly as well as formal and special dances. Mark Carroll was selected advisor and Sean Rafferty will serve as chairperson. Other members include Greg Combs, John Grieger and Kristie McMillan. Meetings will be every Wednesday at 4 p.m.

The Recreation Committee provides "fun type" competitive activities for WTC students. Veronica Rivas will serve as committee advisor and David Noll as committee chairperson. Michael Contreras, Staci Dorotik and Sheila Green were also appointed to the committee. They will meet every Wednesday at 2:45 p.m.

The Student Life Committee will deal with issues of concern to WTC students not otherwise covered by other committees.

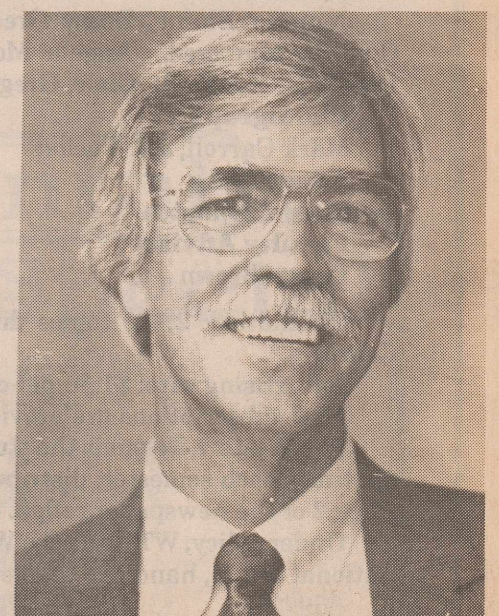
Brad Loesch was selected committee advisor and Brian Martinez committee chairperson.

Additional members include Terri Mathews and Keitha St. Clair. Meeting times are posted as every Wednesday at noon.

The Entertainment Committee provides "enrichment and enjoyment outside the classroom."

Lei Holcomb will serve as advisor and Gretchen Mitchell as chairperson.

Also serving are Page Bishop, Jason Bradford and Mark Wood. Meetings will be each Tuesday at 5 p.m.



Ray Robbins

...fights back from cancer...

# Opinion

## Food for Russian people said not only humane, it's also smart...

By Jimmie McGee  
Assistant Professor  
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The past three years have been unbelievable. We have witnessed a series of events that have changed the world. After playing a global game of chess with Communism for 35 years, we have apparently won. The captive countries of Eastern Europe are now free to determine their own destiny and the Soviet Empire has collapsed.

There will be many that argue that the Cold War strategy of the United States and its allies or the inability of Soviet leaders to deliver on the promises of a Marxist utopia brought about the demise of the Russian bear. This will be a topic of debate for a generation of scholars.

Recent historic events provide many important current and future issues demanding consideration. For decades our policy-makers have focused on countering the threat of global Communist aggression. Now that this menace is defeated, it is time to direct our attention to new problems for the world order of the future. Lessons from the past must be used to formulate a new foreign policy.

Many believe that the world mission of the United States and its democratic allies has ended and emphasis should be placed on domestic concerns. This idea was fashionable and generally accepted in the period after World War I in this country.

The United States watched from the sidelines as near civil war, starvation and economic collapse plagued our former enemy, Germany. The failure to offer humanitarian assistance resulted in the rise of the Nazi Party and the twin calamity of holocaust and world war.

History never repeats itself, but human behavior can be predicted. The remnants of the Soviet Union are on the verge of economic and social collapse. The system of communism was defective but provided some stability.

Even the torn and battered safety net of Marxism was better than what exists today. Despite

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occupying a land rich in economic resources, the people of the Soviet Union and its recently free possessions face the real threat of starvation in the coming months.

Starvation breeds discontent among people. Unrest will create the potential for riots and possible civil war among the "have" and "have not" sections of the country like events in Germany in the 1920's.

The result could range from the establishment of totalitarian government led by the military to the rise of a dangerous charismatic leader. These nationalistic leaders nor the military seldom provide solutions to the problems that brought them to power. Their answers are always the same: blame foreign or domestic scapegoats. This outcome results in the same massive human suffering we have seen in the past.

This time we can avoid a global catastrophe. Our job is not finished. Even though we and our allies are awash with domestic problems, the democratic nations of the world have a responsibility to nurture our latest and largest offspring.

Immediate action should be taken to supply the people of the Soviet Union with food and other essentials for human survival. The West has a vast reservoir of technical expertise that should be shared with the Soviets. Everything in our power must be done to insure the success of a strong democracy in the Soviet Union.

Political scientists have long argued that a major flaw of democracy is that it takes the system too long to react to a slow-burning fire. The United States must prove the experts wrong and lead the world in a monumental assistance effort.

The alternative of having to send our men and women to fight in a future war is too heavy a price to pay for a lack of foresight today.

## Get involved for right reasons; to benefit yourself plus others

By Mark Carroll  
Texan Staffer

Next time you run into Mr. Judah, ask him the story about red and blue lights or ask Mr. Brown about the time four rolls of film were ruined the day before newspaper deadline.

You may even want to ask Mickey Baird why she has a quarter taped to her desk. I promise that each of these questions has a unique response. You ask yourself, "What does all of this mean?" It's a small sample of the enjoyment of being actively involved in campus life.

Being involved gives you the privilege of getting to know people and being able to tell nerve racking and embarrassing stories. That's not the only benefit of being involved, but it is one area of being involved that I enjoy.

Being actively involved is important in establishing the type of productive life we all want to lead and it helps to establish the direction that type of life is going to take you. A person that takes the time to be involved is the type of person that most rely on heavily to get the job done when others fail to do their part.



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If you happen to be a person that is involved—whether it be in your community, church, or school—you understand the importance of doing your part to better yourself and the program you're involved in.

Involvement not only betters yourself, it betters the people influenced by the leadership skills you acquire. It helps you to establish lasting relationships with fellow students.

In addition, you meet new and interesting people and have the chance to change areas in campus life where you feel improvement is needed.

Unfortunately, there is a large number of students who do not take time to be involved, nor do they care to be involved.

These are also the people you hear the most complaints from about sponsored activities on campus. Rather than becoming involved, they sit back and criticize the way others try to improve campus life.

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Everyone has the chance to take the time to become involved—no matter how many hours they work or how many class hours they are taking. I will admit it does take a lot of work, but most of all it takes being able to use your time wisely and the simple motivation to want to do it.

For those of you that are involved, take time to pat yourself on the back for being a significant part of campus life. Later, you will have the privilege of recalling enjoyable college memories.

For those of you that do not bother to be a part of campus life, sit back and watch those who are. You will notice they are the ones really enjoying life and making significant contributions to the college as a whole.

The next time you hear someone complaining about a specific program on campus, don't just ignore them. Tell them to do something about it. Tell them to GET INVOLVED!

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## REVIEWS

### BLOOD AND CONCRETE

Offbeat and uneven comedy-mystery set among some low-life characters in a seedy section of Los Angeles. Billy Zane is a small-time thief who latches onto a troubled woman singer (Jennifer Beals). Both are connected to stolen drugs, a situation which triggers encounters with cops and gangsters. The humor is mostly forced and many characters merely fade into the background. Darren McGavin portrays an awkward detective who pursues the kooky couple. (R) FAIR COMEDY DIR-JEFFREY REINER LEAD- BILLY ZANE RT-99 MINS. (PROFANITY)

### CROOKED HEARTS

A strange family, beset with assorted problems, is explored in this off-beat film burdened with many problems of its own. A son sets fire to the family home, a daughter sporadically falls asleep and when another son drops out of college, the event is celebrated with a party. Such tragedy is presented on screen in a ridiculous and plodding manner. The story is based on Robert Boswell's novel, which provides a more effective account. Vincent D'Onofrio, Pete Berg and Peter Coyote are in the cast. (R) BORING DRAMA DIR- Michael Bortman LEAD- Vincent D'Onofrio RT-112 mins. (Profanity, brief nudity)

### FREDDY'S DEAD: THE FINAL NIGHT-MARE

This sixth installment finds the vicious killer

with the lethal fingernails roaming Springwood, Ohio, in search of more young victims. Shon Greenblatt plays a teen survivor from past episodes who confronts Freddy in a requisite grisly dream sequence. Other youngsters are dispatched in various ways that are predictable and tiresome by now. The screenplay, however, offers some intriguing explanations for the fiend's strange behavior. Robert Englund, as always, is in the title role. (R) FAIR HORROR DIR Rachel Talalay LEAD- Robert Englund RT-96 mins. (Profanity)

### COMING ATTRACTION

"The Addams Family," a film based on Charles Addams' cartoons, will come to the screen with Anjelica Huston and Raul Julia cast as the ghoulish characters. Orion pictures will distribute.

Danny Devito has the lead role in "Jack The Bear," a Twentieth Century Fox release. The film is about a recently widowed man who takes a job as a late-night host and becomes a celebrity in his new neighborhood.

Joe Pesci will star in "The Super," a comedy about a slumlord ordered to reside in one of his own tenements. Twentieth Century Fox will release.

Willem Dafoe and Susan Sarandon will star in "Light Sleeper," a love story to be directed by Paul Schrader.



# Campus



**Kappa Chi**  
Kappa Chi officers for the new school year are (clockwise) Allan Jones, vice president; Thad Myers, president; Keitha St. Clair, secretary-reporter; and Lori Unruh, treasurer. Texan Photo by Mark Carroll

## College info to be offered Wednesday

By Cynthia Martinez  
Texan Staffer  
Snyder High School will be hosting a "College Night" program for area high schools and WTC students Wednesday, Oct. 2, from 6-8 p.m. in the SHS student center.

"College Night" is designed for students who want to talk to college representatives and get information concerning college.

Stephanie Miller, guidance department secretary, said about 30-40 area two-year and four-year colleges are expected to participate in the program.

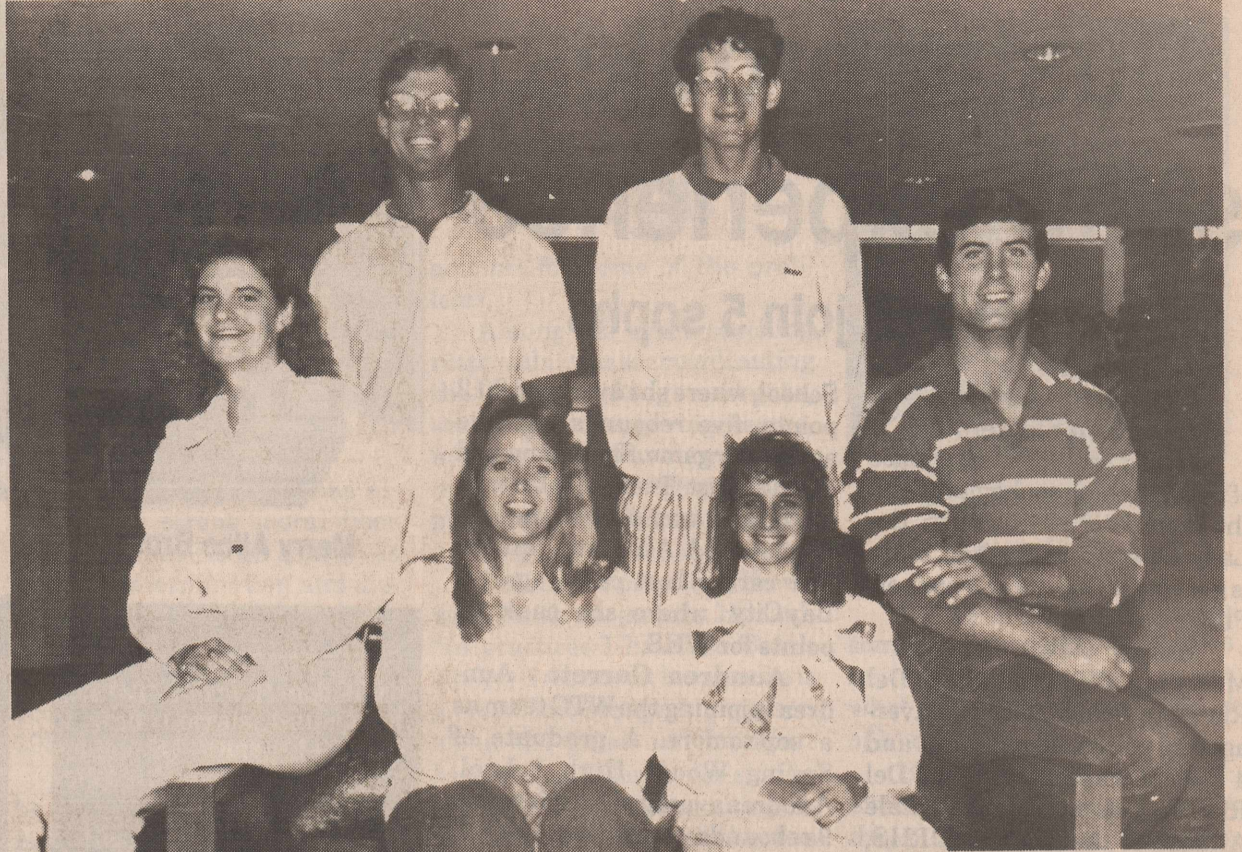
Area colleges participating are WTC, Howard County College, Howard Payne University, TSTC in Sweetwater and Angelo State University.

Colleges from Abilene and Lubbock participating are Abilene Christian University, Hardin-Simmons University, McMurry College, Lubbock Christian University and Texas Tech.

Texas A&M, the University of Texas at Austin, the University of North Texas at Denton, West Texas State University and the University of New Mexico will also be involved in the program.

Other colleges include University of Mary-Hardin-Baylor, Tarleton State University, St. Mary's University, South Plains College, Sam Houston University, Clarendon College, Austin College, Amarillo College, DeVry and Northwood Institute.

For more information, call SHS guidance counselors at 573-0132.



### PTK execs

The executive committee for WTC's Phi Theta Kappa this year is comprised of (top row, from left) Ryan Teague, Mark Cook, (bottom row) Lei Holcomb, Judy Cave, Aimee Adams and Brad Loesch. (Texan Photo by Mark Carroll)

## Robbins says life after illness is better

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Because of a lingering effect of his illness, he carries a water jug "just like people wear a wrist watch."

The changes for Robbins were more than physical as a result of his ordeal. "You learn what's important and what's not—to concentrate on the things that are and forget the stuff that's not. I really realized about time—when you are not certain about how much you

have left, you think about it. It causes you to examine yourself—your life; if what you're doing is what you should be doing and if you're doing it the way you should be."

The result of Robbins' questionings? "I'm totally at peace with what I do. Whether it's good or whether it's not; whether it's effective, or not so effective; I'm really content with what I do," and adds "Really, I'm just an old jug doin' what I love to do."

## New college cheerleaders profiled

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Jeran Ware is the newest of the group's three sophomores. She is a graduate of Westbrook High, and Colorado City is her home town. She was a cheerleader in both junior and senior high, and has been a dancer for 12 years.

Jeran is a business education major. She was also involved with the student senate during 1990-91.

Tammie Blair is a freshman from Colorado City and a graduate of Colorado High. In high school, through three years of cheer leading, she was named an All-Star Cheerleader.

Jacqui Allen is a freshman

that comes to WTC from San Angelo. She graduated from Lakeview High and is majoring in pre-law. While in high school she was involved with many varsity sports, cheer leading and the Chieftettes drill team.

Beatrice Rivera is a fresh-

man from Colorado City and another graduate of Colorado High. She was involved with volleyball, basketball, track, pep-squad, cheer leading, student council, FHA, FCA, year-book staff, SADD and was chosen for several class honors.


### Fall enrollment figures finalized here

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the fall of 1987, Dever said.

Contact hours, the number of hours in which a student actually "comes in contact with" his or her instructor, are up also. They are the highest they've been since the fall of 1989. According to the official fall 1991 report, combined academic-vo-

catinal contact hours are 268,384 compared to 1989's 259,824.

There are 34 out-of-state students and 1,073 from Texas. This includes 408 from Scurry County. The next highest counties regarding enrollment are Nolan with 92 and Mitchell with 91.



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# Sports

## Duster profiles show experience

### 10 freshmen join 5 sophs

**By Dusty Green  
Texan Staffer**

Armed with the experience of five returning sophomores and the promise of 10 freshmen, the Lady Dusters basketball team is gearing up for a Nov. 7 opener. Players are:

**Merry Alice Brown** - Merry is a 5'10" graduate of Del Rio High School, and she averaged 19 points, 10 rebounds and 4 assists while playing for Del Rio. She was named the Female Athlete of the Year at DRHS, and she garnered First Team All-District honors.

**Taylor Cavnar** - Taylor is a 6'0" graduate of Willis High School, where she was named M.V.P., Best Offensive Player and Athlete of the Month. She earned her way onto three All-Tournament teams, and was also named to the Who's Who in High School Sports. She averaged 16.1 points per game.

**Amanda Cook** - Amanda is a 5'7" freshman from Holland High School, where she averaged 22 points, 10 rebounds and 6 assists per game. She was named as her District M.V.P., and she earned a spot on the First Team All-Region.

**Cynthia French** - A 5'7" player, Cynthia is starting her first year of college basketball after a high school career that landed her All-District, All-Area, All-Region and All-State honors at Stephenville High School.

**Allison Garcia** - Allison is a 5'9" graduate of Wharton High

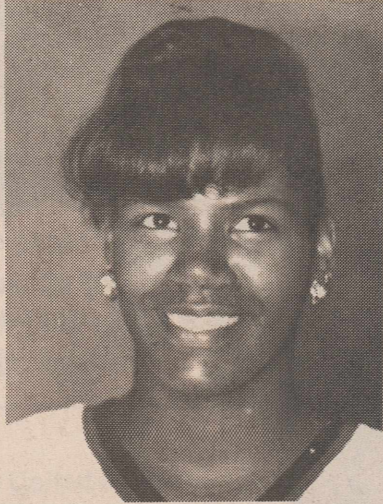
School, where she averaged 20.2 points, five rebounds and five assists per game. She was named as the First Team All-District MVP, and was part of the All-Region and All-State squads. Her career best came against Bay City where she sank 32 points for WHS.

**Aundrea Garrett** - Aundrea is joining the WTC team as a sophomore. A graduate of Spring Woods High School, Aundrea averaged 14 points and 9 rebounds per game at SWHS, including her best single game performance of 32 points.

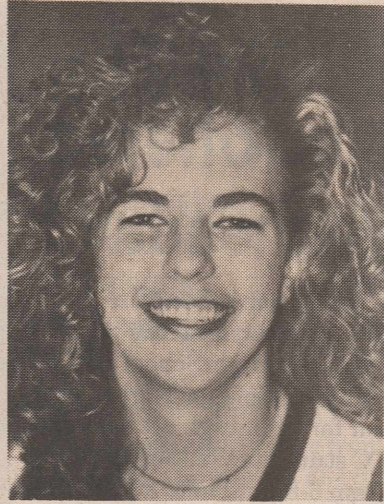
**Sherry Hoffpauir** - Sherry, a 5'9" graduate of Needville High School, came to WTC last year with 3rd Team All-State honors, as well as district M.V.P. credits from Needville, and experience on the First Team All-Greater Houston squad. She averaged 19.5 points and 10 rebounds a game for Needville.

**Mary Ann Isom** - As a sophomore in high school, 5'4" Mary Ann was named to the All-District Second Team. As a junior, she moved up to the First All-District team and received honorable mention. And as a senior, she was an All-District leading scorer. She comes to WTC bearing an average of 18-plus points, 4.5 rebounds and 5 assists per game. Her best game for the Midland Lee Rebels came against San Angelo Lakeview where she netted 33 points on the night.

**La Shunta Jackson** - A 5'10"



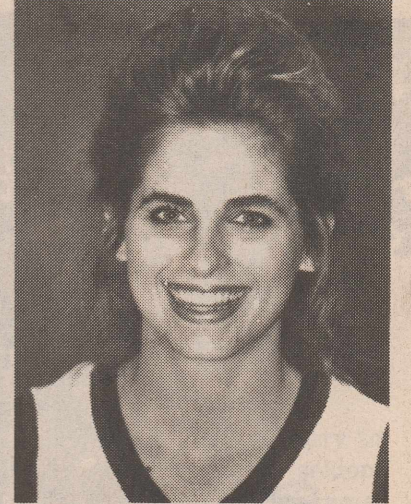
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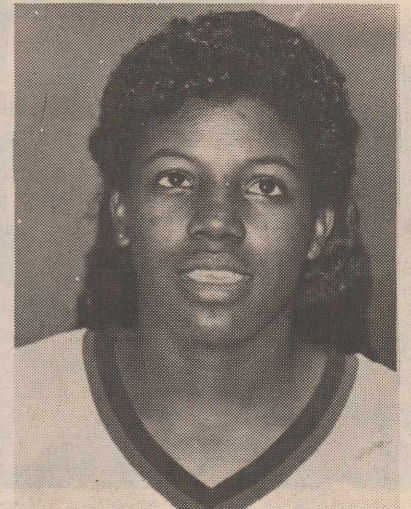
Allison Garcia



Aundrea Garrett



Sherry Hoffpauir



Mary Ann Isom

standout from Navasota High School, La Shunta came to WTC after achieving First Team honors on All-District, All-Region and All-State levels. She averaged 10 points, 5 rebounds and 3 assists per game as a freshman at WTC, and won the award for Best Field Goal Percentage in the 1990-91 season.

**Tami Kajs** - A 5'5" graduate of Crowell High School, Tami is starting her first year of college basketball after netting All-State, All-Region, and All-District M.V.P. honors with CHS. She was named to the All-Region basketball squad for two

years, and she was the District M.V.P. for three years running. She averaged 29 points, 4 rebounds and 3 assists at CHS.

**Andrea Kearney** - Andrea is a 5'11" freshman out of Wharton High School, where she averaged 10 points and 9 rebounds per game. She was named to All-District and All-County honors, and was also a regional qualifier in track. Her high school team went on to win district and bi-district with a 25-5 record.

**Angela Littlejohn** - Angela is a 5'7" standout from Randall High School, where she averaged 12 points, 4 rebounds and 5

assists per game, including her 21 point performance against Dimmitt. She was a MVP and an All-District player in both basketball and volleyball.


**Jennifer Martin** - Jennifer is a 5'9" All-District M.V.P. from Palo Duro High School in Amarillo, where she averaged 12 points, 8 rebounds and 3 assists per game. Her personal best came against Lubbock Monterey, when she hit for 25 points and was 100 percent from the free throw line.

**Diane Mendez** - A 5'10" graduate of Randall High School, See DUSTERS, page 5



La Shunta Jackson

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# Sports

## Assistant men's coach wants 'experience only' from college

By Greg Young  
Texan Staffer

Everyone at WTC likely knows the campus has a new men's basketball coach, but students may not know the campus has a new assistant coach also, Keron Graves.

Keron, who works voluntarily on the staff, moved to Snyder from Waco where he was an assistant coach for McLennan College.

Even though he has "paid" jobs supervising the WTC gymnasium and working in the dormitory part-time, his coaching is all done voluntarily. Which is allright with Keron, he says, because his reason for working with the team is for the experi-

ence.

Keron, who was born and raised in Brenham, is the sixth of 10 children and was the first in his family to go to college. He has wanted to be a coach since the seventh grade.

In his family there has always been strong moral fiber which is what Keron said gives him his determination and discipline.

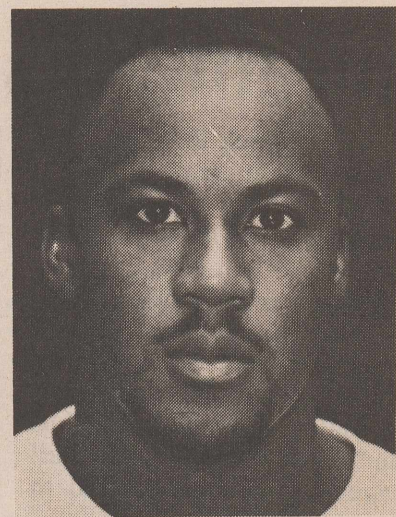
Keron played basketball as a guard for McLennan in 1985-86 and then for Texas A&M from 1986-89.

Regarding the WTC team, he admits the Westerners are lacking in experience, but he says the "outstanding athletic ability" of the players should help

account for some of the problems.

Among his other coaching responsibilities are coordinating the weight lifting workouts, scouting the opposing teams, making the travel arrangements, helping to plan out the practice schedules and "taping up the guys" before a game.

During the practices, Keron works with the guards. He said, "In practices I listen to Coach (Kelly) Green a lot, because he is a very knowledgeable person about the game and I respect him for that." Keron also said he respects Coach Green as a person because of the way he was treated when he first came to WTC.



Keron Graves

Keron says he hopes to someday be a coach. He knows he must "pay his dues" to get what he wants, but isn't afraid of hard work.

He notes he may not be over-experienced as a coach, but a drive to succeed will "overcome many obstacles and you will eventually reach your goals."



Tami Kajs



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Angela Murry

## WTC golfers place well at A&M tournament

By Dusty Green  
Texan Staffer

After opening the fall 1991 season with a fourth place finish at the Grayson Invitational two weeks ago, the WTC men's golf team traveled to the Texas A&M Juco Tourney Sept. 22-24, earning a second place finish.

The team completed the two-day, 54-hole tournament with a

team score of 866, which landed it in second place only three strokes behind New Mexico Military.

The Westerners were led by sophomore Mark Wood, who won second place medalist the week before in Grayson. At A&M, he kept up his pace by shooting a one-over-par 211 to garner him the third place medal.

He was followed for WTC by former high school teammate Ryan Teague, who captured fifth place with a 214.

Coach Milton Ham watched his golfers play to the team's best finish in recent years. "We played hard, and we played good," he said. "We opened up with two good rounds on Monday, and followed them up with a good round on Tuesday. I am really proud of our golfers."

Sophomores Jon Roseberry and John Gatlin tied with individual totals of 224, and the team was rounded out by sophomore Greg Slicker with a total of 225.

"We've made tremendous strides as a golf team," said Ham, "and we continue to improve. We have a strong possibility of going to nationals, if we continue to compete well."

The WTC golfers will travel next to Odessa Oct. 11-13, and will round out the fall schedule in Texarkana Oct. 30-Nov. 1.

The Fort Worth Invitational Tournament, originally scheduled for this weekend, was cancelled due to complications and may be re-scheduled for the spring.

## WTC Duster profiles listed; 1991 season startup nears

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Diane averaged 13 points, 9 rebounds and 2 assists per game for the Lady Raiders. She was also a recipient of the Presidential Academic Award at RHS.

Angela Murry - A 5'8" District M.V.P., Angela averaged 18 points, 10 rebounds and 10 assists a game for Hawkins High School, including a 39 point game

against Burleson. As well as being her District M.V.P., she was named to two All-Tournament teams, a tournament M.V.P., and she was chosen to play in the East Texas All-Star game.

Christina Zamora, Liz Greathouse and Freda Clay will be serving as managers for the Lady Dusters this year.

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# Sports

## Intramurals now underway with flag football

By Greg Young  
Texan Staffer

With WTC classes well underway, intramural sports have also begun with flag football now nearing its end.

After intramural football, which ends this coming Thursday, volleyball will begin.

Following volleyball will be the "three on three" basketball league—which is expected to

begin the first week of November. If time allows, there will be a "five on five" basketball tournament.

The flag football teams which have played as of last Wednesday were Young Guns, 0-2; The Cheeser, 1-0; The Cowtipper, 1-1; and The Posse, 1-0.

The football games consist of two 20-minute halves, which

only stop for injuries and official time-outs. Each team is allowed three 30-second time-outs and during the final minute of each half the clock is stopped after each play.

The only equipment the players need are like-colored shirts, which are provided if needed, and the flags all players must wear. No cleats, street shoes or bare feet are allowed.

In the event two teams are tied, the winner will be determined by the game played previously by those two teams. In the event three teams are tied, the winner will be determined by a one-day, single-elimination tournament.

Intramural director Mike Harrison is responsible for the schedules and overseeing of the games.

## Second place win starts rodeo year

Bob Doty's WTC Men's Rodeo Team placed second in its first competition of the year, a runner-up finish finalized Sept. 21 in Portales, N.M. at the Eastern New Mexico University Rodeo.

WTC's team total for the men was 165, which was behind event leader Odessa College with 205. The women finished in seventh place at ENMU.

Five individuals contributed to the overall team total for the men, led by Richard Wade's first place in the bull riding.

Others earning points were Troy Cattoor and Thad Little, both earning second in their respective events of bareback riding and saddle bronc riding; and two third place finishes by Benji Fontenot, bare back, and Scot Berger, steer wrestling.

Team totals for the rodeo were:  
—Men's Events, Odessa, 205; WTC, 165; Howard, 145; Sul Ross, 145; Vernon, 115; Texas Tech, 100; Tarleton State, 80; NMJC, 35; WTSU, 35; ENMU, 25.

—Women's Events, ENMU, 260; Vernon, 120; Texas Tech, 110; Odessa, 75; WTSU, 65; Howard, 50; and WTC, 15.

The WTC Rodeo Team will be in Alpine for the Sul Ross University Rodeo this coming weekend.

## 'Meet the Athletes' event planned on campus Oct. 14

By Greg Young  
Texan Staffer

Western Texas College students and area fans will get a chance to "meet the athletes" Oct. 14 at a school sponsored event designed to introduce the 1991-92 WTC teams.

The introduction of athletes will begin at 7 p.m. and is expected to run until 9 p.m.

The event is being organized by Coach Milton Ham, athletic director-golf coach. It will begin with WTC President Harry Krenek giving a welcome speech.

Following the welcome, the coaches—Kelly Green, Kelly

Chadwick, Bob Doty, and Ham—will introduce their respective teams.

Also during the event, the 1991-92 cheerleaders will be introduced by Student Activities Director Mickey Baird.

"Meet the Athletes" night will be open to the public and refreshments will be served.

After the team introductions, the basketball teams will have intra-squad scrimmages. These will begin at approximately 8 p.m. and conclude around 9 o'clock.

The scrimmages, which begin with the women's team,

are expected to run about 20 minutes each. The men's team will scrimmage immediately after the women.

The women begin their season Nov. 7-9, playing in the South Plains Classic in Leveland. The first home game will be versus Cisco Nov. 18.

The women will stage their Duster Classic tournament here

Nov. 22-23 and conference play for the women begins Dec. 5 here against Howard. The men will open play Nov. 5 also with a home game versus the McMurry University junior varsity.

November 15-16 will have the WTC\McDonald's Classic Tournament in Snyder. Conference play for the men begins Dec. 5, also versus Howard.

## College Press

### Career Expo '91: not good news for college grads

(CPS) - The scene is familiar. Young men and women in suits, armed with resumes, handshakes and smiles for older men and women prepared to greet them with stories of the grim realities of today's job market.

Welcome to Career Expos for the 1991-1992 school year.

"There are fewer positions available because of the recession and because of sales trends," says Dot Svobdia, a manager with American Tourister. "Still, we're hoping to find some good folks out there."

So is everyone else. This

particular job fair brought nearly 80 prospective employers to the University of Central Florida in early September.

"I think it's tight," says Him Gracey, director of UCF's Career Resource Center. "I had some employers say that they would not attend because of the recession."

### Collector of weird tales doubles as college prof

(CPS)-His mailbox is jammed - and he loves it. Sometimes as many as 150 letters and news clippings a week. He's Chuck Shepherd, a George Washington University professor by day, a collector of weird tales by night. A lover of strange news items, Shepherd launched a quirky newsletter, "View from the Ledge," in late '70s when he was a lawyer with the Federal Trade Commission. It was the consummate weird news organ with the motto: "You're only young once, but you can always be immature."

The newsletter, which catapulted the professor into the dubious position of being the nation's weird news guru, is free - but available only to those who send him clippings. Quality clippings, he insists - no tabloid stuff allowed.

In Shepherd's newsletter, you might read about prison inmates who nominate themselves for Outstanding Young Men in America - and make it, Iraq's decision to sell tanks to Iran while the two countries were warring, or the four Harvard students who thought it was

Of the ones who did, sentiments were the same. "We're finding a lot more qualified applicants," says F. Darren Oliverio, a field training consultant with Metropolitan Life.

The reason for the flood of qualified students is the lack of jobs. Although not all companies are suffering from the sag-

ging economy, they are still seeing an increase in applications.

Because of the flood of graduating college students entering into the job market, employers are getting pickier when hiring.

They offer this advice to job-seekers:

"Students should get practical experience before they graduate. That's very important," Oliverio said.

"In our business, a college education isn't a determining factor," says Oliverio of work in the insurance field. "We look for someone who really has oomph. When we find someone who's hot, we make room for (him or her)."

"People really need to prepare for the interview," says Wayne Johns, regional human relations manager for Coca-Cola.

"We are looking for good academic background, good interpersonal skills, a polished, genuine, smart person," Hoppe said. "We want the best and the brightest."

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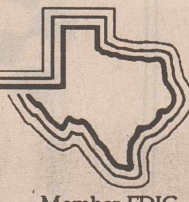
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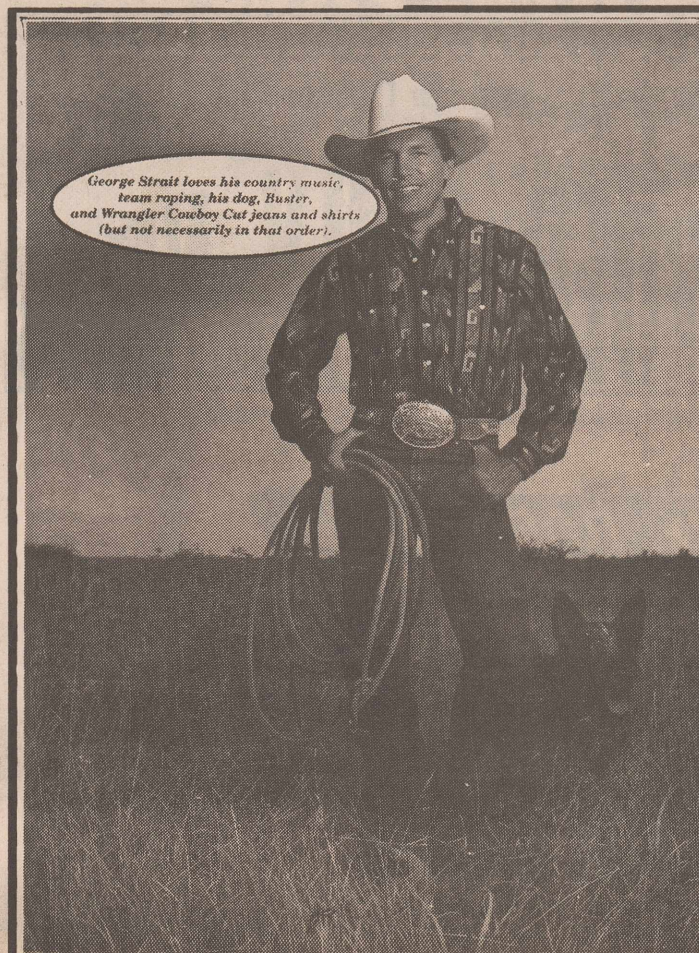
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