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Twin art events target area high school youth

Art contest planned Sat.

By Amy Lester
Texan Staffer

The 6th annual West Texas High School Art Competition is slated on campus this Saturday.

The art show is a juried art competition sponsored by the Art Department of Western Texas

College. It is designed to showcase the art works of high school students from the West Texas area.

The first year the competition was held, there were 150 entries. Last year's show had increased to 207 entries from 15 area high schools.

The competition will be judged by Prof. Linda D. Fawcett, chairperson of the Art Department at Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene.

She received her BFA from Texas Tech University and her MFA from North Texas State University, now the University of North Texas. She teaches painting and drawing, as well as art history. She is president of the Texas Association of Schools of Arts.

A critique of the winning art works will be given by Prof. Fawcett at the awards ceremony Saturday afternoon.

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Drama plans workshop

A drama workshop for area high school students and conducted by Texas Tech acting instructor and former professional actor and director Christopher Markle is slated Saturday in the Fine Arts Theatre.

The event is sponsored by the

WTC Drama Department and is held in conjunction with the 6th annual West Texas High School Art Competition.

All area high school drama students have been invited, along with their instructors and parents. The deadline to submit an intent to attend is Monday.

There will be a morning and an afternoon workshop Saturday, at 10:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

Students are asked to bring a one-minute audition piece from

either dramatic, comic, classic or contemporary works.

In addition WTC students will be performing selections from their first spring play "All in the Timing," which opens Thursday.

These will be performed in the Fine Arts Theatre from 1:15 until 2 p.m. Campus tours for prospective students will be conducted during the morning and afternoon.

Markle earned his master of See Drama, page 6

Play marks first spring production

By Patrick Hancock
Texan Staffer

Comedy and fantasy will take center stage later this week as the WTC drama department opens its first production of the spring semester, a combination of six one-act plays under the general title "All In the Timing."

The play's themes range from six monkeys attempting to write the play "Hamlet" to several pairs of reunited or soon-to-be lovers to a restaurant patron who cannot get served and finally to the Russian historical figure Trotsky, who finds himself faced with a curious anatomical dilemma.

Each play is directed by WTC drama students, and the run includes 8 p.m. performances Thursday through Saturday and a 2 p.m. matinee Sunday.

WTC students, faculty and staff are admitted free with a college I.D. Tickets for the general public are \$5 for adults and \$3 for students and senior citizens.

"Sure Thing" is directed by Vicki Williams from Sudan. The two actors are Dallas Martinez from Breckenridge who plays Bill and Tiffany Martin from Snyder who portrays Betty. "Sure Thing" is a comedy where Bill and Betty meet in a cafe and stumble through their conversation only to fall in love with each other.

"Words, Words, Words" is directed by Patrick Hancock from Aspermont. Vicki Williams, Krista Tydlaska and Lesha Derrick all from Snyder make up the cast. The play uses the old adage where three monkeys typing into infinity will sooner or later produce "Hamlet."

"Universal Language" is the third play and is directed by Charlie Sweatt from Hermleigh. Jeff Tydlaska from Snyder plays the role of Don and Shannon Gates from Seminole is Dawn. Don is the inventor of a "new" language called Unamunda and Dawn, a young woman with a stutter, wants to study this "new" language.

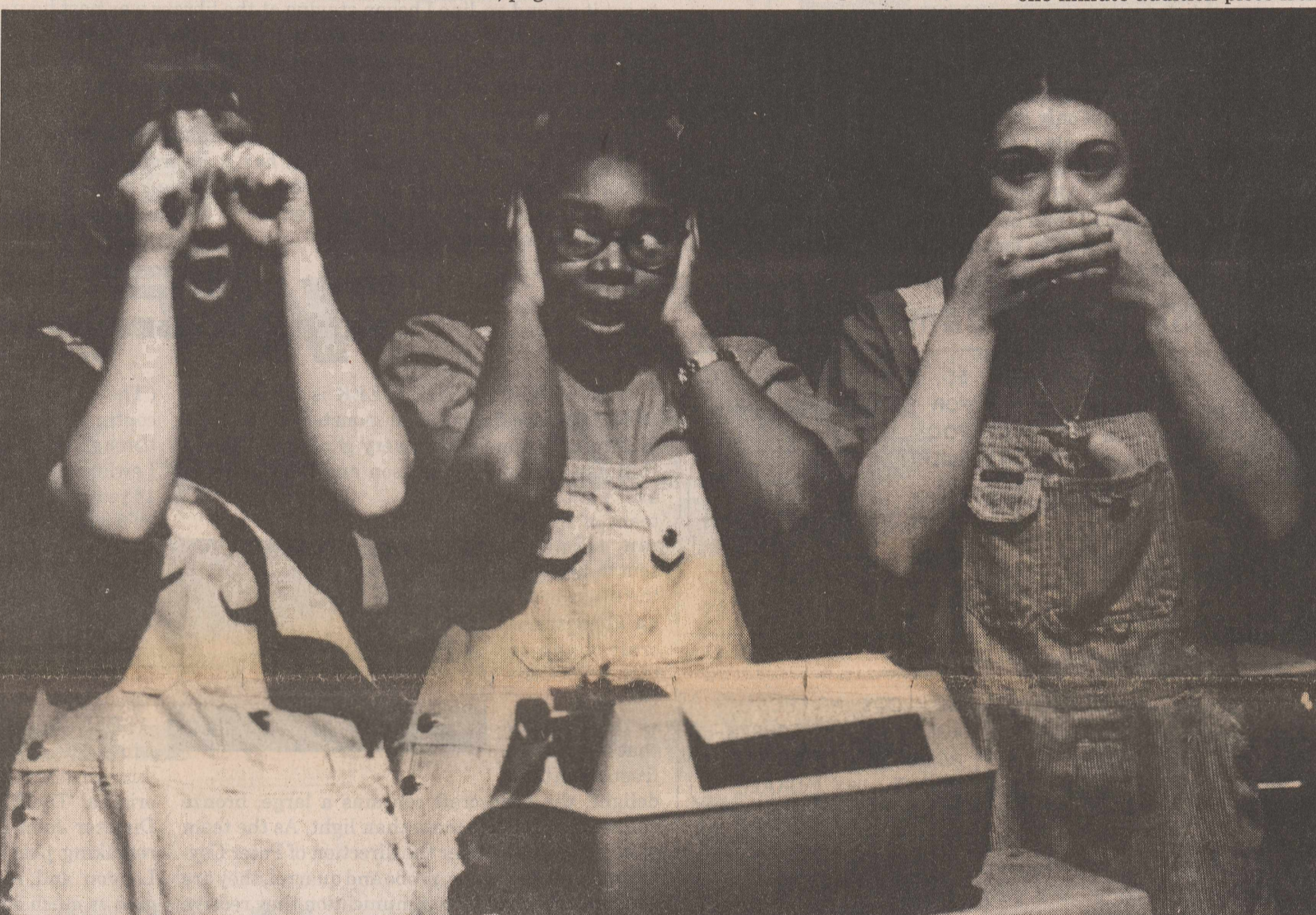
"Philip Glass Buys a Loaf of Bread" is a musical converted to a one act play and is directed by Jeff Tydlaska. Patrick Hancock, Dallas Martinez, Lesha Derrick and Kara Babcock from Snyder are the cast members.

"Philadelphia" is directed by Dallas Martinez and the cast consists of Charlie Sweat, Krista Tydlaska and Patrick Hancock.

The play takes place in a restaurant where Al (played by Charlie Sweatt) and Mark discuss the only way Mark can get out of his dilemma.

"Variations of the Death of Trotsky" is directed by Shannon

See Play, page 5



Monkey see . . .

Krista Tydlaska, Vicki Williams, and Lesha Derrick will see, hear, and speak no evil in the upcoming play "Words, Words, Words" which will be directed by Patrick Hancock. The play

is part of a combination of six one-act plays under the general title "All In the Timing" and will open on Thursday. (Texan photo by Sagit Shlezinger)

PTK to hold auction as fundraiser for trip

By April Martin
Texan Staffer

The Psi Zeta chapter of PTK is sponsoring a silent auction to help finance a trip to the International Convention in Nashville.

Items to be auctioned are listed on a board in the Student Center. These have been donated by faculty and staff members as well as members of the community.

To bid for an item, individuals should write their name, phone number and bid amount on the silent auction billboard. Winners will be announced Feb. 26 at 10:45 a.m. in the Student Center.

Items up for bidding include:

- Eight rodeo tickets for the WTC Rodeo April 2-4, donated by Greg Rhodes and the rodeo team, valued at approximately \$30.
- A box of one dozen homemade chocolate eclairs from Julie Sentell and Tanguy Coustaline.
- A pewter replica of the white buffalo statue carved by Dr. Robert Taylor and donated by Dr. Harry Krenek. There is a minimum bid of \$50 on the statue.
- Three dozen chocolate chip cookies baked by Donna Robinson.
- A pool party with free lifeguard at the WTC indoor pool. This was donated by Mike Harrison.
- Dinner for four at Dan and Carolyn Osborn's home.
- A king-sized waterbed with baffles, wooden headboard and footboard, 6 drawers and heater. The bed is valued at \$1,000 new.

See Fundraiser, page 5

Overall enrollment increases for spring

Student numbers at the WTC central campus stayed relatively level, but extension center enrollment—a combination of high school concurrent classes and prison instruction—helped push the overall student count to a more than 12 percent overall increase this spring term.

In a spring-to-spring comparison, the 1998 total is 1,235 students as compared to last spring's enrollment of 1,100.

The increase of some 135 students can be almost directly linked to 60 additional students gained at the Preson Smith prison unit near Lamesa and another 68 students at newly added extension center campuses offering concurrent enrollment at area high schools.

These classes were added at Stamford, Patton Springs, Colorado City and Ballinger. Under

concurrent enrollment, students receive both high school and college credit for classes offered through WTC and taken while still in high school.

Academic instruction was begun at the Smith Unit this past fall and this marks the first spring term enrollment numbers there have been counted.

Regarding student numbers at the main campus, a slight increase was noted, 685 students this spring compared to 671 last year for less than a 1 percent gain.

This spring, the central campus accounts for approximately 56 percent of the total student number.

In addition, WTC now offers instruction at nine extension centers based in area high schools

See Count, page 5

Planning begins for 1998 'Aquifer'

WTC students interested in creative writing can see their works in print and the potential for state-wide recognition this spring as faculty editors begin planning for the 1998 "Aquifer," the WTC literary magazine.

The deadline for submissions is the Friday following spring break.

The 1997-98 school year

marks the eighth issue of the publication at WTC, first published here in the fall of 1990.

The publication has been a frequent winner in literary magazine competitions sponsored through the Texas Intercollegiate Press Association (TIPA).

Since its founding, "Aquifer" writers or artists have been recognized by TIPA with four 1st

place awards, four 2nd place prizes, seven 3rd place honors and two honorable mentions.

Under current rules, students may submit short stories, poems or essays as well as illustrations or photographs for these works.

"Aquifer" competes in Division 2 which includes two and four-year private and public colleges with up to 3,000 enroll-

ment.

Winners for this year's TIPA contest will be announced in early April. Entries from last spring's "Aquifer" were submitted in December.

Last year, "Aquifer" was awarded three prizes by TIPA, winning in two of the major categories.

See Aquifer, page 6

All classes to dismiss on Friday

By Amanda Gutierrez-Baez
Texan Staffer

WTC students will have a holiday from classes this Friday while WTC instructors will be attending the 51st annual convention of the Texas Community College Teachers Association.

This year's convention is in Dallas at the Wyndham Anatole Hotel.

The TCCTA convention will begin Thursday, Feb. 26, at 9 a.m. and run through Saturday, Feb. 28, until 3 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 27, the polls will open for the election of officers from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. in the Chantilly Ballroom Foyer.

This year's candidate for president-elect is Deann C. Merchant of Amarillo College. She has been a professor of psychology at Amarillo College since 1975 and a licensed professional counselor since 1983.

The candidate for vice president is Richard L. Elam of Hill College. He has been an instructor of history/government at Hill College since 1979.

The secretary candidate for 1998 is Mel Griffin of Northeast Texas Community College where she has been a math instructor since 1992.

The candidate for treasurer for the 1998 year is James B. Riley of Palo Alto College.

In past years, WTC has been actively involved in the leadership for TCCTA. In the 1992-1993 school year, WTC English instructor Marylin Lancaster served as president. Gerald Corkran, reading resource instructor, is the Membership Representative at WTC.

WTC board has contested race

Last week began the filing period for positions on the WTC board of trustees and the first week produced a contested race for Place 4, now held by Jay Kidd, board president.

In addition to Kidd, who filed for his second six-year term, James C. Hanks has officially indicated he will run for the post. Kidd is a Snyder dentist and Hanks is a local chiropractor who has worked closely with the WTC Rodeo Team the past several years.

The other seat expiring on the board is Place 3 now held by Carolyn Barbee, who has also filed for re-election.

The filing period for the two posts ends March 18.

Elections to the WTC board are held every other year. Each of the seven trustees on the board serve six-year terms.

Creating web page both frightening and enlightening

By April Martin
Texan Staffer

During the past Christmas holiday break I, quite by chance, had the opportunity to learn a lot about new technology.

I became part of the YuleNet'97 project sponsored by Texas Rural Communities (TRC). The project had a broad scope—literally to bring the Internet to rural Texas. As a student instructor participating in the YuleNet project, I was to create a web page for my hometown of Rotan, install an on-line neighborhood network and teach the community to use the Internet.

All of this, in only three short weeks, and with a salary of six dollars an hour.

At first it all seemed a bit over my head. I had to admit I was not that fluent in the computer language department. However, Dani Day, the librarian in Rotan and the lady responsible for receiving the grant that made YuleNet'97 possible for Rotan, convinced me I



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was the one for the job. Especially after time before the deadline was slipping away and I was the only Rotan resident around that had over 12 college credit hours, currently be in college, and still lived in the community.

I talked with mass comm advisor Donny Brown and he gave me books and advise about web pages, but once WTC classes let out for Christmas, I was certain of only one thing. I was in way too DEEP! I began the six hours of on-line training required of me, and only then did I begin to breathe again.

There was a work station set up at the Rotan public library where I would be "confined" for the next three weeks. There it all was, practically spelled out for me. All I had to do was find out all the e-mail addresses and URL addresses in Rotan, submit them to TRC and hold classes to teach people how to use the Internet. All of this in conjunction to creating a web page for the city. I can do this!

After about the third day of asking around for e-mail, I began to see why Rotan was in great need of technological help. Most people did not know what I was talking about and, if they did, they didn't have e-mail or, if they did, could not remember their address because they never use it. Only a handful of people were on-line. I was shocked and dismayed.

Finally I went a different route. What if I focused on the hunting aspect of Rotan? After all, Fisher County is the "Quail Hunting Capital of the World."

I began using search engines instead of personally asking for addresses. Computers were a lot more reliable. In fact, I was on a roll. I began to frequently e-mail a fellow YuleNet instructor who was very knowledgeable in HTML language, the programming language. He made a few suggestions that helped clear things up.

After a week of searching, I found a link to use with my web page and had given a presentation to the Rotan Lion's Club. Several of the members promised to come in for instruction on how to use the Internet.

My first training session was to a group of 30 4-H kids ranging in age from 8 to 13. I had to teach about six per group and they did not get any hands-on experience. However, by this time the dates were set for training sessions and I encouraged them to make an appointment and come back to learn more. Only two of the children had been on-line with the Internet. While I'm not all that great with people under the age of 15, I do have thick skin and patience. Both came in for great use throughout the entire project. I trained approximately 55 people to use the Internet and set up e-mail accounts for each one. My youngest students was seven and my oldest was 78.

The training sessions were quite interesting since there was no given format of how to teach. All that was handed to me was an URL address to what was called the Christmas Sampler page that crammed as many links to search engines, e-mail servers, web sites for children and research tools as it possibly could. TRC did require each student fill out a survey on-line, sending it in to make sure I was teaching what I was supposed to.

Simultaneously with the training sessions, I was working on the web page. With only a week left to get it up and on-line I began staying at the library way past hours. For those of you that have never had the opportunity to visit the Rotan Public Library, it used to be the city hospital. Some of the back rooms still have the pull cords to call nurses. The building makes the weirdest noises at night. Especially when you have been staring at a computer screen for several hours and your imagination is just looking for a reason to take a break.

Finally at around ten-thirty two days before the deadline, Rotan had a web page to call its own.

One of the best opportunities that has come from this project was a reporter from the Abilene Reporter-News came and interviewed me about the YuleNet project. This project that landed in front of me, not only taught me a lot of information and gave me valuable experience, it got me on the front page of a newspaper'

DILBERT ® by Scott Adams

1. I APPOINTED MYSELF "DEPUTY OF COMMON SENSE."

2. I WILL APPLY SWIFT JUSTICE TO THOSE WHO EXHIBIT A LACK OF COMMON SENSE.

3. SO, IT'S SWIFT JUSTICE FOR PEOPLE WHO AREN'T TOO SWIFT? AND I'M USING A CHOCOLATE GUN FOR IRONY.

4. FREEZE!!

5. YOU SCHEDULED A FOUR-HOUR MEETING TO FIND OUT WHY PEOPLE ARE BEHIND SCHEDULE!

6. NO, LOOK AT THE AGENDA! THE FOURTH HOUR IS A DISCUSSION ABOUT WHY MORALE IS LOW!

7. YOU'RE MISSING THE SYMBOLISM. I GAVE THEM CHESS PIECES TO SHOW THAT WE'RE ALL ON THE SAME TEAM.

8. SPECIFICALLY, YOU GAVE THEM PAWNS. I'M SAVING THE ROOKS FOR BONUS DAY.

9. ARE YOU THE GOVERNMENT SAFETY INSPECTOR? YUP. I LOVE MY JOB.

10. WATCH YOUR STEP! HEY!

11. HOW DOES YOUR BOSS DETERMINE YOUR PAY? IT'S BASED ON THE DECREASE IN ACCIDENTS AFTER MY INSPECTION.

12. MAYBE I SHOULD QUIT AND WORK FOR MYSELF FROM HOME.

13. I WOULD MISS ALL THE HUMAN CONTACT.

14. SAME AS NOW. I'M TESTING MY E-MAIL. DID YOU GET THE "E" I SENT?

15. I'M THINKING OF QUITTING AND WORKING FOR MYSELF. COME WORK FOR ME.

16. DOING WHAT? YOU'LL INVENT VALUABLE THINGS AND I'LL EXPLOIT YOU... I MEAN THEM.

17. I'M NOT SURE YOU'D BE THE BEST BOSS, DOGBERT. DON'T GIVE ME THAT INPUT, YOU "RESOURCE."

sneak previews By Gene Siskel

OUR FLICK OF THE WEEK is 'Sphere,' yet another science-fiction, alien-monster-on-the-loose picture, this time with a very good cast: Dustin Hoffman, Samuel L. Jackson and Sharon Stone are part of a team of American scientists sent to deal with the discovery of an alien spacecraft found in the Pacific Ocean.



In a story that offers more frustration than delight, the spacecraft contains a large, bronze sphere that reflects more than light. As the team of investigators, under the direction of Peter Coyote, quarrel and probe, probe and quarrel, they are suddenly shocked by communication they receive on their computer. Could it be that an alien is on-line? Talk about 'You've Got Mail!'

My biggest problem with the story is that to see the likes of this cast cower and scream and be dazzled with special effects just makes me sigh. Director Barry Levinson ('Wag the Dog') obviously wanted to make a smart, futuristic monster movie but he can't get completely away from loud noises, the threat of a giant squid, and other staples of the genre. I enjoyed the scenes involving the computer but that was about it. PG-13. 2-1/2 stars.

AFTERGLOW. Julie Christie is a standout in an otherwise talking, too schematic, Alan Rudolph film about bored couples switching partners and finding some excitement. Rudolph's films fail when he is too elliptical with his dialogue, and that's the case here. Christie plays an actress married to Nick Nolte, playing a free-wheeling mechanic. They hook up with two other partners, and fewer sparks fly than you might expect with these two big talents. The film seems half-kidding much of the time. R. 2 stars.

DEEP RISING. A boring sea monster story set in the South China Sea where a cruise ship comes under attack from both looters and a giant squid-type creature. Let's just say you can anticipate almost every element in this story, especially the routine banging on the ship's walls. The creature is not the least bit thrilling. R. 1 star.

THE REPLACEMENT KILLERS. A shaggy gun story about a cop and a mobster who target each other's children. The underwhelming Chinese action star Chow Yun-Fat is listless as a hitman hired to take out the cop (Michael Rooker). Mira Sorvino is improbably cast as a document forger who befriends Chow. The entire rhythm of the film is talk a little, then shoot a lot. R. 2 stars.

THE WEDDING SINGER. Adam Sandler is appealing as a nice guy who works as a singer at weddings and is engaged to be married himself, but still seems far away from going to the altar. Naturally, he does meet a more attractive candidate for marriage (Drew Barrymore) but she's about to marry a lout. And isn't that a novel idea for a romance? Sandler's sweet qualities are more appealing than the hackneyed story. The result is a better character study than a movie. PG-13. 2-1/2 stars.

THE BOXER. Writer-director Jim Sheridan

('The Crying Game' 'In the Name of the Father') continues his examination of the Irish conflict through the story of an IRA member (Daniel Day-Lewis) who tries to put his life back together after 14 years in prison. His old girlfriend (Emily Watson) is now the wife of his best friend — now in prison — and the tentative relationship between her and Day-Lewis' character is part of the film's mosaic of people trapped by roles that the hatreds of their ancestors have created. As good as the cast is here, however, some of their speeches seem painfully obvious, and I couldn't grasp what is new about this story. R. 2-1/2 stars.

BLUES BROTHERS 2000. This film works simply as a star-studded musical tribute to the blues, rather than as action comedy similar to the original 'The Blues Brothers' made 18 years ago. Director John Landis, who has been reduced to remaking past hits ('An American Werewolf in London' and, recently, 'Paris') doesn't even try to give us much of a story. John Goodman reinvents



the late John Belushi's role as partner to the blues-lovin' Elwood Blues (Dan Aykroyd). They are joined by two new 'brothers' and an orphan (J. Evan Bonifant) and a put-upon Illinois State Police com-

mander (Joe Morton) who turns out to be a better musician than a cop. The excuse for a story has the Blues brothers being pursued by cops and Russian mobsters. These lame scenes exist only to mark time between musical numbers, most of which are high-energy gems. PG-13. 3 stars.T

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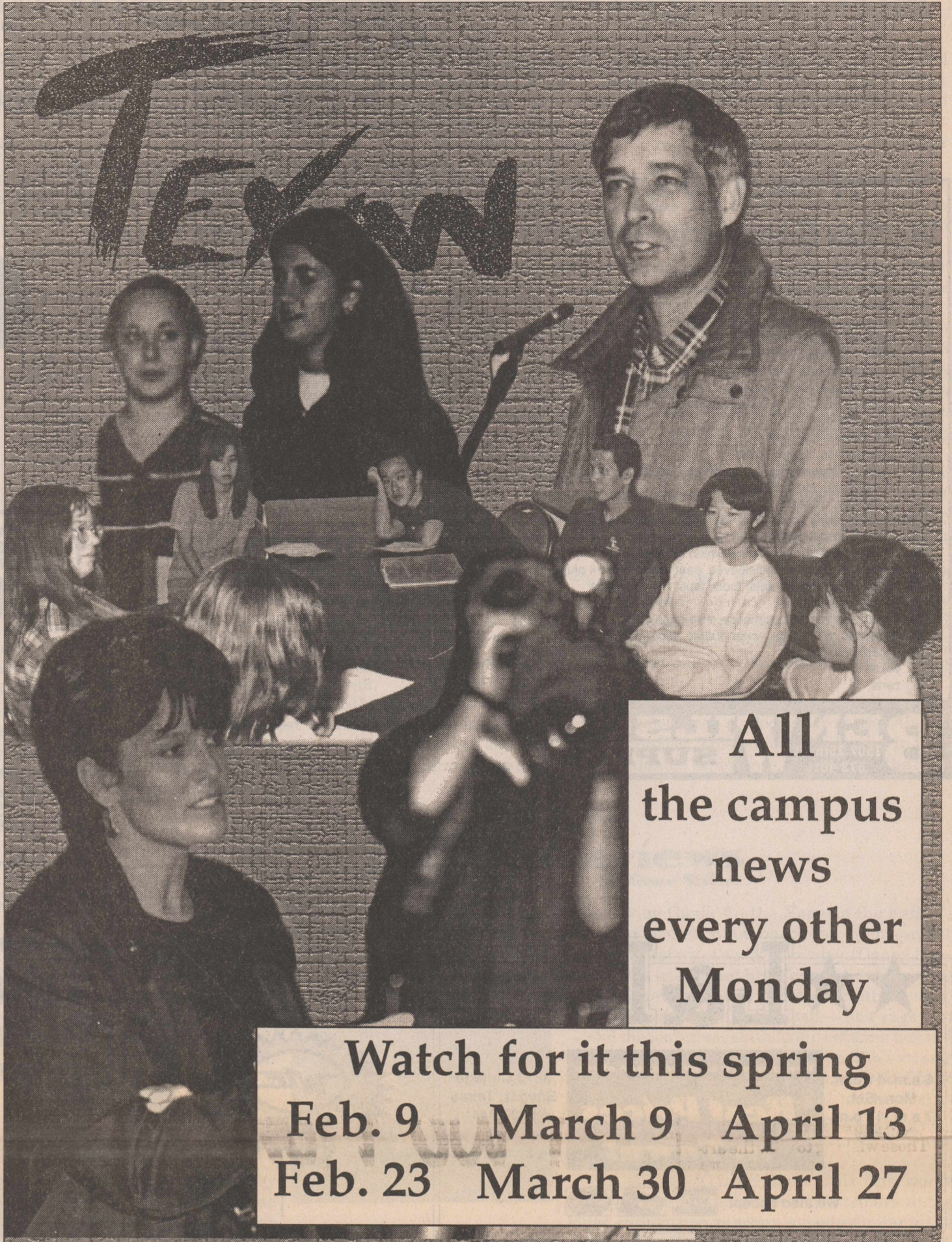
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Lady Westerners beat Frank Phillips 70-66

By Patrick Hancock
Texan Staffer

The WTC Lady Westerners host South Plains College tonight at the coliseum. South Plains won the first game by a score of 82-66.

WTC lost 59-41 Thursday versus Odessa College and, with a conference record of 2-10, the team is mathematically out of the playoff picture with only two games left.

WTC won its second game in conference play last Monday night against Frank Phillips College, playing in the Scurry County Coliseum. The Lady Plainsmen had a 1 point lead at half-time, 31-30.

In the second half, the Lady Westerners outscored Frank Phillips 40-35 to take the victory with a final score of 70-66. Jennifer Shuttlesworth led the team by hitting six 3-pointers. She

ended up with 18 points.

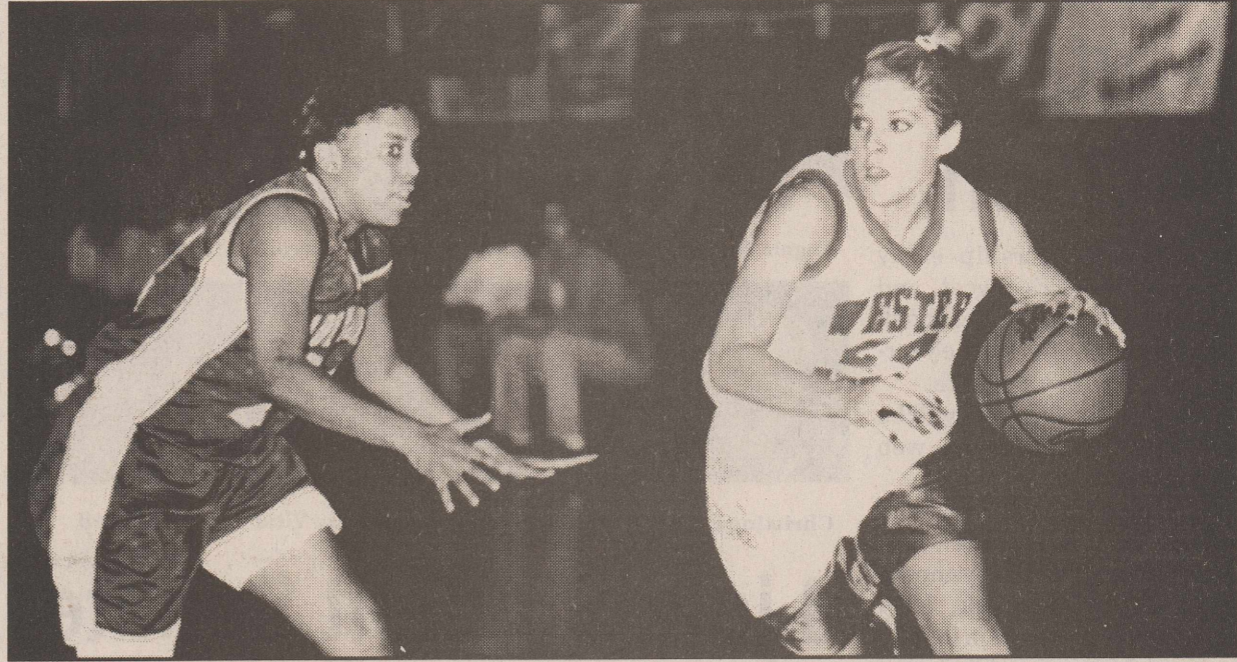
"The team has really improved as a team during conference play," said Coach Valery Jackson. "They have jelled together."

Last week, WTC was tied for seventh place in conference play with Frank Phillips. Howard was 1st, Midland 2nd and Odessa 3rd.

The team traveled to play Clarendon on Feb. 12. Clarendon held a 17 point edge at half-time and the final score was 77-57 for Clarendon. Pamela Odhuong'O was high point with 16 and she also had 8 rebounds. Celestine Otuoro also had 8 boards.

"The team is learning the importance of winning at home and how tough the road really is," Coach Jackson said.

February 9 had the Lady Westerners hosting conference leading Howard. The Lady Hawks led at the half 40-24. WTC



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Versus Frank Phillips, Christy Wells drives toward the basket

scored 30 second half points, but Howard won 79-54. Christy Wells and Pamela Odhuong'O each scored 12 points to lead the team. Leading the team with 14 rebounds was Pamela Odhuong'O.

On the road again, the Lady Westerners played New Mexico, a team which had beaten them by 6 points in their first game

played here. The Lady Thunderbirds led after the first 20 minutes 38-22 and ultimately New Mexico flew away with a 20 point victory, 83-63. Pamela Odhuong'O scored 26 points to lead WTC in scoring.

With only two games left, Rachel Ashmore is done for the season. "Since the season is al-

most over, we decided to let her rest," said Coach Jackson.

The Lady Westerners will end the season by hosting their last two games, South Plains tonight and Midland Thursday. Both games begin at 7:30 p.m.

"Our goal is to stay composed and finish the season up strong," Coach Jackson said.

Fundraiser set

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—A bug calendar with a signed photo from Dr. David Kattes.

—An apple crumb pie baked and donated by Debbie Duddleston.

—An original portrait painted by Ben Sum.

—A handcrafted wooden pen set from Dr. Ed Barkowsky.

—Private tennis lessons from Jana Wesson-Martin.

—A Chinese fan from Hong Kong, donated by Ben Sum.

—An invitation to a star gazing party at Joe Carter's house.

—Half a hog from Jim Judah, meat raised at the WTC farm valued at \$50.

—Two tickets to two performances by the Drama Department, worth \$20.

—A Norelco Double Hamburger Grill from Eddie's Pharmacy valued at \$31.95.

—An authentic Japanese dinner for four cooked by Japanese students Junichi and Cos and served in the home of Jack and Mary Dee Price.

Play opens

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Gates. Jeff Tydlaska, Krista Tydlaska, and Dallas Martinez make up the cast.

This play depicts the Russian revolutionary, Trotsky (played by Jeff Tydlaska) on the day of his demise, desperately trying to cope with the mountain-climbers ax that he finds in his head.

Mike Jones from Winters is the stage manager and also the light director. Dale Cooper from Sweetwater is the stage crew.

Art contest begins here

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Those wishing to view the artwork may go to classroom FA 102 between 2 and 4 p.m. Saturday.

Students compete in two divisions: Division 1, consisting of 9th and 10th grade students; and Division 2, consisting of 11th and 12th grade students.

Winners of 1st, 2nd or 3rd place win a total of \$300 in cash awards. The department offers also scholarship awards up to \$1,000.

Count increases

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and at four prison campuses—a total of 550 students this spring.

The spring count of 1,235 is also an increase over numbers counted this past fall, when enrollment stood at 1,207. That number was also an increase of 16.9 percent from the previous year.

The spring count marks the second school year in a row that students numbers have increased. The final counts are 1,032, 1,100, 1,207 and 1,235 reflecting fall-spring totals for 1996-97 and 1997-98.

The last time a higher number for the spring was counted was in 1995, when 1,291 students enrolled. At that time, more than 44 percent of the student population—571 students—was prison-based. Today, that figure has dropped to 380 students, approximately 30 percent.

The record all-time high was in 1984 with 1,414 students in the spring and 1,319 in the fall.

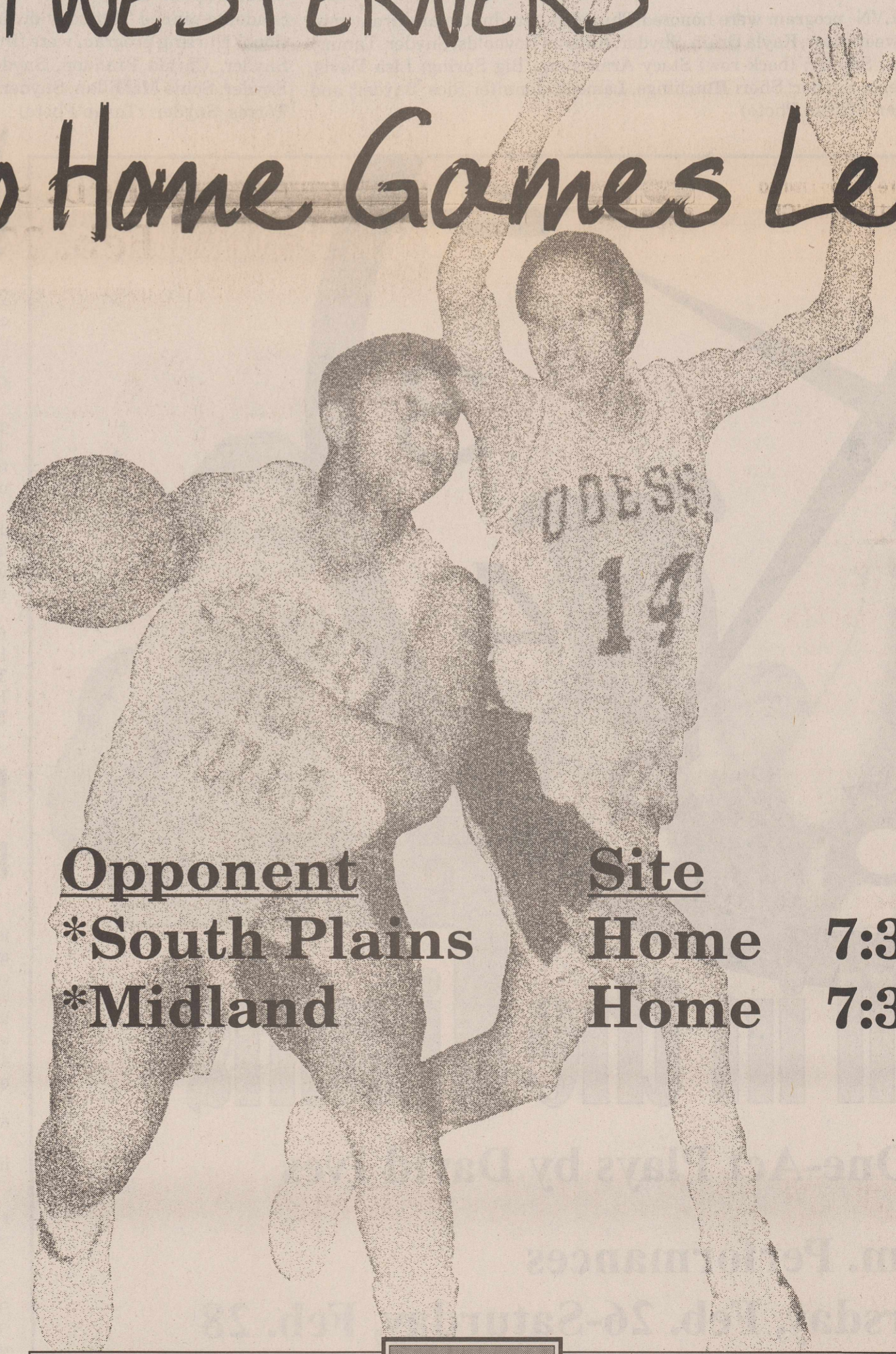
This spring, the college's contact hour total had a slight increase—2.5 percent. Contact hours are a calculation of the number of hours a student is in the classroom for instruction during the entire semester.

The two totals this spring compared to last are 243,776 to 237,760. These numbers are broken down into academic and vocational contact hours. This spring, academic contact hours increased. Also calculated is the number of semester hours, which increased by 3.2 percent this spring from 9,956 to 10,279.

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Feb. 26	*Midland	Home	7:30 pm

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PTK group to attend regional convention

By April Martin
Texan Staffer

The Western Texas chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, Psi Zeta, is planning a trip to Irving to attend the Texas Regional Convention March 5-8.

Approximately 14 members plan to make the trip and will have the chance to attend various workshops, listen to speakers and participate in projects, all focusing on the four hallmarks of PTK: Service, Leadership, Scholarship, and Fellowship.

An award ceremony will honor the top 10 chapters, the most distinguished chapter, and the five star status chapter.

Last year, Psi Zeta was recog-

nized for a Leadership essay written by Rebecca Sweet, and the "Most Original Yearbook Award" was created for the yearbook submitted by Psi Zeta.

This year, the chapter will be submitting an electronic web page yearbook.

Members planning to attend the convention include: Ron Baker, Somer Dennis, Vanessa Early, Cara Glasscock, Keri Kemp, Nicole Lyons, April Martin, Nicol Mazarova, Christina Mendoza, Mark Miles, Lacey Parker, Stacey Parker, Charlie Sweatt and Dena Williams.

Donny Brown, PTK advisor and District I coordinator, will accompany the group on the trip.



Angela Biggers Tina Bhakta Michael Carrion Jason Kerby



Christine Patten Jason Tyler Destenie Vital T.J. Wood

8 join Student Senate

Eight students have joined the WTC Student Senate with the spring semester.

New senators are: Angela Biggers of Snyder, Tina Bhakta of Snyder, Michael

Carrion of Roby, Jason Kerby of Bovina, Christine Patten of Snyder, Jason Tyler of Pullman, Wash., Destenie Vital of Lake Charles, La. and T.J. Wood of Hermleigh.

WTC students attend employment expo

A group of WTC students will be attending the West Central Texas Career Consortium (WCTCC) Employment EXPO slated Tuesday at the San Angelo Convention Center.

The event is a one-day opportunity to network and interview with a wide variety of employers seeking entry-level, permanent employees or interns.

Employers have been invited from business, industry, non-profit, and government organizations with immediate or projected needs for professional, vocational or technical personnel. These include companies involved with food service, marketing, oil field-related service,

the insurance industry as well as municipal police agencies and the military.

Students or recent graduates from the 14 participating institutions are eligible to attend.

Other institutions involved are Abilene Christian University, Angelo State University, Cisco Junior College, Hardin-Simmons University, Howard College, Howard Payne University, McMurry University, Midwestern State University, Sul Ross State University, Tarleton State University, Texas State Technical College, The University of Texas of the Permian Basin and Vernon Regional Junior College.



Nursing grads

Eleven graduates of the LVN program were honored Thursday. Graduates are (front row, from left) Dusty Torres, Sweetwater; Kayla Drain, Snyder, Katrina Reynolds, Snyder, Tammy Cox, Snyder; Lena White, Snyder; (back row) Stacy Armstrong, Big Spring; Lisa Davis, Snyder; Hannah Magdaleno, Snyder; Sheri Hutchings, Lamesa; Jennifer Rios, Snyder; and Mary Ann Molinar, Snyder. (Texan Photo)



Students pinned

Students pinned Thursday during ceremonies for Western Texas College's Licensed Vocational Nursing program were (front row, from left) April Smith, Clairemont; Tammy Kaska, Snyder; Carma Brandon, Snyder; Trish Shubert, Lamesa; (back row) Genifer Johnson, Snyder; Sonie McMillan, Snyder; Chris Goebel, Snyder; Amy Robertson, Snyder; and Yvette Torres, Snyder. (Texan Photo)

WTC nursing program graduates 11, pins 9

Graduation ceremonies for Western Texas College's Licensed Vocational Nursing program were held Thursday at Trinity United Methodist Church.

Eleven graduates of the program were honored and nine students were "pinned," indicating they have completed the first six months of the 12-month course.

Upon completion of classes, graduates are eligible to take the state examination qualifying them as licensed vocational nurses.

Eight of the graduates are from Snyder, Kayla Drain, Lisa Davis, Katrina Reynolds, Tammy Cox, Lena White, Hannah Magdaleno, Jennifer Rios and Mary Ann Molinar.

Other graduates are Dusty

Torres, Sweetwater; Stacy Armstrong, Big Spring; and Sheri Hutchings, Lamesa.

Students pinned Thursday were Tammy Kaska, Carma Brandon, Genifer Johnson, Sonie McMillan, Chris Goebel, Amy Robertson and Yvette Torres, all of Snyder. Also pinned were April Smith of Clairemont and Trish Shubert of Lamesa.

The candidates for graduation and pinning were presented by Diane Beard, Carol Watkins and Donna Robinson. Speaker for the event was Kerry Smith. Dean of Instruction Bettie McQueen offered the welcome.

Singer Carmen T. Mora provided musical entertainment and the invocation and benediction were given by Mike Thornton, dean of continuing education.

Meats team places 9th

The WTC Meats Team finished 9th in overall competition at the Fort Worth Intercollegiate contest held Feb. 13-15.

Tanners Means from Abilene led the team with individual honors, placing 3rd in pork judging; 4th in beef judging; and 3rd in questions.

Randy Dudley of Merkel was 6th in beef quality grading.

Other team members competing were Recin Allison of High-

Blood drive set Monday

The WTC Student Senate will sponsor a blood drive on campus March 9, a Monday, from 8 a.m. until noon.

All donors will be given free T-Shirts.

Drama workshop

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fine arts degree from Yale and retains his membership in Actor's Equity. Before joining the Tech faculty, he was associate artistic director at the Sage Repertory Company in Santa Fe.

He also taught directing as a visiting professor at Princeton and taught acting and directing at Bard College in Annandale, New York for seven years. In 1991, he served as guest director at the Studio School of The Moscow Art Theatre.

For more information about Saturday's workshop, contact Helen Cogan, drama instructor, at 573-8511, ext. 329.

'Aquifer' planned

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In the Short Story division, Shae Gowin won 2nd for her story "Until We Meet Again," and in the Essay Division, Carrie Keith won 3rd for her entry "Encounter at the Co-op."

In a third division, Sandra Hall won a 2nd place award for Literary Magazine Story Package for the entry "The Calling," which was a tribute to former WTC instructor Franklin Pruitt.

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