

Counts welcomed today

David Counts Appreciation Day is Monday with Speaker of the House Pete Laney of Hale Center to be the featured speaker at a noon luncheon at the Martha Ann Woman's Club. Invited guests include Charles Burnside, executive director for the Texas Junior College Teacher's Association, who will bring five former presidents of TJCTA including local WTC instructor Marilyn Lancaster, who as served as the organizer for the local event. From Snyder, WTC President Harry Krenek will offer a brief message, as will Snyder ISD Superintendent Gail Lomax and City Manager John Gayle. Tickets to the event are \$10, which includes lunch, and \$4 for the program only. Tickets may be reserved by calling the college at 573-8511, ext. 202.

Western Texas College, 6200 S. College Ave.

Snyder, Tx. 79549

82 to graduate in traditional ceremony Friday

Event will mark college's 25th Anniversary

Western Texas College's 25th annual graduation exercises are Friday with 82 candidates for graduation to receive either associate degrees or technological certificates.

The traditional ceremony in the WTC Central Courtyard will begin at 7:30 p.m. There are 52 graduates to receive Associate in Arts degrees; 21 to receive

Associate in Applied Science degrees; and nine to receive Certificates in Technology.

Three graduates will offer brief addresses following the theme "Choices, Challenges and Champions." Student speakers will be Brian Cody Smith of Aspermont, Sharon Gill of Snyder and Chris Lambaren of Hermleigh.

Offering the faculty response will be Dr. Mary Hood, head of the WTC Counseling Center who retires this year after 25 years with the college.

A feature unique to this year's event will be the presentation of 25th Anniversary pins to all graduates. Members of the WTC faculty will be presenting the pins.

Dr. Harry Krenek, WTC president, will offer the welcome, introductions and special recognitions. He will also offer closing remarks.

The degrees and certificates will be awarded by Bettie McQueen, dean of instruction. Carl Williams, president of the WTC Board of Trustees, will present these to the graduates.

Friday's invocation will be offered by Rev. Reynaldo Rios, pastor of St. Elizabeth Catholic Church; and the benediction by Dr. Marty Akins, minister of First Baptist Church.

Processional and recessional music will be played by Patsy Martin on the Sears Carillon.

See **GRADUATES**, page 6

Senate has new officers

By Christina Wagner
Texan Staffer

Next year's Student Senate Officers were announced last Tuesday. They are Jana McCloy, president; Jessica Jeffrey, vice president; Kelly Smith, treasurer; and KayCee Plugge, secretary.

Jana McCloy is the daughter of Mark and Annette McCloy of Gruver. Her major is Physical Therapy.

At WTC, she is a member of the Student Senate, Phi Theta Kappa and the Rodeo Team.

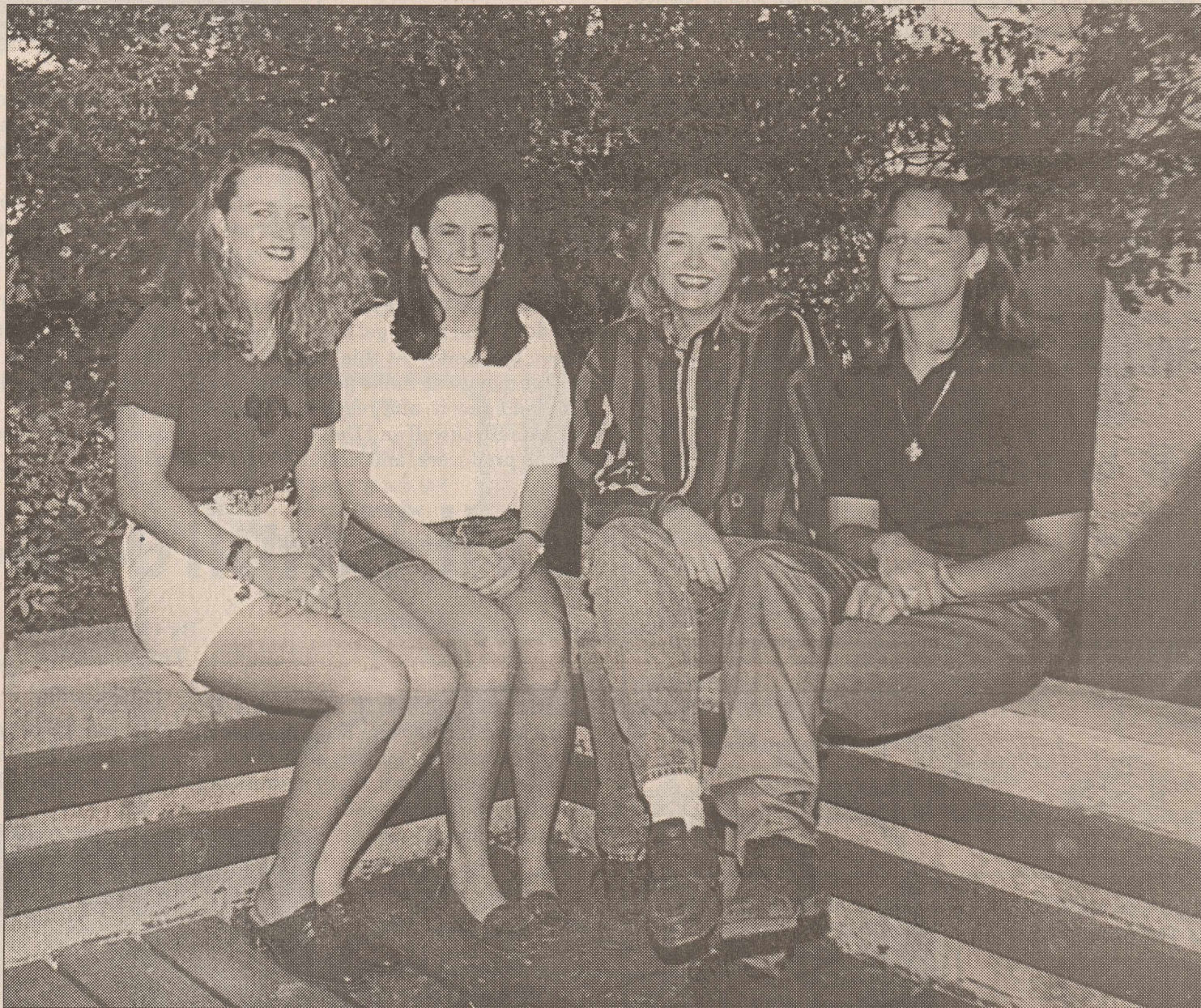
Jessica Jeffrey is the daughter of Ron and Jean Jeffrey of Hamlin and is majoring in business.

At WTC, she is a member of the Student Senate, serving on its Recreation Committee, and was a member of the Lady Westerner basketball team.

Kelly Smith is the daughter of Gary and Kristine Smith from Wimborne, Alberta, Canada. Her major is ag business. At WTC, she is a member of the Student Senate, the Rodeo and Basketball teams.

KayCee Plugge is the daughter of Jack and Peggy Plugge of Burwell. Her major is ag business.

At WTC, she is a member of the Student Senate, Phi Theta Kappa and the Rodeo Team.



Jana McCloy, president; Jessica Jeffrey, vice president; Kelly Smith, treasurer; and KayCee Plugge, secretary.

Divisions reorganize

By Jonathan Carroll
Texan Staffer

Effective next fall, Western Texas College will gain a new division chair and a new campus position and reorganize faculty within several departments as one division is eliminated.

Jim Judah, ag instructor here, will replace Jerry Dennis as the chair for the Occupational Education Division. Dennis is retiring from WTC this spring.

In addition, a new position will be created, Director of Distance Learning. Jim Palmer, Social Science Division chairman, will step-down as division chair and become the director of distance learning.

Because of this, faculty within the Social Science Division will be reorganized as the departments for history and government will be put under two different divisions.

History instructors Robert Adams and Dr. Jim Durham will be under the Communications and Letters Division while government instructors Jack Price and Duffy Wilks will be moved to the Science Division.

Also, the criminal justice department, formerly under the administration of the Social Science Division, will return to the Occupational Education Division.

Judah's promotion to division chair See **REORGANIZE**, page 6

Faculty group awards two \$400 scholarships

By Marla Meek
Texan Staffer

Winners of the WTC Faculty Association Scholarship Awards have been announced. Those chosen are Jonathan David Carroll of Hawley and Carolyn Kay Tidwell of Sweetwater.

Jonathan has a grade point average of 4.0 and is a member of Phi Theta Kappa and the Student Senate. He is also a staff writer for the Texan and is See **SCHOLARSHIPS**, page 6

Awards Day will honor academics

By Marla Meek
Texan Staffer

The annual WTC Awards Day sponsored by the WTC Faculty Association will be tomorrow at 10:30 a.m. in the Fine Arts Theater on campus.

The event is planned each year to recognize WTC students for their academic achievements during the school year.

The highlight of the morning will be the announcement of 1996's Outstanding Academic Male and Female student

ing Academic Male and Female student

To be eligible for the honor, students must

- attain sophomore status.
- complete at least three semesters at WTC being a full time student.
- attain a GPA of 3.75.
- be involved in campus or community activities and organizations.

Members of the WTC Faculty Association nominate students who have

fulfilled these requirements and the final pair is chosen by a vote of the full association.

In addition, departmental awards are given out to recognize students who have done well academically in their respective areas.

These departmental awards come from each of WTC's eight divisions: Occupational Education, Communications and Letters, Computer Science, Math See **AWARDS**, page 6

Job-related questions addressed by new dean

George S. Cormack will officially begin as the new Dean of Student Services at Western Texas in June.

Cormack, who has been employed as Assistant Dean of Student Services at South Plains College in Levelland for the past year, recently agreed to an interview with Texan Staffer Rachel Brown.

The following are his responses to questions submitted by the Texan.

Q.—What do you think is the best attribute you will offer to the students of WTC?

A.—I think I will bring someone new with different views and ideas. Also, I'm very energetic, and I like to get out and do things with the students. For instance, I love to roller blade.

Q.—How do you foresee handling any disciplinary situations in the dorm

and on campus?

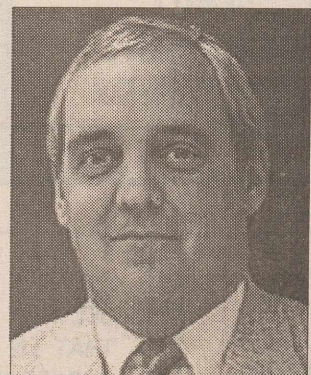
A.—It all depends on the situation. It differs case by case because it is different if they are bothering others. Most of all, I just want kids to stay in school.

Q.—What attracted you and made you want the position of Dean of Students at WTC?

A.—The area is the number one reason, but also I have been Assistant Dean and I wanted to be in a position to make things happen.

Q.—Would you prefer to change or add any rules for students living in the dorms?

A.—I would like to look at that policy See **DEAN**, page 6



George Cormack



Upon retirement

Retirement receptions have been plentiful on the WTC campus the past few days. Last Thursday, Duane and Mary Hood were honored. This coming Thursday, all six retirees—including Mickey Baird, Jerry Dennis,

Shirley Leftwich and Ray Robbins—will be recognized at an event beginning at 10:45 a.m. in the Student Center. The public is invited. (Texan Photo)

'Basketball Diaries' depicts problems with drugs

By Carrie Keith
Texan Staffer

'Basketball Diaries' takes place in Staten Island, New York, early seventies. A young guy named Jim Carrol (Leonardo DiCaprio) spends his days wreaking havoc in a Catholic school, playing basketball, and sniffing ether. This movie starts out on a negative note when Jim wakes up and the "looney alarm" is going off. This is the

crazy lady across the alley from his room. None of the movie is funny. It brings tears and, anger, and frustration, and a lot of disgust.

Parts of the movie are narrated by Jim and other parts need no explanation. He goes to school where he gets his daily beating from the priests, gathers his friends, and ditches school.

They ride the ferry across the river and get high on ether. Jim's friends are also on the St. Vitus basketball team, the toughest team in New York. Mickey (Mark Wahlburg) is the group jerk. Neutron (Patrick McCaw) is the group good guy. Pedro (James Madio) is the group go-fer. Jim is the group poet, even though he allows no one to read his journal.

Reggie (Ernie Hudson) is Jim's basketball-playing friend that he practices with. The game never ends and they never keep score. Jim also has a friend named Bobby. Bobby is sixteen years old and dying because of leukemia. Jim visits him and takes him to strip clubs, trying to make him feel better.

Life seems to be cool for the moment, besides the usual come-ons of the basketball coach, Swifty (Bruno Kirby). He seems to like the look of young boys and hints around in his interest in Jim more than once.

Then, disaster strikes. Neutron tells Jim that he has a surprise for him one night and introduces him to Winky and Blinky. Don't ask, the two girls seemed to think it might be cute or something. Well, anyway, they introduce him to cocaine, and its downhill from there. Jim finds that when his mind is racing with the high, he can write some great poetry and musings in his book and so he keeps on going.

He tells the viewer of the first time he did heroin. He says he went to visit Pedro and some guys told him if he was willing to sniff it, then he might as well mainline it. So he shoots up. He describes it as the warmest feeling, and we see him running in a field of flowers naked with the sun beating down.

Bobby dies. Jim is totally messed up over this, his friends tell him to go a talk to a priest, and Jim says he wouldn't ask one of those blankety-blanks directions. So he talks to no one and begins to shoot more. A big game comes up and he, Mickey, and Pedro get hold of some pills, and not knowing which were uppers and which were downers, they guessed and each took one. Neutron decided that they were going to far and wouldn't do any. The game is a complete bust and they collapse time and again on the

opinion

'He realizes that what he's doing goes against everything he believes in but also realizes that he's got to have that money.'



the criminal ladder and begin mugging old ladies. Next thing you know

they're breaking into businesses. It's in one of these business that Pedro gets arrested. He was apparently on something because when they broke into a diner, he freaked and began making milkshakes, while Mickey and Jim broke into the cash register. The police sirens wail and Jim and Mickey start running. Pedro stays and gets caught.

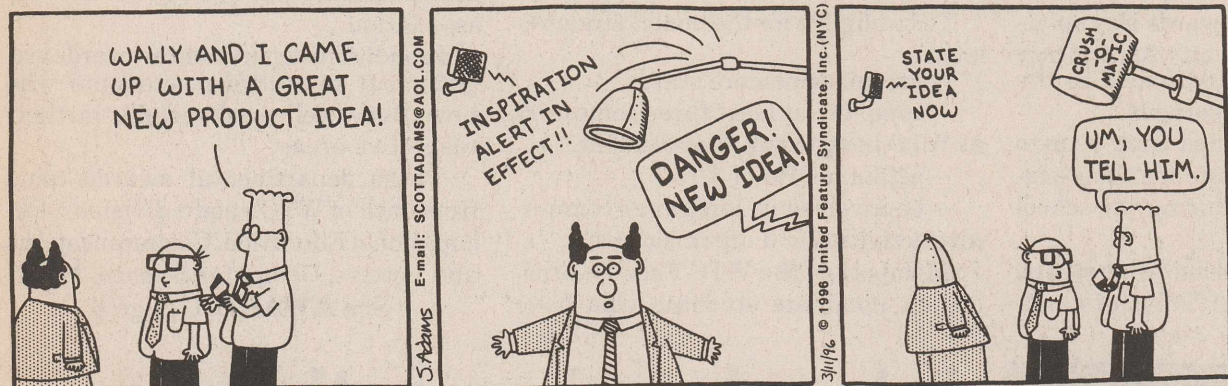
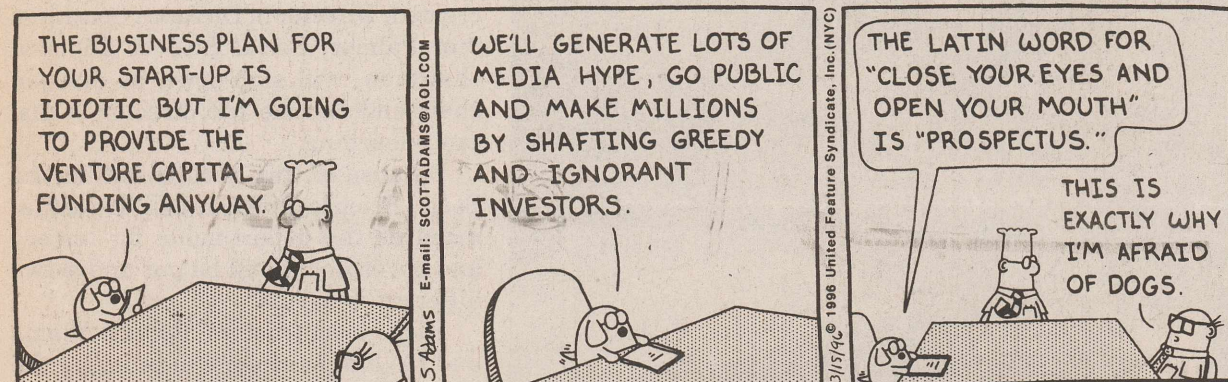
Things only keep getting worse. Jim is so desperate for money to buy drugs that he is willing to sell himself to the nearest guy that comes along. Even this doesn't make him wake up. He realizes that what he's doing goes against everything he believes in but also realizes that he's got to have that money. Well, he gets the money.

Mickey and Jim buy some stuff off of a guy on the street and, after realizing it wasn't any good, chase him down and try to get their money back. Mickey gets a little carried away and regrets it for about fifteen to twenty. At this point Jim hits a wall and is found unconscious and frozen in the snow.

This movie can make people think twice about taking any kind of drug. It's a movie I wanted to see, am glad I saw it, and really don't care to see again.

Chris Blackwell and Dan Genetti are the executive producers. Liz Heller and James Bard Manulis are the producers, and Scott Kalvert directed it.

DILBERT ® by Scott Adams



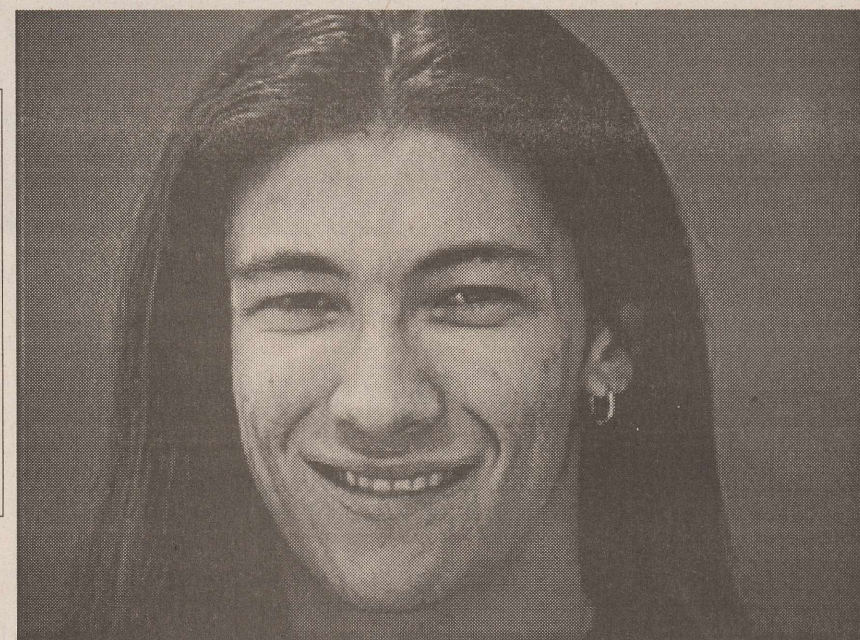
'Evil Empire' is forceful

By Chris Lynch
Texan Staffer

RAGE AGAINST THE MACHINE-EVIL EMPIRE

Hell hath no fury like Rage Against The Machine. Their aggressive barrage of rap-induced vocals and crunch-rhythm guitars of their debut album made them a primal force to be reckoned with. They stand up for just about every oppressed group—specifically Blacks, Hispanics, women, Indians, the poor, the common people. They sing without a bleed-

'Whether you are a member of the oppressed or not, you should check this out.'



ing heart, however, because their words are not for the benefit of the oppressed. They are attacks on the oppressor. Singer Zack De La Rocha has a way of shoving himself in your face, and delivering his messages in a street smart language that everyone can understand.

Their new album, *Evil Empire*, is, of course, no exception, for then it wouldn't be Rage. De La Rocha expands his subjects to and international level on this album, which is a natural progression for him. The musicianship is more impressive and experimental of this one also, even though it doesn't groove quite as hard. Still, guitarist Tom Morello manages to squeeze the strangest array of sounds out of his guitar, which is a delight to hear.

The album is loaded with expletives, which is expected from anyone with this much street-level anger. But the lyrics aren't distasteful or lewd. De La Rocha always has a point to make, and he wouldn't cheapen his message through the use of perversion.

With the production of Brendan O'Brien, this album sounds great. Whether you are a member of the oppressed or not, you should check this out. Their vibe will rock your socks off, and you may learn something as well. **B+**
SOUNDGARDEN-SONGS FROM THE SUPERUNKNOWN

This five song CD single is a great addition to your collection. It features an acoustic version of "Love's Like Suicide" and an alternate cut of "Fell On Black Days." It also contains a tune called "She Likes surprises" that was on the international release of the album *Superunknown*, but was left off of the U.S. release. Recommended. **A-**

(Special thanks again to Jerry Owen of the Movie Stop. Most of my music this year has come from his store. He has a great selection, and I'm almost certain he would love your patronage.)

music

Texan Staffers:

Rachel Brown, Jonathan Carroll, Amy Grimmett, Mark Harrington, Jennifer Jones, Carrie Keith, Chris Lynch, Marla Meek, James Shew & Christina Wagner

Photography:

Jennifer Jones

Page Layout:

Sandra Hall

Newspaper

Advisor:

Donny Brown

Western Texas College is an equal opportunity institution and is in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Applications are accepted and considered without regard to race, creed, color, sex, age, national origin, religion, veteran's status or disability. Opinions expressed on Page 2 of the Texan are those of the writers only and do not necessarily reflect the views of Western Texas College. WTC reserves the right to screen all written work for content. Regarding letters to the editor, WTC reserves the right to edit for length and content. All letters must be signed with a valid address provided.

LANG TIRE

'HURRY DOWN & SEE US'

COMPLETE LINE
OF **GOODYEAR** TIRES

24-HOUR SERVICE

1701 25TH ST.
(915) 573-4031

McD's

We're Here For Your Convenience
6 a.m.-11 p.m. 7 Days a Week 3800 College Ave.

Try Our New **CAPPUCCINO**
Mocha and French Vanilla



BOB DUPREE

HENRIETTA DUPREE

DUPREE MOTORS

2301 25th Street (915) 573-2649
Snyder, Texas 79549

JOE VALDEZ
SERVICE

PEGGY HIGHFIELD
OFFICE

HENRY VALDEZ
ASST. MGR.



MR. PAYROLL

Need A Little
Cash?
Mr. Payroll
Cashes All Checks!

--Payroll, personal,
out-of-town
checks

Open Monday
thru Saturday
10 AM to 7 PM

--Lowest fees
in town

--FREE money
orders

Inside Allsup's
College & 40th

We
Welcome
WTC
Students

SNYDER LAUNDRY & DRY CLEANERS

1401 26th
(915) 573-0137
7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. M-F
9-noon Saturday

Specializing in
Starched Shirts
and Blue Jeans
(all types of dry cleaning also)

RETA'S

FAMILY RESTAURANT

3907 COLLEGE AVE.
(915) 573-1546



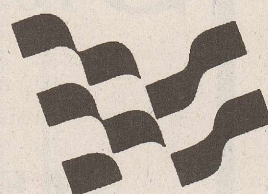
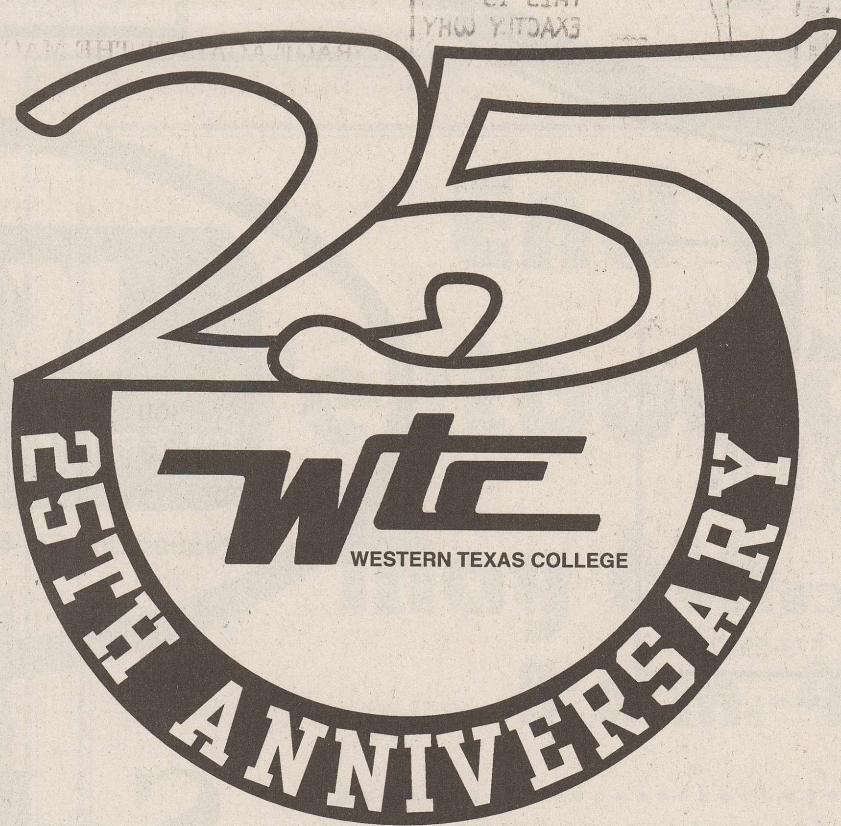
Take one to
feel better in
the morning.



Breakfast Extra Value Meals \$1.99 each.

Get a delicious McDonald's breakfast sandwich with
hash browns and small coffee, plus a cheerful smile,
for just \$1.99. Hey, everyone needs a break
first thing in the morning.
Have you had your break today?

3414 College Ave. Snyder, Tx. 79549



**Western
Auto**

Discount Auto Parts

Associate Store Home Owned
PETE & JEFF LOWRANCE
2510 Ave. R 573-4911



CONOCO

WEST-GO

Convenience Stores

4201 College Ave.
573-9422



Charge it on
your Conoco
credit card



SUBWAY

**99¢
FOOTLONG
SUB**

Buy a footlong sub and medium soft
drink and receive a second regular
footlong sub for just 99¢

Offer provides sub of lesser price for
99¢. Limit one. Offer valid at partici-
pating restaurants only. Not valid
with any other discounts. Offer
expires May 31, 1994.
3903 College Ave.
P.O. Box 1172 Snyder, Tx. 79550
(915) 573-9782

Timely Finance & Pawn

Pawn Loans
on Anything of Value

Musical Supplies
In Stock
(Including Guitar Strings)

Loans
\$30-\$360

Charles Evans - Manager
573-9335 1925 25th St.
Snyder, Tx. 79549

DO S Y UR
SIGN LO K
LIK TH S?

Plastic Letters & Numbers
4", 6" & 8"
72 cents each
(Your Choice of Letters)
176 piece kit \$42 each

BENWILSON
1507 25th St.
573-4011 **SUPPLY**

Best Selection of GM Cars and Trucks in Area

East Hwy. Traffic Circle (915) 573-5456

Bullard's Computer Solutions inc. Drew Bullard

IBM Compatibles
Sales, Repairs, Upgrades, Networking
Small Business Management Software
Training Available

3405 College Ave. Snyder, Tx. 79549 (915) 573-4801

Time and Temperature

573-0270

COURTESY OF Member FDIC

Snyder Savings

AND LOAN ASSOCIATION

2619 College Ave. (915) 573-9305

Jerry Vestal

Certified Public Accountant

1805 27th St.
573-6911

Keaton Kolor
Photographic Products & Services

3805 College Ave.
Snyder, Texas 79549
(915) 573-8462

We Use

LOTA' BURGER

A **SQUARE** MEAL ON A **ROUND** BUN

"Call-ins welcome from WTC"

3900 College Ave. 573-2922

KSNY

101.7 FM PURE COUNTRY 1450 AM 'CLASSICS' Best of 50s, 60s & 70s

Request Line 573-0505 P.O. Box 1008 Snyder, Tx. 79550

THE MOVIE STOP

Latest in Video Featuring this Week:

'Bridges of Madison County'
Clint Eastwood & Meryl Streep

In Snyder--	3607 College Ave. 573-4991	Mon.-Sat. 10:30 am - 10 pm Sunday 1 pm - 10 pm
In Colorado City--	1744 Hickory 728-2772	Mon.-Sat. 10:30 am - 10 pm Sunday 1 pm - 10 pm

S-T-D-N

TU-D ENT SUBSCRIPTION

RATE

\$20 Each Semester Delivered To Dorm

SNYDER DAILY NEWS

WTC Special
Large One-Topping Pizza

Carry-out Only

Pizza Inn

\$6.99 (With this Ad)

912 E. 25th
(915) 573-3542

no place hops like

EDNIE

99¢ 'Burgers' (With Coupon Please)

4100 South College (915) 573-7620

Faculty members to retire after 25 years with WTC

Duane and Mary Hood reflect on a quarter of a century at WTC

By Jonathan Carroll
Texan Staffer

"I've had several thousand children," said Mary Hood, a reference to her 25 years of service to the students of Western Texas, the past 13 as head of the WTC Counseling Center.

She and her husband, Duane, plan to retire this year, ending a career here which dates to the college's beginnings.

She was born Mary Lorraine Strong in Dallas and grew-up in Van Alstyne, where she was valedictorian of her graduating class of 36 students. After graduation, she attended East Texas State University (ETSU).

During her junior year at ETSU, she met Duane. They had their first date in February and were married five months later on July 4. This summer they will mark 33 years together.

In their early years, Mary taught junior high math in Sulfur Springs while attending graduate school, seeking a masters in guidance and counseling. Duane taught in the public schools as well at Sulfur Springs and then went on to teach math at ETSU.

After spending three years there, Mary completed her masters in guidance and counseling from ETSU.

Her advanced school work was interrupted by the birth of twin girls, Denise and Deanne, on Dec. 30, 1968. One month later, she began work on her doctorate in guidance and counseling.

At the same time, Duane had resigned from his position at ETSU in order to fulfill his residency requirement for his doctorate degree. Mary remembers the young family lived on their savings and both of their fellowships, "switching out" with baby-sitting chores.

Duane graduated with his doctorate in May of 1971, with help from Mary, who typed his dissertation. At the time, Mary had completed her course work and lacked only writing her own dissertation.

In the summer of 1971, Duane and Mary first heard of a new junior college opening in West Texas. They learned of it from another former WTC administrator and graduate of ETSU, Dr. Jim Tully, who was later named director of the Learning Resource Center (LRC) here.

By the fall of 1971, when the first classes at WTC were held, both Hoods were among the newly employed administration, faculty and staff.

"I saw it (WTC) as a good start for students from small schools to start their education" she said.

Mary had taken classes about community colleges when she was in graduate school and said she liked the "attitude and philosophy" of a community college, which is to take students "where they are" and help them "get to where they want to be."

Initially, she said, the Hoods expected to "come here for a couple of years, then go on to greener pastures." A couple of years turned into 25.

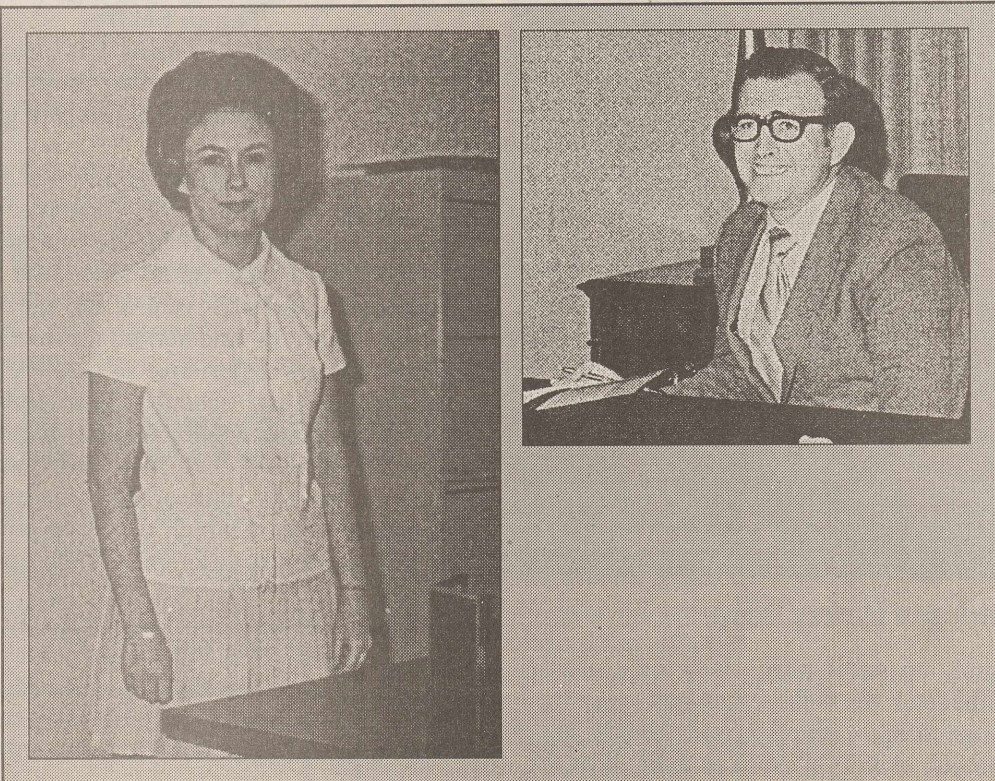
Mary completed her doctorate in August of 1973 and was promoted to director of counseling in 1983.

She has taught classes in sociology, psychology and an occasional math course.

Mary said some of her fondest memories are connected with Phi Theta Kappa, the international honor society for two-year colleges.

Duane contacted Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) headquarters in the fall of 1971 about initiating a PTK chapter here. He had been a member at Henderson Junior College (Now, Trinity Valley Junior College.)

In the spring of 1972, the WTC chapter Psi Zeta was installed. Mary was appointed the co-advisor of PTK in the fall of 1973 and Dr. Ed Barkowsky was



25 years

Dr. Mary Hood and Dr. Duane Hood in 1971, when they came to WTC. Both were among the original faculty hired when the college opened in 1971.

the first advisor. Barkowsky turned the position full-time to Mary and Duane in 1975.

A year after being appointed advisor, she was elected advisor of the year for the Texas-New Mexico region. She received the state advisor award in 1983 and the Mary Wilson Advisor of the Year Award in 1985.

Mary was appointed regional coordinator of the Texas-New Mexico region in 1993.

With Mary's leadership, the WTC chapter of Psi Zeta has earned many awards. Psi Zeta has been one of the Top Ten chapters in the Texas New-Mexico Region for the past six years.

In 1984, 1985 and 1987, the chapter was awarded the National Award of Excellence. The Psi Zeta yearbook won the Scrapbook Award in

1983 and the Mosal Yearbook Award in 1991 at the international convention.

Many factors have lead to Mary's

decision to retire, she says, the foremost being her new



PTK
Duane and Mary Hood at the 1995 PTK awards banquet.

role as grandmother to two grandchildren.

Her twin girls gave birth within twelve days of each other. Denise had a boy, William Riley Wilson, last Aug. 12; and Deanne had a girl, Hannah Harrup, last July 31.

Both girls live in the Dallas-Fort Worth area, Denise in Granbury and Deanne in Denton.

The Hoods have al-

ready purchased a house in De Cordova Bend Estate and plan to spend more time with both their children and grandchildren.

Mary has had some health problems in recent years, suffering two mild heart attacks and undergoing a double bypass surgery last fall.

She notes also that "25 years is a nice round number."

Her plans for retirement are to continue being the PTK regional coordinator for the Texas/New Mexico Region. She hopes to teach for Tarrant County Junior College also.

"I'm going to do it as long as I like it," she said about both teaching and her PTK activities.

By Amy Grimmert
Texan Staffer

Dr. Duane Hood counts some 33 years in education, including instruction at all levels of Texas educational institutions. For 25 of those years, he has been at WTC.

"I estimate I've been in contact with approximately 50,000 students over the past years," he said.

His reflections recap a history at this institution which dates back to its beginnings in 1971. Duane, who retires effective in mid-summer, is the only dean of students WTC has ever had.

He graduated as the salutatorian of his class in 1960 at Athens High School.

After receiving his B.S. degree in mathematics from East Texas State University (ETSU) in 1963, he taught mathematics at Goliad Junior High in Big Spring and Sulphur Springs High School.

During the 60s, he continued his work toward upper level degrees, ultimately receiving both his masters and his doctorate from ETSU. He received his Ph.D. in curriculum and instruction with comprehensive mathematics as his minor in 1971.

He joined WTC in July of 1971. This was two months prior to the first fall semester of classes here. Duane said he didn't have any connections to Snyder at that time and had only one brief visit.

During his tenure here, he points to several goals achieved, noting the WTC Scholarship corpus amount is now in excess of \$1 million, enabling WTC to offer approximately \$150,000 annually in scholarships derived from the inter-

est. In addition, the school offers more than \$750,000 annually through Federal Pell Grants and Work Study.

"I'm proud of the fact that needy students can finance their own education at WTC without borrowing money," he said.

His professional reputation is statewide, as evidenced by his being selected to participate in more than 15 SACS evaluation teams in 12 southern states.

Duane was also the co-founder of the West Texas Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers.

Many of his special accomplishments he shared with his wife, Mary, with whom he has shared the sponsorship of the WTC Phi Theta Kappa chapter since 1973.

Duane has been elected to every office available to PTK advisors at both the regional and international level.

Looking back, he noted, "There are few things I would do different, but if I had to pick one it would be to spend more time with my family during the early years of my children."

He added, "and I would hire a computer specialist much earlier."

In reflecting, he said, "If I could relive one day without changing it, I would probably pick the day our twins came home from the hospital for the first time—or my wedding day."

The Hoods will be moving to Lake Granbury, and have invested in a small business in Arlington. Duane plans to work part-time in it.

His other plans include travel, playing golf and "spending time with my children and grandchildren."

'If I could relive one day without changing it, I would probably pick the day our twins came home from the hospital for the first time—or my wedding day.'

'Initially we expected to come here for a couple of years, then go on to greener pastures.' A couple of years turned into 25.'

End of Term Textbook Buyback

**May 6th, 7th & 8th
8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.**

Books can be sold
at **HALF** the purchase price
subject to the following conditions:

1. The book will be required next semester.
2. Once the store's need has been reached, books will be purchased at their national wholesale value.
3. Books that are not used for the next semester will be purchased at their national wholesale value.

WTC
Bookstore

Store Hours
8am - 4:30pm Mon. - Thurs.
8am - 3:30pm Fri.

**All county residents
welcome!**

**Final Spring
TEXAN**

Mickey Baird marks 'last dance' at WTC

By James Shew
Texan Staffer

The "Last Dance" Thursday had an ironic twist since it was literally the "last" student activity to be sponsored by the woman who has spent the last 25 years working with and being friends to WTC students outside the classroom—Student Activities Director Mickey Baird.

She was a member of the original faculty at WTC in 1971. Since that time, both she and her husband, Jerry (who retired last year), have been influential in the young lives of WTC students.

Mickey, who was raised in the small town of Melvin, met her "to be" husband through 4-H and FFA activities during high school. He was from Iraan.

Although their friendship was brief, they were reunited while attending college at Sul Ross University. Mickey's roommate was a former classmate and friend of Jerry's.

After college and marriage, they began their careers which took them to Alpine, Wall, Iraan and finally to Austin.

There, Mickey taught at McCallum High School while Jerry completed his education at U.T.

While enrolled in the Junior College Administration program, Jerry met Dr. Robert Clinton, who was soon to be the president of the newly built Western Texas College in Snyder.

Both Jerry and Mickey were hired by Dr. Clinton and would soon begin their new lives in Snyder.



Mickey Baird in 1972

Mickey was originally hired as the women's varsity tennis coach at WTC, but upon arrival discovered only a men's team in place.

She took on the task of building her own team, however, and has many fond memories of her tennis-coaching days.

She notes she regrets that the tennis program lapsed here at WTC and that the courts have now mostly been converted into a parking lot.

After tennis, however, she took on her other tasks as cheerleader sponsor, student government



Jerry and Mickey Baird

sponsor and, up until now, the only activities director the college has had.

"I have so many memories and friends that have come out of WTC," Mickey said. "For 25 years, I have worked for the students and that is what has been fun."

Mickey was honored with the 1989 PTK Founders Day Award.

When speaking of her job she said, "In working with students there is a special bond and relationship, mainly because the involvement I have had has been outside the classroom."

She made it clear that she has no regrets of her past 25 years at WTC and wouldn't trade it for anything.

"It has been an enlightening experience to be here from the beginning and watch the changes take place. It has made me the person I am." With retirement, she and Jerry will begin ranching full time on their ranches in both Kerrville and Granbury. Her replacement is still to be named, but, as the many students who have benefitted from her can attest, whoever it is will have one tough act to follow.

'It has been an enlightening experience to be here from the beginning and watch the changes take place.'

Ray Robbins steps down from criminal justice post

By Rachel Brown
Texan Staffer

Reflecting on his 25 years at WTC, Ray Robbins says, "I guess I will remember most the people and faculty. It's amazing this many of us made it this far."

He is one of four retiring this semester who were among the original WTC faculty and administration employed in 1971. He has headed the criminal justice department since that time.

Robbins moved to Snyder at the age of 38 from Andrews where he had served as chief of police. He has 18 years experience as a police officer.

He attended high school in Spur, and he notes, "I never dreamed I would end up this close (from) where I graduated. I've lived everywhere and winded up here by chance." Robbins has authored and co-authored six criminal justice textbooks of which three are currently being used in classrooms.

"I have a good time keeping them up to date, and I may write new ones," says Robbins.

Besides Robbins' teaching abilities, he has received numerous awards. In 1986, he was the first WTC instructor chosen for a Piper Professorship Award, given annually by the Piper Foundation based in San Antonio.

That honor is given to only 10 instructors each year from throughout Texas' two and four-year colleges. Robbins is the only criminal justice professor to ever receive this award.

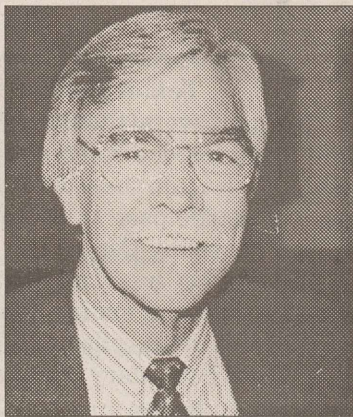
This spring, he was the first former faculty member at WTC granted professor emeritus status by the college, which will keep him technically a member of the faculty throughout his lifetime. In thinking back over his years here, Robbins recalls a dark time in his life in which his colleagues "brought him through." Five years ago he had a bout with cancer and faculty members aided him with their support and by driving him to and from treatments.

Instead of quitting teaching "cold turkey," according to Robbins, he will instruct one summer class in order to "gradually pull away."

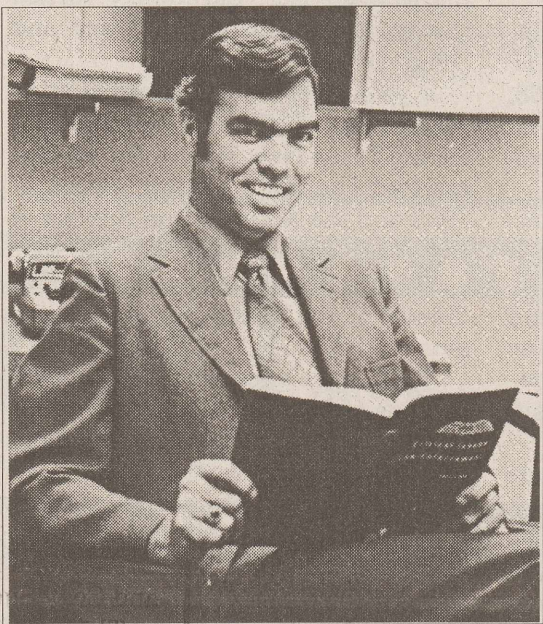
"In two weeks it will be done, and I have bitter sweet emotions. It's been a wonderful trip, and I wouldn't have missed it for the world. I've got some great friends."

He added, "I'll miss seeing new kids come in and noting how they have changed by the time they leave. It is a transformation and great to watch their successes."

As for retirement, Robbins has "no real plans," but hopes "to find time for traveling and camping," he said.



Ray Robbins



Ray Robbins in 1972

Graduation list offered for 1996 ceremony Friday

Continued From Page One

A reception will follow in the WTC Student Center. Graduates are:

Associate in Arts degrees:
Sally Allen
Julie Bearden
Alfred R. Bentley
Robbie D'Ann Braziel
William Brietweiser
Kimberly D. Bridges
Vernon Mitchell Brumbelow
Ramiro Burrola
Brenda Sue Chambers
Barbara M. Chapman
Tonya Jean Diersing
Shirley Hollis Evans
William F. Everett

Andrews
Snyder
Sweetwater
Snyder
Hermleigh
Hermleigh
Snyder
Colorado City
Snyder
Snyder
Hamlin
Irving
Colorado City

Sylvia Flores
Christina Gonzales
Susan Neves Grimmer
Cole C. Guidinger
Shelia Denise Hale
Lisa Robbins Harris
Amy Dawn Holmes
John Hopfner
Todd Wesley Iglehart
Mary Ann Jaurez
David Norris Krenak
Christopher A. Lambaren
Tommy Lee Linsley
Thomas Magdaleno III
Fidel Martinez Jr.
Stephanie Ann McKnight
Dale Elaine Neves
Lisa Marie Pendleton

Colorado City
Snyder
Snyder
Snyder
Westbrook
Snyder
Ira
Manitoba Canada
Hermleigh
Snyder
Hermleigh
Snyder
Colorado City
Roscoe
Snyder
Snyder

Gabriel S. Phelps
Carolyn Redwine
April Lynn Reves
Olivia Rico
Rey Tijerina Rivera
Heather LeAnn Roemisch
Emily Schaffer
Michael D. Simmons
Brian Cody Smith
Guy Smith
Brian Spence
Vanessa Lyn Starkey
Regina Gay Sterling
Cheyenne D'lain Tubb
Jeri Lynn Tucker
Katrina Elaine Turner
Glenda Faye Wallace
Rhonda Cornelius Weems

Spur
Colorado City
Avoca
Loraine
Ozona
Odessa
North Platte Neb.
Scottsdale Ariz.
Aspermont
Alberta Canada
Snyder
Snyder
Snyder
Colorado City
Snyder
Atlanta Ga.
Colorado City
Rotan

Karen Stipe Westmoreland
Wendy Nicole Wilson
Gloria Zuniga

Snyder
Ira
Rotan

Associate in Applied Science degrees:

Dennis P. Albert
Brian Edward Beckner
Joyce Ann Boyd
Matthew Micheal Braden
Rhoda Eileen Clanton
Christopher B. Garcia
John J. Hinton
John Jeffrey Hogue
Linda Dianne Jarnagin
Erik Marion
Bill Perry Morris
Amanda Lynette Olsen
Marcus S. Parham

Steven David Pena
Chrysta Leigh Ponder
Sean Terry Powell
Keith Darrell Reagan
Terry L. Snyder
Aaron Heath Taylor
Javier Toucet Jr.
Mikel Wayne Walser

Snyder
Seymour
Sweetwater
Snyder
Snyder
Roby
Lubbock
Hereford.

Certificates in Technology:

Brandon Rex Bland
Kathie Menges Boulware
Sharon Lynn Gill
Robert E. Parsons
Cheryl Ann Richardson
Danny Ray Stark
Jefferson Trulock
Micheal Shane Wilkinson
Teresa Zamora

Hawley
Snyder
Snyder
Blackwell
Snyder
Newton
Colorado City
San Angelo
Snyder

Summer classes scheduled to begin May 28 on campus

Summer classes begin May 28 at Western Texas College's Snyder campus and at each of four area extension centers located in Post, Crosbyton, Haskell and Colorado City.

Students taking classes on the Snyder campus may take Computer Science

1301, Government 2305 or 2306, History 1301 or 1302, Math 1314, Philosophy 2306, Psychology 2301, Art 1313 or 1316, Economics 2301, English 1301, 1302, 2322, or 2326, Physical Education and Health 2102 and Speech 1321.

Developmental classes will be offered also in English, math or reading and vocational classes will be offered in Golf and Landscape Technology and Office Systems Technology.

Classes are offered during the day and at night and schedules are available at the counselor's office of Snyder, Ira, or Hermleigh High School or by calling WTC at (915) 573-8511.

Early Admission applicants should bring: a completed Early Admissions form, available at their counselor's or principal's office, a copy of their high school transcript, ACT, SAT, and/or TASP scores if available, driver's license if applicable and Social Security card.

All other applicants should bring their driver's license, Social Security card, TASP/ACT/SAT scores if applicable, high school transcript/GED and college transcript if applicable.

Scholarships awarded to 2

Continued From Page One

a volunteer for Hendrick Medical Center.

Carolyn has a grade point average of 3.5 and is a member of PTK on campus. Also, she is a member of the Optimist Club in her home city and is a volunteer at Harmony Family Services.

The scholarship awards, given to two returning sophomores, were doubled for next year, going from \$200 to \$400.

To be chosen, applicants submitted a three to five hundred word essay. Other considerations included involvement in extracurricular or community activities, having completed 30 semester hours, and having a minimum grade point average of 3.25.

For the essay, topic guidelines stated "Two prominent institutional goals in the WTC catalog are (1) to provide courses for students who desire to further their education, enrich their lives, learn new skills or improve old ones, and improve their personal efficiency; (2) to provide programs designed to prepare individuals for employment in the business, industrial and professional community. How does your educational experience at WTC reflect these goals?"

New dean responds to Q&A

Continued From Page One

and have feedback from the students before I change anything. The students are why this college is here and I would like to get them more involved.

Q.—How do you feel about imposing a curfew?

A.—No with an exclamation point. The students come to college to be adults, and they should be treated as such.

Q.—What are your ideas to make WTC a more attractive college to recruit new students?

A.—We should put the students first and foremost in decision making on campus. If we have good retention, we will boost recruiting.

Q.—Since one of your responsibilities will be the distribution of scholarship funds, would you like to rearrange any moneys to emphasize different aspects of the college?

A.—I would like the departments to recommend students to receive the scholarships. Participation is the key. Everybody needs to get involved with the students.

Q.—Since your employment coincides with the retirement of WTC's Student Activities Director, do you foresee any changes in the way Student Activities has been organized?

A.—The tool to attract students is that the activities director must be involved with the students.

Q.—Any other comments?

A.—I'm really looking forward to coming to Snyder. I'm very excited that the college is so excited to have me.

Divisions reorganized

Continued From Page One

comes after some 12 years with the college. He is currently an assistant professor for agriculture.

In addition to his teaching responsibilities, he coaches the WTC Meats Judging Team.

He holds his bachelor of science degree from Lubbock Christian University, where he taught before coming here, and his masters degree from Texas Tech University.

Awards Day is tomorrow

Continued From Page One

ematics and Science, Health, Physical Education, Business and College Preparatory, Social Science and Fine Arts.

All awards Tuesday are announced at the event itself.

Graduation May 3 - 7:30

Faculty Association names new officers

Officers for the WTC Faculty Association for 1996 have been named.

Serving as president will be Jack Price. Juli Walters will serve as vice president and Carolyn Osborn as secretary.

Other members of the association's executive board head up committees for the organization.

Next year, these will consist of Joann Snider, Academic Affairs Committee; Jim Durham, Faculty Welfare Committee; Jana Wesson Martin, Awards Day Committee; Mike Harrison, Social Committee; Jerry Corkran, Environmental Committee; and Janet Halbert, Nominations & Elections Committee.

Oc-Tech Division Chair marks his last semester

Jerry Dennis, chairman of the Occupational Education Division at Western Texas College since 1986, is retiring effective at the end of the spring term.

Dennis has served the college on two separate occasions, first as an instructor in diesel mechanics from 1975 through 1980. At that time, he was employed by Dr. Gene McClurg, who was then dean of the division.

Dennis operated his own business after leaving the college. He returned as a diesel mechanics instructor here in 1985 and, in 1986, was named chairman of the division.

Dennis was graduated from Snyder High School in 1954 and served in the Marine Corps from 1954-57.

Prior to joining WTC the first time, he counted more than 14 years experience as a mechanic, most of that time spent in Bailey County where he maintained and repaired county owned machinery of various types. He was em-

PTK honored in D.C.

By Amy Grimmert
Texan Staffer

The Western Texas Psi Zeta chapter of PTK won three awards at the international convention

April 18-20 in Washington D.C. Advisor Dr. Duane Hood was honored with the Robert Giles Distinguished Advisor Award.

His selection was determined by an essay submitted by his home chapter and letters of recommendation from a member of PTK, a campus administrator and an alumnus of the chapter.

In addition, Dr. Mary Hood received an award for membership in the Mosal Society, indicating Psi Zeta ranks 2nd in the nation out of 800 chapters in support of the Key Opportunity Campaign.

The Key Opportunity Campaign is a fundraiser for the Center for Excellence to be built in Jackson, Miss.

As a chapter, Psi Zeta received a Distinguished Region Award also.

Students attending, along with sponsor Mary Hood, were Kim Brade, Cindi Burrow, Amy Grimmert, Carrie Keith, Barbara Chapman, Mary Jo Patrick and Jerilyn Tucker, all Snyder, Jonathan Carroll of Hawley, Tonya Diersing of Hamlin, Jeff Hogue of Abilene, Rey Rivera of Ozona, Paul Rucker of Lubbock and Cody Smith of Aspermont.

The group stayed at the Sheraton during their stay in D.C. and toured the White House Wednesday.

Extension center classes offered

Western Texas College will offer summer classes at five extension centers this summer. Classes at all locations begin the week of May 28.

At Crosbyton High School, students may take English 1301, Government 2305 or 2306, History 1301 or 1302, or Sociology 1301. All classes meet in the evenings, at the high school, and registration will be Thursday, May 23, from 6:30-8 p.m. at Crosbyton High School.

At Post High School, students may take Government 2305 or History 1302. All classes meet in the evenings at the high school and registration will be Monday, May 20, from 6:30-8 p.m. at Post High School.

At Hamlin High School, students may take History 1301 or English 1301. All classes meet in the evening at the high school and registration will be held Monday, May 20, from 6:30-8 p.m. at Hamlin High School.

At Haskell High School, students may take English 1301 or 2326, Government 2305 or 2306, or History 1301 or 1302. All classes meet in the evenings at the high school and registration will be Tuesday, May 21, from 6:30-8 p.m. at Haskell High School.

In Colorado City, students may take Government 2305 or History 1301. All classes meet in the evenings at the Wallace Community Center and registration will be Monday, May 20, from 6:30-8 p.m. at the Wallace Community Center.

Fall pre-registration slated

Students may pre-register for the fall 1996 term beginning Monday through Thursday at the WTC Counseling Center. Registration times will be 1:30-4 p.m. those days.

SUMMER SCHEDULE

ACADEMIC CLASSES - DAY

COMPUTER SCIENCE									
COSC	1301	0180	INTRO/COMP SCI LAB	M-TH BA	9:45-11:25 TBA	3	LRC-111 TBA	CANADA, W CANADA, W	\$20
GOVERNMENT									
GOVT	2305	0225	US/ST/LOC GOV	M-TH	9:45-11:25	3	2C-103	WILKS, D	
HISTORY									
HIST	1301	0232	US HIS TO 1865	M-TH	8:00-9:40	3	2C-101	ADAMS,R	
HIST	1302	0233	US HIS 1865-	M-TH	9:45-11:25	3	2C-101	ADAMS, R	
MATHEMATICS									
MATH	1314	0184	COLLEGE ALGEBRA LAB	M-TH	9:45 - 11:25	3	2B-109	WALTERS, J	\$8
MATH	1332	0185	MATH CONCEPTS	M TH	8:00 - 9:40	3	2B-109	WALTERS, J	
PHILOSOPHY									
PHIL	2306	0241	ETHICS	M-TH	11:30-1:10	3	7B-101	BARKOWSKY, E	
PSYCHOLOGY									
PSYC	2301	0242	GEN PSYCHOLOGY	M-TH	8:00-9:45	3	2C-102	WILKS, D	

REGISTRATION (Begins in LRC)

May 28, 1996

* 7:15 -- 8:00 a.m.

8:00 -- 11:30 a.m.

1:00 -- 4:30 p.m.

5:00 -- 6:00 p.m.

No placement testing on night of registration

PLACEMENT TESTING -- \$10.00 (Counseling Center)

Wednesday May 22-- 8:30 a.m.

Thursday May 23-- 1:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday may 28-- 9:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

Tuesday May 28, 1996

CLASSES BEGIN

LAST DAY TO DROP

CLASSES END

6-WEEK TERM

MONDAY JUNE 17, 1996

9-WEEK TERM

THURSDAY JULY 11, 1996

6 WEEK TERM

WEDNESDAY JULY 3, 1996

9-WEEK TERM

THURSDAY JULY 25, 1996

*Registration for students intending to enroll for 8:00 classes

ACADEMIC - NIGHT

ART									
ARTS	1313	0100	ART/ELEM TEACH	T	6:00-10:00	3	FA-117	BULLARD, C	\$24
ARTS	1316	0101	DRAWING	TH	6:00-10:00	3	FA-117	SUM, B	\$10
NON-MAJORS									
COMPUTER SCIENCE									
COSC	1301	0181	INTRO/CS LAB	MT TBA	6:00-10:10 TBA	3	LRC-111 TBA	CANADA, W CANADA, W	\$20
This class will meet from May 28 to July 2									
ECONOMICS									
ECON	2301	0250	MACRO ECONOMICS	TH	6:00-10:10	3	2B-109	PALMER, J	
ENGLISH									
ENGL	1301	0300	COMPOSITION I LAB (1 HOUR)	TH TBA	6:00-10:10 TBA	3	7B-101	BARKOWSKY, E	\$8
ENGL	1302	0301	COMPOSITION II LAB (1 HOUR)	T TBA	6:00-10:10 TBA	3	7B-101	LANCASTER, M	\$8
ENGL	2322	0302	ENGLISH LIT	W	6:00-10:10	3	7B-101	LANCASTER, R	
ENGL	2326	0303	AMERICAN LIT	M	6:00-10:10	3	7B-101	LANCASTER, M	
GOVERNMENT									
GOVT	2305	0226	US/ST/LOC GOV	TH	6:00-10:10	3	2B-110	HARTMAN, M	
GOVT	2306	0227	US/ST/LOC GOV	T	6:00-10:10	3	2C-103	ROBBINS, R	
HISTORY									
HIST	1301	0234	US HIS TO 1865	M	6:00-10:10	3	2C-101	ADAMS, R	
HIST	1302	0235	US HIS 1865-	T	6:00-10:10	3	2C-101	PALMER,J	
HEALTH, PHYSICAL EDUCATION, & RECREATION									
PHED	2102	0400	SCUBA DIVING LAB	T TBA	6:30-10:10	1	POOL	REED,R	\$24
MATHEMATICS									
MATH	1314	0175	COLLEGE ALGEBRA LAB	TW TBA	6:00-8:30	3	2B-109	HOOD. D	\$8
SPEECH									
SPCH	1321	0110	BUS/PROF SPEAK	T	6:00-10:00	3	FA-105	ENDY, M	

COLLEGE PREPARATORY - DAY

ENGLISH									
DEN	011	0310	BASIC SKILLS	TBA TBA		1	7B-104	LANCASTER, M	\$12
MATHEMATICS									
DMT	012	0183	DEV MATH	TBA TBA			2B-109	WALTERS, J	\$12
READING									
DRE	011	0311	READING SKILLS (TASP LIABLE STUDENTS ONLY)	M-TH TBA		1	LRC-208	CORKRAN, G	\$12
DRE	032	0312	READ SKILLS II	M-TH TBA		3	LRC-208	CORKRAN, G	\$12
DRE	033	0313	READ SKILLS III	M-TH TBA		3	LRC-208	CORKRAN, G	\$12

VOCATIONAL CLASSES - DAY

GOLF-LANDSCAPE TECHNOLOGY									
GLT	135	0500	RELATED WORK	TBA TBA		3	TBA	BUCKLAND, D	
OFFICE SYSTEMS TECHNOLOGY									
OFAD	1311	0610	KEYBOARD/TYP I LAB	M-TH TBA	9:45-11:25 TBA	3	7A-105 7A-105	SNIDER, J SNIDER, J	\$20

Our Applause

to

Jan McCathern

for an empowering attention

to Gender Issues

during her 2-year term

as

Faculty Association President

Jan McCathern

Carolyn Osborn

Jan McCathern

Sue Freeman

Mickey Beard

To the faculty, staff, administration, board of trustees, and students, past and present, of Western Texas College.

A quarter century ago, a small group of us gathered on a muddy hill south of Snyder and stepped out to meet the challenges of a new educational institution. We brought with us the determination to succeed and established the spirit and uniqueness that is still Western Texas College.

Thank you for allowing me to share the experiences that are so many I could never cite them all. I especially want to thank you for your many kindnesses, sacrifices, prayers, and other supports that helped me so much during my battle with cancer in the summer of 1990. Mere words cannot express my feelings about that. Also, thank you for the many 'firsts' in my life at WTC: the Piper Professor nomination, the emeritus professor designation, to mention only a couple. I believe there are no greater honors than those bestowed by one's peers, and I am grateful.

Now, as I embark on new adventures, I carry with me a treasure chest filled with wonderful memories of you and our years as "family." Thank you, and God bless you!

Ray K. Robbins

Ray K. Robbins
Professor Emeritus

Mickey Baird marks 'last dance' at WTC

By James Shew
Texan Staffer

The "Last Dance" Thursday had an ironic twist since it was literally the "last" student activity to be sponsored by the woman who has spent the last 25 years working with and being friends to WTC students outside the classroom—Student Activities Director Mickey Baird.

She was a member of the original faculty at WTC in 1971.

Since that time, both she and her husband, Jerry (who retired last year), have been influential in the young lives of WTC students.

Mickey, who was raised in the small town of Melvin, met her "to be" husband through 4-H and FFA activities during high school. He was from Iraan.

Although their friendship was brief, they were reunited while attending college at Sul Ross University. Mickey's roommate was a former classmate and friend of Jerry's.

After college and marriage, they began their careers which took them to Alpine, Wall, Iraan and finally to Austin.

There, Mickey taught at McCallum High School while Jerry completed his education at U.T.

While enrolled in the Junior College Administration program, Jerry met Dr. Robert Clinton, who was soon to be the president of the newly built Western Texas College in Snyder.

Both Jerry and Mickey were hired by Dr. Clinton and would soon begin their new lives in Snyder.

Mickey was originally hired as the women's varsity tennis coach at WTC, but upon arrival discovered only a men's team in place.

She took on the task of building her own team, however, and has many fond memories of her tennis-coaching days.

She notes she regrets that the tennis program lapsed here at WTC and that the courts have now mostly been converted into a parking lot.

After tennis, however, she took on her other tasks as cheerleader sponsor, student government

sponsor and, up until now, the only activities director the college has had.

"I have so many memories and friends that have come out of WTC," Mickey said. "For 25 years, I have worked for the students and that is what has been fun."

Mickey was honored with the 1989 PTK Founders Day Award.

When speaking of her job she said, "In working with students there is a special bond and relationship, mainly because the involvement I have had has been outside the classroom."

She made it clear that she has no regrets of her past 25 years at WTC and wouldn't trade it for anything.

"It has been an enlightening experience to be here from the beginning and watch the changes take place. It has made me the person I am." With retirement, she and Jerry will begin ranching full time on their ranches in both Kerrville and Granbury. Her replacement is still to be named, but, as the many students who have benefitted from her can attest, whoever it is will have one tough act to follow.



Jerry and Mickey Baird

'It has been an enlightening experience to be here from the beginning and watch the changes take place.'



Mickey Baird in 1972

Ray Robbins steps down from criminal justice post

By Rachel Brown
Texan Staffer

Reflecting on his 25 years at WTC, Ray Robbins says, "I guess I will remember most the people and faculty. It's amazing this many of us made it this far."

He is one of four retiring this semester who were among the original WTC faculty and administration employed in 1971. He has headed the criminal justice department since that time.

Robbins moved to Snyder at the age of 38 from Andrews where he had served as chief of police. He has 18 years experience as a police officer.

He attended high school in Spur, and he notes, "I never dreamed I would end up this close (from) where I graduated. I've lived everywhere and winded up here by chance." Robbins has authored and co-authored six criminal justice textbooks of which three are currently being used in classrooms.

"I have a good time keeping them up to date, and I may write new ones," says Robbins.

Besides Robbins' teaching abilities, he has received numerous awards. In 1986, he was the first WTC instructor chosen for a Piper Professorship Award, given annually by the Piper Foundation based in San Antonio.

That honor is given to only 10 instructors each year from throughout Texas' two and four-year colleges. Robbins is the only criminal justice professor to ever receive this award.

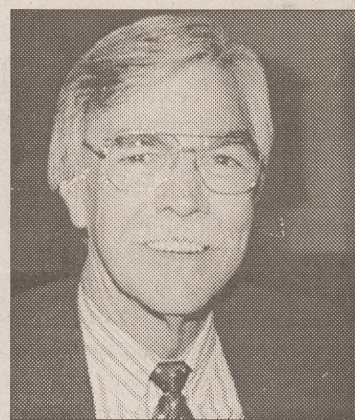
This spring, he was the first former faculty member at WTC granted professor emeritus status by the college, which will keep him technically a member of the faculty throughout his lifetime. In thinking back over his years here, Robbins recalls a dark time in his life in which his colleagues "brought him through." Five years ago he had a bout with cancer and faculty members aided him with their support and by driving him to and from treatments.

Instead of quitting teaching "cold turkey," according to Robbins, he will instruct one summer class in order to "gradually pull away."

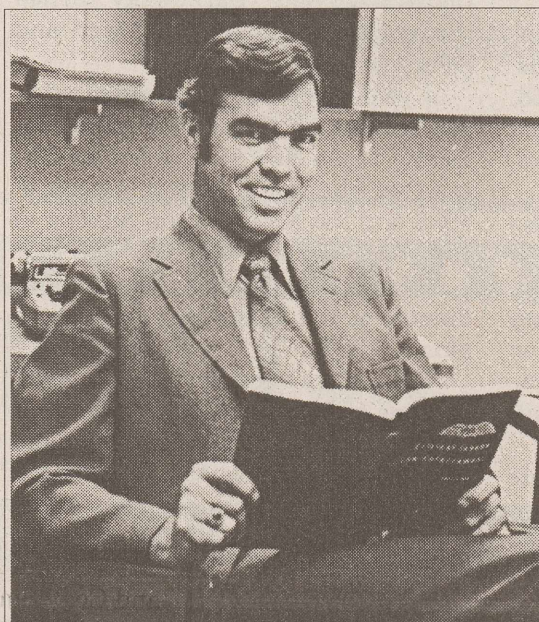
"In two weeks it will be done, and I have bitter sweet emotions. It's been a wonderful trip, and I wouldn't have missed it for the world. I've got some great friends."

He added, "I'll miss seeing new kids come in and noting how they have changed by the time they leave. It is a transformation and great to watch their successes."

As for retirement, Robbins has "no real plans," but hopes "to find time for traveling and camping," he said.



Ray Robbins



Ray Robbins in 1972

Graduation list offered for 1996 ceremony Friday

Continued From Page One

A reception will follow in the WTC Student Center. Graduates are:

Associate in Arts degrees:

Sally Allen	Andrews
Julie Bearden	Snyder
Alfred R. Bentley	Sweetwater
Robbie D'Ann Braziel	Snyder
William Brietweiser	Hermleigh
Kimberly D. Bridges	Hermleigh
Vernon Mitchell Brumbelow	Snyder
Ramiro Burrola	Colorado City
Brenda Sue Chambers	Snyder
Barbara M. Chapman	Snyder
Tonya Jean Diersing	Hamlin
Shirley Hollis Evans	Irving
William F. Everett	Colorado City

Sylvia Flores	Colorado City
Christina Gonzales	Snyder
Susan Neves Grimmett	Snyder
Cole C. Guidinger	Snyder
Shelia Denise Hale	Westbrook
Lisa Robbins Harris	Snyder
Amy Dawn Holmes	Ira
John Hopfner	Manitoba Canada
Todd Wesley Iglehart	Hermleigh
Mary Ann Jaurez	Snyder
David Norris Krenek	Snyder
Christopher A. Lambaren	Hermleigh
Tommy Lee Linsley	Snyder
Thomas Magdaleno III	Colorado City
Fidel Martinez Jr.	Roscoe
Stephanie Ann McKnight	Snyder
Dale Elaine Neves	Snyder
Lisa Marie Pendleton	Snyder

Gabriel S. Phelps	Spur
Carolyn Redwine	Colorado City
April Lynn Reves	Avoca
Olivia Rico	Loraine
Rey Tijerina Rivera	Ozona
Heather LeAnn Roemisch	Odessa
Emily Schaffer	North Platte Neb.
Michael D. Simmons	Scottsdale Ariz.
Brian Cody Smith	Aspermont
Guy Smith	Alberta Canada
Brian Spence	Snyder
Vanessa Lyn Starkey	Ralls
Regina Gay Sterling	Snyder
Cheyenne D'lain Tubb	Colorado City
Jeri Lynn Tucker	Snyder
Katrina Elaine Turner	Atlanta Ga.
Glenda Faye Wallace	Colorado City
Rhonda Cornelius Weems	Rotan

Karen Stipe Westmoreland	Snyder
Wendy Nicole Wilson	Ira
Gloria Zuniga	Rotan

Associate in Applied Science degrees:

Dennis P. Albert	Waterville Maine
Brian Edward Beckner	Fort Worth
Joyce Ann Boyd	Snyder
Matthew Micheal Braden	San Angelo
Rhoda Eileen Clanton	Hermleigh
Christopher B. Garcia	Snyder
John J. Hinton	Snyder
John Jeffrey Hogue	Abilene
Linda Dianne Jarnagin	Snyder
Erik Marion	Lubbock
Bill Perry Morris	Abilene
Amanda Lynette Olsen	Hermleigh
Marcus S. Parham	Snyder

Steven David Pena	Snyder
Chrysta Leigh Ponder	Seymour
Sean Terry Powell	Sweetwater
Keith Darrell Reagan	Snyder
Terry L. Snyder	Snyder
Aaron Heath Taylor	Roby
Javier Toucet Jr.	Lubbock
Mikel Wayne Walser	Hereford

Certificates in Technology:

Brandon Rex Bland	Hawley
Kathie Menges Boulware	Snyder
Sharon Lynn Gill	Snyder
Robert E. Parsons	Blackwell
Cheryl Ann Richardson	Snyder
Danny Ray Stark	Newton
Jefferson Trulock	Colorado City
Micheal Shane Wilkinson	San Angelo
Teresa Zamora	Snyder

Summer classes scheduled to begin May 28 on campus

Summer classes begin May 28 at Western Texas College's Snyder campus and at each of four area extension centers located in Post, Crosbyton, Haskell and Colorado City.

Students taking classes on the Snyder campus may take Computer Science

1301, Government 2305 or 2306, History 1301 or 1302, Math 1314, Philosophy 2306, Psychology 2301, Art 1313 or 1316, Economics 2301, English 1301, 1302, 2322, or 2326, Physical Education and Health 2102 and Speech 1321.

Developmental classes will be offered also in English, math or reading and vocational classes will be offered in Golf and Landscape Technology and Office Systems Technology.

Classes are offered during the day and at night and schedules are available at the counselor's office of Snyder, Ira, or Hermleigh High School or by calling WTC at (915) 573-8511.

Early Admission applicants should bring: a completed Early Admissions form, available at their counselor's or principal's office, a copy of their high school transcript, ACT, SAT, and/or TASP scores if available, driver's license if applicable and Social Security card.

All other applicants should bring their driver's license, Social Security card, TASP/ACT/SAT scores if applicable, high school transcript/GED and college transcript if applicable.

Scholarships awarded to 2

Continued From Page One

a volunteer for Hendrick Medical Center.

Carolyn has a grade point average of 3.5 and is a member of PTK on campus. Also, she is a member of the Optimist Club in her home city and is a volunteer at Harmony Family Services.

The scholarship awards, given to two returning sophomores, were doubled for next year, going from \$200 to \$400.

To be chosen, applicants submitted a three to five hundred word essay. Other considerations included involvement in extracurricular or community activities, having completed 30 semester hours, and having a minimum grade point average of 3.25.

For the essay, topic guidelines stated "Two prominent institutional goals in the WTC catalog are (1) to provide courses for students who desire to further their education, enrich their lives, learn new skills or improve old ones, and improve their personal efficiency; (2) to provide programs designed to prepare individuals for employment in the business, industrial and professional community. How does your educational experience at WTC reflect these goals?"

New dean responds to Q&A

Continued From Page One

and have feedback from the students before I change anything. The students are why this college is here and I would like to get them more involved.

Q.—How do you feel about imposing a curfew?

A.—No with an exclamation point. The students come to college to be adults, and they should be treated as such.

Q.—What are your ideas to make WTC a more attractive college to recruit new students?

A.—We should put the students first and foremost in decision making on campus. If we have good retention, we will boost recruiting.

Q.—Since one of your responsibilities will be the distribution of scholarship funds, would you like to rearrange any moneys to emphasize different aspects of the college?

A.—I would like the departments to recommend students to receive the scholarships. Participation is the key. Everybody needs to get involved with the students.

Q.—Since your employment coincides with the retirement of WTC's Student Activities Director, do you foresee any changes in the way Student Activities has been organized?

A.—The tool to attract students is that the activities director must be involved with the students.

Q.—Any other comments?

A.—I'm really looking forward to coming to Snyder. I'm very excited that the college is so excited to have me.

Divisions reorganized

Continued From Page One

comes after some 12 years with the college. He is currently an assistant professor for agriculture.

In addition to his teaching responsibilities, he coaches the WTC Meats Judging Team.

He holds his bachelor of science degree from Lubbock Christian University, where he taught before coming here, and his masters degree from Texas Tech University.

Awards Day is tomorrow

Continued From Page One

ematics and Science, Health, Physical Education, Business and College Preparatory, Social Science and Fine Arts.

All awards Tuesday are announced at the event itself.

Graduation May 3 - 7:30

Faculty Association names new officers

Officers for the WTC Faculty Association for 1996 have been named.

Serving as president will be Jack Price. Juli Walters will serve as vice president and Carolyn Osborn as secretary.

Other members of the association's executive board head up committees for the organization.

Next year, these will consist of Joann Snider, Academic Affairs Committee; Jim Durham, Faculty Welfare Committee; Jana Wesson Martin, Awards Day Committee; Mike Harrison, Social Committee; Jerry Corkran, Environmental Committee; and Janet Halbert, Nominations & Elections Committee.

Oc-Tech Division Chair marks his last semester

Jerry Dennis, chairman of the Occupational Education Division at Western Texas College since 1986, is retiring effective at the end of the spring term. Dennis has served the college on two separate occasions, first as an instructor in diesel mechanics from 1975 through 1980. At that time, he was employed by Dr. Gene McClurg, who was then dean of the division. Dennis operated his own business after leaving the college. He returned as a diesel mechanics instructor here in 1985 and, in 1986, was named chairman of the division. Dennis was graduated from

Snyder High School in 1954 and served in the Marine Corps from 1954-57. Prior to joining WTC the first time, he counted more than 14 years experience as a mechanic, most of that time spent in Bailey County where he maintained and repaired county owned machinery of various types. He was em-

ployed also by Womack Drilling in Snyder. He is a graduate of WTC as well as of several technical schools including the Detroit Diesel School, Robert Bosch Fuel Injection Pump School, Roosa Master Fuel Injection Pump School and the Allison Transmission School.

PTK honored in D.C.

By Amy Grimmert Texan Staffer The Western Texas Psi Zeta chapter of PTK won three awards at the international convention

April 18-20 in Washington D.C. Advisor Dr. Duane Hood was honored with the Robert Giles Distinguished Advisor Award. His selection was determined by an essay submitted by his home chapter and letters of recommendation from a member of PTK, a campus administrator and an alumnus of the chapter. In addition, Dr. Mary Hood received an award for membership in the Mosal Society, indicating Psi Zeta ranks 2nd in the nation out of 800 chapters in support of the Key Opportunity Campaign. The Key Opportunity Campaign is a fundraiser for the Center for Excellence to be built in Jackson, Miss. As a chapter, Psi Zeta received a Distinguished Region Award also. Students attending, along with sponsor Mary Hood, were Kim Brade, Cindi Burrow, Amy Grimmert, Carrie Keith, Barbara Chapman, Mary Jo Patrick and Jerilyn Tucker, all Snyder, Jonathan Carroll of Hawley, Tonya Diersing of Hamlin, Jeff Hogue of Abilene, Rey Rivera of Ozona, Paul Rucker of Lubbock and Cody Smith of Aspermont. The group stayed at the Sheraton during their stay in D.C. and toured the White House Wednesday.

Extension center classes offered

Western Texas College will offer summer classes at five extension centers this summer. Classes at all locations begin the week of May 28. At Crosbyton High School, students may take English 1301, Government 2305 or 2306, History 1301 or 1302, or Sociology 1301. All classes meet in the evenings, at the high school, and registration will be Thursday, May 23, from 6:30-8 p.m. at Crosbyton High School. At Post High School, students may take Government 2305 or History 1302. All classes meet in the evenings at the high school and registration will be Monday, May 20, from 6:30-8 p.m. at Post High School. At Hamlin High School, students may take History 1301 or English 1301. All classes meet in the evening at the high school and registration will be held Monday, May 20, from 6:30-8 p.m. at Hamlin High School. At Haskell High School, students may take English 1301 or 2326, Government 2305 or 2306, or History 1301 or 1302. All classes meet in the evenings at the high school and registration will be Tuesday, May 21, from 6:30-8 p.m. at Haskell High School. In Colorado City, students may take Government 2305 or History 1301. All classes meet in the evenings at the Wallace Community Center and registration will be Monday, May 20, from 6:30-8 p.m. at the Wallace Community Center.

Fall pre-registration slated Students may pre-register for the fall 1996 term beginning Monday through Thursday at the WTC Counseling Center. Registration times will be 1:30-4 p.m. those days.

SUMMER SCHEDULE

ACADEMIC CLASSES - DAY

COMPUTER SCIENCE											
COSC	1301	0180	INTRO/COMP SCI LAB	M-TH BA	9:45-11:25 TBA	3	LRC-111 TBA	CANADA, W CANADA, W		\$20	
GOVERNMENT											
GOVT	2305	0225	US/ST/LOC GOV	M-TH	9:45-11:25	3	2C-103	WILKS, D			
HISTORY											
HIST	1301	0232	US HIS TO 1865	M-TH	8:00-9:40	3	2C-101	ADAMS, R			
HIST	1302	0233	US HIS 1865-	M-TH	9:45-11:25	3	2C-101	ADAMS, R			
MATHEMATICS											
MATH	1314	0184	COLLEGE ALGEBRA LAB	M-TH TBA	9:45 - 11:25	3	2B-109	WALTERS, J		\$8	
MATH	1332	0185	MATH CONCEPTS	M TH	8:00 - 9:40	3	2B-109	WALTERS, J			
PHILOSOPHY											
PHIL	2306	0241	ETHICS	M-TH	11:30-1:10	3	7B-101	BARKOWSKY, E			
PSYCHOLOGY											
PSYC	2301	0242	GEN PSYCHOLOGY	M-TH	8:00-9:45	3	2C-102	WILKS, D			

REGISTRATION (Begins in LRC)

May 28, 1996
* 7:15 -- 8:00 a.m.
8:00 -- 11:30 a.m.
1:00 -- 4:30 p.m.
5:00 -- 6:00 p.m.

No placement testing on night of registration

PLACEMENT TESTING -- \$10.00 (Counseling Center)

Wednesday May 22-- 8:30 a.m.
Thursday May 23-- 1:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday May 28-- 9:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.
Tuesday May 28, 1996

CLASSES BEGIN

LAST DAY TO DROP

CLASSES END

6-WEEK TERM
MONDAY JUNE 17, 1996
9-WEEK TERM
THURSDAY JULY 11, 1996
6 WEEK TERM
WEDNESDAY JULY 3, 1996
9-WEEK TERM
THURSDAY JULY 25, 1996
*Registration for students intending to enroll for 8:00 classes

ACADEMIC - NIGHT

ART											
ARTS	1313	0100	ART/ELEM TEACH	T	6:00-10:00	3	FA-117	BULLARD, C		\$24	
ARTS	1316	0101	DRAWING NON-MAJORS	TH	6:00-10:00	3	FA-117	SUM, B		\$10	
COMPUTER SCIENCE											
COSC	1301	0181	INTRO/CS LAB	MT TBA	6:00-10:10 TBA	3	LRC-111 TBA	CANADA, W CANADA, W		\$20	
ECONOMICS											
ECON	2301	0250	MACRO ECONOMICS	TH	6:00-10:10	3	2B-109	PALMER, J			
ENGLISH											
ENGL	1301	0300	COMPOSITION I LAB (1 HOUR)	TH TBA	6:00-10:10 TBA	3	7B-101	BARKOWSKY, E		\$8	
ENGL	1302	0301	COMPOSITION II LAB (1 HOUR)	T TBA	6:00-10:10 TBA	3	7B-101	LANCASTER, M		\$8	
ENGL	2322	0302	ENGLISH LIT	W	6:00-10:10	3	7B-101	LANCASTER, R			
ENGL	2326	0303	AMERICAN LIT	M	6:00-10:10	3	7B-101	LANCASTER, M			
GOVERNMENT											
GOVT	2305	0226	US/ST/LOC GOV	TH	6:00-10:10	3	2B-110	HARTMAN, M			
GOVT	2306	0227	US/ST/LOC GOV	T	6:00-10:10	3	2C-103	ROBBINS, R			
HISTORY											
HIST	1301	0234	US HIS TO 1865	M	6:00-10:10	3	2C-101	ADAMS, R			
HIST	1302	0235	US HIS 1865-	T	6:00-10:10	3	2C-101	PALMER, J			
HEALTH, PHYSICAL EDUCATION, & RECREATION											
PHED	2102	0400	SCUBA DIVING LAB	T TBA	6:30-10:10	1	POOL	REED, R		\$24	
MATHEMATICS											
MATH	1314	0175	COLLEGE ALGEBRA LAB	TW TBA	6:00-8:30	3	2B-109	HOOD, D		\$8	
SPEECH											
SPCH	1321	0110	BUS/PROF SPEAK	T	6:00-10:00	3	FA-105	ENDY, M			

COLLEGE PREPARATORY - DAY

ENGLISH											
DEN	011	0310	BASIC SKILLS	TBA TBA		1	7B-104	LANCASTER, M		\$12	
MATHEMATICS											
DMT	012	0183	DEV MATH	TBA TBA			2B-109	WALTERS, J		\$12	
READING											
DRE	011	0311	READING SKILLS (TASP LIABLE STUDENTS ONLY)	M-TH TBA		1	LRC-208	CORKRAN, G		\$12	
DRE	032	0312	READ SKILLS II	M-TH TBA		3	LRC-208	CORKRAN, G		\$12	
DRE	033	0313	READ SKILLS III	M-TH TBA		3	LRC-208	CORKRAN, G		\$12	

VOCATIONAL CLASSES - DAY

GOLF-LANDSCAPE TECHNOLOGY											
GLT	135	0500	RELATED WORK	TBA TBA		3	TBA	BUCKLAND, D			
OFFICE SYSTEMS TECHNOLOGY											
OFAD	1311	0610	KEYBOARD/TYP I LAB	M-TH TBA	9:45-11:25 TBA	3	7A-105 7A-105	SNIDER, J SNIDER, J		\$20	

Our Applause

to

Jan McCathern

for an empowering attention

to Gender Issues

during her 2-year term

as

Faculty Association President

M. J. ...
Kandace ...
Jana ...

Carolyn Osborn

David ...
Garet ...

Sue Freeman
Mickey ...
Baird

To the faculty, staff, administration, board of trustees, and students, past and present, of Western Texas College.

A quarter century ago, a small group of us gathered on a muddy hill south of Snyder and stepped out to meet the challenges of a new educational institution. We brought with us the determination to succeed and established the spirit and uniqueness that is still Western Texas College.

Thank you for allowing me to share the experiences that are so many I could never cite them all. I especially want to thank you for your many kindnesses, sacrifices, prayers, and other supports that helped me so much during my battle with cancer in the summer of 1990. Mere words cannot express my feelings about that. Also, thank you for the many 'firsts' in my life at WTC: the Piper Professor nomination, the emeritus professor designation, to mention only a couple. I believe there are no greater honors than those bestowed by one's peers, and I am grateful.

Now, as I embark on new adventures, I carry with me a treasure chest filled with wonderful memories of you and our years as "family." Thank you, and God bless you!

Ray K. Robbins

Ray K. Robbins
Professor Emeritus

Golfers look good to qualify

By Mark Harrington
Texan Staffer

The WTC golf team competing in its final conference tournament this past weekend in Roswell, N.M. and the team has a great chance to advance to the national tournament, according to coach Milton Ham. The top five teams in the region after this tourney will qualify for the nationals.

Over the past five years since Ham has been coaching, the team has finished 2nd, 3rd, and has finished 4th the past three years in this regional tournament.

Also, the individual medalist from WTC's region will represent the region in the national tournament.

WTC's Morten Vildhøj is cur-

rently in 2nd place in the medalist race. He is only three strokes behind Midland's Derrick Pursley.

One week ago, the WTC golfers finished the State JUCO Championship Tournament with a 316 and a 311 during the final two rounds.

The tournament was played at the Garden Valley Resort on the Dogwood Course. WTC finished the 54 hole tournament with an 11th place finish out of 19 teams with a total of 961 (334-316-311).

After the team recorded a bad score in the Sunday's round, both Morten Vildhøj and Matt Clements recaptured their game to end the tournament with a 73 and a 74 in the final round.



Queen of the rodeo

Vanessa Williams (left), a freshman from Snyder, was named the WTC Rodeo Queen April 18 during the opening night grand procession of the annual WTC Rodeo. She is shown with other candi-

dates Jessica Jeffrey, a freshman from Hamlin (center) and Dayna Doyle, a sophomore from Azle. (Texan Photo by Jennifer Jones)

SPRING 1996 FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE Day Schedule

Class Meeting Time

8-8:50
9-9:50 MWF
10-10:50 MWF
11-11:50 MWF
12-12:50 MWF
8-9:15TTH
9:30-10:45TTH
11:30-12:45TTH
1-1:50 MWF
1-2:30 TTH
4-5:15 TTH

Examination Time

8a.m., Wednesday, May 8
10a.m., Tucaday, May 7
Noon, Monday, May 6
10a.m., Wednesday, May 8
10a.m., Monday, May 6
Noon, Tuesday, May 7
8a.m., Monday, May 6
8a.m., Tuesday, May 7
2p.m., Monday, May 6
2p.m., Tuesday, May 7
4p.m., Tuesday, May 7

EVENING SCHEDULE

Class Meeting Time

Monday evening
Tuesday evening
Wednesday evening
Thursday evening

Examination Time

May 6, 6:30p.m.
May 7, 6:30 p.m.
May 1, 6:30 pm.
May 2, 6:30 p.m.

Rodeo Men and Women hang tough in 2nd place

The WTC Rodeo Teams were competing this past weekend at Hardin-Simmons and both the men and the women went into the rodeo in 2nd place in the

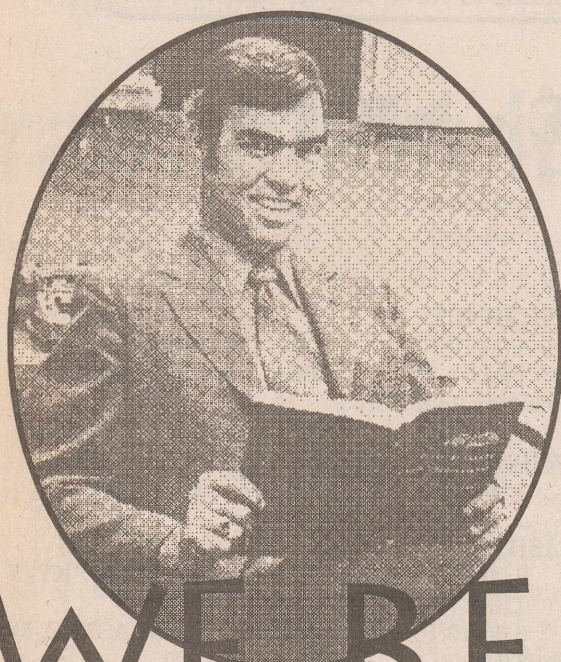
region.

The WTC Men were the winners of their home rodeo here April 18-20 while the women finished in 2nd place.

In the regional race, going into last weekend, the men were only 40 points away from leader Vernon Regional Junior College. The women were in 2nd behind

VRJC as well.

The top two teams in the region will advance to the National Finals Rodeo this June in Bozeman, Mont.



WE BENEFIT FROM IT....

THEY HELPED BUILD IT
AND THEY WILL BE MISSED ...

Janet Hackett
Donny Bawn
Liann Beard
Caree Watkins
Jan McClinton
Buffy Wilke
Carolyn Osborn
Marlene Lancaster
John Duley
Dick Lancaster
Brenda Nichols
Julie Walters