



HELPING HANDS? Loraine sophomore Mike Vallejo has his hands full with "help" from three Westerner basketball players. He and other students moved in the dorms Jan. 8 to start the new semester. (photo by Cody Bell)



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1242 Enrolled Pushes Record; Mid-Winter Session Success

by Debra Littlepage

Tentative spring registration figures for WTC record an enrollment of 1,242 students, only 16 short of the college's all-time record of 1,258 set in the fall of 1975.

Dr. Duane Hood, dean of student services and registrar, commented that the spring semester had the potential of being the best registration period in WTC's history. Tuesday was the last day for registration.

Sophomore students signed up Jan. 15, while evening students registered that evening. The next morning, freshmen enrolled, and all others registered that afternoon.

Spring classes began Wednesday, Jan. 17.

Two new extension centers have been added this semester. Cooperating with South Plains College in Lubbock, 15 students are enrolled in petroleum

technology. Fifty-five students are taking courses in academics and mid-management at the Ballinger extension center.

Adult vocational classes are also being planned, including beginning typing and one for nursing home activities directors. They do not carry college credit but are taught by Texas Education Agency approved instructors to meet specific community needs.

Haskell had the highest enrollment of the extension centers, with approximately 125. Other centers include Sweetwater, Rotan and Crosbyton.

Dr. Hood noted there was an increase of part-time students this semester. He added that the women's dorm currently has four vacancies.

"An awfully good session," was how Dr. Hood described the 1979 mid-winter session. A total of 87 students attended, with 53

of them enrolled at WTC this spring.

Classes included composition II, American literature, U.S. government, state and local government, U.S. history to 1865 and U.S. history after 1865.

The number of part-time students increased this semester. Of the overall total, 68 students are enrolled in the one-year programs or were signed up only for the mid-winter session.

Faculty in-service began Jan. 10. Topics emphasized were the Ballinger extension center and plans for expanding Adult Vocational Education offerings.

Occupational-technical information sessions were held for faculty, featuring Kent Mills, farm and ranch management; Randy Mosley, engineering technology, and Charles Henderson and Betty Sandel, mid-management.

WTC's Accreditation Reaffirmed Dec. 13

The Delegate Assembly of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools voted Dec. 13 to reaffirm WTC's accreditation, according to Dr. Robert Clinton, president.

The new accreditation will remain in effect for 10 years. WTC has been fully accredited by the Southern Association since December, 1973, slightly more than two years after the college opened in the fall of 1971. WTC applied for accreditation at its opening, and received a preliminary visit from a Southern Association accreditation committee in the spring of 1972. A second committee visited the campus in spring of 1973, and accreditation was granted at the annual meeting in December of that year.

WTC was required to conduct

a self-study in 1977-78 in preparation for reaffirmation of its accreditation. The Association sent a visiting team to the campus last spring, observing the college in operation and examining the self-study reports before making recommendations for the new accreditation.

WTC is approved by the Coordinating Board of the Texas College and University System and the Texas Education Agency.

It is a member of the American Association of Community and Junior Colleges, the Texas Junior College Association, the Southern Association of Community and Junior Colleges and the Association of Texas Colleges and Universities.

Community Service Classes Offered

Several community service courses are being planned or offered on campus. Among them are sports judo, genealogical research, nursing home activity directors, defensive driving, swimming for women and scuba diving.

Sports judo taught by WTC judo team member, Alton Sutter on Mondays and Wednesdays from 7-9 p.m., began Jan. 22. Fees are \$30 per student. Classes will meet in the H-PE building for the rest of the semester.

Genealogical Research, instructed by Josie Baird, Certified American Lineage Specialist, meets Tuesdays through Feb. 27 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. in the LRC. Fees are \$15 each. The course consists of instruction for persons wishing to begin a study of their family background.

Nursing Home Activity Directors will be taught by Dr. Gilbert Fleer, counselor and sociology professor, with fees of \$50 each charged for each member.

Defensive Driving will meet Feb. 5 and Feb. 12 from 6:30-10:30 p.m. in AcS C-104. Fees are \$12 per student. Dr. James Palmer, social science division chairman, is the instructor. Students must attend both nights to qualify for certificates and auto insurance discounts.

Swimming for Women began Jan. 29 and Jan. 31 and will meet Mondays through March 12 and Wednesdays through March 14. Carol Darby is the instructor and students pay fees of \$25 each. Starting time for both classes is 5:30 p.m. at the indoor pool.

Finally, scuba diving will be offered March 5-16. Lee Burke, physical education instructor, and Jerry Bell of Arlington will be the instructors. The class will meet from 6-9 p.m. each weeknight after paying \$75 fees and furnishing masks and fins.

Community service courses are open to the general public and do not carry regular college credit.

Northeast Parking Change Announced

The parking lot northeast of the dorms for senior citizens will be a college staff parking lot.

Students are no longer allowed to park there, according to Dr. Duane Hood, dean of student services. However, some of the blue zones in the dorm parking lot will be released to dormitory students.

Effective today, traffic

tickets will be issued for all cars, other than faculty-owned vehicles, that are parked in the former senior citizens lot.

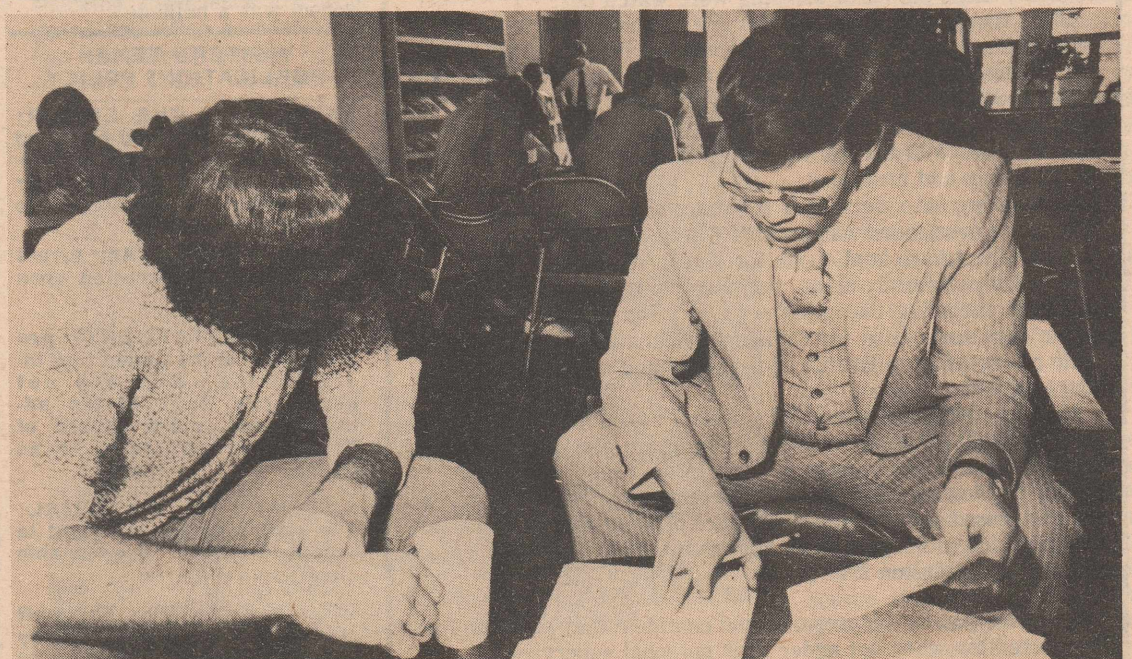
Also, Hood stated, citations will be issued to cars that are left unattended on the service road by the north dorm.

This causes problems for delivery trucks going to the cafeteria, and it also interferes

with garbage trucks doing their job.

Citations will also be issued for student automobiles not having parking permits, cars parked in non-parking zones, and cars backed into parking spaces.

Students needing parking permits may obtain them in Dr. Hood's office.



YOU NEED THIS — David Higgins, EMT instructor, advises Graham sophomore Kent Self during spring registration. Enrollment was pushing WTC's all-time record of 1258, set in the fall term, 1975. (photo by Cody Bell)

Editorially

Dorm Rule Unfair

Dorm students — beware! With the beginning of a new semester, many new rules have been initiated, one that students should be aware of before they're left out in the cold.

The rule change referred to is one set down by Gail Cushing, residence halls director, which warns students that, if for any reason they lock themselves out of their rooms, they will not be let in by an R.A. or her.

This rule seems unfair to many students who feel that they have a right to stay in their own room.

It's not impossible for students to forget their keys or leave them somewhere by mistake — and if such should happen they should be allowed into their rooms. The rooms are paid for by the students and they have a right to be able to get in.

Granted, it takes time to run up every five minutes and open a door for someone, but a solution could be reached and this editorial is meant to suggest one.

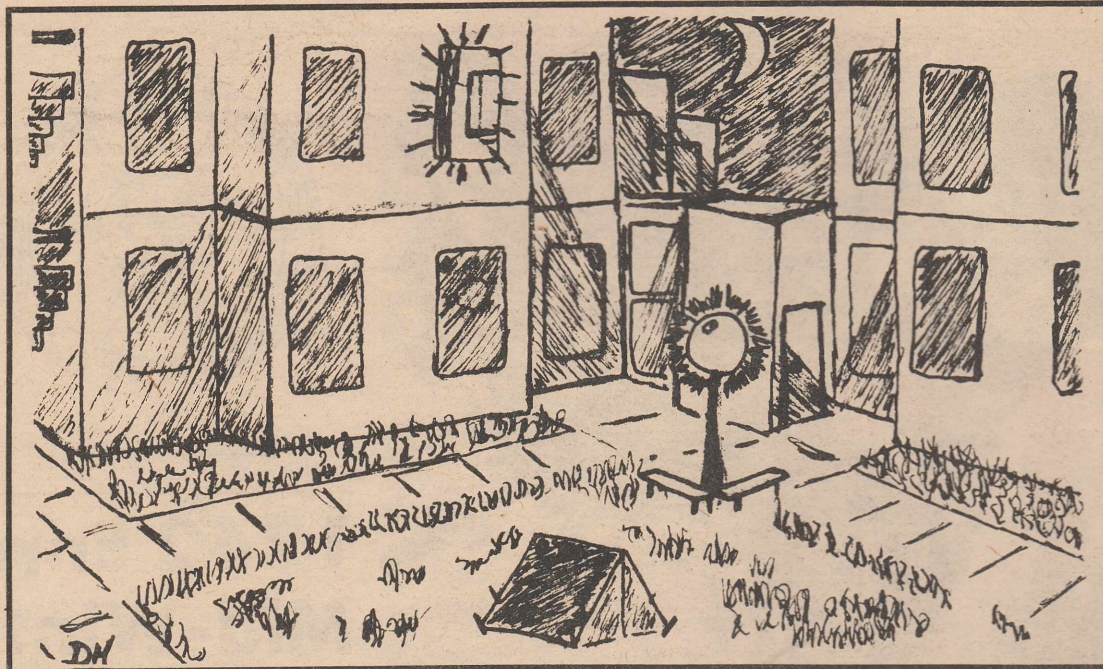
Last semester, Mrs. Cushing charged 50 cents if anyone locked himself or herself out of the room. This seemed unreasonable at the time, but it seems to make more sense now, in comparison.

Just imagine, if a person was living in his own house, and he locked himself out, in order to get in he would have to call a locksmith which would cost — but he wouldn't be turned down and not allowed to reenter.

By the same token, dorm residents should be allowed in their rooms when they lock themselves out, only after paying perhaps a nominal fee.

The rule may stand and without discussion, even though a solution has been suggested. So dorm residents, hang on to your keys or be prepared to face up to the fact that what the establishment says stands.

—By Rocky—



WT POLL

High School Days Worth Remembering?

by Sheila Sandbothe

With one semester completed and the spring term well underway, everyone has surely had a good taste of college life and has formed opinions of their own about college.

Opinions differ, however, as they did in high school. Some people loved high school and treasure their memories, while others don't seem to miss the old hometown schools at all.

Do you miss high school? Why do you miss it? Here are samples of some very different opinions stated by WTC students.

Mark Rutherford, New Jersey freshman, said, "I don't miss it because there wasn't anything spectacular about it."

Brigette Hamilton, Jayton freshman, admitted, "I don't miss high school — I just miss all of my friends back in Jayton."

"I miss it. You just don't have fun now like you did back in those days. College is much more serious, but I guess that's just part of living," El Paso freshman, David Brown, claims.

Frankline Bennett, freshman from George Wythe High School in Richmond, Virginia, said, "I don't miss it because high school was a hellhole!"

"I do miss it," Cynthia Betts, Abernathy freshman, said. "People just aren't as wide open and honest in college."

J.D. Sheffield, Loraine freshman, claims, "The only thing I miss about high school is all my friends."

"Of course, I don't miss high school!" Delbra Ray, Bellville freshman, exclaimed. "Here you get to meet so many different people, and college life is super — Party, Party, Party!"

Anson freshman, Fred Salinas, said, "In a way I miss it, and in a way I don't. The thing I miss is the fact that in high school you knew everybody and could participate in all the activities. But college has its advantages, too — like you can take as many semester hours as you like, you can set up your own class schedule, within the limits, without any hassle. Also, you don't have anybody to watch over you — like your parents, but that works two ways, too!"

Fred's brother, Joe Salinas, sophomore from Anson, said, "I miss high school because of sports, the teachers and all the terrible people that went there — but mostly sports."

"Of course, I miss high school. I miss the high school sports and my high school

friends. I also miss being a superstar because at WTC all the basketball players are equally good," Liz Hooper, Hamlin freshman, commented.

Nodia Vaughn, Paducah sophomore, stated, "I miss high school, of course! I miss sports and my high school class, but mostly I miss being around home. I enjoy playing sports for WTC, but it's not like playing in high school."

Roby sophomore, Rod Whitfill, said, "I miss all my old friends and high school sports. The thing I like about college is making new friends and getting away from home."

Kenneth Levens, Anson freshman, commented, "No, because high school felt like you had to do it, whether you wanted to or not. You go to college because you want to."

Joyce Dow, Snyder freshman, said "I don't miss it at all. I really didn't enjoy it to begin with."

Murray Anne Ray, freshman from Snyder, admitted, "Nah, I'm too old to miss it."

Any of these comments sound familiar? How do YOU feel?

Editorially

Child Care Choices

When you're working or attending classes, how can you be sure that when you leave your child with another person he will be well cared for?

You can't be positive, but knowing what to look for in day care can help prevent disasters.

The first step is to decide on what type of child care will best fit your needs. Two kinds of care are the home-based and center-based programs.

Other considerations are whether or not your child will need transportation, if your child has special needs or problems and if the program is conveniently located for you.

The second step is to call around and find a program that will best suit your needs. When you think you've found one, by all means, visit! Ask questions!

Some questions to include are: How much TV do the children watch? Is there a set routine or schedule, and will it suit your child? What kind of discipline is employed?

While visiting, watch the caregiver's attitude toward the children. Does she look directly at the children when speaking to them? Is she relaxed with them? Do the children turn to her for help and information?

Where the caregiver spends most of her time can be a telltale clue to what she thinks is most important.

If you leave your child in a home or center, and he is consistently unhappy even after the first week, or he lacks enthusiasm and suddenly stops eating or sleeping well, watch out!

Other danger signals to look for are: If the caregiver does not want you to visit or she can't tell you what your child will be doing during the day; If the children don't interact well and they move about without any apparent involvement in anything; If the caregiver does not respond to the children; If she seems overwhelmed with the work and responsibility, or if the house is dirty, sloppy and unsafe.

In checking out safety, look for sharp edges on furniture, and exposed or overloaded wall sockets. Check to see where medicine and detergents are kept. Look for emergency exits.

In a licensed family home, there should not be more than six children, excluding the caregiver's own family. In a day care center, the Association for Childhood Education recommends a ratio of one adult to five three-year-olds and one adult to seven four-year-olds.

Most important is your child's overall reaction. The first few days he might not want to attend the program. But after allowing time for him to get used to it, what is his reaction?

Judy Barkowsky, child care and development instructor, has a list of licensed and registered day care programs in the area and can give you more guidelines and information about day care. Call her at extension 297.

Whatever you do, be prepared and confident that your child is well cared for when not under your personal supervision.

—By Lois—

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UNPACKING — Virginia Whitson, Senior Center volunteer, begins unpacking as the Scurry County Senior Citizen's Center moves into their new home located at Ave. M and 26th Street. (photo by Cody Bell)

Leaves Campus

Senior Center Moves to Town

Open house for the new Scurry County Senior Citizens Center and office building was held Sunday, followed by a brief dedication ceremony.

The new facilities are located at Ave. M and 26th Street, site of the remodeled Travis Junior High School no longer in use.

The senior center and officers of the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) are housed here. Both were located on campus.

Workers and volunteers have been helping to make the move the past couple of weeks. Originally, the facility was to open in early January, but bad weather postponed the move.

Since its inception in 1973, the senior center has been located

in the LRC. Noon meals, served daily through the week, were catered.

Senior Citizens Center director is Gloria Shaw. Cooking meals at the new center will be Doris Byars. Cecil and Lizzie Freeman will assist.

Everyone 60 and over is encouraged to use the facilities and join in the programs. Programs will include guest lectures, bridge lessons, arts and crafts, square dance lessons, domino tournaments and daily exercise classes. Other programs will be offered later.

Transportation is provided to and from the center as well as to the post office, drug and grocery stores and other errand

locations.

Center hours are 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

The RSVP office was formerly located in the WTC administration building. RSVP utilizes the skills of older citizens who can find the time and want to serve the community in a volunteer capacity.

The location where a volunteer is appointed to work is a station. RSVP workers are available to all non-profit organizations and licensed health care institutions, including the senior center.

Marsha Krenek is the RSVP director. Her coordinator is Betty Doan.

Page Three Sounds Off!

Instructor Pillages Own Office?

by Rudy England

Before getting into the depths of the following story, it might be wise to note that "Page Three Sounds Off" is a news-oriented column, pertaining to actual events that would otherwise be overlooked in the regular news obtained by our staff. Since some folks find difficulty getting past page one, page three (with news often overlooked) now gets its chance to "sound off."

This is the premier reason for the column — and although the stories may be "juiced up" a little, the essence of the tale is true.

Rumor has it, or should I say, a reliable source informed me, that one of WTC's finest (instructors) might have pillaged his own office. According to the story related to me by the informant, a night watchman employed by the college was making his regular rounds and was undisturbed through the

night, until he happened to come upon a rather upsetting sight in the northeast corridor of Academic Science Building B.

You can probably relate to the shocking experience the poor guard had when he noticed no less than 20,000 papers (which included tests, confidential

notes, and other items handy for students) strewn throughout the 10 x 12 expanse.

As the old saying goes, "A picture is worth a thousand words," but I'll do my best. The filing cabinet was a mass of complete disarray. Tests were strung from the top drawer to the floor, linked together like a rope, as if a spell of some sort had been placed on the room. The desk and chair were found in the same mysterious way. The bookshelves weren't without their share of additional material, either.

There was absolutely no way a professor would be able to make such utter confusion of his own property, the guard thought to

himself. Some of this man's students must have been plundering in search of something to give them a guaranteed grade on tomorrow's test, he reasoned.

That's it!!! Or is it?

No one seems to know the reason, but some inner voice, some magic of unspeakable proportion, overtook his thinking. Regardless of the persuading force, the night watchman finally decided to call the instructor before reporting the incident to the authorities.

The instructor's reply?

"Oh, that's the way it always looks!"

As I said earlier, all of this information came to me through the circles of reliable news sources. However, when confronted by your reporter, the instructor denied all knowledge of such an event.

He did relate an interesting tale on the same basic order (which will follow), and hurled threatening accusations at the low-down scoundrel that started the absolute lies in order to undermine his character and position. Although his reaction might well be justified, the following account may seem to override the fact that my reliable informant got his story a bit mixed up.

Back during the '60's, it seems that our instructor friend drove a '54 Chevy and was a high school teacher. He noted, that, since he and his wife had separate cars, she seldom had a chance to see that HIS was cleaned.

Upon his arrival at home one afternoon, he shut the car door (or so he thought) and went inside. It just happened that he received a call about 1 a.m. informing him that his car had been vandalized. The caller, a police sergeant, said that one of his officers had been driving by his house on patrol and noticed that the car door was open, the dome light on and a conglomerate of books and papers (much like those in the office) were found inside.

After going outside to check on the state of affairs, he admitted that with some reluctance, he embarrassingly notified the sergeant that his car looked "exactly as it did when he left it."

Incidentally, I'll let you be the judge as to the validity of the first story, but I feel compelled to release one more bit of information that might help you with your decision. My reliable source said that the instructor now has a student-worker with the sole responsibility of seeing that his office is kept in a neat, orderly fashion.

New Shakespeare Course Uses PBS Television Plays

WTC joins other colleges across the nation in offering three hours of credit in sophomore English through a new PBS television series of six of Shakespeare's plays.

The first of nine required class meetings was held Jan. 23. Janet Halbert, English professor is the instructor.

Students will be required to read the plays as well as to

watch them, and will use a study guide prepared especially for the college credit course.

It is listed as English 233-313, Masterpieces of Literature: (Topic) The Shakespeare Plays.

Telecasts of the plays begin Feb. 14 with the showing of "Julius Caesar." Snyder students will see the plays on KERA, Channel 6, on SCAT Cable TV.

Faculty Profile

Krenek Working on Doctorate

by Sheila Sandbothe

Western Texas College will soon add another "Doctor" to its faculty staff, although not actually as an addition — only a transformation.

Harry Krenek, U.S. history professor here the last seven years, is working on his doctorate at Texas Tech University and will earn his degree this May. He has also taught an American literature class and is capable of teaching sociology, his minor.

While working on his doctorate and teaching full-time keeps him "fairly busy," he still finds time to enjoy all sports and to ride horseback with his family. He has also worked with the Boy Scouts and the Little League program.

He and his wife, Marsha, are the parents of two boys, Dan, 9, who attends East Elementary School, and two-year-old David. Marsha is the director of the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) which recently moved from WTC's campus to an uptown location.

Krenek graduated from Elgin High School, a Class AA school near Austin, in 1959. He then went to the University of Texas at Austin before transferring his sophomore year to Howard Payne University at Brownwood.

He played football at Howard Payne, where he graduated in 1963. He later received his Master's degree in 1967 from Southwest Texas State University at San Marcos. Krenek also attended the Universities of Oklahoma and Nebraska.

He has taught at Rockport High School, Sul Ross University, and part-time at Texas Tech, while working on his doctorate, before coming to Snyder.

Although he likes college teaching, he regrets the limited relationship with students that goes along with the college life. "I liked to go on school trips, senior trips and sponsoring the students. It was a lot of fun and I miss that part of teaching," Krenek admitted.



PREPARING — Harry Krenek, history professor, prepares his notes for the next class meeting. (photo by Jim Severs)

34 Sophomores Named to



Alexander

Ash

Beights

Bogle



Brothers

Carlton

Cox

Dacus



Dozier

Ehart

Galvan

Girvin



Greenfield

Hagle

Inman

C. Jones

Thirty-four WTC sophomores have been named to Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges for 1978-79.

Those listed are Rocky Alexander, Russell Ash, Betsy Beights, Rachael Bogle, Craig Brothers, Phyllis Carlton, Dianne Cox, Tim Dacus, Julie Dozier, Kevin Ehart, and Trussha Farquhar Owen.

Others include David Galvan, Sally Girvin, Vickie Greenfield, Tommi Hagle, Deborah Inman, Connie Jones, Susan Jones, Bud Kimzey, Jeanette Long, Brenda Martin, Veronica Melgar, Jo Beth Mitchell, and Sherri Muncrief.

Finally, Mike O'Day, Becky Rhodes, Sherlyn Scott, Patricia Shands, Mary Ann Smith, Cynthia Thames, Mike Waller, Jerry Webb, Becky Westbrook, and Valerie Wilson.

Alexander, a San Angelo Lakeview High School graduate, is majoring in journalism and is editor of *The Western Texan*. He served as sports editor last year. He is president of the Press Club and a member of Phi Theta Kappa.

Last spring, he received first and second place awards at the Rocky Mountain Intercollegiate Press Assn. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Alexander, and he plans to attend Angelo State University after graduation in May.

Ash, a music major from Robert Lee, is a member of WTC's jazz ensemble and jazz stage band. He is a member of PTK and is on the judo team.

In the future he would like to be a music copyist and jazz band director and/or aikido instructor. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ash.

An art major from Lubbock,

Bogle, is planning to continue an education career at Texas Tech University. She would like to be a commercial artist or teach art for handicapped children.

She is a member of the Artisans Club, Press Club, and was on the staff of *The Western Texan*. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R.T. Bogle.

Brothers, an auto mechanics major from O'Brien, likes working with metal and wood, building unusual objects.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J.O. Brothers and a Knox City graduate. He plans on working as a mechanic after graduation.

Mrs. Carlton, of Copperas Cove, has an elementary education major. She is a member of PTK and plans to attend Angelo State to receive her teaching certification.

Cox, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T.H. Cox of Snyder, has a major of general business. She plans to continue her education at Texas Tech and wants to get her degree in interior design.

Dacus has been active in the Student Senate, was Eta Mu Theta president, 1977-78 Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges and made the President's List and the Dean's List his freshman year. This year he is a member of Eta Mu Theta and is sergeant-at-arms.

He is an electromechanical technology major and plans to attend Texas Tech in electrical engineering. Tim is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Dacus of Hermleigh.

Dozier, of Vincent, a graduate of Northeastern High School, Fountain City, Indiana, is making English her major and has an English scholarship at WTC.

She has been a member of PTK for two years and is serving as secretary-treasurer this year.

She hasn't decided what school to transfer to, but is thinking of being a special education teacher. Also, she is a licensed cosmetologist. Rev. and Mrs. Dale Dozier are her parents.

Ehart, an electromechanical technology major from Anson, is president of EMT, is the student intramural director, has been on the Dean's list, and was in the cast of "Medea" last year.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Montgomery and is considering furthering his education at the University of Texas or Oklahoma State University.

Mrs. Owen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Farquhar of Snyder, has a pre-medicine major and would like to get a Bachelor of Science degree.

She is a member of PTK and was on the Merit List in the fall of 1977.

Galvan is a drama major from Loraine. He is student body president, PTK vice-president, member of WTC's jazz ensemble and WTC's choir. He has played a big part in the technical crew of the past three college plays.

He plans to attend Southwest Texas State University and pursue technical drama. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Galvan.

Mrs. Girvin of Colorado City has an elementary education major and is planning to attend Angelo State to finish her education.

She was news editor of *The Western Texan* and has won several journalism awards. She was elected secretary of the

Campus Information Available Through New Tape System

Dial Us for Information (DUFI), a self-help tape system, is now available at WTC for persons on and off campus.

Organized through Jerry Baird and the counselor's office, DUFI offers information concerning campus activities and general campus information. Career information tapes and factual information tapes are also available to help people of any age with personal problems.

As a community service, DUFI operates Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m.-9 p.m.; Friday 8 a.m.-4 p.m., and Sunday 2-5 p.m.

In order to listen to a tape over a chosen subject, dial 573-8511, and ask for extension 328 or 329. Once this extension is reached, ask for a tape by number. For on-campus use, simply dial one of the above extensions, then ask for the tape by number.

For information about WTC, these are the tapes to choose from: 1. Registration Process, 2. Tuition Costs, 3. Veteran's Program, 4. Adult Education Classes, 5. Financial Aid, 6. Degree Requirements, 7.

Reading Center Programs, and 8. Community Services.

For factual information and personal problems, choose from these tapes: 101. Friendship Building, 102. Self-Assertiveness, 103. Types of Intimacy, 104. Fighting Constructively, 105. Expressing Negative Thoughts and Feelings, 106. Dealing with Constructive Criticism, 107. Dealing with Anger, and 108. Understanding Jealousy and How to Deal With It.

More are 109. How to Say "No," 110. Examples of Contract Building, 111. Becoming Open to Others, 112. Dating Skills, 113. Anxiety and Possible Ways to Cope with it, 114. What is Depression? 115. How to Deal with Depression, 116. Depression as a Life Style, and 117. How to Deal with Loneliness.

Others include 118. How to Handle Fears, 119. Coping with Stress, 120. Increasing Self-Awareness, 121. Building Self-Esteem and Confidence, 122. The Value and Use of Self-Talk, 123. Relaxation Exercises, 124. Female Sex Role — Changes and Stresses, 125. Male Sex Role — Changes and Stresses, and 126. Learning to Accept Yourself.

The tapes concerned with personal and factual material are done by professionals at the University of Texas. Information tapes concerning WTC are made here.

Betti McQueen, counseling secretary, said they anticipate that by next fall a 24-hour DUFI service will be purchased.

Ground Hogs Unite Feb. 2, Sunshine or...

by Sheila Sandbothe

Ring-g-g-g!!! Oh, no, there goes my alarm clock! Boy, I sure don't want to drag myself up out of my warm little hole to face the bright sunshine or the chill of wind and ice. But today is the day — Ground Hog Day!!

I might as well look at the good side of this situation. Why, there might even be some TV camera set up outside my hole. Just think, I would be aired on national television just because I was picked to forecast the weather for the next six weeks.

Lassie, watch out, 'cause here comes the new star of the *Animal World*. Who knows — I might get to come back and sleep for six more weeks anyway!

Gosh, my ancestors have managed to drag themselves out for years now, and they would turn over in their graves if they knew that I'd like to, or even thought about, breaking tradition.

Oh, well, I had better start for the top. I was born a Ground Hog, so I've got a responsibility to the human race. Tradition is just too much trouble to try and break!



WHAT IS IT? — Some say Noah's Ark has washed ashore at WTC, but actually this is a photo of the Academic Science B building, taken from a unique point of view. (photo by Jim Severs)

NOTICE!

All candidates for May graduation need to go by Dr. Duane Hood's office as soon as possible. Students are to be measured for caps and gowns by March 15 in the bookstore.

Junior College Who's Who

Texas Junior College Press Assn.

Greenfield is a member of PTK, WTC's choir, BSU and is presently serving as president of the Baptist Student Union.

She is an elementary education major and plans to attend West Texas State University before going into mission work. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.N. Greenfield of Snyder.

Mrs. Hagle is a legal secretary major from Woodson, and after graduation she would like to find a job as a legal secretary.

She is a member of PTK, OEA, and is on the judo team. Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Brockman.

Connie Jones is serving her second year as editor of the Trailblazer, WTC yearbook. She is a member of BSU, Press Club, is on the Dean's List, and received the yearbook merit award last spring.

A business administration major, she plans to continue her education at Angelo State, minoring in journalism. Mr. and Mrs. Keeven Jones of Colorado City are her parents.

Susan Jones, a history major from Fluvanna, would like a teaching degree in history.

A member of PTK, she is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W.A. Jones.

Kimzey plans to attend dental school after graduation. He is a biology major from Hermleigh and has been named to the Dean's List and President's List. He was also named outstanding history student last spring.

Mrs. Long, a pre-nursing major from Sweetwater, is planning to attend nursing school in Big Spring.

A member of PTK, she is on

the Dean's List and is married to James R. Long.

A business administration major Mrs. Brenda Martin of Loraine plans to attend Angelo State next fall to pursue a Bachelor's Degree. She is married to George Martin.

Melgar is PTK president, member of the Student Senate, Press Club, reporter for The Western Texan, and has been named to the Dean's List. She plans to become a television news commentator.

Mass communications is her major and she plans to continue her education at Texas Tech. Mr. and Mrs. Hector Melgar of Snyder are her parents.

Mitchell is a pre-pharmacy major from Red Oak. She would like to attend the University of Texas at Austin next fall.

A member of PTK, she has been named to the Dean's List. Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Mitchell are her parents.

Another pre-pharmacy major is Muncrief of Colorado City, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Billy R. Muncrief.

She has made the Dean's List, the President's List, and was named an outstanding student in the dimensions of movement class. Texas Tech will be her next goal.

O'Day is also majoring in pre-pharmacy with plans to attend Southwestern Oklahoma State University next year.

He was on the WTC golf team and is a member of PTK. Mr. and Mrs. Bob O'Day of Snyder are his parents.

Rhodes is president of OEA. She served as vice-president last year, won first place in Shorthand II at OEA's state contest, received the OEA Diplomat Stateswomen Award, made the President's List twice

and is a member of PTK. She is also social chairman of the BSU.

Her major is legal secretary, and she would like to work full-time and go to school part-time in either Amarillo or Austin. She is the daughter of Mrs. Nelda Davis of Lubbock and Clyde Rhodes of Guatemala.

Mrs. Scott of Lamesa is majoring in business. She has been on the Dean's List and plans to get a Bachelor's Degree in accounting. Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. E.W. Estep, and she is married to Don Scott.

A general secretarial and stenographic major, Mrs. Shands of Snyder is planning to work on her bachelor's through extension courses.

She is a PTK member and received a merit award for outstanding student in intermediate shorthand last spring. She is the daughter of Mrs. Juanita Land.

Mrs. Smith of Sweetwater is undecided about her major but plans to keep working as a bookkeeper.

She is a member of PTK and received an award of merit in business data processing. Her husband is L.D. Smith.

Mrs. Thames of Snyder, formerly from Brownwood, is a medical secretary major and would like to go to work in a hospital in the medical records department following graduation.

She is a member of PTK, is parliamentarian of OEA, and has participated in the OEA National Contest. Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Leonhard are her parents.

Waller, a golfer, was co-captain this year. He is on the judo team and was listed on the Dean's List the last three semesters.

He is an electrical engineering major from Ft. Stockton and the son of Mr. and Mrs. W.J. Waller.

An engineering technology major, Webb, of Snyder, will be a production technician for General Crude Oil Company. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Webb of Snyder.

Westbrook, an elementary education major from Kermit, is the student body treasurer, and is co-historian for PTK. She was a nominee for Homecoming Queen, Miss Trailhand, and Miss WTC her freshman year. She was also on the Student Senate and made the Dean's List.

She plans to attend West Texas State next year. She is the daughter of Mrs. Patsy L. Westbrook.

Wilson is the Student Senate secretary and historian of PTK. She was also on the Dean's List.

Her major is general secretarial, and she would like to get her degree in business education. Mr. and Mrs. William D. Wilson of Snyder are her parents.

Information was not available for Betsy Beights and Deborah Inman.



S. Jones



Kimzey



Long



Martin



Melgar



Mitchell



Muncrief



O'Day



Owen



Rhodes



Scott



Shands



Thames



Webb



Westbrook



Wilson

Trustees Discuss Expanding Classes

Expansion of college continuing education courses was the main topic of the Jan. 16 meeting of WTC's board of trustees.

The purpose of many of these courses will be to develop and polish skills in specific areas which would require few class meetings.

According to Rex Hopkins, director of continuing education, WTC has already been certified to offer courses required by new regulations governing nursing home personnel in Texas.

In other matters, Bill Hale was approved as full-time instructor-supervisor for the college residential construction program.

The board also approved payment of the college district's share for compilation of the delinquent tax roll.

Board members were presented with printed information on mandatory retirement laws, and the staff was asked to draft a retirement policy for WTC which would comply with legislation.

In December, the board authorized the college staff to offer extension courses in Ballinger and an engineering technology course at Lubbock in cooperation with South Plains College.

The board also gave the go-ahead to plans for constructing the first two of 16 proposed duplex housing units on the campus, and approved an audit report of federal funds handled by WTC.

Interest in extension courses at Ballinger had been brought to the attention of the college a couple of years ago, but no definite proposals had developed until this fall. Ballinger is in the territory assigned WTC by the Texas College Coordinating Board.

Buster Anderson, CPA, presented the audit of federal funds. He reported that the college handles federal funds it receives in the manner prescribed by the federal agencies involved.

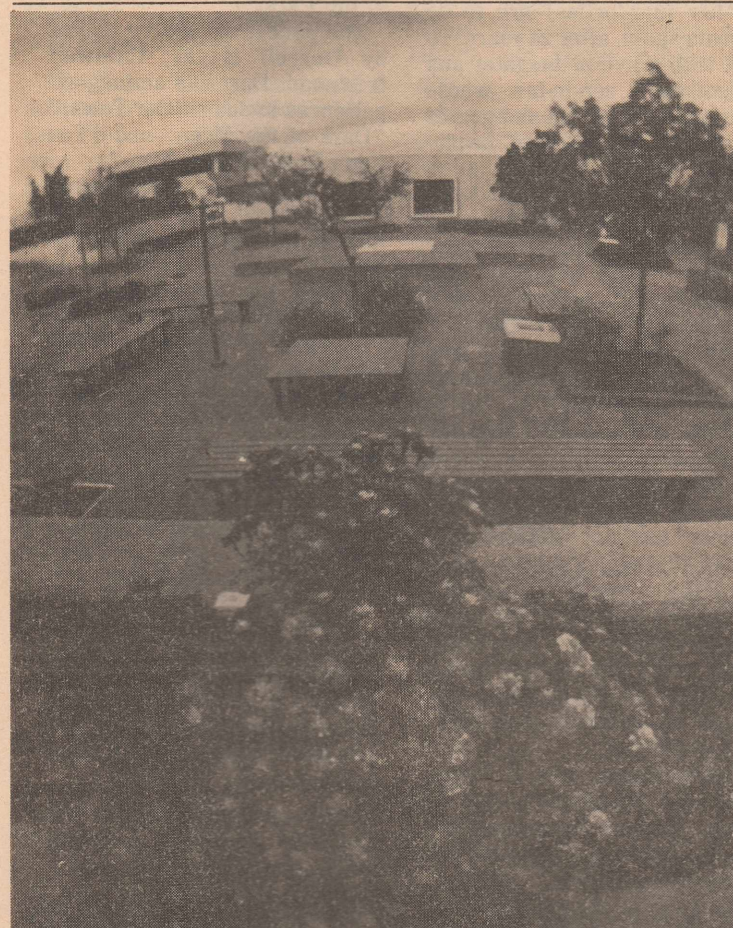
It was noted that WTC has discontinued participation in the direct student loan fund. This program resulted in a default of some 32.35 per cent.

Following a discussion of the college housing program, the board authorized transfer of \$50,000 in current funds to the housing fund for the first two units of the 16 duplexes in the master plan. Hale, new supervisor-instructor for residential construction, discussed details of the construction program.

A new health insurance program, which had been discussed earlier and approved by the faculty association, was ratified. A plan offered by John Hancock Insurance Co. was accepted.

A policy revision providing for quarterly payments of tuition and fees in cosmetology, golf and grounds, residential construction and vocational nursing programs was approved.

Next regular meeting of the board will be Feb. 12.



COLUMBUS WAS RIGHT! — This special effects photo, taken with a fish-eye lens overlooking the WTC courtyard, is just another reinforcement proving that the world is round. (photo by Jim Severs)

Student Profile

Colombian Finds America Different

by Debbie Sutton

Federico Vasquez is an 18-year-old freshman from Medellin, Colombia. The South American mechanical engineering major lives in a city of three million people but says that good universities are hard to find in Colombia because of strikes and similar problems.

"Our country is not rich, but it is progressing. Parts of it are now becoming fairly wealthy, but people in other areas still suffer from malnutrition."

He finds the weather in

West Texas the main difference. "It is so cold here. In my country, the weather is tropical, never cold." The average temperature in Colombia is in the 80s or 90s.

He enjoys golf, basketball, soccer and hunting. In Colombia, he enjoyed hunting ducks and other birds. There are no hunting seasons where he lives, although there are seasons for fishing.

Slightly larger than Texas, Colombia has a population of 27 million.

Federico finds the student dormitories very unusual because there are no such things in his country.

The appearance of people also seems strange to him. In Colombia, most of the people are dark. The blonde hair seems unusual to him, in contrast.

"America itself seems strange."



Cultural Corner

Full Schedule of Fine Arts

by Monette Sentell

There's a lot going on in WTC's fine arts division, and just in case you may not be too sure about what constitutes the division — it includes art, music and drama.

During January, the art show in the fine arts gallery was presented by the Big Country Art Association, Region of Texas Fine Arts-Red Ribbon Winners.

Media used included oils, pen and ink, pencil sketches, scratch-board, watercolor, acrylics and mixed. Twenty-one artists were presented, including works by Polly Pitzer, Sonny Westbrook, Sarah Holland and John Digby Crump.

The February exhibit will be presented by Ellen Stivison, a Houston artist who is rapidly attaining notoriety in the Houston area.

In a concert held Jan. 19 in the Snyder High auditorium, Kathleen Mott Kaun, soprano, and Ronald Clinton, pianist, presented an evening of delightfully engrossing music.

Mrs. Kaun is the daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Virgil Mott, and Clinton is the son of WTC President Dr. and Mrs. Robert Clinton.

Mrs. Kaun is a member of an opera in Salzburg, Austria. She attended Baylor University for three years, then went on to Indiana University in Bloomington, where she received her B.A. degree and to the University of Austin for her M.A. in music.

The communication she had with the audience was very refreshing and personable, and many in the crowd were overheard to say they felt like she was relating to them on a one-to-one basis rather than strictly a "professional to mass audience."

Mrs. Kaun sang selections from various pieces by Purcell, Schubert and de Falla. Clinton accompanied her most skillfully, and Jane Womack, music instructor, related that she understood Mrs. Kaun and Clinton were able to have only one complete rehearsal before the recital.

Clinton is continuing his education in music at Stephen F. Austin State University in Nacogdoches. He played solo selections from Chopin and Liszt, then teamed up with Mrs. Kaun for a crowd-pleasing,

lighter finale entitled, "I Hate Music" by Leonard Bernstein.

After a standing ovation, Mrs. Kaun sang one other selection, thus ending a very special evening in Snyder.

Ms. Jeanne Kobuszewski, instructor of speech and drama, who also directed last year's dinner theatre sell-out, "Barefoot in the Park," conducted tryouts for the spring dinner theatre Jan. 22 and 23. This year's production is "Never Too Late" by Sumner Arthur Long, a comedy revolving around a mature married couple who find they are to become parents again. It is scheduled for March 2-4 and 9-11.

The play, produced on Broadway by Elliot Martin and Daniel Hollywood and directed by George Abbott, was a tremendous success and was quoted in the New York News as being "... a good old-fashioned domestic farce... plain and simple laughter."

Try imagining an "Archie Bunker" type, a 50-year-old man who finds he and his wife (in her mid-forties) are to be parents again, after 24 years. To that with a live-in daughter and "Meathead" son-in-law whose idea of life is all fun and games — and you'll begin to get the picture.

The cast includes John Hopkins, Snyder freshman, in the male lead as Harry Lambert. John has numerous drama credits including "The Sound of Music," "Oliver," "The Corn is Green," and WTC's 1978 fall production of "The Little Foxes."

Marca Parham, Snyder freshman, will portray the pregnant, meek and devoted wife of Harry. Part of her credits include "Romeo and Juliet," for which she was given the UIL Samuel French award, "The Corn is Green," for which she was named Best Actress at state, and "The Little Foxes," her first WTC performance where she assumed the female lead of Regina.

Robby Moore, also a Snyder freshman, is cast as Charlie, the dense, ignorant, humorous son-in-law. Robby's credits include "Romeo and Juliet," "Oliver," "The Corn is Green," and "The Little Foxes," in the role of Leo.

Kate, the lazy, sexy, sophisticated daughter, will be played by Debbie Busciglio, a

new member of the Snyder community from Virginia Beach, Va. Debbie brings with her credits, including, "Oklahoma," "Guys and Dolls" and "Up the Down Staircase."

The part of Grace Kimbrough, the sweet wife of Dr. James Kimbrough, a gossip-loving neighbor, will be played by Janice Posey, Seminole freshman. Janice's prior acting credits include, "Magic Well," "Music Man" and "Hansel and Gretel."

Dr. James Kimbrough will be portrayed by Rick Mantooth, Seminole sophomore. Rick's dramatic credits include "Hello, Dolly," "Antigone," "The Bad Seed" and "The Little Foxes," as Oscar. He's also been a dancer in the play "Texas" the past four years.

David Galvan, Loraine sophomore, and president of WTC's Student Sentate, is cast in the part of Mr. Foley, the carpenter called in to do the new nursery. David will be remembered as the humorous telephone man in last year's dinner production of "Barefoot in the Park."

The policeman will be played by Darrell Hayes, Caldwell freshman. Darrell's acting experiences include, "Our Town," "Dark of the Moon" and "You Can't Take It With You."

Rex Hopkins has been cast as Mayor Crane. Hopkins is the director of continuing education at WTC and has performed in the past two dinner theatres, "The Odd Couple" and "Barefoot in the Park." This will be his first experience as an actor alongside his son, John.

"Never Too Late" promises to be a hilarious comedy — and, with the casting done, rehearsals are underway. All of the props, set building, backstage and technical crews are busy readying for opening night.

The schedule includes two Sunday matinees. Dinner will be served in the cafeteria starting at 6:30 p.m. preceding the evening performances in the fine arts theatre and at 12:30 p.m. on matinee days.

Evening performances will begin at 8 p.m., with the matinees at 2 p.m.

Information about tickets and reservation may be obtained by calling the fine arts division office at 573-8511, ext. 234, during regular college office hours.

REVIEW

'California Suite' Unconnected

by Darlene Neatherlin

With such a great cast — Richard Pryor, Bill Cosby, Alan Alda, Walter Matthau — and a great writer like Neil Simon, you would expect a movie that can't miss. "California Suite," however, will not live up to your expectations. Indeed, it "missed" on several counts.

The movie was split into three separate plots that had nothing in common, except the location of their hotel in Los Angeles.

The actors as a whole did fine performances, but the ridiculous theme left viewers ignorant of their true acting abilities.

From the beginning of the movie to the end, the audience sat and listened to bitter arguing among the characters.

Richard Pryor, for instance; most people think of fun and loads of laughter whenever his name is mentioned but in this show he spent the majority of his time arguing with Bill Cosby over little everyday things.

Most people go to a movie for relaxation — not for an ear-full of screaming and bickering.

Some crude humor, raw language and sexual implication is for no one but the unknowing.

Neil Simon just flat ruined his record of being one of the greatest modern playwrights when he put together such a movie as this.

If you're planning to see this show in the near future, be warned — it will be a big let-down to you. I don't see paying \$3.50 to watch such stuff. Why, you can see better than that on TV!

Energy Crisis Explored Feb. 2

WTC will host the American Chemical Society's monthly meeting Feb. 7 in the Student Center with William Nabors from the Lone Star Gas Co. out of Dallas as guest speaker.

He will address "To Kiss a Frog," a look at the energy crisis.

The meeting will begin with a social hour from 6-7 p.m., followed by the meal to be catered by George Gann, cafeteria manager. Everyone is invited to attend.

Ticket prices have not been posted, but will be given later. Dr. Shelby Hillis, associate professor of science, may be contacted for more information.

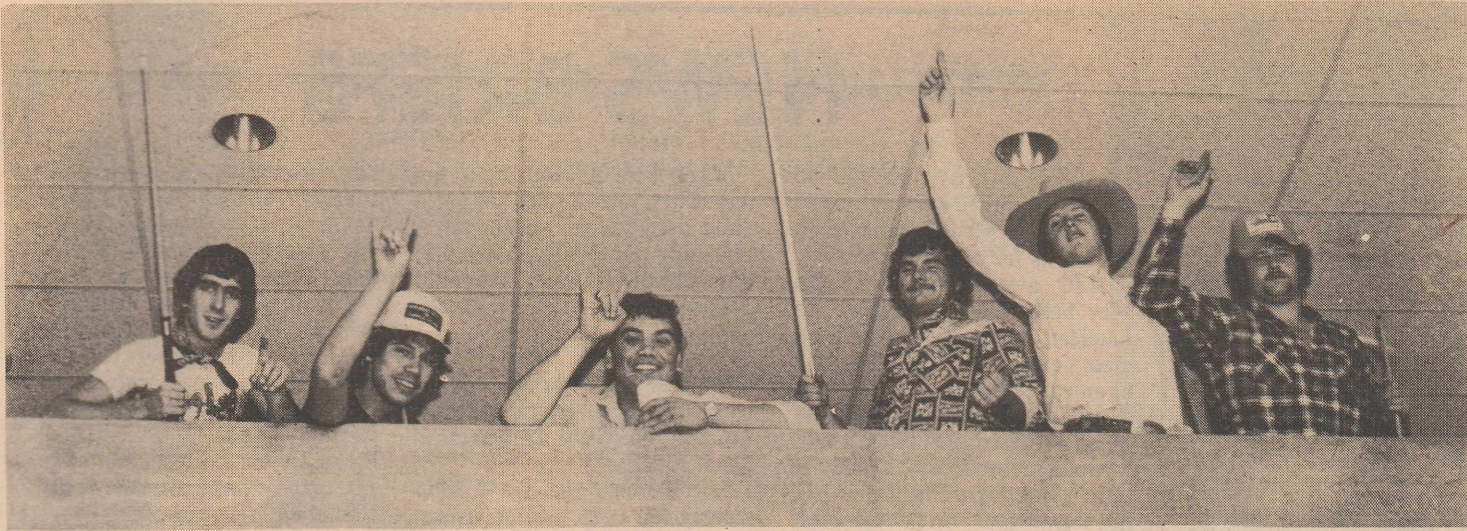
The society held its January meeting in Odessa. Speaker was Dr. Don Sawyer from the University of California at Riverside. His speech covered his work of utilization of dioxygen and the respiration process.

CAMPUS RESPONSE

by Louise Johnson

The time to file income tax is quickly approaching. In this issue of The Western Texan, the "Campus Response" questions to students and faculty members were, "Do you think the present income tax structure is fair? Do you expect a refund?" Here are the results.

Age	Race	Sex	Fair	Unfair	Refund	No Refund
25	Black	Male	X		X	
30	White	Female		X	X	
19	Spanish	Male	X		X	
19	Spanish	Female	X		X	
18	White	Female	X		X	
20	Black	Male	X		X	
19	White	Female		X	X	
19	White	Male		X	X	
18	White	Female		X	X	
18	White	Female		X	X	
20	White	Male		X	X	
19	White	Male	X			X
19	White	Male	X		X	
20	White	Male		X	X	
20	White	Male	X		X	
27	White	Female	X			X
31	White	Female	X		X	
18	Spanish	Male	X		X	
19	White	Male	X		X	
25	White	Female	X		X	
18	White	Female	X		X	



SPRING 'BREAK' — These WTC students take time out from their pool games to smile for the camera. (photo by Cody Bell)

210 Students Qualify for Honor Lists During '78 Fall Semester

Two hundred ten WTC students qualified for the honor lists during the 1978 fall semester. Twenty-five made the President's List, 129 made the Dean's List, and the Merit List contained 56 students.

The President's list is comprised of students taking at least 15 hours and having a 4.0 grade point average.

Named to this list were Beverly Clements, Rachel Coronado, Jimmy Curtis, Rudy England, Vickie Greenfield, Debra Hemphill, Richard Huddleston, Debra Littlepage, Larry Neves, Jerrel Pylant, Debbie Sewell, Steve Wiman and Rachel Wimmer, all of Snyder.

More are Larry Callan and Larry Parks of Rotan; Craig Brothers, O'Brien; Pat Brown, Crosbyton; Jimmy Chapman, Winters; Mark Cozart, Tyler, and Ricky Criswell, Guthrie.

Others include Bobby Hanks, Ira; Wes Isbell, Stamford; Becky Rhodes, Lubbock; J.D. Sheffield, Loraine, and Becky Westbrook, Kermit.

The Dean's List is made up of students who are enrolled as full time students, which is any student enrolled for at least 12 hours of college credit, and who earns a grade point average of 3.56 or more on a 4.0 grade scale.

Named to the Dean's List were Meredith Allen, Marvin Applin, Joan Broker, Beadie Brown, Kathy Burk, Elaine Byrd, Keith Clements, Wayne Cole, Andra Crenshaw, Richard Crenshaw, Debra Dolliver, Jeana Duke, David English, Beckey Everett, Jeri Farren, Sherry Fleming, Ricky Freeman, Billy Gleastine, Jerry E. Hendon, Jr., Jerry Hendon, Deborah Inman, Ronald Hester, Marvin Hobbs, Isaac Kimsey, Margaret Kruger, Olen Lane, Darwin Laster, Raymond Lewis, Jr., Glenn Massingill, Clifford Mayfield, Billy McArthur, Danny McCormack, Randolph McCown, Kim McPherson, Veronica Melgar, Arthur Moorhead, David Morris, James Morris, Mario Navejar, Katherin Olson, Marca Parham, Stan Pavlik, Steven Ramsey, Raul Rodriguez, Monette Sentell, Edward Skains, Cynthia Thames, Bryan

Walton, Wylie White, Rocky Youngblood and Marilyn Zedlitz, all from Snyder.

Others were Wayne Barclay and Julia Stevens of Abilene; David Patterson of Albany; Kevin Ehart and Sheila Sandbothe of Anson; Patsy Smith of Aspermont; Shirley Ballard, Brenda J. Belvin, Roy Bodine, Carrie Colaw, Debbie Haggerton, Rita Hardegree, Susan Harrison, Alicia Henderson, Ronnie Knowlton, Scott Neff, William Ritchey, Debbie Rowe, and Debbie Sutton of Colorado City.

Also, Dwight Williams of El Paso; Steve Fisher of Eola; Elizabeth Benson of Ewa Beach, Hawaii; Pat Toombs of Fluvanna; Mike Waller of Fort Stockton; Billy Ballard of Girard; Kathy Hunter of Godley; David Davis and Robert Earles of Haskell; Laura Wheatly of Hedley; Kelly Culp, Tim Dacus, Britt Fuqua, Cathy Hess, Tracey Kruger and Tony Lambaren of Hermleigh; Jack A. Stack, Jr., of Ira; Otis Chunn and Janet Johnson of Jayton, and James Hodges of Lohn.

More included Gabriel James Alvarez, Mary Briseno, Richard Garcia, Jr. and Sheryl Hamrick of Loraine; Norman Burge and Bruce Northcutt of Lubbock; Michael Massey of Maryneal; Joyce Plagens of Midkiff; Mike Mahan of Midland; Soyla Santos of O'Donnell; Scott Barrett of Pampa; Ricky Nelson and Carita Wood of Post; Jo Beth Mitchell of Red Oak; Russell Ash, Jr., of Robert Lee, Linda Gholson and Arthur Hunter of Roscoe; Pete Garcia of Rotan; Daniel Ramoz and Diane Zartman of San Angelo.

Finally, Roy Bounds of Stamford; James Baker, Andrea Baucom, Sharon Byers, Dudley Faver, Rebecca Franco, Neal Goates, James Haas, John Kirgan, Elizabeth Little, Elvira Olvera, Susan Phillips, Billy Ransberger, Mary Smith, Nancy Soles, Lyvonda Spilseth, and Emma Williams, all of Sweetwater; Jamie Mathis of Van Horn, and Susan Bently of Winters.

The Merit List is composed of students taking more than 8 hours and less than 12 hours and maintaining a 3.5 grade point average.

Listed are Eura Beckham, Linda Berryman, Linda Compton, Mark Duke, George Fuentez, Norma Greenlee, Tommi Hagle, Janet Hall, Larry Huddleston, Steve Jenkins, Diane Kunce, Mary Loflin, Eva Martin, Ricky Mason, Michael McCravey, Ronnie Myers, Ruthie Rasberry, Dorothy Ratliff, Sharon Rea, Patricia Shands, Teresa Stephens and Diane Zimmerman all of Snyder.

From Colorado City are, Brenda Aguillon, Lisa Anderson, Sally Girvin, Virgie Goodlett, Gerald Hill, Sherri Muncrief, Jerry Stone and Lesa Wilkinson.

Others listed are Jimmie Apel, Terry Hartman, Susan Jones, Herbert Kieschnick, James Lawhon, Rocky Moore and Alan Payne, from Sweetwater.

More are Mary Bell, Crosbyton; Ricky Bishop, Rochester; Mary Brown, Dickens; Ninfa Esquivel, Loraine; Ollie Fitzgerald, Aspermont; Carolyn Fuqua, Floydada; Shirlene Gentry, Knox City; Robert Harrison, Lindsay, Okla.; Sue Hise, Haskell; Johnnie Holbrooks, Spur; Brenda Martin, Loraine and Joan McCallister, Lorenzo.

Finally, Nolen Morton, Steve Martin, Dickie Shaw, Jimmy Wilhelm, all of Stamford; Sandra Phillips, Loraine; Gloria Riggs, Hamlin and Laura Shaw, Dickens.

Instructor Named

Bill Hale has been named instructor for the residential construction program.

Hale has been in the construction industry for about 10 years, and has operated Hale Construction Co. in Snyder and Big Spring.

The residential construction course is a one-year program, with students attending on a 12-month schedule. Fees are \$90 per quarter and students furnish their own hand tools.

Students spend most of their time in actual construction work, Hale said. They do concrete work, electrical wiring, plumbing and carpentry; acquainting them with all phases of construction.

CLUB CORNER

The Christian Student Center will sponsor a trip to the University of Texas at Austin to attend the annual Texas Bible Chair Seminar.

Gary Lowe, director of the CSC, said a bus will leave Friday, Feb. 2 and will return Saturday.

The seminar is intended to bring students, ministers and laymen together to find better ways to minister on college campuses.

Lowe said that participants will be housed in the homes of local church members. About 225 people from across the state are expected to attend.

All interested in attending the seminar should contact Lowe at the CSC or call 573-8242.

Fourteen BSU students and sponsors traveled to Cloudcroft, N.M. Jan. 19-21 for a mid-winter retreat.

The skiing trip was sponsored by the Baptist Student Union and Colonial Hill Baptist Church.

Those attending were required to pay \$15 for one two-hour ski lesson, ski rental and equipment, plus \$3 per night for lodging. They also paid for one meal.

Darrell Grimley, BSU director, has announced plans are underway for another retreat this month. Anyone interested should contact him in the BSU as soon as possible.

All reservations are on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Phi Theta Kappa members met Jan. 25, to discuss and plan upcoming events and activities.

First item on the agenda was the induction of new members. PTK will hold their ceremony Sunday, Feb. 4 at 3 p.m. in the Fine Arts Theatre.

To be a member of PTK, a student must have at least a 3.2

grade point average, be in good standing with the college, have high moral qualifications and an invitation from the organization.

This year 126 students have been sent invitations. Those receiving them must contact Dr. Mary Hood by Friday, Feb. 2.

Also discussed in the meeting was "Star Ship Disco." PTK is sponsoring a dance to be held Feb. 6 in the Student Center from 9-12 midnight. Admission will be \$1 at the door.

The State Convention in Corpus Christi March 1-4 was also discussed. Several PTK officers and members will be attending.

Final item on the agenda was an officers' meeting Jan., 28 to prepare for initiation ceremonies.

Office Education Association held its first regularly scheduled meeting for the spring semester Jan. 23 in ApS 104.

Becky Rhodes, president, recognized new members Sheila Sandbothe, Cheryl Beavers, Cindy Thames and Yolanda Rodriguez.

Plans were finalized for a Valentine's Dance, sponsored by OEA, to be held Feb. 14 in the Student Center cafeteria from 9 p.m.-1 a.m.

Star Ship Disco (Neeley Wright) will play for the dance. Admission will be \$1.50 for students and \$2 for couples.

A decorating committee for the dance was organized. Headed by Sheila Cummins, committee members are Debbie Rowe, Sandbothe, Cindy Thompson, Thames, Janice Bradbury, Lavonda Eckherth, Beavers, Linda Alvarez, and Rhodes.

Students will soon prepare for the state contest to be held in El Paso the first weekend of March.

'Pick-It-Line' Ends in Tie

The "W.T. Pick-It-Line" finished out its six-week season over the holidays with two staff football prognosticators ending in a tie.

Western Texan Editor Rocky Alexander and Dr. Mike McBride, advisor, finished in a deadlock, picking 45 correct games out of 60 for a 75 per cent total.

Photographer Joe Boldon picked 39 of 60 for 65 per cent to

take third place, while Dr. Robert Clinton, WTC President, and Dr. Frank Pruitt, history professor, each predicted 62 per cent of the games. Dr. Clinton was correct on 31 of 50 picks, while Dr. Pruitt picked 37 of 60.

The guest picker, who changed each issue, finished last with 60 per cent, picking 36 of 60.

Totals for the semester show the pickers correct on 233 of 350 attempts, for a total of 67 per cent.



Robert Gartland

Gartland Art Featured in Museum

The Snyder Palette Club held a reception honoring artist and author-illustrator Robert Aldrich Gartland in the museum Jan. 28. Gartland, of Lawton, Okla., will be showing his paintings until Feb. 25 in a one-man show.

His paintings are in approximately 300 private collections, including the Diamond M Museum in Snyder.

Born in New York in 1927, Gartland received his early training under the late George Ford Morris, noted American horse painter, and Frank Reilly at the Art Students League in New York City. He also credits his long-time friend, Ted Kautzky, for starting him in landscape painting long ago.

"Wichita Morning", Gartland's favorite painting, won him Best of Show honors in the July 4, 1976 Bicentennial Exhibition at the state capitol in Oklahoma City. He has won about 75 other first place or best of show awards throughout his career.

Gartland is an active member of the American Watercolor Society and the Lawton-Fort Sill Art Guild. He is also a member of the Rodeo Historical Society.

In 1962, he wrote and illustrated, "Cowboys and Cattle", a book for young people published by Coward McCann Co., New York. Prior to this book, he worked 10 years as a staff artist at the American Museum of Natural History.

He has not only illustrated for

A CLIO awards film will be shown to mid-management classes Feb. 5-9 and plans are in the works for a public showing.

CLIO awards represent the very best in commercials: the funniest, most dramatic, and most exciting. The film has been presented recently at several colleges and universities across the country.

Arrangements can be made to see the film in a mid-management class by contacting Betty Sandel, mid-management instructor, at ext. 230.

Schedules for the public viewing will be announced when plans are finalized.

NEWS BRIEFS

If you have children under the age of ten and did not fill out a child care survey questionnaire, call Judy Barkowsky at ext. 297. The survey is being taken to determine the need for an on-campus child care facility.

Hope for Tommorrow's weight control class meets Mondays at 6 p.m. in AcS C-103. Instructor is Sandi Miller.

Enrollement fee is \$7, and weekly fee is \$2. Senior citizen and student fees are half price.

This semester, a family plan is offered. One member may come for full price, with each additional family member paying half price. A nursery is provided at Trinity Methodist Church with donations accepted.

For information, call 573-2384.

Applications are being accepted for vocational nursing class to begin March 1. Classes are limited to 15 students, and applications must be received in advance.

Interested persons should contact instructors Winnie Poyner

or Diane Beard for more information. Their office hours are 3-4 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and 9-12 noon and 1-4 p.m. Wednesday.

Vocational nursing students recently receiving their caps in informal ceremonies on campus were Travis Sligar of Abilene, Terri Salmon of Loraine, Donna Nettles of Ira, Jan Stelzer and Clara Rolan of Post, and Gale Locknane, Kim Hines and Cindy Campbell, all of Snyder.

New officers of the Scurry County Museum Association were elected Jan. 18.

They are Katherine Redwine, president; Martha Huddleston, vice president, and Ramona Reed, treasurer.

Judy Barkowsky, child care and development instructor, recently accepted a position on the Scurry County Child Welfare Board.

As a board member, she will help oversee expenditures of county child welfare funds and will be involved to some extent in back-up case work.



JUDO CHAMPS — Dr. Shelby Hillis (left), team sponsor and coach, poses with WTC Judo team members who won awards Saturday during the Texas Collegiate Judo Championships. Western Texas repeated a second consecutive team title in the matches held in the college gym. (photo by Cody Bell)

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Third Time Straight

Westerners Sweep ABC Tourney

By winning their third ABC Tournament at Big Spring in as many years just after the holiday break, Coach Nolan Richardson's Westerners made history.

They started off the clean sweep by easily stopping McMurry Jan. 11. However, the 41 fouls whistled on the WTC team seemed to worry Coach Richardson some. The 92-75 victory over the Abilene team, thanks to Paul Pressey's 16 points, gave the Westerners needed momentum going into the second round of play.

Also pacing WTC were Freddie Davis and Mel Patridge, each with 14.

Others scoring were Patterson 12, Stewart 6, Gifford 2, Williams 8, Bennett 2, Portee 5, Brown 5, Russell 2 and Mendoza 6.

Defeating loop foe Howard College next, Jan. 12, put the cagers in the final round with Midland College. WTC soundly defeated Howard College, 60-42. However, for the first 19 minutes, it was anybody's game.

The Hawks came out with a plan to stall the game and slow down the Westerners' speed and quickness. But the pressure WTC applied and the opposing team's mistakes gave them the lead.

With the situation reversed, the Westerners went into their own stall, making Howard commit misplays and fouls, finally putting the game out of reach.

Greg Stewart led the scoring with 16 points, followed closely by Pressey's 13 points and Patridge with 8.

Besides winning the tourna-

ment Saturday night, Jan. 13, the WTC team placed four players on the All-Tournament team. They included Joe Mendoza, Pressey, Stewart and Patridge.

'Green' Bops Birds, Odessa on Road

Coach Nolan Richardson's Westerners tuned up for the lengthy holiday season by defeating conference opponents New Mexico Junior College and Odessa College on the road.

WTC exploded past NMJC's Thunderbirds, in Hobbs, 100-83, to grab their fourth straight loop victory.

Joe Mendoza led the Westerners with 18 points, followed by Michael Smith's 12, Greg Stewart's 11, and Bill Patterson's and Paul Pressey's 10 each.

An earlier 79-70 win over Odessa in the Permian Basin city featured Stewart's best effort of the season for WTC. He notched 23 points and had 15 rebounds.

Also scoring in double figures were Pressey with 13 and Smith and Mendoza with 11 apiece.

Badgers Beaten By WTC, 104-89

WTC continued its winning ways Jan. 15 by embarrassing the visiting Amarillo Badgers, 104-89, in the Scurry County Coliseum.

Leading the charges for the Westerners was 6'5" Paul Pressey and 5'10" Dwight Williams. Pressey scored 30 points and hauled down 8 rebounds, while Williams proved the catalyst as he handed out a dozen assists.

The Westerners, then ranked third nationally and 5-0 in conference play, were helped out in the scoring by Greg Stewart and Joe Mendoza who hit 18 points apiece.

The only bright figure for Coach Jim Calvin's Amarillo ball club was Bob Worthy, who hurt WTC with 20 points.

Judo Team Wins Texas Championship Again

WTC's Judo team captured the team trophy for the second time in two years at the Texas Collegiate Judo Championships held here Saturday. Judo coach is Dr. Shelby Hillis.

In the men's division, 132 lbs. and under, Mike Waller won first place, Danny Ramoz was second and Mark McDaniel, third.

Joe Dunn placed third in the 143 lb. and under class and in the 156 and under class Scott Barrett took first.

Mark Thomas took second in the 172 lbs. class. Tony Whittenburg was second in the 189 lb. class.

Heavyweight champion was Keith Ward.

In the women's division, Soyla Santos placed first in the 106 lbs and under. At 115 lbs. Lee Ann Strickland was second.

Kathleen Utsman was first in the 123 lb. class, and Debbie Sewell was first in the 145 lb. class.

Open Grand Champion in the men's division was Kim Freeman of Texas A & M

University. Women's Open Grand Champion was Kelley Defoors of North Texas State University.

These WTC winners will compete in the National Collegiate Judo Championships at California State University in Long Beach, March 23-24.

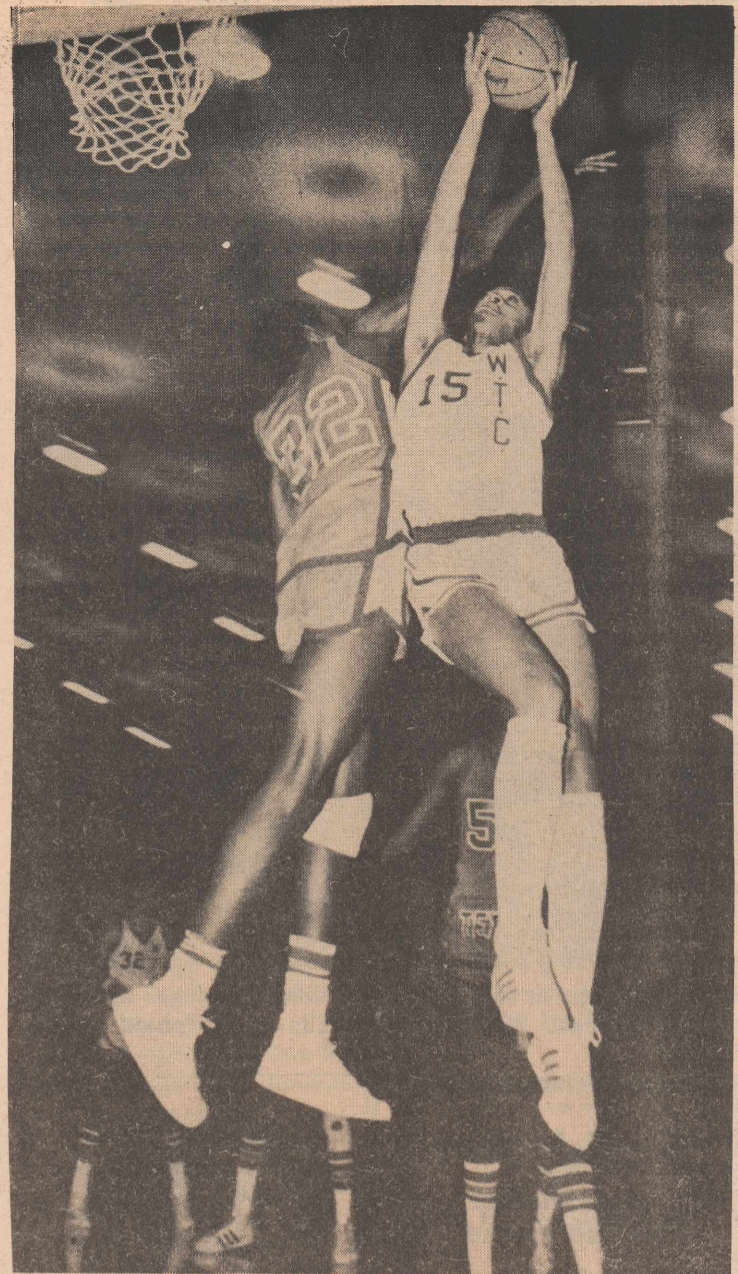
Also Saturday, in the Senior West Texas/AAU National Qualifying Tournament, Alton Sutter and Waller placed second and third, respectively, in the 132 lb. class.

Gary Smith was first, and Thomas was second in the 172 lb. class.

Kenneth Levens won first in the 189 lb. class and in the 209 lb. class Whittenburg took second and Ward won third.

In the women's division, under 106 lbs., Santos took first. Strickland placed first at 114 lbs., Utsman was first under 123 lbs., and Sewell won first in the 134 lb. class.

Those who qualified will go to the national meet in San Francisco April 25-28.



DO THE BUMP — Westerner Franklin Bennett (15) and a South Plains Texan seem to dance in mid-air as WTC 'boogied' to a 96-75 victory in the coliseum Jan. 25. (photo by Cody Bell)

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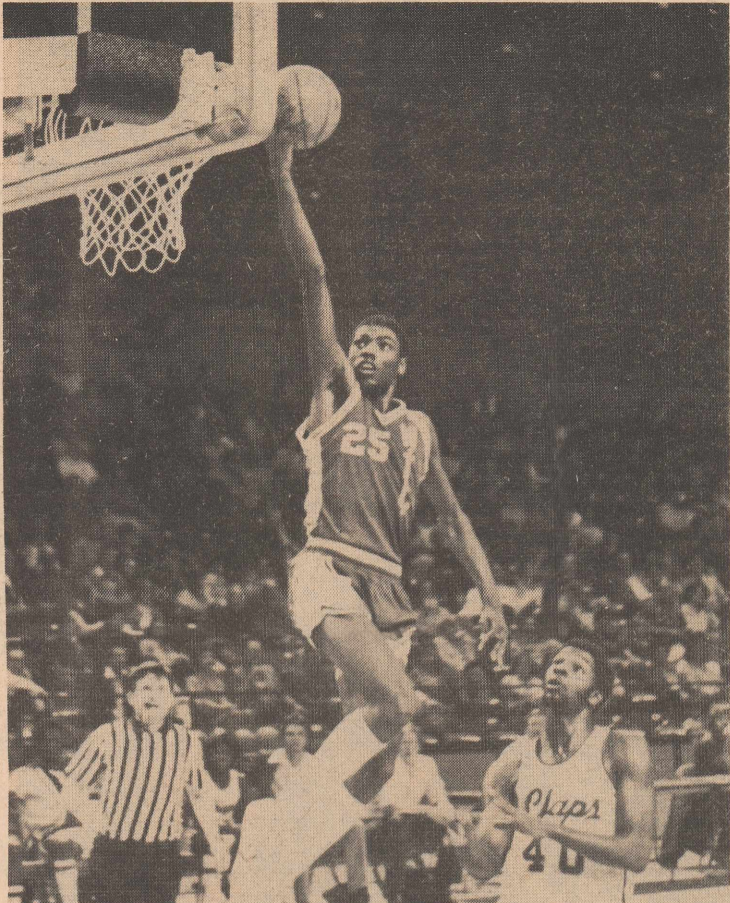
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DUNK! — WTC's Paul Pressey (25) puts two up against the Midland Chaps in the Tall City. Midland College upset the nationally-ranked Westerners Jan. 22, 64-62. (photo by Joe Boldon)

Chaps Drop 'Mean Green' For First Conference Loss

by Luis Rios

Dropping their only conference game thus far to Midland Junior College, 64-62, may be the driving force for the Westerners as they take on rival loop foe Howard College tonight in the Scurry County Coliseum. "When you play Howard College, you throw the records out the window," stated Coach Nolan Richardson. "They come to play us all the time."

But how can it be that Howard College plays WTC — who has been in the National Tournament three out of the last four years and Conference champs that many times — so tough?

According to Richardson, "It's WTC that everyone wants to beat. They always get fired up for us. It's the same problem UCLA has!"

The Westerners will have to run, press and execute effec-

tively to defeat Howard tonight. In the two outings against the Big Spring-based Hawks earlier this season, WTC has defeated them by 18 and 10 points, respectively.

Big guns for Howard College are Hines at 6'6" and 210, who averages 17 points and 18 rebounds, plus Tolgar who also is 6'6". Howard features one of the best field goal percentage shooters in the conference in Robbie Randolph.

Unfortunately for WTC, they dropped their first conference game against MJC Jan. 22 in Midland. The Westerners have lost only two games in the last two years at home.

Going into halftime with a 13-point lead, WTC came out for the second half playing conservative ball. However, somehow this threw off their timing and led to the upset. It is a fact that

the Westerners play aggressive defense and run the ball a lot.

Coach Richardson stated, "Five mental mistakes late in the game lost it for us. When the score was 62-62, we had an opportunity to win but we had a back-court violation called on us. Midland capitalized on it, making the score 64-62."

Richardson also noted that the Westerners passed up several shots that they usually don't. The main cause was that they went conservative too early in the game.

Sophomore Mel Patridge paced WTC with 14 points, while eight teammates also tallied for the "Mean Green".

Averaging 86 points per outing and playing tenacious defense, the Westerners will make it tough on any team. And that includes a wiry Howard College squad tonight at 8 p.m.

Westerners Stop Texans

by Luis Rios

Last Thursday, South Plains College sauntered into town fired up and ready for an upset over the Westerners. All their hopes ended once they took off their warm-ups.

The 96-75 victory slid the Levelland-based team to 5-3 in conference, while WTC retained the top spot at 7-1.

Losing the tip did not bother WTC as much as they drew first blood with almost a minute gone in the game. Both coaches complained of a cold gym before the game, and somehow it reflected on both teams as they came out shooting poorly.

However, once the Westerners got warmed up to the task, it was all over. Paul Pressey and Micheal Smith on defense upset the Texans most.

At one time, the scoreboard showed 14-14 — and from that point, WTC scored 12 points to the Texans' 3. With 6:56 left in the first half, WTC led 26-17, and by the end of the period the Westerners were up 45-32 and

Coach Nolan Richardson breathed easier.

Coming out for the second stanza, the Westerners finished off their task by running the Texans off the court. WTC played their usual fast-paced game, and the South Plains team had no choice but to follow suit, playing directly into the hands of the Westerner strategy.

The Westerners hit 42 of 84 shots from the floor (50%) and 12 of 19 free throws (63%). Twenty of these points came from the fingertips of Pressey who connected for 10 field goals. Pressey also proved again to be a top defensive hand by time-after-time nabbing steals and harassing opposing guards.

Helping Pressey out with a large part of the scoring were Joe Mendoza and Bill Patterson who added 25 combined points. Late in the game, Coach Richardson cleaned the bench — and all but one team member figured in the scoring.

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WTC CAGERS RANKED EIGHTH NATIONALLY

In the latest NJCAA basketball poll, released Jan. 23, WTC's Westerners were ranked eighth in the nation. They sported a 19-2 season mark and received one first-place vote.

Three Texas junior colleges were ranked in the Top Ten, with Navarro College of Corsicana picked first and Panola Junior College of Carthage selected third.

Last season, WTC edged Navarro in the regional tournament at Stephenville to advance to the national meet in Hutchinson, Kansas.

Ranked fourth was Southern Idaho, coached by former Westerner mentor Mike Mitchell.

The Top Ten includes, with current season records:

1. Navarro (Texas)	18-0
2. Westchester (N.Y.)	15-0
3. Panola (Texas)	20-1
4. Southern Idaho (Idaho)	15-1
5. Dodge City (Kansas)	19-1
6. Brevard (Florida)	15-0
7. Chattahoochie (AL)	17-1
8. WTC (Texas)	19-2
9. Baltimore (Maryland)	16-1
10. Paducah (Kentucky)	16-2

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Dusters Fall to Tarleton After 30-Day Layoff

Coach Joe Cushing will agree that 20-day layoffs aren't the best things for a basketball team. After coming back from the holidays, his Duster cagers dropped a pressure game to Tarleton State University 66-64, Jan. 10 in the WTC gym.

A couple of things added up to the game's final outcome. Co-captain Karen Williams did not return for the spring term, throwing the team timing off, plus the long layoff.

Late in the final quarter, WTC led 62-57, but they saw the lead dwindle rapidly. Smith from Tarleton finally put the Tex-Anns ahead, 65-64. Riggo ended the scoring for the night as she hit the first of a one-and-one situation.

Leading the charges for both teams were May from Tarleton who contributed 16 points and Nodia Vaughn for WTC as she hit 19.

The Dusters rebounded back after the heartbreaking loss Jan. 13 in WT's gym by soundly defeating Abilene Christian University, 75-63.

The win gave the Dusters an 8-8 mark for the season and a little bit more inspiration. The Dusters up to this point had dropped six games by a combined score of nine points.

Eleven straight unanswered

points pulled the game out of the fire for the Dusters, as they trailed 59-57 with four minutes left.

It was obvious that this Duster team did a complete turnabout from the one days ago. Brigette Hamilton, Joyce Plagens and Vaughn led the Dusters by nabbing four steals apiece.

Pressure situations seem to be the Dusters' main weakness, but they displayed tremendous poise when the going got tough Jan. 15 in the Scurry County

Coliseum. The 64-63 win over Amarillo College gave the Dusters a 9-8 mark for the season, but more importantly a 2-1 record in conference play.

According to Coach Cushing, defense was the difference in the game. Both Kathy Brzozowski and Delbra Ray played their best game of the season, he said. Hamilton contributed all of her 12 points in the final half.

The winning points came from Brzozowski as she was fouled and sank both charity throws.

Fems Defeat Ranger

Before the lengthy holiday break, the Dusters whipped Ranger College here, 62-47, in non-conference action. To date, Coach Joe Cushing's forces had played only two of 14 games at home.

Nodia Vaughn led the Dusters with 21 points, while teammates Joyce Plagens and Karen Williams netted 14 and 10, respectively. Williams is no longer with the squad.

Even earlier, the women participated in the Houston Tournament.

They defeated San Jacinto

College in a first-round match, then fell to tough McLennan College, 81-69, but were paced by first-team All-Tournament choice Vaughn with 14 points.

Also scoring in double digits for WTC were Katie Fisher with 12 and Brigette Hamilton with 10.

In their last pre-Christmas conference match-up, the Dusters fell, 67-50, to Odessa College in Odessa in what Cushing called "a roller derby match."

Again, Vaughn led WTC scoring with 14 points.

Students, Faculty Win Putting Titles

The results of WTC's first Annual Putting Championship are in.

Dr. Mike McBride and Rocky Alexander captured first place in the faculty-student partnership division, scoring a low round of 30 for 18 holes. Second place was won by Gil Flear and Joe Boldon. Dr. Shelby Hillis and Blaine Dortch took third.

In the men's partnership division, Alexander and Cody Bell won first, Kirk Burkett and Jerry McCowan placed second and Harry Krenek and Dan Krenek finished third.

The men's singles title was won by Dr. McBride. Randy McCowan took second and Tommy Guan placed third.

Sheila Cummins captured the ladies' singles title. Bridgett Hamilton placed second and

Darlene Neatherlin finished third.

In the ladies partnership division, Glenys Tobin and Gilley Treadaway won first place, scoring a low round of 39. The second place title was taken by Racheal Bogle and Penny Hatfield, with Murray Anne Ray and Joyce Dow placing third.

In mixed partnership competition, Mike Mahan and Betsy Benson won first. Alexander and Cummins placed second. Kent Self and Laura Fohn took third.

The golfers' partnership division was won by Mike O'Day

and Brent Jacobs. Second place was won by Boyd Hodges and Robert Harrison. Billy Sitton and Mark Cantrell finished third.

All first place winners were awarded trophies. Second and third place finishers received certificates.

Those who still owe money for entry fees should bring the money by the journalism department in the Student Center as soon as possible.

The putting championship was co-sponsored by the Press Club and Westerner Golfland.



FOUL! — Duster Delbra Ray (24) is fouled by an Amarillo player as she leaps for two in a recent game at the Scurry County Coliseum. (photo by Joe Boldon)

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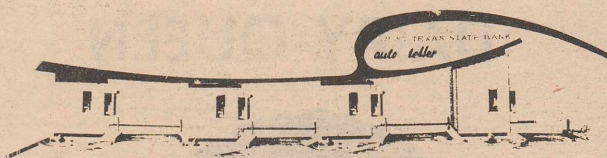
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These are common sights and sounds for WTC basketball games, and for Loraine sophomore cheerleader, Elida DeLoera, it's her fourth year in the business.

"I kept trying out for cheerleader in junior high and finally made it my junior year in high school. I never dreamed I'd be a cheerleader in college!"

As a cheerleader, Elida travels with the basketball teams to all of their games. "Like anything else, it has its ups and downs. After the Midland game, everyone was so down — it was so bad. I even forgot the yell we were doing during one of the time outs," she recalled.

Getting used to Snyder wasn't the easiest thing Elida's ever done. Coming from a small town like Loraine, it took some time to get to know people. "It's not

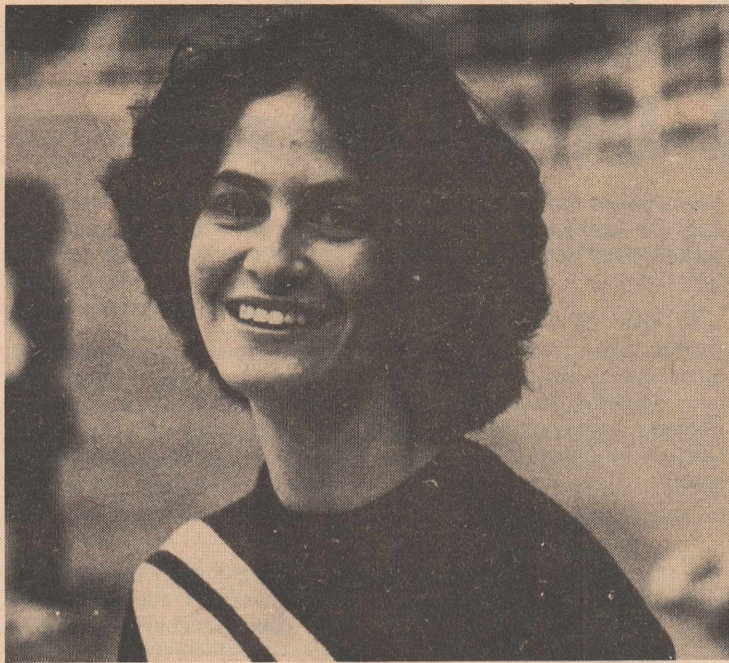
like Loraine, where you know everyone, but after you get to know some people, it's ok. It's nice to know they care."

Elida is the sixth of ten children (six girls, four boys) and like most students at small schools, she participated in almost everything. Some of her activities included cheerleading, band, student council, FHA, plays, basketball, track and National Honor Society.

Like many of WTC's students, Elida is a member of the notorious band of computer-coded "3333" majors. "I can't decide, I'm just too confused," she admitted.

Elida expressed the idea that many people think all cheerleaders are alike. "Everyone seems to have a stereotyped view of cheerleaders."

Believe it or not, that seemingly shy spiritual leader by the basketball court is a friendly, unique individual.



SPORTIN' ALONG

Smith Wins 'Goat of Game' Award

by Luis Rios

It all ended at 6:50 p.m. Central time, Sunday before last, for Texas fans... No further explanation needed to clarify that statement.

As always, we usually try to find someone to pin the fault on. And boy, this memorable game (for some fans) indeed has its goat. But before names and misplays are mentioned concerning the 'Super Bowl', I want to point out that the game matched up the two best professional football teams in the world and undoubtedly so, it matched up the best team football players as well.

These so-called football players who are specialists at their trade are supposed to play top-notch football under pressure conditions. However, one certain player did not live up to his expectations. We know you are sorry, Jackie Smith, for that awful play where you dropped a pass from Staubach that my grandmother could have caught in her rocking chair. But a lot that's going to help us now!

I can already hear the dogs howling behind my back about getting on Smith's case. You say, "Give the guy a chance, dude!" Well, I say, "Professionals aren't supposed to wait for chances — they make them!" And you can't wait around all your life, anyway.

In simple layman's terms, he screwed up and lost the game. And to you diehards out there who are still giving chances to Smith, forget it. Now that I'm going full speed at criticizing and not giving excuses, I'll proceed on to the way Super Bowl XIII was presented.

NBC sucks! And that's putting it mildly. I've seen better half-

time presentations at high school games. Don't get me wrong, the performers were probably first class if you could understand them. The poor folks were more than likely thinking, "Super Bowl? Who? What? Where??" Whoever the program director is should hang his head in shame for such an act.

On to the next phase of my critique: the commentating. John Brodie, Merlin Olsen and Curt Gowdy didn't even know what was going on half of the time. And with six minutes left in the game, they started thanking everybody for everything.

To them, the game was over, and they wanted to get home to the old lady for a little celebration. Not that I blame them, but God knows not with six minutes left in the game and the Cowboys rolling along the way they were.

They were selected (somehow) to give a play-by-play account of the game. But

somehow they were more worried about the \$500 bet 'ole Joe Blow made them on the point spread.

The public wanted a few good comments on the game, here and there, but the guys were too busy talking about the "Blimp" and Miller Beer. Which brings me to another point. These commentators complimented the camera crew for the fantastic shots and replays. But did you notice the cameramen showed every angle on the instant replays which numbered five on each play. One or two instant replays are enough unless you have awfully bad eyes.

Wait, I would like to give some positive recognition to "Hollywood" Henderson for his outbursts during the week. Thank the Lord someone showed a little emotion. All I can say is that, Mr. Henderson, my hat is off to you for your performances on — and off — the field!

Dusters Drop W-Texas Second Time Around

In recent non-conference action, WTC's Dusters soundly drubbed West Texas State University, 82-59, in the college gym and participated in the Tarleton State University Tournament.

Against WTSU Jan. 22, the Dusters marked their fifth consecutive victory over a team that had edged them 46-45, in the first game of the season Nov. 4.

WTC pulled ahead by as much as 31 points early in the second half. They led in every area of the game, including rebounds, assists and steals.

Four women figured in double digits, including Joyce Plagens

with 17, Katie Fisher 12, Cathy Hunter 12 and Nodia Vaughn 11.

In opening-round tournament action, the Dusters bombed Hardin-Simmons University, 79-58. Led by Fisher's 21 points, WTC outscored the Cowgirls, 49-29, in the final 20 minutes after taking a slim 30-29 halftime lead.

Hunter and Belva Marsh added 11 and 10 points, respectively, to the Duster cause.

However, in the second round, the Dusters lost to Mary Hardin Baylor, 86-71. Midwestern State University had defeated WTC's opponent, 74-59, in the first round.

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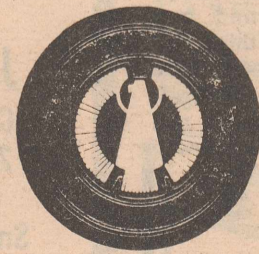
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