

War prompts diversity of WTC student opinion

Some question need to fight, others say they're ready

By Keitha St. Clair **Texan Staffer**

heard the news of war on Jan. 16, 1991 at 5:38 p.m.

In the dorm, a group of students 0 encircled the lobby television as ABC reporter Gary Shepard, reporting by telephone from Baghdad, informed World News Tonight Anchor Peter Jennings that there was obviously an air raid underway in the capital city of

Iraq. Many of the students watched si-Like the nation, WTC students first lently with tear-filled eyes as Marlin Fitzwater, the presidential press sec-

retary, confirmed the obvious at 6:09 p.m. He told America, "The liberation' of Kuwait has begun."

The students feared for their friends and family in the military. They also spoke of a possible draft.

As the news of war became set in the students' minds, many said they

These said they did not want to fight in it.

Other students backed the president and firmly stated their approval.

The students asked one another many questions..."Will there be a draft? Will they take women? What age group will go first? Will there be any deferments?"

Stanley Cuningham, a student at WTC, expressed his disbelief in the

right for us to be fighting in the world's eyes but not in God's sight. I will go to jail before I will fight in this war."

"I don't think that we should be over there because we are really just fighting for oil. If they give me the choice of fighting or going to jail, I will go fight, but I had rather not for this cause," said Dewayne Williams.

Another young man in the lobby felt differently, "I think that we should

did not believe it was a "just" war. war, "This war isn't right. It may be fight Iraq now, because if we don't we will have to later. He wants to take over the world one country at a time and eventually, if not stopped, he will come for America," said Vernon Andrews.

Regardless of the students' feelings about the war, they were all curious about the possiblity of a draft. WTC political science instructor Jimmie McGee said he doubts such a possibility.

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Neil Simon's comedy "Buloxi Blues" will open on campus Feb. 14 and run for four perform- "troops" include (left to right) Jeff Hicks, Jerry Vizena, Coy Berryman, Kenn Kern, Frank

ances. The comedy is about Simon's own experiences in U.S. Army basic training. The Romeo and Richard Lack. (Photo by Jim Rambo)

Neil Simon comedy 'Biloxi Blues' to be next WTC production

By Amy Presler Texan Staffer

"An audience can expect to laugh wildly and to cry painfully" while attending "Biloxi Blues," said Jim Rambo, WTC drama instructor. The Neil Simon play will be performed by the WTC drama department Feb. 14-16 at 8 p.m. and Feb. 17 at 2:30 p.m.

According to Rambo, Simon's name is "synonymous with contemporary comedy" and he "probably has had more plays of his running simultaneously in New York" than any other playwright.

"Biloxi Blues" is second in a series of a trilogy of plays written about Simon's own life. "Brighton Beach Memoirs" is the first and "Broadway Bound" is the third. "Biloxi Blues" is about Simon's boot camp days in Biloxi, Miss. during World War II and the relationship between the men attending.

Rambo said, "The feelings of W.W. II and the feelings that are going on now are very similar. The actors are the same age as those they are portraying, and they may be facing the same scenes and statistics as those depicted in the play." He added that the play is about "guys fighting for their own identity."

Rambo also said that the play takes place as a narrative in which the lead character, "Eugene Jerome," played by Kenn Kern, addresses the audience and "tells us what he's feeling and think-

Rambo said he chose the play in August and at the time didn't know how the situation in the Middle East would develop. He said, however, that the play is "very relevant (to the current war) and at the same time the play brings humor."

The characters and the cast members who will portray them are:

- -"Roy Selridge" played by Frank Romeo of Roby.
- --- "Joseph Wykowski" played by Coy Berryman of Snyder.
- -"Arnold Epstein" played by Richard Lack of Snyder.
- -'Sgt. Merwin Toomey' played by Jeff Hicks of Muleshoe.
- -"Rowena" played by Jennifer Hatley of Vernon.
- --- "Daisy Hannigan" played by Amber Adams of Snyder.
- -'Daisy's friend" played by Sherri Cribbs of Hawley.

Set and light design will be done by Galen Price and the senior recruit head is Wade Freeman, both of Snyder.

The ticket cost is \$5 with the exception of student night Feb.14, when WTC students with a valid ID will be admitted free.

17 are nominated by WTC faculty ... Sophomores earn Who's Who honors

By Naomi J. Gutierrez **Texan Staffer**

Western Texas College named 17 sophomore students to Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges for 1990-91.

Students named were Brent Atkinson of Dickens: Derrick Bruton of Frankston; Michael Scott Carothers of Afton; Kerri A. Carter of Ira; Tami Rene' Castillo of Monahans; Paul Buell Davidson of Anson; Vicki Lynn Dawson of Sweetwater; Jeff Hicks of Muleshoe; Kenn Kern of Hurst; and Jerry Vizena of Thorndale.

Others named to Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges were Sharon Doty, Bobbie Sue Earnest, Lee Franklin Fletcher, Naomi Jean Gutierrez, Stacey Renee Logston, Janice Northerns and Mandy Nichole Overman, all of Snyder.

Atkinson is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C.L. Atkinson. He has been a member of the WTC judging team for three semesters and was voted Outstanding Freshman Ag Student for 1989-90. Atkinson plans to continue his education at Texas Tech University where he plans to study Range and Wildlife. He plans on becoming a wildlife biologist.

Bruton is the son of Ronald and Sharon Bruton. He is a member of the executive board of Phi Theta Kappa. He is also the state vice-president of PTK and a member of the WTC Meat Judging Team. Bruton is an animal science major. After leaving WTC he plans to continue his education at Tarleton State University.

Carothers is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Carothers. He plans to major in office careers (word processing) and to continue his education at Texas Tech University. Carothers is a PTK member. He is an executive member of the BSU for World Missions and Social Concerns. He is Student Senate chaplain and chairman of the Student Life committee. Carothers is also a member

of the Traffic Appeals Committee.

Kerri Carter is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe G. Carter. She is a member of Phi Theta Kappa. She was named to the President's List in the fall of 1989 and the spring of 1990, and the Dean's List in the fall of 1990. She was nominated for the All-American Student award and named one of the Outstanding English Students of 1989-1990. She plans to attend Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos where she plans in continuing her major in Fine Arts. She hopes to be employed as an illustrator or in secondary education.

Tami Castillo is the wife of Freddy S. Castillo III. She is the daughter of See WHO's WHO, page 3

Five vacancies now filled on WTC Student Senate

By Paul Davidson Texan Staffer

The WTC Student Senate announced Friday the induction of five new senators to fill vacancies left from the fall semester. Brent Atkinson, Mark Carroll, Corby Chitsey, Jim Newkirk and Jeran Ware were selected by the executive officers.

Atkinson, a sophomore, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C.L. Atkinson of Dickens. He is a range and wildlife management major and will serve on the Student Recreation Committee.

Carroll, a freshman, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Carroll of Hawley. He is an animal science major and will serve on the Student Life Committee.

Chitsey, a sophomore, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Chitsey of Walls. He is majoring in mathematics and will serve on the Dance Committee.

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Spring enrollment numbers slightly surpass fall's count

By Dean Williamson Texan Staffer

WTC experienced an increase in students this spring as 1,097 students enrolled, 37 more than attended in the fall.

Dr. Duane Hood, dean of students, called the increase "typical" for the institution's spring enrollment.

Early admission students, those still in high school, are able to take classes in the spring to get a head start on their collegiate careers. Hood said this group, which does not usually take classes in the fall, brings a traditional boost to the spring enrollment.

Hood explained that the enrollment contact hours of this semester will be See SPRING, page 3

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'State of Union' speech to family somehow goes 'kerplunk'...

By Donny Brown Instructor **Mass Communications**

The new year spreads out before us like a field of daisies or an ocean wave-a horizon of unlimited potential-and I find it time once again for the annual Brown family "State of the Union" speech.

'As commander and chief, I gather my troops together on a Saturday in January to offer perspective on the year just past and to reveal the plan of action for the days ahead.'



"Please, please. If I can ask for order and that comments be held until meeting's end. If I may, I'll also change fronts somewhat and address the capital equipment request portion of the 1991 budget."

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"I want my own stereo."

"Yes, Benjamin, I believe we established that during budget planning sessions in November."

As commander and chief, I gather my troops together on a Saturday in January to offer perspective on the year just past and to reveal the plan of action for the days ahead.

While the assembled traditionally number only three—dad, mom and son—we try to recongize the event's ceremony. Dress is semi-formal, attendance is mandatory and its schedule is strictly adherred • to.

"Please rise." (Son says this. It is his only required speaking part).

"Good morning ladies and gentleman. I'm happy to be here with you again today and I note with pleasure a larger crowd than that counted at this time last year."

"Tyler is staying for lunch, dear. Ben invited him."

"Well, we always welcome those who are interested. Now, if I might begin, I have a few prepared remarks and then, if there is time, I'll accept questions from the floor.

"To begin, as I review 1990, I see it as a year of turning points for the Family Brown. A year when some strides were made toward our hoped for improvements and a year marred with some noted incidents of digression...a turning away from the goals outlined at this time last year..."

"Aw dad, I thought we weren't going to talk about that..."

"Please, if we may hold any comments for the end of the speech. Again, I see 1990 as a year of both successes and, to a lesser degree, frustrations. And, looking forward, I hope 1991 can be madeover into a more positive image of the 12 months which have preceded it.

"First off, let me address the area of budget. As you know, last year's goal of total independence from credit cards was, once again, not reached. Our Action Plan A, officially listed as "No Gain Without Pain," was in fact abandoned by February."

"The washer went out. It wasn't my fault."

"To continue, a followup Action Plan B, referred to as "Every Little Bit Helps," was implemented through the mid-term. By July, apparently because of the initial rush toward Christmas, I fear we had reverted to the same course of spending action noted during most of the 1980s."

"Shop Until You Puke?"

"No, son, I believe the more correct reference was "Essential Items First," a plan supposedly in effect since my State of the Union speech dated Jan. 7, 1986."

"Am I going to get the blame for that one too?"

"No, no, no. As adults in a democratic society, we are to share in that blame equally."

"That's not what you said when the Spiegel's bill came last Thursday."

"Well, I still want it." "So noted."

"I just wanted to remind you."

"YES, BENJAMIN! MESSAGE RECEIVED!"

"I want a Game Boy, a Turtle Sewer, A CD player and a 'slam dunk' basketball goal." "Thank you for those comments, Tyler, but we try to limit the capital improvement budget requests to members of the Brown family only."

"Do you mind if I speak now?"

"Certainly not."

"I have some questions about my budget requests."

"Just a moment, I have copies here. You're referring to those submitted and dated Nov. 11, I suppose. Those seeking...let me see...a microwave oven, brand optional, a replacement clothes dryer to match the washing machine purchased in 1990 and, it appears, a sewing machine. I believe the prognosis during our initial talks wasn't good for the sewing machine."

"That's what I wanted to talk about. If my sewing machine goes, I just want you to know ahead of time I'll be voting against the table saw you're asking for. Also, the riding lawn mower, the rechargable power drill, the video camera and the complete set of Time-Life Books, 'Exploring the Supernatural."

"But that would only leave me two sets of 50 ft. garden hose in my budget."

"I realize that."

- "I need all of that stuff."
- "I need a sewing machine."

'Well, you're only one vote in this family."

"I side with mom, dad."

"Both of you two aren't making rational decisions here. You're not thinking of the fiscal responsibility involved in running a family. You're not seeing this thing right. Why your, your....your letting blind greed make your decisions for you."

"Yes, dear."

"This is political terrorism!"

"No, dear. It's family planning."

Change: we fight it in many ways, but it's still 'needed'...

By Gil Fleer Professor Psychology/Sociology

Change does not come easily. Sometimes through expediency, sometimes by inertia, sometimes because of lack of meaningful options, we allow ourselves the security of the status quo. We set ourselves in the past and settle unwit-

tingly into patterns of thinking. Patterns which limit us.

'We set ourselves in the past and settle unwittingly into patterns of thinking. Patterns which limit us. We must certainly respect the past, but we must uproot ourselves from it when necessary.'

Catalytic leadership-from the administration and the faculty-creates a certain amount of stress.

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Innovation and creativity do not generally reside in the middle of group perception; rather, they are most often pushed from the edge of the untested and unsubstantiated.

Thus, when the envisioning process begins,

we should expect to hear dissonant voices, basically from two sides. These include those committed We must certainly respect the past, but we must uproot ourselves from it when necessary. In this to and sympathetic with yesterday's successes and, on the other, those with a disposition to explore. It will be wise to remember the legitimacy of both voices. It may even be that the two conflicting

way, we lay aside its constraints.

The past is valuable because of its continuity. We must realize, however, that it has significance voices provide a necessary tension-a chance to conceptualize change in pursuit of excellence. also because it helps us to understand the present and to shape the future.

As educators, we are basically agents of change-something I have already said does not come easily. As individuals who seek out change, we should never deprive ourselves or our students of this essential freedom-the freedom to explore new possibilities.

Between the unrestricted freedom of exploration and the confining tendency to submit to the established exists an openness which enables creative thinking freedom of expression and the envisioning process.

Once we dedicate ourselves to new possibilities, it becomes necessary to commit ourselves to the "not yet," the "maybe possible," or the "what if." This essential risk-taking demands an unflagging courage.

We must trust and accept the validity of give and take, tolerate confrontation dedicated to the refinement of possiblity and demonstrate patience that allows for "fermentation."

Such a demanding task must be matched by an equally creative receptivity and the mutual willingness of the group to entertain new processes and strategies.

Those who are anxious to pioneer change may have to accept this premise-that for a time they will be expected to model such newness. Those of us who are first to see the need for change must be willing to change first.

And those of us who prefer first to be witness to the positive proofs of change must also be psychologically prepared to set aside personal ideologies, biases and comfortable modes of behavior in order to judge fairly the efforts of those who have accepted the original risks.

The task of seeking institutional effectiveness—a qualitative wholeness—never ends.

A fascinating aspect of problem-solving is its demand for perserverance. All too often, once one problem is solved, another one appears with its own perplexities.

Because of this, each of us can expect to be challenged, and at times bewildered, by the constant push to evaluate and assess. Everyone involved in institutional effectiveness (and that is virtually all of us) must remember that once purpose, direction and intention have been stated, there remains the equally significant work of monitoring results for the next cycle of planning and adaptation.

Understanding the war also means having to tell your kids...

By Janice Northerns Texan Staffer

The news that the U.S. had attacked Irag on Jan. 16 came over the car radio as my children and I were driving home. The kids didn't say anything—I wasn't sure they were even listening. I didn't comment either since I didn't want to upset them. At home, I went into the kitchen and

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news coverage. In West Texas no one was marching in anti-war demonstrations, but no one was joining the army voluntarily either. My 18-yearold brother got a letter from the draft board that July. My mother cried when she found it in our mail box.

We drove him to the bus station 30 days later, and as we waited for the bus, he told us all

started dinner. But then my seven-year-old walked in, put his arms around me and buried his face in my chest. As I asked what was wrong, the tears and questions poured out:

"What if they bomb us?"

"What if they win?"

"What if the radiation comes over here?"

I held him tightly and did what all good parents must do from time to time: I lied. I reassured him that he would be fine, that I would take care of him and keep him safe, that nothing would happen here—all the while knowing that it wasn't true.

In the world in which we live, it is impossible to guarantee safety, and the outbreak of war reminds us of that vividly. As my son and I hugged one another in the kitchen, I remembered when I first discovered that fact. It was another hug and another war.

I grew up watching that other war on television—the one in Vietnam. At first it had no connection with real life for me; I simply absorbed it along with the rest of the evening news. But in 1966, when I was 10, I was visiting my aunt and uncle in Midland (as I often did during the summer) when something happened to change my perspective.

My aunt's nephew on the other side of the family, Raymond, came over one day to say goodbye. He walked through the front door, 18, fresh from boot camp, and on his way to Vietnam. Everything about him was sharp and crisp—his new Marine uniform, his haircut, even the look in his eye. Raymond's family didn't have a lot of money, and he seemed proud to finally be wearing something that looked good on him, proud to finally be doing something important.

More than anything else, it seemed to me at that time the he was about to embark on a great adventure. He hugged and kissed us all goodbye. Sensing my 10-year- old awkwardness at being held so close by an unfamiliar male, he looked at me and winked and then squeezed me tightly.

That was the last time I ever saw Raymond. He came home the next summer in a body bag. Oddly enough, I was visiting my aunt and uncle again when they got the news. The phone rang and it was Raymond's sister telling us that he had been killed in combat. Even at age 11, the synchronicity of it all did not escape me: I was there when he left, and I was there when he never came back. War was no longer just a TV show.

The year I turned 12, 1968, Vietnam was still going on, and protests competed with the war for

goodbye. Once more, there were hugs and kisses all around. He boarded the Greyhound, and as it lumbered onto the highway a vision of Raymond flashed through my mind.

As I watched my brother waving to us from the rear window, all I could think was that the last boy who hugged me as he went off to war never came back. Fortunately, my brother was stationed in the U.S. and never saw combat. He has lived to hug me many more times.

All of this goes through my mind as I kneel on the kitchen floor hugging my little boy. He believes me when I say that nothing will happen to him andhe runs off to play, his fears momentarily allayed. I am glad I can preserve the illusion of safety for him a little longer, and I will lie to him when necessary in order to do that. But what about the troops in Saudi Arabia? No one can tell them, or us, that it will 🥘 be okay.

I am not strongly anti-war. The situation is more complicated than that. I would rather that the U.S. had not gotten involved, but I can see some good reasons for our doing so. What does disturb me, now that we are in a war, is the comments I keep hearing. On campus and around town—"Nuke 'em," "Blow them off the face of the earth." And on TV-"casualty reports, expected losses," numbers, statistics. It all seems so impersonal. But then, it is necessary to depersonalize in order to kill.

Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the joint chiefs of staff, made these remarks recently on TV: "Our strategy for dealing with this enemy is simple: First we're going to cut it off, and then we're going to kill it." Those were his exact words. No matter how much we deplore Saddam Hussein and what he is doing, is it really possible to reduce a group of human beings to "it?"

Wars are not fought by "it." Wars are fought by Raymond, and my brother, and sadly, maybe one day by my son.

My little boy is reassured for the time being, but he hasn't stopped thinking about the war completely. He came up to me a few days ago and blurted out "If the war lasts 10 years, I'll be 17 and I could get drafted." He had not gotten that information from me, but somehow he had learned at approximately what age countries send their little boys off to war.

This war, and every war, is fought by sons and daughters. Every soldier on both sides had someone somewhere who hugged him goodbye. I hope our leaders will think about that often. I don't want to be standing in a bus station or an airport 10 years from now-hugging my son goodbye for the last time.

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Men lose close call to Howard

By Glenn Boerger Texan Staffer The WTC Westerners gave Howard College, the Number 3 team in the nation, a scare Thursday night before falling by

4 points, 100-96. The Westerners, who were down by as much as 18 points in the second half, were able to cut the Hawks lead to 2 (98-96) with less than a minute to play. A missed shot with three seconds remaining forced the Westerners to foul, however, and allowed the Hawks to put the game out of reach, 100-96, with two free throws.

The Westerners were down by 16 at halftime (58-42) and as much as 18 early in the second half before mounting their comeback effort. The Westerners were led in scoring by Dominick Byrd's 26 points followed by Jeff Shelly's 22. Jeffery led Howard and all scorers as he hit for 27 on the night.

The Hawks shot nearly twice as many free throws as WTC as they made 26 of 42 from the stripe while the Westerners were only 12 of 23.

That proved to be the difference as the Westerners comeback fell short.

The loss puts WTC at 3-6 in conference play, 13-9 overall while Howard advances to 8-1 in conference and 22-1 overall.

The Westerners are scheduled to play Odessa College this Monday at 8 p.m. in Odessa and South Plains College Thursday night in Levelland.



Two for one

Doug Brown breaks open for the pass from Jeff Shelly against Clarendon, a game the Westerners won last Monday. Below, Paul

Johnson jumps for a rebound against Midland College in a game played here Jan. 21. (Texan Photo by Mark Carroll)





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Men are tied in 6th place

By Glenn Boerger Texan Staffer

The WTC Westerners ended the first half of WJCAC play last Monday, Jan. 28, with three wins and five losses and are sitting in a tie for sixth place in the conference standings.

Going into the Thursday night round of games, South Plains College was leading the WJCAC with an 8-0 record and was followed by Howard College at 7-1.

The Westerners started off conference play with a tough overtime loss to Howard College 131-116, but were able to pull even (1-1) as they upset the then 13th ranked team in the nation, Odessa College 98-87. Paul Johnson led the team in scoring with 27 points.

The Westerners closed out the fall semester 1-2 in conference play with a loss to conference leading South Plains College 107-92. Jeff Shelly paced the Westerners in the loss, pouring in 30 points.

The Westerners began the spring term with a non-conference 104-93 defeat of Ranger Junior College. Paul Johnson topped with 27 points and Michael Richardson hit for 24 in the contest. The Westerners also got an added boost from sophomore Chris Hill, who became eligible this spring. Hill scored 13 points in his first game for WTC.

The Westerners picked up conference play at NMMI and cruised by the Broncos 128-93 to go 2-2 in the WJCAC. Paul Johnson led the Westerners with 33 points and Allen Smith dropped in 22 points while dishing out 7 assists.

The Westerners then dropped three straight conference games, losing to NMJC 114-106, Midland College 120-109, and Frank Phillips 99-95. Westerner coach Tony Mauldin said he felt like the team was playing hard during the streak but were just having trouble getting their shots to fall.

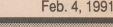
The Westerners ended the three game skid with a 79-74 defeat of Clarendon College last Monday. Jeff Shelly hit for 17 points while Dominick Byrd scored 15 in leading the Westerners in scoring. The win put the Westerners at 3-6 in conference play, 14-6 overall, six games behind first place South Plains.

Coach Mauldin said he still feels the team has got a good shot at the play-offs if they can win at least five of their remaining eight games.

The Westerners are sitting behind FPC and NMJC, both 4-4 in conference play, as they all battle for the fourth play-off spot. The top four teams in each conference advance to the Regional Tournament in Waco.

The Westerners were to kick off the second half of conference play this past Thursday night hosting Howard College at the Scurry County Coliseum (see separate story).







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Who's Who honorees are noted

Continued From Page One Ms. P.J. Smith and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie H. Tate. She has been named to the Merit List five semesters and the President's List one semester. She is a member of Phi Theta Kappa and has served on the executive board. She is a library technician at WTC and hopes to one day continue her education and receive a bachelor's degree in word processing.

Davidson is the son of Mr. and Mrs J.S. Davidson of Abilene. He is a journalism major and plans to continue his education at McMurry University. He is a member of Phi Theta Kappa, serving on the executive board. He is on the staff of the Western Texan and has been named to the Merit List for fall 1989, spring 1990 and fall 1990.

Vicki Dawson is the daughter of Forest E. Hokey. She is a member of Phi Theta Kappa and is a member of the executive board. She was named outstanding student in Contemporary Social Problems 1990. She is a pre-med major and plans to continue her education at Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene.

Hicks is the son of Shirley and Jerry Hicks. He is a Phi Theta Kappa member and a theater major. He will continue his education at a four- year college although he is still undecided on which school he will attend.

Kern is the son of George and Mary Kern. He is a member of Phi Theta Kappa, serving on its executive board. He was awarded the Irene Ryan Drama Award in the fall of both1989

New senators are announced

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Newkirk, a sophomore, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James golflandscape technology major and will serve on the Student Entertainment Committee. Ware, a freshman, is the daughter of Christine Chambers and Maxey Ware of Colorado City. She is a business major and will serve on the Student Life Committee.

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and 1990. He was named also to the President's List last spring and the Dean's List last fall. After graduating from WTC, Kern plans to attend Marymount Manhattan College in New York City or the University of Dallas in Irving. He plans on working as an actor or an educator.

Vizena is the son or Mr. and Mrs. Archie Vizena. He is a member of Phi Theta Kappa and was named to the President's List in the fall of 1989. Vizena plans to major in theater and dance at Sam Houston State University in Huntsville.

Sharon Doty is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Doty. She is a member of Phi Theta Kappa and the Western Texan staff. She was named to the Dean's List the spring of 1990 and was on the Merit List in the fall of 1990. She is an English major and plans to specialize in English or journalism as a secondary education teacher.

Bobbie Earnest is the daughter of R.K. Earnest. She is a member of Phi Theta Kappa and a member of its executive board. She was named on the Merit List in the fall of 1990. She is a member of the Student Senate and a member of the Student Life Committee. She is an English major. She plans to transfer to Hardin-Simmons where she plans on receiving her secondary teaching certificate.

Fletcher is the son of Weldon and Nancy Fletcher. He is a member of the West Texas Golf Association. He is a Golf and Landscape Technology major. After graduating from WTC he plans to seek employment in a country club or municipal golf course as a greens superintendent

Naomi Gutierrez is the daughter of Juan P. and Armandina Gutierrez. She is a member of Phi Theta Kappa, serving on its executive board. She is secretary of the Student Newkirk of Levelland. He is a Senate and Student Senate dance advisor. She is a member also of the Western Texan staff. Gutierrez plans to transfer to Angelo State University where she will major in secondary education with a specialization in journalism and a minor in art.

ter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Logston. She was named to the Dean's List in the fall of 1989, and the Presidents List in the spring and fall of 1990. After graduating from WTC she plans to transfer to Angelo State University where she will major in elementary education.

Janice Northerns is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Melton E. Davis of Lake Thomas. She is a member of The Western Texan newspaper staff. She was awarded the Texas Intercollegiate Press Association's 2nd place award in Best News Story category in 1990 and Outstanding English Studentin 1990. She was named to the Dean's List in the spring of1990 and the President's List last fall. She plans to attend Texas Tech University where she will be majoring in English and specializing in creative writing.

Nichole Overman is the daughter of Berie and Marcia Overman. She is a member of Student Senate, serving as its treasurer. She is a member of Phi Theta Kappa. She was named to the Dean's List in the fall of 1989 and to the Merit List in the fall of 1990. She plans to transfer to Southwestern Oklahoma State University where she will attend pharmacy school.

War causing concerns, comments from students

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President Bush assured the

"All we can do is wait and

nation in a 12-minute speech a

few hours after the liberation of

Kuwait began that "we will not

watch to see if and when we

have to go fight too," said Ronald

"I don't believe that there will be a draft unless other nations decide to defend Iraq," he said.

Regarding the possibility of women being included in any potential draft, he was equally doubtful.

"For women to be drafted it would take a political decision by the president, congress and the military. Public opinion would have to change. Then it would go before the Supreme Court." Another local student had her own opinion about the draft. "I really don't believe that women will be drafted, because it would take too long to constitute it, but if it happens and they call me, I'll be afraid but I'll go," said Laura Swindle. Some female students said they would go to war if drafted but they did not believe that it was right for women to be put on the front lines. "I would feel a lot better if 1,000 men were fighting on the front for me then if 1,000 women were," said Kandace Belew. A few of the students tried to predict at what point the United States would begin drafting. "I've heard that if the war lasts over three months or so they will draft," said Ronald Egly. Regarding a time frame for a possible draft, McGee said if it comes, he did not believe the United States would begin for at least six months. In this event, students are hoping for deferments. As for this, McGee speculated, "There will be no deferments." On the subject of war, some students were vehemently promilitary. "I don't think that we should be afraid to go. We should fight for our country. Everyone should give back to it. If women get drafted, I'll go fight where ever they put me. We have to trust the people that put soldiers where they do in the armed services. They know if they are trained or not," said Monica Ramirez. She added, "I do think that we could have prevented this though." Since the war's start, WTC students can be found watching news reports with renewed interest. Lobbies are filled with hushed voices during the day as news updates interrupt regular



Troop support

The WTC Student Senate has been sponsoring a Valentine signing project to be sent to the U.S. Armed Forces fighting in the Persian Gulf. Shown here, Meredith Goodwin accepts a new signature provided by Thance Springer. (Texan Photo. by Mark Carroll)

Meat judging entries place

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By Mark Carroll Texan Staffer

The WTC Meats Judging Team had individuals place recently in contests held as part of the National Western Intercollegiate Meats Judging Contest in Denver, Colo.

Team members placing

-Brent Atkinson, sixth in individual lambjudging and 11th individual in the overall contest

-Mark Carroll, fifth high individual in beef grading.

-Mike Graham, sixth high individual in pork judging.

-Joe Martinez, alternate team, sixth high individual in the alternate portion of the contest.

Spring count 'up'

Continued From Page One used by the Texas Legislature in determining biennium funding for the college.

This semester's enrollment contact hours represent an increase of 2 percent over the spring of 1989. Contact hours serve as the funding basis used by the state legislature.



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Lady Dusters struggle as first half of play ends

By Dean Williamson Texan Staffer

The Lady Dusters ended the first half of conference play with a win over Clarendon Jan. 28their first in conference play.

Monica Ramirez and La Shunta Jackson each scored 14 points in the victory while Kristi Risinger and Merry Brown each posted 8 to help notch the vic-

tory. The Lady **Dusters led 32-**25 at halftime and never stopped attacking the Clarendon squad with the final score 63-46.

With the win, the Dusters' season record rose to 8-16

(1-5 in conference) as they prepared to take on the six teams in the WJCAC conference for a second time in this year's schedule. Those games were to open versus Howard here Thursday (see separate story).

The Lady Dusters began their post-Christmas season with a record of 5-12.

Ranger Junior College came to Snyder Jan. 7 for the Lady Dusters first home game in over a month with the Lady Dusters winning 72-58.

Three freshmen helped lead the charge against RJC. Outside shooting from Amarillo's Diane Mendez scored 19, Navasota's La Shunta Jackson added 16, and the driving shots of Midland's Monica Ramirez put

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The Ranger victory brought the Lady Dusters record to 6-12 on the year and served as preparation for a three game swing through Arizona played January 10-12.

The Lady Dusters first game was played in Scottsdale against Scottsdale Community College. The Lady Dusters tied the game

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> at 63 at the end of regulation, having to come back from a 45-26 halftime deficit, to send the game into overtime. The Dusters fought, but lost to a tough Scottsdale squad by a final of 72-70. Freshman Becky Hinojos of Lorenzo led the Dusters scoring campaign with 13, followed by Monica Ramirez's 12, La Shunta Jackson's 11 and Knox City's freshman Kristi Risinger's

The next evening in Mesa, Arizona, Monica Ramirez exploded for 20 points. The Lady Dusters took a 5 point halftime advantage to the locker room, then returned to score 40 second half points on their way to a 68-57 victory over Mesa Junior College. Other high scorers in-

cluded Dusters La Shunta Jackson with 16 and Hawley sophomore Tracy Edmunds with 8.

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The Lady Dusters finished their three game swing through Arizona in Coolidge as they lost to the No. 5 ranked Junior College team in the country, Central Arizona College. The final score was 81-64. Monica Ramirez led the scoring

> attack with 13 while Needville standout Sherry Hoffpauir scored 9 and Tracy Edmunds added 8.

The Lady Dusters con-

cluded their Arizona trip with a 1-2 record and headed east, stopping in Hobbs, N.M. on their way back to battle NMJC. The Duster season record stood at 7-14 as they turned east to resume the conference schedule.

On Jan. 14, The Lady T-Birds of New Mexico Junior College jumped out to an insurmountable 13 point- 36-23 halftime lead. The Lady Dusters fought their way back, but ended up losing by a score of 75-72. Monica Ramirez again led the Dusters scoring attack with 28, La Shunta Jackson added 14, and Becky Hinojos, 10. The victory was the first conference win for NMJC. The Dusters' season record fell to 7-15 and they remained winless in



Jump shot

Lady Duster Monica Ramirez goes for the jump shot against Clarendon. The Lady Dusters gained their first conference victory in the game played Jan. 28 by defeating the Lady Bulldogs 63-46. (Texan Photo by Sharon Doty)

87-78 by the Lady Plainsmen.

record to 7-16 while still winless

in conference battles.

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The loss pulled the Dusters

Becky Hinojos made 12 for

the Dusters effort and Jill For-

WJCAC conference action after to stay close, but were beaten 4 games.

The Lady Dusters met Frank Phillips College in Borger on Jan. 24. For the third game in a row, Monica Ramirez led the scoring attack as she posted 24 in the game. The Dusters fought **Dusters** fall to Howard **By Dean Williamson**

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Texan Staffer It was one of those rare occa-

sions when no matter what happened, "Coach Chadwick" couldn't lose. Unfortunately, the Lady Dusters could.

The Howard College Lady Hawks under the supervision of Coach Royce Chadwick, son of Coach Kelly Chadwick, came to the Scurry County Coliseum this past Thursday to start the second half of WJCAC conference action for the Lady Dusters. By the final whistle, the Hawkshad defeated WTC for the second time this season, 65-50.

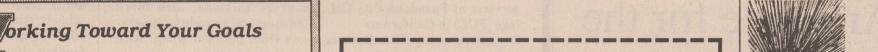
The Lady Dusters had a 3 point lead in the early moments of the game with a 12-9 score when the Lady Hawks broke loose for 8 straight points and took a lead they would never relinquish. At halftime, the score was 35-28.

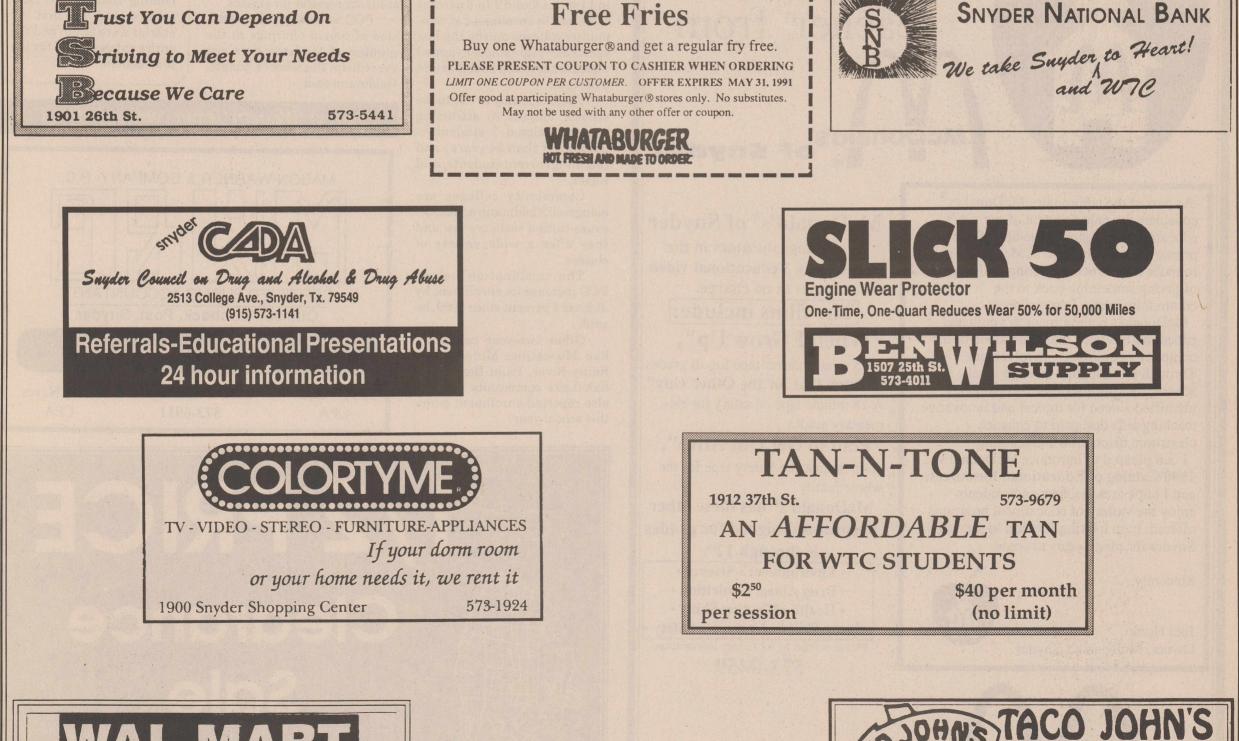
In second half action, Coach Chadwick brought the Lady Dusters to the sidelines for a time-out and used substitutions and Lady Hawk turnovers to ignite a rally that brought WTC back within striking distance at 51-46.

The 5 point gap quickly jumped to 16 as the tough Lady Hawk defense held the Lady Dusters scoreless for almost 5 minutes down the stretch, however.

La Shunta Jackson led WTC scoring with 14. Monica Ramirez and Becky Hinojos finished the night with 9, Jill Forrest marked 8, and Merry Brown scored 5.

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Colleges turn down the heat due to war

wait and the resulting surge in the cost of oil have brought the world to the brink of war and pulled hundreds of collegians out of class to serve in the armed forces.

Now they're about to make this the coldest winter in years on many colleges campuses.

Many schools already are strictly following federal conservation guidelines, imposed immediately after the crisis began, to keep thermostats in classes, dorms and offices set anywhere from 65 degrees to 68 degrees.

"Some of the conference rooms are a little chilly," admitted University of Pennsylvania resident adviser Ira Gluck.

Penn has lowered the temperature in all its buildings by five degrees. Dorm rooms can't be warmer than 68 degrees. In other buildings, the limit is 65 degrees.

With the cost of oil rising from about \$20 per barrel before the invasion to its current price of about \$25 per barrel many

(CPS) Iraq's invasion of Ku- colleges already having budget which is heated with natural gas, in 1973 sent campuses reeling. difficulties due to a lack of state funding, have to figure out how to cover skyrocketing fuel costs.

> "When you're paying \$20,000 a year it's hard to understand why it's cold in your dorm room," admitted Harvey Kaiser, a vice president at Syracuse University. It's important, he added, to get students to cooperate by turning out unnecessary lights and keeping doors closed.

Schools that use oil as the force food prices up. main source of heat, typically in the Northeast, have been hardest hit. Campuses heated with affected as directly.

"It's wonderful," declared Kermit Linstrom, president of **Bismarck State College in North** Dakota, one of the country's bigger oil producing states. "The more oil we produce, the more save at least \$1 million. money goes to the state treastions," Linstrom explained.

Meanwhile, Bismarck,

isn't affected. "We think oil is too cheap. Forty dollars a barrel would be just great."

But indirectly, oil prices reach all parts of the economy. Because of higher gasoline prices, transportation costs also have risen.

The petroleum-based products farmers need - fertilizer, agricultural chemicals, fuel and power - are now more expensive. Higher transportation costs also

Philadelphia Thermal Energy, which heats the Penn campus, raised its rates by 15 percoal or natural gas haven't been cent during the fall. Penn's fuel bill consequently will be about \$2 million more than expected. Officials are hoping that lowering the heat and discouraging the use of alternate heat sources - such as space heaters - will

Yet schools in general seem ury and the more chance that to have done a good job in learnwe can get higher appropria- ing to deal with sudden leaps in the price of oil.

Two previous energy crises

Expenses increased dramatically, while funding dropped. Colleges had to defer maintenance on buildings and put off professors' raises. Tuition rose by more than 10 percent a year.

"On the whole," said Walter Schaw, head of the Virginiabased Association of Physical Plant Administrators of Universities and Colleges, "campuses are much less dependent on oil than even four or five years ago."

"It was just a matter of time before it happened again, and we knew it.'

"We aren't experiencing a big impact here," affirmed H.C. Lott. a vice president at the University of Texas-Austin which, like most other schools in the Southwest, relies mostly on natural gas.

Many campuses now switch between coal, oil and gas to provide heat, depending on current market prices. Some schools also have made themselves independent of local utilities by building their own power plants. But it can still hurt.

It's costing George Mason University in Washington, D.C., an extra \$480,000 to heat its campus this winter, despite lowering the heat to 65 degrees in its buildings.

The State University of New York system already was facing a \$51 million deficit when escalating oil prices left its 64 campuses with an extra \$10 million in heating bills.

Rutgers University in New Jersey anticipates spending \$21 million this school year for utilities costs, about \$4 million more than was allocated before the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

"We're going to try some energy conservation measures and we'll cut back some other programs," said Dick Engle, assistant vice president for facilities of the four Rutgers campuses.

"Academics," Engle declared. "is the last thing we want to touch."

"It's something we've been through before, and we'll do it again."

WTC plans jazz clinic

The WTC music department will host a vocal jazz clinic on Friday, Feb. 15, for area music teachers and students.

Conducting the clinic will be David Riley, noted music educator, choral conductor and composer, from Ithaca College.

Students and teachers will have an opportunity to experience jazz, blues, swing and bossa, as well as learning improvisation techniques.

The clinic will be from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m. in the Fine Arts Building. The fee is \$3.50 per student, and teachers will be admitted free. Participants must preregister by Feb. 12 by calling 573-8511, ext. 234.

Leadership event held

High school and college students from area and Scurry County schools gathered here Saturday for the John Ben Shepperd (JBS) Public Leadership Forum. The day-long workshop gave participating students a chance to learn leadership skills and to meet with local elected officials and civic leaders.

WTC in cooperation with the Snyder Jaycees sponsored the event.

Speech event held

WTC hosted the 3rd annual Ben Brock Memorial Speech Tournament this past Saturday.

Participants were students from a variety of schools from 1A-5A district, with Snyder being the defending champs and LCU being second. The first 300

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College population goes up despite predictions

(CPS) The long-anticipated college student population decline still hasn't happened, a new campus head count found.

The number of students enrolled at two- and four-year campuses actually increased in 1990, with community colleges enjoying the biggest boom, said a report by the American Council on Education (ACE)

Though the U.S. Dept. of Education will release an "official" campus census later in the year, the ACE report typically

has proven very accurate.

This year's version has some observers wondering whether a downturn in the number of high school seniors, which the Department of Education predicts will continue until 1995, will in fact cause the enrollment bust that campus officials have been fearing for years.

"Perhaps we will not see a slowdown" in the number of students seeking higher education, said ACE spokeswoman Kathy Ruser.

"If it's happening, it hasn't happened here," agreed William Goldmann, dean of educational services at Pasadena City College (PCC) in California.

ACE's survey of institutions in 14 states found 2-to-6 percent increases in enrollment at com-

Even "smaller" four-year campuses like Mount Union and Franklin colleges, Southwest Missouri State, Nebraska Wesleyan, Middle Tennessee State and West Texas universities enrolled more students.

So did big systems like the universities of Wisconsin, Arizona, Colorado, Connecticut and New Mexico.

Yet more is not always better.

Colleges in Utah asked the state for more funds last year after the enrollment exceeded administrators' expectations.

Officials have to open more courses sections, hire more teachers and provide more services than planned when more students register for classes.

PCC is slowing its expan-



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munity colleges during the last year. Four-year campuses posted increases between 1 percent and 3 percent.

The jumps may be due to the schools' success in attracting "non-traditional " students those older than 24 years - and retaining current students, said Ruser.

Community colleges are doing well, Goldmann added, because tuition costs are low and they offer a wide variety of classes.

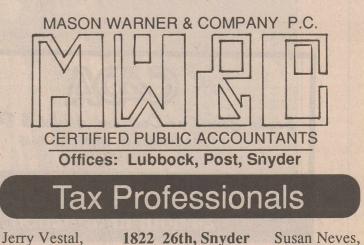
The combination helped PCC increase its enrollment by at least 4 percent since 1989, he said.

Other two-year campuses like Muscatine, Minneapolis, Rainy River, Palm Beach and Salt Lake community colleges also reported enrollment gains this school year.

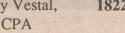
sion of course offerings so the number of students does not overwhelm the school's budget, Goldmann said.

entries were taken and the entire campus used for the tournament.

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