

Spring Opportunity has shorter classroom time

By Mark Carroll Texas Staffer

WTC students still have a chance this semester to sign up for a needed class or an extra three hours credit—even though the last day to enroll for the spring term was Jan. 22.

Next Monday, registration is scheduled for WTC's Spring Opportunity Session. A wide variety of classes will be offered, ranging from required basics like math, government and English to elective courses such as art, philosophy, music and photography.

Class schedules will begin Monday, Feb. 10, with students eligible to register through Feb. 14. Classes will end along with normal spring classes.

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College-TEC now assisting 24 displaced Walls workers

By Anne Overhulser Texan Staffer

Twenty-four new students enrolled for the spring semester at Western Texas College are Walls Industries employees who lost their jobs when the local industry closed its operation here last year.

The 24 are taking advantage of benefits offered through the Federal Trade Readjustment Act (TRA). Under

it, the former Walls employees are eli- outlined courses which fit the TEC gible for benefits including 52-weeks of unemployment compensation plus full tuition. books and fees.

Last October, 46 displaced Walls employees attended a meeting sponsored by the Texas Employment Commission and WTC on campus.

TEC representatives explained available options and requirements of the federal program and WTC staffers

criteria.

Twenty-seven contracts were originally signed with 24 students enrolling this spring.

Many of the new students are enrolled in the Accounting Technician's Certificate program, offered through WTC's Office Systems Technology Department, formerly known as the Office Careers Department.

Coed is academic nominee **USA Today-PTK's** All-American Team

By Naomi J. Gutierrez **Texan Staffer**

WTC sophomore Judy Cave has been nominated to represent WTC in the annual Academic All-American Team for Community, Technical and Junior Colleges.

The award is sponsored by the American Association of Community and Junior Colleges (AACJC), USA Today and Phi Theta Kappa.

The program's purpose is to recognize scholarly achievements of students who are enrolled in a community, technical or junior college.



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senators were assigned to committee work last week. Pictured during tary. (Texan Photo by Mark Carroll)

The WTC Student Senate Executive Board conducted interviews to fill interviews are, from left, Brad Loesch, president; Lei Holcomb, treaseight senate vacancies for the spring semester last week. The new urer; Hud Hudson, a prospective senator; and Veronicas Rivas, secre-

Nominations accepted last week... New senators assume committee roles

By Angela McCall & Marci Regalado **Texan Staffers**

the Western Texas College Student Senate this spring semester.

The new senators were named last week.

New senators are Teri Riedle, Martin Urbina, Chad Griswold, Christina Nava, Michael Gruben, Hud Gutierrez.

New senators to serve on the Stuand Martin G. Urbina. This committee committee that schedules "fun type" deals with issues of concern to WTC

students not covered by other commit- Committee. tees

Eight vacancies have been filled on native and is majoring in business administration. She is a recent nominee to Who's Who Among American Junior Colleges and is also a member of the WTC chapter of Phi Theta Kappa. Mrs. Reidel is married and has two children.

Urbina is a criminal justice major Hudson, Norma Gutierrez and Naomi and is a freshman. He graduated from Ozona High School.

Chad Griswold, Christina Nava and dent Life Committee are Teri Riedel Michael Gruben were assigned to the

A graduate of Winters, Griswold is Mrs. Riedel, a sophomore, is a Post a sophomore criminal justice major and health and physical education minor. His hometown is Muleshoe.

> Haskell native Christina Nava, who is education. a sophomore and foreign language major. She also represents the student body on the financial aid committee and the food committee.

Michael Gruben, a sophomore, is from Roscoe. Gruben is a business administration major and is minoring in computer science.

New to the dance committee are activities for students, the Recreation members Hud Hudson, Norma Gutier-

rez and Naomi Gutierrez. The committee plans formal and monthly dances for the students of WTC.

Hudson is a Colorado City native and former Colorado High School gradu-Also assigned to the committee was " ate and is majoring in agricultural

> Norma Gutierrez is a member of Phi Theta Kappa and is majoring in education.

> Naomi Gutierrez is a member of Phi Theta Kappa, was WTC student body secretary in 1990 and was named Miss Trailhand last year. She is an education major and has been included in Who's Who Among American Junior Colleges.

Mrs. Cave is a pre-med major who plans to attend Texas Tech University next fall.

She is a member of Phi Theta Kappa's executive board at WTC and has been nominated to Who's Who Among Students in American Junior College.

Mrs. Cave was named to WTC's merit list in fall 1990 and spring 1991.

To be eligible for nomination, the student must have a cumulative gradepoint average of not less than a 3.25 out of a 4.0 scale.

Independent judges will review nominees and select 20 members for the First Team. The First Team will be presented with a \$2,500 cash award by USA Today. The cash awards will be presented to the First Team member by the president of USA Today at the AACJC annual convention which will be in Phoenix April 13.

Second and Third Team members will each receive a commemorative plaque from USA Today.

On March 11, all college presidents will be notified if their nominee was selected to be one of the First Team members.

Letters will be mailed to all nominees notifying them whether or not they have been selected to the First, Second or Third Team March 13.

Certificates will be mailed May 1 to college presidents of all nominees for the Academic All-American Team

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Graduation date to change to Saturday morning event

By Angela McCall Texan Staffer

A time change for graduationmoving it to an earlier date and changing the time of day from evening to morning—has been announced by the WTC administration. "It's actually an experiment," noted Dr. Duane Hood, dean of student services.

Saturday, May 2, is the new date assigned to replace the originally scheduled Friday, May 8. Plans are for the

ceremony to take place at 10 a.m. with possibly a luncheon following.

The administration hopes these changes will accommodate graduating students by allowing them to leave as soon as final exams are over.

Other considerations included attempts to increase student participation in the graduation ceremony and the avoidance of evening weather problems—a constant threat during

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Cancer claims WTC student

By Angela McCall Texan Staffer

Jimmy Whitney, a 21-year-old WTC student, died of cancer Monday, Jan. 20. Soon after Jimmy's enrollment at WTC last fall, he was hospitalized at M.D. Anderson Hospital in Houston where he underwent surgery. He remained there until his death.

WTC students rallied around Jimmy by sending cards and a large See STUDENT, page 3

Memorial speech tournament scheduled on campus again

By Sheri Hunter Texan Staffer

The 4th annual Ben Brock Memorial Speech Tournament will be held at WTC Saturday, Feb. 15. The competition involves area high school students preparing for district competition in different speech events.

Jan McMcathern, assistant professor of speech and communications, will return as director.

"I feel as though having the tourna-

ment gives our community a chance to help high school students to practice their interests and at the same time it brings students to our college, which gives us good PR," said Mrs. McCathern

The memorial is named in honor Ben Brock to recognize the dedication that he gave to U.I.L. speech when he was WTC vice president.

An average of 20-30 area high See SPEECH, page 3

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Mysteries of student behavior baffle puzzled prof...

By Jack Price Assistant Professor Management

Donny Brown reminded me of an editorial that I wrote last year with the comment that "you had one reasonably good idea" at that time. I think that this was his way of saying that if you give us something again, we will look at it. So I started searching for another "reasonably good

idea" in the context of what I have seen around the campus—in particular, observations of student behavior. Since this led to more questions than ideas, I'll give you the benefit of my questions:

Why do students pay tuition and then decide for the silliest of reasons not to attend classes? That's like "Well, yeah, I paid good money for this here car, but I think I'll walk to Abilene."

I wonder if there is any relationship between class attendance and who pays the tuition. I'm betting there is.

What makes an 8 a.m. class so particularly difficult to meet? Most of the rest of the world goes to work at that time or earlier—and generally has to stay there the rest of the day, five or six days a week

This is not necessarily true of all students, but why does it seem that there is some level of pride attached to the idea of being ignorant or uninformed?

However, the above is true of those students who display a "know nothing" attitude for the apparent purpose of showing the teacher who is boss.

Why is an assignment involving an oral class report or speaking before others more feared than a large scorpion on the end of one's nose?

Why do students even inquire about whether or not class attendance is necessary?

'Why do l always get one Scantron Test Form back completed in blue ballpoint pen - and always from the same student? And why does that same student provide me answers to essay questions in hard lead pencil...?

Why are the same students always late to class? Do they have in common membership in a secret society that has something to do with tardiness?

Why do announced examination dates always provoke a surprised response? Could it be that not announcing examinations will hold fewer surprises?

Why is the perceived difficulty of and essay or report assignment determined not by it's subject-matter but whether or not it has to be completed in

single or double spaced typing? Does anyone know what a first day handout is? Hint: It is not an introductory food sample or

football option play. When, infrequently, there is the choice between lecture or video, why does everyone spring for the

latter? I have been told the reason is "to sleep." But then again, what difference does a video make when it comes to sleeping in class?

Speaking of sleeping in class, why are classroom chairs apparently more comfortable for this practice than a Lazy Boy recliner - or even a bed?

Why do I always get one Scantron Test Form back completed in blue ballpoint pen - and always from the same student?

And why does that same student provide me answers to essay questions in hard lead pencil on a half-sheet of borrowed notebook paper?

Although I don't have another "reasonably good idea," I could use a few answers to these "reasonably pragmatic" questions.

Being 'Politically Correct' can mean closing 'open' mind...

By Marci Regalado **Texan Staffer**

It's at the University of Texas. It's at Berkeley. It's at Temple. It's at all the major universities across the United States.

The "it" is the Politically Correct Movement, currently as "in" as the burning of draft cards was in the 60's.

P.C., short for politically correct, consists of a

vast array of minority groups: non-Caucasians, homosexuals, the handicapped and women, or a combination of the four.

Often ostracized, these groups have come together to obliterate the discrimination they've been plagued with since the founding of societies.

Their goal is to eliminate the belief that minority groups are inferior-to point out that tion. discrimination is a sign of an oppressive society.

Who would oppose such a righteous endeavor?

No one.

That is exactly the attraction of P.C. Its jusitification is noble. But, the medicine to cure the disease of discrimination may be harmful.

P.C. proponents want to change the spelling of several everyday words like woman. The "man" would become "myn", thus a female would be a womyn. Young girls would be "pre-women" and short people would be "vertically challenged."

It's easy to see how P.C. has been made the political butt of conservative jokes. But it is a very real threat which contradicts the very foundation of higher learning: the right to question any idea while keeping a mind open to the ideas of others.

The right to chose is not only an essential part of education, it is essential to democracy itself. People have the right to decide if they agree with racism, or sexism or even which race of people influenced history the most. Whether you agree or not, the law protects vocal opinion for or against

a minority or homosexual or feminist. P.C. organizations, however, say these opinions deprive a student of the fairest educational

days of the Vietnam War.

Some of the most influential professors have made it against college codes to slur those who are different.

This is where the stereotypical white straight male conservative student might cry discrimina-

P.C. supporters believe steadfastly that they've earned the right to criticize the society that has oppressed them. Blacks, women and homosexuals have all been oppressed by that stereotypical "man." History proves this true. However, instead of encouraging positive changes, the P.C. movement is very subtly punishing that society by stifling their speech and opinions.

Why does the P.C. movement contradict itself? Consider a few issues in the movement.

Abortion should be strictly left up to the woman, P.C. proponents say. If a woman agrees with all aspects of P.C., but considers abortion a moral question, she is considered not "politically correct." Homosexuality is natural and the roots of civilization lie in Africa, goes the official P.C. belief.

There is no argument. They refuse to even fathom a non-P.C. idea thus keeping their thinking very narrow-minded. And opposition, whether expressed or assumed, will earn that person a racist, sexist or homophobic label. Many political critics have called the movement "the new McCarthyism."

As an example, the questioning of ideas has cost some professors their tenured position. A classroom is where new ideas should flourish and tolerance should be high.

P.C. started with a sincere motive and in it's vigor to rid the world of bias, it has rid the campus of choice, independent thought and freedom of expression.

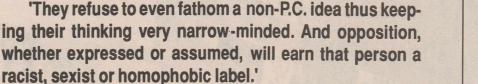
And isn't that what it sought to encourage in the first place?



progress. And so it is unconstitutional to disagree with those who are different in views, they say. This is where we slide into the grayer areas of the argument.

Those radicals in the 60's who have since become educators have, in the 90's, come into influential positions at universities. They sympathize with the movement that had its birth in the

environment and therefore hinders his or her





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RUSH

Sober account of two narcotics officers (Jason Patric and Jennifer Jason Leigh) who themselves become addicted as an upshot of their dangerous undercover activity. Based on Kim Wozencraft's autobiographical book, the downbeat film takes a straightforward approach to this harrowing work which eventually ends in despair. The story also provides vivid details of the shadowy drug culture. Lead performances are credible. (R) GOOD DRAMA DIR-Lili Fini Zanuck LEAD-Jason Patric RT-120 mins. (Profanity)

THE HAND THAT ROCKS THE CRADLE

Socko psychological thriller destined to keep you anchored to your seat right through to the rousing climax. Rebecca De Mornay is chillingly effective as a live-in nanny from hell; a charming but calculating young woman who wrecks the

lives of a yuppie family. An exciting ending, honed to perfection, offers a surprise hero. (R) GOOD HORROR DIR-Curtis Hanson LEAD-Rebecca De Mornay RT-105 mins. (Profanity, brief nudity)

KUFFS

Part comedy, part action drama, this cop story adopts an adolescent tone in its portrayal of a young man who seeks revenge for his brother's murder. A smirking Christian Slater, who spends much screen time talking to the camera, is in the title role. He is an irresponsible special policeman who settles the score after dodging much gunfire and explosions. The dialogue is fitfully jokey and cynical and the relentless shoot-out scenes become tiresome. (PG-13) FAIR COMEDY DIR-Bruce A. Evans LEAD-Christian Slater RT-100 mins. (Profanity)

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Elin pus Sophomores garner nominations for Who's Who

By Naomi J. Gutierrez **Texan Staff** The 1992 selection for Who's Who Among Students in Ameri-

can Junior Colleges included 22 sophomore students from Western Texas College.

Student succumbs

Continued From Page One signed banner for his Sept. 29 birthday this past fall. The 1989 Snyder High School graduate began his college career here as a management major, and was also involved in the welding program.

Jack Price, management instructor, had Jimmy as a student for several classes over the last two years. "He was a delight to have as a student," said Price, and particularly remembered Jimmy being quiet, but having a "very subtle sense of humor."

"Jimmy was very aware of his plight, but he didn't wear a long face, or try to make other people aware of it," he said.

Speech event due

Continued From Page One schools participate in the invitational, which includes 1-A as well as 5-A schools.

The tournament will use the entire campus in order to accomodate rooms for the 11 events. The events are Informative and Persuasive Speaking, Prose and Poetry Interpretation, Ready Writing, Current Issues and Events, Cross-Examine and LD Debate, Duet Acting, Literary Criticism and Keyboarding.

WTC speech students as well as faculty members judge and time the events. Outside help also comes from the Toastmasters Club and other area judges.

the 1992 edition of the publication and will join a group selected from more than 1,400 institutions of higher learning in all 50 states.

Students selected for Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges are Amber Lea Adams, Barbara Jane Ashby, Marie Isabel Cardenas, Andra S. Carpenter, Judy Glyn Cave, Sherron Kay Cribbs, Buffy Jo Giddens, Sue Griffin and Kevin Drew Hargrove.

Among the other sophomores named were Francesca Helm, Leigh Allison Holcomb, Pamela Renea Humble, Richard Lynn Lack, Bradley Philip Loesch, Andra Gail McKinney, Teresa Leigh Ann Riedel, Gregory Kyle Slicker, Billie Rogene Spruell, Keitha Jane St. Clair, **Ryan Teague**, Clarence Waters and Mark Taylor Wood.

Amber Adams is a 1990 graduate of Snyder High School and is seeking a double major in Fine Arts and English. She is a member of Phi Theta Kappa and the WTC Drama Department. She participated in the American College Theatre Festival in El Paso and received the Irene Ryan Award.

Barbara Ashby and her husband, Mac, reside in Snyder. She is a 1972 graduate of Lamesa High School. She is majoring in music.

Marie Cardenas of Colorado City is a Bishop High School graduate majoring in general business. She is a member of Phi Theta Kappa and is active in WTC's Baptist Student Union.

Andra Carpenter of Colorado City is a 1986 Colorado High School graduate, a busi-

They will now be included in ness administration major and Junior Colleges. a member of Phi Theta Kappa.

> Judy Cave of Snyder is a 1974 graduate of Sweetwater High School, a pre-med major and a member of the Phi Theta Kappa executive board. She is PTK's nominee this year to the Academic All-American Team for Community, Technical and



Judy Cave ...scholar nominee...

All American honor sought for scholarship

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Two years ago, for the first time in WTC's history, a student was named one of the Top 10 students in a junior college nationwide. Dale Williamson of Snyder was chosen as part of the National Distinguished Students Scholar Program, as the Academic All-American Team was then known.

Sherri Cribbs of Hawley is a

1990 graduate of Hawley High School majoring in drama. Cribbs is a member of the drama department, Kappa Chi and Phi Theta Kappa.

Buffy Giddens is a 1990 Rider High School graduate and is majoring in physical therapy. She is a member of Phi Theta Kappa and a WTC cheerleader.

Sue Griffin of Snyder graduated from high school in 1944 at Wink and has returned to WTC to receive her college degree. On campus, she is majoring in English and a member of Phi Theta Kappa.

Francesca Helm of Colorado City is a 1989 high school graduate. She is seeking a double major in office systems technology and management. She is a member of Phi Theta Kappa and the Baptist Student Union Executive Council.

Lei Holcomb of Snyder is majoring in chiropractics. She is a 1990 Snyder High School graduate and a member of Phi Theta Kappa's executive board and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. In addition, she is a member of the WTC Livestock and Meat Judging Team and student body treasurer.

Pam Humble of Post is the wife of Fred Humble. She is 1976 graduate of Post High School and is majoring in elementary education. She is a member of Phi Theta Kappa.

Richard Lack is a Snyder High School graduate and active in WTC's Drama Department.

Brad Loesch of Fort Worth a 1990 Azle High School graduate majoring in market-

ing. He is Student Senate president and a member of the WTC Rodeo Team. Also, he is a member of Phi Theta Kappa and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes

Andra McKinney of Colorado City is a 1987 Colorado High School graduate and is majoring in speech. She is a member of Phi Theta Kappa.

Teri Riedel of Post is majoring in business administration. She is a 1979 graduate of Post High School and a member of Phi Theta Kappa.

Greg Slicker of Murfreesboro, Tenn. is a business administration major with a minor in finance. He is a 1990 Klein Forest High School graduate. On campus, he is a member of Phi Theta Kappa, the Fellowship of Christian Athletes and a member of the golf team.

Rogene Spruell of Colorado City is a 1966 Colorado High School graduate. She is majoring in psychology and is a member of Phi Theta Kappa.

SOS classes slated **Continued From Page One**

Most, although not all, of the classes will meet one time weekly at night.

An early admissions program will be provided for high school students who have completed their junior year of high school and have permission of their principal. Placement testing will be offered the day of registration for those who do not have ACT or SAT scores available.

SOS class schedules are available at the WTC counselor's office. acn made the political but

Keitha St. Clair of Spuris a 1990 Spur High School graduate. She is majoring in kiniseology and minoring in political science. She is a member of the WTC Student Senate, Kappa Chi and the Student Life Committee. She is a trainer for the Lady Dusters.

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Kyan Teague of Pampa is a 1990 Pampa High School graduate. He is a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, the WTC Golf Team and executive board of Phi Theta Kappa.

Darren Waters of Levelland is a 1990 Levelland High School graduate majoring in engineering. He is a member of Phi Theta Kappa, the Fellowship of Christian Athletes and the WTC Golf Team.

Mark Wood of Pampa is a 1990 Pampa High School graduate majoring in engineering. He is a member of the Student Senate, the WTC Golf Team and a member of Phi Theta Kappa's Executive Board.

Graduation changed **Continued From Page One**

the spring.

"Students graduating will still take finals," Dr. Hood said.

In addition, students who lack only six hours to complete their degree will be eligible to participate in the ceremony.

Dr. Hood pointed out that the traditional WTC graduation format will remain the same.

He added that other colleges and universities use time-frames similar to the new plan.

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With loss, men post 5-4 record

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By Greg Young Texan Staffer A second loss to Howard College Thursday night brought the WTC men's team to a 5-4 conference standing with seven games remaining in the 1991-92

regular season. The Westerners will go against Odessa College tonight in the Scurry County Coliseum. At their first meeting, the WTC men won over Odessa 90-85.

Tonight's game will begin at 8 p.m. WTC students are admitted free with their college I.D.

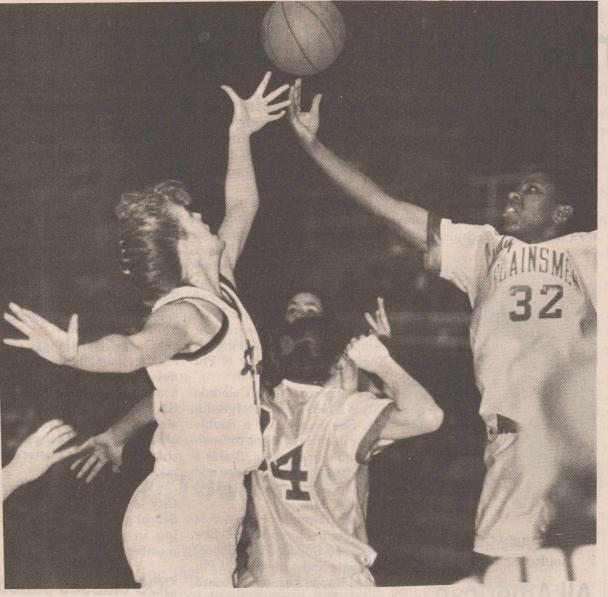
Last Thursday, WTC was down 29-50 at the half and, by the final buzzer, the score stood at 107-77 in favor of Howard. At their first meeting, Howard defeated WTC 96-90 on their home court.

In last week's game, Terrence Ross was WTC's high point at 18, and Jon Gaston had 14. The pair combined for 32 WTC points. Michael Crowe was in double figures also with 12.

For the first half of conference play, the WTC men were 5-3.

Wins were recorded over Odessa College, South Plains College and New Mexico Military Institute before Christmas break. With the resumption of play this spring, WTC's Westerners also defeated Frank Phillips College and Clarendon Col- Howard, 96-90; and to NMJC, lege.

The three losses were to Howard College, New Mexico



Duster win

The WTC Dusters defeated the Lady Plainsmen of Frank Phillips College on Jan. 23 with a 55-44 victory in the Scurry County Coliseum. They followed it with another

College.

The WTC wins in the conference openers last fall were over Odessa, 90-85; South Plains, 60-46; and NMMI, 96-89.

The Westerners lost to 102-100, agame where they were up at the half 47-38.

With the resumption of the Junior College and Midland '92 spring semester, the men victory over Clarendon College last Monday. Duster Taylor Cavnar (left) is shown going for the ball here versus Frank Phillips. (Texan Photo by Mark Carroll)

faced Midland at home Jan. 20. Led by John Gaston with 11 halftime points, the team stayed close at 43-30 before slipping at the games 94-68 closing. This points. made them 3-3 in conference

play. When WTC played at home against Frank Phillips Jan. 23, their conference record was again on the winning side at 4-3

with a 114-77 defeat of the Plainsmen. The men were paced ers traveled to Clarendon, where by Gaston and freshmen forward they trailed by 17 points at the Brent Murphy, both with 24 half. They staged a massive

Against Clarendon Jan. 27, rallied to a 74-70 win. the halftime score was an unteam, but the Westerners came plimented by 12 from Garcia. through in the second half to scrape by the Bulldogs 68-66.

Women need 2 wins to stay in contention

By Dusty Green Texan Staffer

The WTC Lady Dusters fell short of their third consecutive conference win on Thursday night in Big Spring, losing to Howard College, 55-39, and dropping their record to 2-5 in the conference and 8-14 overall.

Howard used the win over the Dusters to remain undefeated in the Western Junior College Athletic Conference, improving their mark to 6-0 in loop play and 19-3 overall.

WTC was headed by sophomore Allison Garcia, whose 11 points made her the only Duster in double figures.

The loss to Howard on Thursday night put an end to a short-lived winning streak for the Dusters, after they beat conference foes Frank Phillips and Clarendon College for their first back-to-back wins since the week before Thanksgiving.

The Dusters, after going winless in their first four conference games, stymied the Lady Plainsmen of Frank Phillips College on Jan. 23, showing off a strong defensive effort enroute to a 55-44 victory.

La Shunta Jackson paved the way for the victory with 19 total points.

Four days later, the Dustcomeback in the latter half and

Isom led the Dusters in the easy 42-29 deficit for the WTC comeback with 15 points, com-

of their last three games, the anyone can win."

Dusters are still trying to recover from a demoralizing 7game losing streak from earlier in the season.

The team went from a 5-3 record before Thanksgiving to a 5-10 record on Jan. 2, after losses to South Plains (58-54), Tyler (64-51), Paris (60-40), Panola (78-74), Howard (80-70), Odessa (62-55), and Blinn (73-50). Coach Kelly Chadwick blamed the streak on both the lack of confidence and the level of competition. "It's really demoralizing when you lose like that," he commented.

He and the Dusters are currently looking down the road to the upcoming games against Odessa and South Plains, two matches that Chadwick said will either make or break the team. Both teams have already beaten the Dusters in conference play (Odessa won 80-70, and South Plains 72-64), but Chadwick insisted that the Dusters could turn tables on both of them.

"It's going to be really tough," he said, "because they both beat us earlier in the season. But now we'll have them at our place."

Tipoff against Odessa is scheduled for 6 p.m. tonight, and the game against South Plains will get underway at 6 p.m. on Thursday. Both matches will be played at the Scurry County Coliseum.

Chadwick predicted that wins over both teams could very well place the Dusters in the regional tournament in Levelland on March 3-5.

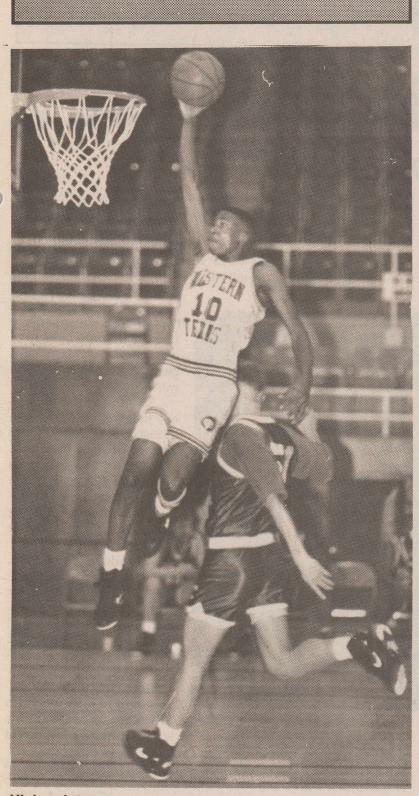
He described the tourna-But despite winning two out ment as "a whole new deal that







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High pointer

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WTC's John Gaston has been "hot" this season, often leading his team with high point honors. He scored 24 points versus Frank Phillips Jan. 23, a game which ended with a 114-77 win for the Westerners. Freshmen forward Brent Murphy had 24 points also in that game. (Texan Photo by Mark Carroll)

WTC logo now available on checks

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By Marci Regalado Texan Staffer

Local banks and savings and loans will now print the WTC logo on personalized checks for a minimal fee or free of charge in an effort to show local support for the college.

The new plan was proposed by WTC faculty members. "We want to show the businesses we write checks too, thatWTC stimulates the local economy," said Janet Halbert, associate professor of English.

Faculty Bank will print checks with the WTC faculty and students spend The WTC Association's executive council came up with the idea last August during teacher in-service.

The idea was taken up by Mrs. Halbert and she volunteered to contact local financial institutions.

"They were really excited about it," she said. "They thought it was a great idea and some of them agreed to do it free of charge."

American State Bank of Snyder and West Texas State

WTC spring count hovering at 1,000

Preliminary enrollment figures for the spring term indicate just more than 1,000 students are attending classes this spring.

The unofficial count of 1,001 compares to 1,097 students in the spring of 1991.

Regarding semester hours, this spring's figure is some 9,975 compared to 10,238 last spring. Contact hours-the number of hours the student will actually be in class during the entire term-were estimated at 234,000 this spring as compared to 240,000 last year.

Tutoring labs offered to all for English, math assistance

WTC logo at no added charge. Because they use a different

check service, Snyder National

Bank will add the logos for a fee

ranging from \$1 to \$2, depend-

advertising tool for both the

banks and WTC," said Mrs.

businesses that WTC generates

money, she noted. "Some of the

local merchants may think that

"We feel like this is a great

The idea is to show Snyder

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Halbert.

Departments are offering lab time to all WTC students wanting extra tutoring in these two study areas.

The lab instruction is, in particular, offered to students wanting help in preparation for the state-mandated TASP test.

The extra labs were established last fall with a good response, and continue to be utilized this spring.

Any math student may take advantage of the free lab located on the upper floor of

This spring, WTC Math and English the LRC. Liz Neely will be available at posted lab times to assist students with math problems at any level. The lab also provides a quiet setting for math study and homework.

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Open math lab times are Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 1-4; and Tuesday and Wednesday from 6:30-8:30 p.m.

English students who would like extra lab time should speak to their class instructors. Building 7B houses the lab, and Jill Grant will schedule individual times.

Meats judging team places at Denver event

Western Texas College's Meats Judging Team finished fourth in the overall competition recently at the 1992 National Western Intercollegiate Meats Contest conducted in Denver, Colo.

The team, coached by Jim Judah, assistant professor of agriculture, was to compete this

past weekend at Fort Worth.

At the Denver event, WTC was among 21 colleges and universities from 13 states competing. In all, there were 152 contestants entered. The competition, the first national contest of 1992 for college teams, was held Jan. 11-14.

Team member Mark

Stansell of Snyder finished third in lamb judging, ninth in questions and seventh overall at the contest.

In addition, Jimmy Kitchens of Snyder was third in placings and 10th overall.

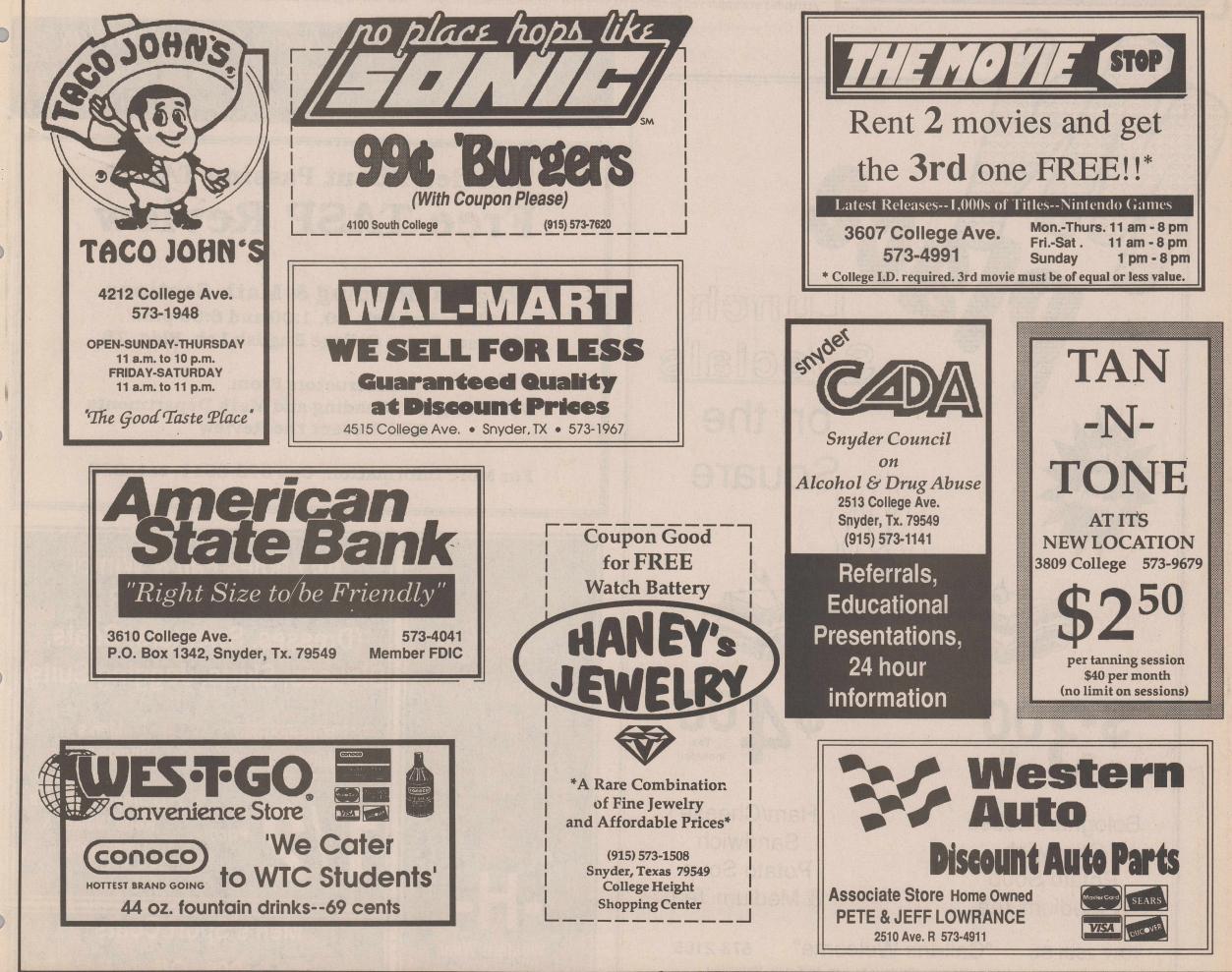
Other team members winning individual honors were: -Bay John Long of Snyder,

seventh in beef grading.

-Terry Leatherwood of Snyder, 10th in beef judging.

Students placing as alternates at the competition were Rod Jeter of Snyder, third place, and Lei Holcomb of Snyder, fifth place. Others competing were Page Bishop of Winters and Jason Summers of Snyder.





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Campus

Center director looks to prison ministry Effort sponsored by Snyder church congregation

By Anne Overhulser Texan Staffer

involved in prison ministry because he saw "hurting people" and wanted to help them become productive citizens.

The ministry, overseen by the elders of the 37th St. Church of

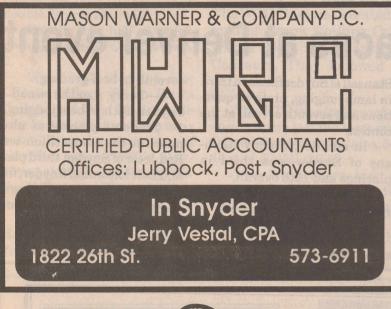
Christ at the Price Daniel Unit, includes a Sunday afternoon church service, a Thursday afternoon class and a monthly bus ministry

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According to Bill Looney, who works as prison minister under the church's elders, permission to expand the prison ministry has been granted by Price Daniel officials. A

new rehabilitative class is taught on Saturday morning and a mates attend regularly. Tuesday night class is being taught during the same time the chaplain is teaching an "Interpersonal Relations" class.

Rosson, who is also Bible Chair Director and Associate Minister at 37th Street Church of Christ, and Looney helped to begin the prison ministry about three years ago under the oversight of the



church elders.

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They conducted the Sunday afternoon worship service from 2 Christian Student Center Director Roy Rosson says he became until 4 p.m. every week to establish a rapport with the inmates. Several men from the 37th St. church go out each Sunday to conduct worship services.

"The inmates are so glad to see you, knowing you don't have to

come," reports Rosson. Another goal of the min-

istry is to prevent "recidivism," which is the "habitual or chronic relapse into crime or antisocial behavior." Recidivism, Rosson says, can be prevented only by changing from the inside out. The prison ministry helps in mates begin to improve their self-images and seeks to provide a support network within the prison and after release.

The Sunday afternoon church service is held in the prison chapel. About 30 in-

On Thursday afternoon, the "New Life Behavioral Course," a 52-week Bible study and esteem builder, written by Dr. Hillary M. Motsinger and approved by the Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ), is presented to prisoners. The group of about 30 inmates has an opportunity to interact in a positive way, discussing the lesson and its impact on their lives. Looney and G.A. Parks Jr. have been teaching this class about two years.

One of the goals is to help inmates see themselves as "worth something," and another is to encourage thinking about what each inmate will do, both in prison and upon release.

As part of their training, Rosson, Looney and Parks went to TDCJ units in Palestine with Dr. Motsinger as he taught his course, "New Life Behavioral Course." The classes were at Beto I, Beto II and Coffield units, some of the largest in TDCJ.

Another part of the ministry is the monthly Christ Prison Fellowship, a bus ministry which brings Christians, usually married couples, to visit individual inmates. Each couple "adopts" an inmate and sees the same one each month. As they get to know each other, a relationship is established that can carry on after release, giving the inmate a source of friendly, emotional and spiritual support.

Careful screening of both prisoners and visitors is done according to TDCJ guidelines. Only inmates with acceptable behavior and attitudes are approved to attend classes and visitation. Rosson said

he has always felt safe with the prisoners because the environment is controlled; the inmates attend because they want to and because "God is there, too."

Going from the structured and relatively protected environment of prison to the "real world" requires support and guidance. Sometimes, Rosson says, family members are available to help out, but often parolees have al-



Roy Rosson

that same year.

He earned a bachelor's degree in elementary education at Angelo State University in 1974 and a master's in education from Sul Ross in 1979. He taught for 11 years in public schools, 10 in Snyder.

He graduated from Sunset School of Preaching in Lubbock in 1987, after attending full-time for two years, accumulating credit for 125 hours of Bible classes. He was minister at the Dunn Church of Christ in 1986, and is currently an associate minister at 37th Street Church of Christ, in addition to being Christian Student Center Director at WTC. His wife teaches homemaking at Hermleigh. His daughter, Monica, 14, is a freshman, and son, Justin, 9, is a fourth grader at West Elementary.



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world."

ienated their families and friends. The contacts made through the various aspects of the prison ministry offer parolees support in the "real

To be able to "care without judging." Rosson says. ministry volunteers do not look at files on prisoners. What an inmate has done wrong doesn't matter, he said. What matters is changing behavior and becoming aware that forgiveness is available.

He added, "hopefully, through the Sunday worship, New Life Behavior courses and the bus ministry, men will be changed from the inside out, and then be able to become productive citizens.'

Rosson is a Snyder native and a 1970 Snyder High School graduate. He and his wife, Susan, were married

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Worried About Passing TASP? Free TASP Review

English, Reading & Math Sections Thursday, Feb. 20, 1:00 and 6:30 p.m. Western Texas College English Lab, Bldg. 7B

Instructors From WTC's English, Reading and Math Departments Will Present the Review

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