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Darla Doty...

## Founder's Day honor given

By Angela McCall  
Texan Staffer

Darla Doty was "speechless" when she was honored last Thursday as this year's recipient of the "outstanding service" award given in conjunction with the annual PTK Founder's Day Celebration.

WTC's chapter of Phi Theta Kappa and the Student Senate select a staff or faculty member to be honored in a tradition followed since 1983.

PTK executive board member Malli Galloway presented the award, saying

that Ms. Doty was "always willing to help students."

Ms. Doty has served in a number of positions at WTC over the past 14 years.

Her duties have included audio visual director, dorm director and journalism instructor.

Presently, she is the director of college relations. In this capacity, she serves as the chief student recruiter for the WTC campus.

After graduating from Big Spring High School, she attended Texas Tech University where she received a B.S.

degree in ag communications.

Her parents, Jack and Mildred Buchanan, traveled from Coahoma to join in the honor.

Also present was her husband, Bob, assistant professor of agriculture, who was last year's recipient of the award.

The couple has two sons, Jay, 11, and Sterling, 9.

Besides the presentation of a plaque commemorating Ms. Doty's service, the celebration featured a reception hosted by PTK and Student Senate members in the Student Center.



Darla Doty  
honored by students

## 'Aquifer' date near

December 11 is the deadline to enter works for the spring publication of "Aquifer," WTC's literary magazine.

Student writers are encouraged to submit their entries now for this third annual edition. Works may be poetry, opinion pieces or short stories.

In addition to written works, illustrations for the magazine will again be provided by students in the WTC Art See AQUIFER, page 3

## Yule show will debut WTC choir

By Angela McCall  
Texan Staffer

The newly formed community choir of WTC will present its first performance as part of the annual Christmas tree lighting ceremony tomorrow night. The choir will perform at 7:30 p.m. in the Fine Arts Theatre.

The 21 member choir consists of students, faculty and members of the community. "We'll be performing quite a variety of music," said Jonathan Palomaki, WTC music instructor.

While the choir members meet and sing primarily for enjoyment, Palomaki said studying a "smattering of musical literature" is not only fun, but educational.

At the Christmas tree lighting program, the choir will perform in two parts.

Palomaki classified the first part as religious songs. These will include G.F. Handel's "Thanks to the Lord," which is a Baroque piece; "Kyrie," by Palestrina, a mass that comes from the Renaissance period; a 20th Century piece, "God Be In My Head," by John Rutter; and two spiritual pieces, "Keep Your Lamps," arranged by A. Thomas, and W. Howarth's arrangement of "Soon—a Will Be Done," featuring soloist, Terry Danley.

The WTC Bell Choir directed by Gerald Garner will join the Community Choir for the second part of the performance, and the audience will be treated See CHOIRS, page 3



Community Choir members include Stacy Harris, Tom Danley, Bill Lyon, Terry Danley and Gabriel Castillo

## Public invited to view lights

WTC's annual Christmas lighting ceremony will be tomorrow night with an expanded program offered this year. The lighting ceremony will be at 7 p.m. and, at 7:30, two newly organized musical groups will perform in the Fine Arts Theatre (see related story.)

The annual lighting ceremony will be at the central courtyard area on campus. All campus buildings which face the central courtyard will be lined with lights. Christmas wooden figures are erected also, as is the traditional 25-ft. Christmas tree at the center of the court-

See LIGHTING, page 3



Choir singers Rebekah Thornton, Suzie Morrell and Janet Halbert

## WTC awaits go-ahead for academy

By Lynn Moseley  
Texan Staffer

WTC officials should know by December if they will be successful in establishing a "police academy" program of training for the campus.

Efforts to establish the academy have been through the Continuing Education Department headed by John Gibson. The department provides retraining and updating of studies for adults.

Gibson said WTC has applied for a license with the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education (TCLEOSE) to establish the academy.

If approved, WTC would provide in-service for licensed officers and regular classes and basic curriculum for reserve officers as well as licensed officers.

Individuals would either be retrained or receive upgraded skills on a vocational level. The training does not involve academic credit.

"There is a demand for the academy and we feel very strongly about it," Gibson said.

An on-site inspection was held Nov. 10 by members of the Texas Commission.

Meetings are scheduled Dec. 8-9 to allow the Continuing Ed. Department to review and discuss the results of the inspection.

Assuming the application is approved, Gibson said the hiring of new faculty members has not been discussed.

One possibility, however, is the hiring of part-time staffers from surrounding counties.

These would have to be individuals who are licensed by the state as instructors, he said.

Typically, an academy is a program offering 400 hours of study, Gibson noted.

If approved in December, classes will begin in the spring and preparations will go ahead for the formal establishment of the academy.

According to Gibson, "(The academy) will provide service to the local and area law enforcement agencies."

## Fiesta is 'Christmas Happening' theme slated Dec. 6

By Amy Teague  
Texan Staffer

A "Mexican Fiesta" is the theme for the annual Christmas Happening which will be Sunday, Dec. 6, at the Scurry County Museum on campus.

The theme continues the museum's focus on Columbus' 100 year anniversary and the Spanish heritage, according to Shirley Leftwich, museum director. Museum volunteers have planned and organized activities for all ages.

To begin the activities, there will be two displays. One will be a Christmas tree decorated with ornaments made by children and volunteers. A fiesta gown worn in a parade in San Antonio will also be on display. The gown weighs 50 pounds, is made of a scarlet material with sequins, and took one year to make.

Along with the displays, there will be two exhibits sponsored by the Institute of Texas Cultures. "Festival of Pinatas" will be an exhibit which illus-

trates the step-by-step process of making a pinata. The second exhibit will be 200 Mexican children toys. These toys are made of clay with some being homemade.

One of the main activities will be "El Mercado," a Mexican market. About eight various merchants and individuals will be selling items in market style. Some of the merchants and individuals will include:

—Ty Brunson and students selling

pottery.

—The Shack selling snowbabies and collectibles.

—Sue Travis selling Christmas floral arrangements

—La Fiesta and Bakery selling empanadas and cookies.

—Scurry County Museum selling Christmas items.

For the children, volunteers will help make tree ornaments.

See FIESTA, page 3

## Senator's son unfazed by Dad's post

Carriker's kid sees no future for himself in politics

By Michelle Romero  
Texan Staffer

What is it like to be a state senator's son? Jake Carriker has an answer for that. "Being a senator's son is just like being anybody else's son, the only difference is that I take more crap because people don't like my father's political views."

Jake's father is Democratic State Senator Steve Carriker of District 30. The Carriker's, Steve and Kathy, are from Roby. Jake is 17 years old and is attending WTC this fall, commuting every Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

"It's cheaper," he said.

He works at the WTC Pro Shop in the afternoons. He skipped his senior year of high school in order to get an early start on his college education.

"I was tired of high school and I felt that WTC had more to offer than high school and I wanted to prepare for a larger school and get some of the basics out of the way."

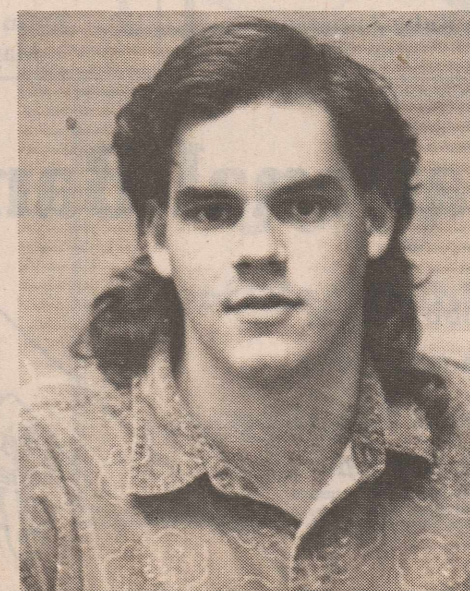
Regarding his role as a senator's son, he noted, "It is different when a member of your family is in the public eye constantly. People expect a senator's son to act different."

When asked how different a senator's son should act, Jake replied, "Stuck-up and rich, that seems to be the stereotype. But I don't know any other senator's sons so I really can't tell you how they act."

He added, "People expect more things out of me."

Jake sees no future in politics for himself. He sees being a public official as a thankless job. "I wonder why people want to be involved in politics after what I've seen."

Jake does do a little campaigning See CARRIKER, page 3



Jake Carriker

## Finals come after holiday

By Masako Hagita  
Texan Staffer

All classes will be dismissed for the Thanksgiving holiday at 1 p.m. Wednesday. The dormitories will close at 2 p.m.

The dormitories will reopen at 2 p.m. Sunday. Classes will resume at 8 p.m. next Monday. After returning from Thanksgiving, students will have only one week of classes remaining before final exams.

Final examinations will be Dec. 7-9. The fall semester officially ends See FINALS, page 3

## Eliminating ORP only eliminates state's competitive edge...

(Editor's Note: The following article is derived from testimony offered recently to the Texas Sunset Advisory Commission)

By Marilyn Lancaster  
Associate English Professor

A recent state report recommends that the Optional Retirement Program be eliminated and current ORP members be allowed to remain in the program with no further enrollment permitted. As a teacher interested in the future of higher education in Texas, I have a number of concerns regarding the elimination of ORP.

Primarily, I'm concerned that Texas colleges and universities will be at a disadvantage in recruiting the best teachers, particularly in the science, math and technical fields.

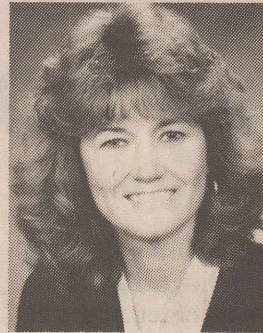
The staff report suggests that the Optional Retirement Program was first established in 1967 to attract "younger and more mobile" higher education employees with a retirement program that was "portable" and had the advantage of a limited vesting period. The intent clearly was to offer an attractive and flexible retirement program for highly skilled professionals who may be, by design, employed at a college or university for just a few years before moving to another state or another profession.

I'm wondering why this argument is thought to be no longer pertinent. I wonder because I know of young, especially talented new faculty members recently employed at WTC. As you might guess, rural communities must work particularly hard to attract talented, qualified professional teachers. I know that most of our young teachers agreed to come to our small school and our small community for only

a limited period.

I wonder if we can attract a professional who is interested in a retirement program that is primarily portable with only the TRS program, which focuses upon a "defined benefit plan" with a five year vesting period.

There are cases to illustrate this concern across the state. Recently, a most talented computer specialist was hired at the Dallas Community College District; his employment hinged on his ability to bring with him the retirement program established in another state. We are facing critical teachers shortages across the nation, particularly in high tech areas. Eliminating the ORP program would serve to make Texas less competitive and place our state at a distinct disadvantage.



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I'm sure everyone agrees that our state needs qualified professionals to prepare our students for the industries we all hope to attract to Texas in the coming decade. And since over 90 percent of qualified new faculty employees of community junior colleges, and I am told a majority of four year college and university faculty, enroll in ORP, I think it is valid to assume that the Optional Retirement Program offers recruiting advantages that cannot be dismissed.

The difference between the numbers enrolled in ORP as opposed to TRS would suggest quite a different trend; however this difference can be accounted for by the mandatory TRS enrollment of all public school employees. The figures do not reflect that over 70 percent of qualified community college faculty are currently enrolled in ORP.

As a teacher, I speak for others in my profession who want the best for our students and our state. We ask our state leaders for decisions that would positively affect the retirement options offered to new teachers and, of consequence, the state's ability to compete in a highly competitive educational market.

# OPINION

## Do Malcolm X baseball caps really honor memory of 'X'?

By Marci Regalado  
Texan Staffer

After seeing the movie "X" this past weekend, fans will pay homage to the great Malcolm X by rushing out and laying down millions of dollars for "X" tee-shirts, caps, pins and "X" potato chips. Yes, potato chips.

Director Spike Lee's upcoming flick, "X," tells the story of the life of Malcolm X, a black 60's civil rights leader who was assassinated in 1965. Malcolm is portrayed by "Mo' Better Blues" and "Cry Freedom" star Denzel Washington.

Lee has on numerous occasions stated that the purpose of "X" is to bring to life to the common movie goer and even more to the black youth who hold Malcolm in high esteem a brand new image of Malcolm as a lover of peace and reason and not one who called for equality "by any means necessary"—even violence.

This is Lee's most ambitious address to young black men and women to achieve self-reliance and pursue education.

As Lee has said, "We've got to turn this backward thinking around where ignorance is championed over intelligence. Young black kids are being ridiculed by their peers for getting A's and speaking proper English. That's criminal."

*'Many of the coolest kids who are sporting "X" mall stuff haven't the slightest idea of what Malcolm's message was.'*



It is very important that speeches made thirty years ago be brought into the context of the 1990s and all the problems that plague the black community.

It is no small coincidence that the movie "X" will most certainly make millions its first weekend in the box office, following in the traditions of black-targeted "New Jack City" and "Boyz'n the Hood."

The fact is that "X" is going to be a multi-multi-million dollar hit for Spike Lee. He stirred up hype for his new venture and sold "X" paraphernalia for two years before the movie was to open.

What's even more ironic is the debate over Malcolm's money-making name. Dr. Betty Shabazz, Malcolm X's widow, claims that the image and name of Malcolm belong to her rightfully since she retains his estate. She also claims that the "X" belongs to her too.

If she were to sue the producers of "X" products (which includes Lee himself) for the sole right to all "X" revenues, she could end up with quite a hefty win to the tune of well over \$100 million dollars, not including punitive damages and legal costs. This is only in 1992. (Remember "X" hype and paraphernalia have been making the public rounds for two years now.)

Here's the big controversy: Is it fair to sell out the image of Malcolm X in the name of spreading his true gospel?

Is the ever-righteous Lee bringing home Malcolm's teachings of black self-reliance and black self-esteem while maintaining his own image as a pioneering film maker and adding to his already numerous millions all at the same time?

Only Lee knows where his priorities are, though they seem contradictory. He is making the world a better place for all people of color and, at the same time, lining his own pocket. Of this, I cannot help but be suspect.

This corporate and legal dog-fight over the image of Malcolm is repulsive and defeats the purpose of Malcolm's teachings of self-respect. Malcolm offered advice to not only his people, but to all people of color to break the welfare cycle, build strong families, become influential on the business level.

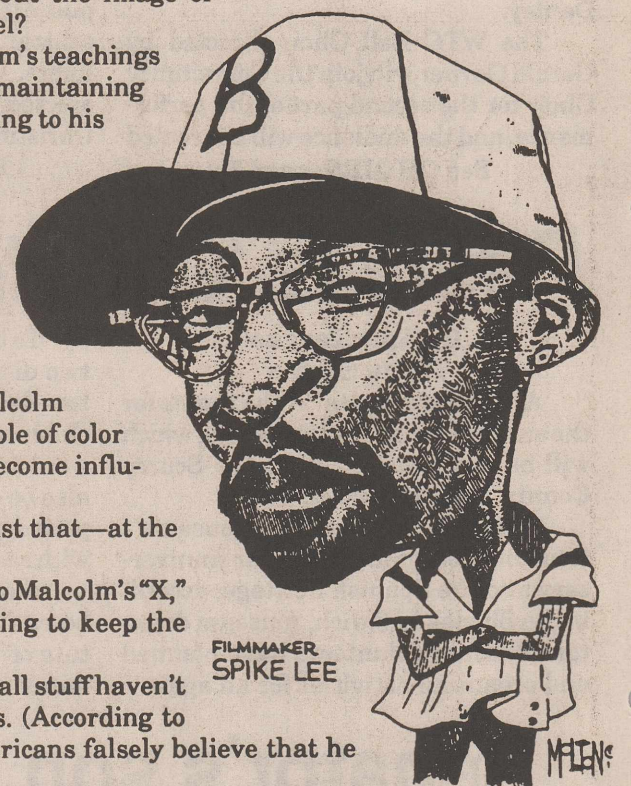
And it seems that movie mogul Lee has done just that—at the expense of Malcolm.

While Shabazz and Lee fight for the legal right to Malcolm's "X," students, ex-followers and black leaders are fighting to keep the legacy true to what Malcolm really stood for.

Many of the coolest kids who are sporting "X" mall stuff haven't the slightest idea of what Malcolm's message was. (According to "Newsweek," 30 percent of all young African Americans falsely believe that he preached violence as a means to black goals.)

Malcolm has become a fashion statement. Like lately re-emerging bell-bottoms and tie-dye, what Malcolm's "X" stands for—the loss of the identity of the African-American—has become another cool 60's item.

It is a great injustice to abbreviate Malcolm to a potato chip and ultimately a dollar sign. This is exactly what Lee says he's striving to avoid, yet his exploitation, as well as that of Shabazz and all those who wear the "X" as fashion, serve as no tribute to Malcolm.



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# New WTC choir promises Christmas song offering

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to Christmas pieces. Palomaki pointed out that these also represent a host of origins, but are a part of our Christmas tradition.

These pieces will include the Welsh piece, "Deck the Halls," arranged by Alice Parker and Robert Shaw; and "Jesus, Jesus Rest Your Head," which is Appalachian and arranged by A.

Warrell.

The English piece, "Good King Wenceslas," also arranged by Parker and Shaw, will feature soloists Theresa Phillips, Terry Danley, Bill Lyon, Rebekah Thornton and Shawn Bogard.

The choir will also perform the traditional "Away in a Manger," by John Rutter, and Leroy Anderson's American "Sleigh

Ride."

Palomaki said the choir has worked on the program since the beginning of the semester.

Future performances will be at the Scurry County Museum's Christmas Happening and at the downtown Christmas lighting festivities on the square in Snyder scheduled for Dec. 5.

"I'm pleased with the inter-

est we've had in the choir," said Palomaki, and added that it now has a good foundation to build upon.

Palomaki conducted community choirs at his former position at Yavapai Community College in Prescott, Ariz., and has had as many as five community choirs at one time.

"There's room for growth,

and as we expand, the realm of music we perform will expand also," said Palomaki.

He cited "The Messiah" as an example of a piece that is performed with about 80 people.

Palomaki spread the word about community choir through churches, letter writing and word of mouth.

"They're all (choir members)

busy people, but they really seem to enjoy this time," said Palomaki.

The choir meets on Tuesday evenings. The class equals one hour of college credit.

Anyone interested in enrolling for the spring semester may contact Palomaki in the Music Department at WTC, 573-8511, ext. 234.

## Carriker's son sees no political future

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for his father. He said he enjoys it because he meets interesting people, but he's still adamant he doesn't want to carry on the family tradition of being involved in politics.

Jake's grandfather, Max Carriker, was elected as a state representative in 1959. He served until January 1964. He died in 1979. His father was first elected a state representative in 1982 before being elected to the state senate in 1988.

## Fiesta theme slated at museum for 'Happening'

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For the musically inclined guests, the local handbell choir directed by Gerald Garner and the WTC Community Choir directed by Jon Palomaki will perform.

There will be traditional Christmas activities also. Santa Claus will visit "Santaland," photos will be taken with the sleigh, and PTK students will break a pinata.

Some 400-500 individuals are expected to attend the 13th annual Christmas Happening. It is sponsored by the Scurry County Museum and WTC.

Jake recalled one of his earliest memories of his dad in politics. "When he was first elected state representative, my little sister, Karen, was born on election day in 1982."

Jake is an undeclared major at WTC, although he plans to study sound technology or recording as a musician. Regarding his interest in music, he said, "That's what I'm good at and it's what I like to do, I don't want to get into a field that is boring, I want to be happy doing what I like to do."

He plans to attend either Angelo State University or South Plains College in the near future. Ultimately, he wants to attend Berklee School of Music in Boston.

About the recent election, he said, "I'm happy that dad got re-elected, I think that the people in this district choose to send the best back to Austin."

Senator Carriker won by a 3,000 vote margin. Jake is pleased also with the presidential outcome and the Democratic win for Bill Clinton. "I think it will be better than it has been."

Jake has two sisters, Karen, age 10, and Stephanie, age 8. Jake was involved in band for three years in high school. He was on the yearbook staff and in the National Honor Society.

## Fall final exam schedule reported

### Day Classes

Class Time	Exam Time
8-8:50 MWF	8 a.m., Dec. 9
9-9:50 MWF	10 a.m., Dec. 8
10-10:50 MWF	Noon, Dec. 7
11-11:50 MWF	10 a.m., Dec. 9
12-12:50 MWF	10 a.m., Dec. 7
8-9:15 TTH	Noon, Dec. 8
9:30-10:45 TTH	8 a.m., Dec. 7
11:30-12:45 TTH	8 a.m., Dec. 8
1-1:50 MWF	2 p.m., Dec. 7
1-2:30 TTH	2 p.m., Dec. 8
4-5:15 TTH	4 p.m., Dec. 7

### Evening Classes

Monday evening	6:30 p.m., Dec. 7
Tuesday evening	6:30 p.m., Dec. 8
Wednesday evening	6:30 p.m., Dec. 9
Thursday evening	6:30 p.m., Dec. 3

## New manager named for college bookstore

Sherry Harbin has been promoted manager of the WTC bookstore, which is privately ran by the Texas Book Company.

She has worked for the store for almost two years. "I am so excited about this promotion," she said.

Sherry has been married to Kenny Harbin for eight years. He works at the Snyder prison as a correctional officer. They have two children, Britt, who is 7 years old and is in the second grade, and Bran Dee, who is 2 1/2.

## 'Aquifer' deadline set in early December

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Department. The fall deadline will allow these students to illustrate the works early in the spring term.

The tentative publication date for the third "Aquifer" is March 1.

At that time, plans are to have a visiting poet perform a reading on campus. There are plans also to have the magazine's new works read by their student writers.

The "Aquifer" began publication in the fall of 1990. Its four faculty editors are Richard Lancaster, Janet Halbert, Bill McGlothing and Donny Brown.

Students wishing to contribute are encouraged to give their works to one of the four editors.

Works must be typewritten. Students will be asked also to fill out a brief form and information from it will be used for a brief "About the Writers" forward in the publication.

The first two editions of the magazine have won several awards from the Texas Intercollegiate Press Association.

During its first year of publication, the "Aquifer," which competes against other community colleges and four-year universities with enrollments up to 6,000, was voted the 3rd best overall literary magazine.

That year, three WTC students received awards including first place for a short story submission and two third place awards for essay and opinion pieces. Last year, WTC student Anita Brown won a 3rd place honor for her essay "I Want It Now."

## Lighting event due tomorrow at WTC

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yard.

Students in night classes will be dismissed briefly to allow them to view the Christmas lighting ceremony. Hot chocolate and other treats will be served by members of the WTC Student Senate.


The lights will burn from Nov. 24 through the holiday season.

## Finals follow holiday

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Dec. 11, but the dormitory will close at 2 p.m. Dec. 9.

The Christmas-New Year's holiday for administration and staff will be Dec. 14 through Jan. 1, 1993.

Faculty in-service will begin Jan. 6, 1993. Registration for the spring term is scheduled Jan. 11-12, 1993.



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## W.W. II memories still strong

By Valeri Miller  
Texan Staffer

Four World War II veterans spoke in the Fine Arts Theater Nov. 10 to share their memories of the war. It marked the third event sponsored by the W.W. II Remembrance Committee.

The panel consisted of Rex Nall, a tank driver in Europe; Robert Swint, a foot soldier in Europe; Alonzo (Lonnie) Johnson, a foot soldier in the South Pacific; and Bill Hibbs, a foot soldier in the South Pacific.

The welcome to the remembrance was done by WTC President Harry Krenek and the introduction by Dr. Ed Barkowsky. Nearly 90 individuals, including many other veterans, attended.

The first speaker, Rex Nall, was part of a tank crew and was drafted at the age of 19.

He recalled one "lucky" break during the war, having his tank break down. While it was being repaired, a major battle was fought and he recalled seeing the many dead the next day.

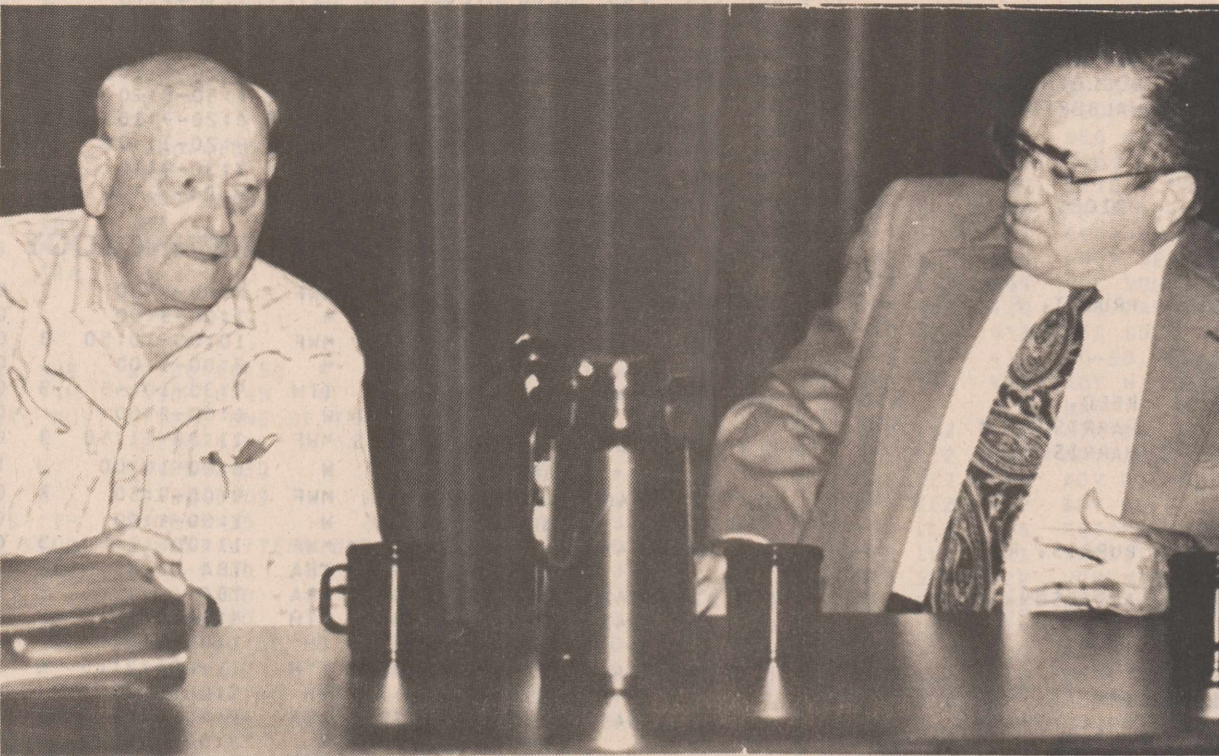
"That's when I first realized what the war was about," he said.

Robert Swint was in Scurry County's Company G. He recalled the Battle of Cassino, a German monastery that U.S. forces surrounded but never captured. "In the end, I think we just went around it," he said.

Lonnie Johnson was also in the Scurry County National Guard. While stationed in the South Pacific, he noted the G.I.s only source of news was the famous Tokyo Rose. When they listened to her, he said, "We just



Ground force veterans Rex Nall, Robert Swint



W.W. II veterans Alonzo (Lonnie) Johnson, Bill Hibbs

reversed everything she said and knew it was right."

Bill Hibbs noted he trained for several jobs before finally see-

ing action as a rifleman. He commented that he got through the war by maintaining two things, a faith in God and a sense of

humor.

Panelist Don Adams was unable to join the group because of an illness.

## WTC judging teams end 1992 fall season with two competitions

By Lynn Moseley  
Texan Staffer

The WTC judging teams ended fall competition recently with both a livestock judging contest and a meat judging contest.

The WTC Livestock Judging team competed in its first National Intercollegiate Livestock Judging contest Nov. 13-16 in Kansas City. Overall, the team placed 16th in Beef Judging and 15th in Placings.

Rod Jeeter of Snyder placed

as the highest individual on the team as well as the highest individual in Sheep

Judging. He also tied with Mark Stansell of Fluvanna for high individual in Reasons.

Stansell placed as the highest individual in the Swine competition also.

Jimmy Kitchens of Snyder placed as the highest on the team in Beef Judging.

Other competitors included Bay John Long and Terry Leatherwood, both of Snyder.

The competition consisted of 28 teams and 145 contestants. The team is scheduled to compete in two national spring contests in Fort Worth and Houston.

In other competition, the WTC Meat Judging team ranked first in Quality Grading and had three members place as individuals Nov. 6 at competition in Gar-

den City, Kan.

Kathy Hobbs of Utopia placed as the highest individual on the team in overall scores and 12th in Quality and Yield Grading.

Lanny Zant of Wilson was the second highest individual on the team.

Tommi Whitley of O'Donnell placed as the highest individual in Quality Grading and 10th in Questions.

Jodie Ellis of Colorado City

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was third in Placings.

Also participating was Hud Hudson of Colorado City.

The contest consisted of 61 contestants and lasted through Nov. 8. Team sponsor for both teams is Jim Judah, WTC ag instructor.

### Apartment residents have meal invitation

One on-campus meal invitation remains this fall term for students living on campus, courtesy of Kappa Chi.

On Dec. 3, students living in the apartments are invited from 10:45 -11:30 a.m. to the Christian Student Center for a home-cooked meal.

Dorm students were invited earlier this fall.

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# Latest WTC 'doc' researches cotton

By Lynn Moseley  
Texan Staffer  
WTC has a new "doctor."  
David Kattes, agricultural science and golf landscape technology instructor, recently received his Ph.D. from Texas Tech University.

In 1974 and 1976, Kattes attended Texas A&M and received his bachelor's and master's degrees in entomology, the study of insects. In 1980, Kattes began taking night courses at Tech and, in 1985, decided to finish his Ph.D.

In order to receive the degree, Kattes completed 60 hours over his bachelor's degree in the field of agronomy, crop sciences.

Upon completing the classes, Kattes took a preliminary qualifying exam in order to be submitted as a candidate for receiving a Ph.D. Once admitted, he began writing his dissertation.

Kattes worked with five professors during his study including a mathematician, a statistician, a plant breeder, a weed scientist and a seed physiologist.

His topic involved the study of the quality of cottonseed for planting purposes. Basically, he attempted to determine if there were advantages to planting cotton seed with the lint removed through the delinting process.

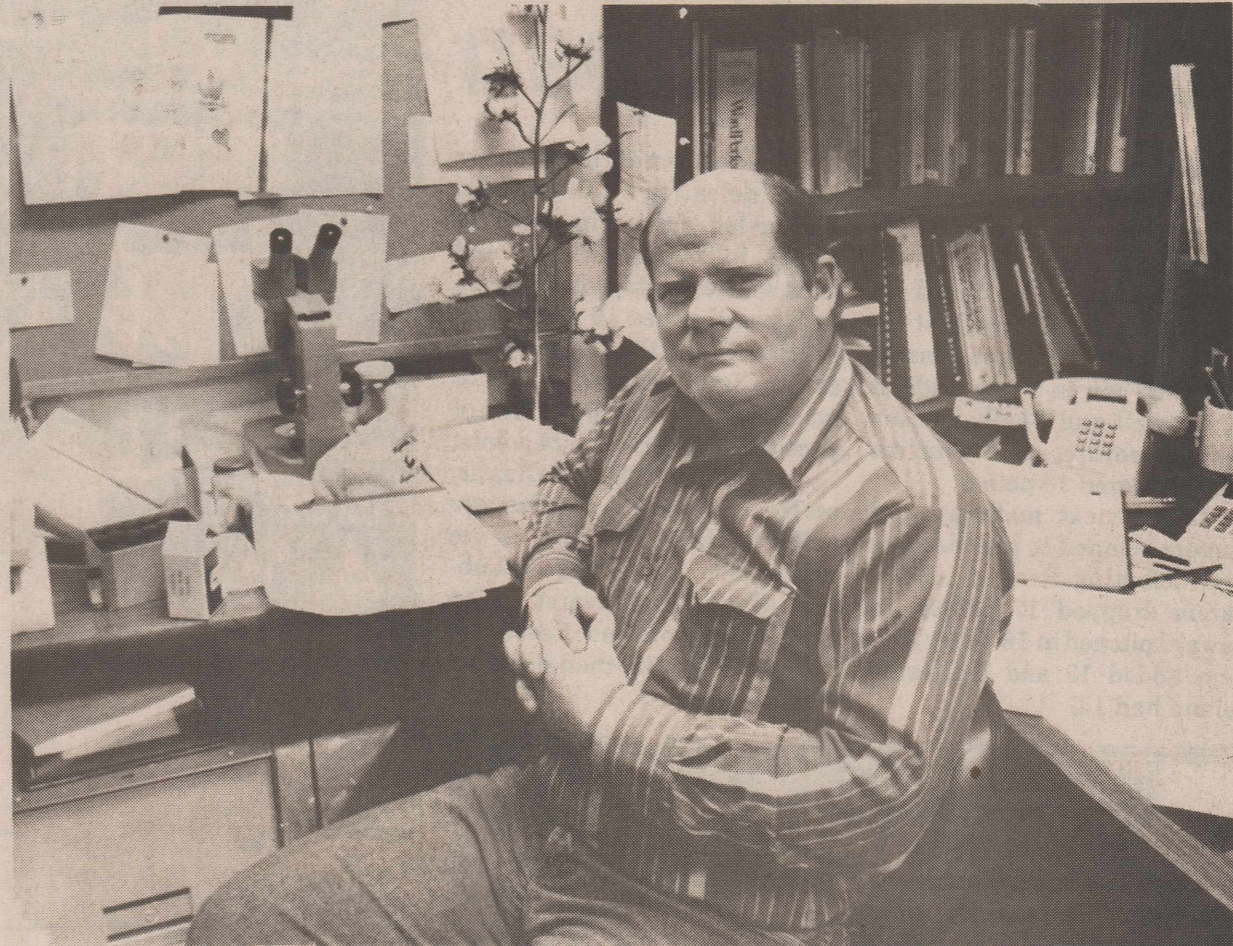
The dissertation, entitled "Comparison of Two Cottonseed Delinting Methods with Respect

to Planting Seed Quality," reveals the problem of planting the lint-covered cottonseeds and studies the advantages of planting those without the lint.

As part of the research for his dissertation, Kattes planted and grew his own cotton crop. He found

that delinting the seeds did not cause reduction in the quality of the cotton nor in the yield of the crop. Preparing the final copy for his dissertation took three years to complete. Kattes said.

The dissertation... studies the advantages of planting (cotton seeds) without lint.



Ag/GLT instructor David Kattes, who recently received his doctorate

# Instructor employed for prison

By Nicole Seeliger  
Texan Staffer

Charles Ivie of Abilene is the first to be hired to teach for Western Texas College at the new French Robertson Prison Unit in Jones County.

He will teach automobile mechanics as part of the vocational class offerings at the unit. Ivie was previously employed at WTC between 1988-91 as an instructor in auto mechanics.

While at WTC, Ivie taught college and high school classes, including night classes, and "Powder Puff" classes. He also taught automotive continuing education classes at the Price Daniel Unit. He is a graduate of Western Texas College.

# CAMPUS

## Group from WTC tours Abilene prison

By Masako Hagita  
Texan Staffer

A 31-member group from WTC visited the French Robertson prison unit near Abilene last Wednesday, Nov. 18.

The group included WTC board members, administrators, faculty members and staff.

The purpose of the tour was

to allow college faculty members to view the facilities before teaching classes there this spring.

WTC instructors will teach 10 academic classes at French Robertson, sessions which are expected to add more than 100 students to the college's enrollment.

Vocational credit in automotive electronics and heating and

refrigeration will be offered also.

Certificates in small engine repair and building maintenance will be offered as well and will be attainable in one or two months.

The new prison officially opened Nov. 13 and was to receive prisoners beginning Nov. 20. It is a maximum security prison unit housing 2,250 inmates.

## Entry date nears for photo contest

All WTC students and faculty are eligible to enter a "WTC Photo Contest" with prizes offered totaling \$150. First place will be \$75; 2nd place, \$50; 3rd place, \$25. Photos must represent WTC campus life to include organizations, sports and other activities.

Black and white or color photos will be accepted. Preferred format is 8 by 10 inches, but color snapshots are acceptable also.

The entry deadline is Dec. 1.

Photos will be considered for use in the WTC catalogue and will become the property of WTC.

People who are interesting should contact Donny Brown, in the Mass Communications Dept, SC 106, for more information.

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# Conference play to open

By Daniela Guadaluza  
Texan Staffer

The Lady Dusters will open conference play at Scurry County Coliseum tomorrow night against the Howard Lady Hawks. Game time is set for 7:30 p.m.

Last Monday, the Dusters hosted Cisco and defeated them 80-72. The Dusters outscored their opponents in both halves.

Allison Garcia led the scoring with 18 points, followed by Jenny Crowell and Ayesha Howard who each pitched in 14 points.

With that win, the Dusters' record was 8-1. They were to

compete this past weekend at the Big Spring tournament.

In last weekend's WTC McDonald's Classic, the Dusters devastated Ft. Sill 100-25 in their opening game. Four Dusters scored in double figures, Garcia led with 27 points, Howard added 16, Crowell and Shelly Decker had 12 points, and Paulita Murrell scored 10 points.

In the next matchup, the Dusters romped to another victory, defeating Ranger 101-74. Garcia dropped 17 points, as Howard pitched in 16, Mary Ann Isom added 13 and LaMeshia Roland had 14.

The Dusters earned another win by defeating Ft. Bliss 98-55. Decker led the scoring with 14 points, followed by Garcia and Isom who each pitched in 12 each, as Howard added 10 points.

On Nov. 9, the Dusters traveled to Cisco and came away with an 85-65 win. Ayesha Howard paced the Dusters with 24 points.

At the South Plains Classic, on Nov. 5, 6 and 7, the Dusters suffered their first loss of the new season, losing 83-71 to Lubbock Christian University. The Dusters demolished Reese the next day 105-26, then defeated Panola 87-68.



Jenny Crowell on the offense against Cisco last Monday

# Rodeo victory at Tech makes fall count 3 of 4

By Toni Evans  
Texan Staffer

A victory at Texas Tech ended the men's fall rodeo season Nov. 7, giving them three rodeos won out of the four they competed in.

Benji Fontenot placed second in bareback riding and won

the bull riding competition to claim All Around Cowboy honors and to help pace the men's rodeo team to its third team win of the fall term.

This fall marked the best showing for a men's rodeo team since 1989, when Bob Doty's team won all four rodeos.

Travis Whiteside with rides of 65 and 68 for a 133 total.

Teammate Trey Griffin placed second in the bull riding event with scores of 78 and 60 for a 143 total.

Leslie Greer was the only competitor for the women's team making the final round. Greer

"Right now we are trying to keep our grades together, that's the key to it,"

Doty said. "We had a lot of injuries and in the spring these guys will have a fresh start."

Regarding what the WTC men "do best," he noted, "We dominate the bareback competition. In all four rodeos we had a different individual win the event each time. We've also done well in bullriding competitions."

At Tech, Fontenot's scores were 68 and 73 for a total of 141 in bareback riding and a 70 and 79 for a 149 total in bull riding.

Chris Stanford claimed the top spot as an individual in bareback riding with a first ride 73, and a second score of 70 for a 143 total.

Third was team member

placed fifth in goat tying with times of 8.3 and 9.7 for a total of 18.0.

Others competing as individuals in the Tech rodeo were Dusti Beaton who followed closely behind Greer with an 18.1, and the roping team of Sid and Justin Morris, who placed fifth with a total time of 32.8.

"I'm real proud of my girl's team this year too. Dusti is the only sophomore and the younger ones are getting used to college rodeo," Doty commented.

The Tech rodeo was the last for the fall semester.

The spring season opens March 11 at the Odessa College Rodeo.

# Golfers end fall slate with 9th place finish

By Neally Hernandez  
Texan Staffer

The WTC Westerners finished in ninth place from a field of 15 at the last golf tournament of the fall season, held in Dennis at the Sugar Tree Invitational Nov. 9-11.

The team played three rounds, 18 holes each, and shot 324, 319 and 333. The Westerner's ninth place finish was a tally of 976 strokes, 69 shots off the winning pace.

Midland College won the tournament with a team score of 907.

WTC was lead by freshman Chris Rogers, scoring a final round total of 232 for 54 holes. He had rounds of 77, 75 and 80.

Jimmy Flores totaled 236 for the Westerners with 75, 81 and 80. Daryl Weldon shot 82, 82, 86 (250); Derek Allen had 90, 83, 87 (260); and Shannon "Chunky" Nelms had 94, 81, 104 (279).

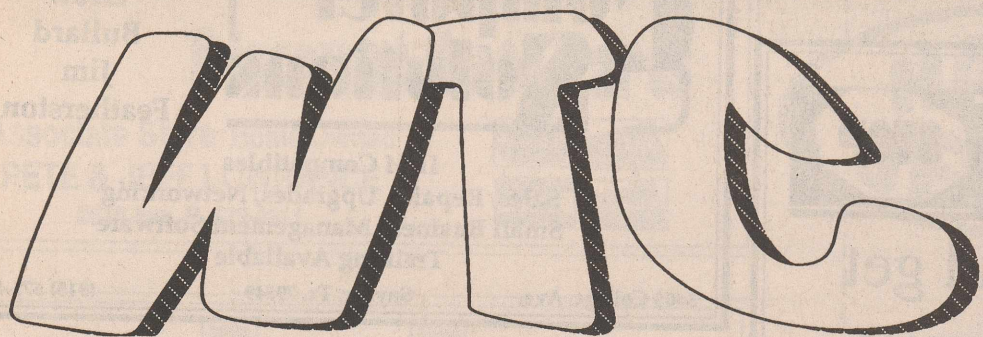
WTC was represented again by freshmen members at the

event to give them more tournament experience, noted Coach Milton Ham. He said he is very excited for the spring season of golf because he hopes to finish second in conference again like last year. Midland won the conference last year.

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Last TEXAN for fall... See you next spring