



**SPRING 2004 REGISTRATION
LAST DAY TO REGISTER
JANUARY 20**

Sunday, January 11, 2004

Western Texas College, 6200 College Ave. Snyder, TX 79549

Volunteers Help in Completion of Ball Fields



Pictured above are Mike Thornton, Dr. Jim Clifton, Tommy Watts, Patricia Claxton, J.R. Torres, Dr. Greg Williams, Rey Juarez and Rob Smauley.



Pictured above are Patricia Claxton, Jeff West and Dr. Jim Clifton is operating the lift.



Preparing the sign boards for Mike Thornton to paint are J.R. Torres and Raul Alcalá



Kyle Schultz named SGA President

WTC Student Government Association has elected Kyle Schultz as President. Former President Moose Amato stepped down at the end of last semester leaving the spot open.

Kyle is a freshman at WTC and is majoring in Criminal Justice. He has been a member of SGA since the beginning of last semester. He is the son of Beth and Kurt Schultz of Crandall, TX

Creative Writing Class on Schedule for Spring

After a few semesters out of rotation on the Western Texas College schedule, English 2307, Creative Writing, will be offered once again this Spring.

The course, which will meet once a week on Monday evenings from 6:30-9:20 pm, will introduce students to techniques for creating imaginative literature, particularly short fiction, poetry, and creative nonfiction.

Structured primarily in a kind of "workshop" format, the course will also provide students with the

opportunity to digest and critique their classmates' literary pieces while having their own work reviewed by a supportive group of fellow writers.

Enrollment in the course requires no previous experience with creative writing; all interested parties, including those with significant experience with writing and publication and those who, while they may lack substantial experience, are nevertheless interested in giving creative writing a try, are welcome to join.

Welcome Back Dance Slated

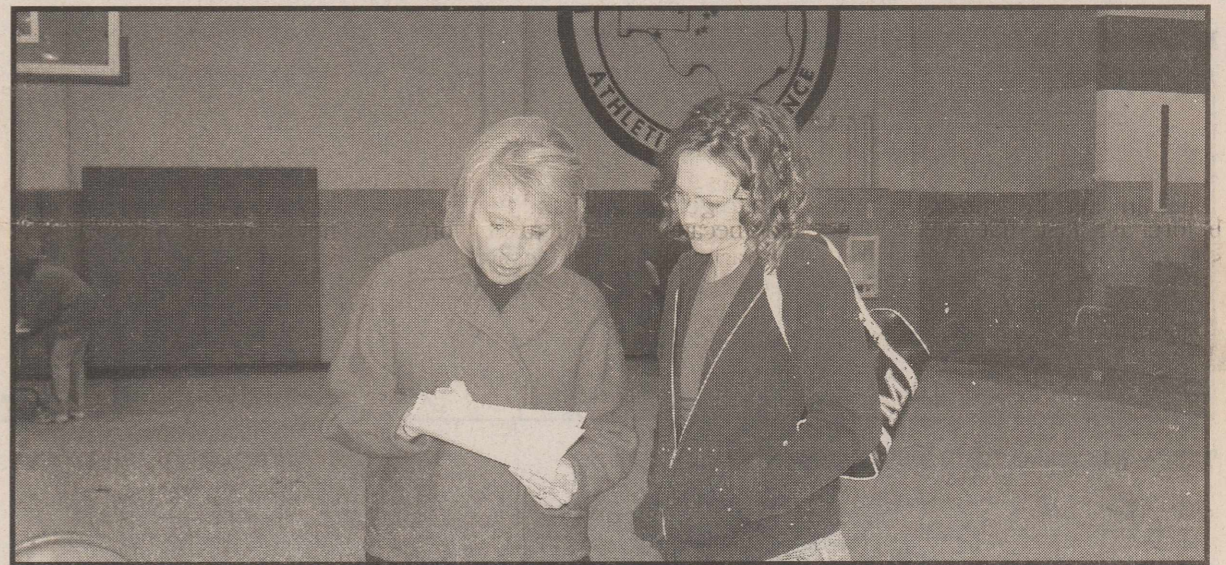
WTC Student Government Association has planned a Welcome Back Dance for January 21.

The dance will be held in the cafeteria and will begin at 9 pm and last till 12 pm. "The theme for the dance will be New Beginnings" says SGA member Misty McClure.

The DJ will be John Green from Frank Phillips College in Borger, and SGA will be serving punch and cookies for refreshments.

Upcoming Events

January 12	Drop/Adds Begin Placement Test Board Meeting 7pm	January 19	Martin Luther King Day Campus Closed
January 13	All Classes Begin PTK Meeting 7pm SGA Meeting 8pm Movie Night 9 pm	January 20	Last Day to Register PTK Meeting 7pm SGA Meeting 8pm Movie Night 9pm
		January 21	Welcome Back Dance 9pm



Carolyn Osborn counsels Morgan Henderson from Rotan on classes she should take this semester at WTC. The last day to register for classes at WTC is January 20. Night classes begin Jan. 12 and all other classes Jan. 13.

Getting to Know You

**Patty Kuhl - Director of Student Activities
Hired - August 13, 1997**



What led you to WTC? After my husband's job transferred us to Snyder, I applied for a job with WTC. I started in the Registrar's office and then took a job in Admissions and I am currently Director of Student Activities.

Where do you go from here? At this moment in my life I am happy with where I am. I have a wonderful job and really enjoy working with the students on our campus.

Most memorable moment: My wedding day, my children's births and the day I was told I was going to be a grandmother.

Hardest decision I've ever made: Taking college class's after being out of school for over 20 years.

Favorite spare time activity: I would have to say shopping and spending time with my family.

Names of family members: Bobby, my husband of 31 years who works for Parallel Petroleum. I have two children, a son Chad, that works for Kinder Morgan and is married to Michelle who works at WTC and a daughter Kristin, who works at West Elementary. I have 3 grandson's Christopher, Kasey, and Braison, and a great granddaughter Katie.

Aquifer to Publish This Semester

Students this semester will have a chance to be published in the Western Texas College Literary magazine the "Aquifer." The last time the magazine was published was the spring of 2001.

"Aquifer," which has won 29 awards from the Texas Intercollegiate Press since it was begun in the fall of 1990, affords students their first opportunity to be published in print.

Written work submissions are accepted for poetry, short stories and essays. To illustrate these, WTC students may submit also original art work, photographs or computer designed graphics.

Matt Rose, who will be Senior Editor of "Aquifer" says, "I will decide on a date for submission deadlines, it will be late in January or in February. Mr. Rose is an English instructor at WTC and is scheduled to teach a Creative Writing class this semester. (See article this page.)

Since it's founding, "Aquifer" writers or artists have been recognized by the Texas Intercollegiate Press with eight 1st place awards, eight 2nd place prizes, nine 3rd place honors and four honorable mentions.

"Aquifer" competes in Division 2 which includes two and four-year private and public colleges with up to 3,000 enrollment.

Previous honors won are:

-Spring of 2003, honorable mention cover design; 3rd place story package; 1st place story package; 3rd place info graphic; honorable mention illustration.

-Spring of 1999, honorable mention single magazine "est overall" category; 1st place informational graphic; 1st place story package; 2nd place cover design; 2nd place short story.

-Spring of 1998, honorable

mention single magazine "best overall" category; 1st place short story; 1st place essay; 2nd place magazine illustration; 2nd place story packaging; 3rd place magazine cover; 3rd place poetry.

-Spring of 1997, 2nd place short story; 2nd place story package; 3rd place essay.

-Spring of 1996, 1st place short story; 1st place essay; 2nd place poetry.

-Spring of 1995, 1st place essay; 3rd place single issue magazine; honorable mention poetry.

-Spring of 1994, 2nd place illustration.

-Spring of 1992, 3rd place essay; 3rd place opinion.

-Spring of 1991, 1st place short story; 3rd place essay; 3rd place opinion; 3rd place single issue magazine; honorable mention poetry.



Dave Hanes (left) accepts a check from Shawn Ragland, President of American State Bank for \$700 raised by American State Bank and given to WTC for Nursing and EMS Scholarships. The money was raised by ASB from the sale of 9-11 tee shirts.