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Accreditation Team Visits WTC

An accreditation team representing the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools completes a four-day visit on campus today. Purpose of the visit is to reaffirm WTC's accreditation with the Southern Association.

Committee members and college officials attended a dinner Monday night in the cafeteria to open their visit. Tuesday and Wednesday the team observed the college in operation, visiting with faculty and students as well as classes in session.

A faculty committee headed by Harry Krenek, professor of history, completed a self-study several weeks ago and submitted its report to WTC's board of trustees. This week's visit is the final phase of the accreditation process.

The committee worked to

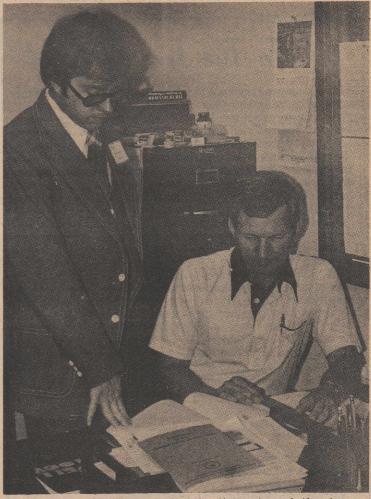
identify strengths and weaknesses, problems and solutions in order for the college to improve educational effectiveness. The program is designed to help institutions reassess their objectives, measure success in obtaining objectives, explore ways to enhance educational efficiency and prepare for increasing demands by society.

Reaccreditation permits the college to weigh itself qualitatively and to be measured by evaluations of the visiting team.

This procedure means that reaffirmation must be completed at the annual meeting of the Southern Association five years after membership is granted. After the first reaffirmation, WTC must participate every ten years.

WTC's self-study consists of committee reports over these aspects of the college program: philosophy and purpose, physical plant, finances, instruction and student development services. Finally, a futures committee compiled all findings into one study, including suggestions and recommendations.

Visiting committee members, a total of eight, headed by chairman Dr. John W. Teel, were from various colleges in Virginia, Florida, Georgia, & North Carolina.



IT'S LIKE THIS — Visiting Southern Association team member Clyde Stephens reviews committee work with Joe Carter, agriculture faculty member, in Carter's office. (photo by Cody Bell)

Wright Third In Live Contests At Rocky Mountain Press Confab

WTC journalists won their share of awards at the 54th annual Rocky Mountain Collegiate Press Association (RMCPA) in San Marcos March 22-24.

Diane Wright, Western Texan editor, placed third in both news writing and feature writing live print media contests to earn third overall in the junior college "Journalist of the Year" competition. First was Ron Franscell of Casper (Wyoming) College, and second was Tom Kehow of Pima (Arizona) Community (allege)

munity College.

In individual newspaper contests, Division V, WTC staff members earned 28 places, most in the division. Second was Western Wyoming College with 17 and third was Central Wyoming College with 10. Other entries represented Northwest (Wyoming) Community College, Arizona College of Technology and Dawson (Colorado) Community College.

Nine first places include Laurel Mebane, brite; Kay Ellington, sports news; Rocky Alexander, sports column; Ellington, critical review; Alexander, single ad; Joe Boldon, feature photo; Boldon, sports photo; Debbie Sutton, picture story, and Wright, editor, special section/supplement.

Twelve second places are Stacy Payne, news feature; Mebane, feature writing; Shirley Ballard, investigative/interpretative reporting; Ellington, editorial writing; Alexander, sports news; Alexander, sports feature; Paula Chastain, news photo; Boldon, sports photo; Boldon and Cody Bell, picture story; Wright, headline writing; Wright, page makeup, and WTC staff, typography-layout-design.

Seven third places included Jill Palmer, feature writing; Stephanie Stephens, investigative/interpretative reporting; Wright, critical review; Weldon Jefferson, single ad; Sutton, picture story; Lisa Nichols; best illustration, and WTC staff, general excellence

In the literary magazine contests, Retha Lindsay earned second place in non-fiction article.

More than 200 student journalists from 50 colleges and universities in 11 western states attended the conference, hosted by Southwest Texas State University, first time ever in Texas

Attending from WTC were Alexander, Boldon, Wright and Mike McBride, associate professor of journalism and publications adviser.

Next year's conference will be in Colorado Springs, Colo., cohosted by Adams State College and the U.S. Air Force Academy.

County Medicine Show Featured In Museum

Only two days left!

"Scurry County Medicine Yesterday and Today" is featured in a temporary exhibit this month only in the Scurry County Museum on campus.

Equipment from local doctors' offices, photographs and written records from past years give viewers a look at nostalgia.

Local chapters of the American Heart Association, Cancer Society and Cogdell Memorial Hospital provided items for part of the exhibit dealing with medicine today.

Mayor John Fagin proclaimed

March Heart Month in Snyder, making this portion of the exhibit especially timely.

The exhibit may be seen during regular museum hours.

Work is currently underway on revamping community exhibits and the oil exhibit in the museum's permanent gallery, according to Sharon Sutton, museum director.

Visitors may still tour the gallery, although portions may be closed when work is in progress. Plans include a special program in May to show new exhibits when they are completed.

Board Approves Plans For Housing Project

Scurry County Junior College District trustees approved plans for moving ahead on a proposed new housing project on the campus at a brief meeting March 13.

The board authorized the administration to employ a building trades instructor. Construction of some duplex-type housing will be part of the instruction program in the building trades course.

Tentative plans for such a project have been under board consideration for some time. The housing project will be on the southeast area of the campus.

In other business, the board formally approved the appointment of Bob Hayes in midmanagement to fill the position left vacant by the resignation of Mike Boles.

Also approved was a policy change for payment of annual golf course fees. Those who take annual memberships now are permitted to pay monthly or semi-annually. Fee for one year is \$100

Semi-annual fees (Jan. 1 and July 1) are \$90, and monthly fees are \$15. Family dependents are charged only partial fees.

The bid of Colonial Motor Co. for a Jacobson top dresser for use on golf course greens was accepted. Price of the machine is \$1,980.

Next meeting of the board is April 3 for the purpose of canvassing results of the April 1 trustee election.



PROUD JOURNALISTS — Members of **The Western Texan** are shown with awards won at the Rocky Mountain Collegiate Press Association. They are Mike McBride, adviser; Diane Wright, editor; Rocky Alexander, sports editor, and Joe Boldon, photographer. (staff photo)

editorially.

Up To The Individual

It's not unusual anymore to see couples of mixed races either dating or actually married.

Not too long ago it was virtually unheard of — it just was not done. If you married someone of another race, you were degrading yourself and your family.

People are apparently accepting it, from reading Darlene

Neatherlin's WT Poll. Personally, I feel that people should stay with their own race when considering a serious relationship. I don't feel whites are any better than blacks or Mexicans or vice versa; it's just the way I've been reared to believe.

If a person becomes involved with a person of another race, several considerations should be made, including how their families will react particularly if one of the people comes from a

The people involved aren't marrying the family, but if a partner in the relationship has strained family ties it could prove disastrous for the mixed racial marriage, plus even causing deep feelings of hurt with the family that can never be repaired.

Another consideration is the possible children. A lot of the ways children feel about their parents' mixed racial marriages depend on how the parents themselves feel about the marriage. If the parents are happy and love each other, the children should feel the same.

Problems will be encountered in school, but they can be talked out in the home

Should the child feel there's no wrong, the problems won't seem as terrible. And one day the children's fellow classmates will grow up and accept such things maturely.

Maybe their children will be taught how not to hurt others' feelings, if the parents remember how they hurt someone in elementary school.

Another consideration is the people themselves.

If their love and respect for one another is great enough and they're willing to toil at making their marriage work out (and it'll call for more work than that which is called for in a normal, one-race marriage), then the odds are in their favor. But they've got to really work at making their marriage a success, otherwise

both parties will be hurt a great deal.

I've seen people who are involved in a mixed racial relationship, both dating and/or married. It might be their thing. They might be happy. But it isn't for me.



Proud Editor

by Diane Wright PRIDE!

Believe me, I was bursting with it after The Western Texan and its staff received as many awards as it did at the annual RMCPA (Rocky Mountain Collegiate Press Association) convention held during spring break at San Marcos. Boy, was I PROUD!

I believe my staffers deserve

WT POLL: Mixed Marriages

Students Express Liberal

by Darlene Neatherlin

WTC students are pretty liberal and flexible according to responses to a question asking what they think about mixed racial marriages.

"Mixed racial marriages can work out fine, but there are problems they have to work out that other married couples do not have. Their children are usually affected by this type of marriage, but if their parents love each other the kids can overcome the setbacks. If two people love each other it is fine for them to get married, but this kind of marriage is not for me" said Amy Martin, Roscoe freshman.

Colorado City freshman Weldon Jefferson's feelings for mixed racial marriages is "Fine if it is love that the two people have. It is said that all people are equal. If that is so, then the color of the people shouldn't make any difference. The sooner we find that out, the better this world will be. Mixed marriages! Why not?"

Verna Trimble, Coleman freshman, said, "Mixed marriages should be something that people should face 'cause it is happening everyday. I am not against it because if people love each other then the more power to them. The couple should be ready for all the problems that will come with their marriage."

'As far as marriages go, I don't think that things like race, or even religion for that matter, should make any difference. You have to look at it from a standpoint of the elements that

make up a good marriage, one which is a mutual respect. If you marry a man who is the same race that you are and he beats you, is it a better marriage than the inter-racial one, where the husband treats his wife the way a proper husband should?" stated LaDonna Powell, Big Spring Sophmore.

She continued by saying, "Many people bring up the subject of the effects of an interracial marriage. Which is better, having parents of the same race who fight all the time, or parents of different races who show love to you and to each other?" She personally does not plan to get married, but if she did, she would want to marry someone that makes her

Sophomore from Buffalo, N.Y., Lonnie Nichols, thinks, "It is all right as long as the couple knows what's happening. Now it might be hard on their children. It can be all right if they can cope with the society and what society thinks."

To Fritch freshman Gay Lunday, "Mixed races in marriages are just fine if the two people first realize that their lives could be a great deal different compared to those who marry someone of their own color. They must consider that many people don't accept mixed marriages. This could cause tension among the couple when out in public or when their children go to school. It is a good chance that the children won't understand why they're different and why the other kids don't accept them. The couple must have a complete understanding on such matters to have a successful marriage.'

Joe Mendoza, freshman from El Paso, stated, "They're cool. It's up to the individuals how they feel. If they love each other, it shouldn't matter. They might get a lot of pressure and they must be willing to handle the pressure from people. The easy way out is to do what people want, but if they go through with it, they must really care for each other. There will be no problems with children because they will grow up, too.

El Paso sophomore Julio Gallardo, said, "Well, the race doesn't matter as long as you get along with the other person, not worrying about what other people think. As long as they feel that it is right, it is okay.'

Jerry Harrison, Pecos freshman, believes, "I wouldn't do it. If someone else is willing to, then I think they will have to cope with a lot of problems like family and especially the children. It is all right as long as I'm not involved.

Jon Moorehead, sophomore from El Paso, said, "I'm from a mixed marriage. I didn't have any problems — it all depends on the attitude of the individual and how they can learn to love and accept it. A mixed racial marriage shouldn't have any effect on problems because I don't have any and you can see how good I am! There are no differences in a lixed marriage ove each other.

a round of applause and slaps on their backs for the fantastic showing we had! Congrats, everyone!

I honestly don't believe we could have done as well as we did without the help and encouragement of adviser Mike McBride, associate professor of journalism.

He's been with us through every deadline, doing as much if not more work than some staff members. He's shared each headache through each issue. Last but not least, he's put up with some very strange staff people, myself included.

I hope that after everyone receives all the awards they're up to win this spring, they'll forgive me for all my gritching!

So, thanks, Mike and staff members! I knew we could do

Something To Do! When? Tonight Where? Student Center Time? 8:30 What? Movie 'Billy Jack'

For Your Information

Although not directly affecting WTC students, at least not those from other towns, Snyder will soon have to make a decision concerning legalization of alcoholic beverages if the drive for petitions succeeds in collecting 563 signatures. The committee working on the petitions has 30 days to obtain the signatures, making the due date about April 13.

One of the "Citizens for Progressive Snyder" committee leaders, Ken Minyard, is said to be confident that the required signatures will be obtained well within the 30-day limit. If this is done, they then present them to the court. The commissioners, at their next regular meeting, are required to set an election within 20-30 days by law.

The last liquor election in Snyder was about eight years ago, failing by 174 votes out of 3,500 cast, according to Minyard

Minyard stated that, for the last four months, the committee has been trying to get WTC students to register to vote. They believe that students voting (and hopefully, they feel, in favor of the proposal) will "make the difference" in the

Reason for bringing legalized liquor to Snyder? "We want to keep our money and people at home," Minyard stated.

Lanny Wadleigh, another member of the group, believes that the proposal would be a boost to Snyder's economy. He said that new industry and smaller conventions will be attracted to Snyder.

At the last election, there was a group called "Citizens Against Legal Liquor" but so far there hasn't been any organized opposition this time, Minyard said.

The two members said that some people who don't drink are backing the election in order to keep Snyder residents from going out of town to get their liquor.

According to Wadleigh, the loss in liquor sales is estimated at about \$1 million, based on beer cans alone found in Scurry



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Art Bug Bit Rosalie McGlaun

"I'm just taking some of the things I always wanted to take, are the words of 73-year-old Rosalie McGlaun, WTC's oldest student, when telling her reason for coming back to school.

Presently enrolled in a threehour jewelry course under Mike Thornton, Mrs. McGlaun says she's taken "every art course that came along. I had to raise my family and help with my grandchildren. I didn't start taking art 'til I was 50 - been whooping it up ever since!"

The long-time Snyder resident said she'd attended Baylor-Belton college (now Mary Hardin-Baylor), a women's school at Belton, Texas after high school, went to a Presbyterian college in Tennessee for a year, then got married.

During this time, she "got everything in dress making' and could design her own clothes. In fact, one of her instructors wanted her to continue her education and become a designer. She said, "I've never regretted getting married instead.

Chairwoman of the recent art show held at the Scurry County Coliseum, Mrs. McGlaun has various paintings she's done. She also collects other people's work. At the art show, she won a \$250 purchase award.

"I would have loved to have won a judged award, but in a

show like that you're really competing against those who paint all the time. I used to paint all the time, but not anymore.

She has also been called on to judge shows, including the Scurry County Fair and shows in surrounding towns "for membership'

Mrs. McGlaun doesn't plan on ending her college education with the jewelery course. The next course she plans on taking is typing, "after I get this jewelry bug out of my system!"

As for her classmates, "I like them all. They've all helped me

Of the 'youngsters' in her class? "I love young people." She was reared in a family of seven children, has three of her own, "12 grandchildren and some great-grandchildren.

Carrying her love for young people even further, Mrs. McGlaun teaches the thirdgrade class at Bible school in her church. In fact, she's taught children of different ages at church for nearly 40 years. "I enjoy them so much I won't give them up," she declared.

Her husband of 52 years in December, 1977, Albert, loves her attending college. She said, "He's my best friend when it comes to painting. This business of Women's Lib: I enjoy being pampered. I've never had to work. I've enjoyed just doing things I wanted to do.' Alongside painting, making

jewelry (she made herself a ring and is planning one for her husband), designing — she loves to sew. She said she used to make hats (during the Depression she made hats and sold them for 50 cents apiece). "I was born with a needle in my hand. Can't remember not ever

She also likes to cook, although she said she enjoys cooking for a family, whereas now she cooks for herself, her husband and a son, Bill, who lives with them.

Somehow, with all these timeoccupying interests, Mrs. McGlaun finds room for being a charter member of the Pallet Club. She was also a charter member of the Alpha Study Club but had to give it up to devote time to other interests.

A collector at heart, Mrs McGlaun has a collection of hands (no, not real live or dead ones) — different artistic interpretations of hands.

She said when she was about 15, a picture was taken of her and two other girls. The photo showed her hand and she said she thought it looked big; thus, she became very conscious of them. She finally overcame it when she realized all the things she was able to do with her hands. She started her collection when she was about 18.

Some of the hands are used for

director of guidance and

A Defensive Driving course

The class met from 6:30-10

Students completing the

course will be eligible for reduc-

tions on some types of

The Scurry County Spelling Bee was held March 17 in the

Officials presiding included

Dr. Ben Brock, WTC vice presi-

dent, dictionary judge, and Dr.

munications and letters division

The effects of the energy shor-

tage on architectural design

were among topics discussed by

Phillip Fleer from Texas A&M

University when he met with

Fleer's March 13 lecture

covered the artistic touch to

room and house perspectives,

and what landscaping does for

On March 14, he presented a

short study on use of solar

energy and other new energy

sources, and outlined the basic

Finally, March 15, Fleer dis-

cussed how energy conservation

affects architectural design and

trends, and rulings affecting

building codes and zoning as dic-

tated by population mobility, political decisions and high

costs of labor and materials.

architectural drawings.

use of the airbrush.

drafting students March 13-15.

Barkowsky,

chairman, presiding judge.

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Christian Student Center.

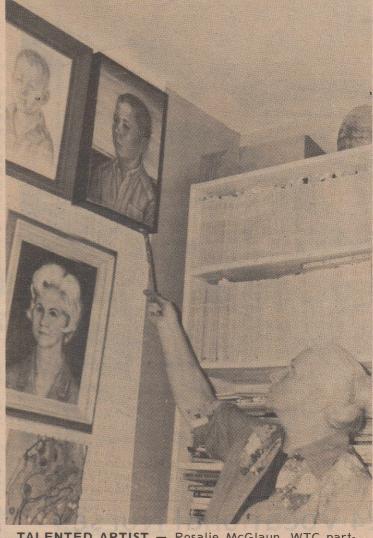
p.m. both Tuesdays.

automobile insurance.

fine arts theatre.

counseling

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TALENTED ARTIST - Rosalie McGlaun, WTC parttime student, points to portraits she has done.

Contest Deadline Tomorrow

"Write now!" But hurry only two days left!

WTC is conducting its first creative writing contest for all students and college employees this semester. Deadline for entry is March 31, and several prizes will be awarded.

Sponsored by the student services division, chaired by Dr. Duane Hood, dean and registrar, the contest includes categories in poetry and short story (fiction). Prizes will be awarded to first and second place winners in each.

Competition will be in two separate divisions.

A "student" division includes all full-time or part-time students enrolled at WTC during the current semester, plus night and extension center students.

A "personnel" division includes all full-time or part-time college employees this semester. All administrators, instructors, secretaries, maintenance and cafeteria personnel, as well as other college employees are eligible.

One cash prize of \$35 will be awarded to the first place winner in each of the four individual contests.

Second place winners in each contest will receive gift certificates for dinner-for-two at The Shack or the Spanish Inn restaurants. The Shack, 1005 25th Street, will present two certificates for sirloin-for-two, and the Spanish Inn, 2212 College, will present two certificates for

Spanish Inn Specials, plus drinks.

Contestants must compete in only one division, but may enter one article in each of the two listed categories.

Each entry must be attached to a separate form, signed by the author. Entry forms are available in the student activities office in the Student Center or the registrar's office in the administration building. They may be picked up during regular office hours.

Entries must be turned in to the student activities office or the registrar's office no later than 2 p.m. tomorrow.

Material will be returned to authors by mail only if accompanied by a stamped, selfaddressed envelope. Other articles may be picked up in the journalism department in the Student Center after April 3.

Each author must relinquish the right of publication to the UNITY magazine, WTC's annual literary magazine which represents the work of both students and college employees.

According to Reva Ferguson, UNITY editor, "All articles must be original. Poetry and short stories must be typed or legibly handwritten, because unreadable articles will be disqualified."

Assisting with the contest is Laurel Mebane, UNITY assistant editor, and Mike McBride. associate professor of journalism and UNITY adviser.

Judges will include members of the Snyder Writers' Guild.

NEWS BRIEFS

Sonny Lee, Snyder sophomore, received a Distinguished Service Award at the state Phi Theta Kappa convention recently in Dallas.

Son of Mr. and Mrs. Carlton H. Lee of Snyder, he is president of the Psi Zeta chapter of PTK. Accompanying Lee and several members to the confab was Dr. Mary Hood, faculty sponsor.

Phi Theta Kappa is a national honor fraternity for students in American junior colleges.

Sharon Sutton, director of the Scurry County Museum, has been appointed to the council of the Texas Association of Museums (TAM).

She will represent the Permian Basin Museums Institute as a non-voting council member. She had been named vice president of the Institute's executive

The TAM Council is the governing body of the statewide organization.

WTC drama graduate Sarah Coleman has the starring role of Annie Oakley in the upcoming Colorado City Playhouse production of "Annie Get Your Gun'' to be presented April 6-8 and 13-15.

She has performed in WTC productions of "Bus Stop," 'How the Other Half Loves," "Mousetrap" and "Medea.

Also, the 20-year-old has appeared in the famed "Texas" production at Canyon the past two summers.

A daily exercise class for senior citizens has been added to the program of activities in the WTC Senior Center in the LRC.

The class meets from 10:45-11:15 a.m. daily and is directed by Virginia Whitson.

Exercises selected from the 'Join the Active People Over 60" program are not strenuous but encourage use of muscles in every part of the body through reaching, stretching and ben-

WTC hosted a workshop for high school counselors and administrators March 16.

Earl Smith, representative of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) in Houston, was guest speaker.

Coordinator was Jerry Baird,

A discussion led by a student panel preceded his lecture. About 70 counselors and ad-

ministrators attended.

NOTICE!

Students interested in running for Student Senate offices for 1978-79 may pick up petitions in the student activity office.

Candidates must be sophomores this fall, must have an earned minimum 2.0 GPA, and must have time to devote to activities

related to the particular offices. Petitions must be turned in by April 26.

ATTENTION Bruce Faulkner, admissions advisor for The University of Texas of the Permian Basin in Odessa, will be on campus April 6 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Students desiring information concerning admission to UTPB, veterans' benefits, financial aid or student housing are urged to see him in the Student Center.



FUTURE MECHANIC — O'Brien freshman Craig Brothers works on a diesel engine as part of the diesel mechanics program in occupational technology.

24 Vocational Nurses Graduate, Get Caps

Graduation and capping ceremonies for WTC's vocational nursing students were held March 4 in the Colonial Hill Baptist Church.

Winnie Poyner, directorcoordinator of vocational nursing education, was speaker. Guests were welcomed by Dr. Gene McClurg, dean of occupational-technical education.

Graduating students were Lorene Arnold, Barbara Johnson, Dorothy Jones, Julie Kimmel, Jimie Mena, Valentina Molina and Grace Rodriquez from Snyder, Nancy Cheyne from Jayton, and Petra Fuller and Leta Schoolcraft from Colorado City.

Presentation of pins for graduates was made by Miss Poyner and Diane Beard, nursing instructor. Dr. Ben Brock, WTC vice president, presented certificates.

Receiving caps were Diane

Braziel, Thomas Cox, Sue Lovett, Kathy Newby, Debbie Newman, Candy Redwine, Norma Jean Sorrells and Karen Taylor of Snyder, Willie Mae Hill and Jan Mitchell of Colorado City, Darla Hudgens of Justiceburg, Peggy Newton of Big Spring, Jamie Strickland of Roscoe and Pam Trammell of Jayton

Caps were presented by Miss Poyner and Mrs. Beard. Billie Mills, president of the Women's Auxiliary of Cogdell Memorial Hospital, presented each newlycapped student a white Bible.

Students and their families were honored at a reception in the fellowship hall of the church following the ceremonies.

Dr. Ed Barkowsky, chairman of the communications and letters division, gave the invocation and benediction. Processional and recessional music was played by Mary Alice Houston.

Diesel Mechanics

Skills, Talents Stressed In Course

Story and photo by Darlene Neatherlin

"To develop skill in the use of the tools of the trade and in the maintenance, repair and overhaul of the diesel engine."

"To develop a fundamental knowledge and gain a background to understand the purpose and operation of the systems of a diesel engine."

"To develop a knowledge and understanding of the principles of operation of the most modern test-equipment in use in commercial shops so that a graduate student may enter the trade at the upper entry level."

That is what diesel mechanics at WTC is all about!

According to instructor Jerry Dennis, students put their skills and talents to rebuilding engines, thus improving their knowledge of mechanics.

Included with the actual tearing down and rebuilding of engines is the classroom material — reading and seeing films.

Presently the class is working on a bus that the college has bought, rebuilding the engine and putting an automatic transmission in it.

Examples of some of the courses required for the program are principles of diesel engines; diesel engine overhaul; electrical systems; verbal communication skills; history and government; applied physics; introductory welding; injector service; employee, employer and customer relations, and diesel engine trouble shooting.

The course calls for anywhere

from 18-20 hours of credit each semester.

All graduate students needing jobs after completion of the course will be given opportunities to find the right placement, according to Dennis. There are four work-study students in the program, which gives them more time and a better understanding of the course, he added.

Dennis said he is "very proud of the guys" who are working under him.

Each year the class takes a trip to Houston to tour Detroitapproved plants and shops. Each student has to pay some of the way himself.

Upon successful completion of the course, the graduate is qualified for the Associate in Applied Science degree.

Museum Exhibits Thomason Work; Area Artists' Workshop Scheduled

Ronald Thomason of Weatherford, often called one of the Southwest's leading realists, will hold a one-man show in the Scurry County Museum on campus April 2-30.

He has also scheduled a workshop open to area artists in the museum building April 3-7. Classes are tentatively scheduled for 9:30 a.m. - 12 noon, 2 - 4:30 p.m. and 7-9:30 p.m.

Persons who would like to reserve space in a class or who would like further information may contact Sharon Sutton, museum director, at 573-6107.

A reception honoring the artist is planned from 1-5 p.m. April 2 in the museum, and the public is invited to attend.

Area residents have viewed Thomason's works in the Diamond M collection in Snyder. Thomason's works have also been shown at the OS Ranch show in Post and at the Cowboy Reunion Art Show in Stamford.

Visitors to Weatherford have probably seen his largest work, a life-size statue of Mary Martin in her favorite role of Peter Pan in front of the Weatherford Public Library.

Thomason was honored by being named Texas State Artist of the Year in 1974.

The special trademark of Thomason's paintings is the attention he gives to detail. He spends time with his subjects, sketching and observing for hours. There are no shortcuts or compromise techniques for him.

He works in a studio which adjoins the family home on 10 acres outside Weatherford, and a work day for him may extend around the clock.

He left college to enlist during the Korean conflict, and used his spare time overseas to study with a renowned Japanese artist, K. Sakamoto, at the University of Nagasaki.

Back home, Thomason continued to study art on a spare time basis while he worked to support his family. It was not until 1962 that he decided to make art his major interest.

He and his wife, Nadine, and their three daughters left Ft. Worth for Philadelphia, where he studied at the Academy of Fine Arts. Thomason went to work for his former employer, General Dynamics, when the family returned to Ft. Worth.

At the end of two years, his art income equaled his salary and he left General Dynamics to become a full-time artist. He's been one since.

Most of Thomason's training was in oils, but he prefers to

paint in watercolor or egg tempera.

He is one of the few fine practitioners of tempera, a demanding medium. A painting that would require 120 hours in watercolor may take 300 hours

in egg tempera, and no painting can begin until the paint and egg yolk have been carefully blended.

Thomason also does pencil sketches, lithographs, sculptures, and wood and wax carvings.

He is sometimes described as a Western artist, but he describes himself more correctly as an artist of the West, painting scenes that may change or be gone completely by tomorrow.

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pencil holders, soap dishes, towel hangers and paint brush holders.

Other items she has an interest in are collecting pictures ("I'm a real nut about pictures, old furniture, glass and medals. She described her house by saying, "It's kinda' a conglomeration of things!"

Mrs. McGlaun may be 73, but she's full of life and brimming with activity. Hope we all are so fortunate.

Summer Camp Planned: Adults Only!

A summer camp for adults? Why not?

WTC is planning a week-long holiday from July 3-7 especially for adults who would like an inexpensive vacation in a different setting, and senior citizens are getting special invitations for the week.

The college will provide housing in air-conditioned dormitories, and meals will be served in the Student Center cafeteria.

For those who enjoy sports, the nine-hole golf course, tennis courts, indoor swimming pool, saunas, handball court and weight room will be used.

Tours of the Scurry County oil fields, the Diamond M Art Museum and a working cattle ranch are on the schedule, with transportation available for other tours at the request of visitors.

The Scurry County Museum on campus will be open to visitors daily.

A special dividend will be the annual July 4th celebration in Towle Memorial Park. The gala opens each year with a flagraising ceremony, and activities through the day are concluded with a fireworks display at dusk.

For those who would like to try a new hobby, classes in subjects ranging from painting to macrame, cake decorating and wood carving have been tentatively scheduled, and soap opera buffs can keep up with their favorite shows or play bridge in the Student Center or the dormitory lounge.

Rates for the summer holiday

are \$65 for a double room or \$75 for a single room, all with shared bath.

This will be the first time WTC has planned a summer outing for adults, and the program of activities has been kept flexible so those attending can largely plan their own activities.

The Scurry County Senior Citizens' Center on campus and local residents who regularly attend the center will be on hand to help make visitors feel welcome.

Brochures detailing plans for the week have been printed. Many have been distributed to Senior Centers and other community points.

Persons attending need not be of senior citizen age, but older persons are encouraged to consider the session because of its flexible schedule.

The Trailblazers Are Comin'!

The WTC yearbook will arrive in May!

According to Connie Jones, editor, "This year the book will be more of a yearbook format and it will be called the Trailblazer."

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Working on Trailblazer are Kellye Elrod, organizations; Judi Huffman, activities; Darlene Neatherlin, faculty; Dwight Williams and Lonnie Nichols, sports; Connie Jones, theme and index; Joe Boldon, photographer and LaDonna Powell, artist.

The 64-page Trailblazer will be published by General Aviation News of Snyder. Twelve student pages have already been sent in. A sales campaign will be held Tuesday, April 18, and Thursday, April 20 in the Student Center. For those who desire to order the Trailblazer, it will be sold for only \$5.

Be sure and don't forget to order your **Trailblazer**, because the 64 pages will be full of this year's events and activities!



OEA HONOREES — Pictured with state awards earned in Ft. Worth are Cindy Leonhard and Becky Rhodes. Rhodes, first place winner in shorthand, qualified for nationals in Detroit late next month.

Rhodes, Leonhard Win At State

Becky Rhodes, Lubbock freshman, and Cindy Leonhard, Brownwood freshman, were contest skills winners at the Office Education Association (OEA) State Leadership Conference held recently in Ft. Worth.

Both were recognized at the OEA Awards Luncheon. Rhodes received an engraved plaque,

while Leonhard received a certificate.

Rhodes was first place winner in the shorthand competition and qualified for national competition to be held in Detroit April 28-May 3. Contestants at the state level were required to take dictation at 100, 110 and 120 words per minute, then transcribe from their shorthand notes with 95 per cent accuracy.

She has taken intermediate and advanced shorthand at WTC under Carol Martin.

Leonhard won sixth in Office Clerk II competition. Contestants were required to complete a variety of office tasks, including typing, filing, setting priorities and utilizing an in-basket approach.

Charlene Light, OEA sponsor, accompanied the students.

Donors Welcomed

Individuals or organizations who would like to give scholarships for students at WTC are invited to contact Glenn Davis, financial aids officer.

"High school graduation is not far away," Davis said, "and many spring graduates will be contacting WTC for information about scholarships and other financial aids available. We are always pleased to have inquiries from students interested in attending WTC, and we work with them in every way possible to enable them to come here."

"The financial aids office keeps a list of scholarships available, and we would like to talk to people interested in giving scholarships. Scholarships in any amount are welcome, and we can assist donors in making all the necessary arrangements.

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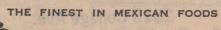
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Bell Representative Discusses Phones

Doug Hammack, Southwestern Bell Telephone representative from Midland, discussed "Phone Power" during a recent Management 233 class meeting at the Sweetwater extension center.

According to Charles Henderson, mid-management instructor, Hammack told marketing students how to improve effectiveness and efficiency of the sales force through use of the phone.



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The Unique Horoscope

Aries — March 21-Apr. 19 — The ole drag is back on again now that school has started once more. You've got to put aside all that partying and get down to serious business: that of conning your teachers into giving you a passing grade for the semester.

Taurus — Apr. 20-May 20 — You're having problems debating

Taurus — Apr. 20-May 20 — You're having problems debating what you're going to do after this semester, especially if you graduate in May. The safest thing to do is that which is fun, inexpensive and safe!

Gemini — May 21-June 21 — Hey, the stars are in your favor. Your teachers are going to consider letting you off light this semester; they feel sorry for you and are anxious to see you leave WTC. Your grades might even be decent enough that some other school will be fooled into thinking you're something special!

Cancer — June 22-July 21 — Remember all those Easter eggs you found Easter Sunday? Better look out; if you've done someone dirty, you may find some eggs on your car! Or worse, on your head! And they won't be hard-boiled or candy!

Leo — July 22-Aug. 21 — Better keep an eye on that fella' or girl of yours. You weren't very generous at Easter, didn't even give them so much as a blade of Easter basket grass! And they may be looking around for someone who will.

Virgo — Aug. 22-Sep. 22 — Are your parents becoming kinda' tight with the money here lately? Could be a sign of their getting tired of you doing nothing but going to school, barely making grades — after all, it's only your fifth year around!

Libra — Sept. 23-Oct. 22 — If you're making plans to go see 'Bil-

Libra — Sept. 23-Oct. 22 — If you're making plans to go see 'Billy Jack' tonight in the Student Center, you might want to take your water pistol in case you need self-defense.

Scorpio — Oct. 23-Nov. 21 — You've been doing a lot of traveling here lately, some with your sweetheart and some without. Time to take her/him out on the town.

Sagittarius — Nov. 22-Dec. 21 — Remember that term paper that's due this week? Well, it's still due. No change of date.

Capricorn — Dec. 22-Jan. 20 — If you happen to work on the college paper and are one of the staff members, don't get your hopes up from the fact that there's just two more issues after this one. You'll still have to do without some of the staff members' help as far as working on the paper and getting it out.

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Aquarius — Jan. 21-Feb. 19 — Just six more weeks and that's it.

Don't know if that's good or bad — you haven't done much with

any other six weeks!

Pisces — Feb. 20-March 20 — Got a favorite teacher? One so favorite you don't particularly care for him/her? Be nice to them, make them wonder what you're up to and maybe you'll pass that super hard final you're going to have to take: maybe they'll give you a curve on the grade. (Fat chance!)

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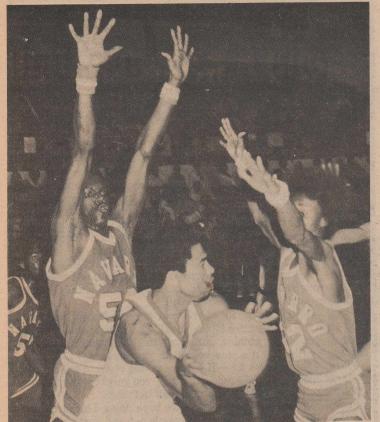




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IN JAIL — Westerner Doug Worthington (21) is blocked in by two Navarro College defenders during the firstround national playoff in Stephenville. WTC nipped the Bulldogs, 81-79, to advance to Hutchinson, Kansas. (photo by Joe Boldon)

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Green Captures Region V Title

by Rocky Alexander

Coach Nolan Richardson's Westerner basketball squad overcame loop foes Amarillo College and New Mexico Military Institute, plus Northern Conference team McLennan College, to win their second consecutive Region V championship, March 2-4, in Abilene.

In the opening contest the Westerners dropped Amarillo College, 105-95, first time WTC defeated AC this year in three

The Green Machine took the lead early in the game and led by 10, 23-13, with 14:41 remaining in the first half.

WTC dominated the initial period, hitting 24 field goals and 12 free throws to AC's 19 twopointers and 10 charity shots.

The Westerners held a huge lead throughout the remainder of the game, but Amarillo pulled within one, 94-93, with 53 seconds left in the game.

A foul by the Badgers with 44 seconds started a string of four fouls which WTC took advantage of and raked in eight points to put the game out of reach.

Julio Gallardo led the Westerners with 21 points while Jon Moorehead connected for

Other double-figure scorers for the Green were Reginald Reid, 14; Adam Beadle, 13, and Joe Mendoza, 12.

March 3, Richardson's forces stopped McLennan College to advance to the regional finals by a score of 104-94.

The Westerners opened the scoring with a free throw by Robert Brown to take an early one-point lead, but McLennan fought back and led eight times during the first four minutes of the contest before the Green jumped back into the lead for

Leading Westerner scoring was Gallardo with 29 points. Doug Worthington managed 16 and Beadle had 14.

Mendoza and Reid each accumulated 12 and 11 points, respectively.

After defeating McLennan WTC advanced to the finals against New Mexico Military Institute and beat the Broncos,

During conference action, the two teams split their contests with each school winning on their own home courts.

NMMI broke out to an early four-point lead and held that margin for the first two minutes of the game.

With 16:31 showing on the clock, Reid connected on his first field goal of the game to tie the score at 4-4.

The contest remained tight as the lead changed hands six times in the first 20 minutes, the widest lead being six points, 31-25, in favor of the Broncos with 2:32 left in the first stanza.

With eight seconds showing on the clock, a field goal by Brown tied the score, 33-33, to end the

WTC opened the second half with a field goal by Brown. From then on the scoring alternated between the two teams until, with 6:34 left in the game. a free throw by Moorehead gave the Westerners a 64-58 bulge.

The final six minutes were plagued by fouls as both teams combined shot 17 free throws while connecting on 13. WTC accounted for 11 of the 13 to give them an 81-74 victory.

The Green Machine was led by Moorehead with 19 points, while Brown hit 15 and Mendoza made 14. Other scorers were Reid with 11 and Beadle with 10.

Westerners Finish 11th At NJ lourney

by Rocky Alexander

WTC's Westerners finished eleventh in a field of 16 teams at the National Junior College Athletic Association basketball tournament March 14-18 in Hutchinson, Ks.

Other teams in the tournament were Independence College of Kansas who won first, Niagara College of New York who placed second, and Three Rivers College of Missouri, the third-place team.

Finishing in the fourth place position was Anderson College

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of South Carolina, while Columbia State College of Tennessee took fifth place. Sixth place went to Casper College of Wyoming, and Palm Beach College of Florida took seventh.

In the number eight position was Community College of Baltimore, and ninth went to Middle Georgia College. North Idaho College placed tenth in front of WTC

Westark College of Arkansas ended twelfth, and Essex College of New Jersey placed thirteenth. Fourteenth went to

Mesa College of Arizona, while fifteenth and sixteenth went to Faulkner State College of Alabama and Vincennes University Junior College of Indiana, respectively.

Those players named to the all-tournament team include Mike Bennett of Palm Beach. Sammie Ellis of Middle Georgia and Leroy Loggins of Community College of Baltimore.

From the championship team, Independence College, were Thomas Louden and Bobby Potts. Michael Lyles of Niagara and Gerald Mattinson of Casper were also named.

Concluding the list were Ken Offutt of Columbia State, Otto Porter of Three Rivers and Ron White of Anderson.

Louden was picked as the tournament's most valuable player, while Bennett received the small player award. The sportsmanship award went to



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Superstars Contest, Formal Scheduled

The Student Senate met March 28 in the fine arts theatre to make plans for April to be full of activities involving the entire student body.

Main activities to take place are a 'Superstars' competition and the Spring Formal.

Superstars competiton is planned for April 10-12. Participants may be either representatives of clubs or individuals. If there are any questions, contact Rodney Logsdon.

The Spring Formal is to be held April 27 in the National Guard Armory. Publicity, hospitality and dance committees of the senate have been combined to form one committee to oversee formal plans.

Senate members will be in charge of preparations for the formal; however, anyone who wishes to help prepare the building and decorations is welcome to do so.

Extramural Day will be April 4 at Amarillo College. Foosball and pool winners were decided March 29 at the tournaments held in the student center.

The college jazz ensemble will entertain in the cafeteria April 14. The blood drive that had been scheduled earlier is rescheduled for April 20.

Nominations for campus favorites will be held April 5-6.





Desperation Shot Lifts CCB Over Westerners

by Rocky Alexander

A jump shot by Leroy Loggins of Baltimore Community College with one second left in the game boosted the Maryland-based team to a one-point, 69-68, victory over the Westerners at the NJCAA basketball tournament March 17 in Hutchinson, Ks.

The loss was WTC's second at the tourney, which dropped the Green out of contention. Coach Nolan Richardson's team closed the season officially in eleventh place nationally.

The opening round of the national tourney for the Westerners was played in Stephenville, Texas against Navarro Junior College of Corsicana, where the Green Machine came out on top, 81-79.

It was not a game where anyone could pick a winner in the middle of the second half. As a matter of fact, the outcome couldn't be seen until the final seconds ticked off the clock.

The first half of the contest was closely battled with the scoring fairly even. Navarro held a 40-39 halftime lead over the Green Machine.

Action was hot during the second stanza. With 1:32 left in the game, Julio Gallardo sunk the top half of a one-and-one free throw to pull WTC within two points, 77-75. The second shot was off, but a rebound and a stuff by Reginald Reid tied the score.

With time running out and the score tied, the Green Machine brought the ball down court and a jump shot by Gallardo with 38 seconds remaining put the Westerners in the lead, 79-77.

A free throw by Jon Moorehead and one by Reid wrapped up the contest for the Westerners, giving them the 81-79 victory and their third trip to Hutchinson's Sports Arena in the last four years.

The Westerners opened action in Kansas against top-ranked Casper College of Wyoming, played a poor first half and dropped the contest, 61-57.

Casper jumped out to an early lead, but WTC fought back to take over by 4-2 on two field goals by Melvin Patridge with 16:29 remaining in the first stanza.

At that point, the T-Birds took control of the game, scoring 26 points in the rest of the period to 12 for the Westerners. Casper held a 28-16 halftime lead.

The Green Machine connected on two quick field goals in the second half, but the T-Birds' lead was too much. The Westerners fought to within one, 44-43, with 7:58 left in the game, before three WTC starters,

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Moorehead, Reid and Joe Mendoza, fouled out.

"Getting the key players in foul trouble really hurt us," commented Richardson. "We were just too tight."

Doug Worthington was the Green's leading scorer with 14 points, followed by Adam Beadle with 13. Kevin Sprewer and Gerald Mattinson led Casper with 14 and 12 points, respectively.

WTC hit 25 of 63 field goals for 39 percent, while Casper made 23 of 52 for 44 percent. In the free throw department, the Green hit seven of nine for 77 percent to the T-Birds' 15 of 22 for 68 percent.

The Westerners blew a 22-point lead in the second stanza, but regained their composure to defeat Faulkner State Junior College, 84-67, March 16.

A Moorehead foul at the start of the game gave Faulkner their first and only lead of the game,

After the foul, the Westerners began to take control of the game and jumped out to a 14-3 advantage with 14:25 remaining in the first stanza.

The Mean Green looked much improved than they did in their contest with Casper as they hit 23 of 34 field goals in the initial half for 67.6 percent, compared to the 26 percent against the T-Birds.

WTC began second half scoring with six quick points, four from Worthington and two from Reid, to give them their 22-point lead with 18:41 remaining in the contest.

For the next nine minutes the Westerners managed only six points, all from Worthington, while the Red Eagles narrowed the Green lead to two, 59-57, with 9:34 left.

Richardson then called a timeout to regroup his forces. As play resumed, the Westerners took control once again to finally defeat the Red Eagles, 84-67.

Leading the Westerners were Beadle and Worthington with 26 and 20 points, respectively. Gallardo was the only other Westerner scoring double figures with 11.

Faulkner had four players hit double digits with Walter Myers scoring 18. Johnny Collins had 14, while Michael Myers and Joe Naves accounted for 13 and 11, respectively.

In the consolation semi-finals, Baltimore Community College nudged the Westerners, 69-68 on a last-second shot by Leroy Loggins.

The Mean Green led most of the game and held a nine-point bulge with 4:57 left in the contest, but the Red Devils were not to be out done.

Baltimore worked their way to a one-point deficit, 68-67, with 1:33 showing on the clock. With 1:03 remaining, a foul by Baltimore sent Mendoza to the line for a one-and-one, but the Westerner was unable to connect.

The Red Devils took the ball down court and a shot by Bobby Alton with 25 seconds left was no good. A rebound by Beadle looked as if WTC would take the win.

Working the ball down court, the Westerners went into their four-corner delay offense which forced Baltimore to foul Gallardo with six seconds to play.

After a Red Devil timeout, Gallardo missed the free throw that was rebounded by Baltimore, quickly taken down court and put in by Loggins.

Beadle was the top scorer for the Green with 21 points, followed by Moorehead and Mendoza with 13 and 10, respectively.

Alton had 20 points for Baltimore, while Jeffery Paige and Joe Miller each sank 10.

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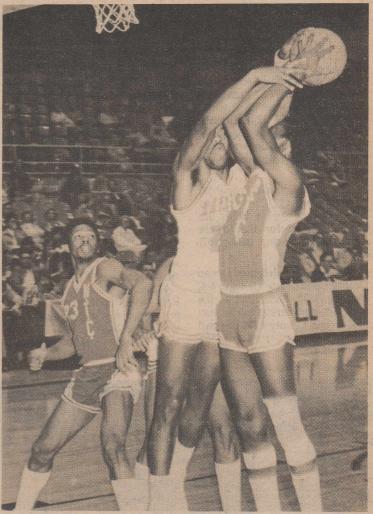
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FOUL! — A Baltimore player keeps WT's Melvin Patridge (33) from shooting. Teammate Michael Smith (23) looks on, as CCB nipped Western Texas, 69-68, in Kansas. (photo by Joe Boldon)

All-Conference Stars Named

Duster Cindy Luttrull has been named Most Valuable Player in the Western Junior College Athletic Conference, receiving 57 out of a possible 60 points, awarded by WJCAC coaches.

Named to the second team was Duster captain Karen Williams, who averaged 11 points during the season.

In the men's WJCAC, Adam Beadle was chosen on the All-Conference team with his 16.9 scoring average.

Westerners receiving honorable mention were Julio

Gallardo, Joe Mendoza, Doug Worthington and Jon Moorehead.

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'The Devil Made Me Do It!'

by Rocky Alexander

Having the privilege of attending the national basketball tournament was a great experience. I learned of a world record set by one of the teams, and I was fortunate enough to find out why Baltimore Community College had a successful season.

Concerning world records, Essex County College of Newark, New Jersey holds the world's record for the lowest and highest scoring basketball games in history.

Essex College defeated Ocean County Community College, 8-4, Feb. 19, 1978. Essex led at the half, 6-2, and during the second half Ocean County held the ball for 17 minutes before attempting a shot.

Essex also holds a world

record for the highest scoring game by defeating Englewood Cliffs by a score of 210-67 in

Baltimore Community College went into the national tournament with a 30-2 record. What is the key to their success? Their mascot would seem to be, according to WTC followers who attended the tournament.

Ron Berry, the Red Devil's mascot, had been putting the hex on Baltimore opponents — which COULD have had something to do with their successful season.

When the Westerners met the Red Devils in the meet, Berry proceeded to "do his thing" on the Mean Green, but WTC fans and cheerleaders surrounded him, waving white crosses to counteract his hex.

Westerner followers tried their best to stop the Red Devils, but Baltimore's hex seemed to be stronger as they defeated WTC, 69-68.

Seeing this, one can say that the Devil's hex is Baltimore's

How about our basketball squads? I think the Westerners and Dusters deserve a hand. They've done a great job this year and gave WTC a name that everyone will remember.

I would like to congratulate those who made the allconference teams and also those who received honorable men-

Cagers, you have made students at WTC proud to say, 'I'm a Westerner'

Abilene Intercollegiate Tourney

Golfers Take First, Second March 20-21

Coach Bob O'Day's golf teams swept the Abilene Intercollegiate Golf Tournament in Abilene March 20-21, taking the junior college division by 18 strokes and posting scores low enough to win the senior college

WTC's Blue, fired by runner-up medalist Britt Lindsey, scored rounds of 288 and 291 March 20 at Maxwell Municipal Course (par 71), then drilled a three under par 281 March 21 at Abilene Country Club (par 71) to win the meet with a total of 860.

The Green team rolled rounds of 287-299-286 for a second-place effort of 872.

Trailing the Westerners were Cisco Junior Collge, 303-298-299-900; Midland College, 314-314-301—929; Weatherford College, 328-316-311—955, and Clarendon College, 330-331-

Lindsey's efforts of 72-70-70 netted runner-up honors of 212. Behind the freshman were sophomore Chris Brown with a

73-73-69-215 and freshman Billy Sitton with a 71-77-67-215, which tied for third place medalist.

"WTC would have placed first and second in the senior college field of 11 teams," noted O'Day. "Mary Hardin-Baylor won the senior division with 877.'

Other Blue total scores were Ronald Koerth 216, Miller Scott 217 and Lee Baird 230.

Other Green totals were Don Cofer 218, Mike Waller 222, Terry Kendrick 223 and Greg Reynolds 227.

This season the Westerners have played in eight tournaments, winning four and placing second four times.

WTC will compete in the 36hole Great Plains Tournament and Conference Tournament at Borger March 31-April 1.

Both rounds will count as a conference tournament, with the second round being a makeup for the snowed out Snyder Tournament, cancelled earlier this year.



THE RED DEVIL — Community College of Baltimore's Mascot is besieged by cross-bearing Westerner fans in the Hutchinson, Kansas Sports Arena. The hex still worked, as CCB edged WTC, 69-68, in a national tournament elimination game. (photo by Joe Boldon)



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WTC Linksters Place Second At Ft. Worth SW Tournament

WTC's go'f team, paced by runner-up medalist Chris Brown, took second place in a field of 15 in Ft. Worth March 10-11 with a score of 613.

Paris Junior College won the meet, Ft. Worth's Southwestern Intercollegiate Golf Tournament, with 608. In third was Texas Christian University JV with 624, while Dallas Eastfield had 625 for fourth.

Winds of 25-30 miles per hour on Friday and 30-35 Saturday made the Rockwood Golf Course much tougher than normal, according to Coach Bob

Individually for WTC, Brown fired 75-73 for 148, Ronald Koerth had 76-77 for 153, Miller Scott had 80-74 for 154, Britt Lindsey scored 76-82-158, and Billy Sitton had 80-83 for 163.



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