David Counts to visit campus on Thursday

By Shannon Null **Texan Staffer**

State Representative David Counts (D-Knox City) will be on the WTC campus all morning Thursday including a luncheon slated from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

Counts will address WTC students, faculty and staff in the Fine Arts Theater from 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Counts will face Republican opponent Scott McLaughlin of Big Spring in the upcoming November election.

McLaughlin has also accepted an invitation sent by government instructor Jack Price to appear on campus. McLaughlin will be here

Counts' visit to the campus will begin at 9 a.m. with a tour of the

new WTC Distance Learning lab, followed by his address in the Fine Arts Theatre.

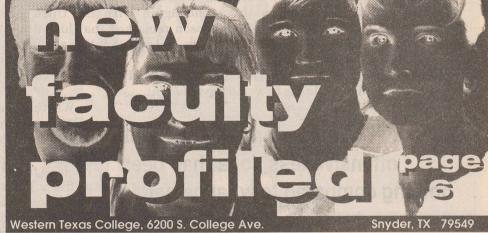
After it, there will be a reception with WTC Faculty and staff in the WTC Faculty Lounge from 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Luncheon in the WTC Student Center will be from 11:30 a.m.-1

Later Thursday there will be a Snyder Public school faculty and staff reception for Counts at the Dermott School House located on the Scurry County Coliseum grounds.

Invitations to appear on campus have been sent also to U.S. Rep. Charles Stenholm (D-Stamford) and his opponent, Rudy Izzard, a Republican candidate from Abilene. Price said Thursday there has been no response from these two candidates as yet





New mascot

needs a name

WTC is now asking for suggestions to name the new mas-

Ballot boxes are placed in the Student Center and anyone may submit a sugges-

Ballot boxes have also been placed in different businesses in Snyder that include: Wal-Mart, Lawrence IGA, Video 1, Barbee Medical and Eddie's Pharmacy.

All entries should be submitted by noon this Wednes-

The final decision will be made by members of the WTC Student Government Association, cheerleaders and staff.

The name will be announced at the first home basketball game Nov. 3.

Adjunct faculty expands

By Melissa Garvin **Texan Staffer**

The advent of additional offcampus programs at WTC has also promoted the growth of a "second faculty" at the collegeindividuals employed on a parttime basis as adjunct instructional staff.

By the spring term, the college's adjunct instructor list is expected to include some 30 part-time instructors, according to Dean of Instruction Jim

By comparison, the number of full-time instructors here is approximately 44—equaling a 60-40 ratio of full-time to parttime teaching staff.

Adjunct faculty members must have the same educational members, Palmer noted.

This includes at minimum a master's degree and 18 hours of largest portion of the instructors graduate work in the individual teaching field.

In fact, five of WTC's adjunct faculty members have earned a doctorate degree.

By far the majority of adjunct faculty members teach in off-cam-

pus programs to include concurrent enrollment classes at area high schools—where students earn both high school and colprison instruction at either Price structors, Richard Reed, a scuba Daniel here, the Wallace Unit in background as full-time staff Colorado City or the Smith Unit

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The prison units make up the

teaching on a part-time basis.

There are a few adjunct faculty members who teach parttime on the central campus.

For several years, Dr. Rollin Swanson has taught physics and physical sci-

ence here in addition to his work with the WTC Planetarium.

In addition, there are two lege credit for the same class—or part-time physical education in-

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Water leak impacts four bu

By Reece McCain **Texan Staffer**

WTC buildings Friday morning rounds on the campus discovafter a domestic water line break

By Amanda Gutierrez-Baez

Texan Staffer

scheduled Thursday during ac-

tivity period for new members of

the Psi Zeta Chapter of Phi Theta

in the WTC Boardroom, located

in the Administration Building.

The induction will take place

Kappa.

PTK induction slated

An informal induction is bership is by invitation only and

point average.

On Saturday, Oct. 3, a main-Water was returned to four tenance staffer making weekend ered water underneath the was discovered the Saturday Learning Resource Center.

Approximately 50 students

have been invited to join. Mem-

to be invited the student must

have completed at least 12 hours

of college-level work and must

have achieved at least a 3.2 grade

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The water level had risen an estimated 5 ft.

A domestic water line, which provides fountains, sinks and toilets with water, "simply rusted Conde, maintenance director.

Due to the amount of water and fear of electrical shock, the water line had to be shut off by the flagpoles in the front of the school, leaving the Museum, Fine Arts, LRC and the Administra-

tion Buildings without water. Pumps were brought in Saturday to remove the water from under the LRC.

Last Monday, WTC mainte-Carolyn Osborn, Phi Theta nance personnel had to dig up See WATER, page 5





toilets with water, "simply rusted away," according to Albert International student numbers slightly under fall '97; 13 enroll

By Amy Lester **Texan Staffer**

Beatrice N'ganga

WTC counts 13 international students enrolled on campus this

fall, slightly fewer than last year. Of the 13, three are new to the campus—two of these recruited as players on the WTC Golf Team.

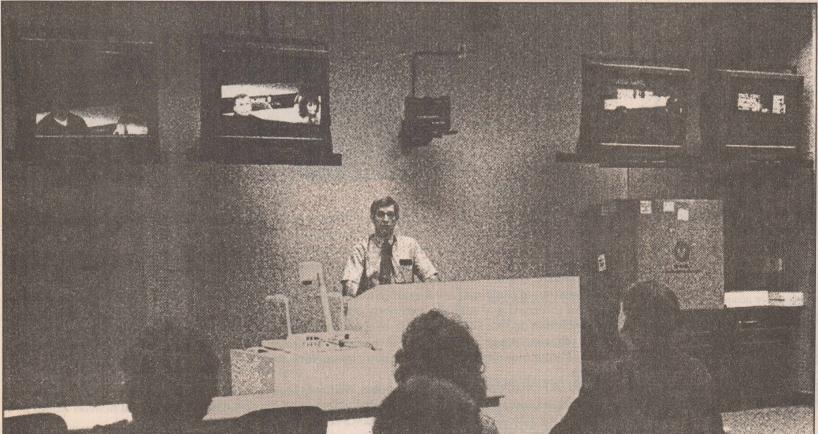
Golf team members are Jason McGrath, a native of Canada,

and Martin Gustafson of Swe- Lombard, South Africa; Junichi den. Also new to the campus is Kikkawa, Japan; Makiko Funai,

Beatrice Nganga from Kenya. and their home countries are: Toshiaki "Toshi" Ubagai, Japan; Luke Richards, Australia; Celestine Otuoro, Kenya; Pamela Mazarova, Slovakia; Lester

Japan; Kyle Bowers, Canada; Other international students and Caitlin Behrens, Australia.

Michele Lumpkins, who serves as international student adviser through WTC's Student Odhuong'o, Kenya; Nicol Services Division, noted that See STUDENTS, page 6



Distance Learning

Director of Technology Britt Canada gives faculty and staff campus. The facility will be the site academic classes offered members a demostration of the new distance learning lab on by four-year universities. (Texan Photo by Caitlin Behrens)

Midwestern to offer first class at WTC's distance learning lab

Midwestern State University semesters year-round—and a in Wichita Falls has announced second class, POLS 4953 (Politithe first class it will teach on the cal Science) will begin in Febru-WTC campus using the ary institution's new distance learning technology.

Beginning Nov. 13, Midwestern will offer ENGL 3203 (Technical Writing). The class will be broadcast into WTC's Distance Learning Classroom located in the Workforce Education Build-

The class will meet from 5:30-

9:15 each Wednesday night. Registration for the class is being handled through Midwestern and interested students should contact Dr. David Martin there by calling 1-800 842-1922.

Midwestern will offer the class on a Trimester schedule—three

The offering will mark the first use of the facility for academic instruction, allowing local citizens the opportunity to earn credit from a four-year college or university without leaving the local area.

Similar programs are expected to be offered in the future by Abilene Christian University—which has expressed interest in offering classes for education majors—and Angelo State University.

Initially, Midwestern was to send three to five classes this fall

See MIDWESTERN, page 6

ic reviews by Chris Halbert

Marilyn Manson's latest cd release said a real keeper

Marilyn Manson - "Mechanical Animals"

Parents, religious leaders, and conservatives beware!

Marilyn Manson is back on the scene again with his third release, "Mechanical Animals." In anticipation of this album's release, Manson remarked that his offensiveness so far had been nothing compared to what he had in store for the future, and now that this album has been released, I can't say that I really disagree with him.

Instead of looking inside the CD package for "lewd" and "distasteful" content, one only has to look at the front cover, which has Manson in his new androgynous suit.

'Manson remarked that his offensiveness so far had been nothing compared to what he had in store for the future . . . '

Whether you like or disagree with Manson's ideals and beliefs, one has to respect the musical talent he shows on his third album.

For starters, "The Dope Show," the first single released from "Mechanical Animals," has been on fire as far as radio airplay is concerned, and has an accompanying video that, in true Manson fashion, bewilders as it entertains.

If you throw this song in with other equally as lyrically offensive and musically stimulating tracks, such as "User Friendly," "Rock is Dead,"

and "Posthuman," you have what will probably be called Marilyn Manson's most comprehensive and therefore best work to date.

Manson experiments with slightly different formats and equations for songs, but it all works out for the best in the end, with products such as "New Model No. 15," and "The Speed of Pain."

Also, a creatively brilliant CD package including information on pupil appearances during different stages of a coma, pages of the CD booklet that appear futuristic and scientific in nature, and, of course, a couple of shots of the man himself in his androgynous suit. One thing is perfectly clear: Marilyn Manson is here to offend for the purpose challenging one to think and not to be offended.

His medium for conveying this opinion happens to be through music.

If you haven't been a Marilyn Manson fan because of the strong liberal expression he tends to have, but enjoy heavier music, let me strongly encourage you to give "Mechanical Animals" a listen.

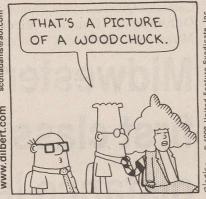
I feel that "Mechanical Animals" is a stronger overall album that the previous works of Manson, "Antichrist Superstar" and "Portrait of an American Family."

In my opinion, Marilyn Manson has shown that he is talented, very intellectual, and he'll be on the music scene for a while, and if "Mechanical Animals" is any indication of his future in the music industry, his career will simply keep getting better with age.

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by Gene Siskel



(RATINGS: The movies listed below are rated according to the following key: 4 stars — excellent; 3 stars — good; 2 stars -fair; 1 star - poor.)

Our FLICK OF THE WEEK is "Holy Man," the Eddie Murphy-Home Shopping comedy that is consistently underwhelming because Murphy never cuts loose with the high-octane sales pitch we know he is capable of delivering. I guess I wanted

(and reasonably expected) to see Detec-

offers Murphy as a mysterious character who wanders about in flowing white robes, preaches "selflove," and calls himself imp-ly (cq), "G."

The closest he comes to being a successful salesman is to lull viewers into a placid mood that is conducive to purchasing anything.

But that isn't sufficient to save the network managed by Jeff Goldblum and his colleague and girlfriend (Kelly

Preston), who are an instantly forgettable couple.

Basically, I think I'm in the rare position of wanting a film to be more conventional. I want him to be highenergy Eddie Murphy, not some somnambulant Timothy Leary. PG. 2 stars.

ANTZ. This film, in addition to having one of the most distinctive designs of any animated film ever made, also boasts a smart and funny script that will appeal even more to adults than children. "Antz" follows the tra-

vails of an ant named Z (voiced by and drawn to resemble Woody Allen) who believes it's a drone to be a drone and wants to upset the social order of his colony. He also wouldn't mind making it with the colony's princess (voice by Sharon Stone) once she is drawn to him. That puts him in conflict with her fiance, the General (Gene Hackman), and his assistant, the Colonel (Christopher Walken). PG. 4 stars. RONIN. A solid international thriller. Robert De Niro lends his seriousness to a contemporary

adaptation of the Japanese legend of leaderless samurai who were obliged to serve another one. An international cast of mysterious intelligence gents (including Jean Reno, the current cinema Frenchman du jour) band together to chase down a briefcase with contents important but unknown. The chases barely outnumber the number of times potential victims are in rifle sights. John Frankenheimer directs as if he has done this before, and he has ("The Manchurian Candidate"). R. 3

WHAT DREAMS MAY COME. Robin Williams stars as a man who has died in a violent accident, leaving behind an adoring wife (Annabella Sciorra). He is brought to a personal heaven where he is told by a guide (Cuba Gooding Jr.) that we each imagine our own heaven.

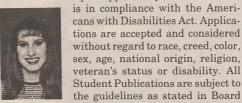
Therefore, it makes sense that Williams sees himself inside one of his wife's pastoral paintings. The result is nothing less than gorgeous.

For example, director Vincent Ward("Map of the Human Heart") employs computer technology to wash the trees with color. This film demands to be seen. On the emotional level, it obviously is mining the same love-beyond-death turf as "Ghost." PG-13. 3-1/2 stars.





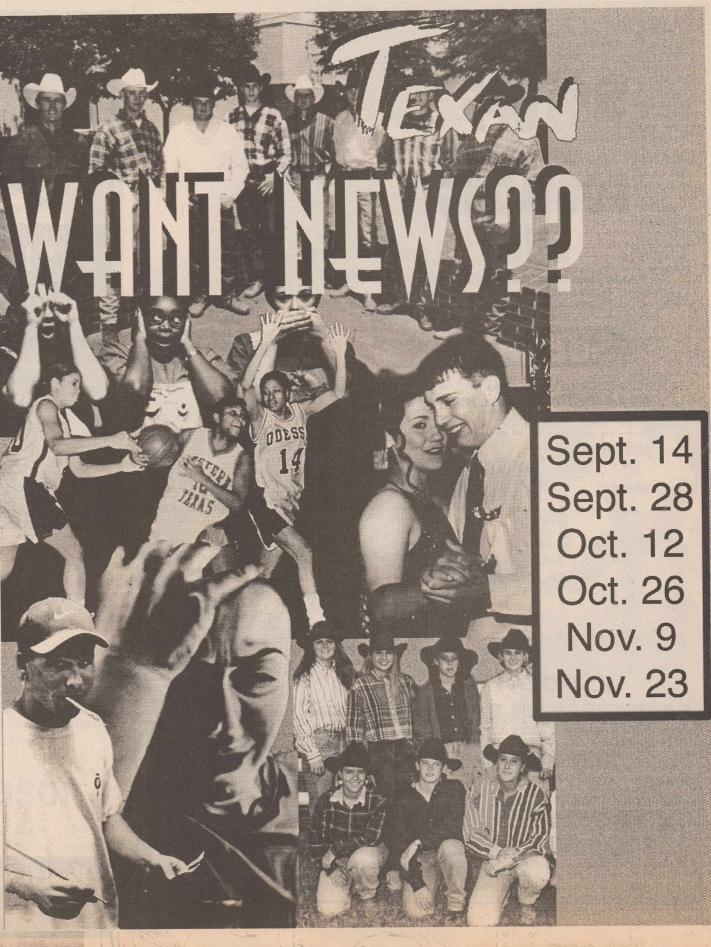




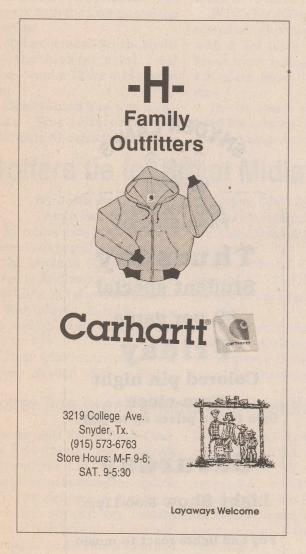














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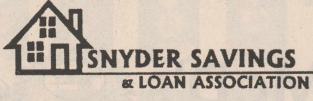
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Art exhibit features area images

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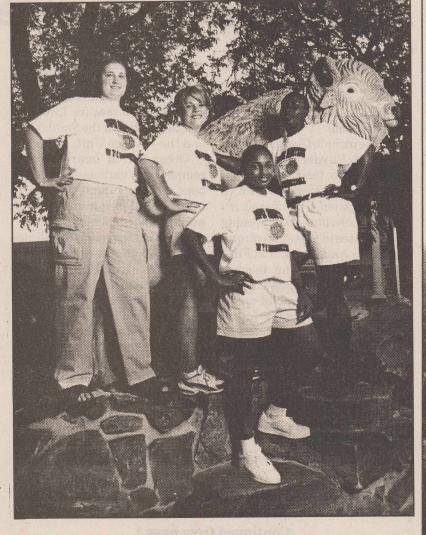
Her work has been described as "painting the world around her that most people overlook or take for granted."

A native of the South Plains, she specializes in paintings of the region including both its people and its landscapes.

Past series of paintings have included "Memorabilia Series," which featured keepsakes in still life paintings; "Rooms with a View," capturing everyday scenes focusing around windows; and "The Spectators," a series of paintings of people observing such activities as ball games and parades.

Other series have been "South Plains Landscapes," with paintings of area landmarks, old homesteads and working businesses; and "Shady Places," portraying local vegetable stands and working farms. -

Her art has won numerous awards including the Degas Pastel Society Show in New Orleans



Returning sophs

The Lady Duster returning sophomores this year (shown above) are, from left, Erica Garvin, Christy Wells, LaTasha Vizcarrondo and Pamela O'dhoung'O. (Texan Photo)

Freshmen Dusters

Freshman Lady Duster players (shown at right) this year are (top row, from left) April Walker, Rosalind Laurence, Heather Moon, Crystal Williams, Kathy Tran, Mary Cavazos; front and the Texas Visual Art row, Shante Russell, Mikka Washington, Danielle Brown, Assocation Citation Exhibit in Carrie Fincher and Katrina Lyles. (Texan Photo)

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Tech rodeo will end fall season

The WTC fall rodeo season a competitor from Tarleton. ends this coming weekend as the men and women travel to Texas the average after an opening 34.4 seconds combined the long-Tech to compete Thursday through Saturday.

This past weekend the teams competed at the Vernon Regional Junior College Rodeo in Vernon. That rodeo ended Friday and results were not available at all with a total time of 17.4 secpress time.

At the Sul Ross Rodeo Oct. 3, the women's team finished 2nd overall-behind Tarleton Amarillo had the best time of the State—and the men finished in long-go with 8.1 seconds, but her 3rd place. Winner for the men total of 17.8—9.7 seconds in the was Odessa College.

Prior to that, the two teams average. were in Canyon Sept. 27 for the West Texas A&M Rodeo.

The men finished in 2nd place overall behind Tarleton State with 175 points to Tarleton's 290.

The WTC women didn't place among the top four as a team with Tarleton again winning 1st with 370 points.

Ross, Kyle Bowers of Brooks, Alberta, Canada won the bareback riding event with the high score in both the long-go and the short-go.

He combined a 79 in the short-

Close behind him was teammate Wes Stevenson of taled 9.6 seconds in the average

Stevenson's total was 142 in score of 72, followed by 70 in the short-go.

In the goat tying, two WTC entrants finished 2nd and 3rd. WTC's Jill Childers of Durant, Okla. finished in 2nd place overonds—an 8.9 in the long-go for and 8.5 in the short-go.

Teammate Sequin Downey of long-go-placed her 3rd for the

At Canyon Sept. 27, WTC's Casey Baize of Wall won 1st place honors in the bull riding with an average of 152.

His short-go ride earned 79 points from the judges, the highest of the night. In the long-go, he scored 73.

In bareback riding, Kyle Bow-For individual events at Sul ers again added team points by placing 3rd with an average of 140—short-go and long-go point totals of 73 and 67 respectively.

WTC's Terra Bynum of Snyder scored all of her team's 50 points with a 3rd place finish in the go-the highest point total break away roping event and a given—and a 72 for a 151 aver- 4th place finish in the barrel

In the break away, she to-Kaufman, who split 2nd/3rd with with a long-go time of 3.9 and a

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Golfers tie for 6th at Midland

By John Baez **Texan Staffer**

In recent play, the Western Texas College golf team traveled to the Midland College Invitational in Midland at the Ranchland Hills and tied for 6th place.

They played 36 holes in one day and had team scores of 295-300 for 595.

James Higdon of San Angelo tional Tournament.

Lakeview, 69-73 for 142; Robert Wilhite of Odessa, 75-74 for 149; and Cory Mahaney of Tulia, 76-76 for 152.

Also, Martin Gustafason of Sweden, 77-77 for 154; and Jamie Nickell of Trinidad, Colo., 75-80 for 155

The Westerners were to return from Andrews today from Their individual scores were the Andrews Collegiate Invita-

Water line break affects four buildings

Continued From Page One the line through the sidewalk between the LRC and the Administration building for repairs.

In the process of digging, a back hoe severed two coolant lines, which provided air conditioning to the Administration and LRC buildings.

Repairs to the water line were completed last Friday and the four buildings were expected to be back to normal this week.

This is the second event that

has impacted these same four buildings this fall.

Last Sept. 13, an electrical arc caused a brief flash fire in an auxiliary breaker box, destroying it and causing a loss of electrical power to the same four buildings.

The buildings were without electricity for three days with that incident, causing the cancellation and re-location of fine arts and speech classes.

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Dave Hanes fills tech role

By Melissa Garvin **Texan Staffer**

This semester WTC gained a new network/distance learning technician on campus, Dave Hanes, who describes his job as making sure the computers on campus are "alive and well." He is also involved with the distance learning progam here.

Originally from Ohio, Hanes moved to Snyder a year ago to work at YZ Industries. He was in charge of their computer systems when he read about the opening at WTC.

Prior to that, he worked seven years at Tyler Commercial College. In addition, he has owned his own computer related business for nine years, and has worked for the Tandy Corporation as a computer manager for seven years.

Hanes earned his BBS degree from the Carolina University of Theology. Like many people involved with computers, he said much of his computer information is self-taught.

Hanes is one-quarter Cherokee Indian and in his spare time gives 20 to 30 presentations about Native Americans to school children each year.



Dave Hanes He and his wife, LaDonna, have five children, ranging in age from 13 to 17.

Terri Racher joins faculty

By Amanda Gutierrez-Baez **Texan Staffer**

This semester Terri Racher, originally from House, N.M., has joined the faculty at WTC.

She was initially a part-time teacher for workforce education classes and was added early this fall for full-time duties for computer science classes.

"I have a lot of fun," she says, "because it provides extra education for people in the workforce."

Mrs. Racher is a high school graduate of a small school in House, N.M. She was the only girl in a graduating class of

After high school, she attended Eastern New Mexico University where she received a bachelor's degree in Agricultural Business.

After graduating she spent four years working with the Farm Bureau in the User Support area. There she was assigned primarily to work with computers.

Mrs. Racher is currently living in Justiceburg with her husband, Brent. They are living on the Texas Tech Experimental Ranch while her husband attends Texas Tech in pursuit of his



Terri Racher

She says she, "hopes to come back in the spring" because she "really enjoys it here."

Drama plans fall musical

A single play will be produced by the WTC Drama Department this fall, according to Helen Cogan, head of the department.

This is a change from previtions have been the normal schedule.

She said she reduced the number since she hopes to complete a more complex produc-

At present, a musical is planned which would involve also members of Snyder's community theatre.

ous years when two produc- uled are Nov. 19-22 with the possibility of extending the play's run.

Audition dates and the production title will be announced later, Mrs. Cogan said.

International students

out about WTC through publications listing community colleges

A primary reason they choose WTC is cost, she noted, adding most international students stay

The students have their own support group, the International Student Organization, which is headed by English instructor

This year she has planned a welcome party like the one last fall in the campus courtyard.

from their home country.

This year, the meal may be open to the community as well as

Theta Kappa coordinates activi-

tion later in the fall.

Production dates now sched-

Continued from page 1 most international students find dent group also.

Individuals working with this program on campus are Tammy as well as the Internet web page. Wesson, Peggy Kennedy, Robert Adams, Julie Sentell, George

the full two years here.

Jana Wesson-Martin.

She is currently working on getting mentors for each student. Also, plans are in the making for another "Taste of Culture" meal like last year where each international student prepared a dish

the students.

The Psi Zeta Chapter of Phi ties with the International Stu-

PTK group attends conference

Seven members of the executive board for the Psi Zeta Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa returned last Saturday, Oct. 2, from the annual statewide Leadership Conference held this year at Texas A&M Commerce.

Attending were Genieva Ganoa, District 1 vice president, Jessica Garmer, Psi Zeta president, and members Keri Kemp, Jason Tyler, Nicol Mazarova, and Nicol Lyons and Jason Hargrove.

They were accompanied by PTK adviser Carolyn Osborn and WTC instructor Jennifer Beard, who was a member of Phi Theta Kappa while attending WTC.

Midwestern offers class in distance learning lab

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as part of its Bachelor of Applied Arts and Sciences (BAAS) degree. Due to construction delays in the Workforce Education Building, this schedule was reduced to the one class.

Cormack and Mrs. Lumpkins.

Midwestern's BAAS degree is designed to offer students with either vocational-technical training or qualified work experience the opportunity to obtain a baccalaureate degree without losing all credits already earned.

To earn a BASS, students may take approximately 84 hours from WTC and 36 from Midwestern. Normally, the maximum hours universities will transfer is 66.

No formal degree is required when applying for the BAAS degree program through Midwest-

Enrolling students must have a minimum of 24 hours of credit in vocational-technical education. These credits can be earned from junior or community colleges, universities, technical schools or work experience.

Adjunct faculty numbers rise

Continued From Page One diving instructor; and Rhonda

Ward, an aerobics instructor. Some adjunct faculty have recently begun teaching on campus part-time.

These include George Adams, a retired Snyder High math teacher, who teaches developmental math; David Brown, a computer science teacher at Ira High School who teaches evening WTC classes in that subject; and Dr. Marty Akins, pastor at First Baptist Church, who teaches Bible classes on campus at night.

The large segment of auxiliary personnel teaching in the prison units includes some individuals with other full-time job assignments on the WTC cam-

Charlene Akers, director of the Scurry County Museum, also teaches history at the Price Daniel and Wallace Unit.

will have a second opportunity

in the spring if their GPA re-

Psi Zeta President Jessica

Garmer will lead the proceed-

ings and executive board officers

will also participate on Thurs-

Formal induction ceremonies

are held in the spring. The fall

inductees along with students

invited after completing the first

mains high enough.

PTK induction planned

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Kappa adviser, notes that stu-semester here will be welcomed

Brown.

dents who do not join this fall into Psi Zeta at that time.

who teaches computer science at the Wallace Unit; and Peggy Kennedy, an English lab assistant who also teaches Developmental English at the Smith Unit and the Wallace Unit.

Other prison instruction is completed by various other members of the community, including one local pastor and several public school teachers.

Carmen Carpenter, the librarian at Northeast Elementary, and Laurie Grinslade, a teacher at Northeast, both teach developmental math at Price Daniel and Wallace Unit.

Dina Collins, Snyder High School chemistry teacher, also teaches developmental math nights on campus and at the Price Daniel Unit.

Dr. Tim Griffin, pastor of First Christian Church here, teaches history at Price Daniel; and N. C. Others include Bob Benson, a Smith, who currently works as a

The local Psi Zeta chapter in-

They are guided by seven stu-

ducted 46 members into Phi

dent executive officers and advi-

sors Carolyn Osborn, Jana

Wesson-Martin and Donny

required to maintain a GPA of

3.0 at WTC to remain an active

The returning members are

Theta Kappa last spring.

computer lab assistant at WTC, contractor in Snyder, also teaches economics at the Wallace Unit.

Concurrent enrollment or extension center classes also comprise a large segment of auxiliary staff.

Generally, these teachers are full-time employees of the high school where they offer concurrent classes.

They include Kay Haynes, government teacher at Anson High School; Dodd Carmichael, economics teacher at Hamlin High School; Dr. Gary Corsen, who teaches botany concurrently at Crosbyton High School; and Mike Norell of Patton Springs, who teaches government at Patton Springs High School.

Many of the concurrent enrollment teachers are English teachers. Greg Gee of Hawley teaches ENGL 1301 at Hawley High School, as does Deborah Jennings at Ballinger High, Dr. Bill Ratliffin Hamlin and Sandra Alexander at Post High School.

Others include Markay Rister, who teaches two English classes at Stamford High School, and Mike Winter, English teacher at Patton Springs.

Dani Day of Rotan teaches one night class in English on the WTC campus in addition to English1301 and1302 at Rotan High, and 1301 at the Price Daniel Unit.

Melissa Richardson of Stamford teaches the lone extension center class, a pyschology course in the evenings.

In additon to these instructors, Palmer said four more may be added next semester.

Merry Trammell is new counselor

By Elizabeth Covey **Texan Staffer**

Merry Trammell is the newest additon to the WTC Counseling Center staff this fall.

She has been hired as a full time counselor, a position recommended as part of the re-accreditation of WTC through the Southern Associaton of Colleges (SACS) last school year.

She moved to Snyder from South Houston, where she grew up.

After three months here, she said, "Snyder is a great place, everyone is wonderful and the hospitality has been overwhelming."

Ms. Trammell graduated from South Houston

High School in May of 1986. She has a bachelor's degree in psychology from the University of Houston in Clear Lake, gradu-

ating from there in 1993. She graduated in 1997 from Hardin-Simmons in Abilene, receiving her master's degree in family psychology.

For the past 18 months, she worked for the Department of Mental Health Mental Retardation (MHMR) in Houston.

She said her job at WTC is "a little more challenging than MHMR because it allows me to use all of my skills."



By Melinda Hernandez **Texan Staffer**

Sandra Hall is a new addition to the WTC teaching staff. Mrs. Hall is the new development English teacher. She also teaches one math class at the Smith Unit in Lamesa.

For the past three years, she has worked as a lab assistant with the Mass Communications Department, assisting with the student newspaper and other campus publications.

She said next semester she hopes to teach a sophomore credit creative writing class if enough students enroll. "I hope to see the class produce some good

material for the Aquifer," she said. Aquifer is the campus literary magazine published annually here and consisting of

student writing-poems, short stories and essays-and art illustrations. Mrs. Hall is not new to the campus since she attended WTC and was a member of the

newspaper staff for two years. While at WTC, Mrs. Hall's creative work was published in two editions of the Aquifer. She completed the majority of layout for the magazine for four years.

Her sophomore year, she was named the Outstanding Academic Female Student.

She received her associates degree here in 1995 and her bachelor's degree in English from Angelo State University in 1997.



Merry Trammell

She said she made the career move also because she wanted to get into higher education and have the opportunity to teach.



Sandra Hall

She worked as a teaching assistant at ASU while working toward her master's degree in English which she plans to complete this summer.

She is married to C.W. Hall Jr. and the couple has two sons, Josh, age 16; and Jason, 14.