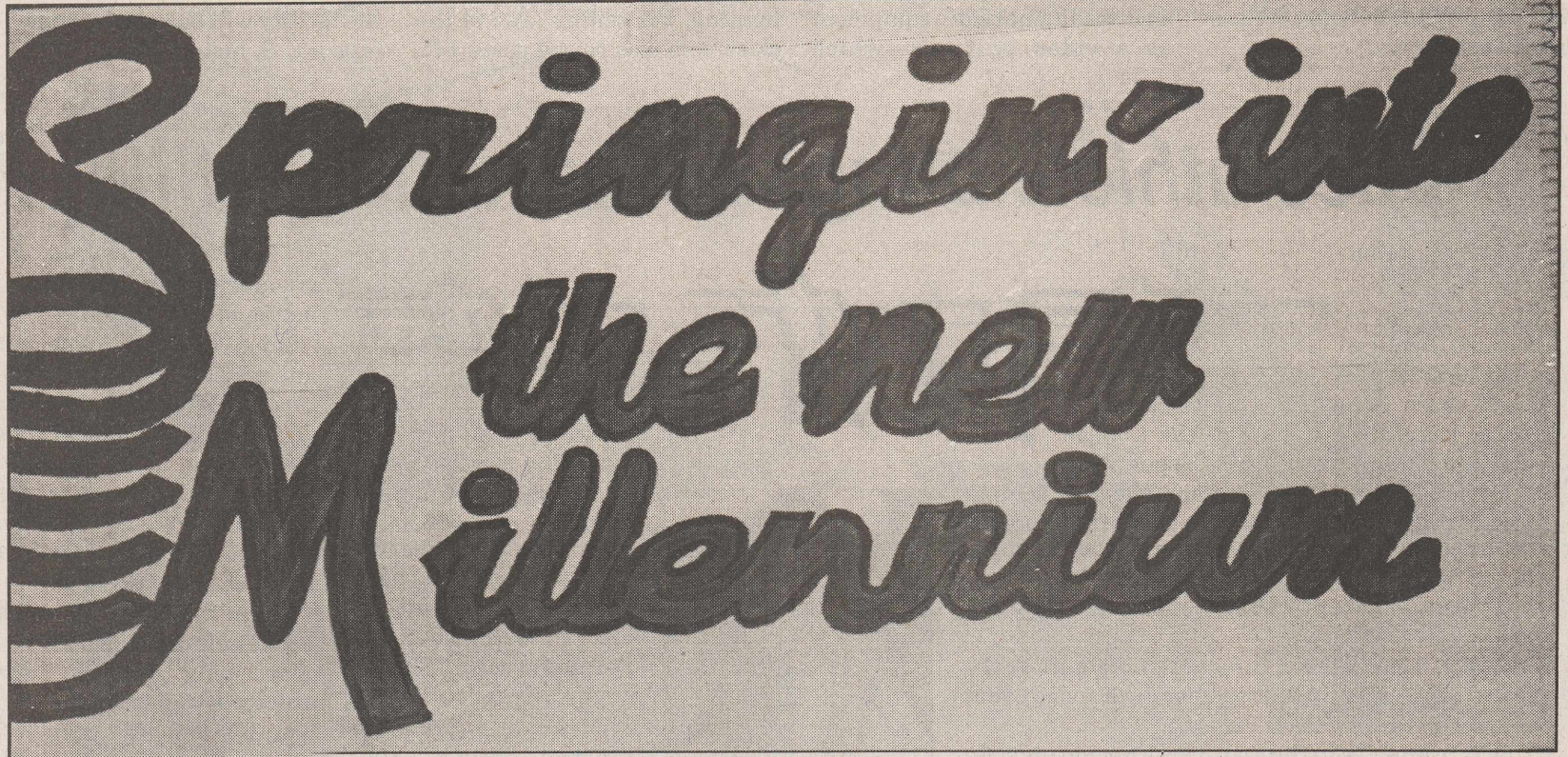




Students, parents register at Freshman Success Seminar



Student Services staffers Lana Rice and Cassie Upton show off the Success Seminar banner

WTC dorm is latest wiring addition for Internet

The WTC Dormitory is the latest campus area to be wired for Internet access, linking students via the campus T-1 line to the world wide web.

During summer, each of the dorm's 96 rooms were given two wall connections each, making for a total of 192 potential connections.

"That's more than 23,000 ft. of cable," noted Britt Canada, director of technology who supervised the work.

To gain Internet access in the past, dorm students had to contract with a local provider and receive the signal via a telephone modem dial-up.

"Now they'll have T-1 speeds without taking up their phone connection," Canada said.

Dorm students taking advantage of the college's Internet connection will pay a fee of \$60 per semester. They must also provide their own computer with a previously installed network

card. Students with a computer but no network card can have one installed by college personnel for an added fee of \$65.

The patch cord connecting the network card to the wall plug-in is provided by the college.

The additions are the latest in a series of Internet wiring projects begun here in the summer of 1998. The campus now boasts more than 200 Internet-linked computers at seven dif-

ferent sites available to students. Based on last spring's enrollment, this equals a ratio of approximately one computer for every six students.

The 192 connections now available in the dorm could almost double this figure.

Wiring sites added last spring included the WTC Gymnasium and Health/PE Department, Golf and Landscape Technology, maintenance offices and the WTC Planetarium.

During the first round of installations in the summer and fall of 1998, the largest groupings for students included 22 computers in the Computerized Business Technology lab in Bldg. 7A; 20 in the English computer labs in Bldg. 7B; and 13 in the Fine Arts computer lab in the Fine Arts Building.

The LRC has the largest grouping of Internet-accessed machines on campus with more than 30. These computers fea-

ture also card catalogue access for research with machines available both upstairs and down.

Select classrooms to receive six or less computers last fall included the mass comm newspaper lab in the Student Center, the nursing classroom in Bldg. 7C, one classroom in Bldg. 2B and the ag classroom in Bldg. 7A.

Campus areas still to be wired for Internet access include the See **INTERNET**, page 2

C-City latest concurrent campus site

Colorado High School at Colorado City is the latest addition to the list of area campuses accepting concurrent enrollment classes from Western Texas this fall.

In all, students from 14 area high schools—including both Snyder and Ira ISDs—may receive credit toward high school graduation while simultaneously earning college credit as well.

At C-City, students may enroll for U.S. government classes this fall.

Overall, the WTC-offered instruction will include both distance learning classes transmitted from the Snyder site—eight classes in all being sent to Stamford—and two campuses to be taught using videotaped lectures.

The traditional classroom instruction will range from upper level computer graphics classes offered on the WTC campus for Snyder High School students to such traditional college classes as history, government and algebra.

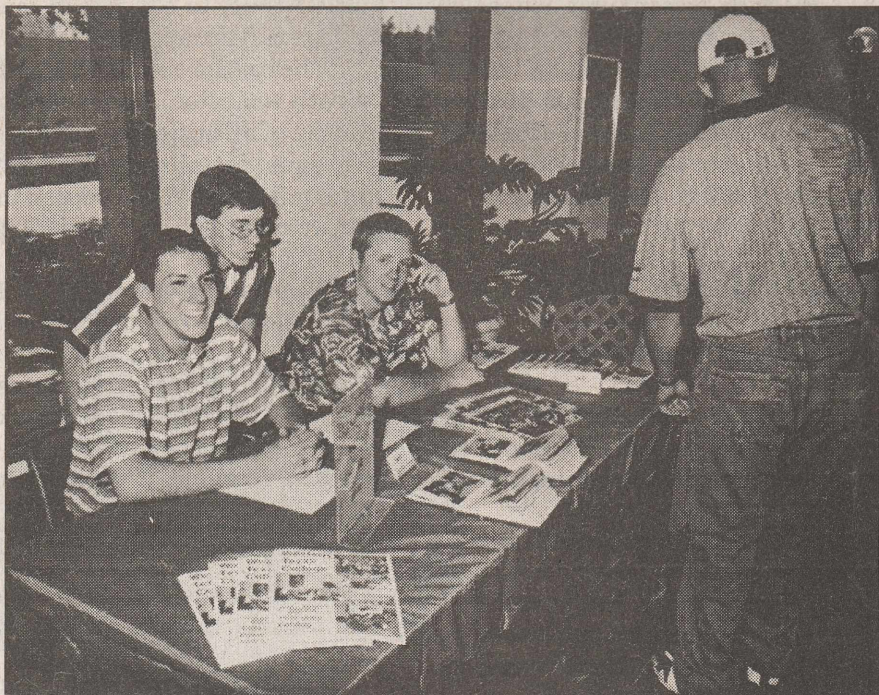
In each case, the students will earn both high school as well as college credit for their classroom time.

Concurrent enrollment classes began at WTC in the fall of 1996 with two area high schools participating.

In the spring of 1998, this had grown to six high schools; and it doubled in the fall of that year to 12.

The instructional staff for these classes include both full-time campus instructors and auxiliary teachers employed on a part-time basis.

At the SHS campus, students could choose from two publication design/graphics classes, two See **CONCURRENT**, page 2



Meeting & Greeting

Returning sophomores assisted with the first Freshman Success Seminar held on campus Aug. 12. This group was part of the campus paint crew this summer also and includes, from left, Larry Lambaren, David Olsen and Russell Kregor. (WTC Photo)

Videotape facility completed . . .

New studio doubles as classroom

Two classes taught this past summer on campus—college algebra and U.S. government—were videotaped in the recently completed WTC TV studio/classroom.

These tapes will now be used as part of the college's distance

learning curriculum offered to area high school students.

Videotaped class instruction is to be used when area schools do not have a receiving site for distance learning classes transmitted via the on-campus distance learning lab.

This fall, a math class will be offered at Westbrook High School using the instruction videotaped this summer.

The government tapes will be used to supplement instruction at both Colorado High School and Snyder High School.

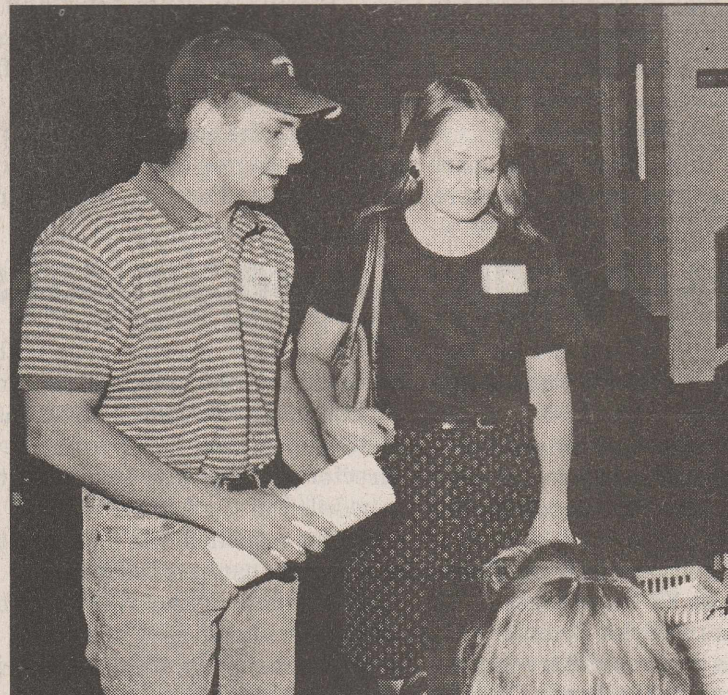
Students enrolling for college credit will view the classroom tapes at their own campus with supplemental instruction offered by individual instructors at each.

Tests based upon the videotaped material will be administered at the off-site campuses.

The new classroom/studio facility is located on the second floor in the Learning Resource Center, combining rooms 203A and 204A in the building's northwest wing.

The west end of the room includes a sound-proof control booth from which two video cameras, located in the classroom portion, can be controlled for a "two-camera shoot" of college classes.

Together, the two rooms comprise approximately 900 sq. ft. Classes videotaped this past See **STUDIO**, page 2



At registration

Two Freshman Success Seminars on campus Aug. 12 and 17 helped ease the stress of college registration for almost 200 new WTC students like Chris Hartman, shown here with his parent Arlene. (WTC Photo)

Realignment shuffles office space

The reorganization of the college's instructional division, announced last year and effective this fall, has prompted several office location changes on campus.

Under the reorganization, a new dean's post was created, the Dean of Vocational Instruction, and John Gibson, the former director for workforce education, was named to the position during the summer.

He has since relocated to the 7-A Building, Rm. 115.

Two members of the Administrative Council—Dr. Jim Palmer, dean of instruction, and Britt Canada, director of technology—have relocated to a new office space created in the northeast wing of the Learning Resource Center.

Joining them in these offices is Ruth Richburg, assistant director of distance learning.

The office space vacated respectively by Palmer and Canada has been reassigned to two new division chairs: Mike Harrison, DC for the newly created Adjunct Faculty Division; and Gerald Corkran, DC for the Communications and Fine Arts Division.

Both are now located in office space in the 2-B Building, Harrison at Rm. 105 and Corkran at Rm. 113.

The campus' two other division chairmen, Bill Halbert (Science/Math Division) and Lee Burke (Social Science/HPE Division) retain their offices located in Bldg. 2-B and the Physical Education Building respectively.

In a related move, Harrison's office space in the Physical Education Building has been assigned to Valery Jackson,

See **OFFICE**, page 2

Studio completed for videotaping classes

Continued From Page One summer were GOVT 2345, taught by Kyle Smith; and MATH 1314, caught by Stephanie Ducheneaux.

The taping was supervised by Mass Comm instructor Donny Brown using students Ben Brown and Russell Creager as camera operators.

Brown edited the tapes for length and continuity once initial camera work was completed during the regular hours of classroom instruction.

The new classroom/studio facility also houses a G-3 Macintosh computer used for non-linear video editing and a digital video camera. This equipment was provided via a Board of County Development (BCD) grant WTC last year amounting to some \$12,500.

This summer, this equipment was used to create WTC's first ever student recruiting tape with digital video effects.

The control booth contains such traditional video equipment as a video switcher—which

doubles as a video edit controller—three monitors, a VCR player and a VCR recorder and a character generator for the creation of title effects.

Also included is such audio equipment as a CD player, a digital audio tape (DAT) player, a mixer and various microphones.

Included with the control booth is a separate audio control room for voice-overs.

To accommodate studio-type lighting, the ceiling area of the classroom was raised some 4 ft.

with metal gridwork exposed to hang studio lighting.

Completion of the classroom was done using in-house staff members to include carpenter Gary Bailey and electrician Bobby Jones.

Cost of the classroom conversion was just over \$2,000. The majority of the video and audio equipment had been purchased three years ago as part of mass comm class instruction. This fall the facility will be used to videotape a U.S. history class.

WTC has open admission policy

All high school graduates may be admitted to Western Texas College, but college officials remind that certain requirements must be met before students may register for classes.

Students must provide an official transcript or GED to WTC; submit their scores from the ACT or SAT admission exam or take the college's placement test; and complete the application for admission.

WTC offers also an early admission program for high school seniors. Those who have completed their junior year may enroll in classes to earn college credit.

Application forms for both regular and early admission are available in the Student Services office located in the front of the Learning Resource Center. Transfer students from another college must make application and present a transcript of their entire college record before they may register.

Many qualify for financial aid

A wide variety of financial aid is available to WTC students including scholarships, Pell, TPEG and Workstudy. Those interested are urged to contact personnel with the financial aid office, newly located in the Student Center.

Kathy Hall, financial aid officer, stresses that early application is the most important aspect of receiving aid.

Financial aid funds will be disbursed to students in two forms: by credit and by check. Students awarded grants and scholarships will have the amount of these awards credited to tuition, fees, books, and/or room and board (if in college housing) during the registration periods of each semester.

Any refunds due a student, after crediting accounts, will be issued after the 12th class day in the form of a check made payable to the student.

According to Mrs. Hall, students needing help in paying for the cost of an education should begin by picking up a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) Pack from the financial aid office.

The form enables the student to apply for money from the federal government, state agencies, colleges and other programs. The complete FAFSA may be mailed or sent electronically through the financial aid office. The student should contact the financial aid office if they wish to send their FAFSA electronically. Questions should be addressed to the financial aid office.

Western Texas College scholarships are awarded in most departments on campus. The FAFSA and a brochure listing the various grants and scholarships available at WTC are available.

Four wing dorm will house 192

The WTC dormitory is comprised of four wings—two to house men students and two to house women—and has a total capacity for 192 residents.

Each floor accommodates 16 students and there is a large common area between the four wings to serve as a meeting place for occupants and their guests. These furnished living areas include a color television and a telephone for local calls.

Each dorm room is wired for telephones, although students must bring their own phone equipment. Laundry facilities are offered plus vending machines and pay telephones also.

Residents are required to purchase meal tickets which entitle them to eat the 15 meals prepared each week in the college cafeteria located in the Student Activities Building.

The cost for room and board is \$1,150 if it is paid at the start of each semester. A pay-out plan is available also. These plans consist of an initial payment of half the cost at registration and two equal installment payments due Oct. 1 and Nov. 1 for the remaining half. A \$50 deposit must be sent to the WTC Housing Department before a student can be considered for dorm residency.

Televisions, stereos and small refrigerators are allowed in the resident's rooms. There is a \$25 charge for cable per semester for a television and a \$25 charge per semester for electricity if small refrigerators are used. A completed housing file is required before a student can move in. These forms consist of the \$50 dorm deposit plus completion of a dorm contract, medical form, proof of insurance and immunization records.

Campus apartments also available

For students who meet specific criteria, WTC offers on-campus apartments rather than the traditional dormitory housing.

The apartments are available to all students, but preference is given to those enrolled in quarterly rather than per-semester programs; to foreign students; and to students living out-of-state or in-state students living a far distance from home.

Meal tickets are available but not required for apartment residents. Each apartment is fully furnished and including telephone jacks. Televisions are not provided, and students provide linens and other personal items.

To rent an apartment, a deposit of \$125 is required. The cost of the apartments is \$1,100 per semester, which includes five meals per week through the WTC cafeteria.

An apartment file must be completed before the student may move in. This includes the deposit amount and filling out an apartment contract, medical form, proof of insurance and immunization records.

LRC offers varied facilities, Internet

WTC's Learning Resource Center houses thousands of books now served by a electronic card catalog, a computer lab with Internet capabilities and a reading center which is used for developmental reading students.

Also, the LRC houses a reference room complete with encyclopedias, research material, daily and weekly newspapers and periodicals.

The LRC contains also a microfilm area with magazine articles from past years stored and available. A copy machine is available to students and the library staff will make copies using the facility's microfilm copier. For both, the charge is 10 cents a copy.

The LRC also features an audio-visual department which will make copies of non-copyrighted cassette tapes for students at no cost. The students must provide a blank tape.

Cassette tapes and some movie videotapes are available. Cassette tape recorders are available from the circulation desk also with a three-day limit for use.

The LRC's operational schedule is: Monday-Thursday, 8 a.m. until 9 p.m.; Friday, 8 a.m. until 4 p.m.; and Sunday, 2 until 5 p.m.

Rodeo athlete brings home national title

WTC rodeo athlete Jill Childers of Durant, Okla. won a national title for the Western Texas Rodeo Team in late June at the College National Finals Rodeo held in Casper, Wyo.

Her event was goat tying and she won the national title in the short-go with a time of 6.9 seconds.

She was the only competitor from WTC to qualify for the finals event but was part of a contingent of six WTC team members who had qualified for nationals.

At the regional level throughout the nation, the Top 30 percent of competitors for each rodeo event advance to the National Finals.

WTC competes in the Southwest Region and as a team the WTC Men finished 3rd last school year and the WTC Women finished 2nd.

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Jill Childers

Individual team members qualifying for national competition included Childers, who placed 2nd in the All-Around Cowgirl category for the region, 1st place in breakaway roping and 3rd place in goat tying.

Two members of the Men's Team and three other members of the Women's Team qualified.

For the men, Wes Stevenson of Kaufman was 1st in the region in the bareback event; and Kyle Bowers, a native of Canada, was 2nd in the bareback.

For the women, Sequin Downey of Amarillo was 3rd in the region for breakaway roping.

Also, Brandee Brock of Springtown was 4th in the region for goat tying; and Terra Bynum of Snyder finished among the Top 30 percent for goat tying.

Rodeo Coach Greg Rhodes notes all six will return this school year as rodeo team competitors.

4 new on-campus faculty added

The 1999 WTC fall semester begins with four new on-campus faculty instructors: Shane Christensen in art; Dani Day in English; Ava Russell in math; and Randy Weaver in GLT.

Shane Christensen is the college's new ceramics instructor for Fine Arts.

He holds his M.F.A. in ceramics from Edinboro University of Pennsylvania. He also holds a bachelor of arts degree from Southern Utah University and an associate of arts degree from Dixie College.

He has most recently taught ceramics for Project Enhance at Edinboro University where he was a graduate assistant.

He has also been employed as a studio assistant in Pennsylvania and in Utah. He has received many honors for his art work and has participated in several exhibitions in the last few years.

Dani Day has been employed as a full-time English/Developmental English instructor. She has been an adjunct faculty member for the past several semesters.

She holds a master of arts degree in English from the University of Texas at Arlington and graduated cum laude from Texas Christian University with a bachelor of arts degree.

In addition to her part-time teaching experience here, she

taught English composition at Texas Tech University, Hardin-Simmons University, and the University of Texas at Arlington. She has also taught in the public schools and conducted work in corporate training.

Ava Russell has been employed as WTC's third full-time mathematics instructor.

Previously she taught as an adjunct faculty member for Western Texas as well as for South Plains College in Levelland.

She was to complete her master of arts degree in math from Texas Tech University this August. She holds a bachelor of science degree from the University of Texas Permian Basin and an

associate's degree from South Plains College.

Last year she was employed by Ralls High School as a math teacher. She also has computer programming and operating experience with Marsh, Erwin, and Company, Permian Coca-Cola Bottling Company, and Ocho Gin.

Randy Weaver has been employed by the college as a horticulture instructor at the John Wallace prison unit extension campus since 1994.

Effective this fall, he has accepted the on-campus position as Golf/Landscape Technology instructor and superintendent for the WTC Golf Course.

Workforce posts change

Two staff positions have changed for WTC's Workforce Education Department under the the Continuing Education Division.

Dave Hanes, formerly the campus' network/distance learning technician, has been named director of workforce education and Terry Stephens has been named workforce coordinator for extension centers.

Hanes joined the WTC staff last fall. Originally from Ohio, he initially moved to Snyder to work at YZ Industries.

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.

Terry Stephens began his duties Aug. 10.

He holds his bachelor of science degree in marketing from Texas Tech University. He also holds an associate of arts from Western Texas College where he graduated cum laude in 1994.

Technical staffer is new

Cindy Fritz, who has been with WTC some 17 years, has been named technology technician for the campus.

This past week she helped install equipment to be used for a third distance learning interactive television classroom and will work with the director of technology throughout the year by coordinating computer lab scheduled in the LRC.

Other responsibilities will involve troubleshooting and maintenance of the various campus computers.

She began in the WTC Audio Visual Department and moved to a library technician spot in 1994.

In that capacity, she assisted with the technology which automated the library's card catalogue for books and periodicals.

She also worked as part of the main crew which wired the campus for the Internet last summer and during the school year.

Her's is one of several staff positions undergoing change this year with several spots still to be filled as of Friday.

There is one new staffer, Cindy Bynum as a clerk in the registrar's office. Re-locations include Patty Kuhl, moving to admissions secretary and office manager for the Student Services Division; and Donna Harris, moving to a secretary's post in the registrar's office.

Concurrent class offerings on increase

Continued From Page One sections of government, principles of economics and general psychology. At Ira, one class is available in college algebra.

Classes either videotaped this past summer or to be taped this fall include a history class offered at Ballinger ISD in Runnels County and an algebra class

at Westbrook ISD in nearby Mitchell County.

Other participating school districts accepting WTC classes in area counties include: Rotan ISD, Fisher County; Anson, Stamford, Hamlin and Hawley ISDs, Jones County; Crosbyton ISD, Crosby County; Post ISD, Garza County; and Patton Springs ISD, Dickens

County.

Dean of Instruction Jim Palmer, who heads the concurrent enrollment program, notes that this type of class not only gives the students a substantial lead on college work, it has the potential to save their parents thousands of dollars in college-related expenses.

Office sites change with realignment

Continued From Page One women's basketball coach; and Athletic Director Milton Ham has relocated into the coach's previous office in the same building.

Under the reorganization, the earlier alignment of five academic/vocational instructional divisions was absorbed into four academic divisions, to include the newly created Adjunct Faculty Division, and the Vocational

Education Division.

Under the plan, the new groupings are:

—a Science/Math Division (including science, math and academic business classes).

—a Communications/Fine Arts Division (including English, reading, mass communications and fine arts classes).

—a Social Science/Health & Physical Education Division (in-

cluding history, government, sociology and psychology classes)

—a Vocational Instruction Division (including golf systems technology, electronic office technology and criminal justice classes).

—an Adjunct Faculty Division comprised of instructors who fulfill the same qualifications as a full-time instructor but do not teach a full class load.

Fall '98 had good start with high contact hours

Enrollment for fall 1998 was the second highest recorded of the 1990s and saw WTC's student numbers increase for full-time students, on-campus enrollment and, in the largest category jump, the college's concurrent enrollment agreements with the local and area high schools.

The total count dipped slightly—1.7 percent—when compared to the fall of 1997's total of 1,207 which still stands

as the best numbers counted for this decade. The fall of 1998 reached 1,186.

For college funding, however, the most important figure was contact hours and WTC's 1998 fall count was the highest of the 1990s.

Funding from the state is based on contact hours and is monitored every other year. Last fall was a funding year and WTC's total was 252,144 contact

hours—a 1 percent increase over last fall.

An increase was noted also in the total number of semester hours student enrolled for. Last fall's count was 11,014, a 6 percent increase over the previous year.

While full-time, on-campus and concurrent numbers rose, a 16.2 percent drop was noted with enrollment for prison classes taught by the college.

This decline was primarily offset by a 45 percent increase in concurrent enrollment numbers.

Under these programs, high school students earn both credit toward graduation and college hours simultaneously with courses either taught on their individual campuses or at WTC.

Regarding full-time versus part-time students, last year's count rose by 7.8 percent compared to the previous fall. Exact

numbers were 510 compared to 473.

On-campus numbers stayed nearly the same with slightly less than a 1 percent increase, totaling 727 last fall.

Off-campus enrollment—comprised of prison instruction and concurrent enrollment at area high schools—overall had a decrease of 5.4 percent, 485 last year compared to 459 this year.

Off-campus concurrent enroll-

ment last fall came from 10 area high schools—three of these new for 1998.

By gender, the number of full-time students at the college remained almost equal last fall—261 men and 249 women.

When part-time students were included, the balance shifted to 733 men compared to 502 women—a change primarily caused by the number of part-time male prisoners enrolled.

Distance Learning began in fall 1998

Twelve months ago, WTC embarked on its first true distance learning classes with the completion of the first electronically-equipped classroom in the, at that time, still under construction Workforce Education Building.

Wiring and setup for the distance learning classroom was finished in September of 1998.

During the fall, classes were offered by Midwestern State University in Wichita Falls.

Midwestern sent classes as part of its Bachelor of Applied Arts and Sciences (BAAS) degree.

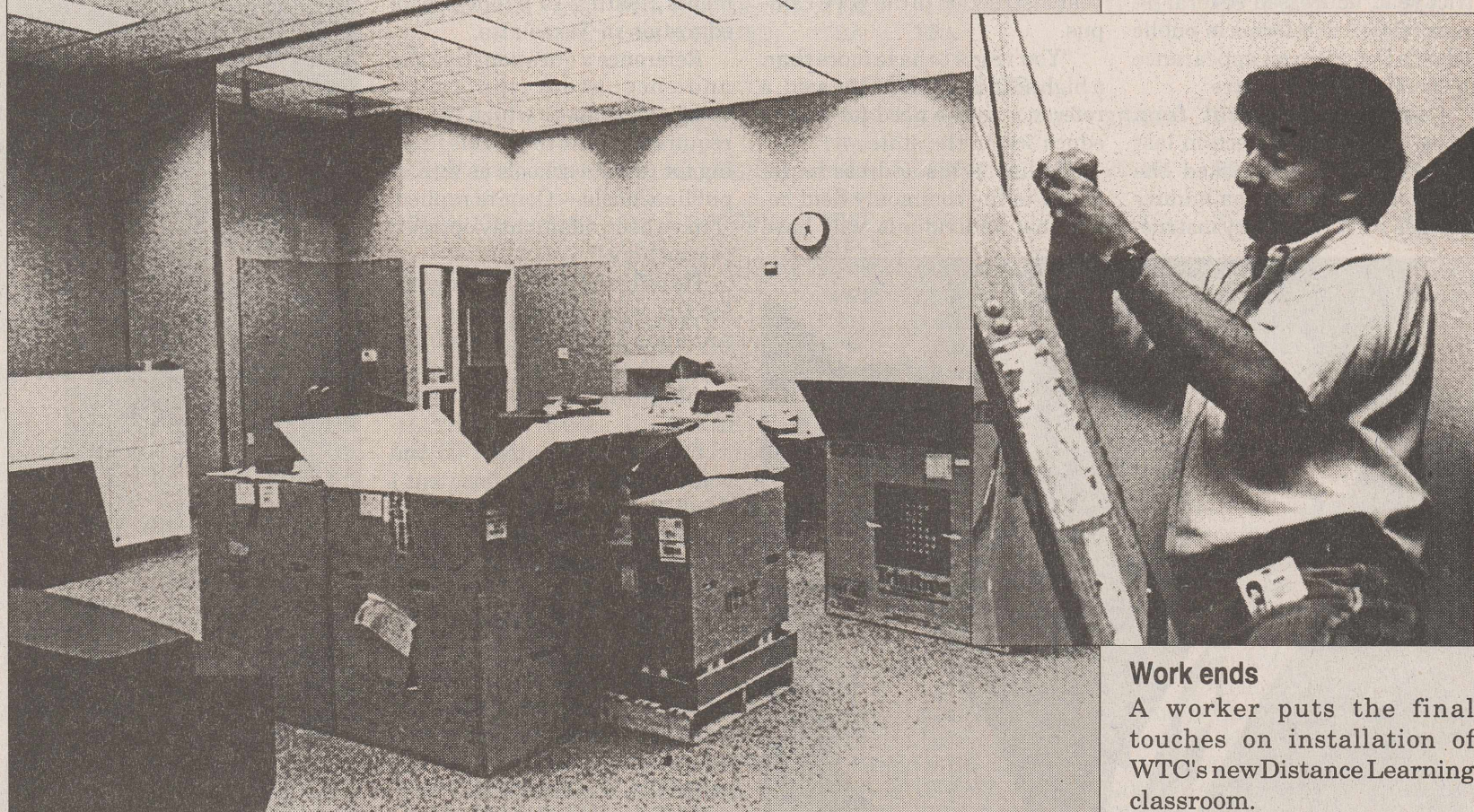
Midwestern's BAAS degree is designed to offer students with either vocational-technical train-

ing or qualified work experience the opportunity to obtain a baccalaureate degree without losing all credits already earned.

To earn a BAAS, 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 Midwestern.

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.



Work ends
A worker puts the final touches on installation of WTC's new Distance Learning classroom.

Mascot is new in 1998

An idea first proposed three years ago by a WTC Board of Trustee member became a reality in the fall of 1998—the new WTC mascot.

Each year, a interested WTC student or students will be named to wear the mascot costume at sports events and other related community activities.

The mascot, nicknamed "Dusty," features a large foam cowboy head with a big chin and a bigger hat.

The head is worn over a traditional cowboy shirt, pants and chaps.

The mascot had its first public appearance in September at the Scurry County Fair.

It was also a feature at WTC athletic events beginning with women's basketball in November.

The idea for the new mascot was first proposed by trustee Carolyn Barbee. Serving as mascot for the majority of 1998-99 was Todd Lancaster of Big Spring.



WTC mascot 'Dusty'

September

Jobs office relocates in fall '98

State's Career Stop branch office

September 1998 saw the grand opening for the new Career Stop Branch office located on the WTC campus.

The branch office serves a multi-county region assisting both area employers and individuals seeking jobs.

Officials with the West Central Texas Workforce Center asked to place the Career Stop on the WTC campus.

The college provides the building space while funding for the office's operation is provided through the Workforce Center and its related West Central Texas Council of Governments (WCTCOG).

Officials say locating the Career Stop here offered the citizen's of Scurry County the opportunity to access state-of-the-art job search services.

The branch office is located in the north wing of the Learning Resource Center (LRC) and is open Monday-Friday from 8:30

a.m.-5 p.m.

The office features an Internet link with two computers.

Using the Internet, individuals are able to research the labor market for the state and nation.

These programs include Texas Cares, featuring job market information; Win-Way Resume, which assists with writing a re-

sume; Typing Tutor, which helps sharpen typing abilities; ALEX, short for Automated Labor Exchange System; a list of jobs available nationally; Governor's Job Bank, which lists state jobs; and Jobs Express, another listing of Texas jobs.

The computers contain such word processing programs as

Word Perfect and Microsoft Word.

WCTCOG contracts with the Workforce Development Board to operate a network of career centers throughout the West Central Texas area.

Presently, there is one center in Sweetwater similar to the one on campus and six satellite sites.

4 buildings dark with fall outage

Four WTC buildings were without power for three days in September, a problem finally solved Sept. 16 by workers from WTC maintenance, TU Electric, Midwest Electric, and a local electrical contracting firm.

Sept. 13, an electrical arc caused a flash fire in an auxiliary breaker box, destroying it and damaging a second.

Power was lost to four buildings, the Scurry County Museum, the Administration Build-

ing, the Learning Resource Center, and the Fine Arts Building. Also affected was outdoor lighting in the south parking lot and the central courtyard.

With power lost to the Administration Building, the main frame computer was also down. This affected the entire campus telephone system which is served by this computer. As a result, no telephone calls could come in to, or out of the central campus.

To study the problem, repre-

sentatives were called in from the two area utility companies, TU Electric and Midwest Electric, as well as the local firm Southern Electric.

With repairs completed, local workers were still metering an electrical short.

The short was ultimately found and, around 4 p.m. Sept. 16, approximately 68 hours after the problem was first noted, the electrical system for the entire campus was back to normal.

Campus print publications move 'in house' with 1998

Effective with the fall of 1998, four major print publications generated annually by WTC were moved "in house" for production.

This included the WTC catalogue, which is the basic information document of the college to include information about such areas as academic regulations, student services, student life, grading and reporting.

The catalogue includes also brief profiles of faculty and administration and the basic descriptions of all courses offered at WTC.

Other publications affected were the annual fall basketball program, the spring rodeo program and the college view book—used as one of the primary recruiting tools for the campus.

In the past, each of these documents were either created by individuals employed on a one-

time basis or—as in the case of the catalogue—by firms operating out-of-state.

Beginning last year, Donny Brown, assistant professor of Mass Communication, was assigned to oversee the creation of the four publications.

In the spring of 1999, a larger format was introduced with the overall size going from a 6X9 inch book to 8 1/2X11 inches.

In the fall, work was completed on the 1998-99 basketball program, which features profiles of all three sports teams and their coaches here at WTC.

The rodeo program was distributed in the spring at the annual WTC Rodeo held in the Scurry County Coliseum.

The new view book was available by mid-term, profiling the different programs and student activities offered at WTC.



To cheer about

As the fall term began in 1998, the new cheerleading squad for WTC was chosen following tryouts on campus. That fall, the yell squad consisted of (from left) Jessica Hernandez, Recia

Allison, Ashley White (alternate), Paige Chance, Trinity Chaney, Michele Rowe, Robin Sanders, Amy Lester and Amber Miller. (Texan Photo)

State races bring candidates in October

What has the State of Texas done recently for community colleges?

These questions and others were answered by State Rep. David Counts as he appeared in front of a large crowd in the Fine Arts Theater Oct. 15.

Scott McLaughlin, a Big Spring businessman who faced the incumbent last November as a challenger for the 132nd District seat, addressed several issues related to reforms in public schools Oct. 22 in an appearance in the Fine Arts Theatre.

Counts, a Democrat from Knox City, won re-election last November. He was asked the question regarding community colleges by WTC history instruc-

tor Robert Adams.

In reply, Counts said, "We've paid more attention to community colleges lately," pointing out that colleges like WTC are "leading the way" in new technology across Texas.

He was complimentary of WTC's new distance learning facility, noting it would allow the college to benefit a wider population of students by bringing four-year instruction to the WTC campus.

"You've got to have more than a high school diploma," he said, a reference to the need for higher education in the state.

Earlier in his address he referred to the commonly held belief that individuals will have

"six career changes in a lifetime."

Regarding this, he said, "WTC is one of the leaders allowing people to re-train."

Counts referred also to a plan by Comptroller John Sharp which would create a scholarship plan where by the state would fund the first two years of college work based upon the student's grade point average.

Counts made several comments relating to public school education in Texas also.

Reference a question from the audience about the "state voucher" plan— which would require the state to provide funding for private schools as well as public schools— Counts replied, "I have been adamantly opposed to vouchers."

He referred to a pilot program for the voucher system in San Antonio's Edgewood school district and said, "It's a glaring example of why we just don't need it."

Counts commented, "If you want to home school, fine, but I think the Legislature will continue to (favor) local control," a reference to locally-based public school districts.

Counts also discussed the state's current budget surplus saying "We need to put one-half (of the surplus) into education; we need to raise state employee's salary; and we need to return (a portion) to taxpayers."

At McLaughlin's appearance, one of the main topics brought up was the so-called "voucher plan" for public education.

Vouchers were initially created for the use of parents who did not want to send their children to public schools.

Under the plan, the state would provide money to send their children to private school if the parent elected this option.

McLaughlin said he had initially been for vouchers, but had since changed his stance.

He said he now felt vouchers were not since they took money away from the general school funding needed to improve the education in Texas.

The issue of state-mandated TAAS testing in public education was brought up also.

McLaughlin was critical of "teaching the TAAS" in elementary schools.

"I'm tired of elementary students coming home saying they were taught the TAAS all day in school and I'm tired of high school

students saying they had football plays drawn on the blackboard that day," McLaughlin said.

He spoke out also for more "local control" for Texas school boards, indicating that he felt

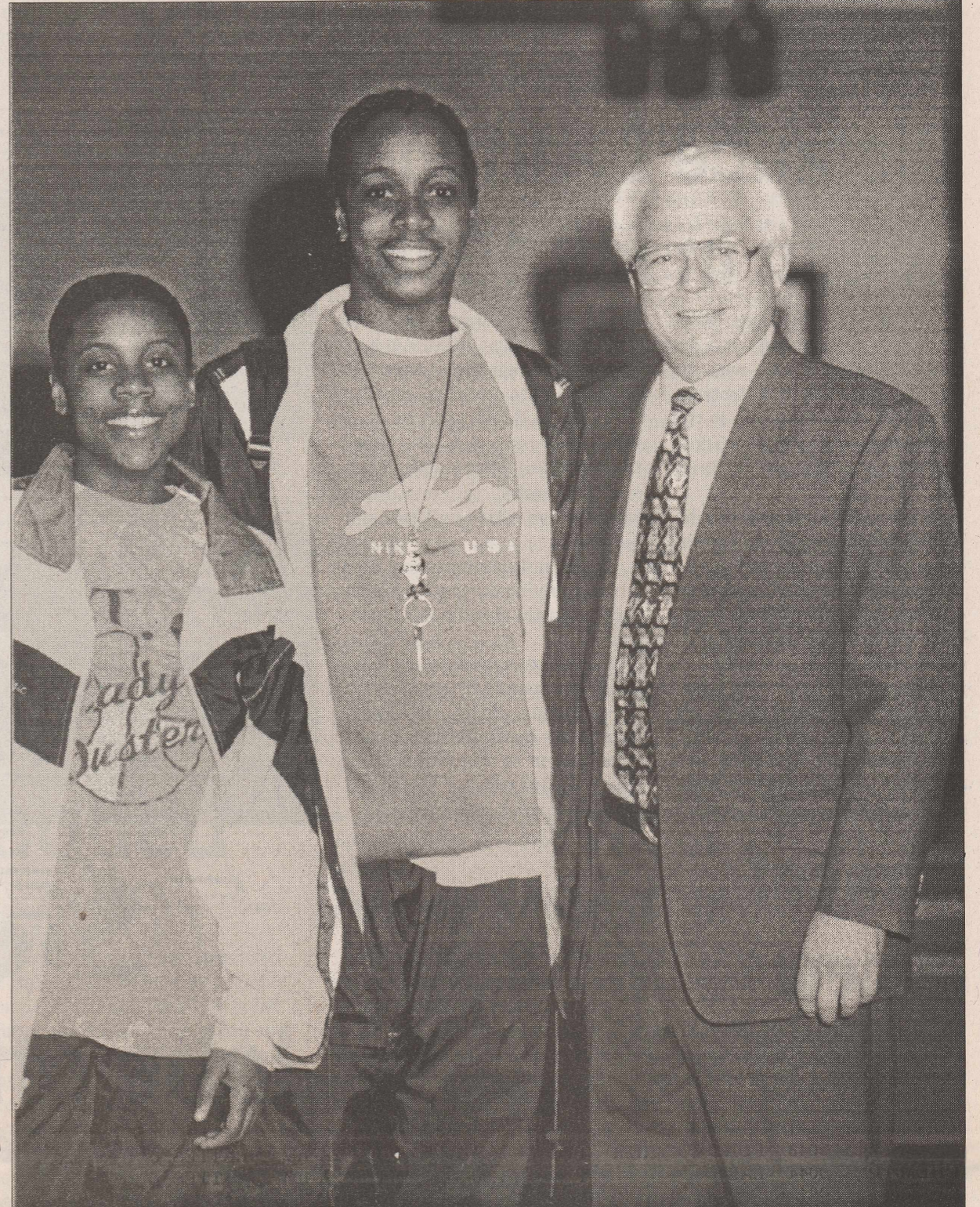
more problems could be solved in this way rather than a "cookie cutter" approach with one solution for all problems.

He noted he feels Texas is also losing good potential teachers due to low entry level pay.



Seeking office

Scott McLaughlin appeared on campus Oct. 22 to a crowd of both students and members of the community. The Republican candidate discussed public schools at length, saying he felt local control needed to be returned to individual school districts. (Texan Photo)



Incumbent

David Counts, a Democrat from Knox City, visited the WTC campus as a campaign stop last October. The state representative for the 132nd District was re-elected to a seventh

term in November. He posed before his appearance here Oct. 15 with WTC basketball players Shante Russell and Trina Lyles. (Texan Photo)

WTC October WTC

Campus signs prompt fall study

Lack of visible signs and the poor quality of existing ones prompted WTC Vice President Bettie McQueen to appoint a "signage committee" on campus last October.

"The committee's purpose is to evaluate existing signs located on all areas of the main campus and make recommendation," said Mike Thornton, dean of continuing education, who was named to head the committee.

"At the beginning of every semester we see students lost on

campus. This is our effort to address the problem and find a solution," he said.

The signage committee consists of a cross-section of the campus to include both students, faculty and staff.

Representing the Student Government Association were Kara Wood, SGA vice president, and Kelly Beck, SGA historian.

The committee also included Alisha Cooper, student activities director; Julie Sentell, Fine Arts secretary; and Charlene Akers,

museum director.

After the first meeting, each member was asked to gather suggestions and return them to Thornton.

He said the most popular suggestion received was to implement "kiosks" at different locations on campus. He explained these as similar to signs seen at malls, with "you are here" notations on campus buildings.

Other ideas included marking buildings with large numbers and names, eliminating ob-

solete signs and color-coding buildings.

In addition to campus buildings, parking and road signs were also discussed. Committee members agreed that directional signs were needed on roadways and campus drives.

Other suggestions included directional signs for basketball games, larger signs for campus parking lots, well-marked handicap parking ramps and placing "watch your steps" signs for uneven sidewalks.

Several countries represented at WTC

WTC counted 13 international students enrolled on campus last fall.

Of the 13, three were new to the campus—each recruited to participate in a college sport.

They are Beatrice Nganga, a Duster basketball player from Kenya; Jason McGrath, a native of Canada who is playing of the golf team; and Martin Gustafson of Sweden, also a new WTC golfer.

Other international students and their home country were: Toshiaki "Toshi" Ubagai, Japan; Luke Richards, Australia; Celestine Otuoro, Kenya; Pamela Odhuongo, Kenya; Nicol Mazarova, Slovakia; Lester Lombard, South Africa; Junichi Kikkawa, Japan; Makiko Funai, Japan; Kyle Bowers, Canada; and Caitlin Behrens, Australia.

Michele Lumpkins, who served as international student adviser through WTC's Student Services Division, noted that most international students find out about WTC through publications listing community colleges as well as the Internet web page.

A primary reason they choose WTC is cost, she noted, adding most international students stay the full two years here.

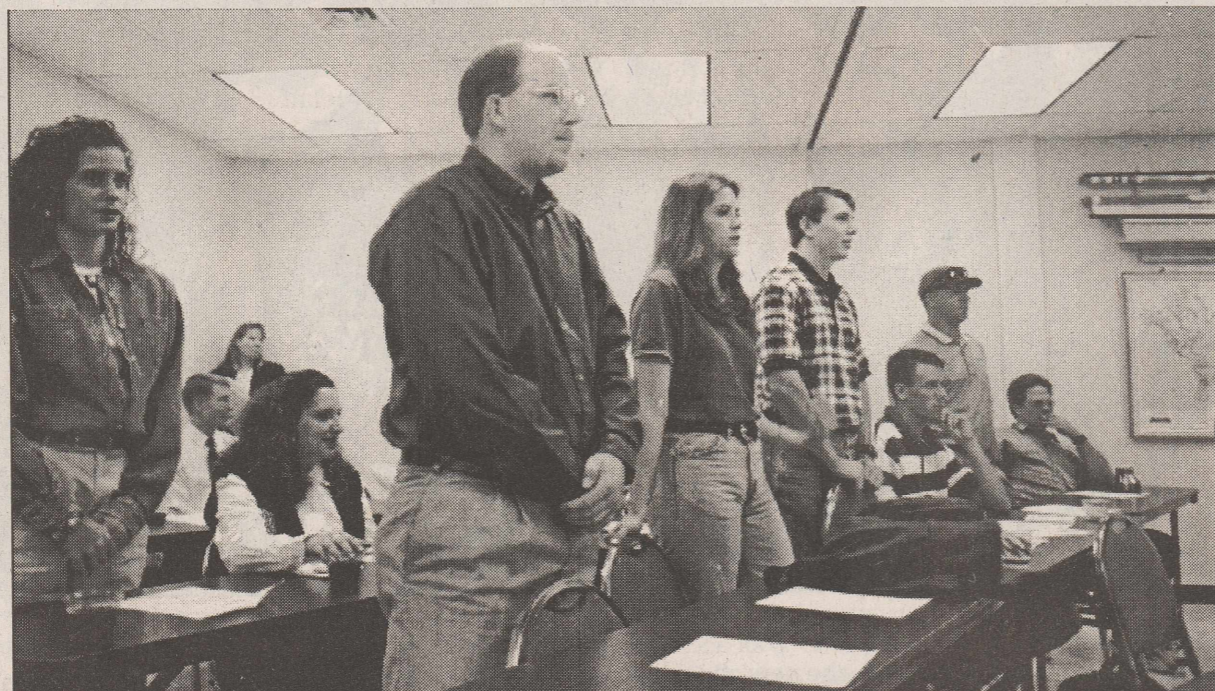
Fall event adds to PTK

An informal induction was held Oct. 15 for 13 new members of the Psi Zeta Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa.

New members included Brian Bohannon, Snyder; Kay Brooks, Snyder; Graig Gonzales, Snyder; and Amy Gruben, Rotan.

Others were Rosa Linda Qutierrez, Post; Mandy Heaton, Snyder; Casie Joiner, Colorado City; and Tanner Means, Abilene.

Also, Matt Pond, McCaulley; Nichole Riggs, Colorado City; Geoffrey Sanders, Snyder; Jason Tyler, Pullman, Wash.; and Antonio Williams, Sweetwater.



New members for Psi Zeta recite their oath of membership last Oct. 15

WTC GLT organization attends two fall events

The WTC student chapter of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America (GCSAA) were active last fall, sponsoring a golf tournament with entry fee money to go towards a memorial scholarship fund.

In addition, several members of the chapter received \$500 scholarships while attending area conferences.

Officers last year were Will Dutton of Munday, president; Geoff Sanders of Snyder, vice president; Rey Gomez of Snyder, secretary; Brad Easter of Lubbock, treasurer; and Dale Simpson of Lubbock, liaison.

During the semester, the GLT members attended the West Texas Golf Course Superintendents Association Turf Grass Conference. Geoff Sanders received a \$500 scholarship at that event.

Members attended also the Southwest Turf Grass Association Conference in Ruidoso, N.M. Oct. 20-23.

At that event, four students received similar scholarships of \$500: Rey Gomez, Geoff Sanders, Dale Simpson and Lester Lombard, an international student from South Africa.

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ACADEMIC CLASSES - DAY

AGRICULTURE

AGRI 1131	0001	AG INDUSTRY	M	9:00-9:50	1	7A-111	JUDAH, J	
AGRI 1319	0002	ANIMAL SCNCE	MWF	9:00-9:50	3	7A-111	JUDAH, J	\$10
		LAB	T	1:00-3:45		7A-111	JUDAH, J	
		LAB	W	1:00-3:45		7A-111	JUDAH, J	
AG 135	0008	HRSEMNSHIP	TH	1:15-2:00	3	7A-118	RHODES, G	\$10
		LAB	TH	2:00-5:00		7A-118	RHODES, G	
HORT 1401	0009	HORTICULTURE	MWF	9:00-9:50	4	GLT-106	FARE, S	\$15
		LAB	M	1:00-3:00		GLT-106	FARE, S	
		LAB	M	3:00-5:00		GLT-106	STAFF	
AGRI 1413	0003	AG ENTOMOL	MWF	11:00-11:50	4	2A-111	KATTES, D	\$20
		LAB	M	1:00-4:00		2A-111	KATTES, D	
AGRI 2317	0004	AG ECONOMICS	MWF	11:00-11:50	3	7A-111	JUDAH, J	
AGRI 2221	0005	LVSTOCK EVL	TTH	11:30-12:45	2	7A-111	JUDAH, J	\$20
AGRI 2321	0006	LIV AN EVL I	TTH	11:30-12:45	3	7A-111	JUDAH, J	\$20
		LAB	TH	12:45-5:00		7A-111	JUDAH, J	
AGRI 2322	0007	LIV AN EVL II	TTH	11:30-12:45	3	7A-111	JUDAH, J	\$20
		LAB	TH	12:45-5:00		7A-111	JUDAH, J	

ART

ARTS 1311	0111	2-D DESIGN	M-TH	8:00-9:15	3	FA-105	STAFF	\$10
ARTS 1311	0100	2-D DESIGN	MW	1:00-4:00	3	FA-105	STAFF	\$10
ARTS 1316	0101	FRHND/DRAW I	TTH	1:00-4:00	3	FA-117	SUM, B	\$10
ARTS 1316	0102	FRHND/DRAW I	TTH	9:30-10:45	3	FA-117	SUM, B	\$10
		(FOR NON-MAJORS)						
		LAB	TBA	TBA		FA-117	SUM, B	
ARTS 2346	0104	CERAMICS	T	1:00-4:00	3	FA-122	STAFF	\$24
		LAB	TBA	TBA		FA-122	STAFF	
(THERE WILL BE A \$25 MATERIALS FEE FOR THIS CLASS.)								
ARTS 2356	0105	PHOTOGRAPHY	MW	1:00-2:15	3	SC-105	BROWN, D	\$24
		LAB (4 HOURS)	TBA	TBA				

BIOLOGY

BIOL 1322	0025	NUT/DIT THRYP	TTH	11:30-12:45	3	2A-101	FREEMYER, S	
BIOL 1306	0027	PRIN OF BIOL I	TTH	9:30-10:45	3	2A-101	FREEMYER, S	\$15
BIOLOGY STUDENTS MUST ATTEND ONE OF THE FOLLOWING LABS:								
BIOL 1106	0028	LAB SECT I	T	1:00-3:30	1	2A-111	FREEMYER, S	
BIOL 1106	0030	LAB SECT III	TH	1:00-3:30	1	2A-111	FREEMYER, S	
BIOL 1313	0031	ANML FRM/FUN	MWF	10:00-10:50	3	2A-102	CARTER, J	\$15
BIOL 1113	0032	LAB	M	1:00-4:50	1	2A-105	CARTER, J	
BIOL 1113	0038	LAB	W	1:00-4:50	1	2A-105	CARTER, J	
BIOL 2301	0033	HMN ANAT/PHS	TTH	8:00-9:15	3	2A-101	CARTER, J	\$15
A & P STUDENTS MUST ATTEND ONE OF THE FOLLOWING LABS:								
BIOL 2101	0034	LAB SECTION I	T	1:15-4:50		2A-107	CARTER, J	
BIOL 2101	0035	LAB SECTION II	TH	1:15-4:50		2A-107	CARTER, J	

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION/ECONOMICS

ACCT 2301	0175	PRIN OF ACC I	MWF	9:00-9:50	3	7A-117	HALBERT, W	
POFT 1321	0176	BUS MATH	TTH	9:30-10:45	3	7A-117	HALBERT, W	
BUSI 1301	0177	INTRO TO BUS	MWF	10:00-10:50	3	7A-102	SNIDER, S	
BUSI 1301	0178	INTRO TO BUS	TTH	11:30-12:45	3	2B-106	SNIDER, S	
ECON 2301	0179	MACRO/ECON	MWF	10:00-10:50	3	7A-117	HALBERT, W	

CHEMISTRY

CHEM 1305	0043	FUND OF CHEM	TTH	9:30-10:45	3	2A-102	KATTES, D	\$20
CHEM 1105	0044	LAB	T	1:00-5:00	1	2A-104	KATTES, D	
CHEM 1311	0040	GEN CHEM	MWF	9:00-9:50	3	2A-101	KATTES, D	\$20
GEN CHEM STUDENT MUST ATTEND ONE OF THE FOLLOWING LABS:								
CHEM 1111	0041	LAB	W	1:00-5:00	1	2A-104	KATTES, D	
CHEM 1111	0042	LAB	TH	1:00-5:00	1	2A-104	KATTES, D	

COMPUTER SCIENCE

COSC 1300	0183	INTRO/COMP	MWF	9:00-9:50	3	LRC-111	RACHER, T	\$20
		LAB	TBA	TBA				
COSC 1300	0184	INTRO/COMP	MWF	10:00-10:50	3	LRC-111	RACHER, T	\$20
		LAB	TBA	TBA				
COSC 1300	0185	INTRO/COMP	MWF	11:00-11:50	3	LRC-111	RACHER, T	\$20
		LAB	TBA	TBA				
COSC 1300	0186	INTRO/COMP	TTH	9:30-10:45	3	LRC-111	RACHER, T	\$20
		LAB	TBA	TBA				
COSC 1301	0187	INTRO/COMP	TTH	8:00-9:15	3	LRC-111	RACHER, T	\$20
		LAB	TBA	TBA				

DRAMA

DRAM 1351	0127	ACTING I	M-TH	4:00-4:45	3	FAT	COGAN, H	\$8
DRAM 1352	0128	ACTING II	M-TH	4:00-4:45	3	FAT	COGAN, H	\$8
DRAM 2351	0129	ACTING II	M-TH	4:00-4:45	3	FAT	COGAN, H	\$8

ENGLISH

ENGL 1301	0300	COMPOSITION I	MWF	8:00-8:50	3	2B-110	LANCASTER, R	\$8
		LAB (1 HOUR)	TBA	TBA				
ENGL 1301	0301	COMPOSITION I	MWF	9:00-9:50	3	7B-105	STAFF	\$8
		LAB (1 HOUR)	TBA	TBA				
ENGL 1301	0302	COMPOSITION I	MWF	10:00-10:50	3	2B-110	HALBERT, J	\$8
		LAB (1 HOUR)	TBA	TBA				
ENGL 1301	0303	COMPOSITION I	MWF	11:00-11:50	3	2B-110	HALBERT, J	\$8
		LAB (1 HOUR)	TBA	TBA				
ENGL 1301	0304	COMPOSITION I	MWF	12:00-12:50	3	7B-105	STAFF	\$8
		LAB (1 HOUR)	TBA	TBA				
ENGL 1301	0305	COMPOSITION I	TTH	8:00-9:15	3	7B-101	BARKOWSKY, E	\$8
		LAB (1 HOUR)	TBA	TBA				
ENGL 1301	0306	COMPOSITION I	TTH	9:30-10:45	3	7B-105	STAFF	\$8
		LAB (1 HOUR)	TBA	TBA				
ENGL 1301	0307	COMPOSITION I	TTH	11:30-12:45	3	7B-105	STAFF	\$8
		LAB (1 HOUR)	TBA	TBA				
ENGL 1301	0316	COMPOSITION I	MW	1:00-2:15	3	7B-101	BARKOWSKY, E	\$8
		LAB (1 HOUR)	TBA	TBA				
ENGL 1302	0308	COMPOSITION II	MWF	9:00-9:50	3	2B-110	HALBERT, J	\$8
		LAB (1 HOUR)	TBA	TBA				
ENGL 1302	0309	COMP II*	TTH	9:30-10:45	3	2B-110	HALBERT, J	\$8
		LAB (2 HOURS)	TBA	TBA				
*THIS CLASS WILL BE TAUGHT BY INTERNET.								
ENGL 2307	0310	CREATIVE WRIT	MW	2:30-3:45	3	2B-110	HALBERT/HALL	
ENGL 2326	0311	AMERICAN LIT	MWF	10:00-10:50	3	7B-101	LANCASTER, R	
ENGL 2326	0312	AMERICAN LIT	TTH	11:30-12:45	3	7B-101	BARKOWSKY, E	
ENGL 2332	0313	WORLD LIT	TTH	9:30-10:45	3	7B-101	BARKOWSKY, E	

GOVERNMENT

GOVT 2305	0235	US/ST/LOC GOV	MWF	8:00-8:50	3	7A-118	WILKS, D	
GOVT 2305	0236	US/ST/LOC GOV	MWF	9:00-9:50	3	7A-118	WILKS, D	
GOVT 2305	0237	US/ST/LOC GOV	TTH	9:30-10:45	3	2C-103	PRICE, J	
GOVT 2305	0238	US/ST/LOC GOV	TTH	11:30-12:45	3	2C-103	PRICE, J	
GOVT 2306	0239	US/ST/LOC GOV	MWF	9:00-9:50	3	2C-103	PRICE, J	
GOVT 2306	0240	US/ST/LOC GOV	MWF	10:00-10:50	3	2C-103	PRICE, J	
GOVT 2306	0241	US/ST/LOC GOV	MWF	11:00-11:50	3	2C-103	PRICE, J	

HISTORY

HIST 1301	0225	US HIST TO 1865	MWF	8:00-8:50	3	2C-105	ADAMS, R	
HIST 1301	0226	US HIST TO 1865	MWF	10:00-10:50	3	2C-105	ADAMS, R	
HIST 1301	0227	US HIST TO 1865	TTH	8:00-9:15	3	2C-105	DURHAM, J	
HIST 1301	0228	US HIST TO 1865	TTH	1:00-2:15	3	2C-105	ADAMS, R	
HIST 1302	0229	US HIST 1865-	TTH	11:30-12:45	3	2C-105	ADAMS, R	
HIST 2301	0230	TEXAS HIST	TTH	1:00-2:15	3	2C-104	DURHAM, J	

ACADEMIC CLASSES - DAY

MASS COMMUNICATIONS

COMM 1121	0318	PUBLICATIONS	MT	2:00-4:00	1	SC-105	BROWN, D	\$10
		LAB (4 HOURS)	TBA	TBA				
COMM 1316	0319	INT TO PHOTO	MW	1:00-2:15	3	SC-105	BROWN, D	\$24
		LAB (4 HOURS)	TBA	TBA				
COMM 2129	0320	PUBLICATIONS	MT	2:00-4:00	1	SC-105	BROWN, D	\$10
		LAB (4 HOURS)	TBA	TBA				
COMM 2311	0321	NEWS WRITING	TTH	1:00-2:15	3	SC-105	BROWN, D	\$10
		LAB (3 HOURS)	TBA	TBA				
COMM 2344	0323	PUB DES/GRAPH	TTH	11:00-12:15	3	7B-105	BROWN, D	\$24
		LAB (3 HOURS)	TBA	TBA				

MATHEMATICS

MATH 1314	0191	COLL ALGEBRA	MWF	9:00-9:50	3	2B-109	DUCHENEAX,S	\$8
		LAB	TBA	TBA				
MATH 1314	0192	COLL ALGEBRA	MWF	11:00-11:50	3	2C-101	STAFF	\$8
		LAB	TBA	TBA				
MATH 1314	0193	COLL ALGEBRA	MWF	1:00-1:50	3	2C-101	STAFF	\$8
		LAB	TBA	TBA				
MATH 1316	0194	TRIGONOMETRY	MWF	8:00-8:50	3	2B-109	DUCHENEAX,S	
MATH 1324	0195	BUS/ECON I	MWF	12:00-12:50	3	2C-101	DUCHENEAX,S	
MATH 1324	0196	BUS/ECON I	TTH	8:00-8:50	3	2C-101	STAFF	
MATH 1348	0197	ANALY GMTRY	MW	2:00-3:15	3	2B-109	DUCHENEAX,S	
MATH 1442	0198	STATISTICS	TTH	9:30-10:45	4	2B-109	DUCHENEAX,S	
		LAB	TBA	TBA				
MATH 2313	0199	CALCULUS I	MWF	10:00-10:50	3	2B-109	DUCHENEAX,S	
MATH 2314	0200	CALCULUS II	TTH	11:30-12:45	3	2C-101	DUCHENEAX,S	

ORIENTATION-HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

ORIE 1100	0060	LEARN SKILLS	TTH	1:00-1:50	1	2C-101	CORKRAN, G	
ORIE								

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ACADEMIC CLASSES - NIGHT

VOCATIONAL CLASSES - DAY

ANTHROPOLOGY									
ANTH 2315	0267	CULTRL ANTH	TH	6:30-9:20	3	2C-104	MINTON, T		
ART									
ARTS 1301	0106	ART APPREC	M	6:30-9:20	3	FA-105	SUM, B		
ARTS 1303	0107	ART HISTORY I	M	6:30-9:20	3	FA-105	SUM, B		
ARTS 2316	0108	PAINTING	T	6:30-9:20	3	FA-117	SUM, B	\$10	
		LAB	TBA	TBA		FA-117	SUM, B		
ARTS 2346	0109	CERAMICS	T	6:30-9:20	3	FA-122	STAFF	\$24	
		LAB	TBA	TBA		FA-122	STAFF		
		(THERE WILL BE A \$25 CLAY AND GLAZE FEE FOR THIS CLASS.)							
ARTS 2366	0110	WATERCOLOR	T	6:30-9:20	3	FA-117	SUM, B	\$10	
		LAB	TBA	TBA		FA-117			
BIOLOGY									
BIOL 2301	0036	H/ANAT/PHYS	T	6:30-9:20	3	2A-102	CARTER, J	\$15	
BIOL 2101	0037	LAB	TH	6:00-9:50	1	2A-101	CARTER		
COMPUTER SCIENCE									
COSC 1300	0188	INTRO/COMP	T	6:30-9:20	3	LRC-111	BROWN, D	\$20	
		LAB	TBA						
DRAMA									
DRAM 1120	0123	THEATRE ACT	M-TH	6:30-9:20	1	FAT	COGAN, H	\$8	
DRAM 1121	0124	THEATRE ACT	M-TH	6:30-9:20	1	FAT	COGAN, H	\$8	
DRAM 2120	0125	THEATRE ACT	M-TH	6:30-9:20	1	FAT	COGAN, H	\$8	
DRAM 2121	0126	THEATRE ACT	M-TH	6:30-9:20	1	FAT	COGAN, H	\$8	
ENGLISH									
ENGL 1301	0314	COMPOSITION I	W	6:30-9:20	3	7B-105	STAFF	\$8	
		LAB (1 HOUR)	TBA	TBA					
ENGL 2326	0315	AMERICAN LIT	M	6:30-9:20	3	2B-110	HALBERT, J		
GOVERNMENT									
GOVT 2306	0242	US/ST/LOC GOV	M	6:30-9:20	3	7A-111	PRICE, J		
HISTORY									
HIST 1301	0231	US HIST TO 1865	W	6:30-9:20	3	2C-105	DURHAM, J		
MATHEMATICS									
MATH 1314	0201	COLL ALGEBRA	T	6:00-9:00	3	2C-101	DUCHENEAX, S	\$8	
		LAB	TBA						
MATH 1332	0202	MATH CNCPTS I	M	6:00-9:00	3	2C-101	STAFF		
		LAB	TBA						
PHYSICAL EDUCATION									
PHED 2101	0422	ARBIC ACT	MWTH	6:30-7:15	1	GYM-108	WARD, R	\$10	
PHED 1151	0423	SCUBA DIVING	T	6:30-9:20	1	POOL	REED, R	\$10	
PHED 1151	0424	SCUBA DIVING	TH	6:30-9:20	1	POOL	REED, R	\$10	
PHED 2101	0425	DIET/WTCNTRL	W	5:30-6:30	1	GYM-109	BURKE, L	\$10	
PSYCHOLOGY									
PSYC 2301	0258	GENERAL PSYC	TH	6:30-9:20	3	2C-102	TRAMMELL, M		
PSYC 2314	0257	LIFESPAN	T	6:30-9:20	3	2C-102	OSBORN, C		
SOCIOLOGY									
SOCI 1301	0248	INTRO/SOCI	M	6:30-9:20	3	2C-102	DURHAM, J		
SPANISH									
SPAN 2311	0328	INTER SPANISH	M	6:30-9:20	3	2C-104	ADAMS, R	\$5	
		LAB (2 HOURS)	TBA	TBA					

COLLEGE PREPARATORY - DAY

ENGLISH									
DEN 011	OMIT	ENG SKLS LAB	TTH	10:45-11:30	1	7B-103	HALL, S	\$12	
DEN 032	0356	BASIC ENGL II	MWF	11:00-11:50	3	7B-103	HALL, S	\$12	
		LAB (3 HOURS)	TBA	TBA					
DEN 033	0357	PRE-COMP	MWF	9:00-9:50	3	7B-103	HALL, S	\$12	
		LAB (3 HOURS)	TBA	TBA					
DEN 033	0358	PRE-COMP	MWF	10:00-10:50	3	7B-103	HALL, S	\$12	
		LAB (3 HOURS)	TBA	TBA					
MATHEMATICS									
DMT 031	0207	FUND/MATH	MWF	12:00-12:50	3	2B-109	BEARD, J	\$12	
		(INCLUDES LAB)							
DMT 031	0208	FUND/MATH	TTH	11:30-12:45	3	2B-109	STAFF	\$12	
		(INCLUDES LAB)							
DMT 032	0209	BASIC ALGB	MWF	11:00-11:50	3	2B-109	DUCHENEAX, S	\$12	
		LAB (3 HOURS)	TBA	TBA					
DMT 032	0210	BASIC ALGB	TTH	8:00-9:15	3	2B-109	BEARD, J	\$12	
		LAB (3 HOURS)	TBA	TBA					
DMT 032	0211	BASIC ALGB	TTH	9:30-10:45	3	2C-101	BEARD, J	\$12	
		LAB (3 HOURS)	TBA	TBA					
DMT 033	0212	INTER ALGB	MWF	8:00-8:50	3	2C-101	STAFF	\$12	
		LAB (2 HOURS)	TBA	TBA					
DMT 033	0213	INTER ALGBB	MWF	9:00-9:50	3	2C-101	STAFF	\$12	
		LAB (2 HOURS)	TBA	TBA					
DMT 033	0214	INTER ALGB	MWF	10:00-10:50	3	2C-101	BEARD, J	\$12	
		LAB (2 HOURS)	TBA	TBA					
READING									
DRE 011	OMIT	READ SKLS LAB	TTH	10:45-11:30	1	LRC-208	CORKRAN, G	\$12	
DRE 032	0365	READ SKLS II	MWF	9:00-9:50	3	LRC-207	CORKRAN, G	\$12	
		LAB (3 HOURS)	TBA	TBA					
DRE 032	0366	READ SKLS II	MWF	10:00-10:50	3	LRC-207	CORKRAN, G	\$12	
		LAB (3 HOURS)	TBA	TBA					
DRE 032	0367	READ SKLS II	TTH	9:30-10:45	3	LRC-207	CORKRAN, G	\$12	
		LAB (3 HOURS)	TBA	TBA					
DRE 033	0368	READ SKLS III	MWF	11:00-11:50	3	LRC-207	CORKRAN, G	\$12	
		LAB (3 HOURS)	TBA	TBA					
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COLLEGE PREPARATORY - NIGHT

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COMPUTERIZED BUSINESS TECHNOLOGY

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		LAB	TBA	TBA		7A-107	SNIDER, S		
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BUSI 1301	0181	INTRO TO BUS	TTH	11:30-12:45	3	2B-106	HALBERT, W		
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GOLF-LANDSCAPE TECHNOLOGY

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		LAB	W	1:00-3:00		GLT-106	FARE, S		
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		LAB	TH	1:00-4:00		GLT-106	STAFF		
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WELDING

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WLDG 2543	0517	ADV/SHLD/ARC	M-TH	7:00-9:15	5	W	WALKER, C	\$24	
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Happiness and its conflicting values were discussed by speakers Tony Wofford, Roy Baze, Nan Swanson and Drew Bullard.

Campus panel addresses 'Happiness'

WTC NOVEMBER

What is happiness and how do you find it?

These questions and others were addressed Nov. 5 in the Fine Art Theatre at a panel discussion entitled "The Pursuit of Happiness: Conflicting Values and Visions."

The program was sponsored by the Psi Zeta Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa as part of its year long honors topic.

Invited speakers were Drew Bullard, a local business owner; Rev. Nan Swanson, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Snyder; Roy Baze, retired senior vice president of Exxon, USA;

and Tony Wofford, founder and pastor of the Word is Life Deliverance Church in Snyder.

Following the program format, each speaker addressed the topic individually with a 10-minute address.

Bullard spoke on how the concept of happiness differs from culture to culture.

He said he became aware of

this as a volunteer member of the Peace Corps in India.

Noting that "romantic love" is the tradition in the United States, he pointed out that this concept doesn't even have a word in the language in India, where a couple about to be married may not meet each other until the day of their wedding.

"To become happy with with

your culture you have to come to grips with what is around you," he said.

In her talk, Rev. Swanson highlighted how people most often look for happiness in the wrong places.

As an example, she noted the "quick fixes" of such things as drugs and alcohol and the "American dream" of "getting

rich quick."

"A true sense of happiness is hope," she said.

Baze addressed how important being content with your work is for ultimate happiness in life. "Being happy with your job is a major step in being happy in the rest of your life," he said.

Working hard and being honest in the effort were two things

Baze stressed during his address. He explained that in the 30-plus years he worked for Exxon, he was never asked to do anything he considered unethical.

Wofford spoke on how you can find happiness with religion and a relationship with God.

He explained this by giving his own personal experience, saying, "I began to seek God when trying to find happiness."

Attitude is another key factor for happiness, he said. "If a person thinks he can do something, I believe he can do it," adding, "You can't find happiness if you are not happy with yourself."

Ex-student wills annuity policy establishing college scholarship

WTC became the primary beneficiary of an annuity policy following the death of a former student, it was reported in November.

The policy, left by Kelly L. Everton, directs that WTC receive monthly payments of \$150 beginning in May of 1999 through September of 2013.

The donation will be spread over more than 170 payments and will equal almost \$26,000 before interest is figured in.

The moneys will ultimately be used as a memorial scholarship fund.

Miss Everton died March 16, 1998, following health problems in Monroe, La., where she was doing graduate studies at Northwest Louisiana University in substance abuse counseling.

She was a graduate of Snyder High School in 1979. She first attended WTC in the fall of 1979, and returned to the college in the summer of 1990, earning her associate of arts degree in the fall of 1992.

Miss Everton went on to earn a bachelor of science in human development and family studies from Texas Tech University, where she graduated Magna Cum Laude.

Upon learning of her dona-

tion to the college, several instructors as well as former classmates remembered Kelly Everton—often pointing out her mode of transportation while here—a motorcycle.

It was described by former creative writing teacher Bill McGlothing, now at Seward County Community College in Liberal, Kan., as "a fairly significant machine."

Gymnasium gains facelift

Installation of the new gymnasium floor in the WTC Health/Physical Education Building was completed the first week of November.

The gym was closed all of the fall semester, causing the relocation of several PE classes.

Bids for the gym floor were let in the summer of 1998. Low bidder was Ponder Company of Amarillo at a cost of some \$55,000.

The total project cost some \$70,000 which included a new scoreboard clock and striping of the gym floor. In addition, the WTC logo was painted in the center court.

He remembered Kelly as "complete in her apparel with full leathers and helmet."

It was a motorcycle accident that Kelly was involved in that brought about the annuity policy which she left to WTC.

Anne Overhulser of Snyder, a close friend and fellow student at WTC, remembers her as being "an amazing person. I learned a lot from her."

While attending WTC, Miss Everton was a frequent contributor to the literary magazine "Aquifer," submitting several essays, short stories and poems.

McGlothing remembered her work by saying, "She was an earnest, inquisitive, and probing writer."

"It seems to me she was always exploring the eye at the center of the hurricane, the calm in the center of the turmoil. Perhaps that is why she wanted to be a substance abuse counselor."

The first issue of the Aquifer contains a personal essay by Miss Everton called "It Happened One Spring."

In it she writes, "Death catches us unaware. I have always tried to say what needs to be said because I know how quickly the last chance slips away."



Christmas show

The holiday production "An O'Henry Christmas," comprised of two musicals based on the short stories "The Last Leaf" and "The Gift of the Magi," was held on campus Nov. 19-22. It marked the first fall production for the Drama Department and was a joint venture with

The Ritz Theater community group of Snyder. Players for the two productions were, from left, Vickie Williams of Sudan, Tiffany Martin of Snyder; Shannon Gates of Seminole; Dallas Pollicie of Breckenridge; and David Olson of Abilene. (Texan Photo)

Canadian rodeo title won by WTC cowboy

A member of the WTC Rodeo Team—sophomore Kyle Bowers—brought a national rodeo title back to the campus during the fall term, winning the Canadian national title in the novice bareback event Nov. 15.

Bowers spent the week of Nov. 11-15 back in his home country of Alberta, Canada at the Canadian Professional Rodeo Association's (CPRA) Finals Rodeo, held in Edmonton, Alberta.

He had qualified to compete in the bareback novice division based upon his performances at some 30 CPRA rodeos during the summer of 1998.

The novice division is for rodeo riders age 21 and under who have not yet qualified for their professional card on the rodeo circuit.

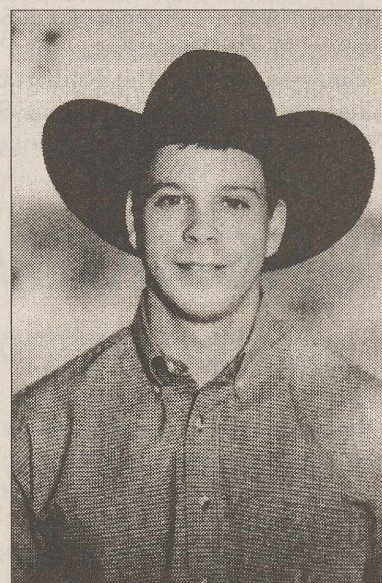
To win at the finals, he rode six times—winning each round of the competition. Prize money for the event totaled \$7,400 plus a new rodeo saddle.

In addition, the win earned him the right to ride at the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association (PRCA) National Finals Rodeo Dec. 10 in Las Vegas.

That ride won't be for competition but as a promotional event for the Canadian CPRA "representing the novice bareback riders of Canada," Bowers said.

Bowers, a native of Brooks, Alberta, Canada, also led the field of regional collegiate bareback riders after the first five fall rodeos for WTC and qualified for the National Finals Rodeo this past summer.

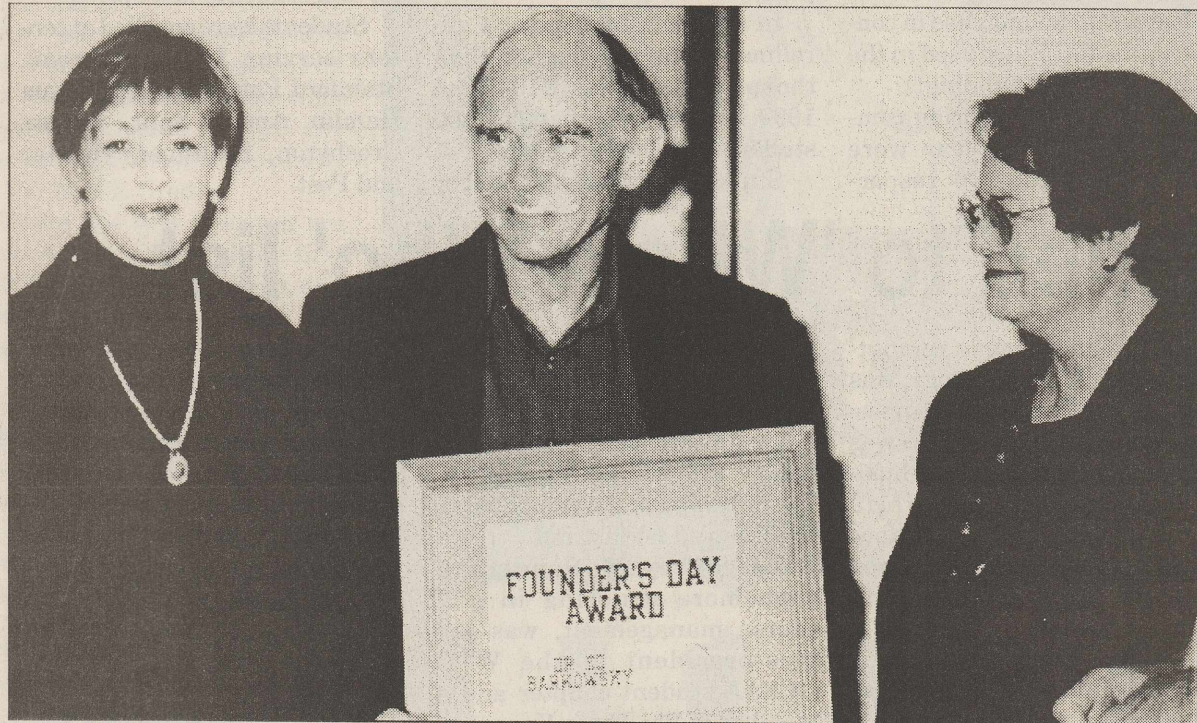
A rodeo competitor in high



Kyle Bowers wins Canadian national title

school, he was recruited at the high school national finals rodeo by then rodeo coach Todd Danley.

In addition to bareback riding, he has competed as a steer wrestler on the rodeo circuit and has won other large money prizes this semester.



Instructor recognized

The Phi Theta Kappa Founder's Day Award—traditionally a surprise announcement—was presented to Dr. Ed Barkowsky Nov. 19. Barkowsky, an English instructor here since 1971, is one of the original founding faculty

members of the local Psi Zeta Chapter. He is shown with his daughter, Holly Bynum of Lubbock, and his wife, Judy, a 3rd grade teacher in Snyder. (Texan Photo)



At dedication
WTC trustees shown at the dedication of the new Workforce Training Center are, from left, Jackie Greene, Jay Kidd, Carolyn Baree, Eddie Peterson, Lee Presswood and Drew Bullard. (Texan Photo)

Workforce Center dedicated during college Open House

WTC hosted a campus-wide open house Feb. 11 as part of dedication ceremonies for the newly remodeled Workforce Training Center.

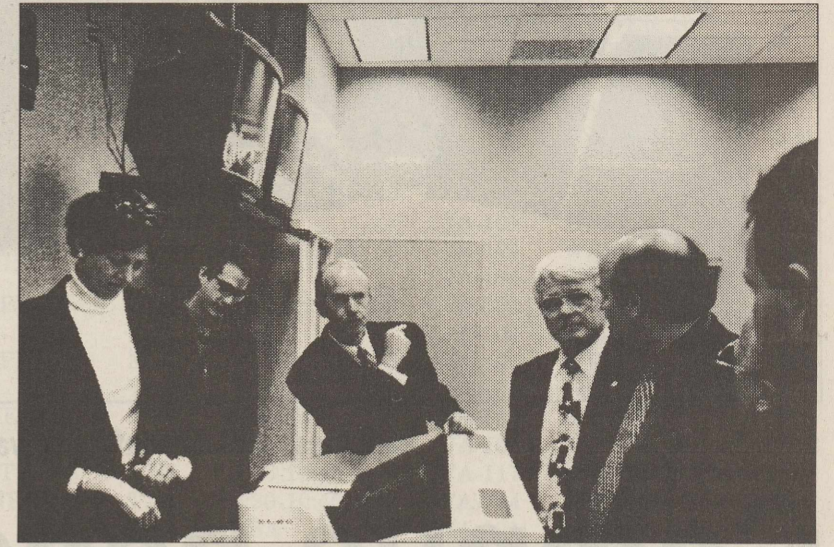
Just prior to the open house, Texas Commission for Agriculture Susan Combs and her staff toured the facility along with State Rep. David Counts (D-Knox City).

The Workforce center includes training facilities for Scurry County's newest textile spinning plant, Lorber Industries, as well as the college's first distance learning classroom.

The center accommodates also all workforce education as well as campus correctional officer training.

All buildings on campus were open for tours and exhibits during the afternoon.

Visitors were encouraged to view the renovated gymnasium in the Physical Education Building; the WTC Planetarium, the Student Center, the Learning Resource Center's Internet lab and the Texas Workforce Commission Career Stop office in the LRC; and the Fine Arts Building with its new art exhibit.



State officials tour

Texas Commission for Agriculture Susan Combs (left) and her staff toured the newly remodeled Workforce Training Center along with State Rep. David Counts (right) early in the spring term. WTC dedicated the new facility Feb. 11. Shown with the group is Dean of Continuing Education Mike Thornton (center). (Texan Photo)

The focus of the day was the dedication ceremony for the 15,000 sq. ft. Workforce Training Center. The project was completed after two years of planning.

Plans for the building were

announced on campus May 8, 1997, as the college received two grants totaling some \$700,000.

The college received \$402,500 as part of the Texas Department of Commerce's "Smart Jobs" program, and \$293,523 from the Texas Workforce Commission's skills development fund.

The Workforce Training Center has one distance learning classroom, two traditional classrooms, a computer lab, a large textile lab area measuring some 6,400 sq. ft., and a conference room.

2 chosen academic All USA

Jessica Garmer and Jason Tyler, both members of the Psi Zeta Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, were selected as WTC's nominees for the All USA Community and Junior College Academic Team, it was announced in February.

The pair were later recognized at a luncheon honoring their being named to the team, sponsored by USA TODAY and Phi Theta Kappa.

In a campus-wide selection process, the two WTC sophomores were chosen as the college's nominees.

They were chosen from a slate of six students previously named among the 19 WTC students included in this year's Who's Who in American Junior Colleges publication.

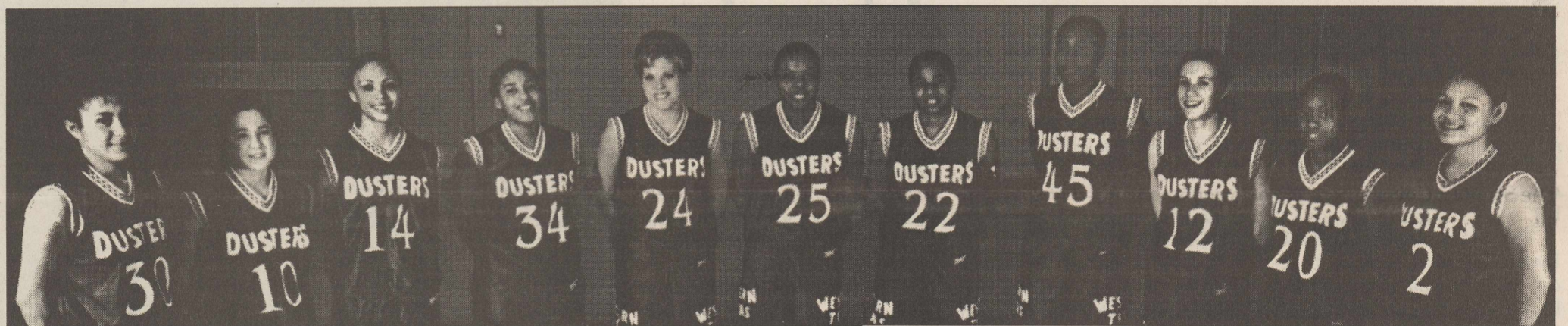
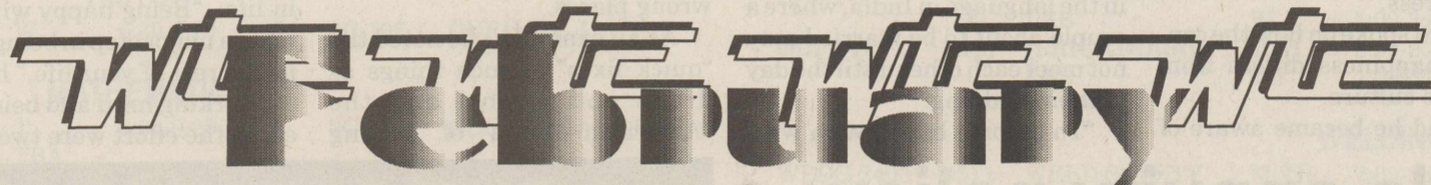
WTC faculty members initially nominated students for the Who's Who honor. Based upon a criteria of highest grade point average and involvement in campus activities, the top six students from this list were then considered for the academic team honors.

In addition to Jessica and Jason, finalists were Genieva Gaona of Lubbock, international student Nicole Mazarova of Slovakia, Geoffrey Sanders of Snyder, and Travis Dale Simpson of Lubbock.

Each of the six prepared an essay of 500 words or less detailing their most outstanding experience while attending WTC. These essays were then ranked by five WTC faculty members and, based on a point rating system, the top two were chosen.

Jessica was a sophomore from Snyder who was involved in Phi Theta Kappa as President.

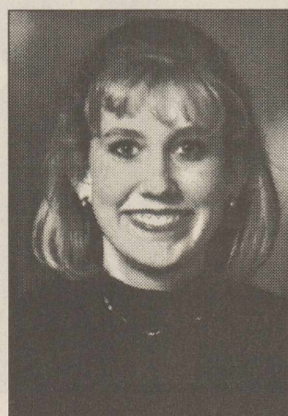
She was active in the Student Government as a Chairperson of Entertainment. She was elected a "campus favorite" and a nominee for Miss WTC in the spring of 1998.



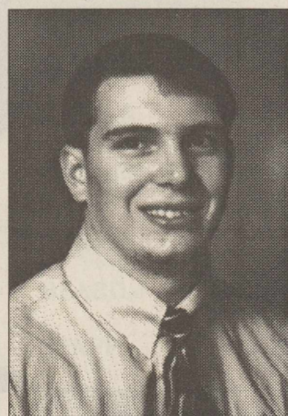
Duster post 17-12 season

The WTC Lady Duster basketball team, under coach Valery Jackson for the second year, ended its 1998-99 season in late February with a winning record—17 wins to 12 losses—but just shy of making the post-season Region IV tournament. In conference play, the team was 6-7 and one more win would have advanced them to the regional event. Team members were, from left,

Mary Cavazos, Carrie Fincher, Danielle Brown, Rosalind Lawrence, Christy Wells (named as honorable mention All Conference), April Walker, Latasha Vizcarrondo, Pamela Odhuong'O (also honorable mention All Conference), Heather Moon, Crystal Williams and Kathy Tran. (Texan Photo)



Jessica Garmer



Jason Tyler

She plans to transfer to Texas Tech University this fall, working towards a Ph.D.

Jason was a sophomore from Pullman, Wash. who was involved in the Student Government as a Treasurer.

He was a member of the Baptist Student ministry and served on the Traffic Appeals Committee at WTC. He was also named a "campus favorite" and chosen as Mr. WTC in the spring of 1998. He was again a nominee this past spring. He plans to earn his BA degree in Criminal Justice.

Spring count again boosts WTC's state funding figure

The WTC enrollment headcount for the 1999 spring semester was slightly lower than last year—a 3.4 percent drop—but the total number of semester hours being taken increased by almost 9 percent.

In effect, fewer students were taking more hours last spring compared to 1998.

Despite the loss of students, the increase in semester hours will generate an increase in contact hours, the figure used in the formula for state funding.

The figures last spring compared to previous year were 263,360 and 243,776 respec-

tively—an 8 percent increase.

School officials reported 1,193 students enrolled last semester.

This was 42 fewer students when compared to the 1,235 count enrolled during the spring semester of 1998.

Regarding total semester hours, last spring's figure was 11,194 compared to 10,279 the previous year—an increase of 8.9 percent.

In addition, last spring's enrollment was still higher than the spring semesters of 1996 and 1997, when approximately 1,100 students enrolled each time.

Students enrolled in either

traditional classes on campus or through the concurrent program at Snyder High School made up about 54 percent of enrollment.

Prison enrollment accounted for 31 percent of the total, about 377 students enrolled at three prison sites.

In nine different area extension centers, WTC's concurrent enrollment program accounted for 162 students last spring.

Students were enrolled at centers serving Ira, Westbrook, Stamford, Patton Springs, Rotan, Hamlin, Anson, Spur, Jayton, Crosbyton, Ballinger, Hawley and Post.

Nineteen WTC sophomores named to 'Who's Who' list

The 1999 edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges was published in February and it included the names of 19 students from Western Texas College.

The following are profiles for WTC's 1999 Who's Who honorees:

—**Wilma Kay Brooks** was a sophomore working towards her certificate in computerized business technology. She was a member of Phi Theta Kappa.

—**Genieva Gaona**, a sophomore at WTC majoring in business law, served as the District 1 vice president for Phi Theta Kappa and was also involved in the WTC Student Government

Association (SGA).

—**Jessica Garmer**, a sophomore of WTC majoring in biochemistry, was one of two WTC students nominated last spring for the All USA Academic Team. Jessica was the president of the Phi Theta Kappa last year.

—**Gina Goolsby** was a sophomore working toward her accounting technician certificate. She was in Phi Theta Kappa and was named the Outstanding Freshman for electronic office technology last spring.

—**Dennise Renee Hoover** left WTC after last fall. She is expecting to complete her studies in computerized business technology in Abilene.

—**Jason Kerby** was a sophomore majoring in golf/landscape technology. He was a member of the WTC chapter for the Golf Course Superintendent's Association of America (GCSAA), Phi Theta Kappa and the SGA, serving as president. He was named a campus favorite in the spring of 1998.

—**Junichi Kikkawa** was an international student from Hiroshima, Japan.

—**Todd Lancaster** was a sophomore GLT major who served as one of two students who double as the campus mascot "Dusty." He was a member of Phi Theta Kappa.

—**Michelle Lumpkins**, a

sophomore majoring in computerized business technology, was a member of Phi Theta Kappa.

—**Tiffany Nicole Lyons** was a sophomore majoring in business. She was active in Phi Theta Kappa, serving as vice president of Leadership. She was named the Outstanding Business Student last spring.

—**Nicol Mazarova** was a sophomore majoring in business/accounting. She was also involved in Phi Theta Kappa and SGA. She was an international student from Slovakia.

—**Lindsey Northcott** was a sophomore majoring in finance. She was a vice president for Phi Theta Kappa and a member of

the SGA.

—**Deanna D. Regalado** was a sophomore at WTC majoring in computerized business technology. She was involved in Phi Theta Kappa and was named to the Dean's List last fall.

—**Geoffrey M. Sanders**, a sophomore majoring in golf course management, was the vice-president of the WTC GCSAA student chapter and a member of Phi Theta Kappa.

—**Travis D. Simpson** left WTC after last fall and was expecting to complete his golf and landscape technology degree with classes from Texas Tech.

—**Jason Tyler** was a sophomore majoring in criminal jus-

tice. He was a member of Phi Theta Kappa and SGA. He was one of two WTC students nominated last year for the All USA Academic Team. Jason was also a campus favorite and Mr. WTC in the spring of 1998.

—**TJ Wood** was a sophomore majoring in criminal justice. He was the secretary for SGA and was a campus favorite in 1998.

—**Jason Hargrove** was involved in Phi Theta Kappa last fall.

—**Keri Kemp** was a sophomore elementary education major. She was a member of Phi Theta Kappa and was named to the Merit List last fall.

Psi Zeta inducts 66 during March ceremony

Sixty-six students at Western Texas College were formally inducted into the Psi Zeta Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa March 7.

Featured speaker at that event was Cassius Johnson, 1998 international president for Phi Theta Kappa.

He is a student at Texas Tech and received a full Phi Theta Kappa scholarship to that institution.

To qualify for Phi Theta Kappa, students must have completed 12 college credit hours and earn a GPA of 3.2 or higher. The

chapter sent more than 80 invitations to qualifying students this spring.

Spring inductees included Jessica Brown, Jennifer Bullis, C.J. Chaney, Lonique Coots, Jacey Davis, Melissa Doucette, Sean Duncan, Amber Eagle,

Rhonda Elam and Jamie Ellis.

Also, James Elrod, Lori Favors, Jennifer Featherston, Rachel Foster, Norma Garcia, Nicholas Graham, Sharon Gulseth, Chris Halbert, Bradley Hart, Kacy Henard and Andrea Hernandez.

Others were Melinda Hernandez, Christopher Holt, Kenneth Irwin, Bryan Kolb, Lisha Leatherwood, Kyle Long, Michelle Lumpkins, Jennifer Majkszak, Linda Maynard, Lauren Middleton, In addition, Charsalynn

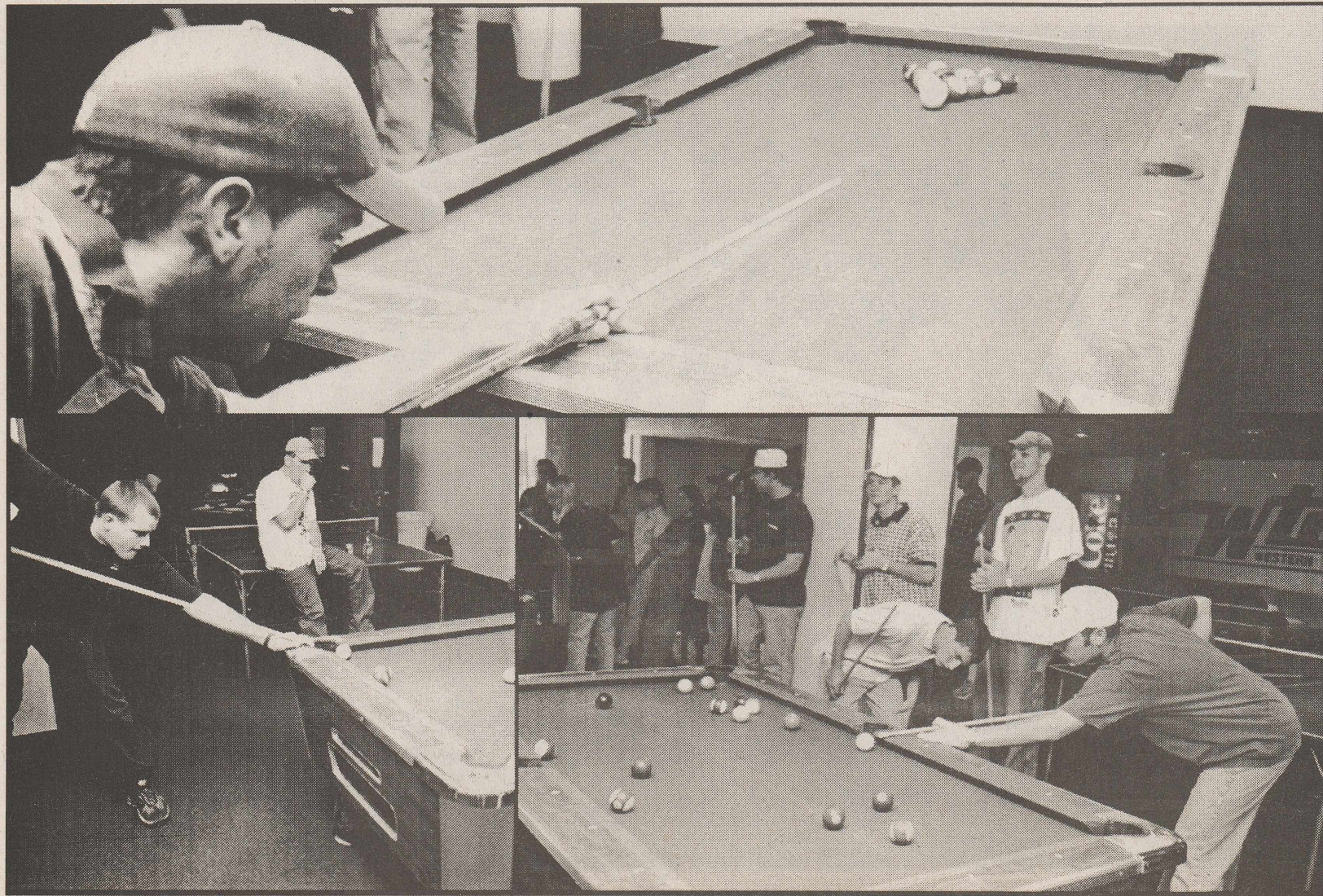
Mitchell, Ginny Phillips, Victoria Proctor, Russ Rankin, Deanna Regalado, Todd Richardson, Patrick Sheridan, Michael Tedford, Jady Underwood and Wade Yearwood.

Also recognized Sunday were the fall 1998 inductees.

They were Brian Bohannon, Kay Brooks, Greg Gonzales, Amy Gruben, Rosa Linda Gutierrez, Mandy Heaton, Casi Joiner, Jason Kerby, Olivia Martinez, Tanner Means, Matt Pond, Nicki Riggs, Geoffrey Sanders, Jason Tyler and Antonio Williams.

On campus, the Psi Zeta chapter meets twice monthly with activities centered around the four Hallmarks of Phi Theta Kappa: Scholarship, Leadership, Fellowship and Service.

At graduation, members wear an honorary golden honors stole.



Pool Tournament

The Student Government Association-sponsored pool tournament in March prompted a good turnout of both competitors and spectators. The three entries shown manning the sticks

here include (top photo) Joe Smith and (bottom, from left) C.J. Chaney and Chris Holt. (Texan Photos)

Chinese artists bring exhibit to FAT in March

An art exhibit originally shown in Hong Kong in the spring of 1998 and including the works of WTC Fine Arts instructors Ty Brunson and Ben Sum opened for a local show March 25.

The exhibit included a visit of the three other artists—all based in China—represented in the show.

Visiting artists were Kong Ho and Marie Geiger-Ho, who are married and are art school graduates of Texas Tech University, and Chan Kam Shing, the owner of the I-Kiln Studio in Hong Kong.

Some 30 individual pieces were displayed in a variety of art mediums.

In addition to the displays, the public was invited for an afternoon "gallery talk" on the 25th.

The show moved to Midland College for a one-day show March 29.

The same show was seen in Hong Kong in May of 1998 and was sponsored by the I-Kiln Studio as part of an Art Exchange Program.

Both Sum and Brunson visited Hong Kong in May of 1998, offering art workshops and lectures at the Hong Kong Visual Arts Center.

The show and exhibit featured its own published catalogue with photos of the artist's works and quotes from the artists.

In the catalogue text, Brunson stated, "I think the medium that I work with is really not so important as the need to stay intellectually occupied."

"Each process presents its own unique challenges to me as an artist."

In his written comments, Sum stated, "The source of my subject matter is the real world; there are no more or less noble subjects."

Brunson's work exhibited was primarily earthenware and stoneware pottery and his fused glass and wood creations. Sum exhibited both oil and charcoal paintings.

Chan Kam Shing exhibited raku-style creations.

Marie Geiger-Ho offered pottery forms to include raku and clay with mixed media.

Kong Ho displayed mixed media creations on wood.

'Hope Credit' equals parent tax relief

Parents of students enrolled at community colleges like WTC received some good news in March as they prepared to pay their 1998 Federal Income Tax.

A feature story in the Western Texan asked "How would you like \$1,500 erased from that tax bill based on the college expenses you paid for tuition, required books, and lab fees?"

Effective this tax year, this tax refund is possible through a new provision called the HOPE Credit, it was reported.

This new law is part of new benefits created by the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997, passed by Congress and signed into law by President Clinton.

The HOPE Credit applies only to the first two years of post-secondary education, such as community college or a vocational school.

As a parent, if the student is still counted as a dependent on your tax return and if they were enrolled at classes at WTC any time during 1998, you can qualify for the HOPE Credit.

Under the new law, you are allowed 100 percent of the first \$1,000 of qualified tuition and related fees, such as books, lab fees, and similar items. Then you are allowed 50 percent of the second \$1,000.

For one tax year, you can receive up to \$1,500 per eligible student. If you had more than one student enrolled at WTC or some other post-secondary school, you may claim up to \$1,500 for that student as well.

This total amount is deducted from the "taxes owed" line of your income tax form.

For a student to earn the Hope Credit tax break, he or she must have been enrolled at least part-time and be seeking a degree or certificate from the institution.

Institutions like WTC have mailed certificates to the stu-

dent and duplicate copies to the Internal Revenue Service indicating if the individual qualified at least as a part-time student.

There are several qualifications to the Hope Credit.

As an example, a taxpayer can claim Hope Credit for only

two tax years.

In addition, individuals filing under the category "married filing separate return" cannot claim the Hope Credit.

The maximum credit of \$1,500 also declines proportionately for taxpayers earning more than

\$50,000 as an individual or \$100,000 if it is a married couple filing a joint return.

The student must also be free of any felony conviction for possessing or distributing a controlled substance.

All college-related expenses

claimed under Hope Credit this year also must have occurred during 1998. Expenses prior to that cannot be used for Hope Credit, but may qualify toward the second aspect of the new legislation called the Lifetime Learning Credit.



Awards won

Meats Judging Team members (front) Lisha Leatherwood, Jamie Ellis, Jenny Majkszak, Matt Pond, Randy Dudley, Cody Lawrence,

(back) Cody Cribbs, Chris Jones, Kyle Long and Tanner Means pose with this year's awards. (Texan Photo)

WTC group assists 'Walk Across Texas'

More than 30 individuals connected to WTC—to include both the college president and vice-president and several faculty and staff—participated in the Scurry County Walk Across Texas which began March 14 and ended May 8.

Walk Across Texas was an eight-week exercise program undertaken by teams normally consisting of eight people. The teams competed to see who could accumulate the most miles walking, jogging or biking.

Each team aimed to walk 100 miles a week, with every teammate walking at least 12.5 miles weekly.

Jim Clifton, criminal justice instructor here, served as a co-chairman for the event.

Four teams formed on campus with team captains Sara Fritz, Gina Goolsby, Dave Hanes and Allen Hodges.

The members walking on Sara Fritz's team included WTC President Harry Krenek and Vice President Bettie McQueen. Others were Marjann Morrow, Terry Busby, Linda Englert, Margie Green and Patty Kuhl.

On Goolsby's team, participants were Kathy Hall, Michelle Lumpkins, Debbie Duddleston, Kassie Upton, Deborah Baremore, and Mary Dee Price. Dave Hanes' team consisted

of LaDonna Hanes, Britt Canada, Kevin Fritz, Cindy Fritz, David Kattes, Molly Kattes and Carla Nunlay.

Members walking with Allen Hodges were Judy Bartels, Roxanne Stoker, Sandy Hodges, Mark Bland, John Gibson, and Denise Gibson.

Members from the college on the organizing committee for the Walk Across Texas event were Lee Burke, David Hanes, Donny Brown, Allen Hodges, Rhonda Ward and Terry Busby.

Astronomy club forms in spring

The efforts of a WTC science instructor helped form a community-wide Astronomy Club March 25.

Dr. Rollin Swanson, adjunct instructor here, organized the group, saying he wants "to give more people in the community the opportunity to appreciate the night sky."

The club's membership will be used to help operate the WTC planetarium.

As planned, the club will have meetings once a month to make general observations of the sky. In addition, there will be meetings centered around special celestial occasions.

'99 graduation moves indoors due to wind, rain

The 28th annual WTC Commencement exercises were held April 30 at Colonial Hill Baptist Church, a ceremony moved indoors due to rain and windy weather.

Forty-nine graduates were recognized. Following tradition, the ceremony featured three student speakers representing a cross-section of the campus.

Speakers for this year's exer-

cises were Jason Tyler, nominee this year for the All USA Academic team; Christy Wells, WTC Duster basketball player named to honorable mention all-conference; and Gina Goolsby, honor graduate in computerized business technology.

The faculty response was given by Stephanie Ducheneaux, math instructor and this past year's Faculty Association presi-

dent.

The 1999 graduates, listed alphabetically, were: John Baez, Snyder; Brian Bohannon, Snyder; Wilma Brooks, Snyder; Larry Castillo, Snyder; Cody Denman, San Angelo; Melissa Doucette, Snyder; and Will Dutton, Tyler.

Also, Rhonda Elam, Snyder; Norma Garcia, Brownfield; Erica Garvin, Snyder; Penny Gassiot,

Colorado City; Cindy Goates, Sweetwater; Gregory Gonzales, Snyder; and Gina Goolsby, Ira.

In addition, Amy Gruben, Rotan; Richard Halford, Snyder; Bay Hecht, Aspermont; Alisha Henry, Snyder; JoDee Homstad, Knox City; Keri Kemp, Snyder; and Alicia Key, Colorado City.

Also, Thomas Lee, Snyder; Amy Lester, McCamey; Lester Lombard, an international stu-

dent from South Africa; Linda Maynard, Girard; Abby McCullough, Victoria; John Michel, Snyder; Michael Moore, Rosco; and Devin Odom, Post.

Other are Celestine Otuoro, Garland; Deanna Regalado, Colorado City; Rebecca Rodriguez, Snyder; Christina Russ, Merkel; Amy Schoonover, Post; Patrick Sheridan, Sweetwater; Travis Simpson,

Lubbock; and Albert Spradling IV, Cape Girardeau, Mo.

In addition, Scott Stroman, Sweetwater; Derek Thomas, Abilene; Chris Tovar, Snyder; Jason Tyler, Pullman, Wash.; Jennifer Underhill, Rotan; Ruby Valdez, Snyder; Samuel Waddell, Rosco; Christy Wells, Lubbock; Dana Welsh, Snyder; Terri Williams, Snyder; and TJ Wood, Snyder.

Newspaper wins honors

The campus newspaper, the Western Texan, was recognized in April with several awards presented by the Texas Intercollegiate Press Association (TIPA)—including an honorable mention for "Best Overall" newspaper in TIPA's Division 4.

Awards won by Texan staff members were a 2nd place in the newspaper story "Series" category; a 3rd place in "Sports Action Photo," and an honorable mention in the "News Feature" category.

The "Best Overall" judging is based on three consecutive issues of the newspaper. In this event, the judges assess all aspects of the newspaper.

To qualify for the "Series" division, a newspaper must submit no fewer than three articles which pertain to the same subject.

The Western Texan submitted four articles based on efforts to establish distance learning classes on campus written by Amanda Gutierrez-Baez of Snyder and Amy Lester of McCamey.

The winning "Sports Action" photo was taken by Caitlin Behrens of Australia, a photo of Lady Duster April Walker in collision with a Cisco player at last season's opening game.

The "News Feature" entry was written by staff writer Melissa Garvin, who profiled a former WTC student who named the college in her will as the beneficiary of an annuity policy following her death March 16, 1998.

The Texan competes in TIPA's Division 4 which is comprised of two-year and four-year schools with up to 2,000 enrollment.

The Texan and its staff under adviser Donny Brown have won 42 awards from TIPA since 1989.

'Aquifer' has 5 awards

The WTC literary magazine "Aquifer" received an Honorable Mention for "Best Overall" publication in the statewide contest sponsored by the Texas Intercollegiate Press Association (TIPA), it was reported in April.

In addition, students won two 1st place awards and two 2nd place honors in individual categories.

Sagit Shlezinger and Amanda Gutierrez-Baez, both of Snyder, tied for 1st place in the Informational Graphic category.

This category judges computer-generated graphics. Schlezinger created a "back page" for last year's "Aquifer," altering a photograph of a county creek; and Gutierrez-Baez illustrated the poem "Late Summer Eve" superimposing a woman's eyes over a photo of the full moon.

Another 1st place was won in the "Story Package" category which judges both the written content and its illustration. Writer Charles Sweatt of Ira and artist Kenneth Beasley of Houston collaborated for the work "Vera."

Winning 2nd in the "Cover Design" category was student Akiko Nishijima, an international student from Japan. She created a computer graphic illustrating a pen and hand writing the title "Aquifer" as reflected in water.

Melissa Garvin of Snyder placed 2nd in the "Short Story" category with her entry entitled "Uno," which profiled a gathering of college friends on the eve of semester's end.

Psi Zeta is 'Top Chapter'

WTC's Psi Zeta Chapter of Phi Theta Kapp was honored as a Top Chapter at the annual Regional Convention held April 8-11 in Austin. Of 80 chapters statewide, only 22 were so honored.

Seven members and two advisers attended the regional conference: Loni Coots, Jamie Ellis, Genieva Gaona, Jessica Garmer, Mandy Heaton, Andrea Hernandez and Matt Pond, accompanied by advisers Jennifer Beard and Carolyn Osborn.

The chapter also received a Certificate of Participation for achieving 5-Star Chapter Status for the 28th year.

Psi Zeta was presented also a certificate for its efforts with the 1998-1999 Texas Regional Service Project to assist local animal shelters and to increase awareness of the need for organ donors.

Psi Zeta chapter president Jessica Garmer received a Certificate of Recognition for her leadership in those same projects.

Psi Zeta is part of District 1 and Nick Friemel of Amarillo won the vice president's seat for the district during voting at the convention. Psi Zeta had campaigned for the post as well.

SGA to provide officer

The WTC Student Government Association (SGA) was named in April to represent the Texas Junior College Student Government Association (TJCSGA) next year as that organization's Region 1 president.

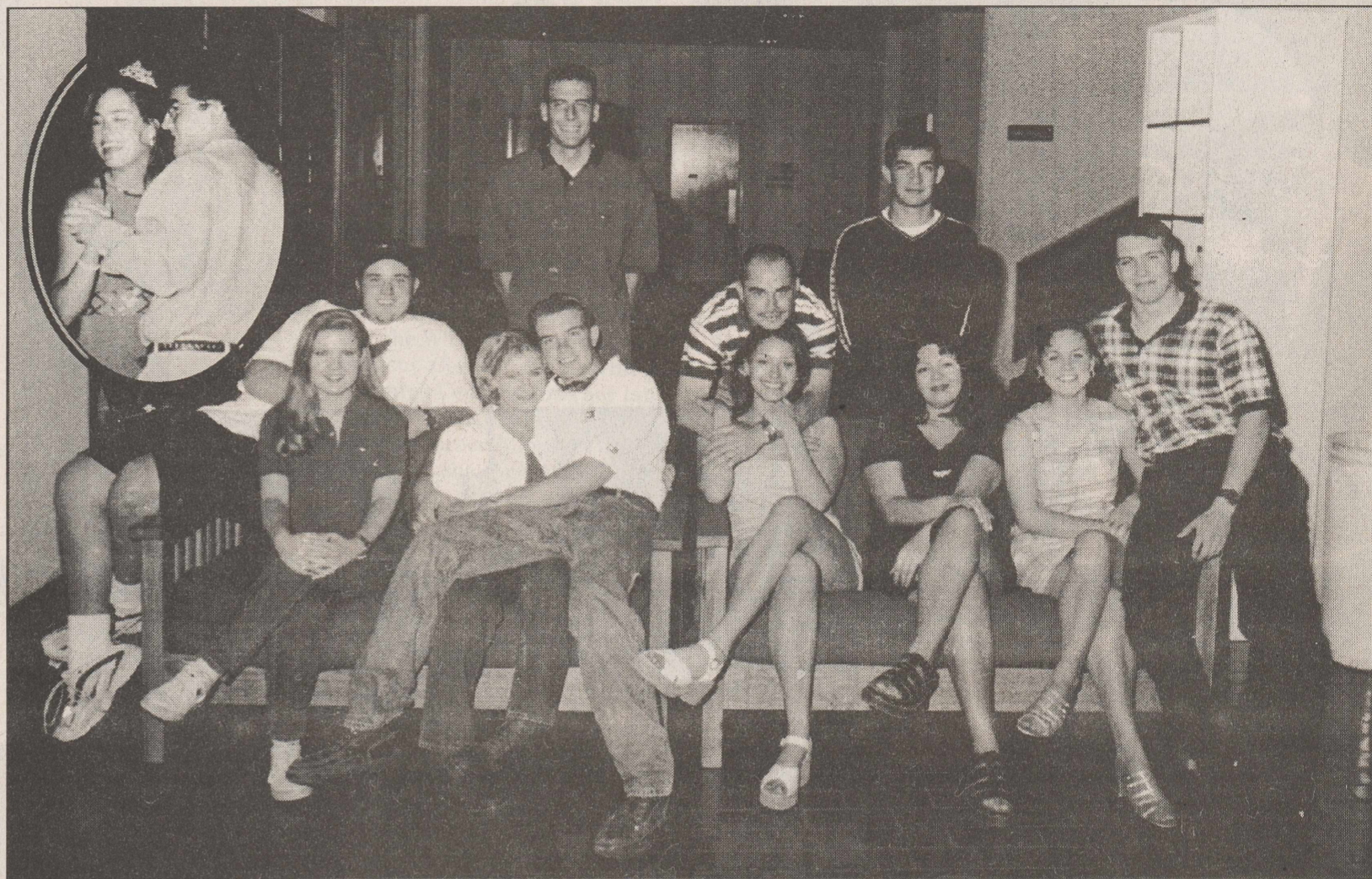
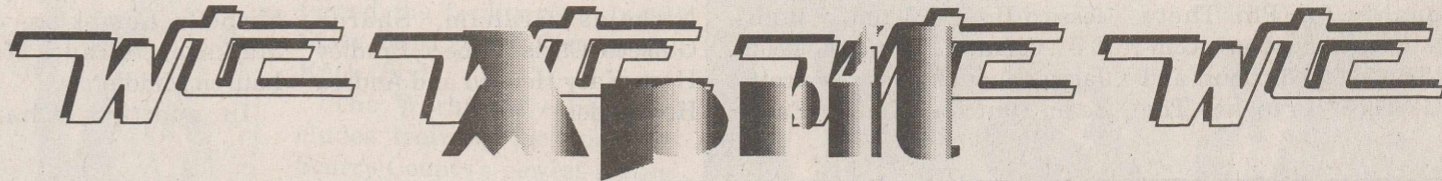
The TJCSGA is comprised of four regions and West Texas community colleges comprise Region 1.

A group of local SGA members attended the statewide TJCSGA Convention in Austin April 8-11.

At that event, 503 delegates and advisors represented 54 colleges from throughout Texas.

For Region 1, other schools chosen to provide officers were Odessa College; vice president; Midland College; secretary; and the University of Texas at El Paso, treasurer.

At the convention, WTC was also awarded third place for the SGA scrapbook.



Campus Favorites

Brad Easter and Jill Childers were chosen the new Mr. and Miss WTC (shown in inset) April 21 from the list of campus favorites named by their fellow students. Nominees were, from left, Amy Lester, C.J. Chaney, Nikki Paige, Todd

Lancaster (standing), Jason Kerby, Chris Holt, Genieva Gaona, Easter, Jessica Hernandez, Kara Wood and Jason Tyler. (Texan Photo)

Awards note scholarship

Todd Lancaster of Big Spring and Nicole Lyons of Snyder were named WTC's Outstanding Male and Female Academic students April 29 at the annual WTC Awards Day sponsored by the Faculty Association.

To be nominated, the student must have a GPA of at least 3.75; have been involved in campus organizations; and have attended WTC full-time for a minimum of three semesters.

Other Outstanding Academic Female Nominees were Makiko Funai, Jessica Garmer, Erica Garvin and Nicol Mazarova.

Nominated for Outstanding Academic Male were Luke Richards and Jason Tyler.

Individual departments also recognized student scholars at the event:

Agriculture
(Freshman) Jamie Ellis, Matt Pond
(Sophomore) Cody Cribbs, Lisha Leatherwood

Computerized Bus. Technology
Kay Brooks, Rhonda Elam, Michelle Lumpkins, Linda Maynard, Misty Sherwood, Nicole Lyons, Deanna Regalado

Business Administration
Alisha Henry

English
(Sophomore) Michael Tedford, Kari Ferris-Castillo
(Freshman) Larry Lambaren, Brandee Brock

Outstanding Texan Staffer
Amanda Gutierrez-Baez, Amy Lester

Art
Tiffany Britton, Makiko Funai, Armando Godinez, Pete Olivarez, Tony Roberts, Brad Williams

Outstanding Academic Rodeo
Kyle Bowers, Lauren Middleton

Science
Lori Favors, Gregory Gonzales

American Government
John Paul Michel

Government
Summer Coulter, Cam Hargrove

Psychology
Zackary Briseno

Criminal Justice
Annette Martin, Jason Tyler

Outstanding Freshman
GLT

Shea Webb, Todd Lancaster

Mayhem preceded meal at WTC April performance



where the audience "interacts" with the cast to discover who the killer is.

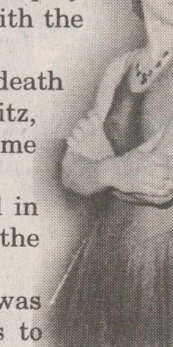
The action revolved around the death of a Russian pianist, Yuri Pianstovitz, performing in America during the time of the cold war.

Mr. Pianstovitz was murdered in the lobby of the Student Center at the beginning of the night's events.

From that point, the audience was "invited to join" in the attempts to

Theater lovers enjoyed both a meal and a mystery April 16-18 as the WTC Drama Department presented "Dinner and Death Suite."

The play "Death Suite" is a "whodunit" written by Peter DePietro. Play director Helen Cogan described it as a play



discover the murderer.

Performing in the play were a number of WTC students to include Dallas Pollei, Vickie Williams, David Olson, and Tiffany Martin. Other cast members were T.L. McAdams, Tiffany Britton,

Cam Hargrove, Kris Hollis and Stephanie Bell. Mrs. Cogan directed and doubled as costume director

along with Ruby Johnson. Lights were run by Kris Hollis and stage manager was Stephanie Bell.

Golfers barely miss national berth

WTC golfers were one team away from advancing to the National Finals in late April.

Going in to the Region V Golf Tournament, played April 25-26 at Sugartree Country Club in Weatherford, WTC was in sixth place for the region.

Only the top five teams from each region advance to nationals.

The WTC team failed to make the final cut after faltering in the third and final round at

Weatherford. To advance, the five-man total for that final round had to be in the 290s, and the Westerners carded 318.

For the first two rounds, WTC had scored 309 and 299.

Winner of the event was the team from Midland College with three round scores of 297, 291 and 294.

All five of WTC's players were freshmen. For WTC, Michael Hanson, a freshman from Denmark, had low score for the last

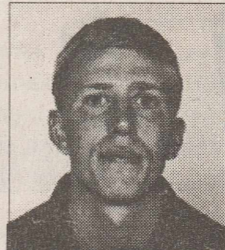
round with 75; followed by Martin Gustafson of Sweden with 77.

Rounding out the WTC team were Jason McGrath of Ontario, Canada, 82; Brad Nutt of Bastrop, 84; and Jamie Nickell of Trinidad, Colo., 85.

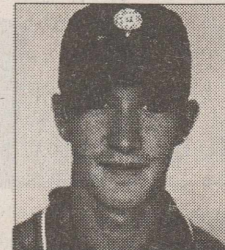
The first qualifying round for nationals was the State JUCO Golf Tourney played April 11-12 at the Quicksand CC in San Angelo. The team finished in seventh place there.



Michael Hanson



Martin Gustafson



Jason McGrath



Jamie Nickell



Brad Nutt