

# WTC News

WESTERN TEXAS COLLEGE

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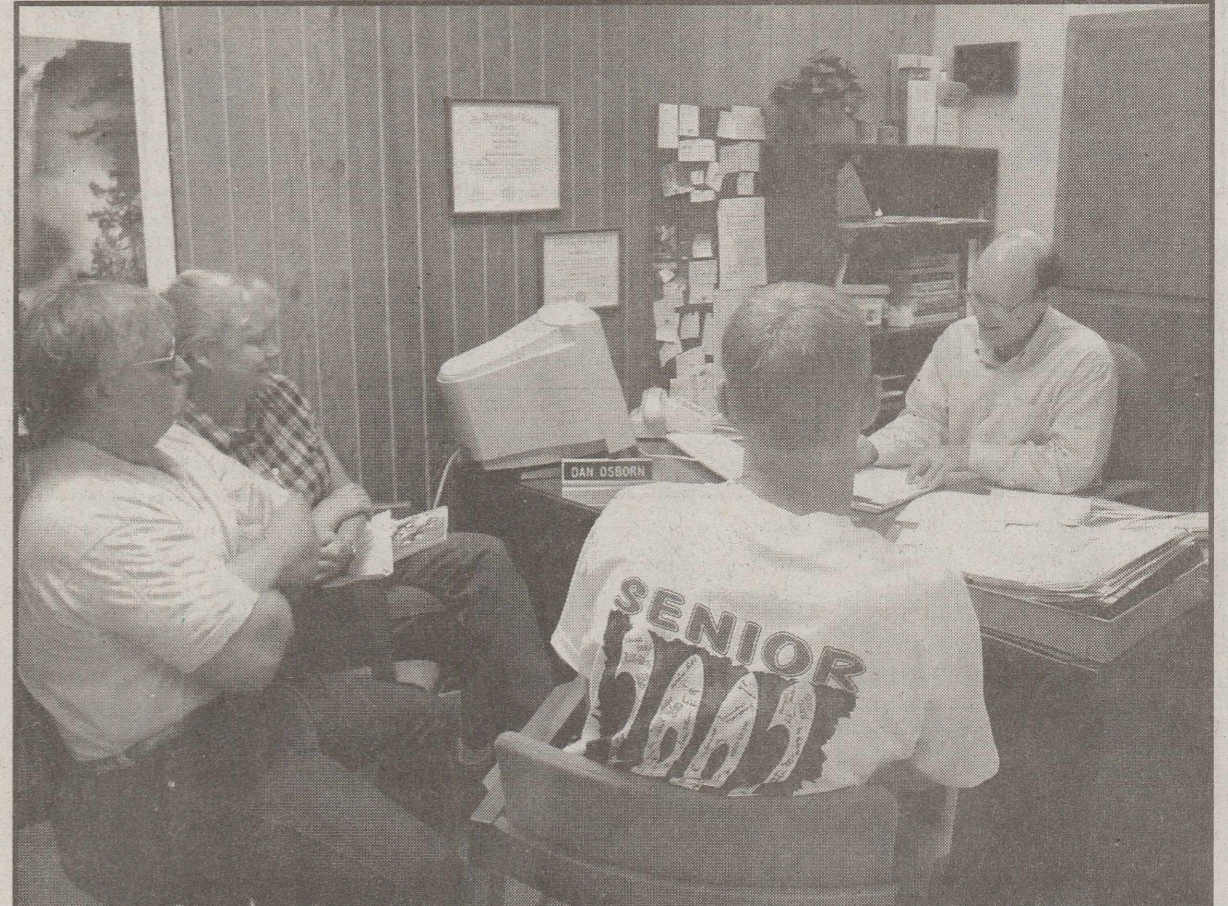
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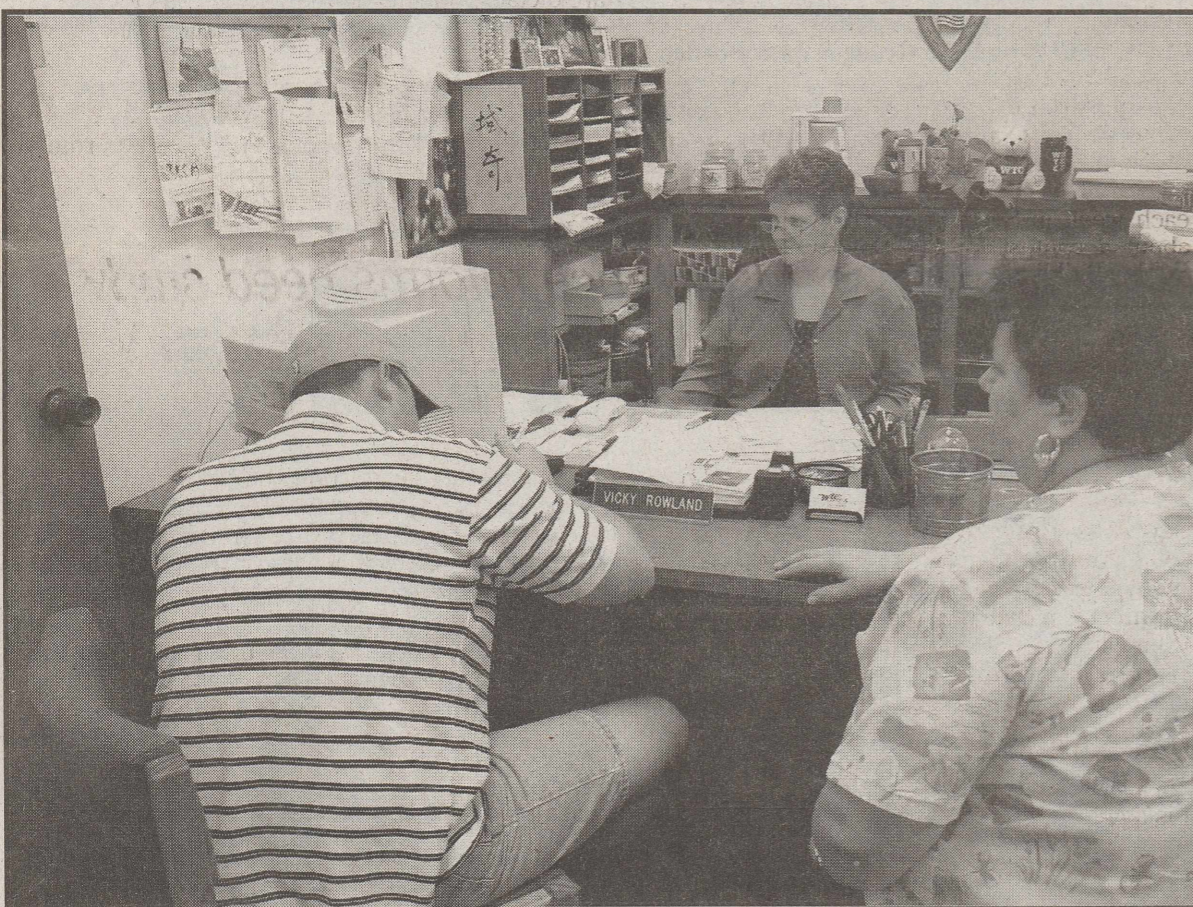
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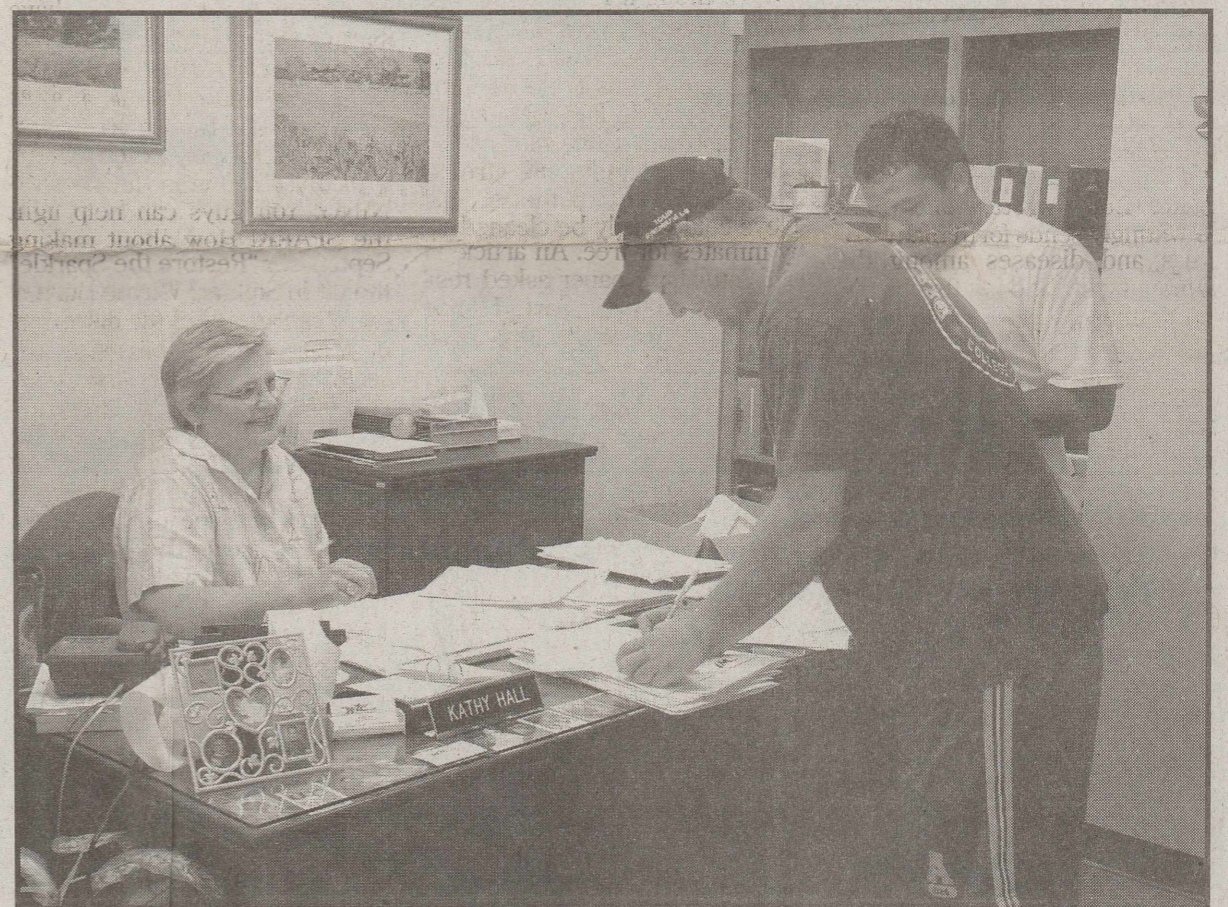
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## I.T. Division allocates TIF Grants

by Britt Canada  
Dean of Information Technology Services

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The HE3 grant, which consisted of \$50,000 plus \$5,000 matching, was used to purchase Distance Learning equipment in the college's 4th Distance Learning Lab.

Last year at this time, WTC had 15 potential Interactive Television (ITV) classes scheduled during the day. Currently, there are 26 ITV classes scheduled, and most of these are confirmed (have schools scheduled to receive them). The purchase of this classroom has allowed the college to increase the number of courses offered. WTC is currently offering classes in Educational Service Center (ESC) regions 14 and 15 and will be going into ESC region 17 beginning with the fall semester. The remaining funds were used to upgrade computers in the Computerized Business Technology Lab.

The LB-grant, consisting of \$75,000 plus \$7,500 matching, had to be spent in the library or on library-related purchases. With these funds, the following were purchased:

- a. a bandwidth manager - essentially a piece of hardware that prioritizes the bandwidth so that the most critical applications get the bandwidth that they need
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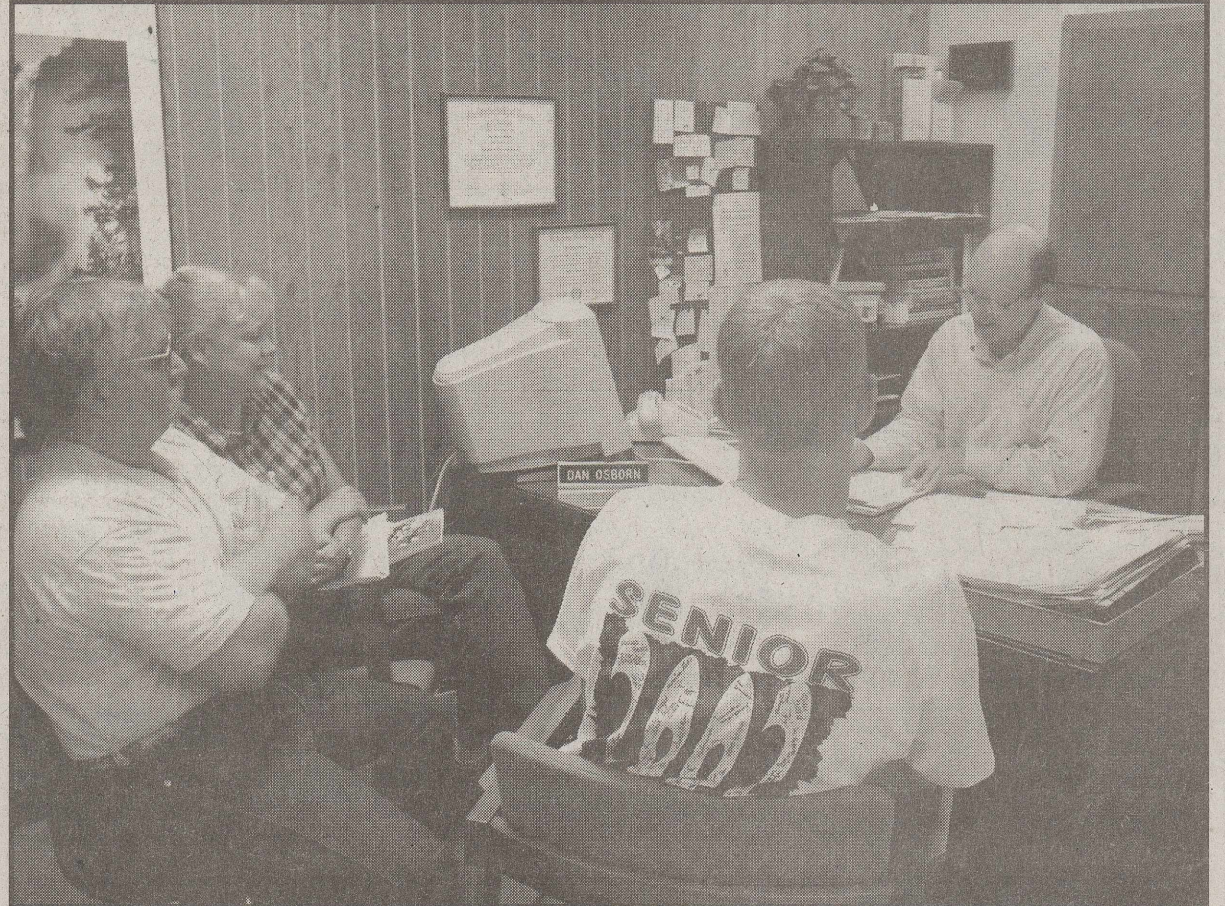
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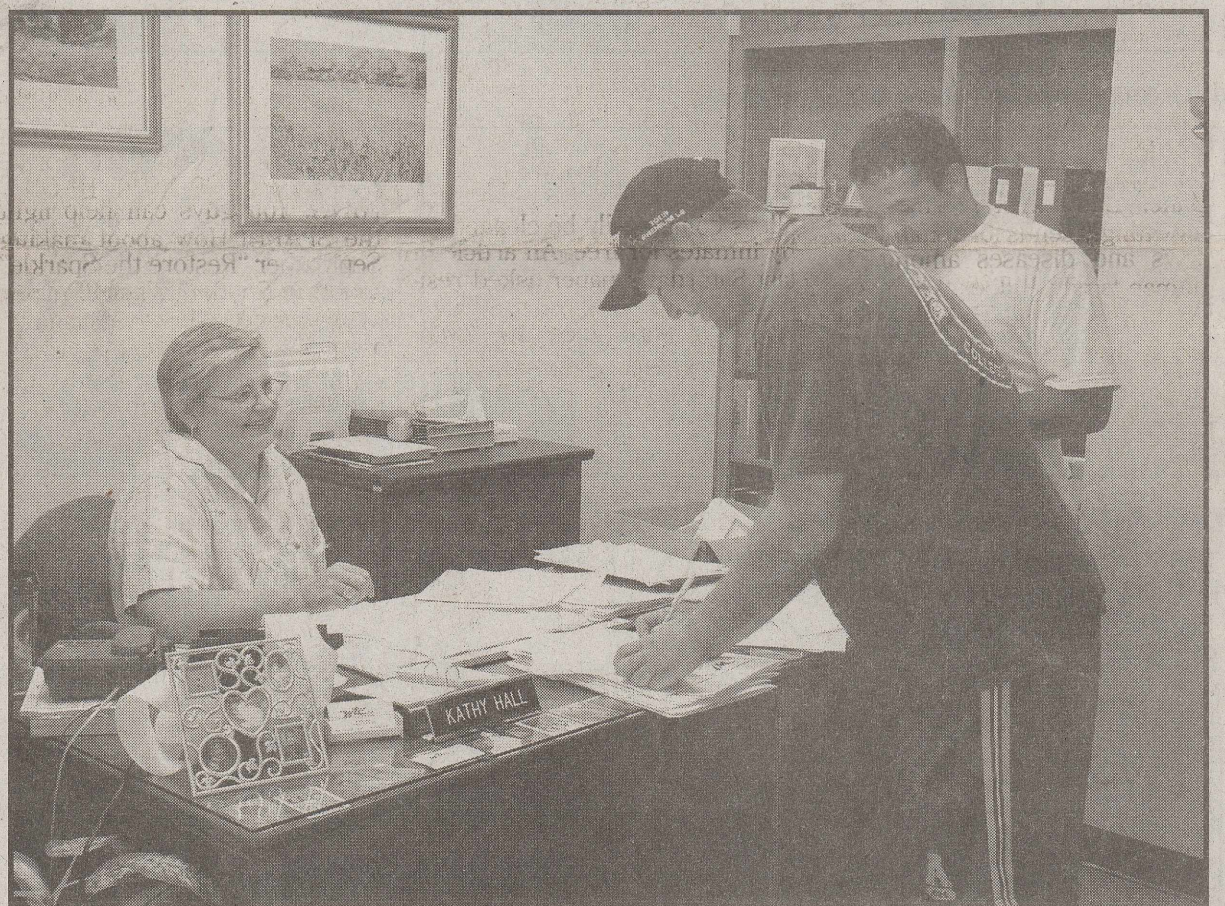
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