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NEWS DIGEST

Early registration now under way

Only two days are left for early spring registration, Nov. 18-19, according to Steve Middlebrooks, director of admissions.

Any student may register on those two days.

Tuition must be paid on Dec. 14-15, in the Business Office from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Admissions Office slates drop date

Last day to drop a class for the academic semester is tomorrow, Nov. 19, according to Steve Middlebrooks, director of admissions.

After that time, students will not be allowed to drop a class and receive a grade of a W.

Graduation deadline scheduled for Nov. 19

Students planning on graduating in the fall must apply for diplomas by Nov. 19, according to Steve Middlebrooks, director of admissions.

Prospective graduates should come by the Admissions Office and fill out graduation forms. The Admissions Office will issue one diploma free of charge per registration period for each graduating student.

Campus security bans bill collectors

by Russell Minor
TC News staff

A bill collector posing as a delivery person was apprehended by campus police on Oct. 7, according to Don Campbell, chief of police.

The suspect was identified as John Contario, debt manager of Security Industrial Insurance. Contario claimed to be delivering flowers to a TC student, Campbell said.

"He was found wandering around inside the Health Occupations Building and that's when he found a maintenance person," Campbell said.

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Dedication, open house set

by Pat Miller
TC News staff

Dedication ceremonies for the new Truman Arnold Student Center will be held Nov. 30, according to Texarkana College President Dr. Carl Nelson.

Gov. Ann Richards and Truman Arnold, who contributed money for the construction of the new Student Center, are scheduled to appear at the ceremonies, which are set for 2 p.m. "This was the only day on which their schedules did not conflict," Dr. Nelson said.

Also scheduled to be present will be Dr. Nelson, who will preside over the ceremonies, Texarkana College Board of Trustees members and employees of TC.

"I want to knock the image of a second rate school out of everyone's mind and show that two year colleges are just as good as four year universities," Dr. Nelson added.

An open house to introduce the public to the Truman Arnold Student Center is set for Dec. 5 from 1-5 p.m.

Construction of the new Social Sciences Building is set to begin in the spring.

"We are hopeful to have all the plans drawn and to go out for bids by the January board meeting," Dr. Nelson added. "We will try to be in the building next fall or in early 1995."

Renovation on the old Student Center will begin as soon as the new Social Sciences Building is completed. The campus radio station, KTXK, the journalism department and the Literacy Council will move into the old Social Sciences Building during the renovation.



photo by Barbara Wright

Seal of approval: TC student Anna Gibson sits under the Texarkana College seal waiting for the snack bar to open on the first day of business for the Truman Arnold Building. See pages 4&5 for more on the old and new Student Centers.

Buckley Amendment enforced on campus

by Russell Minor
TC News staff

The debate between a student's right to privacy and the public's right to know was clearly resolved by the passage of the Buckley Amendment in 1974. However, many people are still unclear about what is covered in the law, according to Dean of Students Bill Hughes.

More professors have begun asking what they should do if an individual asks for information on a student, the dean said. "I had a specific teacher come to me and ask about this," he said.

"It is a right-to-privacy law involving what an instructor can and cannot tell about a student's record," Hughes said.

"We are not releasing student records to anyone who is not authorized to receive them."

Bill Hughes,
Dean of Students

According to the dean, student information protected by this federal law includes grades, disciplinary actions, classroom attendance and telephone numbers.

"The only way we can release a student's records to someone is if they can prove that the student is a legal dependent," Hughes said.

The dean recommends that individuals who want information about a student first submit to the Admissions Office a copy of their federal income tax return to prove the student is a legal dependent.

A person may also be given access to a student's records if the student in question provides a written statement allowing the release of personal information to that person.

"We are not releasing student records to anyone who is not authorized to receive them," Hughes said.

The Buckley Amendment was revised in 1992 to make campus police records more accessible to the student press and the general public. Nonetheless, TC prefers to

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photo by Pat Miller

Good writers, all: TC News staffers who recently won statewide awards in contests sponsored by the Texas Community College Journalism Association are, front row, from left, Barbara Wright and Mary Gillette; back, from left, Kate Sullivan and Shelly Hatfield. Not pictured are Jeff Haynes and Rachel Richert.

TC News named one of top papers in Texas

Texarkana College's student newspaper, the TC News, won nine awards, including four first places, in recent annual contests sponsored by the Texas Community College Press Association (TCCJA).

Also, the TC News was named the second best overall community college newspaper in its division. There are two such divisions, one for larger colleges and another for smaller ones. The TC News competes in the lower division.

Taking first place honors in this category was the newspaper from Kilgore College, while Lee College in Baytown took third. Tying for fourth place were Midland College and Angelina College in Lufkin.

One of the first place individual awards went to former editor Mary Gillette of Fouke, Ark., in editorial writing. Her winning editorial concerned the Texarkana Gazette's censoring of its comic pages last spring.

Another first place went to staffer Barbara Wright of Foreman, Ark., in feature writing. Her winning article was about fellow classmate Jerry Fisk of Lockesburg, a professional bladesmith.

Still another first, in sports writing, went to staffer Jeff Haynes of Texarkana. His winning story was on stock car racing in Texarkana.

The other first place award went to the entire TC News staff for its page design and make-up during the spring of 1993.

In addition, two other former staffers took second place awards: Kate Sullivan of Atlanta, Texas, won in column writing, for a column she wrote advising incoming freshmen how to get along at Texarkana College. The other second place, in sports writing, went to Rachel Richert of Texarkana. It was for a story about a TC student who barrel races.

A third place award went to former staffer Shelly Hatfield of Hope, Ark., in feature writing. Her story was about a former student who is now a psychic, living in New Boston, Texas.

The last award won by the TC News was a fourth place in in-depth reporting. It, too, went to Haynes, and was for a story he researched and wrote about student stress.

Results of the contest, which included work published in Texas community college newspapers during the fall of 1992 and spring of 1993, were announced at the TCCJA annual awards luncheon in Dallas on Oct. 30. Representing Texarkana College at the event were TC News advisors Jean Stow Cotten and Charles Sinclair.

ACS: Local group recognized as outstanding by national American Chemical Society

by Holly Sherman
TC News staff

"The nurturing attention of a dedicated staff."

This, according to Helen M. Free, national president of the American Chemical Society (ACS), is what leads a student affiliate chapter to be recognized as outstanding.

Dr. Mike Buttram, faculty advisor of the TC chapter of ACS, his colleagues and students apparently fit Free's description of strong dedication, because they have been recognized as an outstanding chapter for their activities conducted during the 1992-93 academic year.

The TC chapter has been recognized as commendable for three of the five years it has been in existence, but this is its first time to be named outstanding.

Of the 860 chapters of the ACS student affiliate program at colleges and universities in the U. S. and Puerto Rico, only about 40 are recognized as exceptional. The recognition of being outstanding results from the activities submitted in the annual report. "We are excited to have done what we have and to represent TC in this organization," Buttram said.

One of the club's activities is the publication of The Watch Glass, their newsletter. Printed and circulated once or twice a year, it covers current projects as well as accom-



photo by Holly Sherman

Outstanding club sponsors: Sponsors of TC's chapter of the American Chemical Society are, from left, Catherine Howard, Dr. Mike Buttram and Mike Sheets. The club was recently named an outstanding chapter by its national organization.

plishments of former members.

"We went on a plant tour and participated in campus activities. We also built six manometers for the TC lab and several speakers," Buttram said.

The club members' work has not been confined to the college, however. They judged the Red Lick science fair and the science fair for Region VIII in Mount Pleasant. For area school children, the members

put on a chemical magic show. The president of the TC club at that time, Craig Elam, demonstrated 10 chemical properties and physical reactions while encouraging the children to make predictions and ask questions.

For the campus coat drive, the club collected 25 coats.

They attended the regional ACS meeting for the Shreveport-Longview area. And,

since the club has been recognized as outstanding, the members have been invited to go to San Diego for the national ACS meeting March 13-18.

The ACS student affiliate program's goals are to encourage students in the chemical sciences to pursue their educational goals and provide stimulating and worthwhile projects for its members.

"It's the largest scientific organization in the world. A number of our students who were active in ACS are now pursuing advanced degrees in chemistry," said Buttram. "Some have gone on to medical or pharmacy school or are getting into research."

Buttram insists that his fellow teachers are to be recognized and appreciated for their work, too. His former student, Catherine Howard, who is now on the faculty, put a lot of time into the ACS, he said.

Mike Sheets, another advisor, has taught part-time at TC for 10 years, but is now full-time. "He is a very valuable addition to the staff. He has very impressive credentials," Buttram said.

David Dillon was an advisor in the ACS for the year in which the club is now being recognized but has since left TC.

Buttram, who holds a Ph.D. from the University of Louisville in Louisville, Ky., has been a part of the TC staff since 1971. Though he has taught many science courses over the years, he now teaches only freshman chemistry.

Activities promote black role models

by Janne Rommetveit
TC News staff

The Black Student Association held its 1993 Cultural Awareness Baby Contest and Male Revue Fashion show in the College Auditorium, Oct. 24.

"We wanted to show we have black role models in our own neighborhood to be proud of," advisor for the BSA, Robert Jones said. "The children need somebody they know to look up to," he added.

All the models in the fashion show were TC students, and they wore their own clothes in four categories: casual wear, active wear, church wear and after five clothing.

The Cultural Awareness Baby Contest was won by Christian Gabrielle Walker and Deneeko Travon Shavers. Purpose of this contest was to show that it is possible to be both a single mother and a student, Jones said.

The advisor said that though the attendance at the show was smaller than hoped, the whole project was a success. "The funds raised were bigger than expected, and we will do this again next semester," he said.

The fashion show was only the beginning of a busy winter for the BSA. "We have meetings every week," Jones said, "and new things are slipped in all the time."

Friday, Nov. 12, the BSA collected clothes and other donations in the Student Center for needy families. "We do this both to help and to have a good time together," Jones said.

The Miss BSA Scholarship pageant is scheduled for March 5. "The scholarship is at least \$300," Jones said, "but hopefully it will be increased."

Girls interested in information and applications for this contest may contact Jones in the Physical Science Building.



photo by Bob Walters

Happy Trails: Earth Club members hoping to go to Brazil, from left: Cindy Fountain, Terissa Schaeffer, Bill Moss, Amy Davis and Jason Kyles.

Fate of club's Brazil trip decided by fund raiser

by Russell Minor
TC News staff

The fate of the Earth Club's on-going quest to send some of its members to Brazil will be decided on Dec. 4.

According to the club's sponsor Delores McCright, that is the date of their last major fund raiser.

"We are selling hamburgers outside of Albertson's," McCright said. "The hamburgers are \$1 and they are big." The hamburger wagon will be open from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

The five students scheduled to go to Brazil are Jason Kyles, Amy Davis, Cindy Fountain, Bill Moss and Terissa Schaeffer. According to McCright, there is already enough money to send Kyles and Davis. Whether the last three students will go depends on how much money is raised

on Dec. 4.

"Jason and Amy initiated the idea of going to Brazil," McCright said. "The others just started working on this."

McCright went on to say Terissa Schaeffer has been active in fundraising, so she is next on the list to go. Still, there is some uncertainty.

"We'll need to raise \$1,200 just to send Terissa," McCright said.

Schaeffer is an elementary education major who hopes to someday relate her experience in the Brazilian rainforests to her students.

"I think it's something I can take into the classroom," Schaeffer said. "It's an opportunity to see a disappearing ecosystem and a disappearing culture. This may be this generation's last chance to see this ecosystem."

Educators attend biennial Phi Delta Kappa council

Dr. Bob Bell and Dr. Rolfe Wylie, professors at Texarkana College, were among 1,300 educators from around the world who attended the 44th Biennial Council of Phi Delta Kappa November 4-7 in Nashville, Tenn. The delegates from 675 chapters, representing 49 states and 14 other countries convened to conduct the business of the professional fraternity in education and to take part in the Eleventh International Conference on Educational Issues.

Phi Delta Kappa is an education fraternity whose purpose is to promote public education through the ideals of research, service and leadership. Emphasis is placed on publicly supported education.

Among the issues addressed at the pro-

fessional sessions of the council were students at risk, creating youth service centers, recruitment of minorities, dealing with violence in the schools, the power of humor in the leading environment, alternative assessment models, school holding power and integrating the curriculum.

A number of distinguished speakers addressed the council. These included Harold Hodgkinson, noted education demographer; Carolyn Warner, former chief state school officer in Arizona; Sharon Robinson, assistant secretary of education; Jack Jennings, general council, House Committee on Education and Labor; and Ted Kimbrough, president of the National Alliance of Black School Educators.

Fall 1993 Final Exam Schedule



Monday, Dec. 13

8 a.m.-10:30 a.m.
11 a.m.-1 p.m.
2 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

Classes beginning
Classes beginning
Classes beginning

8 a.m.
12/12:30 p.m.
10 a.m.

MWF
MWF/MW/MF
MWF

Tuesday, Dec. 14

8 a.m.-10:30 a.m.
11 a.m.-1 p.m.
2 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

Classes beginning
Classes beginning
Classes beginning

8 a.m.
9:30 a.m.
11 a.m.

TTH
TTH
TTH

Wednesday, Dec. 15

8 a.m.-10:30 a.m.
11 a.m.-1 p.m.
2 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

Classes beginning
Classes beginning
Classes beginning

9 a.m.
1:30/2 p.m.
11 a.m.

MWF
TTH
MWF/MW/MF

Thursday, Dec. 16

8 a.m.-10:30 a.m.
11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Classes beginning
Classes beginning

12:30/1 p.m.
1:30 p.m.

TTH
MWF

Saying goodbye to the old



The year was 1959: Biology professor Joel McGee as he looked the year the old Student Center was built.

It's out with the old and in with the new this week as the new Truman Arnold Student Center opens its doors for the first time.

Meanwhile, the old Student Center still houses security, KTXK radio, journalism and the literacy council.

"The building is still structurally sound—it is just outdated," Barry Murdock, director of facilities and services, explained. "We are doing a study now regarding the cost of remodeling it."

The remodeling will have to wait until the new Social Sciences Building is completed, Murdock said. Then the old Social Sciences Building will be used for the services now in the old Student Center during the remodeling.

"Spring 1995 is tentative completion time for the new Social Sciences Building," Murdock said. "Then the old student center

will be remodeled to house continuing education and community services."

Sue Works remembers

Since its completion in 1958 the old Student Center has been the site of many of TC's student activities. Many faculty members remember what it used to be like.

"The faculty was a lot smaller than it is now," Sue Works, PE professor, recalled. "The campus was a lot more centered around the old Student Center. There was a faculty lounge downstairs, and we would go over and visit with fellow faculty members. Now sometimes we don't see each other all semester.

"I remember the dances upstairs in the ballroom," she continued. "My husband and I were both faculty members and we went as sponsors to one Circle K dance when the guest was a Playboy Bunny. Of course, my husband was a lot more excited about that than I was."

Works also co-sponsored the Blue Jackets Club, a service organization of young women chosen on the basis of scholarship, leadership and service to serve the college in all its activities.

"All kinds of club meetings were held in the Student Center," Works said. "The

Blue Jackets had meetings there and dances in the ballroom."

Joel McGee recalls

College favorites such as campus sweetheart, campus beau, most popular girl and boy, best all-around girl and boy, and Miss Texarkana College were presented in the ballroom at the school's annual Presentation Ball.

"The guys would dress up in tuxes," Joel McGee, biology professor, remembered, "and gals would wear their formal gowns. Beautiful!

"There was a bowling alley where the bookstore is now," he continued. "It had two lanes, and pins were manually set. There were also some pool tables."

Back in those days TC had a football team, the Bulldogs, and in the Student Center lobby stood a trophy case.

"We were national junior college champions at one time," McGee said. "Some of the athletes lived on campus, and because they had to be fed three meals a day the cafeteria had a regular steam line."

McGee remembers when the college ran buses to places like De Queen and DeKalb within a 50-mile radius of the school.

Students sometimes drove the buses, taking them home at night and then running the routes again in the morning.

Robert Mills recalls

Robert Mills, business professor, recalled that textbooks were issued each semester and turned back in, the way public schools do today.

"The first year I was here, they didn't have the Student Center," he continued. "I remember sitting out on the side of the Administration Building (now the Business Building) and issuing textbooks to students."



Amid the mud: In 1959, when the old Student Center was new, there was nothing but mud outside the north door by the bookstore.

Interviews

and

photos

by

Barbara Wright

&

Bob Walters



Shutting it down for good: Snack bar employees Dottie Kaylor, left, and Beverly Thompson, center, close the snack bar after serving the last customer at 3 p.m. on Friday afternoon, Nov. 12, 1993.

Building costs: then & now

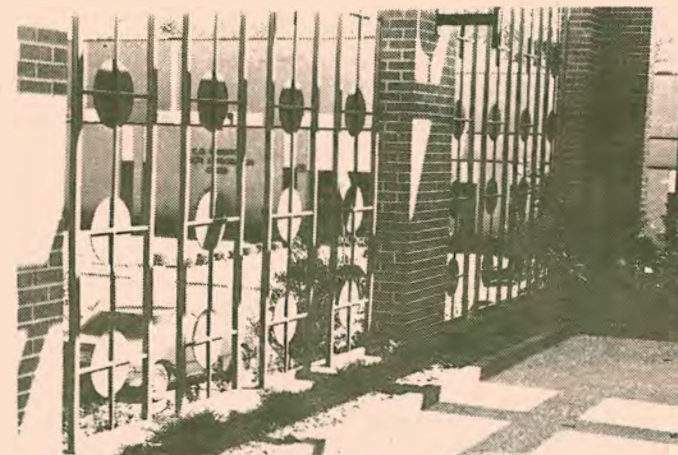
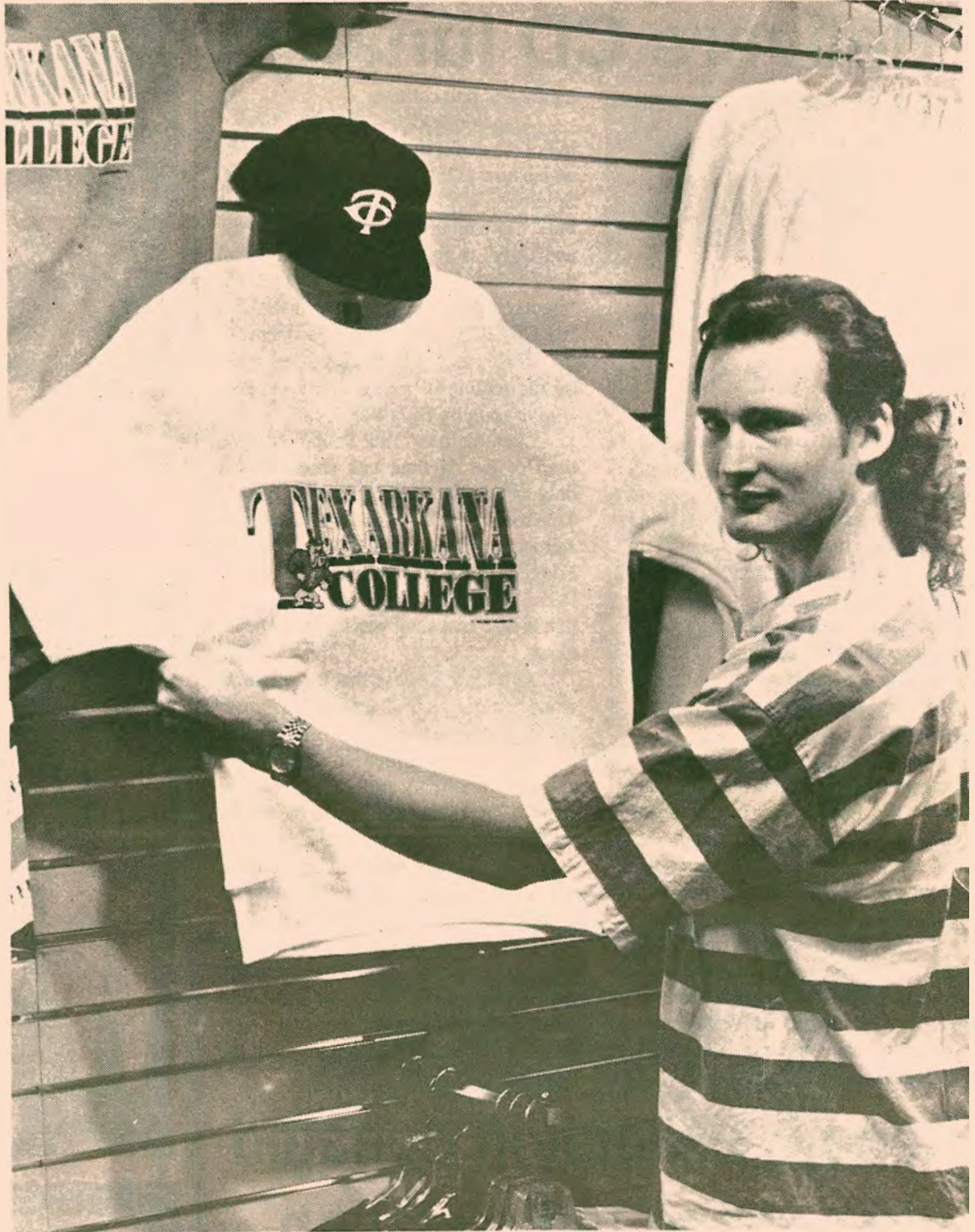
In 1959 the old Student Center was constructed for \$465,000, a cost of \$12.74 per square foot for 36,500 square feet of building space.

Thirty-four years later the new Truman Arnold Student Center cost \$3,779,000. It has 52,500 square feet at a price per square foot of \$71.98.

and celebrating the new



Taking a break: Chad Carver takes time off between classes and spends time in the game room of the new Student Center, above. An outdoor patio, below, provides a view of the Pinkerton Center.



For sale: Student Jimmy Lindsey stops to check out some of the merchandise offered in the new two-story bookstore, above. The new Truman Arnold Student Center, left, is centrally located, north of the Stilwell Humanities Building and south of ETSU.

Weird Al Yankovic delivers CD lunacy

Album Review
"Alapalooza"
by Weird Al Yankovic

by Trey Stone
TC News staff

Nowadays, when you hear people say "Hey man, didja hear the latest album?" you automatically think Pearl Jam or Nirvana, because, (a.) they are hot, and (b) they both just came out with new albums.

But they are not the only ones. And as good as they may be, they are not the be all, end all of contemporary rock 'n roll. Sometimes you need substance, heavy lyrics dealing with contemporary issues, and deep symbolic meaning to keep you pondering for hours on end. Music that will blow your mind and keep yourself glassy eyed.

With Alapalooza, Weird Al Yankovich's new album, his 10th, you get none of the above, except maybe the mind blowing glassy-eyed part. This is not Shakespeare, you see. But any self-respecting CCFOA (Card Carrying Friend Of Al) knows this and is quite relieved. Al's latest effort delivers more of the same lunacy that you have come to know and expect from the Almeister. And even though this is not serious social commentary, Al shows you there sure is a lot to laugh at in our reality, especially in the

media and pop culture.

Alapalooza kicks off with a re-writing of the awful song "MacArthur Park," which now tells the story of the Crichton-Spielberg box office smash, "Jurassic Park," in a unique way. "Young, Dumb, and Ugly" is an exact description of all those songs about heavy metal bad boys. "Bedrock Anthem" is a what-if the Red Hot Chilli Peppers had done the theme to the Flintstones. "Achy Breaky Song" sums up the feeling of many, I'm sure, of a similar song by Billy Ray Cyrus.

Then there is "Talk Soup." Are you tired of the daytime talk shows which drag out these freaks from the fringe? That song is definitely for you. There's an Aerosmith tribute, called "Livin' In the Fridge." And after you listen to "Bohemian Polka," I am sure that you will agree that that is how that song was meant to be all along.

And I truly believe that this album is wonderfully summed up by the sensational, phenomenal classic of our time, destined to be recorded on a gold disc, mounted on a space probe, shot into the cosmos, and broadcast into the cosmos to let anyone listening know exactly what we are all about. Ladies and gentlemen, please stand up for "Harvey the Wonder Hamster!" Yes! Can I have a witness?!

If there is one album you can get, and you want plenty of laughs, catchy songwriting, some clever jabs at the wild world of American Pop, go get Alapalooza. And remember, it is not the soundtrack to "Jurassic Park."

Record collection donated to college radio station

Dr. Maley's estate donates hundreds

by Russell Minor
TC News staff

Part of the legacy Dr. M.C. Maley left this area after his death can be heard during TC's production of "Romeo and Juliet" this month.

In October, the Maley estate donated approximately 400 records to KTXK, the college radio station.

According to station manager Steve Mitchell, some of Dr. Maley's records were perfect for the play.

"We wanted some music from the 1920s era, so we looked through the collection," Mitchell said. "We found some of the music we had been looking for."

KTXK is also planning to play some of the records from Maley's collection once the station categorizes the records.

Mitchell went on to say the donated collection includes some records that might be hard to find elsewhere.

"There's a good collection of 10-inch records that are a part of music history," Mitchell said. The record industry stopped producing 10-inch records in favor of 45's.

According to Mitchell, the Maley collection also includes some obscure jazz recordings. "Much of this is historical in nature and will never come out on CD," he said.

Dr. Maley, who was involved in local ballet and theatre productions, built much of his record collection while assisting in producing the music for many of Texarkana's theatrical performances. "Romeo and Juliet" will mark the continuation of Dr. Maley's legacy of contributions to local theatre.



Let's party: Nearly, the entire cast is on stage during the party scene at the Capulet home. The costumes worn during the play encouraged a real 20s feel in the play. In this scene, Paris (Ivan Baker) talks with Juliet (Deidre Billy). Some of the cast perform a dance at the party that includes the Black Bottom and the Charleston.



Down and out: Romeo (Jason Walz) tells Benvolio (Todd Stanley) that he is broken hearted over Rosaline.



Oh my: The nurse (Mary King) goes on and on, while Lady Capulet (Ruth Ellen Whitt) patiently waits to speak with her daughter, Juliet (Deidre Billy) about her thoughts on marriage.

Romeo and Juliet

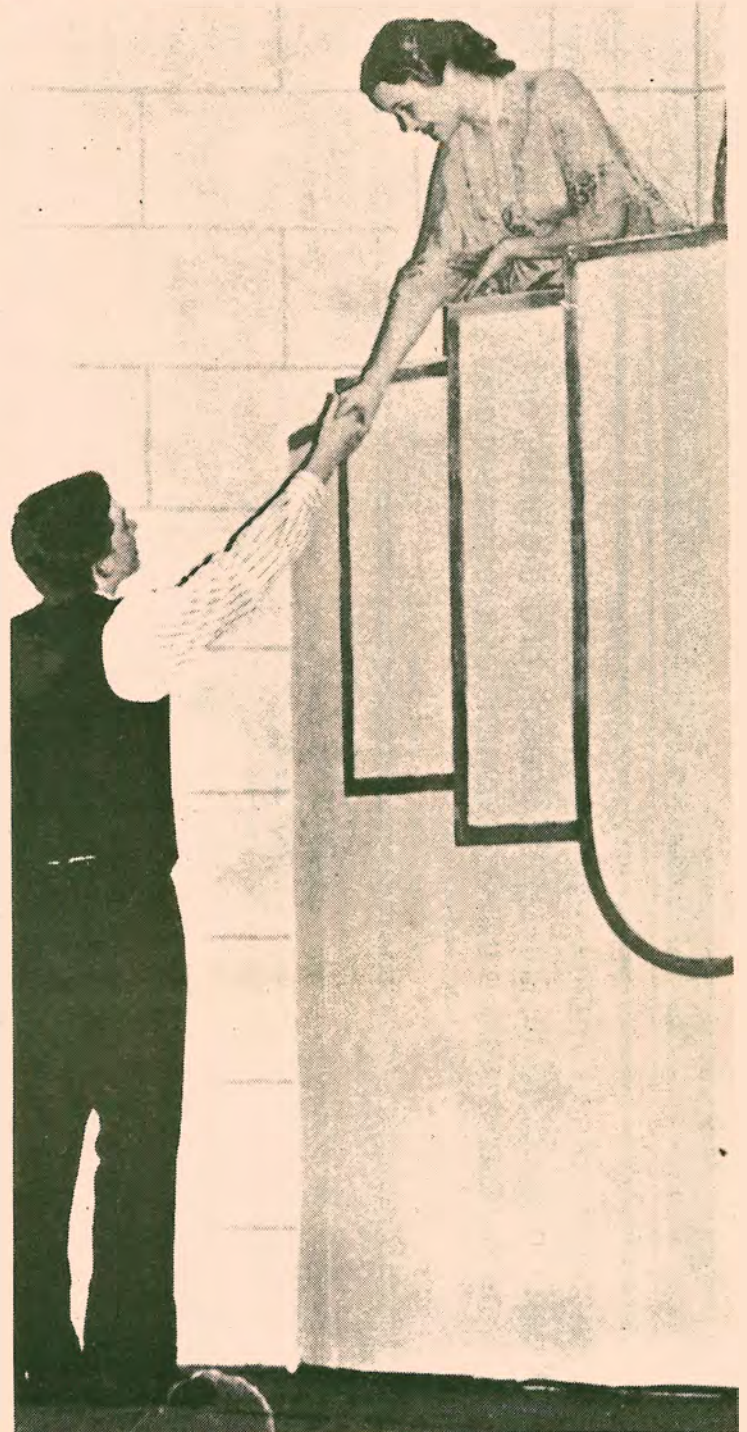
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In desperation: Juliet is found by Friar Laurence (Steve Pearce), the nurse (Mary King), Lady Capulet (Ruth Ellen Whitt), Paris (Ivan Baker) and Capulet (Alan Harrel), after drinking a potion to make her seem dead.



The tragedy begins: After receiving news of the Prince's decision to exile him, Romeo (Jason Walz) hides in Friar Laurence's (Steve Pearce) cell. The Nurse (Mary King) comes in bearing news of Juliet's sorrow and encourages Romeo to go to her.



True love: Juliet (Deidre Billy) extends her hand to Romeo (Jason Walz) in the famous balcony scene in the Capulet orchards.

Play review

Play generates real feel for the 20s

This is the third of a three-part series on the joint Tex-Rep/Texarkana College production of 'Romeo and Juliet.'

Experience the roaring '20s in the drama department's production of Shakespeare's "Romeo and Juliet."

That's right! Director Michael Cooper has successfully placed the 16th century play in 1928 and your last opportunity to see this production is Nov. 19 and 20 at 8 p.m. and Nov. 21 at 2 p.m.

The cast, costumes, hairstyles, music and set generate a real 20s feel in the Stilwell Theatre.

The performance of the cast was superb and all members deserve to be commended, but the tributes go to the two lead

players—Jason Walz and Deidre Billy who portray Romeo and Juliet.

Together, they form a pair that captures the audience's vision of the two young lovers willing to die to be together.

From their interaction, the audience can ride their emotional roller coaster along with them—love, passion, hate, anger, pain and desperation. The audience can experience it all.

They were able to take Shakespeare's words and claim them as their own. But they did more than act well together, they even looked right together.

Walz and Billy had high expectations to meet in these demanding roles, but with their impressive performances no one could leave disappointed.

During the course of rehearsals, some roles were changed. The cast changes are: Sampson is being portrayed by Bill Steenborg; the Prince is being portrayed by Ron Myers; and Peter is being portrayed by Shane Smart. The role of Mountague will be portrayed by Christopher Polson during the Nov. 19-21 shows.

While the cast members are to be praised, the costume designer, hairstyle designer and set designer deserve equal praise because it is their efforts that add the real 20s feel to the production.

Kaye Ellison was responsible for the costume designs. The clothes worn in this production bring the unique fashions of the 20s to the present. From casual wear to party dresses, the costume designer pooled

original clothes from the time period and even made some of the clothes. To help complete the 20s look of the cast was hairstylist Linda Howell, who begins working on hair hours before the show begins.

The atmosphere of the 20s is further enhanced by the work of Christopher Polson, set designer, who constructed the set to be representative of the time period. From the public town square to the privacy of Juliet's bedroom, Polson restores the architecture of the 1920s on the Stilwell stage. And to top it all off, music from the 20s plays over the sound system during the scene changes.

Admission to see this 20s version of Shakespeare's "Romeo and Juliet" is \$8, and with this cast and crew it is well worth the cost.

Opinion

The TC News is the official student-edited newspaper of Texarkana College and is published five times each semester.

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VIEWPOINT

Fifth amendment applies to Sen. Packwood, too

Senator Bob Packwood of Oregon didn't learn a thing from Watergate. Allegations of sexual harassment have surfaced and more than 20 women have filed charges against the senator, who has apparently kept personal diaries through the years in anticipation, one supposes, of the time when he can write his memoirs.

Why, then, did Packwood not destroy the diaries or, at the very least, hide them? Maybe too many people knew of their existence. When pressured, he turned over portions of the contents to the Senate Ethics Committee. Did he think that would be enough? Now the committee wants the rest of the information from the diaries, and Packwood says it is not relevant to the proceedings against him.

How does the committee know that? The only way to decide is to see the entire contents. In nonpartisan action, the senate voted that Packwood should turn over the diaries, but still he refused. Now the matter is up to the courts to decide.

Wait a minute - what is there to decide, anyway? Isn't it written somewhere that one may not be forced to incriminate himself? Oh, yes, it's called the fifth amendment to the Constitution.

The committee wants to force Packwood to incriminate himself through his writings. But does the Constitution say only that one may not be forced to incriminate himself orally? Of course not. The mere fact that something is in written form instead of spoken aloud should not make a bit of difference.

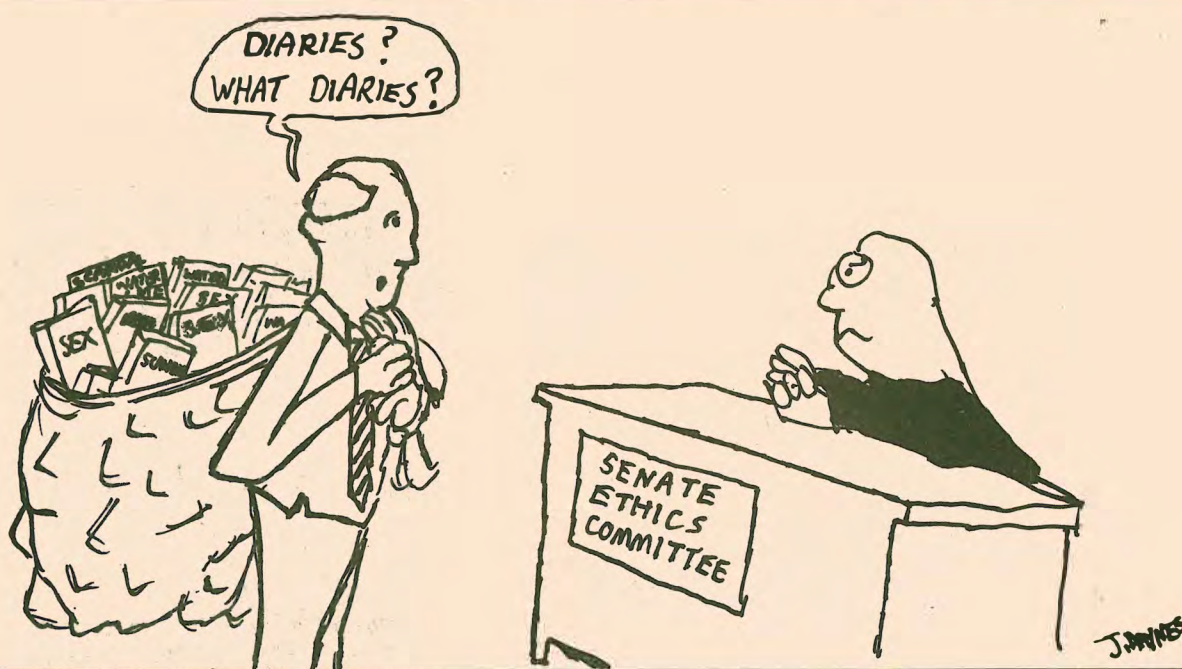
Packwood may be guilty of sexual harassment. It's hard not to believe the charges when there are so many women speaking up about the senator. He may even have incriminating evidence in his diaries as well as evidence which incriminates other

people in distasteful actions.

But Packwood deserves the same protection as any other person accused of a crime, namely the right to refuse to incriminate himself. Because he is a public figure he may be an easy target. But let's not forget - no matter how public he is, the Constitution applies to him, too.

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people to peaceably assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.

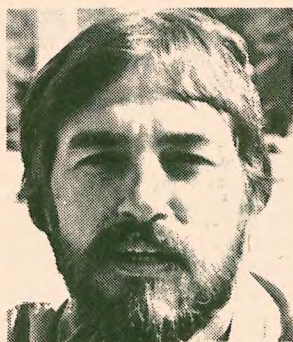
...First Amendment, U.S. Constitution



SPEAK OUT

What do you think?

Should Senator Bob Packwood of Oregon be forced to give up his diaries to the Senate Ethics Committee investigating charges of sexual harassment?



"Yes, because sexual harassment needs to be more highly publicized to show that nobody, no matter how high a position he or she holds, can get away with it."

Tim Fenwick, 40
De Queen, Ark.



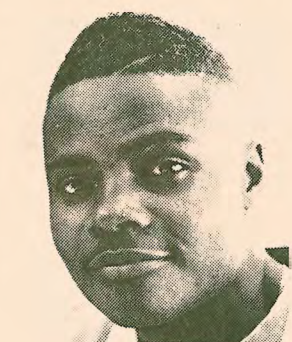
"I don't think they should make him give them up because it would be a form of self incrimination."

Sherena Ethridge, 20
Texarkana, Texas



"Yes, he should, because someone else would have been forced to turn them over if he or she were not a public official."

Christie Coleman, 18
Mineral Springs, Ark.



"No, because they are his personal diaries and should have nothing to do with the case."

Greg Thomas, 22
Texarkana, Texas



"I think he should, since they bear relevance as to whether or not he is guilty."

Darrell Tucker, 18
Avery, Texas

Interviews by Pat Miller
Photos by Barbara Wright

JFK assassination? Case closed!

Recent made-for-television movies have made many Americans question whether Lee Harvey Oswald acted alone in the assassination of President Kennedy. Much evidence has been presented in support of the conspiracy theory.

But this all happened 30 years ago. How long are we going to be searching for the answer? And what will we do if we find it? Will we track down the assassins and prosecute them? Are they even still alive?

The trail by now is not just cold, it's probably frozen. It's time to move on and stop pursuing a case which may never be solved. The only people profiting from a continuing search for answers are the movie makers who are capitalizing on our curiosity by presenting hypothetical answers.

Our best efforts to date have failed to uncover the truth. When are we going to realize that many other issues deserve our attention? Our energies should now be channeled into more productive areas.

VIEWPOINT

Politically correct language disguises racism

by Russell Minor

The lukewarm racist, the one who quietly conceals his bigotry while subtly spreading it, is much more harmful than an outspoken racist. This leads me to say, if you want to say the word nigger, say it loud.

If you hate Jews, put it on a bumper sticker for your car. Let your voice be heard if you wish to overthrow the government or if you support wife beating.

All opinions are right, but, at the same time, no opinion is the truth. You are correct in the respect that it is your right to make your opinion known, but opinions are based on perceptions, not on facts.

But some opinions are so extremist and hate-inspired that many people naturally feel a need to suppress them. That is the thinking of those behind the movement to make everyone more politically correct. They feel that all words that are possibly malicious, racist or sexist should be banned. The

politically correct may be the most dangerous non-organization in America.

People's thoughts and opinions are the most revealing indicators of their true nature. By forcing people to suppress their sincere and honest thoughts, we are forcing them to disguise their true intentions. Using such politically correct terms as African-American for blacks, handicapped for the handicapped and the spelling of "womyn" for the word women enables a person to give the impression of having respect for those groups.

Yet, a person who doesn't use those terms is often considered prejudiced. We have become so shallow that we now base our judgments on people's words instead of examining their actions and feelings.

It is frightening to think that if Aldolph Hitler were alive today, he could learn the politically correct terminology and give a well-received speech to the NAACP or to B'nai B'rith.

We used to be leery of the proverbial "wolf in sheep's clothing." We now insist upon the wolf wearing sheep's clothing. It seems that the politically correct would prefer that the wolf stayed hidden rather than acknowledging his existence.

The use of politically correct words has resulted in some disturbing occurrences. Who could forget the image of a black woman warmly hugging former KKK leader David Duke during Louisiana's last governor's race? Without knowledge of the politically correct terms, Duke might never have been able to charasmatically manipulate so many voters.

By emphasizing a person's choice of words over the emotional connotation behind the words, the politically correct have provided an atmosphere in which even the most dangerous of radicals can be accepted.

As for me, I will always appreci-

ate the politically incorrect. To the politically incorrect who are not prejudiced, I thank you for insisting that you be judged on your actions and not on your ability to pander to social whims.

For those who are both politically incorrect and prejudiced, I extend my gratitude to you also. In particular, I'd like to applaud Sen. Jesse Helms, Louis Farrakhan, Clayton Williams and all the others who have refused to disguise their ignorant perceptions of the world. I love the harshness of their words and the underlining sense of brutality hidden within them. I welcome all of their opinions, especially those that are the most offensive. When given a choice, I'd rather know where a man stands than to have him disguise his malice.

When the day comes that ignorant words vanish, I hope it will be from the extinction of stupidity, not from widespread insincerity.

Halloween arrives, ghosts and goblins don't

by Trey Stone
TC News staff

I do not believe in ghosts, per se, that is, the idea of restless spirits of the dead walking among the living. I find that notion to be in the same category of hogwash as Ouija boards, witches and such. But in regard to ghosts, I have heard enough stories related by intelligent, reliable, well-grounded people and have seen enough evidence that defies conventional explanations to make me an open-minded skeptic.

Parapsychological studies have been around awhile, but recently have taken a high tech trend, with some very intriguing results. Parapsychological research could be on the verge of being declared a legitimate science. But it is digging up interesting data, legiti-

mate or not.

That made me think of doing a bit of my own parapsychological investigations. I don't have access to banks of high tech gear, or loads of funds. But I do have my senses. So for a long time, I thought about doing my own amateur investigations.

Being on the TC reporting staff with Halloween approaching, I had a unique opportunity. So I rounded up a few friends, namely Bethany Fredrickson, (also of the TC news staff), Cody Chapel and Alan Michener, and arranged for a Sunday night vigil at a local house that was rumored to be haunted.

Beth and I arrived first. The night was cool and the sky was clear. The empty, unoccupied house looked strangely forbidding with its darkened windows and shadowed interior. We went on in and proceeded to explore. The house was rather sizable, with two sto-

ries, an attic and a basement.

The man who owned it was an antique collector in the process of restoring the house, and a few interesting items were found here and there. There were also a few pitfalls to look out for, such as an open elevator shaft, and a hole of undetermined depth in the basement that was hidden by water. Beth located it the hard way.

After Beth went home and changed clothes, Cody and Alan arrived. So we went back in the house and looked around some more.

Eventually, we sat down and told ghost stories, including the one about this house. The rich woman who built this house in 1929 supposedly wanders its halls still, her spirit too attached to her house to leave it.

After the ghost stories everyone was good and nervous, so we decided to crash. We picked a room in the north

end of the house that had windows on all sides, so it was pretty well lighted. We all attempted to sleep, except for Beth, who hadn't come prepared to sleep there. She ended up leaving early. The rest of us left about 5 a.m.

The evening was quiet, and for the most part, fairly ordinary, all things considered. But at one point in the evening, we heard a strange bumping in both ends of the house in sequence from front to back. After that, silence returned.

All in all, the evening was inconclusive as far as a haunting was concerned, but another evening or two there might be in order. There are a couple more locations in Texarkana considerably more promising in the paranormal department. If I see any, you will read about it here.

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History professor attends seminar

by Becky Pierce
TC News staff

This past summer John Stuart, professor of history and government, attended a seminar for college educators held at Georgetown University in Washington, D.C.

According to Stuart, the seminar was designed to give educators new ideas and fresh perspectives to use in the classroom for their government and history classes.

"The seminar allowed the college instructors the chance to engage in direct discussion sessions with government leaders," he said.

During the seminar, Rep. Jim

Chapman-D. spoke to the professors about the congressional approbation process. According to Stuart, Chapman said that Congress is trying to get the use of the line item veto for the president to control federal spending.

Stuart said one of the "big high points" of the trip was seeing the West Wing of the White House that contains the presidential offices and administrative network centers.

Texarkana native, Trey Schroeder who works in the White House, arranged the tour for Stuart.

"You could say that the college instructors received a behind-the-scenes insider's look at how Washington really works," Stuart added.



Getting acquainted: John Stuart, TC professor, right, and Rep. Jim Chapman-D visit during Stuart's trip to Washington.

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A dinner and lecture series of three evenings will be presented by the ETSU-T Alumni Association beginning in January.

Each series will open with a socializer at 5:30 followed by a dinner and lecture.

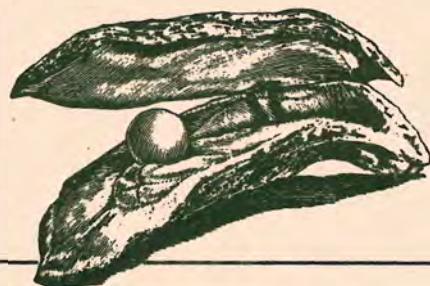
Dr. Wagye, recently chosen to tour China by the Asian Studies Development Program, will open the series January 13 at Special Events.

Dr. Charles Mazer, Fulbright senior lecturer at the University of Warsaw, Poland, will speak Feb. 3 at Park Place.

Dr. Ernest Carlton, former air force protocol officer assigned to the White House during the Kennedy administration and ETSU-T entrepreneur professor, will speak on March 3 at Special Events.

The purpose of the series is to bring former students, the community and the university together for an entertaining evening of food and thought.

Cost of the series is \$60 or \$22 for an individual event. Contact the ETSU-T Alumni office at 838-6514, ext. 224, to reserve space.



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Bill collector poses as florist on campus

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According to Campbell, Contario offered the maintenance person \$5 to tell him where he could find the student. The woman told him to ask a security officer, Campbell added.

"Evidently, she (the student) owed a lot of money, but that doesn't cut it with us," Campbell said. Under the Buckley Amendment, information concerning students is not released to unauthorized individuals.

Campus police reports show Contario was questioned by campus police, and, when he admitted he was a bill collector, he was escorted off campus. Campbell said criminal charges would be filed against the man if he returned to the campus.

Student info protected under Buckley Amendment

Amendment-----From Page 1

enforce a stricter interpretation of the law, according to Don Campbell, chief of police.

"We will release the initial investigative report, but no supplemental information pertaining to the investigation," Campbell said.

Hughes conceded that TC's strict interpretation of the Buckley Amendment greatly favors the students.

"If I have to err, I'd rather err on the side of the student," Hughes said. "We are going to do everything to protect our students and their rights."

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Exchange student from Norway adjusts to life in United States

by Amy Russell
TC News staff

The flight took 24 hours and when she stepped off the plane she entered another world.

Janne Rommetveit began her adventure in August of 1993. She left her home in the small town of Bryne in Norway and journeyed to America to become an exchange student at Texarkana College.

She arrived in the hottest part of the summer, when the humidity can be claustrophobic. That was the first major change. In Norway the hottest days are only around 56 degrees and people are likely to go swimming.

She left her home in Bryne, which she described as "a small, cozy town," to come to America to go to college.

"In Norway there is only secondary school and universities with nothing in between," Rommetveit said. "I wanted to learn the language and study here."

She says she is enjoying her studies at Texarkana College, including journalism. Journalism has provided the Norwegian extra experience and practice with English.

Due to people's natural curiosity Rommetveit says she has made friends easily.

"Everyone seems interested about my country," she commented.

Still, she does miss her home. She espe-

cially misses her family, which includes her parents and one younger sister, her boyfriend and brown cheese. She also misses the nature in Norway—the mountains, forests and sea.

The holiday season is approaching and Rommetveit will be missing her home even more. Norway has its own holiday traditions. She said that everyone opens their presents on Christmas Eve. Someone in her family will dress up as Santa Claus and surprise the younger children.

Next, on Dec. 13, is Saint Lucia's Night. This holiday is similar to Halloween. The girls dress in white and wear wreaths of candlelights around their head. The boys, called Starmen, wear triangular hats. The children go to houses singing Christmas carols and receive candy. The day is in honor of Saint Lucia, who forces away the devil and all evil.

The exchange student will be returning to Norway in June of 1994. Although she will be happy to see her family and friends, she will miss Texarkana.

"I will miss my host family and the warmer weather," Rommetveit said. "Also, I will miss school. Everything is more free here. In Norway, if you choose one major in college you must stick to it and only take what is required for that subject."

The one thing Rommetveit said she will not miss is country music.



photo by Amy Russell

Now this is where I am from: Exchange student Janne Rommetveit points to the location of her native country, Bryne, Norway. Janne will be returning to Norway in the summer of 1994.

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Thanking the elderly offers hands-on training

by Stefanie Wadsworth
TC News staff

Completing the three-part series concerning volunteer opportunities and trends among college students, this article discusses some area organizations that are meeting the needs of the elderly. The Oct. 7 issue discussed organizations that invest in children; the Oct. 28 issue concerned opportunities where adults can help other adults and this article will highlight organizations that offer younger generations the chance to thank their elders.

This article will concentrate on a few of the 40 senior citizen organizations registered with Texarkana's Volunteer Center.

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Discovering concerns and problems...

"We want people who have no one to have someone who cares," Nita Fran Hutcheson, senior services coordinator-Regional Staff Ombudsman, said. "Maybe their family lives elsewhere or perhaps they're the last of their line."

Since her five year employment with the agency began, Hutcheson does not recall having any college students volunteer. "I'd particularly love to have those in the social service fields or anyone interested in human behavior."

If interested in becoming an ombudsman, one that investigates complaints and assists in achieving fair settlements, contact Hutcheson at the Area Agency on Aging's Nursing Home Ombudsman Program and she will set up a three-month local internship. Then, if the volunteer wants to pursue being a voice for one who may have no other communication with the outside world, he or she will follow with eight hours of training that can be completed over a period of time.

"Following training, we ask for only two hours per week in a facility," she continued. "It's not difficult. We just want you to look out for residents' rights."

If any serious problems are discovered by an ombudsman, they are reported to Hutcheson.

Volunteer opportunities with this organization are not limited to the Texarkana area. "I have no one in Bogota, New Boston or Linden. Students could do it on their home turf," she said.

For more information, see the listings box on this page.

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The Ark-La-Tex Home Hospice Care's purpose is to keep senior citizens comfortable and happy within their home, according to Donna Amaral, volunteer coordinator.

"Personally, I haven't thought about

college students as volunteers," the two-year Hospice worker said. "I just figured they didn't have the time.

"College students would be great! Since most of my volunteers are older, younger people could do a number or more physical tasks."

Volunteers must complete a 30-hour training course which familiarizes them with the Hospice concept, "Team Plan of Care".

"We do give training credit for on-the-job time, but we like volunteers to complete the course because they will receive all the information needed to deal with patients, showing them confidentially and respect."

For more information on the Ark-La-Tex Home Hospice Care program, see the listings box on this page.

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The elderly have made the community what it is today. Many are forgotten and rarely do they receive the thanks they deserve. Giving time is a way to thank them for what this area is today.

As medical technology advances, so do life expectancies. If today's elderly are shown concern, then future generations will in turn show their elderly concern.

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This article concludes the three-part series concerning volunteer trends among college students. Volunteer coordinators

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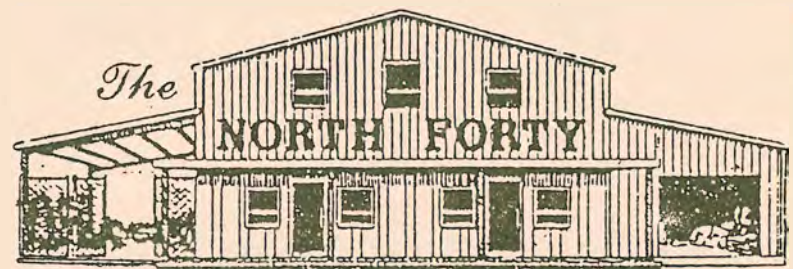
have expressed varying opinions as to why few college students give time.

College classes are demanding and work schedules are a tight fit; however, don't students have a couple of hours to share? Each organization discussed in this series has expressed flexibility in the times students could help.

Time given to children, fellow adults or senior citizens not only helps that individual, but also offers students experience found in no textbook.

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Learning Experience



Temporarily disabled: Above, Vocational Nursing I students prepare for a new experience. Everyone took turns being nurses and patients.

I can't see! (Right): Antoinette Hope, nursing student, experiences what it's like to be a cataract patient by wearing cotton balls on her glasses to limit her vision.



Students learn frustration of living with handicaps

Students in Paula Montgomery's Vocational Nursing I class learned an appreciation for the handicapped Nov. 2. These students became handicapped—and frustrated with their handicap—for a short while.

Arms and legs were put into splints, knees were bound together, ears were plugged, eyes were covered, and every student had on a pair of latex gloves for loss of sensitivity. Cotton balls were taped to eyeglasses so that students could only see out of the edges—like cataract patients. There were also students who had become weak on one side of their body as if they had had a stroke.

"We're doing this so that our students will understand what their patients are going through," said Montgomery. "It's quite a learning experience."

Each "patient" had a nurse to assist him or her, the nurses becoming just as frustrated as the patients. Cliff English took his patient, Ronnie Norris, to buy

a cup of coffee.

"I made sure the lady behind the counter gave him coins for change instead of bills," said English. Due to Norris' lack of sensitivity it was difficult to handle the money. Vicky Herzog found it difficult to play the piano, something she is usually good at.

"Blind" students noticed how bad their sense of direction had become but their sense of smell had improved. Nurses learned they could not use facial expressions or point or nod to their blind patients. It was hard to carry on a normal conversation, they said.

Students with their legs and arms in splints or with their knees bound together found simple things like shopping, sitting down and standing up, or making a phone call difficult, not to mention frustrating.

Every student got a lot of stares and odd looks, but they said they also got something better out of the experience—an appreciation for the handicapped.



Can I get a little sympathy? : Patient Jill McJunkins limps her way around the TC campus. Like other students, all she got was some strange looks. The latex gloves gave her a lack of sensitivity.

Story and photos
by
Bethany Frederickson



Get a job: Bea Ross, foreground, Student Support counselor, listens as Sue Hon from the Texas Employment Commission, tells students how to interview for a job. She was one of several speakers who spoke at Texarkana College's recent job search seminar.

Job search seminar held

by Kay Anderson
TC News staff

Texarkana College's job search seminar held Nov. 4 went well, according to counselor Kerin Reed.

"The purpose of the seminar was to help students find jobs," Reed said. "It was mainly for students graduating this spring, but we decided to open it up for the entire campus."

Students learned how to fill out resumes, develop cover letters and write follow-up letters after the interview.

Any student who was unable to attend the seminar may stop by the Counseling Center to pick up job search information.

Senate conducting canned food drive

The Student Senate is holding a canned food drive in an effort to provide for needy families in Texarkana for the Thanksgiving holidays.

Boxes have been distributed in most of the buildings throughout campus, and students may bring cans through Nov 23.

"The American Red Cross will be giving us the names of needy families in the area," student senate advisor Don McIntosh said. "The senate will then distribute the food the day before Thanksgiving."

The senate encourages all clubs to participate in this activity to help the less fortunate in town to have a joyous holiday season.

Fifteen attend alumni meeting

Approximately 15 members attended a meeting of the Alumni Association and Friends of the College's board of directors Nov. 4, according to Kirk Lohse, director of alumni and development.

They enjoyed a light meal while discussing the publication of the Link, scheduled for early 1994, he said. The directors agreed to have one major fundraiser to benefit the association and the college.

The board also agreed to establish an incentive program for people to join the alumni association and also mentioned possible dues of \$15 or \$20.

The board concluded the meeting by taking a tour of the new student center. "The members were pleased by the center and were looking forward to the opening," Lohse said.

Literacy Council holding program for family reading

A Family Reading Program is being sponsored by the Literacy Council for parents of Headstart students.

It is an outreach program designed to encourage students and parents to read at home. Books are sent home to be read by the parents and students together.

"The program provides students access to additional books and encourages them to go to the library," said Jan Underkofler, chair-elect of the Literacy Council.

The group meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10 a.m. at the Headstart facility at 701 Robison Courts.

Vocational scholarship applications available

Applications for Faculty Association vocational scholarships will be available from Dec. 2 to Feb. 4 in the Counseling Center.

These scholarships are being offered to any clock-hour students who have completed one quarter and have a GPA of 3.5 or

above. They must also be full-time students at Texarkana College.

The scholarships are for the 1994-1995 school year. Each scholarship will pay \$270 for two quarters or \$135 per quarter, according to Ken Smith, co-chairman of the Faculty Association Scholarship Committee.

Literacy Council, lab moving to new locations in December

The Literacy Council's office and computer lab will be relocating soon. They are moving to the bookstore's former location, downstairs in the old Student Center, on Dec. 1.

Formerly the office was upstairs in the old Student Center and the computer lab was

at 705 Wood St.

Vicki Herring of the Literacy Council commented, "The new location will be more convenient for students, provide better utilization of staff, and better service for students."

Thanksgiving holidays slated for next week

Texarkana College will observe the Thanksgiving holidays by closing Nov. 24-26, according to Steve Middlebrooks, director of admissions.

Classes will begin again on Monday, Nov. 29.

Two new classes added for spring

Two new classes will be added for the spring semester, according to Steve Middlebrooks, director of admissions.

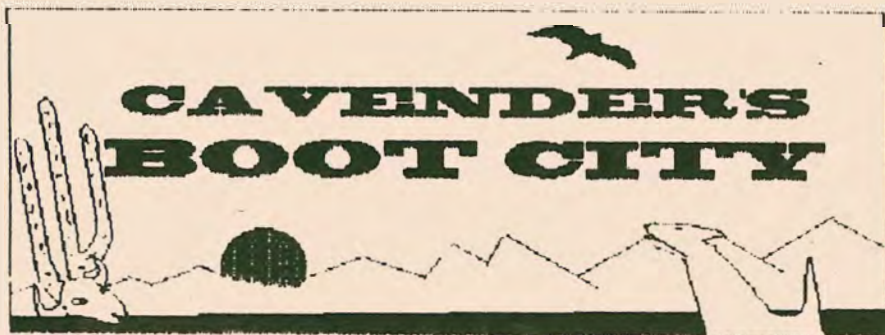
Commercial music and reading, which are not listed in the spring schedule, will be offered next semester.

For more information contact the Admissions Office. "The time to inquire is now," Middlebrooks said.

Schedule changing? Come by Admissions

Students who registered early and took the TASP test on Nov. 13, must bring their results to the Admissions Office between Dec. 6-9 if any schedule adjustments are required, according to Steve Middlebrooks, director of admissions.

Middlebrooks added that if a student fails to come by on these dates, it may result in changes being made in his or her schedule by the Admissions Office.



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Marathon game provides money

by Cheri Gibson
TC News staff

The Texarkana College baseball held its annual fundraiser marathon game Oct. 28.

"This is the first year that the money can be used for whatever we want. Before, the money the kids worked so hard for would just go back into the general budget," said Coach David Van Horn.

This year, by combining fund raisers, the money will be spent on baseball spikes, pre-game jerseys and a roll up batting cage, according to the coach.

"Each year the money fluctuates. This year I predict we will have between \$3,500

and \$4,000," said Van Horn.

The marathon game differs from regular baseball. The rules are different and the game is low key, according to the coach. For instance, the players get one strike instead of three, and if a ball is fouled, the player is out. A pitching machine is the pitcher and other players play different positions. "The pitching machine is hard to hit, but we still keep records of every out," said Van Horn.

The game lasted four hours and had three teams instead of two. The teams consist of the TC players divided into the three teams. "The different rules allow the game to move quickly and allows the players to have fun," said Van Horn.

Security becomes Santa's helper

Bicycles for needy:

TC Campus Security would like for students who know of anyone in need of a bike for Christmas to contact them. They have two small bikes and one larger bike to give to someone in need. The bikes were abandoned on campus in the past few years, but are in good condition. Standing with the bikes is Audrea Hinds, campus security secretary.



Sports Column

Gibson's Glimpses

by Cheri Gibson

Instant replay not instant

Instant replay has been a subject of much controversy in professional football over the years.

Instant replay is a concept of judging a play by viewing a recording of the questionable act.

Calls in football that most commonly used instant replay included whether a player stepped out of bounds, whether a touchdown was made and possession of the ball.

Recently, instant replay was removed from professional football and, finally, the call the referee makes stands. There is no longer a tape of the play that can overrule the referee's decision.

All the years of instant replay resulted in wasted money on referees. Why have referees on the field if their calls may be overridden by a man in a booth watching a tape?

Instant replay also took away the

human error aspect of the game. Everyone makes mistakes and that is just a part of sports.

Well, someone finally became smart and realized that sports are sports and quit the insanity of instant replay. Little League through college do not use instant replay because instant replay just does not fit in sports. The referees are there to do their job, so let them!

The National Football League decided that, even though their calls may not always be right, the referees can do their job without the aid of a machine.

Slowly the "sport" of sports is coming back and with any luck, instant replay will be banned in all sports. Come on, sports has a dire need for fun and human contribution—not for electronic judges.

Volleyball winners crowned

Winners of the two-on-two fall 1993 intramural volleyball tournament were crowned Nov. 9. After playing 11 games the first place team of Greg Hughes and Daniel Meadows won with a record of 11-0.

"We had a great tournament this year and all the teams played hard, while having fun," Wayne Williams, intramural director, said.

First scheduled as a men's and women's tournament, the tournament was changed to an open tournament so each team could play

more games.

The tournament started play Oct. 19 in the Pinkerton Center with a field of 12 teams.

Coming in second place was the women's team made up of cousins Mary Andrews and Shala Andrews. Finishing in third place was the team of David Starnes and Shane Byrum.

Each member of the top three teams won an intramural T-shirt from the Pinkerton Center, according to Williams.

Blood drive scheduled Nov. 30

United Blood Services will sponsor a blood drive, Tuesday, Nov. 30, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Pinkerton Center.

Don McIntosh, director of student activities, encourages all students to come by and donate.



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JFK 30 years ago

November 22 is the 30th anniversary of the assassination of John Fitzgerald Kennedy, 35th president of the United States. It happened as Kennedy was riding in a motorcade in downtown Dallas. For the next four days, there was continuous network coverage for the first time ever in the history of television. The assassination and the events that followed touched the American psyche deeply. Anyone old enough to understand what was happening remembers the widespread shock and confusion. The TC News decided to find out just where our faculty and students were at the time and how they reacted to the news.

JOHN COLLVINS, Security and maintenance

"I was wiring the Montgomery Ward store at the time - it was brand new. I heard it over the radio and was totally shocked. We just shut the job down. It was horrifying - a moment without a leader."



SCOTT VOLENTINE, student, Texarkana, TX

"I was only 12 at the time and I was in parochial school. The nun came and told us the news and we went to the church. We cried because he had been the only Catholic president."



MELISSA CARSON, student worker

"I was in fourth grade in a Catholic school here in Texarkana. There were people in my class who were crying and I remember thinking "How stupid - they don't even know him."



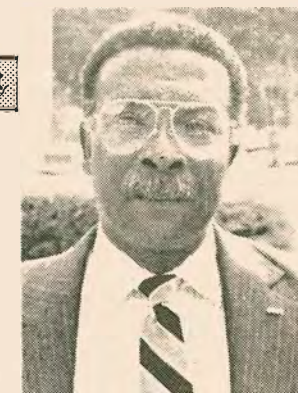
LAUREN HEHMEYER, reference librarian

"I was in seventh grade gym class in south St. Louis. The reality didn't hit me until later. The thing that affected me most was the shooting of Oswald on camera, because I had never seen that kind of violence before."



ADOLPHUS HINTON, assistant professor, management

"I was in the army at Ft. Benning, Ga., working with new concepts for air assault training. I was shocked. We had lost not only the president of the United States but the commander-in-chief of the armed forces. I lost my fearless leader."



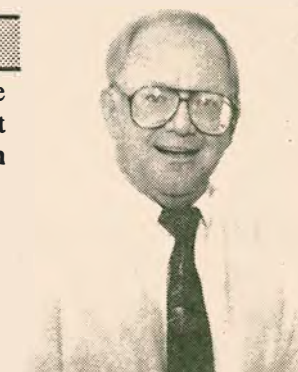
BILL HUGHES, dean of students

"I was director of special education for the Crossett, Ark., school system. I had finished eating and gone to the office of the Calhoun school principal. She had her radio on and I heard the news. I was shocked that an American president could be assassinated. The enormity of the crime seemed incomprehensible. Even though I hadn't voted for him I respected the office. He was our president."



DR. CARL NELSON, president of Texarkana College

"I was teaching algebra at Texas High when a student ran into class and said the president had been shot. I was shocked to a degree that people today can't understand. Things like that just did not happen in 1963. Those were days when you could leave your car unlocked and not lock your house at night."



JEAN STOW COTTEN, director of public relations

"In 1960 I campaigned for Kennedy but couldn't vote for him because I was only 17, and 21 was the minimum voting age. Two weeks before the assassination I turned 21, and I was excited that I was finally old enough to vote for Kennedy! Then the assassination occurred and, for a lot of people my age, hope and faith in the future died that day, too. On Friday, Nov. 22, I was working at Bowie-Cass Electric Co-op in Douglassville, Texas. The dispatcher turned on the intercom and told everyone the president had been shot. Then she put the radio broadcast on the intercom, and all afternoon we just sat and listened to the terrible news. Work had stopped for the day."



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