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Nevarez predicts budget change

C.M. POWELL
Editor

University President Miguel Nevarez said Tuesday that a budget change is expected for the spring semester and is probable for the summer to cover this year's unexpected increase in enrollment.

"We are going to get squeezed in the summer," Nevarez said.

During the UPB-sponsored "Meet the President" session, the president said that summer faculty salaries have been cut because of the enrollment increase. Administrators had expected a 5 percent enrollment increase in fall 1988 over fall 1987, and were surprised by the about 16 percent increase which actually occurred.

"We had to balance the budget somehow," he said.

He estimated that an additional \$100,000 will be added to budgeted faculty salaries for the spring semester because "the demand was just more than what we had anticipated."

He said the \$100,000 will have to come from reserve funds.

In addition to the usual influx of transient students, students from other universities who at-

tend Pan Am only in the summer, Nevarez said he believes the new Texas Academic Skills Program (TASP) test, which goes into effect fall 1989, will put additional pressure on the summer budget.

All students who do not have course credit by the beginning of the semester will be required to take the TASP test. A passing score on the test will be required before students can enroll in upper-division classes.

Nevarez said he expects recent high school graduates will try to "come under the wire" to get course credit before the test goes into effect. He said he predicts a 65 to 85 percent failure rate from the test at Pan Am.

Nevarez said the Board of Regents met last week with the board of the University of Texas System and have agreed in principle to merge. He said there are still some details which need to be worked out.

The Pan Am regents will meet Tuesday to discuss and possibly take action on the merger. The merger is on the UT System regents agenda for Dec. 8.

Nevarez said the merger will consist of two documents: a general bill introducing the concept of the merger and a memorandum of agreement, a resolution which will spell out specific details of the merger.

"We know what we're getting into and they know exactly what they're buying," Nevarez said.

The president said the university is examining software which could be used in a pre-registration process. The university formerly had a pre-registration process which was dropped because of the large percentage of students unhappy with their schedules who went through the add and drop process.

"What we were doing was registering people twice," he said.

He said there is a possibility of reactivating a pre-registration process with voice registration, in which students would telephone their schedule preferences and receive immediate feedback to make second choices. He said pre-registration may be a possibility in the spring for the summer sessions.

"I think there's a lot of benefit from it," he said.

Sandra Griffin, Student Government Association attorney general, said registration is a problem because the university does not offer enough classes.

Nevarez said the problem is not a deficit of classes but of classes at the times students wish to take them and with professors they prefer.

"Last semester, even through late registration, in those hard areas (mathematics, English) there were classes open, but they were late and they were with...Dr. Staff," Nevarez said, adding he was not aware of any students who could get no classes at all.

He said the major difficulty in offering classes at the times students prefer is an absence of classroom space and a limited number of faculty. He said the university is advertising for about 50 new faculty to alleviate part of the problem, but the university is unlikely to get approval from the state coordinating board to build more classroom buildings because the university is not utilizing existing space at many hours during the week.

Head resident of Men's Dorm named

RAY GOMEZ
Staff Writer

The residence halls' selection committee last Wednesday appointed Doug Erickson as head resident of the Men's Residence Hall.

The committee, made up of Housing Director Santiago Villanueva, Women's Residence Hall head resident Senorina Veliz, and the resident assistants (RAs) chose Erickson from a field of seven who applied for the position.

Erickson lived at the Pan Am dormitory from 1985 to 1987, when he was a resident assistant.

He was also a dorm resident at Texas A&I University.

Erickson also knows many of the student athletes who live in the residence halls—he is the assistant men's and women's cross country, indoor and outdoor track and field coach.

"I'm dividing my time between the dormitories and track at 60/40," Erickson said. "I work with the track team during the afternoon and I'm on call 24 hours a day for the dormitories."

Originally from Phoenix, Az., Erickson earned his bachelor of arts degree from Pan Am with a

double major in history and political science.

He was the 1986 recipient of the PAU Lou Hassell Award, given annually to the top senior male athlete. The men's coaching staff selects the recipient of the award.

Erickson has created a set of general rules which he said he hopes to see implemented in the dormitories during his stay as head resident. He said he wants to improve the quality of life at the dormitories by improving the efficiency of the residence hall staff and by keeping constant

supervision of the maintenance of dormitory property.

However, Erickson said he realizes that his hands are tied in certain areas.

"I am not an administrator," Erickson said. "I do not have the power to take care of all the things that need to be taken care of. I have the lowest position in the hierarchy."

He said he hopes students will feel they can confide in him and hopes to build pride in the dorms among the residents. Erickson said he is glad to have the opportunity to continue to serve the university in a different capacity.

Homecoming to start tonight

Homecoming weekend kicks off tonight with the traditional burning of the PAU letters tonight at 7:00 p.m. next to the residence hall parking lot.

Aluminum P-A-U letters are surrounded by burlap sacks, soaked in diesel fuel and ignited.

Before the letters are burned, the Bronc basketball players, cheerleaders and Buck the Bronc, the PAU mascot, will lead a pep rally. There were also a live broadcast by KRIX radio station, 99.5 FM.

The Alumni Association Trustees' Reception will be held at the home of PAU President Dr. Miguel Nevarez tomorrow at 7 p.m. Attending the reception will be trustees, PAU officials, invited guests and all distinguished awards recipients.

On December 3, the Alumni Association will have its annual meeting in the Faculty Lounge at noon for all members. Before the Distinguished Awards Banquet at the University Ballroom, wine and cheese will be served to the guests of the banquet in the Faculty Lounge at 6:30 p.m.

The banquet is open to everyone, but seating is limited. Tickets are \$25 and may be purchased at the Alumni Association office, UC 111 or may be reserved by calling 381-2500.

The Homecoming game will pit the Broncs against Sam Houston State Saturday at 7:30 at the fieldhouse.

Contras warring against civilians, Nelson says

RAY GOMEZ
Staff Writer

American foreign policy towards Nicaragua and the ongoing guerilla war has inflicted more damage to the Central American nation than any other event, including natural disaster and disease, Dr. Harold "Al" Nelson said Tuesday.

Nelson spoke about a recent trip to Nicaragua sponsored by the National Central America Health Rights Network (NCAHR) and described what he believes are the disastrous effects of foreign policy the U.S. is currently implementing in Nicaragua.

"The war continues in Nicaragua because the Contras continue to make war on the people of Nicaragua," said Nelson. "There is a Contra war against the civilians."

The Nicaraguans must also deal with natural disasters.

"A devastating hurricane (Joan) recently...destroyed ports, boats, fisheries, an electric company, rice crops, corn and bean crops, 80 percent of the coffee crop (Nicaragua's chief export), livestock and a new dock that was recently built at San Carlos," Nelson said, adding that about 300,000 people were evacuated before the hurricane struck and only about 100 people were reported dead.

"Thanks to the ongoing war waged by the U.S....they have learned to mobilize the people and to form refuges that are stocked with food and medicine," he said.

Nelson said the day-to-day life of a Nicaraguan civilian is more

dangerous than a hurricane, especially civilians associated with the medical profession.

"It's a capital crime to be a health worker in Managua due to legislation passed in the U.S.," he said.

Nelson said some Nicaraguans needlessly suffer from malaria, children die of diarrhea and women of cervical cancer. The remedies for these maladies are readily available, but inaccessible because most Nicaraguans can not afford the medication and attempts to get to a medical clinic in Nicaragua make one a walking target for the Contras, he said.

"All the workers willing to be killed for the cause have been killed for the cause," Nelson said, quoting medical personnel working in Nicaragua.

Nelson said many of the medical workers who have remained in Nicaragua carry cards identifying themselves as church workers to reduce the risk of being shot, although church leaders are also a high risk group.

Another way in which the Nicaraguan people are being worn down is with the idea that their futures are now worth less than they once were, Nelson said.

"There are billboards in Nicaragua which say 'Reagan is going, the revolution is staying,'" Nelson said.

Nelson said he believes the overall picture for Nicaragua is

bleak at best. He said he doesn't know what the solution to the problem is but there are many unaddressed questions.

"If I knew what strategies we should follow, I would stand here and tell you," Nelson said. "Perhaps there will come a time when we have to re-think our strategy. The war for Nicaragua will be won in the U.S."

The Sociology Student Organization (SSO) and Student Border Assistance for Refugees from Central America (BARCA) sponsored the presentation featuring Nelson, a professor of sociology and member of NCAHR.

Regents to meet with students

The Board of Regents will meet with the student body Tuesday during activity period in the LRC Media Theatre to answer questions about the proposed merger with the University of Texas System.

The forum, sponsored by the Political Science Association, will focus on the merger but questions on other topics will be accepted.

The regents will discuss and possibly take action on the merger during their regularly scheduled

meeting Tuesday at 10 a.m. in the Administration Building Board Room.

In executive session, the regents are scheduled to discuss the hiring of an Associate Vice President for Business Affairs and the grievance appeal of Clementina Cantu, a university employee whose contract was not renewed earlier this semester.

The regents are also expected to accept gifts from Houston Endowment Inc., the Meadows Foundation and the AT&T Foundation totalling \$160,000.

New editor chosen for paper

RAY GOMEZ
Staff Writer

Conflict arose when the Publications Committee met Monday afternoon to elect a new editor for "The Pan American" and to discuss possible changes in the Publications Handbook.

The committee elected Panfilo "Ponch" Garcia, copy editor of the newspaper, to the position of editor-in-chief. C.M. Powell, editor of the newspaper, will resign this month because she

will graduate at the end of the semester.

A vote by secret ballot to select Garcia as editor or to seek more candidates resulted in 6 votes for Garcia and one abstention.

"I plan to apply the theories which I've learned in classes to the actual work of the paper," said Garcia. "I will basically train young reporters and transfer what I've learned from previous editors to younger writers

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A water follies participant makes some waves in the water relay competition. (Photo by Nereo Ramos)

Alumni to honor professor, dean, former regent

YVETTE QUIROZ
Reporter

A faculty member, the dean of students and a former regent will receive the 1988 Distinguished Alumni Awards Dec. 3 at 7 p.m. in the University Ballroom.

The Alumni Association will honor Dr. Patricia De La Fuente, professor of English, with the Distinguished Faculty Award for 12 years of service at the university.

"It was a pleasant surprise," De La Fuente said. "The good thing about receiving this type of award is that it's not planned, it's given."

A member of the Graduate Faculty, she is a graduate adviser in the English department. She is also chair of the Activities Committee and serves on the English Scholarship Committee.

She has written 85 book reviews for "The Monitor" and several translations from Spanish to English for a variety of periodicals and journals.



Dr. Patricia De La Fuente

Dr. De La Fuente is a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Pi Delta Phi and Phi Kappa Phi. Other honors include membership in the Association of Southwestern Humanities and listing in "One Hundred Women in the Rio Grande Valley" and "The World's Who's Who of Women".

She earned her B.A. degree in

English in 1969 from the University of Oregon. She obtained her M.A. degree in 1971, and her Ph.D. in 1976 from the University of Texas.

Rancher, farmer and businessman Joe Chapa will be awarded the Alumni Association's Distinguished Service Award.

Chapa will receive the award for his contributions while serving on the Board of Regents from 1952 to 1965.

"When Mr. Chapa served on the board of regents, he was instrumental in giving Pan American university status," said Tom Segel, Alumni Association executive director. "He was also responsible for the creation of the new PAU campus."

Chapa has been active in public service. In 1940 he was the director of the Hidalgo County Red Cross and founded of the Valley's first First Aid Station.

His other public service contributions include membership on



Joe Chapa

the Hidalgo County Child Welfare Board, the governor's Higher Education Committee, the Commission on Rural Development and the Texas Farm and Ranch Committee.

He is a director of the First National Bank of Edinburg and operates both Chapa-Chapa, Inc., and San Manuel Farms.

Dean Judy Vinson is the recipient of the Alumni Association's Distinguished Staff Award. "It feels good to get recognition for your work," Vinson said. "I feel I'm in good company with other who have received this award."

In 1977 Vinson began working at PAU as a student services officer. When she became assistant dean of students in 1978, she directed housing activities and advised foreign students and student research.

Vinson was promoted to assistant dean of student life in 1981. She supervised the director of the men's and women's housing and directed High School Equivalency Program and the Upward Bound Program. She was also the coordinator of Student Health Services. In 1982 she was made dean of students.

Vinson is honored for originating the PAU Student Foundation, the Ambassadors Program, and the Student Awards and



Dean Judy Vinson

Recognition Convocation. She is responsible for developing the Student Affairs Assessment and Evaluation Program and the Student Opinion Survey.

The alumni will also honor U.S. Rep. Kika De La Garza as its Distinguished Alumnus and the Fred Garza family of Mission as its Distinguished Family.

Board approves program development

RAY GOMEZ
Staff Writer

The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board has given its approval for the university to

begin developing 28 new programs.

The developed programs will be submitted to the coordinating board later for final approval

before being implemented on campus.

Dr. Ronald Applbaum, vice president of academic affairs, estimates that the new programs could cost as much as \$30 million. The programs would be incorporated into the university within the next four to six years.

Applbaum said the university is in the process of preparing forms and documents for the coordinating board to justify the new programs. He said all schools on campus are actively involved in designing the specific programs for each department.

"The schools need to justify the need for the programs and set the quality they want," Applbaum said. "The programs will be

approved (depending) on whether the campus enrollment demands the creation of a certain program or whether they fit certain roles which are needed in the area."

Applbaum used a physical therapy program as an example.

"There may not be large numbers demanding its creation, but the need is great in this area," he said. "On the other hand, graduate educational leadership courses are needed and there is a fairly large number of students out there to support the program."

Programs now being planned include doctoral programs in international business in the school of business and educational administration or leadership in the school of education.

Master's degrees being planned include education, nursing, accounting, Spanish, social work, mathematics, psychology, sociology, public administration, communications, art and anthropology.

New bachelor's degrees, if approved by the coordinating board, would include international business, nursing, anthropology, deaf education, French, Mexican American studies, aquaculture and engineering.

Applbaum said the proposed

CRIME REPORT

Office burglarized

A burglary occurred between Nov. 18 and 20 in the baseball field office. A Montgomery Ward black and white TV/radio, a Casio color television, and a Realistic weather alert radio were stolen. The total value was \$500.

"We're asking people's help on this one and all calls will be confidential," Chief Greg Salazar of the University Police said.

Nov. 27, the office was again broken into, but nothing was taken. Steps have been taken to increase security in this area.

Nov. 14 between 8:30 and 11:35 a.m., a car phone antenna was stolen from a blue 1987 Toyota in Lot J.

Nov. 15 at 1 p.m., two minors were observed consuming alcohol in Lot B and were referred to Dean of Students Judy Vinson.

An obscene phone call was received in the Fine Arts Complex Nov. 16 at 11:10 a.m.

Between Nov. 21 and 22, a Quasar VCR valued at \$300 was stolen from the LRC.

A theft of a \$10 bill occurred in the women's dorm Nov. 22. After an investigation, the bill was returned and the individual said it was found on the floor.

engineering program, a joint program with the University of Texas San Antonio, would be part of the college of arts and sciences until the coordinating board approves a school of engineering.

He said the program could cost several million dollars to fund and has several requirements, including a demand for the program, support in the local business community stressing its need, and financial support from

the state legislature, a merger with the University of Texas System or private sources.

Once the programs have been developed, they must be approved at all campus and state levels. Applbaum said he expects the approval process to take at least two years—one year at the university level and an additional year through the coordinating board—before the programs are part of the university curriculum.

ACM's finish sixth

A team of four computer science majors finished sixth out of 22 Division II teams in the South Central Region Association for Computing Machinery (ACM) Scholastic Programming contest held at Baylor University in Waco, Tex.

The four students, senior Eric Lindquist, senior Eric Jeppesen, senior Osbaldo Salinas and junior Arnold Flores, won thirteenth place in the combined Division I

and Division II standings. Division II consists only of undergraduate students.

"I am really pleased with the team's performance this year," said Pearl Brazier, coordinator of the computer science program. "I am also very proud to say that all our teams have scored in the top 10 in their division for the past three years in this competition."

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Sixty-four students chosen for "Who's Who"

C.M. POWELL
Editor

Sixty-four Pan Am students from the Edinburg and Brownsville campuses will be listed in the 1988-89 edition of "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges."

Judy Vinson, dean of students, said the students selected deserve recognition.

"They are very outstanding students, and they've been selected to appear in 'Who's Who' because of their high academic achievements, service to the university and to the community,

and their involvement in university and community activities," Vinson said.

Vinson said more Pan Am students will be included in the annual publication this year because of the university's increased enrollment. "Who's Who" gives the university a quota based upon enrollment, she said.

Pan Am students may appear in "Who's Who" only once, according to a policy set up by the committee which selects students for nomination.

The following Pan Am students, organized by hometown, will appear in the 1988-89

"Who's Who":

Alamo: Raul Alaniz, Maria G. Cortina, Melissa Najera and Tina Gale Wright.

Brownsville: Raul A. Anaya, Paul F. Calhoun, Delfina Cisneros, Yvonne Escobedo, Cecilia G. Garza, Lucrecia Garza, Virginia S. Perez, Mary Quill, Rosa Maria Ramirez, Lynn C. Rox and Diana Sandoval.

Donna: Jorge A. Chavez. Edinburg: Tammy-Lee Costa, James H. Gomillion, Belinda Gonzalez, Alberto Luis Gorena, Barbara Ann Guin, Sofia Martinez, Doreen D. Reyes and Theresa Marie Vair.

Elsa: Maria Alicia Silva. Harlingen: Alfonso Bailey Benavidez, Linda Davis, Anthony John Lisauckis Jr., Beverly Pop, Venus Rouhani-Ghazvine and Joyce E. Simonson.

La Feria: Helen R. Muse. Laguna Vista: Janaan Vogt. Los Indios: Consuelo R. Angulo.

McAllen: Marianella Hinojosa Brown, Edith Sue Burford, Lawrence J. Clark, Marisa Rose Godines, Kenneth E. Griffin, Muriel Jones Haygood and Carlos Juvera.

Also Dennis Karl Monger, Yadira Pendergrass, Dorothy Romaine, H. Lyle Skaggs Jr., Timothy F.H. Smith, Richard Trevino Jr., Dana Vincent Warren and Lena Nuel Adams-Winkel.

Mission: C. Tim Conatser, Humberto Martinez and Jamie Kay Henderson Smith.

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Port Isabel: Barbara S. Grayson.

San Benito: Jose Marcelo Cavazos, Victor Garza, Judith M. Oden

San Juan: DeWayne Warden South Padre Island: Pat Bratton

Weslaco: Maria Antonia Caballero, Ruth Slater Michael, Maria del Carmen Sepulveda

NEWS BRIEFS

Group accepting donations

The Campus Ministry is still accepting non-perishable goods to keep in a pantry for Pan Am students who need food.

Toys for farmer's children for Christmas are also being accepted. Toys and goods may be taken to the Campus Ministry Center, 1615 W. Kuhn.

Food drives sponsored by the Catholic Campus Ministry and Marketing Association for Thanksgiving Day were not as successful as the two groups had hoped.

The Marketing Association provided Thanksgiving food for two needy families of the Edinburg area.

"Student participation was slow," said Marissa Cantu, president of the Marketing Association.

The ministry was able to provide food for two needy students.

BARCA sponsors drive

The United Methodist Campus Ministry will accept donations of clothing, medicine and canned goods for Nicaraguan victims of hurricane Joan until Dec. 9.

The supplies will be carried to that country by the Pastors for Peace convoy this month. Student Border Assistance for Refugees from Central America (BARCA) is sponsoring the collection drive and will be coordinating the delivery of the donations to the pastoral convoy.

For more information, call David Diaz at 383-0133.

Applications due Feb. 15

Seniors have until Feb. 15 to apply for a \$6,000 fellowship for first-year graduate study.

Phi Kappa Phi National Honor Society will nominate one student for the award.

Fifty students nationwide will be awarded fellowships, with another 30 receiving Honorable Mention Awards of \$500.

For more information call Dr. Wendy James-Aldridge, associate professor of psychology and Phi Kappa Phi secretary at 381-3329.

ASPA to sponsor tour

The American Society for Personnel Administration (ASPA) will sponsor a one-hour tour of the Haggard Slacks plant in Edinburg tomorrow afternoon.

Those interested in joining the tour must meet at the BA Student Lounge by 12:45 p.m. Individuals needing transportation should go by the ASPA office at BA 220-C for assistance.

For more information, call Dr. Walter Greene at 381-3355 or Dr. James Wilson at 381-3338.

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Nicaragua said to be potential threat

EDWIN AGUILAR
Managing Editor

A state department spokesman told audience members that Nicaragua poses a strategic, ideological and subversive threat to the U.S.

"Nicaragua is a potential threat to the U.S., and it is a direct threat to the countries around it," said Lt. Col. Peter Reilly said in



Lt. Col. Reilly

his speech given on campus last month.

Reilly said the U.S. support of



A protestor displays a sign expressing her disapproval of U.S. policy in Nicaragua. (Photo by Letty Cavazos)

the Contras was a crucial element in bringing the Nicaraguan government under control.

"The Contras need lethal aid to level the playing field," Reilly

said. "The Contras can not overthrow the government, but they do add to our bargaining position."

Currently, only humanitarian

aid is being sent to the Contras by the United States government.

Students protesting in front of the Learning Resource Media Theater did not agree with Reilly's assessment of the Nicaraguan situation.

Some 35 students and faculty members handed out leaflets and displayed signs expressing their disagreement with the continued support of the Contras.

David Diaz of the Catholic Campus Ministry said he was glad the group of demonstrators had organized.

"The word needs to get out that this policy is an immoral one," Diaz said.

After his 30 minute presentation, Reilly fielded questions from the audience for about 1 1/2 hours.

Reilly's speech was sponsored by the Pan American University Reserve Officers Training Corps (ROTC). Lt. Col. Patrick O'Rell, ROTC commander said earlier the presentation was partly in response to questions raised by Regent Shan Rankin about a balance of ideas being presented to the student body.

What, When & Where

THU

United Methodist Campus Ministry will hold a Peacemaking and Non-Violence Study at noon at the Campus Ministry Center.

Student Government Association sponsors free coffee, cookies and donuts every Tuesday and Thursday for students from 8-10 a.m. in UC 314.

FRI

Baptist Student Union will hold a yard sale from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. in front of the Baptist Student Center. Proceeds will go for World Hunger Relief.

United Methodist Campus Ministry will be accepting donations of clothes, linens, baby clothes, toys, etc. for their Thrift Shop Sale. Bring your donations by the Campus Ministry Center or talk with Sylvia or David at 383-0133.

United Methodist Campus Ministry will hold Inner Valley Missions at 1 p.m. at the Campus Ministry Center.

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United Methodist Campus Ministry sponsors 99 cent luncheons every Tuesday at noon at the Campus Ministry Center.

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United Methodist Campus Ministry will hold a Bible Study at 5 p.m. in the Campus Ministry Center.

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and potential future editors."

Edwin Aguilar, the only other candidate, withdrew his name from consideration, citing time constraints as the reason for his decision.

Tempers flared earlier in the afternoon when the committee discussed amendments to the handbook concerning the selection of future editors of the newspaper.

Joyce Prock, adviser to the newspaper, said the committee could not make immediate changes in the Publications Handbook, but could only make recommendations. Prock said that only the Board of Regents could implement changes in the handbook and that all recommendations from the committee would have to be approved by the board before they were incorporated.

Sandy Rodriguez, Student Government Association (SGA) appointee to the committee and a member of the subcommittee that drafted the proposed amendments, said she was upset because she felt the work she and others on the subcommittee had done on the amendments would be ignored.

The committee also argued about the wording in one of the proposed amendments which implied that the position of editor would be restricted to journalism/communication majors. The amendment read that "a preference will be given" to communications majors.

Dr. Marian Monta, acting chair of the communications department and ex-officio member of the committee, said the wording

of the amendment implied the alienation of non-journalism students. Committee members discussed whether to "soften" the language of the amendment.

Prock said that non-journalism majors who have worked for the newspaper have proven they are as capable as communications majors. Prock urged the committee to keep the language of the Publications Handbook non-specific.

"We are restricting ourselves in the handbook," said Prock.

Rodriguez said specific selection criteria in the Publications Handbook would make the committee accountable to candidates for editor who felt they had been slighted in the selection process. She said accountability would give the committee credibility.

She also said that the publications experience of student editors on the committee would influence the votes less experienced committee members.

"The possibility of the formation of a small clique is too much of a possibility here," said Rodriguez.

The proposed guidelines for editor selection were sent back to subcommittee for further discussion.

CORRECTION

A story in the Nov. 10 issue of "The Pan American," titled "Living dead takes first at carnival," has an incorrect identification. The vice president of the National Student Speech Language and Hearing Association is Olga Delgado, not Olga de la Garza as we printed. "The Pan American" apologizes for any inconvenience this error may have caused.

"Self-esteem is necessary," psychologist says

LETICIA CAVAZOS
Staff Writer

Self-esteem, the feeling that "I'm worth something," is essential to survival in today's world, said a guest speaker from Charter Palms Hospital Tuesday at a presentation sponsored by the Psychology National Honor Society, Psi Chi.

"Good self-esteem is necessary for psychological survival," said the hospital's program director George Roper. The presentation took place during activity period in LA 111.

In some instances, self-esteem is necessary for one's physical survival Roper said. In most cases, though, a person goes through life without physical pain but filled with psychological pain.

Roper explained that inside each person dwells a "psychological creature," a little voice that is always critical and negative. This voice begins in childhood and is the result of negative comments made by those around us, especially those we cared about.

A person with low self-esteem believes what the little voice says is true, while a person with

healthy self-esteem "listens and shuts it up."

Five factors contribute to the "being bad" feeling, Roper said:

- the degree to which actions and judgments are labeled as moral imperatives
- the degree to which parents fail to differentiate between the child and the child's behavior
- the frequency of forbidding gestures
- the consistency of forbidding gestures and
- the frequency with which for-

bidding gestures are tied to parental anger or withdrawal.

Roper said self-esteem is probably the most important aspect of

a person's whole self-view and those with low self-esteem must be willing to work to acquire higher self-esteem.

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EDITORIAL

Reilly's Nica lies reveal U.S. policy as aggressive idea

The recent presentation by LTC Peter Reilly on the threat posed to the United States by Nicaragua can be summed up in a couple of words: pure baloney. In his presentation Reilly stated that Nicaragua, a country of some 3 million people, posed a military, ideological and strategic threat to this country. That is a lie.

The truth of the situation is that the country which is a threat is the United States, and not Nicaragua. If the truth were known, the U.S. is not only a threat to Nicaragua, but to the whole world, particularly the third world.

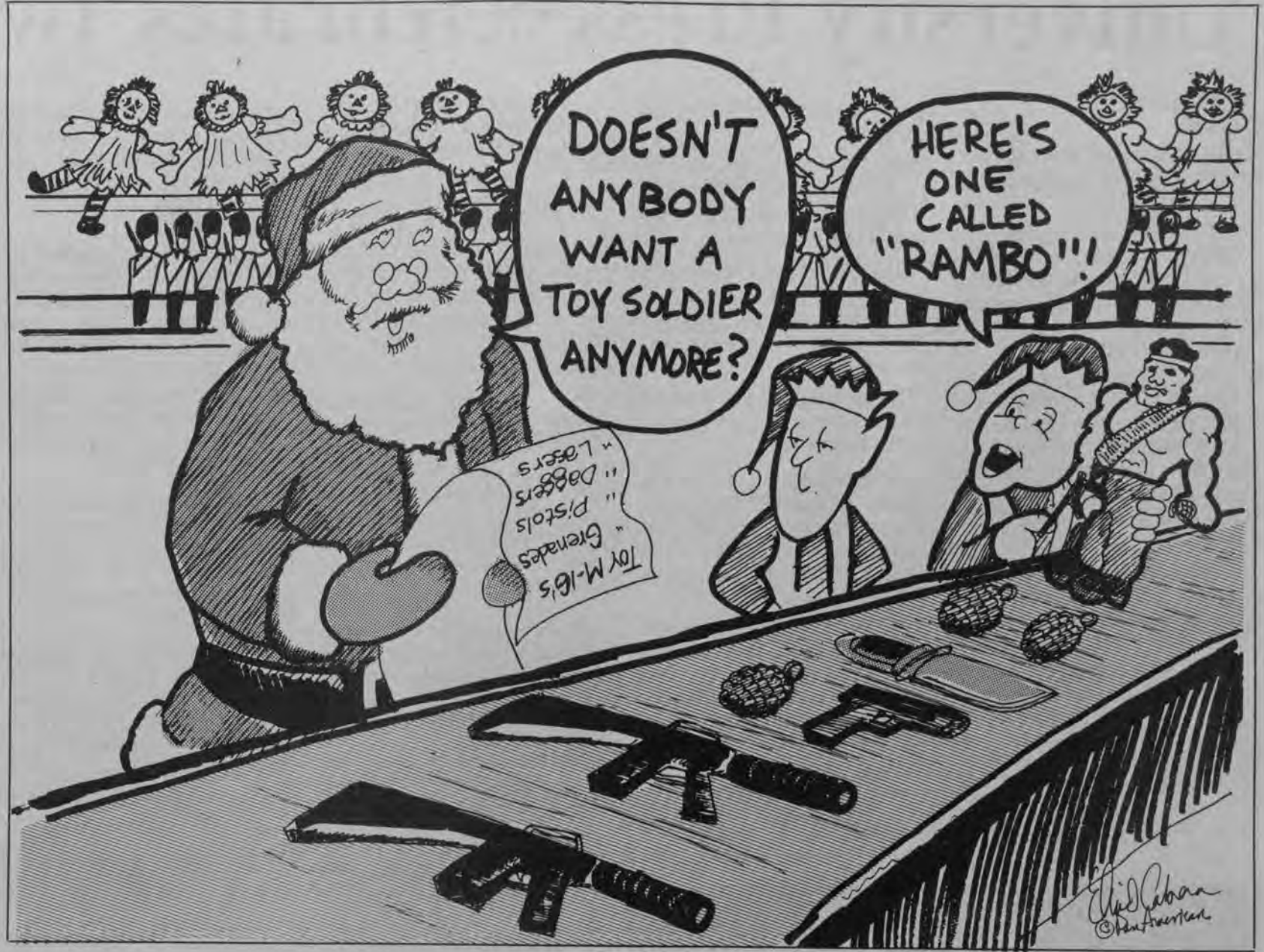
When one examines the Nicaraguan situation, the facts back up the claim that the U.S. is the aggressor and not, as Reilly would have us believe, the Nicaraguans. It is not the Nicaraguans that are funding an attempt by criminals to overthrow our government. It is not Nicaragua that is mining harbors in this country. And it certainly isn't Nicaragua which, regardless of public opinion polls at home showing disapproval of government policy, continues to pursue a foreign policy bent on controlling a foreign government.

The facts are easily obscured in the veil of lies flowing like open sewage from Reilly's mouth. Furthermore, facts become almost useless when the state department continues to send professional killers like Reilly around to pass off their version of 'the truth'.

It's a pity that Reilly was able to peddle his misinformation at this university so easily. Were this a different university, Reilly would have been shouted down repeatedly as he attempted to bold face lie to his audience. The audience here was far kinder to him than he deserved, and he should be thankful of that.

Maybe next time the state department sends one of its professional liars to this campus they will be met with the same amount of courtesy the United States government is giving the Sandinistas.

And maybe then, the state department will get the message about how Americans feel about exporting so called American values in the name of freedom.



"The Pan American" myths debunked

It's amazing the reactions you get when you expose people to ideas they are unfamiliar with. This is quite evident when you examine the contents of "The Reader's Voice" letters column in this publication.

But it's time our readers understand something: there is nothing evil, insidious or subversive about the ideas presented on the editorial pages of "The Pan American."



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EDWIN AGUILAR
Managing Editor

To calm the fears of our readers, here is a list of the seven most common myths about the writers of "The Pan American."

MYTH (1) Staffers of "The Pan American" are communists. Fact: None of the writers are communists. Some of them exhibit leftist tendencies, and some of them may be crazy, and some both. But none of them are communists. And none of them belong to any cell organization.

MYTH (2) "The Pan American" employs only those who have been brainwashed by the International Communist Conspiracy. Fact: We will employ anyone, regardless of who they have been brainwashed by.

MYTH (3) Staff writers are offended by letter writers who disagree with the paper's "party line." Fact: An informal poll of staffers showed that all prefer someone with an opinion, albeit dissenting, to someone with no opinion at all. Also a fact: None of the staffers have ever shed a tear after reading hate mail and at least one has "laughed his ass off."

MYTH (4) The editor of "The Pan American" frequently "censors" letters delivered to the office. Fact: The editor strives to print all correspondence received at this office although she refuses to print anything written in crayon.

MYTH (5) All the writers at the paper believe the government of the U.S. caters solely to the needs of the rich. Fact: Some of the writers of "The Pan American" believe the U.S. government caters solely to the needs of the filthy rich.

MYTH (6) The staff of "The Pan American" is an incestuous little clique that thinks with one mind. Fact: We do not think with just one mind. As a matter of fact, we are often at each others throats over issues we consider important. We are an incestuous little clique, though.

MYTH (7) The author of this column is the evil mastermind behind a trend toward leftist claptrap on these pages. Fact: The authors of the opinions are the masters of their own minds, when they can find them, and are rarely victims of indoctrination by the author of this column.

Readers of "The Pan American" are encouraged to dissect the views presented here if they do not agree with them. Hell, even if they do agree with what is presented, a little critical thought never hurt anyone. However, readers need to remember that to dissect an argument, one needs a sharp knife.

The fact that the above prejudices can be dispelled as myths will probably not deter readers from mailing in their opinions, nor is it intended to. It is hoped readers will at least understand, though, that "The Pan American" staff is not a bunch of radical, Marxist-inspired students.

Only I am.



READER'S VOICE

Editorial criticized

To the Editor: After reading your editorial entitled "Meet the Pres," I felt compelled, as Chair of the University Program Board Ideas and Issues Committee (sponsor of this activity), to write to you and correct several errors in your interpretation of how this forum will be conducted.

First of all, questions will not be submitted to President Nevarez "in advance." We will request that members of the audience write their questions on slips of paper, which may be submitted as early as a week prior to the forum, or during the activity itself. (The early acceptance of questions is to allow students to ask about specific issues which may require figures or data that President Nevarez needs to research; this will minimize responses of "I don't know," or "I'll have to check on that.") To ensure reliability, however, we are requiring that the

individual asking the question sign their name and be recognized at the forum. The reasons we are soliciting questions in this manner are:

(1) This will encourage students who may be timid in the usual audience situation to ask their questions without feeling self-conscious;

(2) This will prevent a few vocal individuals from monopolizing the questioning, as members of Student Publications and a few others did last spring. UPB received several complaints at that time from students who were unable to get their questions and comments heard during the aggressive interchange between President Nevarez and a small minority.

Second, the format does allow for follow-up questions, despite what your editorial states.

Third, there will be no "censorship." All questions submitted, and signed, will be asked of Dr. Nevarez, as long as time permits. Members of the audience may continue to

submit questions during the session.

The University Program Board has done its best to ensure an open forum for students and the university president. Dr. Nevarez has given us no directives on structuring this forum. We suggest that "The Pan American" do its homework before editorializing in their typical negative, inaccurate, biased fashion.

Thelma Ramos

ACM's need attention, too

To the Editor: Recently, several members of our organization had the opportunity to attend the ACM (Association for Computing Machinery) south central regional programming contest which was held at the Baylor University campus in Waco, Texas.

We observed there a remarkable display of skill by the team sent to represent our school. They bested many teams from schools known for their high emphasis on the sciences, such as Rice, UT-Austin, Texas Tech and Baylor itself.

We are dismayed, however, at the apparent lack of interest and support shown for the team here at PAU, given the fact that they are ambassadors from our campus competing in an intellectual arena in order to gain

recognition for the school and dispel the degrading references to it as "Taco Tech."

Since some of our members were part of said programming team, UFOSS has come up with a list of requirements that would improve our teams' chances in competitions to come and garner some recognition for PAU in Science and Technology. Here are the suggestions we came up with by unanimous, anonymous and democratic vote (Note: we are governed by a dictatorship, so there was actually only one vote):

- The programming team needs better computer facilities, so we suggest taking the UT-Austin campus (by force if necessary) and renaming it PAU-Austin.

- We need to provide the Team with adequate transportation facilities, not necessarily as luxurious as the basketball team's (our needs are modest) but a simple bus would be nice, complete with jacuzzi and satellite linkup.

- Adequate clothing commensurate with their trade should be provided, such as T-shirts identifying the school, pre-washed, pre-worn jeans and the best sneakers available on earth, or at least Nike Air.

- A cheerleading section would be an attractive addition and could serve a dual purpose—as entertainment for the team (preferably in the jacuzzi) when traveling to/from competitions and to distract the other teams at the competitions.

- A team medic, available at all times to administrate the team programmers' proper intake of Jolt Cola and M&M's (programmer steroids) and to care for disabled fingers, which can lead to catastrophic results for a team member.

- An official team Curandero/Witch Doctor which would perform the necessary rites upon the computer equipment to be used at the competitions to insure proper operation, and if necessary, on the programmers as well.

That should be sufficient to better the performance of our teams in future competitions,

and we emphasize the importance of PAU's participation in these, since much recognition and prestige can be gained by PAU in this field by its talented programmers, and among universities this is what separates the Men from the quiche eaters.

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Phi Sigs recapture Bronc-O-lympics crown

C.M. POWELL
Editor

The Phi Kappa Sigma Fraternity retained their title as Bronc-O-lympics champions for the third consecutive year in the annual "athletic" competition.

Charles Snodgrass, president of the Phi Sigs, said the win, which garnered 115 points in the seven events and two special competitions, was a team effort.

"It was kind of hard, especially some of the games they had, because of the wind factor," Snodgrass said.

Of the six teams competing, one less than last year, Intercollegiate Knights captured second place with 110 points and the Publications Association grabbed a close third with 109.

American Humanics took fourth place with 106 points, ROTC fifth with 101, and Student Government Association (SGA) last with 88.

Events included a water balloon toss, hula hoop competition, shaving cream pie relay, blanket roll, toilet paper wrap, cup and plate stacking, and ball

and panty hose pitch.

There were two special events: building a human pyramid and a dance contest to the song "Locomotion."

UPB President Sandra Layton said the attendance, about 25 people, was what they had expected.

"By Friday the campus is pretty deserted," Layton said.

She said the competition is held Friday afternoon so people are not prevented from participating by classes.

"We didn't want anyone to be

handicapped," Layton said.

Competing for the Phi Sigs were Brad Benter, Craig Brady, Jim Walsh, Todd Shampoe, Nate Winters, Paul Newlin and Andy Robinson.

Intercollegiate Knights were Myling Landez, Sonya Galán, Rose Mary Ramos, Bob Garcia, Sandra Cortez, Roy Ornelias and Albert Alvarez.

Publications team members were Edwin Aguilar, Panfilo Garcia, Yvette Quiroz, Ray Gomez, Enrique Olivarez Jr., Eliud Cabrera and Jay Lewis.



One of the most uncomfortable event was the blanket roll, as competitors were required to roll a distance while staying in the blanket.



An SGA team member quickly fills her plate and prepares to hop, skip and jump in the shaving vream pie relay. (Photo by Mary Edna Quiroz)



Pressed for time, ROTC members stack plates and cups as they try to walk and balance the growing pillars of tableware. (Photo by C.M. Powell)



Competitors in the ball and pantyhose pitch jumped, swayed and used a variety of unusual hip movements to dop the ball into the box. (Photo by C.M. Powell)



Student Publications members fills participated in the dance contest by forming a train with an 'engine' and a 'caboose', and then choo-chooing to the tune of "The Locomotion." (Photo by Mary Edna Quiroz)



Phi Kappa Sigma, winners of this year's Bronc-O-lympics.



Intercollegiate Knights finished second in the Bronc-O-lympics.



Third place winners in the Bronc-O-lympics, Student Publications.

Broncs buck Tigers, 97-67

MARK MAY
Sports Editor

Revenge was sweet. Smarting after two straight losses in Ca. The Broncs busted loose for a 97-67 victory over Trinity in the Fieldhouse Tuesday night.

They meet Sam Houston State at home this Saturday at 7:35. Students get in free with a valid ID.

Trailing 2-0, Mackey Smith of Trinity hit a 3-pointer to put his team ahead by one. It would be the only lead the Tigers would have all night.

Halfway through the first half, the Broncs offense was already in fifth gear.

JC transfer Clyde Davis fed a beautiful no-look pass to a wide open Melvin Thomas who slammed home two of his 15 points and increased their lead to 21-13.

Thomas was also a major force on the boards, ripping down nine. Pan Am out rebounded Trinity, 43-27.

"I thought Melvin (Thomas) played real solid," Coach Kevin Wall said.

Eric Montgomery had a bullet pass of his own. He threaded the needle 22 feet to starting center



Lee Boddie (32) drives for a layup Tuesday night against the Trinity Tigers as Jarrod Harrell (42) looks on. (Photo by Jay Lewis)

Steve Rochell. Rochell (6-8, 235) powered his way to the hoop and Pan Am moved further ahead.

34-20. Rochell finished with 16 as the Broncs enjoyed a 40-28 halftime advantage.

"They probably had a lot more

quickness," Tigers coach Duane Henry said. "What really hurt us was their ability to penetrate."

Two of the best plays of the night were provided by six foot Clyde Davis.

With 10 minutes left, Davis

used his incredible 37 and one half inch vertical leap ability to propell himself over the rim for a rebound. He dribbled up-court where he collided with a Tiger defender. Falling down, he got a pass off to Thomas Miller who pinballed a shot off the backboard and it was 68-43.

Miller ended up with 12 points.

Davis, at the three minute mark, knocked the ball away at mid-court, picked it up and moved in alone on the hoop. Going up as if to dunk, Davis instead layed the ball in without using the backboard.

"I got up in there and changed my mind," Davis recalled. "I just dropped it in."

Lee Boddie hit a pair of 3-pointers on his way to a game high 21. Keith Campbell got on track for the first time this year, netting 10.

The "wave" made its first appearance at Pan Am when members of the crowd began standing and cheering in the student section. Soon, most of the 2,145 in attendance were participating.

"That's the most exciting I've seen this place," Wall said. "I've seen it fuller, but never this exciting. I looked over and I saw my wife and kids were up."

ASC outlook: Tight Race

Men's basketball at Pan Am, like any other sport, has its pluses and minuses. Here's a look at how the rest of the American South Conference stacks up for the season. The teams are in predicted order of finish according to most pre-season publications.

Arkansas State—Coming off the two winningest seasons in school history, fifth-year Coach Nelson Catalina has got problems. He has only five starters returning, nine lettermen and a definite All-

II. He has only five starters returning, nine lettermen and a definite All-America candidate in 6-7 John Tate. The senior forward led the team with 16.1 points and 6.9 rebounds per game last year as the Indians advanced to the quarterfinals of the National Invitation Tournament (NIT). They finished 21-14 overall with a 4-6 conference ledger. Ed Loudon also returns with his 12.0 ppg. To solidify the frontcourt, the Indians have added 7-5 Alan Bannister, the tallest man in the NCAA. He transferred from Oklahoma State.

Louisiana Tech—The defending conference champs are almost as deep as Arkansas State. They have four returning starters and seven seniors on the team. Three of the returnees off a 22-9, 7-3 NIT team hit double figures in scoring last year. Center Randy White (6-9, 235) scorched opponents with 18.6 points and 11.6 rebounds. Forward Byron Newton made 10.4 while guard Brett Guillory gunned 10.2 from outside. Guillory took twice as many three-point attempts as anyone and still maintained a respectable 41 percent field goal average while dishing out 100 assists.

Lamar—First-year Coach Tony Branch has a big hole to fill with the departure of pivot man James Gulley. Branch's motion offense will depend on Freddie Williams (13.0 ppg) and Anthony Bledsoe (11.5). The Cardinals will be hard-pressed to replace Gulley's presence on the boards. No other player was even close to double figures in rebounding on last season's 20-11, 5-5 squad. David Jones will lead them at point guard.

Southwestern Louisiana—The Ragin' Cajuns may not win many games but they will be exciting to watch this year with 11 of their 13 players either freshmen or sophomores. Coach Marty Fletcher will employ an up-tempo, fast-break style of play, hoping to capture his first winning season in this his third year. Two starters return from last year's 12-16, 3-7 team. Two of USL's top three scorers did not return so the pressure will be placed squarely on the shoulders of sophomore Kevin Brooks (16.8 ppg, 6.3 rpg).

Pan American—Center was a question mark on last year's 14-14, 4-6 team. During this off-season, heir-apparent Steve Rainey pumped weights and Coach Kevin Wall recruited 6-8, 235 pound Steve Rochell to beef up the lane. Point guard Lee Boddie will lead the offense again after averaging 13.4 points and 3.8 assists per game in 1988. Melvin Thomas returns at power forward and will only improve his 11.4 points and 6.5 rebounds per game production of a year ago. A good defensive team last year, the Broncs hope one of their seven new faces will spark an offense more consistent than last season's.

New Orleans—No one envies first-year Coach Tim Floyd. Picked by everyone in the free world to go from tied for first to absolute worst, the Privateers shouldn't come close to matching last year's 21-11, 7-3 mark. Ledell Eackles, the ASC's leading scorer in '88, now shoots hoops for the Washington Bullets. In addition to the loss of all five starters, UNO doesn't even have any of their top five scorers or rebounders coming back. Things look awfully bleak on Bourbon Street.

Box Scores

PAU-USF

San Francisco (76)
DeBortoli 8-11 0-18, McCathrion 7-14 2-2 17, Mouton 3-6 9-10 15, Ellis 5-8 2-2 12, Sykes 3-4 0-0 7, Christian 1-2 2-2 4, McWhorter 1-2 0-2 2, Hart 0-0 1-2 1. Totals 28-47 16-20 76.

Pan American (66)
Thomas 8-12 1-2 17, Brown 6-9 4-17, Rochell 4-5 3-3 11, Boddie 4-8 0-0 10, Campbell 2-9 0-0 4, Davis 1-2 0-0 3, Rainey 1-5 0-0 2, Montgomery 0-3 1-2 1, Miller 0-1 1-2 1. Totals 26-54 10-13 66.

Halftime: USF 37, PAU 21
3-point goals: USF 4-7 (DeBortoli 2-2, McCathrion 1-2, Sykes 1-1, Ellis 0-2) PAU 4-9 (Boddie 2-3, Davis 1-2, Brown 1-2, Campbell 0-2). Fouled out: None. Total Fouls: USF 16, PAU 20. Rebounds: USF 25, (McCathrion 6), PAU 26, (Rochell 6). Assists: USF 16, (Mouton 5), PAU 15 (Boddie 5). Attendance: 10,158.

PAU-FRESNO ST.

Pan American (52)
Thomas 4-10 5-9 13, Boddie 4-10 0-1 11, Rochell 3-7 2-2 8, Brown 3-13 0-1 6, Campbell 3-5 0-0 6, Miller 3-5 0-0 6, Montgomery 1-5 0-0 2, Davis 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 21-56 7-13 52.

Fresno State (74)
Cole 10-13 4-5 29, Sims 3-6 2-2 11, Barden 2-2 6-10, Ebeltsjes 3-8 2-3 8, Hooker 3-8 0-0 8, Stevenson 2-5 1-2 5, Riddlesprigger 1-4 1-1 3, Lind-

sey 0-20 0-0, Young 0-10 0-0. Totals 24-49 15-17 74.

Halftime: Fresno St. 36, PAU 31
3-point goals: PAU 3-8 (Boddie 3-6, Brown 0-2), Fresno St. 11-18 (Cole 5-7, Sims 3-4, Hooker 2-5, Stevenson 1-2). Fouled out: None. Total Fouls: PAU 18, Fresno St. 14. Rebounds: PAU 29, (Thomas 7), Fresno St. 33, (Ebeltsjes 8). Assists: PAU 11, (Brown 4), Fresno St. 23, (Ebeltsjes 7, Sims 7). Attendance: 9,883.

PAU-TRINITY

Trinity (67)
Janecka 6-10 5-5 17, M. Smith 5-11 3-4 14, Gerhardt 3-6 2-2 9, P. Smith 3-5 1-2 7, Guhl 3-3 0-0 6, Nelson 2-4 0-0 4, Cottingham 1-5 2-3 4, Murphy 1-3 2-2 4, Glass 1-4 0-0 2, Garcia 0-2 0-0 0, McKinley 0-1 0-0 0, Dussling 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 25-55 15-18 67.

Pan American (97)
Boddie 8-14 3-4 21, Rochell 5-10 6-7 16, Thomas 7-8 1-1 15, Miller 3-6 8-12, Campbell 5-12 0-10, Davis 2-5 3-5 7, Montgomery 2-4 3-5 7, Harrell 3-6 0-1 6, Rainey 1-4 1-2 3. Totals 36-66 23-33 97.

Halftime: PAU 40, Trinity 28.
3-point goals: Trinity 2-7 (Gerhardt 1-3, M. Smith 1-2, Janecka 0-1, Nelson 0-1), PAU 2-6 (Boddie 2-3, Campbell 0-2, Montgomery 0-1). Fouled out: None. Total Fouls: Trinity 23, PAU 16. Rebounds: Trinity 27 (Cottingham 3, Glass 3), PAU 43 (Thomas 9). Assists: Trinity 18 (Murphy 9), PAU 20 (Campbell 5). Attendance: 2,145.

Broncs lose pair in tourney

MARK MAY
Sports Editor

The Broncs got 1988-89 off to a rocky start after lapses cost them their first two games in the Coors Lite Classic in Fresno, Ca. last weekend.

San Francisco jumped ahead early and held on for a 76-66 win in round one. In the third place game, host Fresno State pummeled Pan Am with 3-pointers and won 74-52.

The Broncs almost came back from 20 points down against San Francisco. With 52 seconds left, Roderick Brown banked in two of his team high 17 points to pull Pan Am within four, 70-66.

Forced to foul, the Broncs watched the Dons hit their last four free throws and a layup to provide the final margin.

It was tied 17-17 when Don forward Joel DeBortoli ignited San Francisco with a pair of long range jumpers. The Dons went on a 20-4 romp and led at the half, 37-21.

DeBortoli scored 18 while Mark McCathrion netted 17. Guard Kevin Mouton hit nine of 10 free throws and totaled 15 points while assisting on five others.

"I don't necessarily think they outfought us in the first half," Broncs Coach Kevin Wall said. "It was a matter of us kind of laying down for about a seven minute stretch."

Both teams were on fire in the second half. Pan Am's field goal percent-

age went from 36 in the first to 58 in the second half but the Dons almost sank 73 percent of their shots in the second stanza.

Bronc guard Lee Boddie came alive nailing all 10 of his points after halftime. Brown had 13 in the second half and Melvin Thomas finished with 17 for the game. Steve Rochell had 11 and a game high 6 rebounds at center.

"I probably screwed up by taking (Melvin) Thomas out in the first half...when he picked up his second foul tied at 17," Wall confessed. "I should have had him back in there when we got down by nine or 10."

The Bulldogs of Fresno St. canned 11 of 18 3-pointers (61 percent) as they sped away in the second half to win by 22.

Forward Jervis Cole hit an uncanny five of seven 3-pointers on his way to a 29 point night.

Cole, in fact, broke a 36-36 tie early in the second half, as the Bulldogs cracked Pan Am's press and erupted for a 17-6 spurt.

"He played great," Wall said of Cole. "He was under control and knew exactly what he wanted to do."

The Broncs trailed early, 16-9, when they started hitting.

Lee Boddie's 3-pointer tied it at 19. Melvin Thomas, who finished with 13 points and seven rebounds, gave the Broncs their biggest lead at 25-19.

Fresno St.'s long range bombs gave them a 36-31 halftime lead.

Tx. Southern lassos Pan Am

The Lady Broncs dropped their third game of the season to Texas Southern, 79-43, Monday as three Lady Tigers scored in double figures.

Shelli Ingram netted 16 to lead the Lady Broncs but Lady Tigers Tracey Mosley, Barbara Roper and Doretha Long scored 27, 15 and 12, respectively, to overwhelm Pan American.

Despite the 36 point loss, Coach Tim Hicks was somewhat pleased with what he saw considering the one sided losses to Oklahoma and Alabama over the weekend. "Defensively our effort was really good," he said. "What I told them in the post-game speech was that their was effort so at least now we have a starting point."

Pan Am's defense started red hot as they held Texas Southern without a hoop for 1:35 after the tip-off.

Their offense was a different story, the Lady Broncs managed to get open shots but could not control the boards. Texas Southern snared 57 rebounds to Pan Am's 34.

The Lady Broncs suffered through a four minute scoring drought in the first half and an eight minute dry span in the second.

Mosley was a consistent pain finishing with 11 rebounds, three steals and four assists.

Six foot Michelle Wilson rejected seven shots for the Lady Tigers. She led the nation last year with 5.8.

The highlight of the game for Pan Am came midway through the second half when freshman Genna Ransburg stole the ball at midcourt and moved untouched to the hoop. The layup drew a standing ovation from the sparse crowd.

BRIEFS

Track may set records

Both the men's and women's track teams will travel to San Marcos Saturday for a triangular meet with the University of Texas at San Antonio and Southwest Texas State.

"As far as our chances, both UTSA and Southwest Texas have more established and experienced track teams," Coach Reid Harter said. "(But) I think we'll come back from this meet with a couple of school records."

Harter said David Sandel and Steve Poole have bettered the current school pole vault record in practice by two feet in, soaring over the bar at 15 feet, six inches.

David Hunter and Melvin Brooks are expected to rewrite the long jump record of 22 feet, six inches while Reggie Besa has proven he can clear the high jump bar over six feet, three inches—the Pan Am record.

"Our high jump and pole vault records are 15 or 16 years old," Harter said. "We haven't had a pole vaulter here in, I would say, a decade."

Harter scheduled this outdoor meet to give his runners a chance to peak before the indoor season begins in January. He decided against attending an indoor meet in Lubbock to attend this one.

Mustangs to meet TSTI

The Mustangs of Pan American will tangle with TSTI in Harlingen Dec. 6 for the flag football championship of the Valley.

The Mustangs won the right to vie for the title after whipping the Air Express, 33-26, earlier this month.

In volleyball, the Rutzgang nailed down the intramural title Tuesday with an 8-15, 15-12, 11-9 win over the Chizzpas. The third game was cut short because of time restrictions.



Dr. John Bokina of the political science department, shoots for two over Genna Ransburg at the "Almost-Annual Staff vs. Women's Basketball team" Nov. 17. The staff team won 59 to 51.



Bronc Thomas Miller crashes the boards against the Ft. Hood Tankers Nov. 17. The Broncs lost that game 69-66.

Fort Hood edges Broncs

PAU guard Lee Boddie's last second shot for a three-pointer which would have forced the game into overtime bounced off the front of the rim as the Fort Hood Tankers escaped with a 69-66 win in an exhibition game at the Fieldhouse Nov. 17.

"We wanted to set a high pick for Boddie," Coach Kevin Wall recalled. "We got the shot we wanted but it didn't drop."

The Broncs' shots were missing the mark all night long as they made only 37 percent of their attempts and missed an astonishing 11 of 12 three-point tries.

"We (Pan Am) missed about five point-blank layups," Wall added.

Meanwhile, the Tankers' dynamic duo of Wayne Golden and Ryan Tuck cashed in from outside, hitting a combined six of 13 three-pointers. They were the only two players in double figures for Fort Hood finishing with 29 and 20 points, respectively.

The Tankers were brutally efficient at the free-throw line and on the boards. Led by Golden's perfect eight for eight performance, Fort Hood hit nearly 90 percent (19 of 22) free throws while Pan Am went 15 for 24. Golden also swiped 13 of the

Tankers' 50 rebounds while the Broncs managed 34.

The Broncs jumped out to a 6-0 lead after center Steve Rainey rebounded a miss and punched in a layup. Rainey finished with a personal high of 10 points.

The Tankers rolled back into it after Pan Am's shooting went cold, grabbing a 28-23 advantage with a minute to go in the first half.

After PAU guard Eric Montgomery knocked the ball loose at midcourt, Boddie scooped it up and drove for an uncontested layup and the Broncs were within three.

Guard Roderick Brown scored and Melvin Thomas hit a 15-foot jumper just before the buzzer to give Pan Am a 29-28 halftime lead.

The Broncs built up a 41-34 edge five minutes into the second half before their lead began to crumble.

Tuck and Golden began to weave magic from 3-point land as the Tankers took over.

Boddie did manage to put Pan Am in the lead, briefly, at 62-61 with three minutes left but Ft. Hood maintained a steady stream of free throws as the Broncs failed on their last-ditch attempt to tie the game on the final shot.



Joseph Kertesz, dressed as a grapefruit, exits the CAS building Monday after giving a presentation on valley citrus. (Photo by Robert Sandoval)

Lady Broncs drop opening games

MARK MAY
Sports Editor

Oklahoma and Alabama enjoyed a feast at the expense of Pan Am in the Thanksgiving Tournament in Norman, Ok. last weekend.

The Lady Broncs, 0-2, were consumed by the Lady Sooners, 120-36, in their first game. In the consolation round, Alabama won 88-29.

First year Coach Tim Hicks understood his team was outgun-

ned from the start.

"Oklahoma is a good, solid major college basketball team," he said. "They pressed the entire game and they left their starters in the entire game."

Six Lady Sooners hit double figures in scoring. Oklahoma continually worked the ball inside for layups and short jumpers. They missed their only 3-point attempt of the game.

They bucketed 58 percent of their shots compared to 24 for

Pan American.

Their pressure defense caused Pan Am to commit 27 turnovers as the Lady Sooners racked up a 57-17 halftime lead.

Almost all of Pan Am's scoring came from the trio of sophomore Shelli Ingram and freshman Danielle LaFoe had 12 and Veronica Guerra contributed 10.

The Crimson Tide inundated Pan Am with 22 layups building a 42-14 lead at the half.

All 14 players for Alabama

scored with three getting double figures.

Ingram led the Lady Broncs with 13. Pan Am hit only eight of 33 shots as the Crimson Tide kept them from penetrating inside.

Pan Am was out-rebounded 44-12.

Students may sell their textbooks at the University Bookstore beginning Dec. 15.



Lady Broncs Shelli Ingram (44) and Shaoan Wiley (24) flank Michelle Wilson of Texas Southern Monday night. The Lady Tigers defeated the Lady Broncs 79-43. (Photo by Nereo Ramos)



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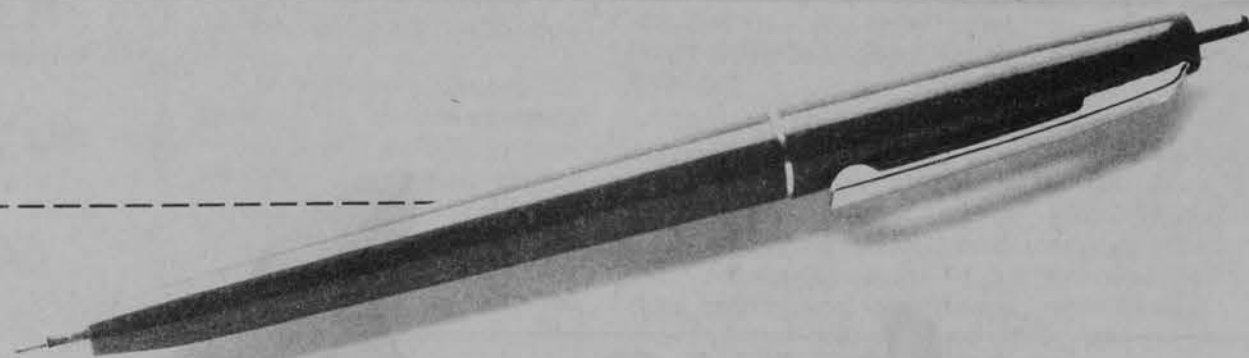
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Regents Homer Scott, Shan Rankin, Nat Lopez, Robert Shepard and Horacio Barrera met with students in an open forum

sponsored by the Political Science Association Tuesday. (Photo by Jay Lewis)

Regents OK UT merger resolution

C.M. POWELL
Editor

The Board of Regents Tuesday passed a draft resolution to merge with the University of Texas System with eight votes in favor and one abstention.

The UT System regents will vote on the resolution today. If the UT regents decide they are not satisfied with the proposal as presented, PAU and the system will continue to negotiate. If they have no proposed changes, the merger will be decided in the next session of the state legislature which begins in January.

"We have no control whatsoever over the Texas legislature," Regent Robert Shepard said. "We can only state our preferences and hope they carry them out."

If UT approves the draft resolution, they will be agreeing:

- to include the PAU in the Permanent University Fund (PUF) "at such time as it is advantageous to the University (PAU) and the (UT) System." Pan Am is currently part of the Higher Education Assistance Fund (HEAF).

- to "maintain and support the evolution and development of the Brownsville center into a free-standing institution, and to seek free-standing status at such time as it is justified."

- to endorse PAU's table of programs and to support line item appropriations requests.

- to make available to PAU such UT System administrative and support services as academic affairs, health affairs, business affairs, general counsel and government relations.

The draft was the result of negotiations between a UT System board committee and a PAU regents committee made up of Regents Chair Nat Lopez, Horacio Barrera, Noe Fernandez and Shepard.

"Our board did not just take dictation, we got a good share of what we wanted," Lopez said.

The proposal includes two phases of programs for Edinburg and a separate set of programs for the Brownsville campus.

Edinburg's Phase I cooperative proposals are joint requests for which appropriations requests have been developed and submitted to the legislature for funding in the upcoming biennium.

Phase I programs include a master's degree in social work with UT Arlington, an undergraduate engineering program with UT-San Antonio, a master's degree in nursing with UT

Health Science Center in Houston, a graduate program in international business, and centers for Border Economic and Enterprise Development with UT-El Paso and Laredo State University. The total requested biennial increase for the Phase I programs is \$8.3 million.

Phase II programs are those the university would like to implement over the next six years. Implementation dates for Phase II projects range from fall 1990 to fall 1994.

Brownsville requests include Bachelor's degrees in nine fields and a master's degree in kinesiology. The first target date for beginning instruction is a bachelor's degree in kinesiology in fall 1989. The latest proposed start date is fall 1993 for psychology.

"By making (degree programs) part of the intent of the agreement here, I think the UT System is committed to help us develop these programs in...that they will help us secure...the approval from the coordinating board and the resources to implement these programs," University President Miguel Nevárez said.

One concern Nevárez expressed after the meeting was the number of different versions of the merger bill which will be in the legislature during the next session.

State Rep. Juan Hinojosa and Rep. Alex Moreno pre-filed a merger bill last month. State Rep. Eddie Lucio has also pre-filed a bill which State Sen. Hector Uribe introduced in the Senate. Nevárez said unity amongst the Valley delegation will be important to the bill's passage.

"Maybe the board of regents would like to host some meeting of the delegation between now

and Christmas," Nevárez said. "As far as I'm concerned, everybody can co-author the bill."

"That's where I think the regents could play a leadership role," Regent Shan Rankin said. "We've got to get together on what we want."

"We don't want to say we're going to support one legislator's bill over another," Lopez said.

Before voting, the regents heard recommendations from Lucio and university faculty and staff concerning the merger.

Lucio said he supported efforts to give independent, degree-granting status to PAU-Brownsville. He was seconded by faculty from Brownsville.

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Board: merger has benefits

EDWIN AGUILAR
Managing Editor

Regents told students Tuesday a proposed merger with the University of Texas System would benefit students in many ways.

"Part of the (merger) package includes line item requests for joint programs," Regent Horacio Barrera told students at the LRC Media Theatre. Joint programs include a master's degree in nursing with UT Health Science Center in Houston, an engineering program with UT-San Antonio, a doctoral degree in interna-

tional business with UT-Austin, and a master's degree in social work with UT-Arlington. The joint programs will be developed regardless of the outcome of the merger.

Regents Chair Nat Lopez told some 40 students that one of the advantages of the merger is increased funding later for the university.

"We will join the PUF (permanent university fund) as soon as it is advantageous," Lopez said.

PUF funding would not currently match Higher Education

Assistance funds (HEAF), but may surpass those levels in the future. Should the merger be approved by the state legislature, HEAF funding will continue for the immediate future.

Regents said these benefits will come to students without an increase in tuition, except for normal legislative increases.

Regent Shan Rankin said students would have trouble relating their concerns to the new board of regents.

"There will not be easy access for students to the regents. But

the quality of education you are likely to get under the auspices of the UT system outweigh that," Rankin said.

Regents also said they did not know whether funding for the athletic department would increase under the new board. Currently, funding for athletics is capped at 50 percent of all student service fees.

The regents fielded questions from students in the Political Science Association-sponsored event.

Regents recognize parking problems

C.M. POWELL
Editor

The Board of Regents recognized the parking problem on campus and problems of upkeep and maintenance in the residence halls at its regular meeting Tuesday.

According to a report written by Daniel Davis, grounds supervisor, the university has "overbooked" student parking beyond limits set as acceptable by the National Association of College and University Busi-

ness Officers (NACUBO).

"According to this report, we are approximately 2,000 spaces short," said Regent Noe Fernandez, chair of the buildings and grounds committee.

The report indicates there are 3,053 student parking spaces. NACUBO has set the upper limit of parking permits at 50 percent over available parking spaces, or 4,580 permits. However, 7,454 parking permits have been issued, or 144 percent more permits than

spaces for student parking.

James Langabeer, vice president for business affairs, said 200 spaces will be created with the construction of a parking lot south of the Student Services Building.

An overflow lot north of Lot J, recommended by the Campus Development Plan, would provide an additional 1,000 spaces and has a recommended completion date of June 1993 with a cost of \$1.75 million.

Davis' report recommends

several measures to lessen the problem, including limiting the number of permits available, redistributing classes to relieve peak usage periods and paving the unpaved "overflow" lot on Sugar Road north of Lot J currently used by students. The report also suggests studying the feasibility of car pool incentives, mass transit and the construction of alternative parking such as a parking garage.

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Ed. secretary to speak at graduation

C.M. POWELL
Editor

The U.S. Secretary of Education will deliver the commencement address to 669 prospective August and December PAU graduates Friday, Dec. 23 at 7 p.m. in the Fieldhouse.

Dr. Lauro Cavazos served as president of Texas Tech University from 1980 until his appointment to the cabinet post.

"He's a good friend of Dr. Nevárez, a friendship that goes back several years, and we're very pleased to have him," said Bruce Erickson, director of public information. "He's an historic figure. Not only is he secretary of education, the highest ranking education official in the nation, but he is also the first Hispanic to be appointed to the president's cabinet."

Nevárez said he was pleased Cavazos would be appearing.



Dr. Lauro Cavazos

"When there are only three or four Hispanic (university) presidents in the country, you get to know each other," Nevárez said.

Graduation candidates should be at the PE Complex by 6:15 Friday evening and report to their designated school area. They should assemble alphabetically around the covered walkway of the Complex.

During the ceremony, students will be issued a blank diploma cover. August diplomas have been mailed. For prospective December graduates, diplomas

will be mailed to the addresses on file after final determination that all degree requirements have been met.

If students' addresses have changed since filing for graduation, they must go to admissions and records to report the change.

Students who have not already received a letter concerning graduation and those who will be unable to attend the ceremony should contact admissions and records at 381-2734.

There will be a presidential reception at the Fieldhouse Courtyard immediately after the ceremony honoring all graduates.

The Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) will hold its fall Army commissioning ceremony Dec. 18 at 2:30 p.m. in the University Theatre.

Caps and gowns, and hoods for Master's degree candidates, are available at the University Bookstore through Dec. 23. Other graduation materials are also available at the bookstore.

Graduating students will also be eligible to collect the \$10 General Property Deposit paid at registration.

Students who wish to claim their refund should go to the office

of paying and collections at AB 137 and fill out a statement saying they are no longer enrolled in school. Any damages to school property committed by a student during enrollment will result in a forfeiture of the deposit.

Students have up to four years upon leaving school to collect their deposit. The refund also is available to students who have withdrawn from the university.



A student works out in the HPER II weight room. The weight room is open free to faculty, staff and students with valid ID Monday through Thursday 5:30 to 8:30 p.m., Friday from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. and Saturday from 8 a.m. to noon. (Photo by J. R. Washburn)

This is the last issue of 'The Pan American' this semester. Publication of the paper will resume Jan. 19.

From page one

Merger

including Dr. Norman Binder and Daniel Garcia.

Dean F. J. Brewerton, speaking for the Deans' Council, said the deans unanimously support the merger with the UT System. Brewerton listed concerns of the deans, including faculty exchange programs and representation on the UT System board.

Steve Copold, director of technology resources, said the merger could be a "gold mine" for PAU, citing access to computer facilities and a telephone system which will make Austin a local-rate call.

"These savings and reductions should be more than ample to offset the cost of accessing the system's facilities," Copold said.

Other speakers, including Dr. Edwin Lemaster, professor of physical science, Dr. Ralph Carlson, chair of the department of school service and counseling, and Dr. Delores Reed-Sanders, chair of the department of sociology, cited the importance of University of Texas name recognition for research funding, recruiting, increased prestige of students' degrees and transfer credits.

Joseph Dieringer, a university carpenter, presented a petition with 140 signatures from the state employees' union. He said the union members wanted the pay scale, insurance benefits and insurance pay rates included in

the wording for the merger.

The regents also met with students during a question-and-answer forum sponsored by the Political Science Association.

The PAU Board of Regents will next meet in February unless more negotiations of the merger proposal are necessary, in which case Lopez will call a special meeting.

Nevárez said after the meeting that the regents have brought the merger to the same point it was about 15 years ago. After approval by eight to one at the board level, the previous merger proposal was defeated in the legislature.



Recently honored at a Recognition Breakfast sponsored by Mission Hospital are the Florence Nightingale Scholarship recipients. Pictured are: front row, Magdalena Silvas, Margo Vargas, Maria Elena Chavez and Myrna Guerrero. Back row, Thomas Hatton, Linda Catterton, Shirlene Glick, Mary Carrera, Maria Diana Cortez, Tim Smith, Nsg. Advisory Council President; Pat Sasser, Chair, Nsg. Advisory Council; and Ed Mercer, Vice President of Institutional Advancement. (Photo by Joseph Kertesz)

Parking

According to the report, the last increase in student parking was in 1978, when an addition to Lot J added 155 student parking spaces to the campus. Since then enrollment has increased by 41 percent, from 7,950 to 11,218.

Fernandez said his committee will study the parking problem and he will also meet with Langabeer, William Chess, associate vice president for business affairs, and Santiago Villanueva, director of housing and recreation to discuss maintenance and upkeep of the halls.

"I made a visit briefly, and there

are many items there that need to be replaced, there are problems with vandalism, there's problems with lack of funds," Fernandez said.

In other business, the regents: •Hired William Chess as associate vice president for business affairs. Chess formerly held the title of associate vice president for budgeting and administrative services.

•Unanimously upheld the decision of administrators not to renew the contract of Clementina Cantu, former personnel administrator.

•Accepted gifts of \$100,000 from Houston Endowment Inc.; \$50,000 from The Meadows Foundation for the Center for Entrepreneurship and Economic Development (CEED), and an additional \$50,000 if CEED can generate \$80,000 in contributions from other sources for the center's operation; and \$10,000 from the AT&T Foundation to establish an endowment for faculty development.

•Authorized university counsel to settle an outstanding claim from Ruth Espinoza for \$4,155.11.

NEWS BRIEFS

Bus. course upgraded

A required course for administrative information systems (AIS) majors, upgraded to junior level status, will be available in the spring semester under a new name.

Formerly General Business 2308, secretarial training, the course is now listed as AIS 3308, office systems procedures.

For more information contact Margaret Allison at BA 222-H or call 381-3360.

I.B.M. trainer to speak

A former trainer of IBM Corporation managers will conduct a workshop Saturday in the School of Business.

W. Martin Hamilton's seminar will deal with how personal behavior affects management style and how to effectively motivate others.

Registration will be held from 8 to 8:30 a.m. at the first floor of the Business Building. The seminar will conclude at 12:30 and lunch will follow.

Hamilton worked for IBM for 29 years as a trainer and manager. For the past five years he has designed and taught management training programs for a variety of industries.

The workshop is sponsored by the Center for Entrepreneurship and Economic Development (CEED) with the assistance of its Small Business Development Center, the U.S. Small Business Administration, the Hidalgo County Extension Service and the Volunteer Resource Center.

The fee for the course will be \$15 for those who register in advance and \$20 at the door. The fee covers all seminar materials and lunch.

For more information or to register early call the CEED at 381-3661.

Peace forum set Sunday

"Focus on Peace" is the title of a free forum to be held Sunday at 2 p.m. at the Campus Ministry Center at 1615 W. Kuhn.

Panelists will include Susan Ruiz, Catholic Campus Ministries; Dr. Richard Griffin, Rainbow Coalition; Rev. James Wade, University Baptist Church; Ninfa Kruger, Border Alliance for Refugees from Central American (BARCA); Marvin Bix, Unitarian-Universalist Church; Dr. Kou-Wei Lee, International Students' Association; Daniel Barrera, Chi Alpha; Sandra Griffin, Student Government Association; Dr. Samuel Freeman, Amnesty International; Cathy Plasencia, Edinburg Baha'i community; and Raul Gonzalez, Political Science Association.

Local TV newscaster Robert Ramirez will act as moderator. There will be brief presentations with musical intermissions provided by Laurie Rodriguez and David Noll.

The forum is open to the public. No donations will be accepted.

Library hours for the Fall 1988 Examination Week and Christmas Holidays will be:

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A hit-and-run accident occurred Nov. 30 at 7:30 p.m. in Lot D. An unidentified vehicle sideswiped the left side of an unattended vehicle, damaging the rear fender.

A case of criminal mischief occurred in the Men's Residence Hall Dec. 1 at 10:50 p.m. A first floor window was kicked and broken from the inside.

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Senate endorses name change

RAY GOMEZ
Staff Writer

The Faculty Senate voted to endorse the name UT-Rio Grande Valley for the renaming of the university if the proposed merger with the UT system and Pan American is successful. However, the endorsement may be

too late to affect a change in the name.

In a 14 to five vote last week, the Faculty Senate chose the name UT-Rio Grande Valley as opposed to the suggested name UT-Pan American proposed by UT system Chancellor Hans Mark during his recent visit to PAU.

The vote, however, may already be too late to make a difference, the Senate admitted, since it appears that legislation concerning the merger has already been pre-filed under the proposed name of University of Texas-Pan American.

"The name UT-PAU is on the bill being pre-filed," said Dr. Jerry Polinard of the Political Science department. "This is a name that has obviously been agreed to by the chancellor... so we're likely spitting in the wind anyway."

The Senate decided to consider Mark's offer of visiting other universities within the UT system to study how those schools made the transition from independent status to the larger system. Mark said all expenses for a group of Senate representatives to visit the UT schools would be paid for by the Austin campus.

The purpose of the visit would be to study how a change in university systems could be made easier for both schools.

Discussion arose over what type of policy the UT system has concerning tenure track and one year appointments of faculty and as to whether their system would come into conflict with the present system currently used by Pan Am.

The present system used by PAU recognizes those faculty members who have taught for a number of years by issuing them the status of being "grandfathered."

Unlike tenure track positions, "grandfathered" positions must be renewed yearly.

The concern over this was that the UT system would not allow the university to continue its practice of hiring faculty on a one year continuing appointment basis.

"There are some one year appointments now (at Pan Am) that are being converted to tenure track, but not necessarily the folks that are 'grandfathered'," said Dr. Paul Mitchell, associate vice president of academic services. "I don't know of any of those that are being transferred into tenure track."

Pearl Brazier, assistant professor of mathematics, said Mark indicated he would prefer to see a system that converted long time faculty that have been under one year appointment contracts into tenure track positions.

This idea was met with the support of the Faculty Senate in view of the university's actions concerning non-faculty members who were hired on a year to year basis.

Kevin Morse, president of the Faculty Senate, received a report on the budget figures for the Vision 60 program from Mitchell. The program will cost approximately \$10,603 for the entire semester.

"At a cost of \$10,000, it's not a very expensive program," Morse said. He added that the UT system had been very impressed by the Vision 60 program.

Documents concerning emeritus status, commencement, absences resulting from conferences or professional meetings and academic freedom and responsibilities were reviewed by the Faculty Senate.

A committee to the Senate studied the documents and recommended several minor changes in the wording of all of the documents. The Senate reviewed each document independently and adopted all four documents as amended.

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A member of the advanced Mexican Folkloric dance class performs to "La Francisquia" at the annual "Evening of Dance" in the PAU Fieldhouse Monday evening. (Photo by Nereo Ramos)

New York theatre trip set

Participants in the annual New York theater tour during the university's spring break March 18 through 25 will have guaranteed orchestra seats for the Broadway hits "Phantom of the Opera" and "Madam Butterfly."

Two other plays will be included in the \$1,000 tour. Dr. Marian Monta, acting chair of the communications department, said she is waiting for new shows to open before purchasing more tickets.

The tour includes hotel accommodations, the four Broadway shows, ground transportation to and from the airport, sight-seeing tours, taxes and tips. Airfare is not included.

Maximum size of the eight day/seven night tour is 36 people. Students and non-students may reserve a place on the tour by paying a \$25 deposit.

For more information, call 383-6387 or 381-3583.

Dancers to have concert

The PAU Folkloric Dance Company will present its 11th Annual Christmas Concert Saturday, Dec. 10 at 8 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 18 at 2:30 p.m.

The concert will be directed by Francisco Alvarez-Munoz, Mary Garza-Munoz and Dr. Amilda Thomas, founder/director of the company. The performance will feature Mariachi groups as special guest artists.

Tickets are available from the Chambers of Commerce in Edinburg, Mission, Pharr, and Weslaco and in McAllen at Texas State Bank-West on 23rd and Nolana.

Admission for adults is \$5 in advance and \$6 at the door. Children under 12 and PAU students with ID will be admitted for \$2.

For more information call 381-3501.

'Shakespeare' to open

"Shakespeare Lives!" Pan American University Theatre's last play of the semester, opens Dec. 9 at 8 p.m. in the University Theatre.

Proceeds from the show will benefit the Carl McGovern scholarship fund. The show is co-sponsored by the Alpha Psi Omega Dramatic Fraternity.

Dr. Doug Cummins' one-man show includes songs, sonnets and scenes from Shakespeare's plays, including "Romeo and Juliet," "A Midsummer Night's Dream," "Julius Caesar," "As You Like It" and "Much Ado About Nothing."

The play is produced with the assistance of a grant from the Pan American University Faculty Research Council. Cummins expects to present his production to high school students across the state.

"Shakespeare Lives!" continues Dec. 10 at 8 p.m. and Dec. 11 at 2 p.m.

Students, faculty and staff may attend special preview performances Dec. 7 and 8 at 8 p.m. with two admitted free with a PAU ID. One person will be admitted free during regular performances with a university ID as space permits.

Linda Donahue, box office director, said season ticket holders

should call if they wish to attend because space is limited for this "bonus" play of the season.

For more information, call Donahue at 381-3581.

Author to lecture Mon.

A noted Argentinian author and critic of Spanish-American literature will give a free lecture Monday at 10 a.m. in the LRC Media Theater.

Dr. Enrique Anderson-Imbert, author of about 20 short stories, three novels, and about 20 books on literary criticism, will give a speech titled "Del cuento realista, al cuento fantastico."

"He is the most famous Spanish literary critic alive today," said Dr. Lino Garcia, chair of the department of modern languages and literatures, adding that two books written by Anderson-Imbert, professor emeritus at Harvard University, are used in courses at Pan Am.

There will be a reception after the lecture in the LRC lobby. Anderson-Imbert's visit is sponsored by the Center for Latin-American Studies and the Mexican-American Studies Program in the department of modern languages and literatures.

The lecture, which will be conducted in Spanish, is open to the public. For more information, call Dr. Lino Garcia at 381-3441.

Workshop set Dec. 27

The PAU Dance Ensemble will sponsor a five-day dance workshop Dec. 27 through 31 in the HPER II Building.

Kelly Holt, a member of the dance faculty at Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, Ohio will conduct the workshop.

Enrollment for the course will be limited to 35. The workshop consists of two two-hour dance classes each day at 10 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

The fee for the workshop is \$50, payable in advance or at the first class meeting.

Auditions set for play

Auditions will begin Dec. 15 at 7:30 p.m. in the Studio Theatre, CAS 107, for "Amadeus," a Pan American University Theatre spring production.

Director Doug Cummins will hold additional casting auditions Friday, Dec. 16 at 2 p.m.

Auditions are open to the public. Adult actors of all ages are sought for the production, which will run Feb. 23 through 26 and March 2 through 5 at the University Theatre.

Copies of the script are available for overnight study. The director suggests that those auditioning be prepared with a scene from "Amadeus" or from another play. Everyone who auditions should be familiar with the play.

For more information, contact Cummins at 381-3583.

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EDITORIAL

Soon-to-be ex-editor gives parting gifts

It's the Christmas season. In the spirit of giving, I am giving myself a diploma—a collector's item if the merger goes through, because the legislation as written will transform all post-Sept. 1, 1989 graduates into UT grads.

I am also giving several loose ends and never-ending subjects to Panfilo "Ponch" Garcia, designated editor. To wit:

1) The editor's parking space—With more than 7,000 permits for 3,053 student spaces, parking is at a premium, especially in Lot B. This is probably the most precious gift you'll receive this year.

2) The UT/PAU merger—Now that the truth is out and everyone knows the real power to make or break the deal rests with the legislature, things will quiet down on the local front. Unless we can find budget money for an Austin correspondent, we'll have to wait for them to call us or be satisfied with updates at the regents' meetings. One of these days, though, we ought to have a whopper of a story.

3) Under "merger," the fate of the Brownsville campus—Will it get separate, "free-standing" status, or will it be a major stumbling block to the merger? We have already given up the possibility of absorbing the Reynaldo G. Garza School of Law because UT told us that, as far as our own law school was concerned, "this system ain't big enough for both of us." Will Brownsville, erroneously perceived as part of the "Pan Am System," be next?

4) The Student Government Association—SGA Attorney General Sandy Griffin asked the regents at their recent Q&A forum how they can justify a budget change of \$44,000 to pay basketball conference dues while the dorms are in bad shape, students are parking in an empty field, etc. My question for her: How can SGA be worrying about how to spend a budget surplus of travel funds they no longer need while the dorms are in bad shape, students are parking in an empty field, etc.?

5) Another piece of soon-to-be pending legislation—Amendments to the Texas Open Meetings Law. Will SGA finally fall under the law, or will they continue to operate as "not a governing body"? Only the legislature knows for sure.

6) Higher showerheads for the residence halls—The last we heard, students are still hitting their heads.

7) Other conditions at the dormitories—Will the university increase dorm fees to pay for repairs, or will the students decide they prefer less than perfect conditions so they can have the cheapest residence halls in the state? More importantly, will they have the opportunity to make the choice themselves?

8) Publications Committee members (especially SGA appointees Sandra Rodriguez and Thelma Ramos) tinkering with the editor selection process—apparently Ramos didn't have enough of the "little problems" while SGA president; now she has to make up little problems elsewhere. No one has proven the editor selection process has anything wrong with it, but that doesn't stop some people. In the words of the late Carl McGovern: "If it isn't broken, don't fix it." Unfortunately, some of the committee members don't seem to have taken his advice to heart.

9) Anniversary—one year ago this week, Roy Flores resigned his position as vice president for business affairs. By February of this year he was on paid leave and consulting contracts with MFC & Associates of Austin were under investigation. Sooner or later the state's attorney general's office will release something about the consultants' contracts, a perennial favorite on the regents' executive session agenda.

10) "Dear Larry," our advice columnist—Is he worth reviving? Oh, and Ponch? Merry Christmas.

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Holiday for the oppressed masses

It's holiday season again, and with that in mind, we need to remember what the season is all about. No, not about happiness, good will and love of man. Christmas is about profits and how to make them.

The basic profit-making scheme is two-fold: make employees work extra hours during the holiday season and chump them out of any extra money they might possibly make. Let's examine how the profit-making plan works.

The first step, as noted before, is to make employees work extra hours during the Christmas season. At first this sounds like a good idea—after all, who couldn't use a few extra hours of pay?

However, there is a serious downside to this. Even though workers toil extra hours, they aren't paid any more for their efforts. This is grossly unjust.

It stands to reason that if a business is generally open 11 hours a day, then any additional hours are of extra value to the business. Thus, if an employee works those extra hours, he should be entitled to greater compensation for his time, just as the business gains additional income during the extra hours. Unfortunately, this hardly ever happens.

The other prong of the attack is that business strives to lure consumers into their stores by offering longer business hours and officially starting the Christmas season earlier every year.

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The extra hours make it "easy" for consumers to buy goods. Many buyers believe the extra hours are a good idea. But just as extra hours are a burden on workers, so are they on consumers. The rationale behind the extra hours is not to make it more convenient for shoppers to browse stores, but to make it easier for businesses to rake in more money. Thus, shoppers are able to drop their bucks into the corporate bucket during more hours of the day.

Business also brings shoppers into the stores by starting the Christmas season earlier. There was a time when the Christmas season started sometime in December. Now it is generally recognized that the holiday begins the day after Thanksgiving. It is not uncommon for holiday items to be on sale as early as October, ever-so-subtly pushing buyers into a shopping frenzy earlier than ever.

This cycle of underpaying workers for extra hours and then milking them of that money as consumers is nothing less than a vicious cycle of exploitation pursued solely in the interest of the profit motive and greed. Unfortunately, it is a cycle which seems to be thoroughly entrenched in the American way of life.

While there may be no easy way to eliminate this vicious enterprise, there may be ways to tinker with it to provide some positive results. Maybe consumers could demand that peace be placed on the market, although it probably would already be in the stores if enough people wanted to buy some. Also, through supply and demand (courtesy of Adam Smith), people could make a push for happiness and love to be made available retail. Who knows, it could happen if enough people clamored for it.

Anyway, enjoy yourselves at the mall—I know I do—and have a Merry Christmas.

Time of year to go shopping mad

Christmas has to be the most frustrating holiday of the year. It is the only time you must have enough creativity, ingenuity and stamina to come up with at least 50 different gifts all in one month.

Certainly the joy of the season is in giving, but one can only handle so many lists and trips to the mall, not to mention the gallons of Epsom salt and hot water to soak your tired, aching feet. However, we still put ourselves through this torture each year without fail.

Every seasoned shopper has his or her own method for coping with the problem and I've narrowed down a few of the attitudes commonly held by the consumer population.

"Only 300 more shopping days till Christmas!" These people are up at the crack of dawn the day after Christmas and prepared to attack the post-Christmas sales. Their Christmas shopping starts now and never ends. They shop year round. They're disgustingly organized and carry fabric swatches and lists wherever they go. Their life is a never-ending shopping trip because they keep their eyes peeled at all times for the perfect gifts. They pick up knickknacks for the inevitable school or office parties, take special shopping vacations during the summer and they buy Christmas decorations, music and fruitcakes throughout the off-season.

"Is it Christmas Already?": These people are the opposite of the year-round shopper. They wait until the last possible moment to shop—usually Christmas Eve. You can spot them easily: They're the ones with crazed expressions, loaded down with shopping bags. They dart in and out of department stores, and randomly grab items from the shelves. Their motto is "it's the thought that counts," although most of their "thoughtful" gifts will be returned.

READER'S VOICE

Professor 'professional'

To the Editor:

I would like to let the Pan

"Gee, won't Aunt Gladys love this funky lava lamp for her living room?": These people really do mean well. They enter the mall with lists in hand: a poodle for Grandma, a tie for Dad. But while they're looking for presents, they spot the fishing equipment they've always wanted or the sweaters they have been waiting to go on sale. Next they see the jeans they simply must have and the bestseller they have been waiting for months to come out in paperback. Before they know it they have blown their entire budget on themselves. Everything they buy is clearance priced and nonreturnable, so unless they have alternative finances, these people usually must resort to digging out the gaudy white elephants from the bottom of their closets.

"Pick a Gift—Any Gift": Finally, there are those who give up altogether and take each person on their gift list to the mall and let them choose their own present. It saves the effort of gift wrapping and, as long as they don't choose the mink-lined bathroom sink, it is very effective. Of course, you risk letting them see what a cheapskate you really are.

I wish that I were one of the constant shoppers just for their organizational skills, but I just can't do it. I love the thrill of the holiday season that comes only during December when the mall is lit with colored lights, Santa is greeting children and commercialism is controlling my life. I like to shop while Bruce Springsteen's version of "Santa Claus is Coming to Town" echoes in my mind.

I also like the fact that Christmas gives me an outlet for my "Shop 'til I Drop" tendencies. Buying presents for others is an excuse to spend bundles of money without feeling guilty, so I throw one in for myself and hope my conscience doesn't notice.

Whichever type of shopper you happen to be, remember that Christmas is a time of giving, a time of happiness. So, if someone gives you a boxed eight-record set of "Slim Whitman: The Lost Recordings" or a mood ring, tell 'em "Thanks. It's perfect." Just don't tell 'em it's perfect for the bottom of the hall closet.

American University's students know about a very professional person who I met this semester, and as the days passed by, I thought about writing something good to inform students about Dr. Hidalgo.

Dr. Olivia Hidalgo is a Political Science professor who has given us the "Valley students" a different view of what's going on in this country. She let's us see the reality behind the political scenes.

She has a different way of teaching. Not only does she give her lecture, but she improvises debates which makes the student do research and lets everyone else know how he/she See 'Reader's Voice' page 5

READER'S VOICE

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feels about the topic.

Her beliefs and actual approach to what political science is really about has caused a difference of opinions within the discipline. I believe that we, as students, have to support people like Dr. Hidalgo to continue having professors, who do not only teach, but also give incentive to learn and understand the political system we live by. Dr. Hidalgo is one of the best professors in this university, and as students, we should not let anyone put her or any other good professor in this university down. Because it is us, the students, who learn from the professors not the colleagues that work with the professors.

Leonila Gallardo
Sophomore
Accounting major

Editorial criticized

To the editor:

I write to express my dismay at the tenor of your December 1 editorial concerning Peter Reilly's speech on our policy toward Nicaragua. I should note at the outset that (1) I did not hear the speech and (2) from all accounts that have been reported to me, I disagree with virtually everything Reilly said.

Nonetheless, the thrust of your editorial does a clear disservice to the notion of an university devoted to a free exchange of ideas. The implication that it is ever an appropriate response to shout down a speaker is the very antithesis of a responsible commitment to free expression. To suggest any speaker should be treated "with the same amount of courtesy the United States government is giving the Sandinistas" reveals confused

thinking at best, and bankrupt dogmatism at worst, about the nature of intelligent discourse.

Free expression, perhaps the most precious concept integral to an university environment, does not mandate responsible expression. Indeed, the acceptance of irresponsible expression is a necessary cost a tolerant society is charged in order to maintain free expression. In the past two weeks, we at PAU have paid that cost twice: when Reilly spoke, and, unfortunately, when you wrote your editorial.

J.L. Polinard
Professor
Political Science

Contributions 'unfair'

To the Editor:

Every year at this time, employees in the Administration Building are asked to contribute to a "Christmas Cash Bonus" for the custodians in this building. In my estimation, this is incredibly unfair. Not only do they get a bonus when no one else does, but it has to come out of *our* wallets. Don't get me wrong—I think the custodians in this building do an *excellent* job! But I can't honestly say they are doing a better job than many other employees in this building. So to the custodians I say: You're doing a great job and I hope you have a wonderful holiday, but my cash is going to MY Christmas bonus.

Name withheld by request

Editor's note: "The Pan American" regrets the delay in publication of the following two letters.

U.S. more democratic

To the Editor:

The recent presidential elections made me confirm once again that the United States enjoys a real democratic system. Apart from some questionable tactics used by both parties to attract votes and sympathies, the elections were clean and fair. Nobody could deny the fact that the majority's decision was casted in the ballots. Unfortunately, in the Mexican case, it was only one man who decided for millions.

I want to call your attention about your neighbor's situation. You should know that a presidential election took place in Mexico this past July. The Mexican government affirms that elections demonstrated that the country is ruled under a democratic system in which the people freely elect their public officials.

This statement is a blatant lie. I am a Mexican citizen who actively participated in the election process. I volunteered as an observer representing the Partido Accion Nacional (PAN) in a polling booth in Mexico City's suburbs.

You can not imagine how opposition parties and their supporters were harassed by government security forces. I can tell you this with total certainty because I witnessed and suffered physical and verbal attacks and political repression. I assume you are aware of the ludicrous comedy fabricated by the government once the elections results showed that the people demanded a radical and immediate change. Without any sense of fairness, the government wrongfully modified the true results so that the official candidate could appear as the

winner. Using the taxpayer's money which is desperately needed to mitigate the extreme poverty of the millions struck by the perennial economic crisis, the government sent agents all around the world and paid powerful influences to explain "its" results of the election and "legitimize" the process. Surprisingly, the Reagan administration has officially recognized the purported new government.

However, this kind of electoral fraud is not uncommon in Mexico, but it has been the biggest so far. The authentic president of Mexico is, as indicated by impartial accounts carefully compiled by opposition parties and civic independent organizations, Manuel Clouthier, the PAN candidate. Notwithstanding, this coming December 1 the government will consummate its democratic charade. De la Madrid's heir will be crowned as "the Mexican president". What a farce!

As many Mexicans I do believe, or I may say, I do hope that the new American administration will get tougher with antidemocratic governments. The clique that considers Mexico as its personal property should be swept away and American can help us. President-elected Bush promised to render assistance to the efforts to establish and preserve democracy and liberty anywhere in the world. He could begin by sever diplomatic and economic relationships with a government such as the Mexican which is an example of corruption and authoritarianism.

Carlos Gabriel Wong-Martinez
Graduate
Business Administration

Editor 'child'

To the Editor:

I didn't know that excelling at the art of cynicism was a prerequisite for filling the position of Managing Editor. And although cynicism, in and of itself, is not a totally waisted trait; it is when it's not used sparingly; as in "when called for."

The Pan American is editorially managed by a child running rampant with a pen in his hand. This child, Edwin Aguilar, would be a funny amigo if he didn't want the literary world of the valley to take him seriously; so in the end, his editorials come off as sad jokes that take up entirely too much space, undeservedly so. This kid, who over estimates his own influences, is

rightfully dejected about Michael Tu's Cacas and Lloyd Bentsen having lost the recent presidential elections to George Bush and Dan Quayle. He compares the latter two to an inert gas, (obviously trying to impress himself that he knows what an inert gas is) as he applies his slanted reasoning to their characters.

Edwin Aguilar is so proud of the fact that he's a democrat; and for that he gets a cookie. But as soon as his black pen touches the paper on which he writes, the funk of his cynicism escapes and surrounds the college he so loudly speaks in the name of. His editorials are so filled with his stinking emotion that one wonders if he writes with the sole intention of inciting rather than informing with his fictional compositions. This jerk would probably use a bazooka to kill a fly on his buddy's head, all in the name of service on the outside, but on the inside, trying to shore up his own insecurity.

Edwin writes like the guy who took a regular—kicking on the playground at recess when he was in elementary. "Now I've this big, fat, black, mean, lethal pen in my skinny mitt," says today's Edwin. "I can make amends on those brutes who never saw things my way. And just to show my friends that it's them in the forefront of my mind, I'm going to use a bazooka in case one of those filthy little flies lands on my buddy's head."

So now Edwin is in a presumed position of power on the campus of Pan American University in Edinburg. The only thing powerful about Edwin is the odor of his rotten thoughts. Now let's talk fact Edwin and you better listen.

Your Boston Bean and Mission Airhead had the 1988 presidential election practically handed to them on a tupperware platter. It was their's to lose; and they did.

Coming out of the Iran Contra Affair, George Bush would have a hard time getting a job counting pies in the pie factory. But I listened to Michael and Lloyd and I thought about what they were saying, and I'll tell you Edwin, they are no bakers. You say the majority of Americans citizens don't want to send help to the contras. Well, if you consider the small cliquish group of mealy mouthed liberals you associate with, then maybe so. But if you ask a cross-section of folks from New York Island to the Redwood Forests, I'm sure you'll have a completely different idea, duh, you might even be

shocked, Edwin. Not that you would act on it.

So Dan Quayle served in the National Guard and now you want to bang his gourds. What have you done, what have we all done, that can't be held up to scrutiny? You write, Edwin, that Bush and Quayle, et al; Republicans, stubbornly refuse to grapple with issues facing society. You use wooden nickle words like the one's Jesse taught Tu's Cacas and Smiley, and you clump them together in lyrical prose to get your narrow-minded point across. Ex.; "...forming a creative, effective new answer to problems." You know how this translates? Try this:

"Lloyd,"
"Yes, Mike,"
"Are people stupid enough to buy our drive?"

"Yes, Mike,"
"I don't think so. Let's make some promises and buy votes." Are we to believe George Bush never spoke Issues during the entire presidential campaign? You must be out of your mind. George Bush spoke nothing but Issues until he had to start defending his right to borrow democratic air. It was Michael Dukakis and his Boston Baboons that began the slanderous attacks on Bush's character and his good intentions.

Tonight, Edwin, when mommy tucks you into bed, ask her if she and daddy aren't better off than they were eight years ago. I defy you to print her answer.

Yes, it's hard to deny that Dan Quayle was sent to small towns during the final assault on the liberal and the scoundrel, but hey, take ten pennies and you've got a dime. A hundred and you've got a dollar, etc. Strategy, my boy, strategy. And if Bush, as you say, flounders in trying to get anything done in the White House, then you are right on the last and most correct point you make in your editorial (?) that it will be due to the stiff opposition from congressional democrats to include Saint Kika, who has to be the stiffest as well as ineffective person on Capitol Hill. If service to one's constituents could be gauged by one's impersonation of a big, fat ham, Kika De La Garza would win it ham's down.

So Edwin, if you detect a scent of sulphur in your A.O., it can only be the inert gas between your ears that keeps them far enough apart to hold your glasses on your face.

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Pan Am overtakes SHS, 78-69

MARK MAY
Sports Editor

It was two different games in one.

Sam Houston State dominated the first half and led 40-28 at halftime while the Broncs stormed back in the second and won by nine, 78-69, Saturday night at the Fieldhouse.

Behind by 14 early in the second frame, Bronc center Steve Rochell hit two of his six points on a turnaround jumper to begin the comeback.

Broncs Lee Boddie and Melvin Thomas were both hot with Thomas driving for consecutive layups.

"We started going inside to Thomas and Rochell early and cut down their lead," Coach Kevin Wall said.

Pan Am also employed a three-quarter court press in the second half to slow Sam Houston's tempo and stop their penchant for sinking 3-pointers.

It worked. The Bearcats hit eight of 11 triples in the first half and missed 18 of 21 in the second. Bearkat Derrick Williams buried eight 3-pointers (six in the first half) and led all scorers with 26.

"Their press slowed us down," Bearkat Coach Gary Moss admitted. "We didn't attack it."

"We had to do something to change the tempo (in second half)," Wall said.

Bronc forward Melvin Thomas said Wall told them at halftime to "get out and guard the three-point line."

Boddie put the Broncs ahead, 49-47, with a whopping 25 foot three-pointer with 11 minutes to play. He led the Broncs with 18.

Tied at 53, Boddie and Sam Houston's Dennis Green got into a scuffle resulting in double technical fouls.

Boddie hit the free throw for



Bronc guard Lee Boddie drives to the hoop against Sam Houston State's Dennis Green Saturday night. Pan Am won 78-69. (Photo by Nereo Ramos)

Pan Am but when highly touted Bearkat Tracy Pearson put his massive 6-8, 300 pound frame on the line, the crowd of 2,630 let out a deafening roar. Pearson missed the attempt and the Broncs were ahead for good.

Speaking of free throws, the Broncs hit an uncanny 90.3 percent (28 of 31) tries in the game. "We had to do that (make free throws) to win," Wall said.

Thomas and Keith Campbell accrued 14 points while Eric Montgomery made 10 for Pan Am.

Thomas also snatched 11 rebounds (10 in the second half resurgence) in his duel with hefty Bearkat Tracy Pearson. Thomas fouled out with three minutes, 45 seconds left in the game.

"He was strong but he wasn't as good as Coach (Wall) said he was," Thomas disclosed.

Pearson did get nine points and 10 rebounds but played only 24 minutes because of early foul trouble.

Behind Williams' 26, Green had 13 for the Bearcats who fall to 0-2.

"We were back on our heels in the first half," Coach Kevin Wall said.

Sam Houston came out and opened fire from long range. Eight of their 14 first half field goals were of the three-point variety.

With Pan Am ahead 15-13, the Bearcats outscored the Broncs 17-6 and coasted to a 12-point halftime lead.

"We kind of wanted to protect the lead and not attack," Coach Moss confessed. "In order for us to be successful we've got to attack."

"They got what they wanted when they wanted (in the first half)," Wall said. "They executed well."

Pan Am is now 2-3 after losing



Bronc Steve Rainey (45) extends his 7-foot frame in an effort to block Sam Houston State's Derek Williams. Keith Campbell (20) looks on. (Photo by Jay Lewis)

to Southwest Texas State Tuesday night (see related story).

Saturday, they travel to Houston Baptist before returning home

Tuesday for a rematch with Southwest Texas.

UT-Arlington will visit Saturday, Dec. 17.

BRIEFS

Johnson wins Hassell

Former Bronc basketball star Kevin Johnson won the 1988 Lou Hassell Award earlier last month.

The award goes annually to the top male senior athlete. The honor is named for the late Lou Hassell, a former member of Pan Am's governing Board of Regents.

Johnson, the 29th recipient of this prize, was a four-year starter at guard, scoring 1,156 points in his career and placing 10th on PAU's all-time scoring list.

During his senior year he earned a spot on the first All-Conference team in the American South.

The winner is determined by a vote of all Bronc head coaches and the sports information director.

Brown leaves team

Roderick Brown, a six foot six junior transfer, has left the men's basketball team and headed back to his native Houston.

Brown informed Coach Kevin Wall before Saturday's game with Sam Houston State that he wanted to be closer to his relatives and he was unhappy playing here.

In two games, the forward had scored 23 points averaging 11.5 a ball game. He did not play against Trinity.

two free throws each and Thomas nailed a field goal to put Pan Am up by two.

"They weren't stopping Melvin (Thomas)," Wall said. "He was getting inside."

Thomas had 10 rebounds while Campbell and Rochell took eight apiece.

Tuesday, the Fieldhouse will be the sight for a return engagement with Southwest Texas, 3-2. They lock horns with UT-Arlington Saturday, Dec. 17.

Two tracksters rewrite records

YVETTE QUIROZ
Reporter

Reggie Besa and LeShaunne Cortez shattered Pan American's records in the high jump and the 200 meter run respectively last weekend at Southwest Texas State.

In the high jump, Besa jumped 6'4" breaking Frank Guzman's record of 6'3" set in 1969.

Cortez set a new record in the 200 by running in 25.7 seconds. Rolanda Rolland held the previous record of 25.9 in 1985.

"I do anticipate more school records will be broken this year."

Coach Reid Harter said.

Nancy Mireles won second in the 3,000 meters by running 10:35.

Finishing third in the 55 meter hurdles was Cris Cantu with a time of 9.3. In the men's division, Melvin Brooks won second in a close race with a time of 7.9.

LeShaunne Cortez took third by running a 7.3 in the 55 meter dash.

Venessa Moreno captured third in the 800 meters with a time of 2:30 while Diana Garcia and Robert Barron were third in the 1500 meters.

Winning third in the triple jump was Monica Wesley jumping 37'9" and David Hunter jumping 43'8".

Diana Chavez threw the discus 97'9". Keeping in line with the trend, she too finished third.

Third again was both Barron in the 2 mile run and Brooks in the long jump.

"This is the first time in 20 years we've had a complete track team at Pan American," Harter said. "I thought the performances were good for this time in the year, I anticipate improved performances in the spring semester."

Southwest wins at buzzer, 71-70

MARK MAY
Sports Editor

In one second all they had fought for, strived for and worked for was gone.

Southwest Texas State drilled a three-pointer with four seconds left to wrest victory from Pan American's hands, 71-70, Tuesday night in San Marcos.

The Broncs, 2-3, have yet to win on the road this year as they prepare to visit Houston Baptist Saturday.

Melvin Thomas collected his 22nd point with a turnaround jumper putting the Broncs up 70-68 with 20 seconds left.

The Bobcats shunned a timeout and proceeded immediately upcourt for the last shot.

Kevin Stiner took a jumper but missed. Southwest Texas grabbed the rebound and flushed it back outside to Stiner whose second-chance three-pointer hit the mark.

Bronc hands went up in the air signaling timeout, with three seconds left.

They passed to Lee Boddie at midcourt and called time again—two seconds left.

The inbounds pass went to Thomas who missed as the buzzer sounded and the Bobcats had snapped a seven game losing streak to Pan Am.

"It seems like every game now but one, the three-point shot has been our enemy," Coach Kevin Wall said.

Two free throws by sophomore Gabriel Valdez, seeing his first action of the year, put the Broncs up 68-66 with four minutes, 14 seconds to go.

It was back and forth with neither team able to disturb the nets until Norwegian center Torgeir Bryn tied the game with 48 seconds remaining.

Bryn harassed Pan Am with 15 points, 12 rebounds and two blocked shots.

The Broncs' Valdez and Keith Campbell scored personal highs for the year with 11 points each. Alternating centers Steve Rochell and Steve Rainey punched in

nine apiece.

"Valdez did a good job," Wall said. "He needed those minutes and I'm real happy for him."

On the down side, guard Lee Boddie who averages 14 points per game hit just one of six shots and finished with four points and two assists.

"That was not one of Lee's better games," Wall admitted. "Southwest worked hard on him all night long and it gave him some problems early."

The Broncs trailed 21-13 early when Eric Montgomery sparked the offense with a hoop. Montgomery finished with eight points.

Pan Am surged ahead for a 33-27 halftime lead.

The Bobcats revitalized themselves in the second frame eventually retaking the lead with 11:32 to play on Andre Hensley's three-pointer, one of seven Southwest made on the night, making the score 52-50.

Pan Am fell further behind 64-60 before Valdez and Boddie hit



The Mustangs, PAU intramural flag football champs, won the flag football championship over TSTI Tuesday 62-12. Front row: Andrew Garza, Joey Aguilar, Rick Hinojosa; Back Row: Danny Perez, Arnold Ramirez, Horace Pequeño, Albert Cabrera, Manuel Guerra.

BOX SCORES

PAU-SHS

Sam Houston State (69)
Williams 9-18 0-0 26, Green 5-17 0-0 13, Pearson 2-7 5-7 9, Vance 3-8 2-2 8, Keene 2-4 2-2 6, Blice 2-4 1-2 5, Hammock 1-2 0-0 2, Keyes 0-4 0-1 0, Racka 0-3 0-0 0. Totals 24-67 10-14 69.

Pan American (78)
Boddie 6-13 3-3 18, Thomas 6-14 2-3 14, Campbell 3-3 7-8 14, Montgomery 2-3 6-6 10, Davis 2-6 2-2 6, Rochell 1-6 4-4 6, Rainey 2-3 2-3 6, Harrell 1-1 0-0 2, Miller 0-1 2-2 2. Totals 23-50 28-31 78.

Halftime: Sam Houston State 40, PAU 28.

3-point goals: SHS 11-32 (Williams 8-13, Green 3-13, Vance 0-3, Racka 0-2, Keyes 0-1), PAU 4-11 (Boddie 3-8, Campbell 1-1, Montgomery 0-1, Davis 0-1). Fouled out: Thomas, PAU. Total Fouls: SHS 27, PAU 19. Rebounds: SHS 38 (Pearson 10), PAU 38 (Thomas 11). Assists: SHS 18 (Keyes 12), PAU 12 (Boddie 4, Montgomery 4). Attendance: 2,630.

PAU-SWTS

Pan American (70)
Thomas 10-15 2-2 22, Campbell 5-11 0-0 11, Valdez 2-2 6-11, Rochell 4-7 1-1 9, Rainey 4-4 1-3 9, Montgomery 2-2 0-0 8, Boddie 1-6 2-2 4, Davis 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 28-48 12-14 70.

Southwest Texas State (71)
Bryn 7-15 1-2 15, Bennett 5-7 0-0 12, Morgan 4-9 2-3 10, Stiner 3-12 0-0 8, Hensley 2-4 2-2 8, Frizzell 3-5 0-0 7, Davis 2-9 0-0 4, Barriere 2-3 0-1 4, Ostberg 0-2 4-2 2, Bess 0-1 1-2 1. Totals 28-65 6-14 71.

Halftime: PAU 33, SWTS 27.
3-point goals: PAU 2-5 (Campbell 1-1, Valdez 1-1, Boddie 0-2, Thomas 0-1), SWTS 7-17 (Stiner 2-9, Hensley 2-4, Bennett 2-2, Frizzell 1-2, Davis 0-2). Fouled out: None. Total Fouls: PAU 19, SWTS 18. Rebounds: PAU 41 (Thomas 10), SWTS 24 (Bryn 12). Assists: PAU 7 (Campbell 3), SWTS 16 (Bryn 4, Morgan 4). Attendance: 1,011.

Lady Broncs to host TCU Saturday

MARK MAY
Sports Editor

The Horned Frogs of Texas Christian will leap into the Fieldhouse Saturday for a women's basketball duel starting at 7 p.m.

Today, the Lady Broncs are at Texas A&M hoping to snap their 33-game losing streak. The Aggies have been ranked this year among the nation's top 20 teams.

Pan Am fell to 0-4 this season after Thursday's 65-52 loss to St. Mary's in San Antonio.

The absence of top scorer Shelli Ingram and St. Mary's press hurt Pan Am.
"They pressed man-to-man full

court," Coach Tim Hicks said. "We didn't handle it at all."

Junior Melinda Sandoval shouldered the scoring responsibility hitting for 17 points before fouling out.

Iris Garza and Shoan Wiley scored nine while Veronica Guerra bagged eight.

Neither team shot well, with St. Mary's holding a slight edge in shooting percentage (39 to 37).

Linda Gladney led St. Mary's with 23 points, 11 rebounds and seven steals. Her team led at halftime, 30-20.

The Lady Broncs are at home again Saturday, Dec. 17 at 4:30 p.m. to battle the Southwest Texas State Lady Bobcats.

SGA proposes amendment referendum

LETICIA CAVAZOS
Staff Writer

The Student Government Association (SGA) Senate voted Monday to approve a change in the SGA Constitution regarding student seats on the Student Publications Committee.

The change will be drafted into an amendment to the constitution, which will be put to a referendum vote before the student body.

Section 4.4.3 of the SGA Constitution currently reads: "Half of the student membership shall be appointed by Student Government Association; the other half of the student membership shall be appointed by the Student Publications Association."

The section will be changed to accommodate negotiations between SGA and Student Publications representatives last spring.

Negotiations between the two groups resulted in changing the committee's student membership to consist of two students appointed by SGA, two students elected by the student body, and the editors of "The Pan American" newspaper and "Rio" magazine.

The senate discussed if senate approval was necessary to hold a referendum for the proposed amendment.

SGA vice president J.R. Garza said a resolution based on the referendum had to be passed by 2/3 of the senate.

Elvie Davis, SGA adviser, said the senate did not have to pass the resolution, but she would feel more comfortable if the senate did approve it.

"The senate has to pass the resolution," Griffin said. "Either that, or the motion has to come from the student body."

Davis reported that the campus information centers—serving as suggestion boxes, bulletin boards and racks for the campus newsletter "VOX POP"—should be in operation sometime next semester. If permission from building supervisors is granted, the centers will be placed in the LA, LRC, CAS, Education Buildings and the snackbar.

Davis suggested that more centers be constructed to cover all campus sites. Cost of the centers was between \$1,000 and \$1,750.

The University Program Board (UPB) is paying for the costs of producing "VOX POP" and SGA is paying for the information centers.

Mainous said because SGA did not use the \$3,330 traveling expenses in its budget, the money will be used for other purposes.

"Part of that money is going to go for some computer equip-

ment that we are going to get for our (SGA) office," Mainous said. "Of course, we'll have to have a meeting on that and vote on it."
In other action:

- The senate approved Ernesto Arredondo as secretary.
- The telephone answering machine for SGA office has been ordered and should arrive in January.

Senator David Mainous, Fiscal Committee chairman, said the balance on operating expenses is \$6672.11, of which \$500-600 will be used to cover expenses of the book exchange.

Happy Holidays!



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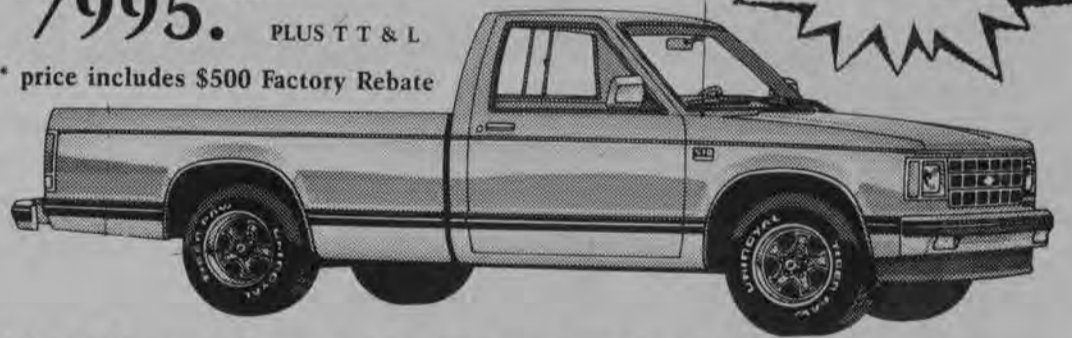
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Professor brings literature alive

MARY EDNA QUIROZ
Staff Writer

For the past 23 years, Professor Richard Fulton has brought the world of literature alive to students at PAU, but as the semester comes to an end so does Fulton's career as a professor. He will retire from classroom teaching after 35 years in the field.

Fulton came to the university in January 1966 when it was known as Pan American College. During his tenure he has witnessed the expansion and development of the university.

"There were only three buildings on the 'new campus,' as it was called back then. The Library (now the Student Services Building), the Administration Building and the Liberal Arts Building (now the Mathematics Building). Most of the classes and offices were on the old, un-airconditioned campus which is now the Reynaldo Garza School of Law," Fulton said. "The faculty was so small you could have a faculty meeting in a classroom."

Besides the growth of the university campus, Fulton has seen an increase in the number of women getting college educations.

"There were very few women, no more than 2 or 3 in classes which were predominately male," he said. "Now I hear women outnumber men."

Fulton recalls a university dress code that prohibited women from wearing pants on campus. But the real crisis in classroom dress codes arose during the late 60s.

"I saw my first hippies here in '66. There were 3 of them. They had long hair, were barefoot and were transfer students from the north," Fulton said. "That next year, the hippie movement proliferated on campus and we had hippies everywhere. Then it was necessary to say something about dress codes and wearing shoes to class."

For the past 23 years, Fulton has taught courses in both composition and literature, but he is primarily a teacher of literature, and his favorite subject is Shakespeare's works.

Through the years, Fulton said he has asked his students to remember one thing: "I'm neither hard nor easy, but fair."

A native of Alabama, he received his Bachelor and Mas-

ter's degrees from the University of Alabama. He started his MA, served two years in the Air Force during the Korean War, and completed his MA, studying on scholarship at the Shakespeare Institute in Stratford-on-Avon, England.

After completion of his graduate work, Fulton traveled extensively, including teaching English as a second language to students in Saudi Arabia, and teaching at the National College of Lebanon in Beirut. Fulton has also traveled in Europe, North Africa and the Middle East. "Travel is the most exciting

part of life," he said.

After retiring this month, he plans to visit Morocco for the Christmas holidays and visit the Far East in the spring.

Twenty-three years is a long time to remain teaching at an university and no one is more surprised by this fact than Fulton himself.

"When I came down here I had no idea I'd stay. I thought I would move on, since I never stayed anywhere long," he said. "But I'm very glad I stayed. It's been a very rewarding time."

Faculty

Continued from page 2

Nancy Moyer, a member of the merit committee, delivered a report on the merit procedure revision and the reasons behind the needed revision.

"The merit system has been completely revised," Moyer said. "We are going to recommend that the merit process be a two year process."

"The first year you will be taking an across the board merit increase...a minimum merit increase," said Moyer. "The second year will be the extended merit award"

A survey conducted by the merit committee of 117 faculty members by the merit committee

showed that the majority favored a merit system but that most of them did not like the present system under which they were under. The revisions the committee are suggesting are partly based on this survey.

Coord. Board, TEA approve new PAU-B teaching program

The Texas State Board of Education and the Texas Education Agency have approved a new Alternative Teaching Program in Special Education for Pan American University at Brownsville.

The program will offer participants a Special Education certificate allowing them to teach pre-kindergarten through grade 12, said Abel Gonzalez, head of the alternative teaching program at PAU-B.

Anyone who has a bachelor's degree in education and wants to teach mentally retarded, emotionally disturbed or physically handicapped children can qual-

ify for the program.

The program will have a major impact on the community, Gonzalez said.

"There is a very big need for special education teachers in the Lower Rio Grande Valley," he said. "That is why Pan American University at Brownsville asked the state to allow us to have it here."

He said students completing the program will be able to find employment much more quickly.

Anyone interested in learning about the new program should contact Gonzalez at PAU-B, 1614 Ridgely Road or call (512) 541-0845.

CORRECTION

A story in the Dec. 1 issue of "The Pan American" titled "Phi Sigs recapture Bronc-Olympics crown" incorrectly attributes the victory to Phi Kappa Sigma fraternity. The group's name is actually Phi Sigma Kappa. "The Pan American" apologizes for any inconvenience this error may have caused.

What, When & Where

THU

CAS Gallery will feature an exhibit of science art titled "Art Show of Biological Illustration and Computer Graphics" and will continue through Dec. 23. Gallery hours are 1-4 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

SAT

Rose Mary's Exploitations will hold a fashion/art exhibit from 7-10:30 p.m. in the Fine Arts Building Gallery.

United Methodist Campus Ministry will hold a thrift shop sale in the First United Methodist Church located at 221 W. Cano from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. For more information call Sylvia at 383-0133.

WED

Pan American United Faculty will hold an appreciation reception for the Valley delegation to the state legislature from 6-8:30 p.m. at the Embassy Suites Hotel. Cost will be \$7.

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