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SGA remedies freshman election foul-up

Melissa Downey
Managing Editor

Freshman elections have been postponed for three weeks, giving Student Government Association time to iron out confusion that has reigned this week, according to Carlos Berlanga, SGA president.

Under the SGA election code, beginning freshman elections should be held the first Tuesday and Wednesday in October and the SGA president must appoint an election commission, comprised of a chairperson and at least six other students, to ensure ample time for public notice.

However, Berlanga did not do this and as

a result, he has called a special election. Edna Davila, chair of the SGA Election Commission, sent a memorandum to Berlanga last week, informing him that a legal election would be impossible.

"You have not fulfilled your responsibility," Davila stated in the memo. "You have appointed no election commissioners, even though I and the SGA advisor have requested that you do so for several weeks."

Because of this, the memo stated, the Office of Student Development had to take over Davila's duties in "announcing filing dates since the chair position was not appointed until this week. In order to keep the possibility of freshman elections open, the constitution has had to be compro-

mised already."

This includes having no commission "to conduct the meeting on ballot positions...and no commission to name the locations of polls," she stated.

If SGA had continued with the elections as scheduled for Tuesday and Wednesday of this week, Davila stated, there would have been "no quorum to tabulate votes..., for recounts..., to declare election results accurate and official and to certify winners...or to hear grievances."

There would have been no way to keep the two required polling tables open both days for the number of hours mandated, she said, as SGA has only two workstudy

students who are on split shifts.

"I reminded (Berlanga to appoint a commission) about two or three weeks ago," Assistant Dean of Students Elvie Davis said. "The president of SGA is responsible...to enforce the constitution. And when they get elected, presidents are supposed to become familiar with the constitution, and the codes are part of it, and so he has to live up to the responsibilities of that..."

Berlanga agreed with Davis' comments. "I feel responsible for what happened...since it was under my jurisdiction...to look for these commissioners," Berlanga said. "Not Olga (Angulo, vice president), not the vice president of the

senate, but myself."

SGA worked to correct the error this week and University Program Board members have offered to fill in as commissioners so the elections can go on.

In accordance with the election code, once the commission is appointed, there must be a waiting period of 20 days. This allows time for training and for public notices to be given.

Berlanga said he expects to have the "right number of commissioners" by Tuesday.

Students interested in running for freshman senator or working on the election commission should contact SGA at 381-2517.

Student senate makes new officer appointments

Melissa Downey
Managing Editor

Temporary appointment of Humberto Garza as vice president and student senate chair headlined business at a meeting of Student Government Association Tuesday in UC 315.

Garza, a junior senator from San Isidro, will act in Olga Angulo's stead as she recuperates from surgery.

Other appointments included Michelle Lipps, a sophomore senator from Wisconsin, as temporary sergeant-at-arms (replacing Martin Torres who officially resigned due to other commitments); and Elizabeth Charles, a freshman senator from Edinburg. Two sophomore senator places will be open now that Sobey Smith of Houston and Rene Buenrostro of Weslaco have resigned.

In other business SGA discussed campus postal equipment. There were plans to install a stamp machine and mailbox downstairs in or directly outside the University Center. The post office has the mailbox

"and they don't know whether to give it to us or not because it's on hold for a bank," Emma Regalado, freshman senator said. "But even if the bank does take it, they're still gonna provide us with one." She said she will not know more until about three weeks.

The stamp machine in the Learning Resource Center will be monitored for up to three months to determine amount of use, she said, "and so if they think it's worth the cost of putting one (in the UC), then they will."

Other improvement suggestions included installing lighted campus maps in strategic locations.

In further matters, Berlanga announced plans to submit proposals to the office of Dr. Miguel Nevarez, university president, requesting a maximum of three lights around campus, a call to bring down the wall just west of the UC and to install courtesy phones.

"We don't want (the administration) to

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The Pan American/Joe Zambrano

ROTC Cadet Sgt. Sam Ybarra, biology junior, demonstrated the Doolittle Tower at Fireman Training Site, Edinburg. This Australian repelling Thursday by jumping out of a window of was a lab for ROTC students.

UPB drama spurs student discussion

Omar I. Rodriguez
Reporter

Approximately 70 students attended the fourth and final discussion of Rape Awareness Week last Thursday in the UC Ballroom. No administrators or faculty members were on hand except for Counselor David Mariscal who mediated and posed questions to the students.

The discussion opened up with a skit written and directed by Gil Guevara, a junior and a member of UPB. Guevara and Diane Salter, a senior, starred in the skit. The skit, performed by 12 University Program Board members, featured Guevara as a rapist and Salter as his next victim. The skit showed how easy it

is to fall victim to rape.

"The skit shows how girls have to be careful with the people they associate with," Salter said. "Girls have to believe they could be the next victim."

The skit humorously portrays a Tri-Lambda party with Guevara looking for a 'score.' Guevara discovers Salter in a skin-tight dress and dances with her until the party's end. Salter decides to go home with Guevara at the protest of other cast members. At Guevara's home, Salter is raped. The next day, Guevara boasts another 'score.'

The skit left several students silent.

After the skit, Mariscal continued to sober the students with statistics showing how people define rape. Mariscal read a list of questions which asked, "Is it rape... when the woman has passed-out by alcohol?"

When a man forces his wife to have sex? When the woman is emotionally, not physically, coerced into sex?"

The list showed a lower percentage of men than women agreeing that these situations constituted rape.

The second half of the list asked if women were to be blamed for rape if they were drunk, dressed provocatively, or agreed to go to a man's house. The statistics showed 20-30 percent of women agreed women are to blame for rape.

Mariscal asked the students their opinion of the statistics. Many did not believe rape was the woman's fault, although many blamed culture and the Hispanic 'machismo.'

A student said the modern male culture still believes that women play hard to get. He used the phrase, "when women say 'no' they mean 'yes'." Students pointed out how Hispanic women are taught to be passive and how men abuse them.

Another question concerned what women can do to prevent future rapes.

The answers varied.

"Reporting a rape is the only way to stop the rape situation today," Emma Regalado, a sophomore, said. Imelda Cantu, a senior, disagreed.

"In a court of law, the rape survivor is judged, not the rapist," she said. "The system works for the rapist."

Sandy Rodriguez, student activities coordinator, said individuals must "desist the stigma that survivors are placed on trial and not the rapist. Women must be strong enough to report rape. Women must not feel like they are being raped again by the judicial system."

Mariscal asked what causes rape.

The students argued that culture, peer pressure, aggressiveness, and father/son relationships were to blame. One student said fathers will teach their sons how to look at women. If the father has a negative view of women, the son will share the same view.

In closing, Mariscal suggested "all survivors should report rape or talk to friends for support. Everyone has to encourage a survivor to report rape. Men have to gain more respect for women. It will hurt, but survivors must speak out in order to end rape."

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The Pan American/Laura K. Kertesz

Diane Salter, a communications senior, and Gil Guevara, communications junior, perform a skit Thursday in the UC Ballroom as part of a students-only session for Rape Awareness Week. The play, sponsored by UPB, portrayed a date rape situation and generated discussion among students.

'Decision Makers' wraps up series in Ballroom today

Claudia Alvarado
Reporter

The last part of Meet the Decision Makers, sponsored by the University Program Board, will take place today with a panel of directors and coordinators in the University Ballroom from noon-1 p.m.

The panel will include Dora Castillo, coordinator, Student Health Services; Elvie Davis, assistant dean of students, Office of Student Development; Sam Odstreil, director of athletics; Greg Salazar, chief, University Police Department; Santiago Silva, coordinator, Counseling Center; Santiago Villanueva, assistant dean of students; Tony Villalobos, director, personnel office; Arnold Trejo, director, financial aid office; and David Zuniga, director, Office of Admissions and Records.

"Thursday's session will have the largest panel with directors who work directly with students," Davis said. "I think the session will be pretty full. I bet that, for any question asked, there will be someone on the panel to answer it."

Salazar said he will be open to discussion on UPD's purpose to protect students, faculty, and staff and to regulate traffic and parking.

"Students should go to ask questions about crime on campus, traffic, and incidents," he said. "People don't realize that the University Police are bona fide police officers that have the same responsibility and authority as other police of the county and state."

The question-answer session with academic deans and faculty was canceled Tuesday due to low turnout. On the panel were Dr. Ernest Baca, dean,

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'Good Samaritan' dilemma generates complex answers

The question of being a good Samaritan popped into my head recently. I asked myself, "How far would I go to help someone?" The question is not as simple as I thought, because the answers hold some very fundamental principals that keep a society together. Who do we help? Why do we help them? How do we help them? One question is now three.

A student collapsed last week and people walked by or over him and went on their way to classes or work. Luckily two people took him to the Student Health Services and he then was taken to the hospital. Do classes and work mean more to us than the well being of another person? It seems so because in today's world, helping someone has become a major decision.

There is always the chance that the people you help may sue. What does this say of our society when we have to consider being sued for helping someone? Who is to blame for this situation? If people sue their benefactors it is not because they want to be mean but because they see a chance to make money.

Making money is the American way. Making money seems to be the basis for our morals. So walking over someone who is lying hurt on the ground because we're on our way to class or work should not seem unusual, but it does to me.

I believe it is wrong not to have helped him. If I was hurt and unable to move I would like someone to help me. I believe people should help each other but as our society moves toward more impersonal relationships we tend to see

From the Corner Trinidad Gonzales

people as means to make money. People are no longer friends, trying to share their problems with each other, but are people we make contacts with so that somewhere down the line they become useful. Students gravitate towards the smartest person in the class, not because they want to get to know them, but because he or she can help them get a better grade. This seems to be a trend that has led to a society losing its value of personal relationships.

I believe personal relationships are important but should not be my only basis for helping someone. Society, at least the

one I would like to live in, should not be one where people are self-centered when it comes to helping others. Society should be a unity of people trying to get along in this world. This is not always the case, as is seen in our history, but it does not mean it cannot be in the future.

Helping others should be a fundamental aspect of our lives, not because we want to go to heaven, but because life is not always easy.

That is what society should be for—help.

Helping someone who is hurt or ill can be easy if you forget about being sued, but when it comes to helping the unemployed, people conjure up images of lazy, trashy people taking their tax money—or at least this seems to be the image that was sold to us by GOP during the 80's. Bush in his last election cam-

paign talked of a Thousand Points of Light to answer the problems of homeless, lack of health care, drug addiction, drop out rates and all other society ills the United States has. Bush fails to see that government is a tool used by society.

Why Bush does not use our government to help people in this country is beyond me. The reason for not helping people, the GOP believes, is that they can pull themselves up by their boot straps. The only problem with this is that some people don't have boots. People say Bush is unbeatable. I don't believe he is because we don't like people who don't make a profit for us. The economy is not getting better and the problems are getting worse. Are we going to help each other through this? Not if we listen to the GOP and Bush.

Editorial

Nuclear arms reduction raises grave concerns

In his State of the Union address Friday night, President Bush announced with rousing hoopla that the United States will recall and destroy all ground, or theater, nuclear missiles. In summary, his speech gave the image that our nation will now be 'new and improved—25 percent nuke-free'.

This number sounds impressive—exciting. Memories come to mind of incidents many swore meant the brink of WWII. The first week of the Persian Gulf War almost escalated into WWII when we held our breath worried that Israel might enter the war causing global chaos. The world has rested for about 50 years on the status of the infamous 'red button'. The thought that generations of constant dread can be gradually alleviated by reduction of bombs can certainly make one misty-eyed. That is, until one examines what the President actually said.

Let's not lose his statements in our emotions. Amid all his red-white-and-blue-forever words was the message that only short-range ground weapons will be reduced, and that the money will not go into domestic tills. He said there will actually be extra expense to destroy these bombs.

Think about it: How will they be destroyed, and what damage could that do to our environment? And who's to say money that might otherwise go into ground missiles will not be applied to other areas of nuclear arms progress later?

Granted, the images transmitted from the Soviet Union and other Communist countries with grand stories of people overthrowing government that oppresses them are thrilling.

However, eliminating one segment of our nuclear force means little for world security because the Soviets have responded they are not in a position to do the same—as Bush requested.

We cannot breathe easy until *no one* has nuclear arms.



Campus parking situation threatens sanity

Sometimes the best way to understand a problem is to experience it, and since I recently purchased my first parking permit, I can't find a parking spot. Well, I can't find any convenient ones, anyway.

My parking life was so much simpler. I would park over by the HPE buildings because I didn't want a ticket and I didn't mind the long walk. I also figured at least I had a guaranteed spot for free. My philosophy was: if I park in the general parking lot, I could be considered a visitor so I shouldn't get a ticket. Actually I was lucky I never got a ticket.

The only other place I used to park was across University Drive next to Pizza Hut. But that was before Pizza Hut expanded and the bank was there. It was just an open lot and some lady who claimed she owned it sometimes showed up and charged students a buck to park there. After some time she, I guess, gained more confidence and was there regularly.

And even though \$1 a day adds up to a lot more than \$12, which is what a parking permit costs, I used to laugh to myself



The Other Side
Andrés
Esquivel Jr.

at the cars circling in the campus lots. I thought I was doing all right. After all, I was walking to class on time and some of these students were probably the ones who walked into class late.

But for some reason I can't remember, this semester I decided to buy a permit, and it's been enlightening—just having that white piece of cardboard dangling from the rearview mirror makes me feel like I should have better access to my classes. I've discovered it isn't fun to "patrol" a parking lot (wait for someone to walk to his car and race for the open space).

I won't go as far as sitting in my car in the lane of a parking lot and waiting until someone pulls out, though. It's frustrating enough to drive through a lot almost positive there won't be a spot, without people blocking up the lanes. Students who do this are just being lazy. There are

other parking lots. (Then again, maybe they are crazed maniacs who hold this as their last hope of ever finding a place to park their car.)

The situation is pitiful, but part of the problem is that the student body hasn't actively pursued any solutions.

For example, a good idea would be to build parking complexes on the lots already close to campus. Students would be closer to their classes and parking complexes would be kind of cool. This probably wouldn't solve the heavy traffic we all have to drive through but it sure gives the impression that we're moving up in the world. (No pun intended.)

The general response to the parking problem is to build more parking lots. But build more lots where? The newest one certainly isn't in the vicinity of any buildings in which classes are held and there are no other spaces near campus. Building more parking lots would also require more security officers. If none are hired, the ones we have would need to cover a much larger area. With their patrol areas stretched out, student's vehicles would be more prone to break-ins, vandalism and theft.

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Letters to the Editor Students praise engineering profs

In the Sept. 12 issue of The Pan American the article dealing with pre-engineering enrollment was a great boost to the public awareness of the engineering program and is greatly appreciated. With such information, present students at UTPA learn that their university is making an effort to expand their educational opportunities. The only flaw in the article is the failure to mention Dr. R. Fred Rolsten and Mrs. Martha Muñoz.

From the time that he arrived at the university, Mr. Rolsten has taught his students that they need self confidence to succeed. Most of his students consider him not only a motivator, but also an advisor to their educational career. He projects excellence and perseverance, and

by example has demonstrated the value of striving for your goals with 110 percent effort. To the UTPA engineering program, he brings many years of experience including engineering program development for two other universities.

As noted in your Sept. 12 article, the engineering program has experienced phenomenal growth these past two years. The program has greatly benefited from having Dr. Rolsten, Mrs. Muñoz, and all the other professors involved in the engineering program. When the program was first initiated, Dr. Edwin LeMaster and Dr. Rolsten were the points of light in the darkness and have been the main catalyst to the progress of the program. Mrs. Muñoz has helped the students adjust to the ever growing curriculum. Dr. Haneman, Dr. Hudson, and Mr. Kiritis have given the program an added dimension that will permit it to grow at an even

greater pace.

With such talent and knowledge, the engineering program at UTPA should impress upon industry and the general public that the engineering department's top priority is to offer a complete educational career that will be competitive with that of other higher institutions of learning.

As students who are involved in the program, we are proud of being part of the growth of UTPA. Once the program is complete and an engineering degree is attainable, industry and the general public will learn that the valley has competent and capable people that can get the job done.

UTPA Euclidean Society
of Engineering

Sociologist: Melting pot cracking

Jaime D. Garza
Staff

The term, "melting pot," no longer seems to apply to American culture today, a sociology professor said here Monday.

Dr. Elena Bastida presented "Cul-

tural Diversity of the 90s and Beyond" to an audience of approximately 20 people. The two-hour lecture, sponsored by the American Humanities Association, examined the increasing diversity of culture in the American society. Minorities appear to be increasing

and the mixing of cultures is becoming harder to distinguish. Bastida said that demographics show 20 percent of the population will be a minority and almost 50 percent of working people will be ethnic minority by the year 2000. To emphasize the growing diver-

sity, she said approximate growths of blacks from 1980-1989 have increased 1.5 percent; Asians and American Indians, 5 percent; and Hispanics, 3.3 percent. The minority is presently growing seven times

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Letters

Burns burns society

This is a story for Joe.

There was this man that lived in a "free" society. And when he was twenty his father divorced his mother because he was no longer attracted to her. His father sought after younger women to bring him happiness and society applauded his exercise of freedom from old fashioned, religious institutions such as marriage.

When the young man was near thirty, he impregnated his girlfriend. She chose to have the baby but as the six months passed, the relationship between the young woman and the man deteriorated and finally ended bitterly. The young woman decided she was not about to have the baby of this ex-boyfriend so she had it aborted. Society praised her for exercising her right to choose what happens to her body.

Years passed and the man grew old and destitute. But there wasn't

any aid to turn to for society had long ago abandoned those old fashioned, moral teachings such as being our brother's keeper. His society said to follow the words of their cherished national creed:

"I think, therefore I am
And I am who I am.
To be who I am or
Not to be is up to me,
So let me be, just let me be."

Joe, I am also concerned about the ever increasing legislation ef-

fecting (sic) our freedom, but the reasons for these laws are not due to religious morality, but for the lack of it. Francis Schaeffer stated that when our Christian consensus which shaped our freedom in this country is forgotten, an authoritarianism, be it conservative or liberal, will fill the vacuum, gradually forcing form on society so that it will not go into chaos — and most people would accept it.

Chris Burns
Pre-Engineering

Police Reports

Sept. 18 A pair of jeans, a t-shirt, wallet, ring, and check, valued at \$827, were stolen from lockers at HPE II.

- A rear license plate was stolen from Lot F.

Sept. 19 Faculty member reported a non-student harassing students in a lab class.

Sept. 20 A rear license plate was stolen from Lot C.

Sept. 22 Head Resident of the men's dorm reported vandalism to a chair and outside light.

Sept. 23 A purse, left unattended by a student, was stolen from the LRC fourth floor.

Sept. 24 A car was stolen from Lot G.

- A faculty member reported the theft of a rear license plate.
- A non student was caught stealing a book from the library. The subject was arrested and fined \$200.
- Six dollars was stolen from a student's dorm room.

Sept. 25 Two stereo speakers were stolen from a student's car at the Fine Arts Complex.

Sept. 26 A student was arrested at the men's dorm for public intoxication and possession of marijuana.

- Five cassettes valued at \$32 were stolen from student's car in lot C.
- A student's wallet valued at \$70 was stolen from the men's dorm lobby.

Hey, Doc!

What if my partner says, "no," to using condoms?

Then it's recommended that you postpone having sex with that person until you both agree to use condoms.

Do I need to use condoms even if I'm involved with only one person?

Yes—unless neither you nor your partner has ever had sex with anyone else, used IV drugs or had any other possible exposure to AIDS virus.

Your physician can provide more information and advise you on the need for a blood test, if necessary.

What else can I do to make sex safer?

Avoid alcohol and other drugs, which can keep you from making wise decisions about sex.

Students can mail their questions to:

UTPA
Student Health Services, Rm. 103
Attn: Health Column
1201 West University Dr.
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Students are advised not to include their name.

Bulletin Board

October

3 The Catholic Campus Ministry will hold mass for all students at noon in the campus chapel. For more information call 383-0133.

- Dr. Michael Weaver and Michael Faubion, professors of history and philosophy, are presenting **Ran**, 7 p.m., in LA 101. The film is open to all students.
- **Solidarity** is seeking members to discuss social issues facing the community. Anyone interested in discussing democratic, egalitarian, collective, non-racist, or non-sexist issues can attend the first meeting during activity period in LA 111.
- **The Counseling Advisement Center** is offering a **Study Skills Session** today from 12-1 p.m., in SSB 314. The sessions include listening skills, test anxiety, note-taking, reading textbooks, time management, test-taking skills, and memory and concentration. Sessions are open to all students every Tuesday and Thursday. For more information sign up in SSB 513 or call 381-2574.
- **4 Deadline to register for the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL).** The test is scheduled for Nov. 4. Students should register in the Testing Office, SSB 153, and a \$25 fee must be paid at time of registration. Call 381-2247 for more information.
- **6 UTPA soccer team, ranked 10th in the NCAA Midwest Region,** plays Texas Lutheran College 2 p.m. at the soccer field.
- **8 Alpha Kappa Psi Professional Business Fraternity** will sponsor a federal reserve bank presentation on counterfeit awareness and the development and distribution of new currency, from 7-9 p.m., in the media theatre. The speaker will be David Sowell, cash manager of the Federal Reserve Bank from San Antonio. The presentation is free and open to the public.
- **Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers-Rio Grande Student Chapter** is seeking members to participate in an outreach science-oriented program. Scholarships funded from sponsors will be available for applicants. Interested persons should call Joe Zambrano, president and organizer, at 318-1228 after 6 p.m.

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Punt, pass, kick entry forms due tomorrow

Entries for the punt, pass and kick are due tomorrow at UC 320. The competition is open to men and women.

In other intramural action:

The flag football season is winding down with six teams left vying for the championship. Last Thursday, the Mustangs defeated the Texas Young Guns and Air Express defeated Los Chingones.

The preliminary championship game will be held today with the Mustangs against the Air Express.

Tennis will begin Friday and will continue every Friday from 1-4 p.m. at the P. E. Courts.

"We've had a lot of entries for tennis," Intramural Graduate Assistant Art Cabrera said. "We've passed out flyers to all the coaches who teach the sports to maybe develop a system in which students who participate in an intramural sport get credit for that particular class."

Badminton began play Tuesday, and will be every Tuesday and Thursday.



The Pan American/Laura K. Kertesz
Senior Kim Butler from Farmington, N.M. smashes a birdie in intramural badminton play at the HPE II gym Tuesday.

Volleyball breaks losing streak

Christine Diaz
Staff

The Lady Broncs broke their nine game losing streak last weekend at the Stephen F. Austin Tournament in Nacogdoches.

The team was lead by Carla Williams and Tanja Thomas. Williams had 44 kills, while Thomas added 40 kills at the two day tournament. Both were nominated as Sun Belt Conference Player of the Week for their performances. Lana Wright had a total of 88 assists and teammate Maricruz Rivera collected 19 digs to raise the Lady Broncs' record to 3-11.

"I think these two wins will give us more confidence for the upcoming conference tournament," Thomas said. "This is just what the team needed."

The Lady Broncs defeated Grambling 15-12, 15-3, 9-15, 15-3 and also brought down Southern University 15-13, 15-6, 15-13.

Although the Lady Broncs did get in two wins, host Stephen F. Austin outscored the Lady Broncs 4-15, 5-15, and 6-15 bringing their record to 6-6. SFA was lead by Michelle Reid who had eight kills and four digs.

The Lady Broncs travel to Houston to challenge Texas Southern next Thursday, before moving on to the Sun Belt Conference Western Division mini-series, Oct. 11-13, in Beaumont. The Lady Broncs will take on Louisiana Tech, Lamar, New Orleans, Arkansas State and Southwestern Louisiana in the event.

"I know it is going to be a tough weekend, but I know we can play with anyone who plays across the net from us," Thomas said.

Cross country takes 2nd, 3rd

Men lose to Houston; Women finish behind Rice, UTSA

David Hunter
Staff

Hard work seems to have paid off for the cross country teams after the men took second place, and the women finished third Saturday at the UT—San Antonio Road Runner Invitational.

The men scored 58 points behind Houston's 30 and the women captured third with 91 points behind Rice (45 points) and UTSA (44).

"I believe we made significant progress last weekend," Head Coach Reid Harter said. "Most of the teams see that they can be a good team and have the desire to go after that goal. They ran one of the best team races that I have seen since I have been here. I can see they are right where they need to be as a team."

Rene Guillen placed second on the four mile course in a time of 19:39. Xavier Rodriguez pulled in seventh in 19:58. Tomas Ramos followed in 12th

in 20:05. Hector Rodriguez finished 19th at 20:22 and Martin Arteaga finished 33rd in 20:57.

The women were lead by Sylvia Rodriguez who placed fifth, running three miles in 18:29. She was followed by Dimitri Pierce in 13th in a time of 19:12. Cathy Tanner grabbed 18th in 19:38. Maria Cruz placed 22nd in 19:54 and Christine Diaz nabbed the fifth spot placing 35th in a time of 21:11.

"At this point they are really positive and doing real well and all working hard," Harter said. "I can see that they are really beginning to gel as a team. I just hope they keep up the pace and keep riding that enthusiasm."

The next match will be against Texas A&I in what seems to be matching up as a dual meet.

The distance will be two miles for the women and three miles for the women, Harter said.

"Last year we didn't run at full strength and they gave us a heck of a race and almost beat us," Harter said. "They ran their best race of the year against us. I anticipate them doing the same thing this year."

I can see we are beginning to gel as a team. I just hope we keep up the pace, and keep riding that enthusiasm.

Reid Harter

Broncs to rely on doubles play

Inexperience hurts netters

David Hinojosa
Sports Editor

The men's and women's tennis garnered second and third places respectively last weekend at the Monterrey Tech Invitational.

Newcomers Alain Fabry and Freddy Taino probably felt the pressure of their first collegiate tournament Sunday.

The fate of the Bronc tennis team depended on the rookies' match against Monterrey Tech's Juan Mejia and Luis Peres. Fabry and Taino dropped the last game 6-4, after splitting the first two 3-6, 6-1.

"I was especially impressed with Alain Fabry," Head Coach David Cross said. "I think the nerves got a hold of him in the doubles match.

Taino was very impressive for his first tournament. But, he needs to be more specific with his strategies.

With the loss, the Broncs (3-1) finished second behind Tech's "A" team.

"It was a little disappointing because we had won it the last four years," Cross said. "But, on the same line, it was an invaluable learning experience for me and hopefully the players as well.

"Our players are better ability-wise. (Tech) is an experienced team. The experienced players won and the inexperienced ones didn't."

Michel Fabry and Richard Mainella won their singles and doubles matches against Tech to position the Broncs into contention for the title. Mainella beat Marcos de los

Maza 6-3, 6-2, and Fabry defeated Ramiro Galicia 6-1, 2-6, 6-1. Fabry and Mainella came back to beat de la Maza and Ernesto Garza 7-6, 6-2 in doubles play.

The Broncs beat Monterrey Tech's "B" team and Queretaro by identical 6-1 scores before shutting out Regio Montana 5-0 to set up the championship with Tech "A."

Senior Steve Jarrett "scraped out" three matches before losing to Peres 7-6, 6-4, 6-3 in the championship.

Cross said Jarrett showed a lot of savvy in Monterrey.

The Lady Broncs (1-2) dropped a first round match to eventual champion Campos Edo de Mexico 4-3.

Ellen Nelissen recorded a 2-6, 7-5, 6-3 victory over Diana Pous to lead the singles play for UTPA. Nelissen and Laura Gonzalez and Rachel Rodriguez and Gigi Estacio beat Pous and Maria Garcia 6-3, 6-1 and Adriana Ramirez and Adriana Cantu 6-3, 7-6 (7-6) respectively to take both doubles matches.

Assistant Coach Anthony Hampton was pleased with the doubles play and said the Lady Broncs will need to rely on doubles play until there's more consistency in singles play.

"Some of the players need to get some matches under their belt," Hampton said. "All of our focus is on the conference tournament. Everything we do in the fall is working towards that."

The Lady Broncs beat Tech "B" 5-2 in the second round before losing to Tech "A" 5-0 in a third round match.

The men travel to Beaumont this weekend to take part in the Pinewood Collegiate Invitational. Among the participants will be Sun Belt opponents Lamar and Southwestern Louisiana.

The Lady Broncs participate in the Women's ITCA Southwest Regional Championships starting Thursday in Austin. All Southwest Conference teams are expected to participate.

"The best teams in Texas will be there," Hampton said. "We could feel inferior to (the competition), or we could fuel the fire."

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The Alternative Certification Program at the University of Texas - Pan American is a collaborative program between the University, Region I, Educational Service Center and 18 surrounding school districts in Hidalgo and Starr counties. The purpose of the program is to offer college graduates the opportunity to enter the teaching profession. The program is especially attractive to people who are interested in a mid-career change.

There are five certification areas possible through the Alternative Certification Program - elementary, elementary/bilingual, secondary, ESL and generic special education. The areas of elementary/bilingual and generic special education are in particularly high demand in this part of the state.

A total of 384 interns have completed the program since its inception in 1986. Candidates must secure their own job in one of the 18 participating school districts and will also need to complete 2-4 prerequisite courses in the school of Education at UT-PA. Once teachers begin teaching under the program, they have on calendar year to complete the additional requirements which include additional courses, and internship and successfully completing the appropriate ExCET exams for certification. An overall grade point average of 2.5 is necessary for most certification areas as well as specified courses in the area of specialization.

After a lengthy re-writing session in the Spring of 1991, the ACP adopted several new features which will be incorporated into this year's program. On August 14 and 15 approximately 145 interns for the 1991-92 school year attended a school district sponsored and delivered workshop which was held at PSJA High School. Presenters included district personnel from McAllen and PSJA who provided training on the Texas Teacher Appraisal System and strategies for effective teaching. In addition to these two days of training, interns will receive training on three Saturdays during this fall, September 7, October 19, and November 2. This training will be provided by personnel from the following districts: Mission, Edinburg, Weslaco, Mercedes, LaJoya, Edcouch-Elsa and Valley View.

Interns will continue to meet strict standards on GPA, pre-assignment coursework and field work hours and must pass appropriated ExCET exams to be certified.

Looking ahead to next year's interns, interested persons may attend orientation workshops throughout the fall on the following tentatively scheduled dates: September 11, October 16, November 13, and December 11. All applicants who hope to begin their internship in the Fall of 1992 must register for EDCI 4315 for the Spring of 1992. This is a new field experience course and will be required of all persons entering ACP.

Qualified applicants are encouraged to contact the Alternative Certification Office in Room EDC 116 or call (512) 381-3486.

Publications receive awards

Two university publications, Rio magazine and The Pan American newspaper, recently received high honors from collegiate press associations for their work in fall 1990 and spring 1991.

Both publications, under advisement of Joyce Prock, earned All-American ratings from the Associated College Press Association, University of Minnesota. To receive this rating a publication must earn four or five marks of distinction in areas of design and content. Rio received these marks in all five categories and The Pan American earned four of the five.

The Pan American also received a first-place critique from Columbia Scholastic Press Association.

Scoring was based on areas such as content, layout, and opinion/editorial page.

"It is very time-consuming to produce a newspaper and there are pressures that can't be described," Letty Cavazos, spring 1991 editor of The Pan American, said.

Rio received a second-place critique, based on such points as content, layout and design.

Tony Mercado, 1990-91 editor of Rio, attributed the success of the magazine to the "hardworking staff members...Receiving these awards is really topping off a job well done," he added.

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College of Arts and Sciences; Dr. Ernest Bernal, dean, School of Education; Dr. F.J. Brewerton, dean, School of Business Administration and Dr. Nancy Moyer, professor of art and faculty senate representative.

"What I missed the most was the opportunity to get interaction with the students on issues and their concerns," Bernal said.

One administrator offered her opinion for the lack of attendance.

"It was not a surprise that there was virtually no turnout for the session," Davis said, "because the academic deans are more removed from the students. It is disappointing because we would like to see a response."

According to Bernal, "I was hoping to present the undergraduate program and admissions requirements for the School of Education and get students interested in coming into education."

SGA

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say we're asking for too much," he said. SGA wants to leave doors open, Berlanga said.

There are several areas around campus where lighting has not been maintained well, he said, and lights need to be installed around the LRC, Business Bldg. and Education Bldg.

Also, instead of calling for the destruction of a wall that lines the sidewalk just west of the UC, Berlanga said SGA will ask to retain about two feet and turn it into a bench "even if we have to do it ourselves."

He cited an act of violence that allegedly occurred

two years ago behind the wall and added that he does not want to wait until a rape occurs to do something about the structure.

Ruben Saenz, sophomore senator, expressed concern that the architect who designed the building and the wall had "something in mind," even if it was to act as a barrier against vehicles running into the building. It would be wise, he said, to study other areas of the campus for similar threats and not just pinpoint one area.

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Many students agreed that the session helped in answering a few questions. "The session opened a lot of eyes," Orlando Martinez, a junior, said. "I think students are more aware of what can go on."

Bob Henry, 20-year martial artist veteran, wrapped up the week by teaching a self-defense seminar to about 30 students in the UC Ballroom that evening.

The seminar consisted of techniques to be used if rape was imminent. According to Henry, a victim can distract and escape a rapist without martial arts experience. "If you [the audience] could learn just one

technique, it could save your life," he said.

UTPA presented Henry's seminar twice this year, but he hopes the university offers self-defense as a P.E. course like UT Brownsville.

According to Rodriguez, the next UPB-sponsored Awareness Week will be held October 14-18 and will deal with Alcohol Abuse.

For those who want more information on rape awareness or need special counseling, the Student Services Counseling center will be open 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday.

Bastida

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faster than whites in the United States. Bastida contributes the increase to high fertility rates.

Bastida described six ways to deal with diversity: exterminate it; assimilate it; expel it; physically set it

aside; secede from it; or fuse with it. She said the "emerging value is to emphasize pluralism," which she describes as a mutual respect for cultures other than our own.

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State reps to discuss \$3 million bond issue

Andrés Esquivel, Jr.
Staff Writer

State representatives will be on campus during the activity period Thursday to discuss the proposed \$300 million student loan bond issue.

The Voter Awareness Rally, to be held in the UC Ballroom, is an attempt by Student Government Association to educate students on the significance of voting during the November special election.

The proposed constitutional amendment (Proposition 13) allows the Higher Education Coordinating Board to sell up to \$300 million in general obligation bonds to help finance educational loans to students.

"The Hinson-Hazelwood Student Loan Program is a self-sustaining program," Arnold Trejo, financial aid

director, said. "It doesn't rely on taxpayers' money." The program operates through the principal and interest payments of the students Trejo said.

According to a release from State Rep. Roberto Gutierrez, "in 1990, about 26,000 students received about \$81 million from the Hinson-Hazelwood College Student Loan Program.

About 150 UTPA students receive approximately \$250,000 in Hinson-Hazelwood loans annually and about 3,500 students receive about \$7 million in loans from private lenders, Trejo said.

Trejo said increasing the funds in the program would prompt him to more readily recommend Hinson-Hazelwood loans to students.

"If I knew that there was adequate capital in the Hinson-Hazelwood Student Loan Program, it would be one of those programs that I would be pushing on

this campus," Trejo said. "Primarily because I want to minimize our default rate as an institution."

The current default rate for all loans at UTPA is 13.2 percent. The national rate is at 15 percent Trejo said.

The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board handles repayments of Hinson-Hazelwood loans instead of selling them to secondary agencies which results in lower default rates.

"That has been one of the criticisms of private lenders," Trejo said. "They do not service the notes, they sell them to secondary markets. It (Hinson-Hazelwood loans) has a fairly low default rate, something like six percent."

This is not the first time such an amendment has been proposed to Texas voters, however. In August, voters defeated a student loan constitutional amendment by less than one percent of the 883,000 votes cast.

"The lack of information and misunderstanding about the state's student loan programs led to the defeat of this much-needed program," Rep. Gutierrez, a co-sponsor of Proposition 13, said. "Voters may have confused the state student loan program with the federal student loan program. The state student loan program will not result in a tax hike or other cost to Texas taxpayers."

Speakers at the rally, sponsored by Student Government Association, will include State Representatives Renato Cuellar, Roberto Gutierrez and Eddie de la Garza; Dr. Lauro Guerra, member of the Higher Education Board; and President Miguel Nevárez.

Proposition 11, which will allow the state to own and operate a lottery, will also be discussed. In case of rain, the session will be moved to the UC Ballroom.

900-plus vow abstention

UPB: 'Let them eat bananas'

Omar I. Rodriguez
Reporter

In the continuing observation of National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week, the 900-plus students who pledged to go alcohol-free for one week will continue to abstain with a BYOB (Bring Your Own Banana) party today at the science quad from noon to 1 p.m.

Banana splits will be served to the first 300 people who bring their own banana.

The UPB/Dairy Queen-sponsored event will also provide live music and a pizza contest. The student organization with the most members present will win a free pizza party.

In case of rain the event will be held in the UC Ballroom.

Also on today's agenda will be the showing of "I'm Dancing as Fast as I Can" at 6 p.m. and "Clean and Sober" at 8 p.m. in the Women's Residence Hall. Both movies are free of charge and complementary non-alcoholic refreshments will be served.

The last scheduled event of Alcohol Awareness Week will be the student organization workshop, 1:30 p.m., tomorrow in the UC Ballroom. The workshop will feature speakers who will touch on the legal, social and physiological aspects of alcohol use.

The workshop will feature Tina Guerra from the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission; Keith Hancock, a Palmer Drug Abuse counselor; and Sgt. Israel Pacheco, a pending spokesman for the Texas Department of Public Safety.

Also on hand will be Dr. Marin Garza of Student Health Services and Elvie Davis, assistant dean of



The Pan American/Laura K. Kertes
Evert Villareal, McAllen sophomore, grabs a makeshift 'microphone' for an impromptu lipsync performance when Razzle Dazzle played Monday in the UC Circle. The mini-concert helped kick off National Alcohol Awareness Week and was held in conjunction with a red ribbon pledge, where students vowed to abstain from alcoholic beverages for five days.

students. The workshop will be open to all students and faculty members.

The week began with a red ribbon pledge where more than 900 students and faculty signed their names and pledged not to drink alcohol for one week. Those who signed were to wear a red ribbon throughout the week, signaling a commitment to quit alcohol consumption for one week.

Normalinda Villarreal, dean of students' secretary, said she signed because, "I felt I should support the pledge. I feel it is a good project."

The UC Ballroom was the sight of the Tuesday night's Alcohol Awareness Dance and House Party. The dance featured live music by Surreal Men and freshman Robert Moore (resident disc jockey).

About 100 people attended.

'Faculty Forty' eligible for state representation

Gilbert D. Martinez
Editor

Forty UTPA faculty members involved in a recent libel/slander suit are eligible for legal representation from the Texas Attorney General's office, according to the chief of the office in Austin.

James C. Todd said, "We have determined that they (the 40 defendants) are eligible" for legal representation. However, not all have requested state aid, he said.

The Texas Faculty Association said Tuesday they will represent 21 of the 40 defendants. The 21 faculty members will be represented because they are TFA members, according to Dr. Charles Zucker, executive director.

The defendants were sued recently for libel, slander, tortious interference with contract and negligent infliction of emotional distress.

This case has aroused some difficulty. Todd called the case "frivolous."

"It's not a proper subject for a lawsuit," he said, and expressed doubt that the case would reach court.

Also, Todd was unsure how TFA will assist the state in the case.

Five School of Business Administration (SOBA) professors - Dr. Gilberto De Los Santos, Dr. Wig DeMerville, Dr. Walter Greene, Dr. Dewayne Hodges and Dr. George Petrie - filed suit Sept. 18 against 40 faculty members, 23 of which were part of the faculty senate in 1990.

The suit, filed nearly one year after the faculty senate voted Sept. 19, 1990, to censure the five business professors, also names 17 other faculty members.

(The statute of limitations for filing libel/slander suits is one year.)

The five business professors, who were members of the Merit Improvement Committee (MIC) of SOBA, declined comment on this development on advice from their lawyers.

The defendants listed in the slander/libel case are: Drs. James Aldridge Jr., Terry Allison, David Alvarez, Victor Alvarado, Jeanette Ashwood, Rubik Atamian, Gerald Brazier, Gilbert Cardenas, Carl Carlan, Joseph Chance, Paula Dean, Daniel Dearth, Charles Ellard, Samuel Freeman, Layne Jorgensen, Rinaldo Juarez, Frank Judd, and Robert Lonard Also, Drs. James Maloney, Hilda Medrano, Christopher Miller, Hubert Miller, Kevin Morse, Gary Mounce, Nancy Moyer, Jerry Polinard, Thomas Pozorski, Olga Ramirez, Chad Richardson, Lester Rydl, Charles Strong and Bruce Wilson. Also, Pearl Brazier, Juanita Garza, Virginia Haynie, Frank Manuella, Emily McCormick, Glynn Morgan, Linda O'Daniel and Peter White.

The move to censure came after MIC recommended two business professors, Dr. Charles Ellard and Dr. Daniel Lee, be terminated for "academic conduct for which termination is the recommended disciplinary action by the school committee and dean," according to the administration.

Subsequently, Ellard and Lee filed a grievance heard by a UTPA tribunal. Ellard accepted the tribunal's recommendations, but Lee appealed to the UT System Board of Regents.

On Oct. 12, 1990, the regents upheld the recommendations to censure Lee. Although the recommendations have not been made public, Aldridge, representative for the two professors, said in October 1990 that the tribunal concluded unanimously that neither faculty member be terminated but that certain disciplinary measures be taken.

Seniors continue registration; juniors begin Tuesday

Telephone registration for Spring '92 continues for seniors today through Monday and begins for juniors Tuesday.

Students may register or change their schedules using a touch-tone phone at any time after their registration time.

Students who try to register before their assigned time will be "bumped off" the system, according to William Morris, assistant to the vice president for academic affairs.

Bills will be mailed at the end of November with a Dec. 13 payment deadline, Morris said.

Those who cannot register during the early period may do so during Arena Registration Jan. 14-16 in the Fieldhouse, but must pay a \$5 late reistration fee.

For more information on registration, call the Office of Admissions at 381-2206.

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Oct. 18	M-R		
Juniors			
Oct. 22	A-F	Oct. 24	M-R
Oct. 23	G-L	Oct. 25	S-Z
Sophomores			
Oct. 28	A-C	Nov. 1	N-Q
Oct. 29	D-F	Nov. 4	R-U
Oct. 30	G-J	Nov. 5	V-Z
Oct. 31	K-M		
Freshmen			
Nov. 6	A-C	Nov. 14	N-O
Nov. 7	D-F	Nov. 15	P-R
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Organizations challenge campus potatoes to get involved

Involving myself with campus organizations and special-topic discussions and lectures has opened my eyes to a major concern: Many students do not seem to care about what is happening in the world.

This campus serves more than 12,000 students. More than 60 organizations, ranging from political to religious, social to career-oriented are available. Yet students continue to line the walkways, talking about weekend parties and comedy shows. Others fill the University Center playing table tennis, pool, or watching MTV on the 45-inch screen.

What has happened to public con-

cern? Our great nation was formed by people who sought change and did something about it. With concerns such as war, homelessness, hunger, murder, sexual harassment and countless other topics, it astounds me that many students have not come forth to show their concern.

The university environment has been created to prepare students for the real world. Campus organizations serve as a prime source in getting students involved in their field of interest yet few people are active within them.

What do the students sitting outside

Eagle's Nest
Jaime D. Garza

during activity periods do or plan to do for our society? Could these be the people who will rule our nation in the future? I definitely hope not. To think our future leaders may be one, or even worse, several of these people, sends chills down my spine.

Has our society reached the point in which the university is simply thought of as a way to acquire a better-paying job? If so, how much more pathetic can we get?

The university is a foundation set before us to better equip us in our career goals. Somewhere along the way, perhaps just for the greedy, people have come to the point where they seek college education only for the satisfaction of making money. Don't get me wrong, money is great but many people seem to forget there are more important things in this world.

Just as college may result in a better-paying job through the study of a particular field, our actions may determine the outcome of our lives and even the lives of others. My motto is to "work at what you do best and do your best at what you do." By doing

this, people both benefit themselves and the world around them.

Let's not waste our time any longer. Let's get active. Get involved in something you enjoy which will benefit you and the rest of society. With the many organizations on campus, there has to be one that interests you. If not, start your own group.

No matter how insignificant you think the idea might be, don't feel embarrassed. Once begun, you may be surprised how many people sign up. Stop by University Center 205. It's a good way to do something positive and meaningful.

Editorial

Red ribbon pledge should last a lifetime

As the weekend approaches and pledges made for a week's worth of abstinence from alcohol can now be broken, stop a minute before throwing away that fraying red ribbon.

This symbol of going substance-free for a week means more than a five-day commitment. It is a statement that we understand the dangers which can be inflicted on ourselves by over-consumption of alcohol and that we plan to act responsibly when we party.

Diminished mental and physical capabilities can cause the drinker to make unwise decisions. Often this includes drinking "one for the road." The number of drunk driving accidents attest to this.

Today and tomorrow will provide students special opportunities to learn why such behavior is unnecessary.

A BYOB (Bring Your Own Banana) party set for this afternoon, in addition to the past week's entertainment (see related story) exemplifies that good times can roll without drinking oneself into oblivion.

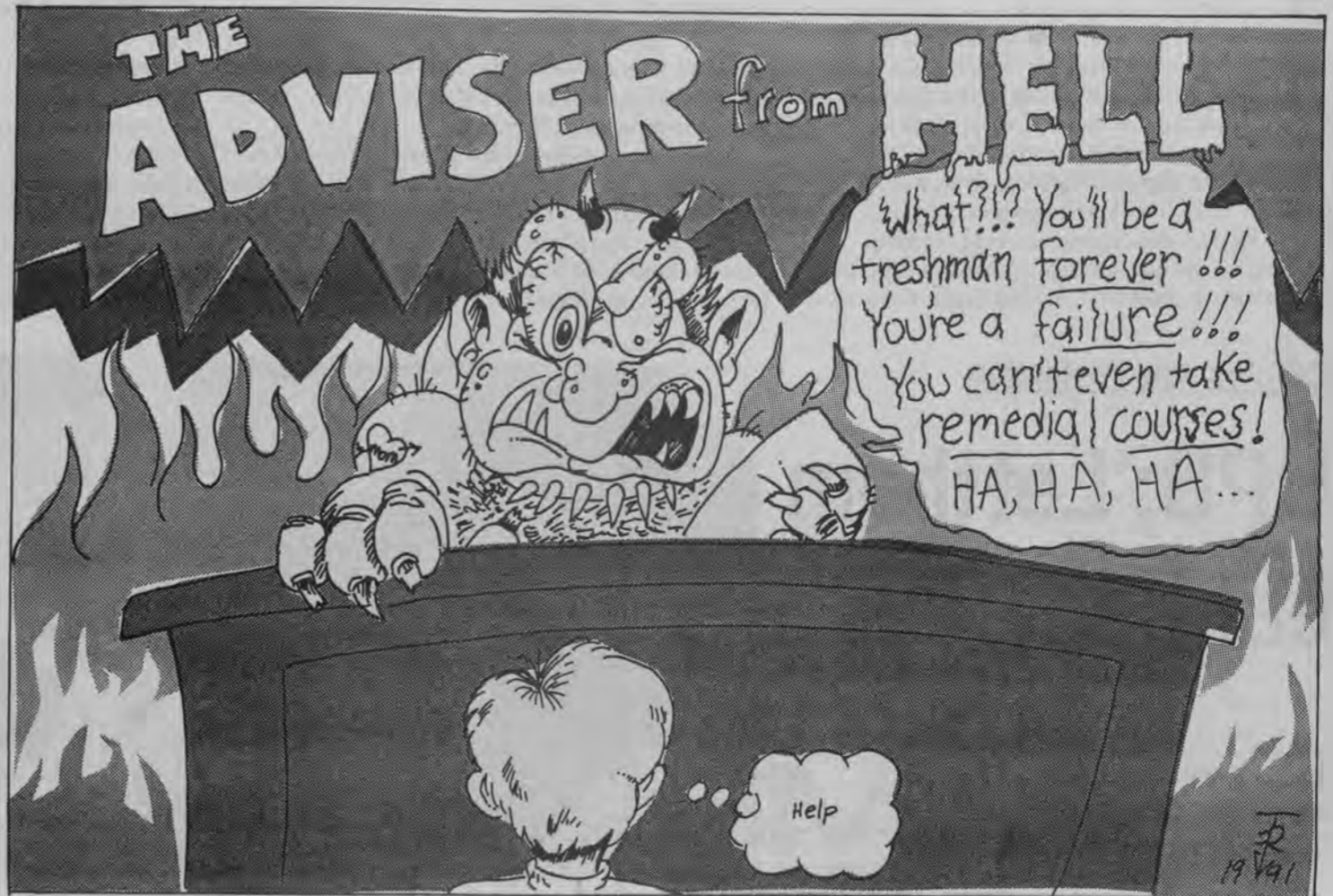
A workshop tomorrow will feature experts who will discuss the legal and physiological aspects of alcohol consumption. The Pan American encourages all students to attend. Being abreast of the consequences of mixing alcoholic beverages with irresponsible behavior is important to all students.

One topic which may be covered tomorrow is how to be a responsible host, making sure the people who leave the party will live to tell about it the next morning.

The following are good reminders:

- Always provide some type of food. It absorbs alcohol and reduces the amount of toxins traveling through the bloodstream.
- Provide non-alcoholic drinks to give guests an option, especially those who will be driving.
- Respect the rights of those who choose not to booze.
- Encourage guests to "pace" themselves. Drinking three beers in one hour, rather than one in three hours, will defeat the purpose of "partying smart."
- Designate a driver who will not drink. Although this has become almost cliché, it is imperative to ensure the safety of the driver and those who will be out on the road with him.
- If someone is too intoxicated to drive, provide a place for him or her to sleep off the alcohol before venturing behind the wheel.

The pledge and tips from this week deserve more attention than five days can offer. Alcohol Awareness Week can give students guidelines for a lifetime. It should make them think and may one day save their lives.



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Reason why we'll never make it big

I'm on the verge of giving up on the idea that someday UTPA will be a big, famous university. I've been thinking it over and I came up with some reasons why I felt this way.

A few years ago, my sister, who is now a doctor in Dallas, transferred here from UT-Austin for a summer session. I asked her how she liked our university. She laughed aloud as she exclaimed her disbelief that we had bells between classes. Yeah, we have bells (and I still don't have a watch). I guess no full-fledged university in its right mind would use bells to give students an idea when classes begin and end.

We also lack a place to hang out. I was walking from class the other day and I overheard a girl and a guy discussing where they would meet after class. They finally decided to meet by the circle in front of the science building, and as the girl walked away she said, "Okay. Circle or square." I thought about this comment, and it sounded pretty cool. But other than hipness, I could not find any compelling reason to go hang out at the circle.

What we need is a street, like "the drag" in Austin, where all the stores



The Other Side
Andrés Esquivel Jr.

tend to students' wants and needs. All we have is a card, courtesy of UPB, which gives discounts on a car wash, a free bowling game and car repairs. Oh yeah, we also get free small fries or a soft drink from some fast-food type restaurants when we buy a burger.

I thought about going to a professor and discussing this problem about making our school prestigious, but then I realized the professors are a part of the problem too. Most professors would be willing to help me, and this is a big fault. Professors shouldn't help students. They should be out of class letting some TA's teach their courses while they're researching books they need to write. And professors are supposed to ignore us in the hallways and assign us numbers instead of learning our names.

Perhaps a lot of students do need some assistance, though. After all, we are an open admissions university. And this policy shows the university is

here to educate—we're not out to be prestigious and well-respected. Hell, if we wanted to do that, we would have to charge more money. No university looking to improve its image would charge students such low admission fees.

One reason why we'll never reach big-school status seems self-explanatory: Manuella art exhibits.

Another thing is we don't have tree squirrels on campus. Squirrels are so cute. Big campuses have squirrels, and they crawl up your leg to steal your food. All we have is pigeons. But I wouldn't want pigeons crawling up my leg to steal food.

The majority of these problems can be fixed. I'm not trying to convince anyone there is no hope for our small university. But even if we had a cool hangout, book-promoting professors, and charged students ridiculous fees, one problem would still prevail: we're too close to home. How can you get big when you can always run to mommy and daddy everytime things don't work out?

So ultimately, all students at UTPA should transfer elsewhere. Yep. That should solve it all. We will never see UTPA as a big-time university until we all leave.

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Adviser praises student participants

I wanted to take this time to publicly thank a special student on this campus who was instrumental in making the "Is It Rape?" session of University Program Board's Rape Awareness Week a success. Gil Guevara wrote, directed and acted in the drama that was presented to the students who

Letters to the Editor

attended the event. He played the role of Valente the rapist. This took a lot of courage because of the stigma attached to a role such as this one, especially when The Pan American ran his picture on the front page! He is a special individual who gave of his time freely to educate his peers in an innovative and creative manner. He and the other student actors (Ceci Altamira, Manuel Arredondo, Alonzo Chapa, Rene de la Rosa, Nicoel Feliciano, Robert Moore, Eloy Rios,

Sandra Rodriguez, Diane Salter and Evert Villarreal) are perfect examples of students who are making positive choices for themselves and facing challenges that most people would rather not deal with. As a staff member of the Office of Student Development, students such as these make it all worthwhile.

Sandy Rodriguez
Coordinator, Student Activities

UTPA moves one step closer to engineering degree

UTPA moved a giant step closer to its goal of creating bachelor's degree programs in engineering, including the state's first undergraduate degree in manufacturing engineering, when the UT System Board of Regents approved the curricula of the programs Friday.

One major step remains: approval from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

President Miguel Nevarez said he hopes the programs (bachelor of science degrees in mechanical, electrical and manufacturing engineering) will be on the Coordinating Board's agenda early this winter, perhaps for the board's January meeting.

If approved, two of the three programs, mechanical and manufacturing engineering, would be offered beginning in Fall '93, with expanded course offerings in Fall '92.

The third, the bachelor's degree in electrical engineering, would follow about two years later, after

mechanical and manufacturing engineering programs were well-established with faculty and students.

Mechanical and electrical engineering programs are considered core programs in any university that offers engineering. Manufacturing engineering is included to meet the special needs of the region, especially the strong demand for bilingual manufacturing engineers who can work with the *maquiladoras*.

"Manufacturing engineering is becoming a very popular discipline," Dr. Edwin LeMaster, director of the engineering program, said. "We will have the only undergraduate manufacturing engineering program in the state."

Some institutions, including UT - El Paso, offer a degree in industrial engineering.

"Industrial engineering tends to emphasize a combination of engineering and technical management,

whereas in manufacturing engineering the emphasis is on computers integrated into the manufacturing process and robotic control," LeMaster said.

Students admitted formally to the engineering programs will be required to take specific freshman and sophomore-level courses with a minimum GPA of 2.5, including certain mathematics and science courses and introductory engineering courses.

Students will be required to complete a standardized engineering core and specified courses in the particular degree area in addition to UTPA general education core requirements. A total of 145 to 146 semester credit hours will be required for the degrees.

The university projects first-year enrollment of at least 385 students, with growth to 1,600 or more students by the end of 10 years. The pre-engineering program currently boasts 320 students.

LeMaster said the smaller enrollment will be a benefit.

"We can't compete with UT-Austin and Texas A & M - they're the flagship institutions of the state, and we aren't ever going to have the breadth of programs or variety of courses," he said. "But there are strengths in a smaller school, and we are going to have those strengths—small classes, involvement of full-time faculty in what the students are doing, and a lot of tutorial support for the students."

The Texas Legislature appropriated \$1.9 million for the current biennium. UTPA is launching a \$20 million fund-raising campaign directed primarily at building and equipping an engineering building.

Earliest accreditation for the new programs by the Accrediting Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET) could come as early as 1996, one year after the first graduates receive their diplomas, LeMaster said.

Bulletin Board

October

17 The Political Science Association will meet during activity period in LA 107 to discuss a voter registration drive and proposed amendments to the PSA constitution.

• **The Counseling Advisement Center** is offering a Study Skills Session today, noon to 1 p.m., in SSB 314. The sessions include listening skills, test anxiety, note-taking, reading textbooks, time management, test-taking skills, and memory and concentration. Sessions are open to all students every Tuesday and Thursday. Sign up in SSB 513 or call 381-2574.

• **Dr. Michael Weaver and Michael Faubion**, professors of history and philosophy, are presenting "Seguin," 7 p.m., in LA 101. The film is open to all students.

• **The Catholic Campus Ministry** will hold mass for all students at noon in the campus chapel. Father Thomas Goekler, recently returned from six years of work with students at Central American University in Managua, Nicaragua, will be a guest. For more information call 383-0133.

• **The Residence Hall Association** will present the movies "I'm Dancing as Fast as I Can" at 6 p.m. and "Clean and Sober" at 8 p.m. in the WRH lobby as part of National Alcohol Awareness Week. Non-alcoholic refreshments will be served.

18 Postmark deadline for regular registration for the TASP test. Test date is Nov. 16. For more information call 381-2585.

• **UTPA's soccer team** plays Matamoros Tech, 4 p.m. at the soccer field.

• **An Alcohol Awareness workshop** will present lectures from the Department of Public Safety and the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission at 1:30 p.m. in the Ballroom. It is offered free of charge.

21 The American Humanics Student Association will present a seminar by Dr. Fernando Galan, of the social work department, on "Assuming An Ethical Approach to Management." The seminar will be from 5-7 p.m. in the Ballroom. For more information call 381-2145 or go by SSB 504.

22 UTPA President Miguel Nevarez will meet with students for a question and answer session, noon to 1 p.m., at the UC Ballroom. The event is sponsored by the University Program Board.

• **The Pre-Law Society** will meet at noon at LA 207.

26 The Theto Rho chapter of Alpha Kappa Psi is sponsoring a brisket barbecue, 10:30 a.m.-2 p.m., at the Edinburg Ebony Golf Course. Tickets are available from any member for \$3.75. For more information call the Alpha Psi office at 381-3370.

Deadline for submission is 3 p.m.

Tuesday at Emilia Hall 100.

Chief urges caution to combat auto theft

Roy Cantu
Reporter

If students keep their eyes open and report suspicious incidents or people, the theft rate could go down, he said.

Where crime is concerned, no information is insignificant, Salazar said.

The best way to prevent an auto theft is to install a deterrent device, he said. Possibilities are an auto alarm system, an electrical cutoff switch located under the hood, or a steering wheel lock.

The longer it takes to steal a car, the more likely a thief will give up on it, Salazar said.

To report suspicious activity, call University Police at 381-2737.

Living in fear is the wrong way to combat the recent incidents of auto theft, according to University Police Chief Greg Salazar.

So far this semester, three vehicles have been stolen at a rate of one per month, according to department records.

He said this is unusual because seven have been stolen since January, with one a month since August.

Thieves are targeting Ford and Chevy pickups, Broncos, suburbans and vans.

Graduate school fair set for Wednesday

Aurelio M. Tamayo
Staff

The office of Placement, Testing and Cooperative Education will host the first annual Graduate and Professional School Fair from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Wednesday, at the UC Ballroom.

"We usually have a Career Day in March," Derly Guajardo, director of placement and testing, said. "Nowadays, you need as much professional education as you can (get)...so we decided to set a special day for graduate recruiters."

Visiting schools include Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs,

UT Austin; Oklahoma State University; Our Lady of the Lake University; Southern Methodist University; Southwest Texas State University; Texas A & I University; University of Houston Law Center; University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign; University of North Texas, and several others.

"It is essential that students be aware of the educational opportunities which will allow them to reach their individual academic and career goals," President Miguel Nevarez stated.

The fair is open to all students, not just graduates.



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03689	EDCI-4312-01 ***ARRANGED***	DIR TEACH KIND	NONE
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03713	ENG -4325-01 T	COMPOSITION TECHNIQUES 4:30PM-7:00PM	EGLE COAS254
03715	ENG 4325-02 MWF	COMPOSITION TECHNIQUES 8:45AM-9:35AM	REIMERS COAS247
03711	ENG -4325-03 TR	COMPOSITION TECHNIQUES 2:35PM-3:50PM	SAETA COAS249
03679	MATH-3368-01 MWF	NUMERICAL METHODS 12:45PM-1:35PM	EGLE MATH106
03649	MUS -2307-03 TR	MUSIC APPRECIATION 9:10AM-10:25AM	SEALE FIAC103
03683	MUS -4208-01 MWF	CONDUCTING II 12:45PM-1:35PM	MUNN FIAB128
03663	PHYS-1401-01 MWF	GENERAL PHYSICS 2:45PM-3:35PM	NONE PHYS124
03667	PHYS-1401-A M	LABORATORY 3:45PM-6:35PM	NONE PHYS130
03669	PHYS-1401-B W	LABORATORY 4:45PM-7:35PM	NONE PHYS130
03673	PHYS-1402-02 TR	GENERAL PHYSICS 10:35AM-11:50AM	NONE PHYS124
03681	POLS-2314-17 TR	US & TX GOVT & POLS 7:45AM-9:00AM	FREEMAN LIBA107
03691	PSCI-1422-M M	LABORATORY 4:45PM-6:35PM	NONE PHYS138
03693	PSCI-1422-N W	LABORATORY 4:45PM-6:35PM	NONE PHYS138
03685	PSY -2345-01 ***ARRANGED***	PSYCHOLOGY IN LEARNING	WINKEL
03717	PSY 6315-01 W	ADV. BEHAVIOR MGT 4:30PM-7:00PM	ARNOLD LIBA235
03719	PSY 3343-01 ***ARRANGED***	TST & MSMT IN PSY	ALDRIDGE

OFF-CAMPUS COURSES FOR SPRING 1992

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#03703	MATH 1334.80	MW	5:45PM-7:00PM	PROGRESO
#03705	EDEC 4390.80	M	4:30PM-7:00PM	RIO GRANDE CITY
#03707	SPAN 1303.80	W	7:10PM-9:55PM	RIO GRANDE CITY
#03709	MATH 1340.80	TR	5:45PM-7:00PM	RIO GRANDE CITY

University Theatre performs updated "Mother Courage"



Photo by James Hawley
Deborah Trainor and Melinda Marroquin in "Mother Courage"

Sophia Peña Lozano
Staff

Bertolt (Baal) Brecht's modern classic, *Mother Courage And Her Children* will be performed by the University Theatre, 8 p.m. Monday through Saturday, and 2 p.m. Sunday. Monday through Wednesday are "Pan Am Nights," when students will be admitted two free per valid ID.

Director Luis Muñoz' adaptation, which changes the play's original setting (the European 30-Years War), to the Mexican Revolution, is bilingual (primarily in English), but will be easy for any audience member to understand.

"It's a play that I've always wanted to do. It's a powerful piece of theater," Muñoz said. "It's a challenge for everyone involved."

"Updated" in time and setting, Brecht's story essentially remains unchanged. It tells the epic tale of a mother and her three children, in their struggle to survive the bitter realities of war. *Mother Courage*, the strong heroine of the play, must come to grips with the power and failure of love and war.

Acknowledging that the Mexican Revolution is a more "relevant" setting for this area, Muñoz admits to a more personal reason for the change.

"I've always had an interest and fascination for that period in Mexican history," he said. "It's a very emotional and passionate period, and a lot of people have ties to it in terms of heritage."

Muñoz has toyed with updating the play for several years, but it was not until he arrived here at UTPA that he discovered the right combination of factors to make it work.

"Every director has a 'to do' list, and I felt the opportunity was here," he said. "The people and the theater and everything else here was right for it."

The central role of *Mother Courage* (or *Madre Valiente*) is played by

Debora Trainor, a drama instructor from Roma, in her first appearance on the University Theatre stage.

University Theatre veteran Melinda Marroquin has the role of the mute and meek daughter Catalina, whose kindhearted nature is tested by war's turmoil.

"This is the most challenging character I've ever had," Marroquin said. "I have no lines, except when I break character to speak to the audience. I react to everyone else."

Gerardo Gonzalez plays the elder son, Eliseo, who joins the army against his mother's wishes; and newcomer Ricky Uresti is Queson, the naive but honest younger son.

In their travels from army camp to army camp, the family meets a variety of people. University Theatre regular Jeff Marquis portrays an unholy man of the cloth; Tanya Dunbar is Yvette, a destitute prostitute; and Gil Guevara, Jr. plays *El Concinero* (The Cook), who has more than food on his mind where the ladies are concerned.

The remaining members of the company appear in a variety of roles, from soldiers, to vendors, to victims of war. Featured are J. Paul Roberts, Yanet Olesini, and Todd Krainin. Also in the cast are Dinorah Reyes, Abigail Sanchez, and Czar Salazar. The stage manager is David Montelongo.

The elaborate, multilevel settings for *Mother Courage* are by Tom Grabowski, and incorporate special lighting and visual effects never before attempted on the University Theatre stage. A special video projection system is used for period effects.

"We'll be using actual footage taken during the Mexican Revolution," Muñoz said.

Due to some adult language, no children under third grade will be admitted.

For information concerning tickets or reservations, call the University Theatre Box Office at 381-3581.

French company performs Saturday

Phillip Lozano
Entertainment Editor

Today at noon, professor Sarah Nietzel will hold a discussion entitled "Moliere and His Time" in LA 101.

A French touring company will present an abridged version of *Le Tartuffe* by Molière—in French—Saturday evening at 8 p.m. in the Fine Arts Auditorium. A series of films and lectures associated with the performance of *Le Tartuffe* to acquaint the public with Molière and his work has been in progress for the past week.

"*Le Tartuffe* is not only a French classic, but it is considered one of the great works," Diane Glazer, a lecturer in the modern languages and literature dept., said. "Molière's dream was for comedy to have as high a stature as tragedy...It is a farce, (yet) it meets the criteria for classicism."

Jean-Baptiste Poquelin, who assumed the name Molière, was born in Paris in 1622. *Le Tartuffe* was first presented in Paris in 1664, when it was attacked by critics for undermining religion.

"When it first opened, it received a mixed reaction," Glazer said. "It ended up being banned."

The prestigious Compagnie Claude Beauclair will perform the play in French, employing five actors in eight roles.



The Compagnie Claude Beauclair performs "Le Tartuffe."

The aim of the company, which has toured the world since 1970, is to promote French theater. During their 60-day tour of the U.S., they will perform at 40 college campuses. The founder and director, Claude Beauclair, has acted in theater and films since 1950.

This is the first time a French company has performed on campus. UTPA is unique among cam-

pus of its size and student population in the lack of international art and performance, with the occasional exception of guest artists among the Folkloric Dancers. Glazer feels this event is of tremendous significance.

"This is the first time, hopefully a beginning...though some people have remarked to me, 'But it's in French,' and I say, yes, that's the

point, you're not going to bring a company all the way from France to perform in English," she said. "It's multicultural exposure."

The performance of *Le Tartuffe* and the lecture series are sponsored by the department of modern languages and literatures, the University Program Board, the Office of Student development and the UTPA French Club. Additional sponsors of the performance of *Le Tartuffe* are the Center for International Studies and the McAllen French Club.

The lecture and the performance of *Le Tartuffe* are free of charge. For more information, call Diane Glazer at 381-3443 or 381-3441.

Entertainment Briefs

▲ RCA/Columbia Home Video has just released a quad of vintage bulldada flicks from the famed schlockmeister studio, **American International Pictures**. The studio was famous in the 50s and 60s for its "sex, blood and rock & roll" formula for low-budget exploitation films, and these four are among the junkiest and most entertaining: *Earth Vs. The Spider*, *How To Make A Monster*, *Blood Of Dracula* and, most memorably, *I Was A Teenage Frankenstein*. These enjoyably overwrought reels feature a mixture of Hollywood has-beens, 30 year-old teenagers, bad dialogue and the cheesiest special effects this side of **Ed Wood** and **Larry Buchanan**. Highly recommended for group viewing on weekends.

▲ *The Whole Toon Catalog* is a highly recommended resource for video animation connoisseurs, listing over 1,800 titles on cassette and laserdisc. For those who understand that cartoons aren't just kiddie fare, the number to call is 206-391-8747.

▲ Bulldada alert! The new Wal Mart is stocking **Rhino Home Video's Elvira** series of schlockfilms, chief among them being Ed Wood's "lost classic," *Night Of The Ghouls*, starring **Tor Johnson!**

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Ricardo Ochoa, freshman from McAllen, prepares for the Broncos' 4 p.m. game tomorrow against Matamoros Tech at the soccer field.

Soccer falls to 9-2 St. Mary's catches Pan Am napping

David Hinojosa
Sports Editor

St. Mary's took advantage of a lackadaisical Bronc defense to score three unanswered goals in the second half, en route to a 3-2 victory over UTPA Sunday at the soccer field.

The Broncos fall to 9-2 on the year, while the Rattlers, a NAIA Division I outfit from the Heart of Texas Conference, are 6-6-1.

St. Mary's Desi Guzman punched in the winning goal from five feet out on the left side after receiving a pass from Kyle Thornton.

The Broncos took a 1-0 lead in the first half when Pedro Diaz from McAllen hit from the left corner. The ball curved in and hit the side of the net. Mohsen Husain put the Broncos on top 2-0 early in the second half after getting a feed from Jesus Tavarez.

"After we put in the second goal, we just started watching the ball," Head Coach Eloy Moran said. "We were standing around and made mental mistakes. We didn't play the way I know we're capable of."

The Rattlers cut the Bronc lead to one when Thornton knocked in a goal on a penalty kick after Pan Am's Jorge Cavazos was assessed a yellow card.

St. Mary's tied the game about five minutes later on a header by Thornton.

The loss came before a crowd of an estimated 325. According to Jim McKone, sports information director, it was the largest gathering in UTPA's soccer history.

"I'm disappointed because I think the crowd deserved a better game," Moran said. "They were out here to support us. I wish we would've won."

See soccer p. 6

'Hungry' Broncs to face top competition at SWT

Runners prepare for SBC Meet

David Hunter
Staff

Both cross country teams face their next test on the road to the Sun Belt Conference Championships Saturday at the Southwest Texas Invitational at Wemberly, about 12 miles outside San Marcos.

Some team members believe they have one of the strongest teams

"We're hungry," Leo Rojas, freshman cross country runner, said. "We're hungry for the seniors and the seniors are hungry for the championship. And we're getting better every week."

We're hungry for the seniors, and the seniors are hungry for the championship. We're getting better every week.

Leo Rojas

UT—San Antonio's Road Runner Invitational.

"At this point we're catching up to (Houston)," Rene Guillen, who participated in the NCAA Cross Country Finals last year, said. "There's a lot of possibilities that we'll catch them late in the season when it counts."

"Everybody is working hard—getting good with hard miles," Harter said. "We're pointing toward the conference meet. That's the main goal, but we need to get in one good race. It's going to be a good test for both teams."

The Lady Broncos are running well coming into this competition, according to Sylvia Rodriguez.

"So far I think that we are doing pretty good," the senior runner said. "As long as we keep working hard like we are now, I think we have a pretty good chance of winning conference. We just have to keep up the good work."

The meet is going to feature some top competition headed by the University of Houston and North Texas, Harter said.

The men's team finished second to Houston three weeks ago at

Lady Broncos drop 4 at conference mini-series

Christine Diaz
Staff

The Lady Broncos put up a good fight at the Sun Belt Conference West Division Mini-Series this past weekend, but ended up short-handed as they finished the tournament 0-4.

"I do not believe it was the players or the coaching," Coach Rebecca De Los Santos said about the three-day tournament. "Just being realistic, the other teams were better."

Louisiana Tech improved their

record to 19-4 as they defeated the Lady Broncos 15-9, 15-7, and 15-10. Tech was lead by Jill Bisballe who contributed 14 kills, three digs and three block solos to the win. Tanja Thomas had 14 kills for the Lady Broncos as Carla Williams added 13 digs.

Lamar defeated the Lady Broncos 9-15, 3-15, and 7-15. Miriam Erickson led the Lady Cardinals with 13 kills and three digs. Williams had seven

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kills while Lana Wright added six for the Broncos.

New Orleans battled to pull a win over the Lady Broncos as they struggled to a 16-14, 15-12, and 15-8 win. UNO's leadership came from Javonne Brooks with 11

kills, and Ashley Dhon aided Brooks with 20 assists. For the Lady Broncos, Williams had nine kills and Wright contributed 14 assists. Candace Guillen had five blocks to keep the Lady Broncos' record at 3-14.

"We are in an extra tough conference," De Los Santos said. "We played against teams that are regional material."

Arkansas State showed their regional material as they defeated the Lady Broncos 15-1, 15-8, and 15-4. Amy Rengers lead Arkansas with seven kills and six blocks. Also helping with the victory for Arkansas with 14 digs was Amie Binkley. Both Williams and Thomas produced five kills for the Broncos, and Williams added 11 digs as well.

The Lady Broncos ended the Conference Mini-Series with a game on Sunday against Southwestern Louisiana. USL took a win over the Lady Broncos 15-8, 15-6, and 15-1. Kim Callaway led USL to the win with 14 kills, four digs, and five block assists. Ten kills were totaled up for Williams as Thomas summed eight kills for the Lady Broncos.

In addition, senior captain Cindy Viesca calculated four digs. As the only senior on the team, Viesca said, "I really did not think about it, this being my last year, until the conference tournament this past weekend. I am going to miss playing volleyball a lot."

The Lady Broncos continue their regular scheduled matches when Southwest Texas State hosts the team Oct. 22 in San Marcos.

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Mustangs, Cougars battle for IM title

The Mustangs, three-time defending champions, will take on the Cougars in the intramural flag football championship game scheduled for 4 p.m. today at the field east of the track.

The winner is slated to play the Texas State Technical College's champs Nov. 21 in the Turkey Bowl here, and will travel to New Orleans for the National Flag Football Championships this December.

In other intramural sports:

•Ler Lian Siong, freshman from Edinburg, was crowned the men's badminton champ last week.

The women are down to their final four with the finals set for noon today at the HPE II Gym.

•Racquetball entries are due tomorrow with games beginning Tuesday. Games will be held every Tuesday and Thursday during activity period at the HPE II complex.

•Volleyball entries are due Oct. 25, and games will begin Oct. 29. Team captains must attend a mini-clinic scheduled at 12:45 p.m., Oct. 25.

Entries for any of the sports may be picked at UC 320. For more information call 381-3673.

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Moran said the game will be used as a learning experience to prepare for the Sun Belt Conference Tournament Nov. 8-10.

"(The loss) will help us realize that each game has to be played hard," Moran said.

The Broncs played without the services of starting sweeper Marco Mejia because he had to sit out a game after being ejected from last Sunday's contest against Texas Lutheran. In soccer, an ejected player cannot play in the team's next game. Also, starting forward Ronny Cabrera was inserted into the game after the Broncs fell behind. Cabrera has been slowed by a bruised knee.

Golf to travel to Sam Houston

The UTPA golf team will play its second tournament of the season this weekend at the Sam Houston State Invitational Tournament.

The three-day event will take place at the par-72 Elkins Lake Golf Club in Huntsville. Fifteen universities are expected to compete in the tournament, along with five or six junior colleges.

The first outing for the Broncs was at the Woodlands Intercollegiate Tournament, where they tied for 14th.

Coach Tony Guerrero expects the team to do better this week.

"The guys didn't play as well as they should have," he said. "Elkins Lake is not as tough a course (as last

week's). The guys should do a lot better."

Charles Yoo will lead the five-man Broncs team. Yoo was the low Broncs scorer at the Woodlands, tying for 32nd.

Other members of the Broncs contingent are Daniel Rebolgar and Genero Davila of Mexico City, Joakim Peterson of Sweden, Charles Yoo of Vancouver, British Columbia, and Steve Bazan of Harlingen.

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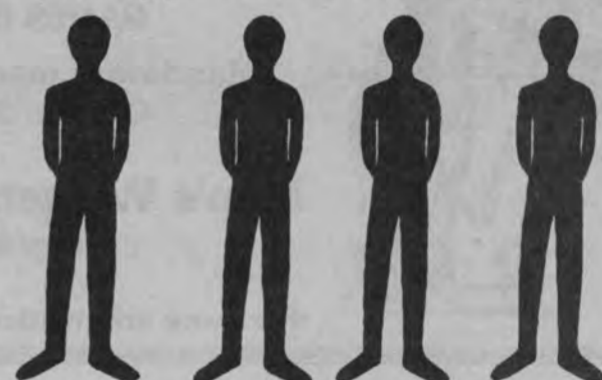
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Berlanga admits neglect of SGA duties

Melissa Downey
Managing Editor

The on-again, off-again beginning freshman elections have been postponed once more.

"Hopefully we can put (freshmen representatives in office) before finals," Carlos Berlanga, Student Government Association president, said.

As of Monday, he had turned over the matter to Edna Davila, election committee chairperson, saying she is now responsible for setting the election date.

The recent attempt to instigate a legal election fell through when SGA set a wrong date for vote-casting. The special election, according to the SGA Election Code, should have been set for 20 class days after the senate approved appointments of election commissioners (an action taken to clean up a previous mistake.)

SGA voted Oct. 8 to hold the election on Oct. 29 and 30. This allowed only 15 class days.

"Apparently the senate (overlooked) the error, Berlanga said. It was 'overlooked by everybody in SGA.'

Problems with the election first began when Berlanga failed to advertise for candidates, election commissioners or alert the press to the election dates, Elvie Davis, assistant dean of students, said. Instead, Davis said that under her guidance, the Office of Student Development had to take over these duties.

"I gave (Berlanga) ample time," she said. "I started reminding (him) early."

Berlanga said the notice reminding him of his duties "was on my desk. I neglected it, then realized it too late."

Meanwhile, Berlanga said he was "preoccupied with other projects. I did what I could. Yet nobody came for an application, and when I saw time running out, I was caught with trying to run with the ball without timing the clock."

He attributed much of the problem to the fact that there have been "a lot of projects (brewing) in SGA and so far none have come through."

One of these projects is a retreat being planned for about two weeks after the beginning freshman elections.

"One of the duties of president should be to plan retreats," he said.

A cost study has shown the retreat will

cost \$500, he said, and SGA is looking at soliciting donations from local businesses and possibly sending requests to SGA alumni for donations.

"The senate has to get together and focus

going and when we get there we realize it's not where we want to be."

He also said the responsibility of the SGA president overseeing appointments and soliciting volunteers and candidates is

Like an ocean, waves come and go. Sometimes we know where we're going and when we get there we realize it's not where we want to be.

Carlos Berlanga
SGA President

on goals and what went wrong so far and future goals and elections," he said. "...Even if we had it on Christmas, SGA needs it."

Berlanga said another reason SGA needs the retreat is because of what he calls a "Tuesday Senator" syndrome. He said many senators show up only on Tuesdays and don't work after that.

He said worrying about this retreat and other projects has hampered the organization from amply focusing on elections.

"...Like an ocean, waves come and go," he said. "Sometimes we know where we're

new. In all previous years, he said, the Office of Student Development handled these duties.

Elvie Davis, assistant dean of students, said this is not true and that it has always been the responsibility of the president.

"The Office of Student Development has helped out increasingly over the years," she said, "and SGA became dependent on us to do it."

When SGA revised the constitution, Davis said she suggested giving responsibility to her office, "but they said SGA wanted to

retain authority."

When Berlanga failed in his duties, "my office stepped in. I finally told him at the point where two candidates had filed and had confirmed, 'This is it. I'm not going any further with my office. You have got to get an election commission.'

"Carlos was even vice president last year," she added. "He ought to know. Our office was doing much more than we should."

She said the office submitted all advertisements and press announcements.

Meanwhile, Carlos said, "some (beginning freshmen) are voicing concerns. It's not like there's not any input."

He said SGA is thinking about placing an extra revision in the constitution to where the other senators would oversee beginning freshman elections.

"It would be a conflict of interest, but who would gain?" he said. "The senate would be the senate, the elections would still be elections. The commissioner would still (oversee) the count."

Berlanga said SGA will look "for a clause to get us out of this mess... We want to give beginning freshmen what they deserve."

Q & A session

Handicapped students speak out

Omar I. Rodriguez
Reporter

Representatives of Valley Individuals with Mobility Impairments confronted President Miguel Nevarez Tuesday on what they termed the university's failure to meet the needs of more than 500 physically challenged students enrolled on campus.

The group aired their feelings at a UPB-sponsored question-and-answer session, held so Nevarez could meet with students, making up for a "Meet the Decision Makers" session which he was unable to attend last month.

Rebecca Vera, Daniel Lopez and Sonia Rivera, representatives of the Valley branch of the National Organization for the Disabled, voiced their feelings toward the Resident Hall Association's lack of facilities accessible to the physically challenged.

"It's not right that we (the physically challenged) have to find a place other than the dorms to live," Vera, a junior, said to Nevarez.

Vera referred to the Women's Residence Hall and various computer labs as "inaccessible." Lopez said there were buildings on campus which do not have automatic doors for students in wheelchairs. Among them, the UC Center, the Ballroom, and the dormitories.

Rivera also pointed out how fire drills shut down elevators (the only feasible escape route for a person in a wheelchair) and prevent the physically challenged from

evacuating the building. Lopez asked Nevarez what could be done to improve the situation on campus.

"The school has buildings which were constructed before it was required to meet the needs of the handicapped," Nevarez said, referring to the 1991 Disability Act signed by President George Bush.

"The funds are there, that's no problem," Nevarez said. "Before we can remodel these buildings we (the administration) see if the modifications will be safe and if they will suit the needs of the handicapped. Little by little we've seen to it that the buildings are being re-modeled."

Lopez added that buildings constructed after the implementation of handicap codes are still not accessible. The library also does not shelf books at an adequate height and width for the handicapped to reach, he said.

Nevarez told Elvie Davis, assistant dean to students, to write out a list of grievances and he said he would discuss the problem with administration. Rene de la Rosa, UPB events and issues chairperson, said the board would hold a Disability Week in the near future to discuss such problems.

Lopez and Vera said they were not satisfied with Nevarez's answers.

"It's good that Dr. Nevarez heard what we had to say but I'd like to see some change on campus," Vera said. "Whether they have impaired vision, hearing, or are amputees... There are more than 500 physically challenged students on campus. We may be disabled but we are not

handicapped until you put a barrier in front of us."

The group's organization meets every third Saturday of the month at the McAllen Medical Center's cafeteria.

As the session progressed, SGA President Carlos Berlanga presented Nevarez with a proposal for increased security measures. The proposal calls for new outdoor lights, destruction or reduction of the west wall by the UC Center, and installation of security phones on campus.

Nevarez agreed the proposal would solve some problems and said the administration would find the best way to implement it.

Nevarez was later asked about the unofficial investigation by the National Collegiate Athletic Association of the basketball team. He said there was an unofficial visit by the NCAA in the summer in which depositions were taken.

Berlanga asked how the athletics department could maintain a \$1.1 million budget while other departments "are hurting."

An unidentified man attending the session argued, "one million is a drop in the bucket compared to the school's \$58 million budget."

Referring to the problem and how the public wants athletics, Sandy Rodriguez, director of student affairs, said, "the public should fund the athletics department through private contributions and allow more funds to go to academics rather than athletics."

A-Peeling Event



The Pan American/Mario Garcia

Judy Melchor, freshman, accepts a banana split at UPB's BYOB (Bring Your Own Banana) Thursday. The event, declared a success by UPB president Manuel Arredondo, was one of many activities held to observe National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week.

NCAA verifies testimonies this week

David Hinojosa
Sports Editor

Officials from the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) arrived here Tuesday to verify testimonies regarding alleged misconduct by the men's basketball program, Athletic Director Sam Odstcil said.

The officials are collecting signatures this week from depositions of former players and coaches, in addition to present players and coaches. Each who was questioned will review his statements and make corrections before signing them over to the NCAA.

The association talked with these coaches and players in the summer during a preliminary check into the program after allegations of violations were brought to the attention of the NCAA.

At presstime, signatures were

I've been advised to wait until the NCAA comes up with official charges.

President Miguel Nevarez

pending from Head Coach Kevin Wall, NCAA compliance coordinator Reid Harter, former men's coaches Dave Brown and Jim Schuster, and basketball player Jerome Chambers.

Odstcil said this move is merely part of the investigating process,

and that he does not expect further probing from the officials.

Once the data is collected, the NCAA Infractions Committee will review all testimonies, and determine whether the allegations, which include illegal payments,

illegal practices and car payments, are serious enough for further inquiry.

If further investigation is needed, President Miguel Nevarez said the university will have an opportunity to conduct an in-house investigation, and set its own punishment. The committee will judge whether the sanctions are appropriate and the NCAA will add

to the punishment if the administration's decision is deemed unsatisfactory.

Odstcil said the reviewing process may take anywhere from two to six weeks.

Nevarez would not comment on any further details of the probe.

"I've been advised to wait until the NCAA comes up with official charges," he said.

UTPA punished itself by delaying practice a week, after an illegal practice was witnessed Aug. 26, Nevarez said. The earliest NCAA Division I schools can begin practice is Oct. 15.

The Broncs, coming off a 7-21 season, began practice midnight Tuesday at the Field House.

'Great Pumpkin' bash set for Saturday

From "time-warping" to toe-tapping, the Carnival of the Great Pumpkin will allow students to celebrate Halloween a few days early.

The festivities begin 8 p.m. Saturday, winding up at midnight, at the University Center Parking Lot.

Food and game booths will provide entertainment, in addition to music by rock band Night Train.

Two showings of Rocky Horror Picture Show are scheduled at 9 p.m. and midnight tomorrow in the UC Ballroom. (There will also

be a showing Saturday at the same times.)

Admission to the Rocky Horror Picture Show is \$3.50 for UTPA students with valid ID and \$4 for general admission.

Those who attend the showings may compete in a costume contest with \$50 for first place, \$25 for second and \$15 for third.

A panel of judges will decide which carnival booth best displays Halloween spirit, originality, creativity and effort. Prizes will be \$100 for first place, \$75 for second, and \$50 for third place.

The raindate is set for Nov. 2.

Editorial

SGA president passes buck on election foulup

The great Student Government Association galleon set its sails for the semester but they have yet to venture out of the bay. Actually, they're more like a ferry boat with no freshmen to carry.

So much was planned and hoped for. There was talk of courtesy phones and a day care service. There was talk of lighting dark areas on campus, getting UTPA police to patrol the covered walkways and eliminating or reducing the size of the wall west of the UC. Ambitious? Well...maybe that's not the right word.

At any rate, SGA has spent so much time and energy on these causes, they have neglected their constitutional responsibilities. One needs to give SGA credit for some innovative ideas. In fact, they submitted a proposal to President Miguel Nevarez this week concerning security issues. But sacrificing the constitution even for these worthwhile causes is unacceptable.

However, today is Oct. 24 and the beginning freshmen class still has no representatives on the student senate. This was caused directly by SGA President Carlos Berlanga's negligent behavior when he failed to appoint election commissioners.

Now the election cannot occur Oct. 29-30 because it is not constitutionally sound. Berlanga appointed (and the senate approved) election commissioners Oct. 8. The constitution clearly states that the special election cannot occur until after 20 class days have passed. Oct. 29 is only 15 class days after appointment - constitutionally unsound.

So now, if SGA chooses to abide by their constitution, beginning freshmen elections will occur even later. Freshmen make up the second largest class (2,582 students) on campus after regular freshmen (2,991) but they have no voice in the esteemed student government.

This week Berlanga said that the responsibility of the freshman election was now on the election chairperson, Edna Davila. Don't look for Truman's "The Buck Stops Here" sign on Berlanga's desk.

Berlanga said the biggest problem is not having enough man power to take care of their projects. We suggest that he and SGA concentrate on recruitment so they can man their projects and follow the constitution. There may have been only two freshmen who filed for office, but SGA has truly fouled up the freshmen election.

And if Berlanga's lackadaisical attitude weren't enough, he's suggesting an SGA retreat at the island or in McAllen after the beginning freshmen are sworn in. It seems they are going to go over and forget other necessary duties, all in the name of initiating freshmen senators. If this need is so urgent, wouldn't a lock-in at the UC Ballroom serve the same purpose?

Sorry Charlie, but even taking the circumstances to heart, it's hard to explain why the freshmen have no voice in the student government senate. It's even harder to accept the fact that SGA is trying to work on numerous projects when they have so obviously neglected their constitutional requirements.

The last thing needed is a retreat. The first thing needed is to concentrate on getting beginning freshmen into the senate so they can express their opinions. The sooner SGA recognizes and works to correct this situation, the sooner SGA can venture forth.

Procrastination's out to rob your time

I sit in my chair, staring at a computer screen, or a blank piece of paper, or at a math book, or a vacation booklet, or some other thing that needs to be done; a task for me to complete. The one thing that comes to my mind is, "I've got the time. I'll do it later."

This procrastination, as it is sometimes called, is the greatest time robber that exists. It is one of the greatest causes for work not getting completed on time. It has caused shoddy workmanship and it is often associated with laziness.

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The main problem with procrastination is that it is so easy and there are so many things that make it easy.

Sleep, for instance, is one way to procrastinate: "I know that it will only take five minutes more of my time but I need that sleep."

And then there is the television. A



Stop, Look and Listen
David Hunter

television to procrastination is like a pipe to marijuana—it makes it all the easier.

Sometimes this procrastination just pops up without the aid of any outside sources and a person will just 'save it for later' or 'take a rain check'.

It should be realized that procrastination is a problem and that it can be taken care of, like alcoholism. Most university professors would be a lot happier if it could be taken care of—high school teachers too. The government (who would never procrastinate, God forbid) could save millions of tax dollars if they could just put a little time into effectively eliminating the waste of time.

If Anita Hill wouldn't have waited so long before accusing Judge Clarence Thomas, maybe her claims of sexual harassment would have been taken a little more seriously.

With all these good reasons to eliminate

procrastination, it is bizarre why no one has found its solution. The man who could invent a cure for procrastination would surely become a millionaire.

It seems that the Japanese have formulated a way to cope with it. A large amount of discipline and structure in their lives does away with much of their procrastination in the work place, but in working so hard they might be procrastinating on taking a break. Working and working and working is definitely just another form of procrastination.

Time is one of the most precious things around. People are always trying to regain lost time and trying to get more and more. Time has been running for countless eons—even before man came on the scene—and should man disappear from this universe, will undoubtedly keep on running.

As Lord Thomas Carlyle said, time is like "...the ocean tide..." and "...we and all the universe swim like apparitions which are and then are not."

It's obvious that we are in the frame of time and not the other way around so try not to let procrastination disturb the entire picture.

SGA:
Where will they go?
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Trade center may put Valley on map

McAllen has been selected as the third Texas city to house a world trade center - the largest in the state. This is Valley history. Not only will McAllen be 'put on the map' but First City Bank will not be the biggest building anymore.

Change has truly begun. What is a world trade center? It is a link to the rest of the business world. Valley businesses can join the center and be put on a list of buyers or sellers of whatever they produce or need. This can considerably expand all markets to numerous types of sellers. It may also make previously inaccessible products available to the Valley.

One of the proposed sites for the center is at Expressway and Ware Road, right smack between McAllen and Mission. What if those two cities decide to meld? This could make a city of 100,000+ population right next door to UTPA.

This big city with a world trade center and close proximity to the Texas-Mexican border will attract businesses, big and small. It will create jobs in the Valley, thus increasing employment.

But what else will these new jobs do? Companies will have to send people who know how to run them. These people will

The Better Half
Laura Esquivel

bring their families and the population will grow. The new families will assimilate into life as we know it. Or will they?

Jong Shin and Mohammed Shaheen, two Hidalgo businessmen, came up with the idea to apply for the trade center and paid the \$100,000 application fee. This says something about the local initiative. It appears that outside interests are the only ones with enough gumption to want to change this place. I'm not talking about wiping out life as we know it, but about bringing us up to date.

Newcomers have families who may not want to assimilate. They have their own ideas about how to live and raise children. The children are going to enroll in Valley schools and influence Valley children. This will be a slow but sure process. As resistant as the Valley is to change, we may not have a say-so. Change doesn't knock on the door and ask to come in. It's osmosis.

What else does the trade center mean? What about UTPA? Or are we too far from

McAllen to be affected by any of this? The most obvious consequence is the attraction of new students. This will mean higher enrollment for UTPA. With the new big city and more things to do, more students will consider it as the university of their choice.

Okay, so hypothetically we have a whole bunch of new people on campus. What does this mean?

Do we look upon the newcomers as encroachers? Do we fight any ideas they may want to implement? We could sit and wait. Maybe they'll leave us alone. We at UTPA have our own way of running things and new ideas may not work, so let's leave well enough alone.

But they will come. Should we try to be prepared for them? We have as much to offer as any university larger than ours. There is no reason to wait for someone else to jump-start us. The potential of this school is about to be realized and we are capable of doing a very good job at it.

Growth is inevitable. This university is not immune. If McAllen and Mission meld, who's to say Edinburg will not join them, or pick a city of their own to meld with? This could put UTPA in the center of a city with over 100,000 people. It could be a real step forward into the 21st century.

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Writer takes stance on Columbus issue

In reading your editorial from Oct. 10 entitled, "Columbus Day encompasses 2 views," I was saddened by the stance that you took.

Saddened because I was under the impression that this publication was liberal in its thinking. This is not to say that your opinion is one that leans towards the right and is strongly conservative in any fashion.

Indeed, if one's thinking is neither conservative, radically right, liberal or radically left, then only one ideological stance is left, the worst one.

This stance is the one in which you go with the status quo, never have an opinion, and when you do its not worth squat and take as many sides as possible.

I'm talking about the middle of the road, the centrists. Centrists are the ones which always answer "no opinion" when they are polled and prefer vanilla ice cream.

Getting away from facetious statements, and to the article in question, you state that there are two arguments being taken in the discovery of the Americas by Columbus. One of those arguments points out that the anniversary should be celebrated in view that it provided "a great renewal of human spirit" and that the Indians actually benefited by the introduction of the horse.

The other view, one radically taken by mostly the Native American population, states that the anniversary should actually be a day of mourning because of the "tremendous decline in the Native American population."

You then go on to say that the best thing to do is to just be aware of both positions. Well let me tell you that being aware of

both positions doesn't cut it and is extremely racist and disrespectful to the Native American population.

There was not a "tremendous decline" of their population as you say. They were virtually annihilated by the Europeans. As far as the horse being a big "benefit" to the Indians, they were doing fine without them for thousands of years.

To say that both sides have a valid point is tremendously incorrect. How can you put horses in the same league with human lives, million of human lives.

The people who compare what happened to the Indians with the Holocaust are right. It's time the American population realized that their ancestors, your ancestors and my ancestors were responsible for one of the most heathenish crimes of all time.

David Gonzalez
Communication/political science
senior

Hey, Doc!

I am a 19 year-old male and I have a penis that is crooked. What is it that I have? It is embarrassing to speak to someone in person, please reply.

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Campus counseling available soon for substance abusers

UTPA will soon provide services for those suffering from substance abuse, according to Assistant Dean of Students Elvie Davis.

A counseling program will be established on campus by the end of the year, she said. Staffed with a full-time director, it will be part of the Office of Student Affairs.

"I think this is overdue," Davis said. "University students are at the right risk for falling victim (to substance abuse). They are under a lot of stress."

Davis mentioned that UTPA tried a substance abuse counseling program about three years ago, but it didn't work out.

"There was a temporary program set up in the Student Health Services," she said. "The nurses there did not have the time to devote full time to it."

Drug abuse has become a major problem in universities across the nation. Statistics show that one in every five students is a substance abuser.

Davis realized long ago that abuse was becoming a problem at UTPA as well. The results of the last survey conducted by the dean of students showed a dramatic rise in the number of abusers.

"The numbers we got from that survey were pretty significant," she said.

Davis hopes to establish peer groups and support groups for both abusers and non-abusers. The program will distribute literature and will eventually build a library.

Davis is currently reviewing applications for program director and hopes to have a full-time person hired within a month.

Bulletin Board
October

24 Student Government Association will hold the Voter Awareness Rally noon-1p.m. at the UC Ballroom to educate students on the importance of voting during the Nov. 5 special election. Some Texas state representatives will discuss certain propositions, particularly the amendment to help finance the Hinson-Hazelwood Student Loan Program.

• **The El Sol club** will hold its first meeting during activity period in LA 125. For more information call Jose Angel Salinas at 381-6786 and leave a message.

• **Dr. Michael Weaver and Michael Faubion**, professors of history and philosophy, are presenting All Quiet on the Western Front, 7 p.m., in LA 101. The film is open to all students.

• **The Catholic Campus Ministry** will hold mass for all students at noon in the campus chapel.

25 The Center for Entrepreneurship and Economic Development will sponsor an import seminar in BA 116 at 2 p.m. Registration will begin at 1:30 p.m. Cost is \$20 per participant. The event is co-sponsored by the Small Business Development Center and the Export Assistance Center Ally network. For more information call CEED at 381-3361.

• **Intramural volleyball** entries are due in UC 320.

• **UTPA's volleyball team** plays Texas Southern, 7 p.m. in the Fieldhouse.

26 The Theto Rho chapter of Alpha Kappa Psi is sponsoring a brisket barbecue, 10:30 a.m.-2 p.m., behind the Echo Motel at the Edinburg Ebony Golf Course. Tickets are available from any member for \$3.75. For more information call the Alpha Psi office at 381-3370.

• **UTPA's volleyball team** plays Texas Southern, 10 a.m. in the Fieldhouse.

28-30 Patricia Ocana will provide free information on how students can get credit by examination from 6-9 p.m. in the Ballroom. Ocana is volunteering her time to inform students in these sessions.

29 The Philosophy Club will have Mahmoud Kabil as guest speaker during activity period at LA 111 to discuss the human and philosophical implications of the Middle East peace negotiations.

29-30 The Political Science Association will have a voter registration drive and provide information on Propositions 11 and 13 from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. at the southern entrance of the LA.

30 The United Methodist Campus Ministry will have a ecumenical worship service at noon in the Chapel of the Lord's Prayer. Rev. Paul Barton will officiate the service. Call 383-0133 for more information.

• **UTPA's volleyball team** plays UT-San Antonio, 7 p.m. in the Fieldhouse.

31 The Residence Hall Association will sponsor a masquerade party from 8 p.m.-midnight in Troxell Hall. A costume is required. The University Program Board will provide music by 2-live. All students are invited.

November

1 Deadline for Texas Guaranteed Student Loan applications for Fall 1991.

• **The Division of Health Related Professions** will be offering the special topic, Grief, Death and the Dying Process, for HRP 3310 - Patient Care. Taught by Robert Ecklund, the course will provide the student with practical and personal knowledge of death and dying, along with the process of grief in ours and other cultures.

Deadline for submission is 3 p.m. Tuesday at Emilia Hall 100.

-Correction-

In "Reason why we'll never make it big" by Andrés Esquivel Jr. last week, he incorrectly stated that the University Program Board hands out a student discount card.

Actually, Student Government Association gives out the card.

The Pan American regrets the error.

Trade Center could mean business for students

Approval of the Valley's world trade center comes as School of Business officials consider funding for an undergraduate program and degree in international business. The decision of whether or not to adopt the program will be made today.

Dean F.J. Brewerton said the degree could be offered as soon as

Spring or Fall '92.

"I think (the trade center) is a potential recruiting tool for potential students and even for job offers," James R. Langabeer, vice president of business affairs, said. "So I think it is a wonderful thing that is occurring here."

Students will be able to do hands on training and studies, with

professors consulting, when the center opens.

Mohammed Shaheen, senior vice president of Shin International in Hidalgo, and businessman Jong Shin financed the \$100,000 application for the center. The application was approved Oct. 9.

The estimated \$15 million center will be a network where products can be sold or bought by members through a computer network.

"Not just every little piddling town in the country has one of these things (a world trade center)," Dr. Donald A. Ball, international business professor, said.

"Anything that increases the importance of international business in the Valley and especially (in) the McAllen (area) is going to impact on our program and (it) is going to impact on our international business," Ball said.

The political atmosphere may be effective for new beginnings, according to one political professor. "I don't see a marketed kind of change there, but it may give the Valley a degree of greater political clout," Dr. Samuel Freeman, political science professor, said.

Phone registration schedule



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Lines are open from 8 a.m. - 6:30 p.m., Mon.-Fri.

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Oct. 25	S-Z		
Sophomores			
Oct. 28	A-C	Nov. 1	N-Q
Oct. 29	D-F	Nov. 4	R-U
Oct. 30	G-J	Nov. 5	V-Z
Oct. 31	K-M		
Freshmen			
Nov. 6	A-C	Nov. 14	N-O
Nov. 7	D-F	Nov. 15	P-R
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Marshall achieves sincerity at last in 'Frankie & Johnny'



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Michelle Pfeiffer and Al Pacino in Garry Marshall's urban romance "Frankie & Johnny."

Sophia Peña Lozano
Staff

Frankie & Johnny, directed by Garry Marshall; screenplay by Terrence McNally, based on his stageplay *Frankie & Johnny in the Clair De Lune*; starring Al Pacino, Michelle Pfeiffer, Hector Elizondo, Kate Nelligan; rated R; Paramount Pictures.

Director Garry Marshall leaves behind *Pretty Woman*, his saccharine-sweet "fairy tale," for a realistic look at love and romance. Pleasingly, he is successful.

Al Pacino stars as Johnny, a divorced, middle-aged man who has just been released from prison. He is no stranger to loneliness, but while in prison he has found something he loves to do — cook.

Johnny's loneliness is encapsulated when he hires a hooker and asks her if she knows the spoon position. Back in his apartment, they lie in bed, fully clothed, with the hooker curled around holding him.

Michelle Pfeiffer stars as Frankie, an unhappy woman who has seen her share of pain. Her unhappiness has caused her to close herself off from the world. Even her mother cannot break the wall she has built up around her pain. Frankie assures her mother that the unhappiness is not because of her, but neglects to share the cause.

Her only safe place is the restaurant where she works, Nick's Apollo Cafe. Here, her family of friends interact.

Hector Elizondo plays the proprietor of the cafe; Kate Nelligan plays Cora, the sexy but lonely waitress; Jane Morris plays Nedda, another lonely waitress. Her own withdrawal has turned her into an old and bitter woman.

Another principal character is Tim, Frankie's neighbor, who has recently escaped loneliness by finding a boyfriend. He provides the encouragement Frankie needs to return to the risky prospect of dating.

The great thing about *Frankie & Johnny* is that the characters are slowly built up, so the audience doesn't get emotionally cheated or raped (as in Marshall's *Pretty Woman* and *Beaches*).

Satisfaction comes from the characters and their realistic situations. These are not the cardboard cutouts he gave us in *Pretty Woman*. They are flesh and blood. They hurt, need and love.

The settings help reinforce the idea of realism. Rather than setting the action in expensive hotels and exclusive boutiques, *ala Pretty Woman*, the romantic leads interact in greasy spoon cafes, dingy bowling alleys and tiny New York apartments. After their first date, Frankie and Johnny get swept up in real passion and deal with the sexual responsibility of the real world. Afterwards, they feast on meatloaf lovingly wrapped in old aluminum foil. Frankie and Johnny learn it is still worth the risk to open themselves up to other people.

Frankie & Johnny, Marshall's most sincere movie so far, encapsulates all the good things a movie can be.

'Rocky Horror' returns this weekend

Phillip Lozano
Entertainment Editor

The Rocky Horror Picture Show, directed by Jim Sharman; based on the original musical play by Richard O'Brien; starring Tim Curry, Barry Bostwick, Susan Sarandon, Richard O'Brien, Charles Gray; 20th Century Fox.

The Rocky Horror Picture Show, a camp celebration of sexual awakening, pulpy pop culture, and divergent thinking, marks another year at the "The Great Pumpkin" Halloween celebration.

The film tells the tale of a couple of normal kids, Brad and Janet by name, who, waylaid by a flat tire, spend the night in a castle populated by strange beings commanded

by a...sweet transvestite.

The film originally began as a London stage musical in 1973. At the height of the ambisexual glam rock craze, *The Rocky Horror Show*, a kinky melange of low-grade sci-fi films, bisexuality, and rock 'n' roll, was voted Best Musical of 1973.

After producer Lou (*Monterey Pop*) Adler saw the play, he arranged to bring the show to his Roxy Theatre in L.A. The fantastic audience response convinced 20th Century Fox to do a film version (featuring most of the original cast members) produced by Adler in 1975. It flopped.

In a few cities, however, a core audience of fans developed who would return every week. A "libretto" of audience responses to the movie's dialogue also developed, and the world's first "audi-

ence participation" movie was moved to the weekend midnight circuit for a fantastically successful 16-year run.

Fan Sal Piro (now Fan Club President) noticed that audience regulars were yelling responses at the screen, and he helped organize the complex set of responses fans know today. The responses are set, so newcomers ("virgins") are advised to listen to the vets the first time. It is *not* a loose, drunken free-for-all.

The Rocky Horror Picture Show will be shown Friday and Saturday at 9 p.m. and Midnight in the Ballroom. Admission is \$3.50 for students and faculty with I.D. and \$4 General Admission. There will be a costume contest at each showing.

A special showing at Klub X is set for Wednesday night at Midnight.

'Mother Courage' evokes revolution

Leticia Cavazos
Staff

Mother Courage and Her Children; directed by Luis Muñoz; written by Bertolt Brecht; starring Debora Trainer, Melinda Marroquin, Gerardo Gonzalez, Ricky Uresti, Jeff Marquis. Tonight, Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. in the University Theatre. Students, faculty and staff free with I.D. General admission \$10. Due to adult language, children under third grade are not admitted.

This story was adapted from the original script, set in the European 30-Years War, to the Mexican Revolution in the early 1900's.

UTPA novice Debora Trainor plays Madre Valiente (Mother Courage), a woman who struggles through the revolution with her three children—who all have different last names.

Trainor is definitely one of the strongest performers in the play. Her anger and fervor to protect her children and resolve to survive is clearly shown throughout.

Veteran Marroquin is Catalina, the mute daughter. This is probably her smallest speaking part (she speaks only to the audience), but she pulls it off well. There is a powerful scene in Act II involving Marroquin and some soldiers.

UT Regular Gerardo Gonzalez is Eliseo, who joins the revolution against his mother's wishes.

Ricky Uresti is Queson, the son

whose character is summed up by Madre Valiente's words, "I brought you up to be honest because you were not smart."

Vet Jeff Marquis portrays El Cura, who propositions Mother Courage for a relationship beyond cooking and washing dishes. Marquis puts life into the role with his expressions and vocal ranges.

There is a slow motion scene placed for effect at the beginning. However, it is difficult to figure out what the desired affect is.

Credit goes to musicians David Gray and Carlos DeJuana, whose music adds to the mood.

The multilevel settings designed by Tom Grabowski, along with his lighting and special effects, highlight the play.

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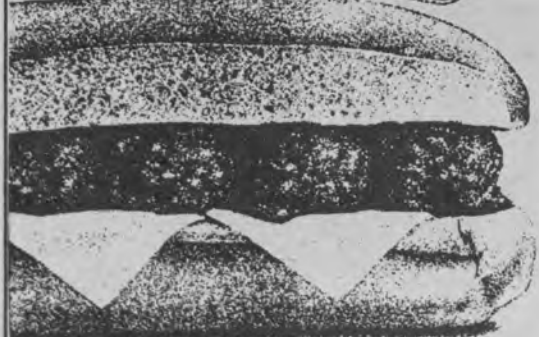
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Ronny Cabrera (left) and Demain Morquin, in the dark jerseys, defend against a Matamoros Tech player Friday at the soccer field. The Broncos won 2-0.

Men's tennis sets sights on Rolex

Christine Diaz
Staff

Three men's tennis players are concentrating on this weekend's Rolex Southwest Regional Singles and Doubles Tournament in Fort Worth.

Players representing UTPA in the singles division will be Michel Fabry, Richard Mainella, and Steve Jarrett. Fabry and Mainella will team up in the doubles competition. Other participants will come from NCAA Division I Region 6 colleges from Texas and Arkansas.

"This tournament is one of the biggest that we will participate in this year besides conference," Cross said.

Fabry was a finalist in last year's consolation bracket, but lost out to the fifth-seeded player.

"I am expecting to do better than last year," Fabry

said. "You never know what can happen with the players that are top-seeded."

The Bronc junior made his mark two weeks ago as he took a victory over seeded Southwestern Louisiana Hall Bohlinger at the Pinewood Invitational in Beaumont.

"I was not expecting it," Fabry said. "I do not think anyone was expecting it. I believe when it comes down to it, if you want to do good, it has to come from inside."

Fabry's doubles partner, Richard Mainella, did not participate in the tournament because of a shoulder injury, but he said it is "much better now."

Fabry, Mainella and Jarrett have been preparing for the tournament with "challenge matches" against their

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Cross country

Lost Broncos take 3rd, 2nd

David Hunter
Staff

A compass or a map may have served Rene Guillen well last Saturday at Wemberly, during the Southwest Texas Invitational Cross Country Meet.

Guillen was leading all runners when he took a wrong turn in the middle of the course, causing him to turn around and catch the entire field, placing seventh.

The men were still able to manage a third place finish. The women placed second.

Both teams are now readying themselves for the Sun Belt Conference Championships Nov. 2 in Orlando, Fla.

"(The incident) didn't concern me that much because it was a low-key meet," Guillen said. "I did know how to get to the finish line from the fourth to the fifth mile but there was a little 'S' in the course and I got confused. I think I lost about 40 seconds. At the conference meet, I'll review the map."

Head Coach Reid Harter said this is not the first time such a thing has happened to Guillen. He said last year at the UT—San Antonio Roadrunner Invitational he also lost his way.

A few other bad things happened during the meet.

"On the day of the meet, we got out late and then I got lost," Harter said. The women only had 30 minutes to warm up, as opposed to an hour. Then we left the meet and I took a left turn where I should have taken a right turn and I took another detour."

As far as the meet itself, "both teams did fairly well," Harter said, with the women finishing second to Sam Houston State and the men ranking third to Blinn Junior College and North Texas.

"North Texas is ranked higher than us in the district," he said. "If Rene hadn't gone off course then we would have beat North Texas by a few points. So to me there more positives than negatives and we're right we need to be prior to the conference meet. I'm looking forward to that and I hope we can just get a little better over the next two weeks."

The men were led by Hector Rodriguez, who finished fifth with a time of 25:40 in 8,000 meters. He was followed by Xavier Rodriguez, sixth place in 25:42. Guillen caught up for seventh in a time of 25:45. Tomas Ramos captured 12th in 25:55 and Martin Arteaga managed the 25 slot in 26:55. Joel Guillen closed in 26th at 26:59.

The women also had their problems.

"I fell down in the first 10 yards of the race," Cathy Tanner, sophomore, said. "Dimitri (Pierce) left her shoes at the hotel."

Despite the setbacks, the women were still able to hold a strong second place to SHSU.

The women's charge was headed by Sylvia Rodriguez's 5000 meter second place finish in a time of 18:09. Pierce took seventh in 18:47. Tanner placed 12 in a time of 19:07. Maria Cruz took the 20th spot followed by Laura Arteaga in 19:40 and 19:46 respectively.

Golfers finish 10th at Elkin Lake

The golf team fired a 611 to finish in 10th place at last weekend's Elkin Lake Invitational in Huntsville.

The Broncos, tied for sixth after an opening day 300, stumbled in the second round with a 611 to fall to 10th.

Oral Roberts ran away with the team title, firing a four-over par 580 for a 12-shot victory. Host Sam Houston State was second at 592.

SW Texas State was third at 595.

Sun Belt Conference foe Lamar tied UT-San Antonio at 598. East Texas was next at 605, followed by Arkansas State (606), Abilene Christian (607), the Broncos (611), NE Louisiana (622), St. Mary's (629), Midwestern and Louisiana Tech (637).

Oral Roberts' Lance Watson fired a 4-under par 140 to capture medalist honors. SW Texas State's Thad

Harbour got the silver with a 142.

Daniel Rebollar led the Broncos, putting together rounds of 73 and 78 for a 151 and a 19th place tie.

Other Broncos finishers were Charles Yoo and Genaro Davila who both finished at 153 at tied for 32nd; Joakim Peterson, whose 154 earned him a 39th place tie; and Steve Bazan who tied for 63rd with a 164.



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Mustangs take 4th football championship

Tonya Bailey
Staff

The flag football season ended last Thursday with the Mustangs defeating the Cougars 34-24. The four-time champions will now be traveling to New Orleans in December for the National Flag Football Tournament.

The Mustangs were debating at presstime whether to travel to Arlington for the Lone Star Showtime Collegiate Flag Football Championship, where the winning team will receive an automatic bid with funding for the national tournament in New Orleans.

"We really expect for the Mustangs to do well," Art Cabrera, intramural graduate assistant, said. "They have been playing together for the past few years and have also played in various city leagues."

The Turkey Bowl, a flag football game between TSTC's winning team and the Mustangs, is scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 21, here on campus.

In other intramural action: Friday is the deadline for volleyball (men, women and co-ed) with games beginning Tuesday. "We are hoping to get more entries for vol-



Carlos Lopez (left) and David Gomez battle for the football during the IM championship.

leyball," Cabrera said. "We're hoping that more dorm students will participate."

A mandatory tennis team captain

meeting is scheduled for Friday, Oct. 25, at 2:45 p.m.

Entries for 3-on-3 basketball are due Nov. 8. Male and female divisions will be open.

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teammates. "I am looking to win a lot of rounds for myself and the school,"

Mainella said. "The better we do, the more recognition (we give to the school)."

Jarrett is also looking to improve his individual record. At Pinewood, he reached the round of 16.

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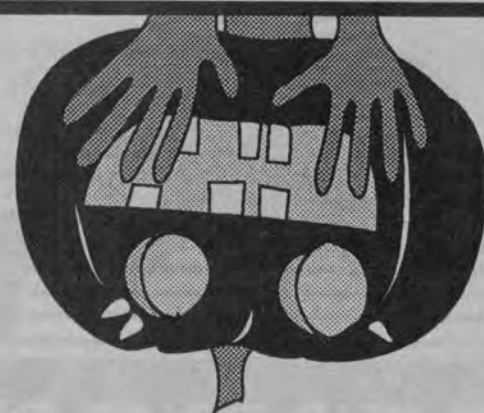
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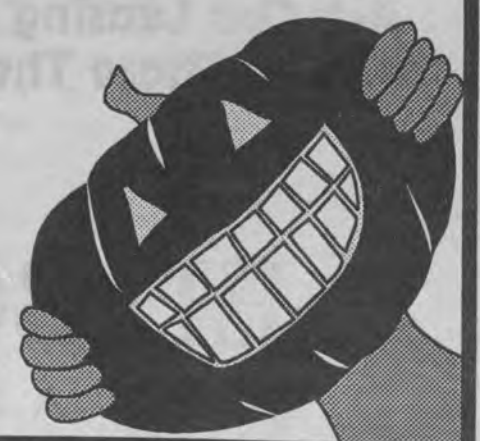
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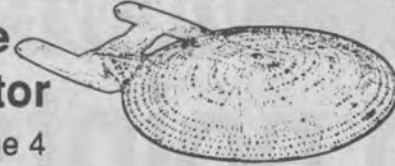


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Rally rouses crowd, state reps urge voter responsibilities

Andrés Esquivel, Jr.
Staff

Students cheered, applauded and held poster boards as state representatives and members of the campus community urged them to tell their friends and family to vote on the Nov. 5 special election during the Voter Awareness Rally Thursday, sponsored by Student Government Association (SGA).

Speaking to a crowd of about 60 to 80 students at the UC circle, State Representative Eddie de la Garza stressed the significant impact of Proposition 13, which will authorize the Higher Education Coordinating Board to sell up to \$300 million in general obligation bonds to help finance educational loans to students.

"You need to go out and tell your friends to register," de la Garza said. "You need to go home and campaign for this proposition or the money is going to be, again, a very small amount. And some of you are not going to be able to get any money so it's very important for you to get out and do what you can to get this proposition passed."

If passed, Proposition 13 will finance the Hinson-Hazelwood Student Loan Program, a major Texas student revolving loan program. According to officials at the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, funds could run out by the end of March 1992 because of the high demand for Hinson-Hazelwood loans.

The demand for loans in recent years has increased and with previous loans not yet due, the funds of the self-supporting system cannot cover all new loans.

In August, Texas voters defeated a similar proposition by less than one percent of the 883,000 votes cast.

"The rural areas defeated this program because they were afraid it was just another type of tax that was going to be imposed on the cities," Renato Cuellar, state representative said. "That is not the case. The people that borrow this money are the ones that pay it back after they get out to work in the work force. At that time they return the money so that other people can borrow it and are able to go into school."

Rep. Cuellar also asked students to vote on Proposition 12, which will allow an increase of the percentage of Texas water development bonds that may be issued for economically distressed areas.

"These are also disadvantaged people in the colonias," he said. "Just like the loans, this is money that is not spent, it is invested," Cuellar said.

According to the booklet, Analysis of Proposed Constitutional Amendments by the Texas Legislative Council, "this proposed amendment increases from 20 percent to 50 percent (or from \$100 million to \$250 million) the percentage of Texas water development bonds previously authorized.

Arnold Trejo, financial aid director, said students had enough barriers impeding them from obtaining a higher education.

"It is no secret that we rely heavily on student aid programs," Trejo said. "You are not voting just for yourselves, you are voting for future generations of college students."

About 150 UTPA students receive approximately \$250,000 in Hinson-Hazelwood loans annually and about 3,500 students receive about \$7 million in loans from private lenders.

"It is the duty and responsibility of every student to take action and show their support to vote in favor of these propositions," Carlos

See Rally p. 7

Student charged with sexual assault, released on bond

A senior communications major charged with sexual assault, a second degree felony, was released on a \$10,000 bond Tuesday, according to Hidalgo County Sheriff's Department.

Esteban Bravo, 26, of San Juan allegedly assaulted a female student in her room at the women's dorm Oct. 23, University Police Chief Gregorio Salazar said.

University Police arrested Bravo Tuesday, and he was arraigned before Justice of the Peace Guadalupe Garces.

'Great Pumpkin' draws costumed revelers, provides variety of food, fun, music

Omar I. Rodriguez
Reporter

A waning moon and a giant orange jack-o-lantern greeted visitors at the annual Carnival of the Great Pumpkin Saturday night.

The humidity of the evening was not enough to deter revelers from dancing to the sounds of Night Train, a six-man band. They entertained the crowd with such standards as Susie Q and Twist and Shout.

"We're really rolling it in! Hey, come on, two hits for one dollar," chanted a group of Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity, trying to attract customers to their car wrecking booth. The sound of crashing metal mingled with their yells.

"Yeah, we're really rolling in the cash. We decided to have a car wrecking booth because we felt the students needed to get rid of some frustration, especially with the parking lot situation as bad as it is." Phi Sigma President BJ Reeb expressed. The fraternity also sold Easter Seals coupon books.

Another activity consisted of costume and booth judging. The winner of the costume contest and \$50 in cash went to Cody Harris from Mission. Harris attended the carnival in a Joker outfit.

Second and third place went to Deborah Dove and Andy Sattler, both of McAllen. They were



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A small visitor takes advantage of a quiet moment before the Carnival of the Great Pumpkin gets underway Saturday. The Halloween celebration, featuring live music, food and game booths, was sponsored by University Program Board.

awarded \$25 and \$15, respectively.

Among the 27 booths, Juventud Hispana won \$100 in the Best Booth Contest for their original western theme food booth.

The Pre-med Bio booth placed second with their cake walk booth and the Euclidian Society (pre-engineering club) came in third with their Black Jack-o-Lantern booth.

The clubs won \$75 and \$50, respectively.

The University Program Board sponsored the event.

Phone registration 'better way of doing things,' students proclaim

Jaime D. Garza
Staff

Things are progressing smoothly with the new ASSIST registration system, according to students who have already registered for spring classes.

ASSIST stands for Advanced Services for Student Information Supported by Telephone.

"I think it's a better way of doing things," Daniel De la Garza, a senior finance major from Mission, said. "The students get to know right away if they're going to get the class or not, rather than standing in line for 30 or 40 minutes and then finally go up and...tell you, 'I'm sorry, it's closed.'"

De la Garza said ASSIST helps by letting students know right away whether or not they have obtained the desired classes, allowing time to adjust schedules.

"It's pretty good once you get the hang of it," Samuel Pérez, a senior kinesiology major, said. He said the only problems he experienced were not finding some of the classes he needed and not knowing how to enter the correct codes.

Iris Hines, a special graduate educational administration major, said she had to call several times to get through, but it was easier than the "three-ring circus at the gym."

"It was hard in the beginning to understand the directions and when exactly to press what key," she said.

Hines said she finds it hard to believe she has already registered and that she won't believe it until she receives her bill and affirmation of enrollment.

Assistant registrar Joni Thomas said the ASSIST will be in use for several more years.

"We want (students) to get used to using it," she said.

Thomas said complaints so far concern entering the student identification (social security) number and the personal identification number (PIN), which each student receives from his or her major department.

Students having difficulty with phone registration may call 381-2211 or use one of the telephones in

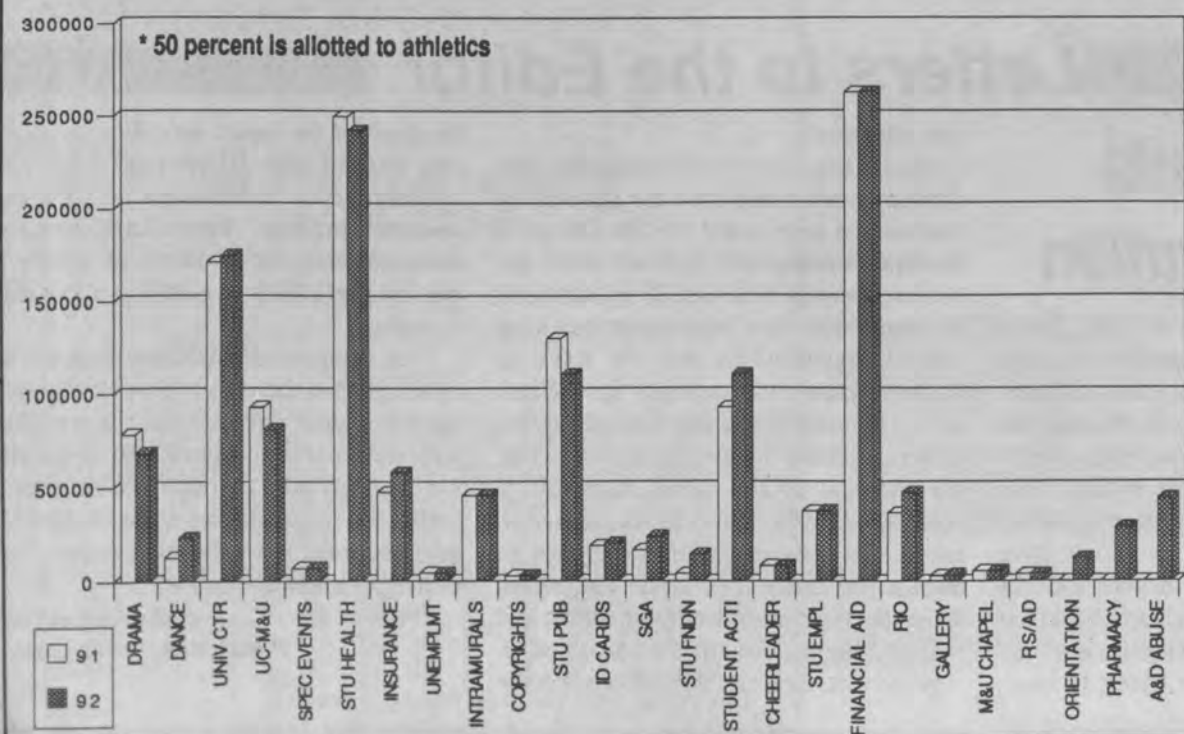
the Office of Admissions and Records (OAR) in Student Services.

Students who owe an unpaid fine or fee to either the University Police Department, Learning Resource Center, Office of Payments and Collections, Office of Financial Aid Accounting, or the OAR may find they have a "hold." Any student with a hold may check with the respective department.

Students whose registration times have already passed or who need to make changes can still call Monday through Thursday between 8 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. and Friday between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. until Nov. 20.

Students who need a class schedule bulletin may obtain one in the OAR.

Where half of student fees go



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Student government adds two to election commission

Gilbert D. Martinez
Editor

Student Government Association voted in two more election commissioners, discussed recent projects and planned for the Nov. 5 state election at a meeting Tuesday.

The SGA senate approved by majority vote Ceci Altamira, Edinburg freshman, and Ruben Alaniz, La Joya sophomore, for the election commission which now gives Edna Davila, election chairperson, 10 commissioners in all including herself. This action followed a request by Davila for more help on the elections.

"I requested two more commissioners to have as standbys," Davila said in a phone interview. "I don't want to fall short" by having fewer commissioners than she needs, she said.

Davila said she was hoping to meet with the election commissioners today to determine an election date. As of press time, Davila said the beginning freshmen election would probably be held the first week of December, which is the last week of school.

Senators discussed SGA's involvement in the leadership conference Oct. 19, the Voter Awareness Rally last Thursday, and their 'Jail and Bail' booth Saturday at the Carnival of the Great Pumpkin.

"It shows the student body on campus that even though certain themes or goals of SGA have not been achieved, others are and that's what counts," Ross Villagran, executive advisor, said in describing SGA's Voter Awareness Rally.

Michelle Lipps, sergeant-at-arms, said the 'Jail and Bail' booth made "a good sum of money."

Humberto Garza, acting vice president, said it was not yet determined how the money raised at the carnival will be used.

Little boy Bush points finger at Congress

Do we ever learn not to blame the other guy for our mistakes? Do we ever learn to stand on our own two feet and take responsibility for our mistakes? Well, if you saw President Bush start his campaign for another term last Thursday, then you saw a little boy rant that he is not responsible for the mess that the United States is facing.

Bush's strategy for his re-election is to blame Congress for domestic mistakes, which is a joke, since he finds domestic problems boring. This is not to say that Congress is blameless in the causes for our domestic problems. Congress is to blame just as much as Reagan and Bush because Congress failed in its duty to keep a check

on the executive branch.

I wonder what would have happened if Congress had tried to fight against a popular president like Reagan. Would Congress have fallen under the control of the GOP? That did not happen, but what a nightmare that would have been for people who believe in not just talking about being a point of light but actually trying to pass bills that help people. Bush does not equate this to being a point of light nor do most people. It can be hard to see politicians as points of lights but some do care about people. It just happens that the GOP is not made up of most of these people.

The GOP is mainly concerned about business interests and forgets about the

From The Corner Trinidad Gonzales

individuals of this country. Reagan did it and Bush is doing it now. This will affect Bush's plan to run for the presidency because he is not riding an economic high like Reagan rode in the 80's. That economic high may be Bush's downfall as well as many of the Reagan Democrats in this next election. The GOP has nothing to be hopeful about. This new strategy is an admission that the Gulf War victory is not going to carry much weight in next year's election.

When the Gulf War came to an end, people were saying that Bush is going to be unbeatable. Little did they know the Gulf War ended too quickly for Bush. The Gulf War was going to be a wave Bush could ride into the next election if the casualty rate was low. There were not many deaths on our side. I am glad because I had friends over there.

It seems to me Bush was playing with my friends' lives so he could be re-elected.

The economic outlook at the time before the war was not good and so Bush needed something to get Americans to believe in. What better thing to bring people together than a war.

The war is over and my friends are back

home and Bush is looking for new ways to be re-elected and one of those ways is to blame Congress for our problems. The only thing is that Congress has been tied down by his power to veto. The GOP has enough people in Congress to help him get his bills passed. What is going to happen to the GOP and the Reagan democrats? I think people will start seeing them for what they are and that is people who have no intent about worrying for others.

Yes, Bush had some valid points against Congress but he should include himself as well. Don't be fooled by the GOP's strategy. GOP represents business and most Democrats represent people. That is why the Democratic party is called the people's party.

Editorial

\$300 million proposition awaits students' vote

As election day approaches on Nov. 5, students who have not yet voted on the proposed amendments to the state constitution should make a point to do so. This is one of the rare occasions in which students will have a direct say in legislation that affects them and they should take advantage of their rights to cast votes.

One amendment on the ballot, Amendment 13, proposes the selling of general obligation bonds for up to \$300 million for a revolving student loan fund (or Hinson-Hazelwood student loans), according to the Analyses of Proposed Constitutional Amendments published by the Texas Legislative Council.

This amount is up from the almost \$80 million okayed in 1990. "Without additional money to finance the loan program," the publication stated, "the program will run out of funds for student loans by the end of March 1992."

The publication presents the following arguments against the proposal:

— "Although the state does need to address the issue of the projected increased costs of a college education, authorizing the issuance of more general obligation bonds for college student loans will only further strain the credit of the state and is not the best alternative for assisting the public in financing a college education. Other private, state and federal financial assistance programs are available to pay for a college education.

— "The system of providing loan financing to students has changed so much since the Texas Opportunity Plan Fund was established to provide student loans that it is no longer cost effective for the state to use its limited resources by authorizing the issuance of more general obligation bonds to support the Hinson-Hazelwood College Student Loan Program."

Also, only about 1.2 percent of UTPA students are on this loan.

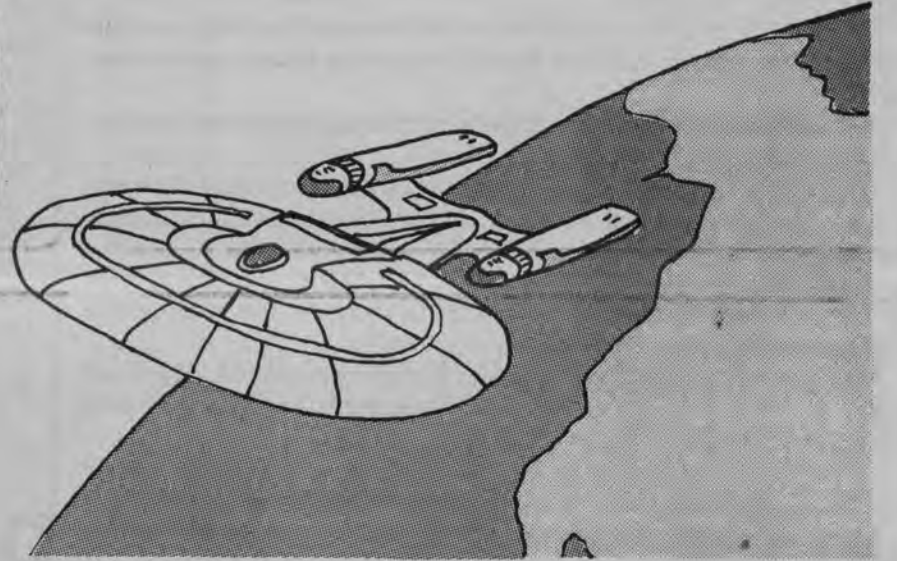
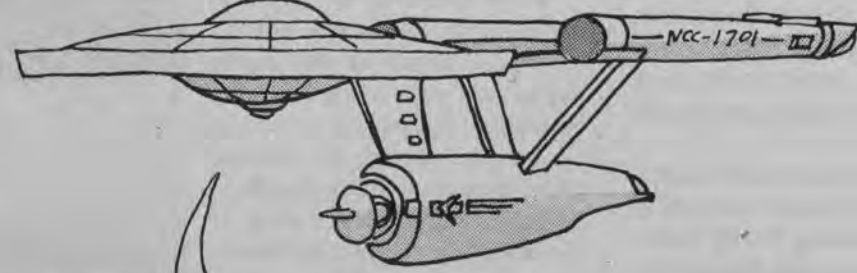
However, college costs will keep increasing—as will our national recession. According to the publication, availability of federal loans will diminish as well.

Fewer private lending institutions will be able to accommodate the growing need.

If we allow this fund to go dry, there may be no resources left for students to tap into.

Welcome aboard, Admiral Roddenberry. How was your stay on 20th century Earth?

Very strange... they worship a god called "Television."



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My brother can't roll with the punches

This weekend, after I came home from a book fair in San Antonio to find my brothers still sitting around watching television, my wife and I decided to invite my youngest brother to go up to Austin for Thanksgiving. Instead of saying yes or no, he said he wasn't sure. He was indifferent, and I was disappointed.

I mean, here I was lucky enough to go to the fifth annual Hispanic Book Fair and meet some authors I have read and admire, while on the other hand, the only book fairs my brother has probably been to were in some portable mobile home with a stack of books on a table at the high school parking lot.

One reason he didn't want to go is because he might do something wrong and people would laugh at him. There must be a way to look past this negative perspective and see that any opportunities to grow mentally should be recognized as just that.



The Other Side
Andrés Esquivel Jr.

While at the book fair, I went to a reading by Robert Bly, an extremely influential poet for several decades now, and after the reading, I went to get a signature and talk to him. I was the third person in line (I cut in front of this really shy guy). And when it was my turn, my half of the conversation went as such, verbatim:

"Hi."
"Andy."
"Thanks."

Can you believe it! I talked to Robert Bly! I was a total idiot and he smiled at me as he signed the book with some illegible marks. Anyone looking at the page will think I'm making up my story about my conversation since the marks in the book don't make any sense either. But that's the way it happened.

And when it came time to get Oscar Hijuelos, who received the Pulitzer prize, to sign my copy of "The Mambo Kings Sing Songs of Love," I was ready. I asked for his signature but I asked him to write some words of wisdom because I was a writer in need of some inspiration. It worked. Not only that, he took the time to ask me where I was from and what sort of writing I did. He shook my hand, wished me good luck and I went on my merry way.

I wonder how things would have turned out if I had reacted according to my brother's philosophy. I figure I probably would have left. I wouldn't have met Gary Soto, another well-known poet. I was speechless when I met him but he broke the ice quite well.

Would you believe he gave me a one-two punch to the ribs playing around? If I hadn't been so shocked at meeting him, I probably would have deflected and connected one of my own. He leads with his chin.

Letters to the Editor

Student calls for cooperation

Since my freshman year at UTPA, I have cherished The Pan American newspaper as a useful source on campus activities, student opinions and issues affecting the university. Being a member of two campus organizations, I take advantage of the Bulletin Board and if it were not for the Letters to the Editor, I wouldn't have written this letter. But in your Oct. 24 edition, you addressed a concern that has caught my interest regarding students and campus organizations in trying to func-

tion effectively.

I had a first hand experience with this concern when I attended the Leadership Conference sponsored by the Office of Student Development [Editor's note: the conference was held Oct. 19 in McAllen]. In attendance were representatives from several organizations and the issue of student apathy was brought up. When some representatives announced the solution of getting involved in activities like the Carnival of the Great Pumpkin, a representative from another organization asked if we were at the conference to discuss the carnival or leadership skills. When the discussion was over, all we had were problems, but almost no solutions.

In the Oct. 24 issue, the editorial on the

"foulup" of freshman elections by SGA, you suggest that "(Berlenga) and SGA concentrate on recruitment so they can man their projects." How can SGA recruit students when the problem of apathy is present and SGA is depicted as a lost ship at sea?

What campus organizations should concentrate on is the effort to work together against apathy and address the problem with reasonable solutions. Students will not want to join an organization that is ineffective. But until we work together as organizations, we will only become part of the problem of apathy.

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What is bulimia?

It is an eating disorder characterized by a pattern of binge-eating and purging.

Binge-eating is the rapid, uncontrolled consumption of large amounts of food.

Purging is getting rid of food eaten during a binge. The most common method of purging is self-induced vomiting, but some bulimics turn to laxatives, fasting, severe diets, vigorous exercise and other methods to counteract a binge.

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Scholarship deadline nears despite slow student response

Jaime D. Garza
Staff

Deadline for scholarship applications is nearing and little response has been shown yet, Sherri Walters, scholarship coordinator, said.

Dec. 1 has been set as the deadline for submitting scholarship applications for the 1992-93 school year. Notices have been placed around campus to inform students of the nearing deadline yet few students have submitted applications.

Walters encouraged students to avoid procrastinating and get applications turned in as soon as possible.

Some scholarships may require an essay, a resume, a university transcript, recommendation forms, or various other items.

Students may apply for as many scholarships as they wish, though some scholarships are purposefully for a person's major, ethnicity or employment. Scholarships vary between need-based and competitive academic scholarships

and differ in the amount to be awarded. The scholarships are provided by the university, local agencies and national organizations.

A scholarship guide can be obtained from the financial aid office in SS 186 from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. The guide provides directions and helpful information to applying for scholarships and includes a scholarship application. If you are applying for more than one scholarship you may photocopy the application.

Within the guide are lists of scholarships that are applicable, primarily for the fall and spring semesters, but may also pertain to the summer sessions if funds are available. Students should contact the scholarship donor for more information as to availability of funds.

In addition to the list contained in the guide are a number of scholarships posted on the showcase window outside the financial aid office. Any questions concerning scholarships can be addressed to the financial aid office or by calling 381-2501.

Bulletin Board

October

31 The Residence Hall Association will sponsor a masquerade party from 8 p.m.-midnight in Troxell Hall. A costume is required. The University Program Board will provide music by 2-live. All students are invited.

• Dr. Michael Weaver and Michael Faubion, professors of history and philosophy, are presenting **"Zorba the Greek"**, 7 p.m., in LA 101.

• **Solidarity**, a student democratic socialist organization will hold a meeting to organize and promote membership during activity period in LA 111.

• **The Catholic Campus Ministry** will hold mass for all students at noon in the campus chapel.

November

1 Deadline for **Texas Guaranteed Student Loan applications** for Fall 1991.

• **Minority junior and seniors** interested in attending Michigan State graduate or medical school should submit an application to attend the recruiting conference at Michigan State University February 28-29, 1992, in East Lansing, Michigan. Students must have a minimum 3.0 GPA. If interested contact Dr. Raymond Welch, director of the Honor Studies Program, LA 234.

• **UTPA's baseball team** plays a scrimmage game against Texas Southmost, 2:30 p.m. at Jody Ramsey Stadium.

• Students interested in attending the **conference and workshop sponsored by The School of Education Student Organization** should register by noon. See next entry for more information.

2 **The School of Education Student Organization** is hosting 16 college and university representatives in a luncheon and workshop from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. in LA 101. Workshops will include information on teacher certification and the EXCET. Olivia Besteiro, Texas State Teacher Association president, will be the keynote speaker at the luncheon. UTPA students of any major interested in teaching are welcomed to attend for \$7.95. For more information contact Jeanette Hawkins at 381-3501.

5 **The Pre Law Society** will meet at noon in LA 207.

Deadline for submission is 3 p.m. Tuesday at Emilia Hall 100.

Police Report

Oct. 25 Student was arrested for public intoxication and taken to Edinburg city jail.

Oct. 23 Student was sexually assaulted in the women's dorm.

• Radar detector, valued at \$140, was stolen from Lot F.

Oct. 22 Books and parking permit, valued at \$62, were stolen from a car in Lot I.

Oct. 21 Two female students assaulted each other in the women's dorm and were sent to the dean of students.

• Car window, valued at \$250, was broken in Lot C. A radar detector and a recorder, valued at \$200 were stolen.

Oct. 10 Four hubcaps, valued at \$320, were stolen from Lot C.

Oct. 8 A purse valued at \$90 was stolen from the Science Building, Auditorium #2

• A coin purse was stolen from inside the LRC on the fourth floor.

Oct. 7 A female student reported a male student harassed her near the covered walkway at the University Center.

Oct. 3 A University Police officer filed a complaint of disorderly conduct against a student. The subject was referred to a justice of the peace.

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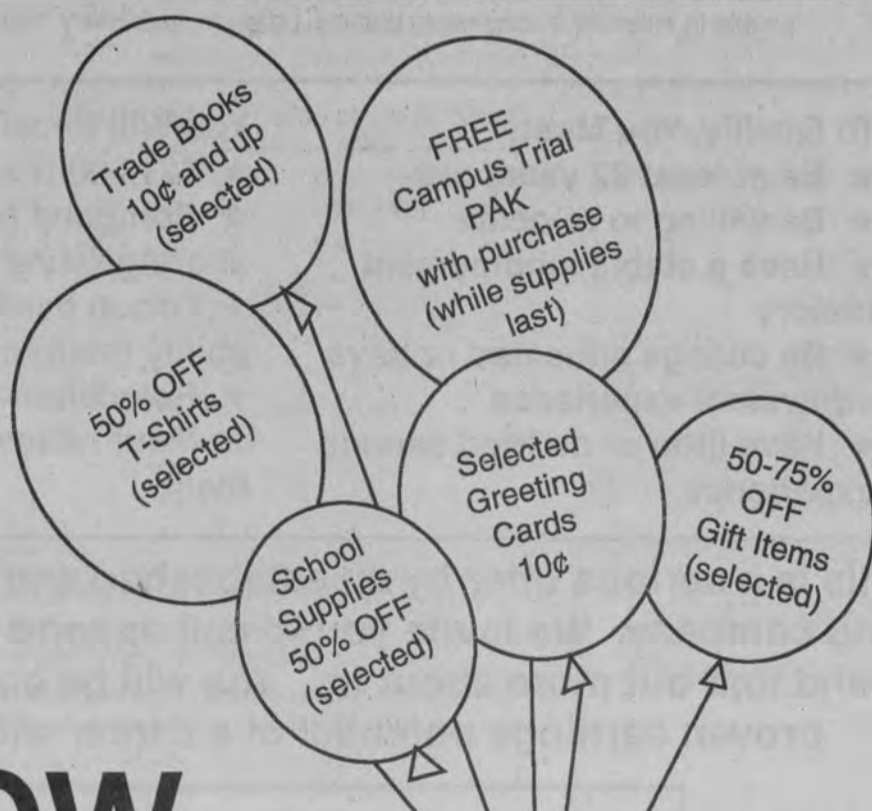
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FBI Information Session

Career opportunities will be the topic of discussion with Special Agent Greg Rodriguez (a 1968 Pan American Graduate) on Tuesday, November 5, Noon to 1 p.m. in Room 153 in the Student Services Building.

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Photographic exhibition spotlights MLK, civil rights era



'50s and '60s civil rights leader Martin Luther King, Jr. is the subject of a new photo exhibit that goes on display Nov. 11-27 at the Campus Ministry Center.

Martin Luther King Jr. and the civil rights movement of the '50s and '60s are the subjects of a new photographic exhibition that goes on display Nov. 11-27 at the Campus Ministry Center west of the UTPA campus.

The exhibition consists of 65 black and white action photographs, facsimiles of landmark documents, quotations from the speeches and writings of King, and brief narrative texts. It covers the civil rights movement from King's emergence as a regional leader in 1955 to his death as an international figure in 1968.

Throughout are images of King preaching, marching, and exhorting America to realize his dream, according to Dr. Andrew Yox, lecturer in the department of history and philosophy.

"One challenge of the exhibition is to discern the passion, endurance, and hope that King conveyed to the Americans of his generation," Yox said.

Yox is teaching a course this semester titled "Ethnic History of the United States."

The exhibition has been created and produced by the Texas Humanities Resource Center of Austin. Production of the display was financed by a grant from the Texas Committee for the Humanities.

The exhibit is organized in 20 panels and tells the story of the black struggle for equality.

Yox said a reception from 7 to 9 p.m. Nov. 10 will provide an early viewing of the exhibit, a movie on King titled *Amazing Grace*, and refreshments.

The showing of the film is sponsored by a grant from the U.S. Department of Education, the Catholic Campus Ministry, and Phi Alpha Theta, the history honors society.

The exhibit will be on display at the Campus Ministry Center, 1615 W. Kuhn off Sugar Road, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on weekdays. Admission is free for both the exhibit and the special reception.

Clapton delivers goods on '24 Nights'

Phillip Lozano
Entertainment Editor

Eric Clapton, *24 Nights*, produced by Russ Titelman; Duck Records/Reprise (9 26420-4).

This double live album is a fine compilation of live tracks from Eric Clapton's series of 24 performances at the Royal Albert Hall in 1990 and 1991. While not quite comprehensive, it covers a generous span of his career and a variety of styles.

The construction of the package is intriguing. The first selection (side one on the cassette) is the

"four piece band," spotlighting two old Cream tunes ("Sunshine Of Your Love" and "White Room"). The delivery is masterful and impassioned, surprising in an era when tired rehashing of old hits has become *de rigueur* among rock dinosaurs.

The second part features the incredible blues line-up from the '90 tour, with blues legend Buddy Guy and legend-in-waiting Robert Cray on guitars. A hot rendition of "Hoodoo Man" features Jimmie Vaughan.

The "nine-piece band" takes the stage in the third section, spotlighting Clapton's more "pop" material. A good lineup, but artistically the weakest of the collection.

The same lineup is teamed with the National Philharmonic Orchestra (under the direction of Michael Kamen) for the "Orchestra" section, which closes out the set. Kamen's adornments seem more novelty than necessity, but Clapton's vocals sift through the strings with little trouble, his weathered croon conveying enough passion to break a hard heart. Ray Charles' "Hard Times" is particularly powerful, a grand statement in blues and tears.

This set is primarily for Slowhand fans, but anyone who appreciates good blues should enjoy it. The packaging and timing make this a natural Christmas gift selection.



"Slowhand" Eric Clapton jams on the new live LP "24 Nights."

Gene Roddenberry dies at 70

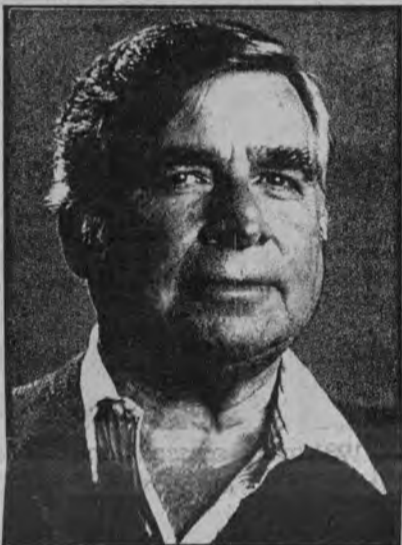
Phillip Lozano
Entertainment Editor

Star Trek creator Gene Roddenberry, "the Great Bird of the Galaxy," died of a heart attack last Thursday. He was 70.

The facts of his life have been regurgitated by every news service in America the past few days. Born in El Paso on Aug. 19, 1921. Flew 89 missions as a pilot in WW II. Survived a flaming plane crash in Syria as a pilot for Pan Am. Was a police officer in L.A. while contributing scripts for *Dragnet*. Presented the idea for *Star Trek* to an ailing Desilu Studios in 1964. Did two full-length pilots for it before it was accepted by a quizzical NBC. Produced the first movie in 1979 and created a second version of the TV series in 1987. Died Oct. 24, 1991.

This tells us next to nothing. Even when one quotes the standard litany on why *Trek* was so popular ("it was a positive vision of the future"), the refrain sounds clichéd. We're all grown up now, out of the Peace Corps idealism/imperialism of the '60s and into the hyper-paranoid political correctness of the '90s. With an apparent end to the hot phase of the Cold War, we're not as worried about being nuked out of existence, but we're not looking through rose-tinted glasses at the 21st century, either.

Why then the importance of the man and his product when the proffered reasons sound so hollow? Are we that enthralled by make-believe spaceships whizzing by at impossible speeds? Does Roddenberry's contribution to the American cultural consciousness



Gene Roddenberry

amount to nothing more than a nifty special effect?

Of course not. Dammit, Jim, you're being too cynical.

As corny as it sounds, it is the positive vision thing that made Roddenberry so important, revered and loved. At a time when our whole cultural establishment was being eradicated by revolutions of various types, *Trek* came on the scene to let us know that the whole thing wasn't going to end up in a radioactive flash. Here was a man (a man over thirty, mind you) telling stories about a future that had conquered almost all of our social ills; war, famine, disease, ideological and class conflict were things of the far past, that mysterious 20th century that changed human destiny. We were in a historical turning point, yes, but it was only a turning point, not the end.

More than that, the future of *Trek* was a place that many of us wanted to be, and the characters were people we wanted to be like. He-

roes. Moral, upright, yet utterly human. Even Spock. Especially Spock.

What most of us forget is that much of our psychological well being depends on our feelings about the future. Not necessarily a future of starships and transporters, but a hope that tomorrow will be a better world, a world worth waiting for. A future worth living for. Otherwise, what's the point?

Roddenberry did not offer us a fairy tale. His is a future that could be, if we only try, if we only learn to transcend our selfishness and work together as a species and a member of the cosmic community. A future not afraid of offering kindness before cruelty, acceptance before suspicion. This was not reflective of a sugar-coated TV view of the world. This was Roddenberry.

There was a particular *Trek* fan who was stricken by Muscular Dystrophy, George La Forge. Roddenberry saw the impact that *Star Trek* had on him, how it gave him hope. The Roddenberrys befriended him, inviting him to their home and to the set of the first movie. Before La Forge died, Roddenberry had made him an honorary Admiral of Star Fleet.

His name lives on in the character of Geordi La Forge, the blind engineer on *The Next Generation's* U.S.S. *Enterprise*. George La Forge's parents felt that the act of Roddenberry's naming of the character had given him an existence beyond the confines of his ravaged body. A place in a good future.

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The horror of 'Rocky Horror'

MediaCritic

Phillip Lozano
Entertainment Editor

Well...where to begin?
After the *Rocky Horror Picture Show* fiasco Saturday night, UPB might well be advised to eliminate this particular tradition. It was very clear from the animalistic behavior of the audience that the crowd of veteran *Rocky* fans that made the annual showings such a success have all graduated and now stay home for *Rocky* parties with the videocassette.

In the 10 years that this writer has attended, Saturday's midnight show was the absolute worst. Despite warning posters declaring that UPB reserved the right to refuse admittance and eject troublemakers, a crowd of underage alcoholics were permitted to enter and indulge their oralistic whims.

The crowd, unschooled in *Rocky* horror etiquette, apparently took the "audience participation" tag in the advertising to mean that permission was granted for an anar-

chic free-for-all. The intoxicated attendees threw wet paper wads at the screen and each other, fired high-pressure water guns into each other's faces (including the eyes), aimed missiles of various types at others and started small fires with the UPB-supplied matches.

The participating *Rocky* vets fared the worst, serving as targets for the crowd's cruel reverie. The pathetic sound system was easily drowned out by the loud, politically incorrect addresses on transvestitism emanating from the barking masses.

However, if UPB wants to continue this once good-humored event, certain things should be done:

1) Prohibit outside props. Although the proper celebration of the RHPS ritual requires certain materials (rice, newspapers, toast, etc.), UPB should not let patrons bring in their own, such as the catsup that was squirted at the veterans. UPB has been supplying their own props for several years, so they should just make do with that.

Another recommendation on this subject: Absolutely no matches or

lighters for "There's a Light." Substitute flashlights.

2) Check for alcohol use. It is relatively easy to tell if a patron has been drinking: smell the breath and observe the behavior. Do not permit those people in.

3) Hire an experienced bouncer or two. UPB has proven squeamish about ejecting troublemakers, despite stated policy. Experienced bouncers have no such qualms.

4) Get a better sound system. Sound problems are the quickest way to create an ugly crowd.

5) Coordinate with *The Pan American* a brief "etiquette guide" to help prevent misunderstanding among newcomers ("virgins").

6) Eliminate general admission. As lucrative as the outside business might be, the undisciplined, often intoxicated minors that frequent the show are a large part of the crowd problem. Require at least one University ID per two patrons.

7) Eliminate the virgin sale. It's stupid and it wastes time, making the crowd antsy.

8) Finally, be willing to stop the film if things get out of hand. Of course, this could cause a riot, but at least UPB would have the moral high ground.

That's it. Recommendation from a 10-year vet...kill it off. It has turned into an embarrassing spectacle of vile behavior. Otherwise, take the proper precautions.



Laura K. Kertesz/The Pan American
French actress Dominique Chagnaud of Le Compagnie Claude Beauclair prepares backstage for her role as Elmire in Molière's "Le Tartuffe," which was presented Oct. 14.

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Today's word game: a famous quote

First, solve the individual puzzles:

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Opposite of take O O O O

Flying machine O - - - - -

Spanish for "free" - O O O - O

Professional killer O O O - - - -

Now, combine all circled letters:

"____, give ____."

Solution Next Week!

Author John Nichols to speak here in Nov.

The author of *The Milagro Beanfield War* and other novels will speak here about his works Nov. 13 and 14.

He is John Nichols, novelist, nonfiction writer, and essayist. Nichols' first novel, *The Sterile Cuckoo* (1965), gained him national recognition, according to Dr. Bob Dowell, professor of English and coordinator of the Living Author Series.

Nichols' second novel was *The Wizard of Loneliness*. Other works are *The Magic Journey*, *The Nirvana Blues*, *A Ghost in the Music*, and *American Blood*. Nonfiction works include *If Mountains Die* (with William Davis), *The Last Beautiful Days of Autumn*, *On the Mesa* and *A Fragile Beauty*.

Almost a decade after his first novel, Nichols again received national acclaim, this time for *The Milagro Beanfield War* (1974), the first book in his New Mexico Trilogy. Several works became movies and received considerable popular acclaim in that art form as well.

Currently available in bookstores is Nichols' latest work, a nonfiction piece called *The Sky's the Limit*. It focuses on the environment.

Nichols will speak at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 13, and at noon Thursday, Nov. 14, in the Fine Arts Auditorium. Tickets are \$5 for each event and may be purchased at CAS 211 or at the door.

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Runners trek to Orlando

Pan Am dives into new waters at Sun Belt Meet

David Hunter
Staff

The cross country teams face their toughest challenge of the season this weekend when they travel to Orlando, Fla. to compete in the Sun Belt Conference Championship.

The Lady Broncs, who won three straight championships in the now-defunct American South Conference, are now the underdogs going into the meet behind Western Kentucky.

"I think we can pull it off if we go in with a strong heart, mind and the right attitude," Dimitri Pierce said. "If you average out all of our times against Western Kentucky we still come out second, but we know what each of us can do and that puts us at a kind of advantage. We've seen their best times and they've seen ours but we know that we're capable of doing better under different circumstances."

The women's team will be led by Sylvia Rodriguez, Dimitri Pierce, Cathy Tanner, Christine Diaz, Elizabeth Ortega, Maria Cruz and Valerie Soto.

Freshman Elizabeth Ortega says she get's "pumped up" thinking about the conference championships.

"I'm not the only new person going into this race," Ortega said. "Everyone is just going out to run the best race possible. We're just trying to do the best we can. There's nothing more we can ask."

Western Kentucky will also be the team to beat in the men's division. South Alabama is also considered a top contender.

"It's going to take a lot of team work," Hector Rodriguez said. "Our fifth man will have to come in the top twenty and the rest of us will have to do well also."

The Broncs will make a run at the conference title with Rene Guillen, Javier Rodriguez, Tomas Ramos Hector Rodriguez, Martin Arteaga, Leo Rojas and Joel Guillen.

Martin Arteaga, who has been the fifth man on the team for much of the year, just wants to run his best race.

"It's not only the fifth man because we have seven and any of the last men can come in and pull the line," Arteaga said.

I think we can pull it off if we go in with a strong heart, mind and the right attitude.

Dimitri Pierce

Lady Broncs split 2 with Texas Southern

The UTPA volleyball team split a pair of games with Texas Southern this weekend.

On Friday the Lady Broncs lost the first two games 15-10, and 15-7. They won the third game 15-4 before falling in the fourth game 15-11.

Carla Williams led UTPA in kills with 20. Tanja Thomas added 15. Lana Wright had three digs to lead the Lady Broncs.

Texas Southern's Shannon Augustine and Sharon Simpson had 11 kills each. Deidre Brown led the team with 22 assists and added seven digs.

On Saturday, the Lady Broncs won the first game 15-12, then lost the second and third games 15-9, and 15-7. Then they won the last two games 15-7 and 15-13.

Thomas led UTPA in kills with 17, followed by Williams with 14. Wright had 37 assists and 10 digs, and Tracy Mooney had 7 blocks.

TSU's Simpson had 11 kills, and Brown had 27 assists and 13 digs.

The Lady Broncs played their last game of the season last night. Results were not available at press time.



The Pan American/Jay Lewis

Tracy Mooney, freshman from Anoka, Minn., anticipates a serve from Texas Southern Friday. The Lady Broncs lost the game 10-15, 7-15, 15-4, 11-15.

UTPA names new women's basketball assistant

Tammy Beresford, a basketball star at three levels of competition in New Mexico, Arizona and Missouri, was recently named assistant women's basketball coach.

She earned USA Today All-American honors at Hot Springs High in Truth or Consequences, N.M. She starred for Central Arizona Junior College in Casa Grande and also at the University of Missouri-Kansas City.

"In the short time I've been working with her this month she has exhibited an intensity that I really like and she seems to have good knowledge of the game," Hicks said. "She seems to relate real well with the players."

"This was just a great opportunity for me to come here and coach and

(Beresford) seems to have good knowledge of the game.

Tim Hicks

work toward my master's," Beresford said. "I wanted eventually to do this. I just didn't think it would come this quick."

Beresford averaged 28 points and led her high school in rebounds, steals and assists. She made All-State in both basketball and volleyball, being New Mexico's Player of

the Year in volleyball, and Co-Player in basketball.

At Central Arizona she helped her team finish fifth in the nation as a freshman and fourth as a sophomore. Her two years there, the Lady Vaqueras won 61 games and lost three.

She earned All-Conference honors at UMKC and was named Lady 'Roo of the Year when she was a senior. That year, they compiled a 19-11 record and led the nation in defense, allowing just over 50 points per game.

Beresford is 23. Her parents, Harvey and Gloria Dines, live in Truth or Consequences, N. M. She has two sisters and three brothers.



Tammy Beresford

Sun Belt Conference Cross Country Championships Nov. 2, 1991, University of Central Florida, Orlando

Coaches' Predicted Order of Finish

Men's Pos.	Team (First-place votes)	Points
1.	Western Kentucky (6)	99
2.	South Alabama (3)	97
3.	UTPA	79
4.	Louisiana Tech	70
5.	Lamar	65
6.	Arkansas-Little Rock	61
7.	Southwestern Louisiana (1)	60
8.	Arkansas State	56
9.	Central Florida	23
10.	Jacksonville	21
11.	New Orleans	20

Women's Pos.	Team (First-place votes)	Points
1.	Western Kentucky (5)	101
2.	UTPA (2)	95
3.	South Alabama (3)	86
4.	Arkansas-Little Rock	84
5.	Louisiana Tech	67
6.	Arkansas State	55
7.	Southwestern Louisiana	48
8.	Jacksonville	32
9.	Lamar	27
10.	Central Florida	26
	New Orleans	26

Road trip takes toll on soccer; Broncs beat West Texas, tie Trinity

David Hinojosa
Sports Editor

The Bronc soccer team escaped last week's strenuous road trip with a win over West Texas State and a tie with Trinity.

Freshman midfielder Alector Cardenas booted in the winning goal after a rebound off a Buffalo player during the second half in the Broncs' 2-1 victory over West Texas State in Amarillo Friday.

Cabrera put Pan Am on the board first with a feed from Cardenas about ten minutes through the second half. The Buffaloes' Brandon Tucker tied the score about two minutes later.

The Broncs and Trinity played to a 0-0 tie in double overtime in San Antonio Sunday. Pan Am goalie Freddy Sanguinetti saved 12 shots against the No. 5 team in the NCAA's Division III South Central Region. Tiger goalie Evan Moser had seven saves.

Head Coach Eloy Moran described the game as physical. Senior Ronny Cabrera was taken to the hospital after suffering a concussion when a Tiger player struck him with an elbow. Cabrera had to have five stitches under his left eye.

Moran was pleased with how the team retained its composure after Cabrera's injury.

"Our team responded, not with physical violence, but with mental discipline," he said. "Trinity played us a lot more physically than I expected. They tried to do everything they could against a Division I team."

Junior midfielder Demain Morquin was awarded a yellow card, his fifth of the season, and will have to sit out UTPA's next game. According to soccer rules, after a player accu-

mulates five yellow cards, he is ineligible for the next game.

UTPA's next game will be Sunday in Shreveport, La. against Centenary. The game should provide good Sun Belt Conference Tournament training for the Broncs because of the European style of play the Louisiana squad implements. Moran said, with the exception of the Broncs, all the SBC teams' offenses feature long passes over the midfield, which characterize the European style. UTPA prefers short touch passes, and controlling the midfield. If the Broncs can dictate the short game early, Moran said they have a good chance of winning Sunday.

The three-day SBC Tournament is scheduled to begin next Friday at Mobile, Ala.

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Goalie Fredy Sanguinetti saves a shot during play against Matamoros Tech recently. The senior leads the Sun Belt Conference in saves (97) and shutouts (7).

Senior goalie leads Broncs through year Sanguinetti looks to dad for inspiration, coaching

David Hinojosa
Sports Editor

His heart pumps. He nervously awaits the forward, who has just maneuvered past the defenders. The forward cocks his leg back, and fires the ball at the net. Can the goalie react quickly enough to keep the ball out of the goal? He dives and snags it. And keeps his team in the lead.

UTPA goalie Fredy Sanguinetti experiences such moments during a soccer match. With the outcome of a match often up to Sanguinetti, the pressure is sometimes overwhelming.

"I don't wish my best friend to be a goalie because it's very tough," Sanguinetti said. "I feel pressure all the time, especially in close games. I hate it when the game is tied, because I know any mistake I make can cost us the game."

Soccer Head Coach Eloy Moran said Sanguinetti is the perfect example of what a goalie should be.

"He has tremendous reflexes," he said. "You're born with those. He also has a mentality that a goalie needs—a mental attitude that no matter what, you can confront anybody."

In other words, he's cocky?
"A lot of people can misunder-

stand it as being cocky, but you need to be," Moran said. "If you're not, you're dead."

Sanguinetti uses this confidence to his advantage when confronting opponents.

"You can't show the other team that they're intimidating you," Sanguinetti said.

"If someone comes up to me and shoots the ball right in my hands, I laugh at him. That takes him out of the game, because he's trying too hard to score."

Sanguinetti's attitude is apparently working. The Broncs sport a 10-2-1 record, and have earned a top 10 ranking in the NCAA Division I Midwest Region for the first time ever. Sanguinetti has seven shutouts, which leads the Sun Belt Conference. He's allowed nine goals, and has recorded 101 saves, which also lead the league.

However, he doesn't take all the kudos for the Broncs' fast start. He attributes much of the team's success to the defense.

"Without my defense, I wouldn't have (seven shutouts)," Sanguinetti said. "I get the glory, but the

defense is responsible."

The native of Uruguay gives a lot of credit for his interest in soccer to his father, Fredy Sanguinetti, Sr. The only son in a family of three children, Sanguinetti was destined to play soccer, whether he wanted or not.

"When you grow up in Uruguay, it's all soccer," Sanguinetti said. "I learned from my father that if you have a boy, he plays soccer. No 'buts' or 'ifs' about it."

As his son's teacher, the senior Sanguinetti has impressive credentials. His roots in soccer stem from his playing days as a Division II player in the soccer-crazed country.

In Uruguay, there are two divisions of soccer. Division I play in the country's capital, Montevideo. Division II contests are held in each of Uruguay's 19 states. The Division II champions earn the right to play in the capital.

Seeing his father play has apparently made an impression on Sanguinetti in both love for the game and his learning of it.

"I used to love to see him dive,"

he said. "When I was growing up, I always wanted to be like him."

"I listen to him more than my coach because he's been through it. When he's not there, I feel there's a void. I need to hear him. If he could speak fluent English, he'd be a great coach."

Sanguinetti has lived in Houston, since moving from Uruguay 11 years ago. He started as the goalie for Houston Northbrook High, a power in Texas soccer. Before his senior year, Northbrook was the top-ranked team in Class 5A.

However, Sanguinetti didn't get to enjoy that final year after the University Interscholastic League (UIL), the governing body of Texas high school sports, declared Sanguinetti, and six of his Northbrook teammates ineligible after participating on an Olympic development team the previous summer, a UIL violation.

After Sanguinetti's banning, schools like St. Louis, Kentucky, Colorado St. and New Mexico, who had heavily courted Pan Am's goalie as a high school junior, wouldn't touch him.

Moran feels very lucky to have Sanguinetti here.

"He's the best goalie I've seen

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Men's tennis falls at Rolex Fabry, Mainella, Jarrett drop in second round

Christine Diaz
Staff

Richard Mainella, Steve Jarrett, and Michel Fabry faced quite a challenge last weekend as they represented UTPA at the Rolex Intercollegiate Tennis Championships in Fort Worth.

"This is the first time we had three players pass the first round," Head Coach David Cross said.

Mainella beat Texas A&M's Scott Phillips in the first round 6-0, 6-3. He lost in the second round to Henrik Jordaan of Southern Methodist, 6-1, 6-4.

Fabry beat Baylor's Gavin Havrilenko, 6-3, 6-4 in the first round. Texas Christian's Larent Becouarn stopped Fabry 7-6, 6-3.

"Both Rich and Michel lost concentration on crucial points in their matches," Cross said. "They did

not play as well as they did earlier in the day."

In doubles action, Fabry and Mainella lost to Rice's third-seeded team of Steve Campbell and Pascal Hos, 4-6, 6-3, 6-4.

"We had lots of opportunities to win the match," Cross said. "The men need to work on being aggressive towards the end of the match."

Senior Steve Jarrett's advanced to the second round with a win over Baylor's Jesse Butler, 6-3, 6-4 where Texas' Anders Eriksson beat him 6-1, 6-2.

"I am pleased with Steve's playing," Cross said. "He put a good fight against Eriksson."

"Overall the tournament was a big success," Cross said. "The men did not play their best, but the test of a great player is when you're playing bad and you still come up with a win somehow."

David Cross

Men's basketball

Wall appoints O'Connor to assistant's post

Bill O'Connor, head coach the past five years at Colby (Kan.) Community College has been named assistant's men's basketball coach.

He joins Robert Alaska as one of two new assistants for Coach Kevin Wall this season.

After coaching successfully in high school and junior college, and being an assistant at a four-year smaller college, O'Connor welcomes his first chance to coach in NCAA Division I.

"We're in a great conference—the Sun Belt," O'Connor said. "I think there's very strong balance in the conference, yet it improves our chances in the areas of recruiting and recognition."

O'Connor began coaching at Jefferson County North High in Kansas. He also has coached Maur Hill Prep in Atchison, Bishop Ward High and O'Hara High in Kansas City, and Rockhurst College before going to Colby.

"The level of basketball has always been very good in Kansas, which has a great basketball tradition," O'Connor said.

His college team reached the national tournament one year and got



Billy O'Connor

to the regional finals the other three. "It was a great experience to coach at Colby," O'Connor said. "I learned a lot, and I'm really looking forward to coaching at this level."

"What I see in common, wherever you coach, is the contact with kids," he said. "The fact is that there are, or can be, differences in background and the size of the school, but kids are kids."

"I think the people here have

been extremely friendly, and I hope that everyone will continue to support UTPA athletics—especially men's basketball. I've really been impressed with the caring attitude that Coach Wall has for his players. I'm hoping that 1991-92 is a good year, for the basketball team and for

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Berlanga, SGA president, said. Rally mediator, Tony Mercado, invited students and faculty from the crowd to speak out about Proposition 13.

"I went through school under this program and without it I could not have gone to school," history professor Juanita Garza said. "Many students will not have the opportunity unless you vote for Proposition 13."

According to a release from Trejo, the Hinson-Hazelwood program offers students loans at lower interest rates than private lenders and has a default rate of six percent. The default rate on loans in the federal program is at 16 percent.

He said a reason for the lower default rate was because the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board services the students' notes throughout repayment.

the university."

O'Connor, 41, has been married 18 years. His wife Elaine, and their four children remain in Colby in Western Kansas, while selling their house to move to South Texas. The children are Tricia, 16; Christopher, 13; Anfia, 8; and Caitlin, 5.

"Students have a good, solid contact," he said. "They know who to deal with in case they cannot make payments and need deferments. That has been one of the criticisms of the private lenders, that they do not service the notes, they sell them to secondary markets," Trejo said.

The current default rate for all loans at UTPA is 13.2 percent. Trejo said if there was enough money in the Hinson-Hazelwood program, he would encourage more students to get this type of loan.

Between 1986 and 1990, the Hinson-Hazelwood College Student Loan Program increased from \$12 million in 1986 to almost \$80 million in 1990, according to the Texas Legislative Council. If the proposal for additional money to finance the growing loan program is not passed, the program will run out of funds by the end of March 1992.

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here," he said. "In his first year, I could tell his potential was outstanding."

During his freshman year, Sanguinetti took 25 shots in a half against soccer giant Southern Methodist, and allowed one goal.

What particularly peaked Sanguinetti's interest in UTPA was its Latin style of play, which consists of short touch passes. This style caters to shorter players, common

characteristic of Latinos, he said. In Houston, Sanguinetti was forced into playing a European style, which is a more physical style with long passes. It's best suited for taller and stronger players. With the current trend of more American schools adapting the European version, Sanguinetti said he was very lucky to find a program which features the Latin variety.

Sanguinetti's banishment during

his senior year in high school wasn't the only time he had to sit away from his favorite sport.

Last season, Moran decided to red-shirt Sanguinetti because he believed the players were taking his goalie for granted, and weren't working hard enough for him.

"I think the defense took advantage of him (two years ago)," Moran said. "I told him the following year

(last season) would be a waste of his time. They needed to appreciate his talents."

The year off left Sanguinetti eager to play.

"I suffered the whole year," Sanguinetti said. "I felt so helpless. Some games I just couldn't take it. All I could do is pace around and scream. I would never (red-shirt) again."

Barring injury, the Broncos won't have to worry about not having Sanguinetti defending the net the rest of the season. The senior is about to close out his career with the upcoming Sun Belt Conference Soccer Tournament Nov. 8-10 in Mobile, Ala.

If anything, Sanguinetti has provided a big part in the Broncos' quest for the conference title. And, hopefully for the Broncos, an NCAA play-off invitation.

Speaker recalls Middle East war encounters

If the Middle East peace process is to succeed, people involved must act individually, according to a UTPA graduate student and veteran of several wars in the region.

Mahmoud Kabil, a former captain in the Special Forces Unit of the Egyptian Air Force, focused on the individual's role in the peace process at a Tuesday meeting of the Philosophy Club.

"Would the members (of the delegations) be able to look at each other's eyes and see the individual, the human being, without seeing the flag or the color of the uniform, or the boundaries?" Kabil asked about 50 people at the meeting. "Will they be able to overcome the conditioning, the stereotyping, the labeling? I think they can."

He told a story of his experience during the Six Days War in which he captured and interrogated an Israeli pilot who had ejected from his plane. During the interrogation he did not abuse the prisoner as his superiors did.

The Israeli asked why this was so. Kabil questioned whether the prisoner would beat him if their places were switched and the Israeli said he did not know.

They spent several hours together, finding things in common. Then it was time for the prisoner to be taken away and Kabil saw he was shaking. He asked what was wrong.

The prisoner said this was the worst thing a human could go through. Kabil gave him a hug.

Several years later, Kabil wrote this story under the title "The Hug" and it was published all over Israel. Shortly after, he received a telegram from the Israeli. His name was Yair Barak.

The two met again and when they did, they hugged again and have been best friends since.



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