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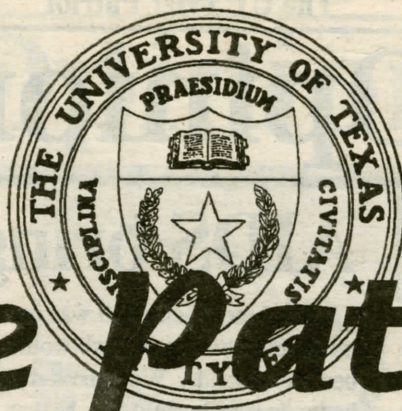
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MLK III highlights conference

By Marsha Millikin
Senior Writer

Speaking before a crowd estimated at 1,000 people, Martin Luther King III, son of assassinated civil rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., said our nation will be judged on the way it treats its children and said we will go no further as a nation if violence and madness aren't stopped. He spoke as part of the Multicultural Student Leadership Conference in the University Center on March 25.

"Children are our most precious resource," King said. "This is African-American History Month. We need to acknowledge the history of all people in a different way. We teach our children history segmentally."

King said American history is biased and not inclusive. Western and European history books do not include the Native American, Latino, Asian and Afro-American contributions in an effective way for our children. He said the curriculum must be modified.

"Until we resolve racism, sexism and all the other 'isms' that tear us apart," said King, "we will never be the nation we were meant to be."

King commended organizers and students and said the nation is at a crossroads, doomed to repeat mis-

takes of the past.

"In 1994, all is not well," said King. "The tragic daily violence used to be segmented. Guns are out of control and so are the people using them. It is incumbent on all of us to address this problem. Our nation will be judged on how it treats its most precious resource."

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MLK III

We must stop this violence and madness."

King said part of the problem is the spiritual and moral training children receive in the home. We, as parents, are not training our children in the way they should go. Kids are raising themselves.

"Some children need to be whipped," said King, "not abused, but provided a guiding hand so that children don't steer down the wrong path."

According to King, the hour is short and we don't know how long we will be here. Speaking of his

father, the elder King's blueprint was to share his love through non-violence— never using a rock, stick or gun, but non-violence to transform the world.

"Non-violence is a powerful force," said King. "When you use non-violence, society doesn't know how to respond. We don't understand non-violence."

King lauded the role of students and student activism during the civil rights movement in the 1950s and 1960s. He said we should be well beyond this issue in the 1990s. He described the efforts of blacks in the South during those years, including the roles of Rosa Parks, a black woman who refused to move to the back of a Montgomery, Ala., bus for a white man, and James Meredith, the first black man to attend the University of Mississippi.

"My father prepared himself for his destiny," King said. "He went to college when he was 15 and received his Ph. D. at Boston University. His first ministry was the Dexter Avenue Baptist Church in Montgomery. He didn't want to be a leader but rose to the occasion."

King also described the efforts of students to integrate lunch counters in the 1960s, their role as

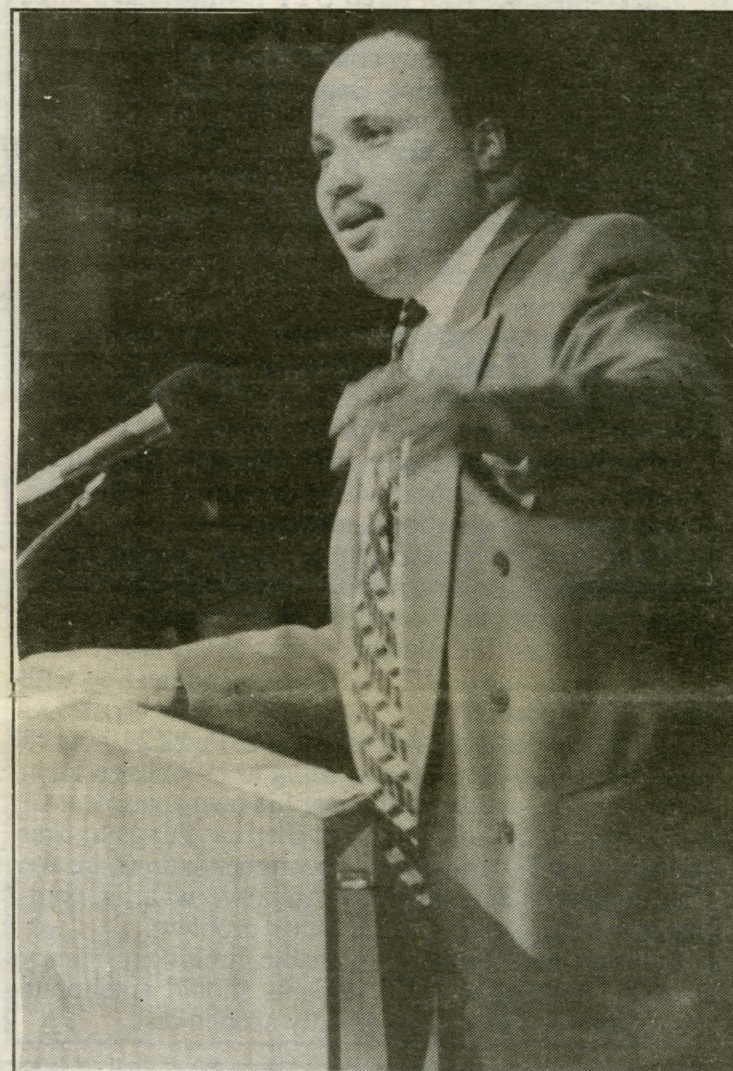


Photo by Greg Wells

Martin Luther King III, who highlighted the 1994 UT Tyler Multicultural Student Leadership Conference, spoke to a standing room only crowd about how the United States treats its children.

U-Pines welcomes new manager

By Marilie Brandstetter
Managing Editor

No more earthquakes, mud slides or fire storms for Robert Nida. He moved to Tyler three weeks ago to take his seat at the manager's desk at University Pines.

After five years in San Diego and several months in Oklahoma City, Nida is settling down in the smallest town he has lived in yet.

Tornadoes, maybe, but no more California surprises.

Nida's parents still live in the North Hollywood neighborhood

where he was raised, and he was relieved to hear that they were unharmed following the recent Northridge earthquake.

"It took about 24 hours to get telephone lines through," he said. "They told me their story and so did a lot of my friends—none of them were injured," Nida said.

He reached for photos stacked between newly unpacked items on the bookcase in his office. A friend sent the pictures showing heavy damage to buildings in the home neighborhood they both

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Dr. Barbara Hart

Criminal justice professor becomes assistant vp for academic affairs

By Gail McAlister
Advertising Manager

Dr. Barbara Hart, associate professor of criminal justice, is trading full-time teaching for part-time in order to join UT Tyler's administration on a part time basis.

UTT President George Hamm announced March 7 that Hart has been appointed assistant vice president for academic affairs.

"Dr. Hart has served UT Tyler with distinction in the classroom through committee assignments and as a representative of the university both regionally and nationally," Hamm said.

One of the goals she had in mind when approached about the position was to create more effective communication between faculty and administration.

"I intend to go the faculty and not wait for the faculty to come to me," Hart said.

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Opinion

Editorial

New policy — the right way to go

The University Management Committee made the right move last month when it targeted a 100 percent occupancy rate by UT Tyler students at U-Pines and an intragovernmental body for residents.

The committee, with three UTT members and three from Century Management, the company that operates U-Pines, reviewed policy concerns as well as incidents reported by UTT Police Department officers before Vice President for Administration Dr. Robert L. Jones made the much-needed recommendations.

An occupancy status report by UTT Coordinator of Student Activities Blair Blackburn revealed that UTT students only account for 44.1 percent of total U-Pines residency while Tyler Junior College students account for 42.8 percent.

As if it were not strange enough for only half of the official UTT campus housing to be occupied by UTT students, the vast majority of reports by UPD officers involve TJC student residents or their guests at U-Pines.

A *Patriot* study last month showed that 94.5 percent of suspects accosted campuswide were non-UTT students. Other important questions surfaced.

One U-Pines resident was a previously convicted felon who had been kicked out of the dorms at TJC.

How did a previously-convicted felon get in?

Why are there TJC students living at U-Pines?

How much time do UTT officers spend dealing with non-UTT students?

A UPD officer is needed to patrol U-Pines 24-hours a day, seven days a week, according to U-Pines resident Mel Jack, an assault victim near his own apartment.

We believe U-Pines is one of the best things to ever happen to UTT, and Jones' recommendations are the first important step needed to improve what is, compared to most universities, a minor problem.

But from the information available, limiting residency in UTT housing to UTT students should ameliorate conditions and give UPD a badly needed rest.

AIDS brings emotional questions

When I met Richard, it was immediately obvious that we would become friends. We talked for hours before he told me he has AIDS.

Cliff Pearson

He was the first person I had met with the virus. Since high school I've often heard the Centers for Disease Control's reports on AIDS. I knew I shouldn't have been, but I was afraid of this invisible, yet deadly, virus.

But since I wasn't planning to share any body fluids with Richard through sex, intravenous drug use, or a blood transfusion (which they warned against), I decided to show compassion instead of fear. Surely he's hurting deeply and

needs me, I thought.

But I was wrong. In knowing Richard, I've learned I needed what he could teach me more than he needed me. As George Melton points out in *Beyond AIDS: A Journey Into Healing*, AIDS challenges everyone's assumptions about God and the afterlife. I could relate. I wondered, "How can a just God allow such a terrible disease, and what will Richard face after death?"

I was sure Richard shared my dilemma, but he didn't. He transcended his suffering by living today. He didn't want me thinking of him as dying. He refused to dwell on how healthy he once was. We're all living in a different world since the coming of AIDS. People are watching friends die young now.

I no longer care how Richard got

AIDS (I never even asked him). I no longer care when he'll die. Richard is more serene than anyone I've ever known. He's found peace in the midst of his pain. This is what AIDS has taught me, and what I think it can teach everyone. Richard is living with AIDS. But so are we all.

When I saw Richard last he said, "the peace I have is from knowing that when I die, God will send an angel of mercy to come for me. And that angel will be wearing a red ribbon."

Let's all remember what's important in life, and that we're all at the mercy of nature.

Cliff Pearson is a guest writer for the Patriot.

Oscars never go to popular films

Another bunch of Oscars have been decided and will be announced Monday, March 21. Everyone has his own predictions of the winners, but I bet I won't really approve of who many of the winners are.

Martha Rice

It's the same old story—ever since I was old enough to know what movies and awards were, I have never approved of the winners. I admit that this could be seen as a symptom of low-brow taste.

Many of this year's famous nominees I haven't seen. Most haven't come to town, and I would rather not make the pilgrimage to see them in Dallas. I'm not saying you movie buffs are wrong to go—I just would rather spend my \$8 in my home town and see a pretty good movie that I want to see.

Another nasty secret of mine is that I like to watch movies home alone, especially those that turn out to be important enough to win acclaim. I am the first to admit that

the experience of going to a theater brings an exciting dimension to film, but I am one of those few gauche video junkies who rents new releases and watches them several times if they are worthy. I'm a different type of movie snob.

I am always disappointed that few of the movies I've seen are nominees. I saw *The Fugitive* and *Jurassic Park*, and even *Carlito's Way*, which was passed over for nomination. The masterpiece *Schindler's List* is on my list of future viewing, like *In the Name of the Father* and *Philadelphia*. Undoubtedly these movies are worth watching, and I'll see them after everyone's stopped talking about them.

I respect the Oscar and its winners, even though March is a month of media whining about how many directors are constantly passed over for the prize. Though they continue to win other major film awards, directors like Martin Scorsese don't win Oscars as much as many want them to. Alfred Hitchcock never won an Oscar.

This year Steven Spielberg should

finally win an Oscar, for "Schindler's List" (with twelve nominations). He's had many profitable movies that the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences has overlooked as works of pop culture: *E.T.*, *Raiders of the Lost Ark*, and last summer's *Jurassic Park* which have made Spielberg very wealthy, and reclaimed a movie audience once lost to television. But the Oscar only goes to "important" movies (even though Spielberg's *The Color Purple* gained eleven nominations in 1985 and was a serious film).

There will be triumphs and congratulations, and then many sour grapes afterwards. Winning films can expect to earn around \$30 million extra. The press will tell us how good the movie or the director or the actor is, maybe point out a few flaws, and we'll wait until next March for more hopefuls.

This year, in my gauche little way, I hope *The Fugitive* wins best picture.

Martha Rice is a guest writer for the Patriot.

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Opinion

Writer hopes to spur reason with radicalism

"En•vi•ron•ment. 1. Surroundings. 2. All the conditions, circumstances, and influences surrounding an organism or group of organisms affecting its development."

Timothy Reilly

This is what Webster thought it meant

when he put his dictionary together. Pretty big word nowadays.

Every major news medium has jumped on the bandwagon; federal, state and local governments have passed laws that attempt to address this most vital subject.

Grass roots organizations solicit celebrities to sell the message. Retailers sell recycled goods. Schools sponsor Earth Day celebrations.

All this effort, and the bottom line is still that we're destroying our world.

A recent article in this publication attacked the environmental movement as it stands today, and in many ways, that writer was right.

At least on the surface.

What I found missing in the article was any real consideration of the true meaning of the word environment. "All conditions, circumstances, and influences."

Case in point: those people who burned all that deadly fossil fuel to get to the honor society meeting. What choice did they have?

Has any real consideration been given to the development of alternative fuel sources, or electric powered vehicles? What about solar energy? Not commercially viable is a common answer.

Getting celebrities to hawk the environmental message seems quite effective to me. In a day when there are not many recognizable heroes, these people, for want of a better choice, are listened to when they speak.

Tom Cruise didn't destroy those cars. They were probably recycled, just as all racing cars are, for spare parts and old tires to line the pit area and outer walls of smaller tracks around the country.

The area we should worry about is the general public's tires which don't get recycled, and end up in uncontrolled, illegal landfills.

The estimate that an American

baby will pollute 1000 times as much as an Ethiopian child is probably quite conservative.

What's wrong with helping other countries realize a better quality of life?

Why do American babies have to be diapered with plastic diapers? This is not a judgment call.

In my opinion, we must feed the world, and we must manage our waste. We have the technology and I would really like to know what does moving to Ethiopia have to do with environmentalism?

Mass environmental hysteria wrong every time? Times Beach, Mo., had to be evacuated because they thought there was a danger to the population. Yes, they were wrong, but what if they had been right?

Last time I looked, agricultural sprays all get delivered by trucks, hence the truckload danger of Alar.

I'd be interested to hear the comments that Canadian scientists would have to pass on to the Sixty Minutes crew about acres and acres of dead or dying trees. Dead or dying from pollutants the prevailing winds brought from American industry.

Environmentalists do realize that words mean things...that's why they speak so many words.

They speak about things like the city of 10,000 people in Russia that had to be evacuated due to radiation poisoning, and won't be inhabitable for many years.

They speak about the bay in Alaska that still has oil on its shore from the Exxon Valdez.

They talk about the outrageous number of species that go extinct every year. And they speak about the thousands of other environmental atrocities we have inflicted on the planet.

Guilt trip? You better believe it.

The manner in which we have treated this beautiful planet of ours is a crime...that continues to go unpunished.

Maybe one day radicalism will create some reason. Until then, please...pass the biodegradable tissue.

Timothy Reilly is a graduate student in public administration.



Letters

Coe's column muddles issues

I usually do not try to explain environmental issues to ultraconservatives, because they generally have been so inundated with stories of how environmentalists have been wrong that they do not trust any explanation.

However, because Mr. Coe's article may have convinced, or at least confused some rational readers, a response is in order.

Admittedly, environmental groups (even Mr. Coe's "good" environmentalists like the Audubon Society) are not above over emphasizing a problem. Particularly, when the severity of the environmental problem is not known.

But there is a big difference between that and deliberate misinformation as often comes from "anti environmental" groups.

To use Mr. Coe's article for example, let's examine some issues. The article suggests Paul Ehrlich's book *The Population Bomb* was wrong in every prediction.

The actual value of Ehrlich's book was not that he was right on every prediction but rather that it explained how population growth is a pervasive problem. He achieved that goal, even if he had to scare us to do it.

Environmental groups promote awareness of possible problems so we can decide if and how we need to react.

Slowing population growth by providing the means to do that in both developing countries and our own is a high priority to those who understand *The Population Bomb*, whether it was "right" or not.

We cannot argue that the population of the earth has doubled in the last 40 years from 2.5 billion to over 5 billion.

His book explains that there is no reason it should not double again in 40 years.

Maybe a clearer example of the difference can be shown by the anti environmentalist claim that we have twice as many trees in the U. S. now as when Columbus came, so why are we worrying about cutting our forests.

This statement is reasonably correct. However, the point is not brought out that the number of trees includes all trees regardless of size.

I hope environmentalists keep being alarmists. I don't want my child eating any chemical (alar in Coe's example) if it does cause cancer, even if at a very minimal level.

How much shorter of a life span are you willing to accept for your children, or grandchildren?

I like to make informed deci-

sions about my environmental risks.

Dr. Niel Ford

Assoc. Professor of Biology

Angry reader bashes editorial

This is in reference to the February 10, 1994, edition of the University newspaper, *The Patriot*.

The editorial states: SCHOOLS BREED MEDIOCRITY!

The mediocrity that I see is in the next sentence which says: THIS EDITORIAL SUCKS!

When I was in high school in the forties, graffiti like that was found in school rest rooms and was a derogatory reference to a male homosexual.

I would be surprised if the gay community has not yet complained to the writer.

Maybe the writer was groping for a way to draw attention to the editorial. The attention was drawn to the lack of professionalism and standards of journalism!

As a contrast, the editorials in the Tyler Morning Telegraph are good examples of high standards and professionalism.

I am glad the University is in Tyler. I hope I will not be embarrassed by future editorials!

Sincerely,
Bob White

Arts & Entertainment

Olive Garden serves delicious food with sub-par service

By Marty Cole
Entertainment Editor

For six long months I anticipated getting this assignment.

Twenty-four weeks I watched the workmen assemble the dream that would become Tyler's very own Olive Garden.

One hundred and eighty mornings I drove past the location knowing each brick brought us one step closer to the trademark Caesar salad and breadsticks, succulent Italian entrees, and chocolate mousse pie that could only be legal in America.

A word of advice: be careful what you wish for.

Some might say that I expected too much. Perhaps they are right.

Perhaps I should overlook my friends and I being herded like cattle in the entrance area.

Perhaps I should forget that we waited ten minutes before being

approached by a server.

Perhaps it's no big deal that our food arrived a mere 30 minutes

this place. I even went back to give them a second chance, only to be asked by a passing waitress if I

the Venetian combination (\$12.45).

Tour of Italy consists of a deli-

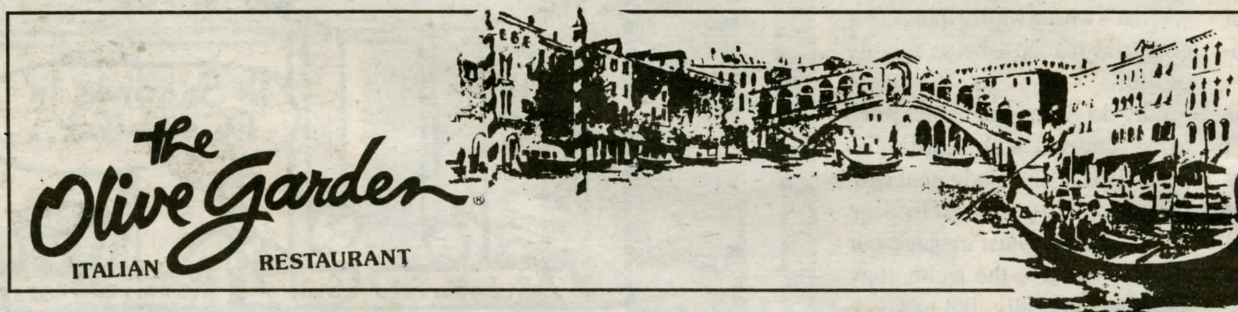
substantial selection of wines and other spirits to complement your meal, and if you're willing to spend some time with Jane Fonda, I implore you to try the desserts.

All of which makes me wonder why the restaurant fails miserably in the area of service.

Although our servers (Dan & Kelly) were very personable, the rest of the staff seemed disorganized and inefficient.

One explanation could be that only non-students were hired to work at Olive Garden. That makes about as much sense as using a Mercedes to haul pulp wood. With the possible exception of professional actors, no single population group has more restaurant experience than students.

Oh well, if the long lines at Olive Garden's front door each night mean anything, it's shows people will go through a lot for food.



after we ordered it.

Perhaps the delicious flavor of the food itself is reason enough to forgive the other aspects of our dining experience.

Then again, if you're going to open a restaurant with a reputation for excellent service and charge over \$10 a plate for entrees, you should deliver the goods in the package in which they were ordered.

The sad thing is I wanted to love

knew who had ordered the food on her tray. What? Do I look like the amazing Kreskin or something?

Thank goodness someone remembered to train the cooks.

Between myself and the four friends that dined with me, I think we sampled about 50 percent of the menu and none of us were disappointed.

I would most highly recommend either the Tour of Italy (\$11.85) or

cious chicken parmigiana, Olive Garden's unbeatable lasagna, and fettucine alfredo with sauce so delicate it just floats above the noodles.

Venetian combines linguine with luscious shrimp scampi, Venetian grilled chicken and the aforementioned fettucine alfredo.

Although these are among the most expensive entrees, the delectable flavor and generous portions are well worth the price.

The Olive Garden also offers a

D.R.U.M. marches to a different beat at UT Tyler's multicultural conference

By Marty Cole
Entertainment Editor

The legends of Jimi Hendrix and Bob Marley came alive on the UT Tyler campus in the forms of a gorgeous rainbow boa constrictor named for the guitar legend and Drum, an African Reggae band featured at the 1994 UTT Multicultural Student Leadership Conference.

The two crossed paths when Alafia Gaidi, Drum's lead vocalist, toured UTT's highly touted snake laboratory following the band's performance in the University Center.

Gaidi began studying snakes after encountering a large boa on stage during a Drum concert at the Houston Astrodome. Having previously feared snakes, Gaidi was intrigued by the boa's apparent appreciation of the music as it raised up and began moving in rhythm with the sound.

Like the snake lab, Drum's music combines beauty and mystery with education.

The members of Drum consider

themselves to be modern-age Griots, African for musician/historian or one who uses music to relate the stories of life.

Historically, Griots were responsible for teaching the youth everything from their genetic lineage to moral and spiritual law.

Today, Drum uses their music to disseminate truth and understanding by coupling their songs with information to make the music universal, Gaidi explained.

"We felt that music in our time was moving away from giving answers to the questions of our young people," Gaidi said, "so we wanted our music to provide answers which would deal with both the causes of the problems they face and the effects."

Drum tours extensively throughout the United States, and information on tour dates can be obtained by contacting Alafia Gaidi at (713) 524-7018.

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Around Campus

UTT MOOT COURT

Pre-Law society sponsoring moot court teams to participate in upcoming state tournament

By Becky Nichols
Photo Editor

UT Tyler's Pre-Law Society is sponsoring moot court teams for the Texas Undergraduate Moot Court Association (TUMCA) competition April 7-8, at Texas A&M.

TUMCA became an official organization only last fall, with UTT's Dr. Peter Nelligan on the steering committee that organized and founded the Association.

"Moot court competition provides an experience for students to learn how to analyze cases, present an oral argument and think on their feet," Nelligan said.

The first moot court this spring was hosted by The University of Houston - Clear Lake March 4-5. Nine schools sent 27 teams to the competition.

Following Friday's competition at UHCL, final rounds were held Saturday at South Texas School of Law in Houston with Stephen F. Austin teams competing against each other for first place. The recent success of SFA may be a reflection of their actual organized class for moot court preparation.

UTT teams, consisting of two persons, have competed in moot court competitions for a few years, taking first place on several occasions. Two UTT teams competed in Abilene last fall with one team going to the quarter-final rounds.

The teams are given hypothetical law cases to be appealed before the "Supreme Court" of judges - usually local lawyers, law students and professors, or area judges.

The case information along with all pertinent case texts are given to each team

member. The team must then assimilate the information into a case argument and prepare for questions from the judges.

Teams are judged on: evidence of research, knowledge of record, issues and law, organization and reasoning. Also judged are the counsel's presentation and courtroom manner: forensic performance, convincing argument and performance in answering questions.

Spring competitions were held at UTT in 1992 and 1993. Five to 10 schools usually send delegates to the competitions with upwards of 25 teams competing. The UTT administration has shown its support for moot court through a \$2,000 allocation.

"Moot court was an extremely enjoyable and intellectually stimulating experience for me," Sharon Blakeney, two-time competitor. "I highly recommend that anyone even considering going into the field

of law participate in this competition."

"The moot court experience is very educational and extremely enlightening,"

Maureen Adams, a quarter-finalist last fall, said. "I can't wait to do it again." Adams has competed twice and plans to compete in April also.

Prior to last year's court, competitions in Texas were unorganized. In the spring of 1993, a group of pre-law advisors institutionalized the competitions to make them more uniform, regular and predictable.

Although the name TUMCA implies an organization of Texas schools, other states may send delegates, and sometimes do.

Any student interested in competing may participate and may even receive college credit. There will be two competitions each semester.

For more information, contact Nelligan in the Social Sciences department at 566-7414.

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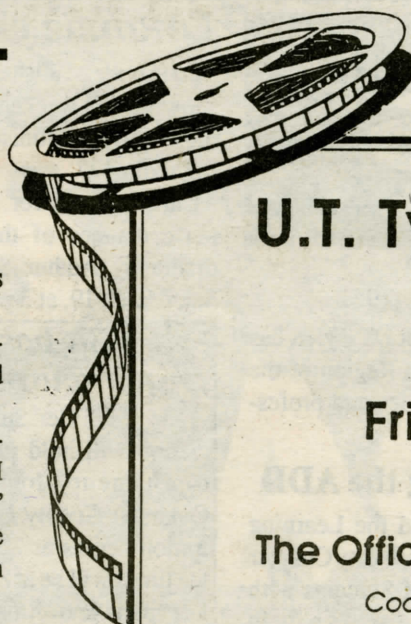
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Fischer elected to regional executive post

Dr. Mary Fischer, associate professor of accounting at UT Tyler, has been elected vice president-finance for the Southwest Region of the Decision Sciences Institute, an association of academics and professionals concerned with business decisions.

Education seminar looks at teaching the ADD

The UT Tyler Department of Special Services and the Learning Development Center at UTT, in conjunction with the Rose City Chapter of Phi Delta Kappa, is sponsoring "Meeting Needs of Students with Attention Deficit Disorder" Saturday March 19, 8:30 a.m. - 3 p.m. in University Center room 118.

The workshop is designed for educators, mental health professionals and parents. Registration fee is \$10. To register or for more information call the UTT department of Special Services, (903) 566-7055.

Meeting on juvenile violence set by LWV

The League of Women Voters of Tyler will feature two program meetings addressing juvenile violence and juvenile justice in Smith County.

On March 21, beginning at noon in the Tyler Public Library's Taylor Auditorium, Mr. Bob Woods, director of the Smith County Juvenile Attention Center, will lead a discussion of juvenile violence.

On March 22 at 6:30 p.m. Mr. Woods will guide groups on tours of the Juvenile Attention Center, located at 100 East Berta (northeast corner of Broadway and Gentry Parkway.) A question and answer session will follow the tours.

For more information, call the League office at 597-9111.

Inhalant, poison awareness week March 20-26

The Smith County Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse will sponsor Inhalant & Poisons Awareness Week March 20-26.

The purpose of this event is to increase the awareness of inhalant and poison abuse among children. For more information contact Diane Isham at (903) 597-0122.

Lecturer, student speak to Texas publishers

Jay Arrington, *Patriot* editor, and Dr. Joseph Loftin, associate professor of journalism and faculty adviser to *The Patriot*, held workshops at the state convention of the Texas Publishers Association last week. The event was held in Tyler.

Arrington spoke on layout principles and problems, and Loftin discussed feature writing, including story structures and ways to dramatize lead paragraphs. Loftin also judged papers and stories submitted in an awarded competition for the convention.

Nursing Department disability conference set

The UT Tyler Association of Students with Disabilities, in conjunction with the Division of Nursing and the Student Association, will sponsor "A Mile in My Shoes" Disability Leadership Conference Thursday, March 24.

"This program allows students and faculty the opportunity to experience—for a few hours, at least—the challenge of having a disability," Kelly Anderson, ASD president, said.

Meeting for pre-med advising set for March 25

Students interested in going to Medical School can attend a meeting on Friday, March 25, at 9 a.m. in SCI 140 to discuss the application pool for 1994, the prerequisites and application process.

LaRonde closes this weekend, Shakespeare opens soon

La Ronde finishes its spring showing this weekend in the Studio Theatre, Administration building room 127.

Curtain times for the last two performances of this romantic drama by Authur Schnitzer are Sat, March 19, at 3 p.m. and Sun,

March 20, 7:30 p.m.

William Shakespeare's play *As You Like It* opens with a preview performance April 7, at 7:30 p.m.; other performances are April 8-10, 14-17, 23-24 and 29; May 1.

Tickets can be obtained from the Department of Theater and Com-

munication, HPR 272.

Tickets: UTT students, one complimentary ticket; faculty or staff, two complimentary tickets; \$3 for students; \$4 for senior citizens and \$5 for adults.

For more information, call 566-7253.

SA hosts golf tournament

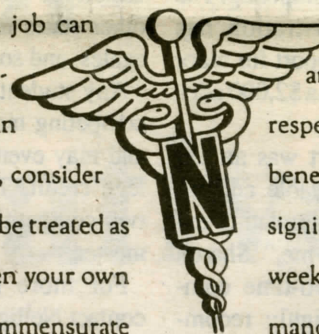
The UT Tyler Student Association will hold its open golf tournament tomorrow at Oakhurst County Club. Registration begins at 7:15 a.m. and tee times will be at 8 a.m. sharp. For maps and information call 566-7081.

UTT Career fair set for Friday; all students, alumni welcome

Representatives from state agencies, businesses and local communities will fill the University Center open area tomorrow from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. during the 1994 Career Fair. All majors and alumni are invited to this event sponsored by the UTT office of counseling and development.

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Applications are available in UC 114 and UC 111

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the Office of Student Activities at 566-7081

Around Campus

Smith gets his kicks from martial art of Tae Kwon Do

By Sheri Brown
Patriot Staff

Tae Kwon Do — Kick, Smash with Fist. Mike Smith, a UT Tyler junior, has devoted 10 years of his life to this Korean form of martial arts that emphasizes powerful, high kicks.

Smith, 26, first began Tae Kwon Do in 1984.

"I was always the little guy," he said. He said that the Saturday morning Kung Fu theater also increased his interest in Tae Kwon Do. "I would really analyze the moves and I said, I can do this."

When Smith first began Tae Kwon Do, it was mainly out of curiosity. "I didn't go to learn how to beat somebody up. But, after a while my confidence was built so I didn't have to worry about anyone getting to me," he said.

While in the Air Force, stationed in Japan, Smith opened his first Tae Kwon Do studio in 1990. His class grew to 50 students, most being children from the Air Force base. Smith began teaching because he thought he could add more than just the basics that were being taught in the other schools in Japan. His classes were very successful.

Also while in Japan, Smith competed against the No. 1 middle weight Tai Boxer in Japan.

In addition to Tae Kwon Do techniques, Smith also focuses on respect and discipline in teaching. Smith, a 3rd Degree Black Belt, now has a studio in Overton with 15 students. He finds teaching very rewarding.

"There's nothing better than looking at a child that came to me, who lacked self-discipline, who had low grades or who was getting picked on at school. To know that in six months, I helped him bring his grades up and helped build his self-confidence."

Smith also enjoys taking his stu-

dents to competition and seeing them win.

"I have students that come in with natural ability. I take those guys and mold them into little champions," he said. One of his students recently placed third out of 23 in his first tournament.

Smith also competes at tournaments. On Feb. 5, Smith won third place in sparring, light-weight division, at the 34th Annual Karate Championship in Dallas.

Smith also teaches women's self-defense classes. The class consists of two 2 hour and 15 minutes classes.

In the self-defense classes, Smith teaches his students to be aware of the environment. He also teaches how to react if attacked. At the end of the class, Smith puts on plenty of protective equipment and turns out the lights. The woman has a belt around her waist. Smith then attacks the woman; if he can get the belt off, that means that the woman could have been raped.

"I get kicked in the groin, stomped on, scratched, poked in the eye. Anything they can do to get away. Out of 12 women, only one has managed to get away, and it was on her third try. It is very realistic," Smith said.

In addition to teaching Tae Kwon Do and self-defense classes and attending tournaments, Smith is also a medical technology major, attending UT Tyler and Stephen F. Austin in Nacogdoches. He also works out on Monday nights with other black belts in Longview.

Both Tae Kwon Do and education are very important to Smith.

"This semester I'm juggling everything to make sure I don't relax too much. I'm not going to sacrifice my Tae Kwon Do, but at the same time, I have to make a 4.0 this semester."

Smith plans to graduate from the medical technology program in the summer of 1996.



Photo by Sheri Brown

Mike Smith, center, leads his class in kicking exercises. Smith is a 3rd degree black belt.

Job search should begin NOW!

By Shelia McElroy
Patriot Staff

You may be two or two months from graduation, but the time is now to start your job search and career planning strategies.

Ula Davis, career placement officer for UT Tyler, suggests registering with the career placement office in your junior year. But if you haven't, Davis stresses that it is never to late to get started.

Students can receive assistance in writing an effective resume and cover letter and sharpen their interviewing skills. The career placement office will also connect the student with on campus interviewing, internships and employment listings.

The office provides a career development library which includes corporate annual reports, occupational data, company and school district employment applications, job choices and CPC salary surveys, occupational outlook handbook and career magazines.

The UTT Spring Career Fair, March 18, will bring representatives of major corporations and businesses on campus to talk to students and alumni about career

opportunities in their organizations.

A few strategies for conducting a job search include:

- Collect, analyze and evaluate information about yourself to aid in matching your career with your interests and personality.
- Talk to counselors, faculty and advisors and enlist their help.
- Join organizations in your chosen field.

The interview may be the most intimidating part of the job search.

Many people become nervous and anxiety ridden when anticipating their interview. Being prepared will help the interview go smoother; here are some helpful hints:

- Arrive on time.
- Be sure of yourself.
- Offer examples of your skills.
- Listen.
- Thank the interviewer.
- Write a thank you letter.

The office of Counseling and Career Planning is located in the University Center Room 282 or call 566-7079.

Immigration workshop offered

On March 24, 1994, from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m., UT Tyler's Office of Admissions and Student Records will host an immigration workshop.

An immigration attorney, David Swaim of Tidwell Swaim and Associates in Dallas, will conduct the workshop in Room 158 of the Administration building on UTT's campus. Swaim is board certified by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization in Immigration and Nationality Law.

Workshop attendance is free of charge, and is open to both UTT and the public. For more information, contact Elaine Hardiman at 566-7054.

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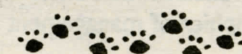
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Around Campus

'Violence, drugs, racism challenge of '90s' says civil rights leader

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Freedom Riders in 1961.

"Remember when Sheriff Bull Conner arrested 3,000 students," King said, "and the television networks filmed our struggle and brought it into their living rooms, complete with water cannon, beatings and attack dogs. Their precious resources were arrested, and the nation became enraged."

King said this struggle culminated in the 1964 Civil Rights Act, signed by former President Lyndon Johnson. But some things did not change, according to King.

King said the Reagan-Bush years were filled with "me-ism, I got mine now you gotta go get yours." The yuppies of the 1980s are greedy, selfish and self-serving. A lot of jobs were lost because of deregulation of banks and airlines. Billions were lost through the savings and loans scandals and no one has yet been prosecuted, said King.

"Racism has again become the order of the day because it was not addressed by Reagan and Bush," said King. "The Reagan administration made it all right to be a racist again."

King said the challenges of the 90s are drugs, violence and racism.

"Young people today are materialistic and selfish," King said. "How many pairs of shoes can you wear at a time?"

King also said parents have to do something. He blames parents for the wide-spread use of guns and drugs. Parents must take responsibility for the actions of their children. He also said TV is raising kids today and parents need to censor their children's TV programming and movie watching "it doesn't do anything for the spirit."

"Kids weren't born wanting guns," said King. "Parents need to set the example for their children. If we live right, God will take care of us."

"Whatever we want to do, we must do it well. Be the best of what you are. Possess love and be unselfish, seeking nothing in return. We don't have time to hate."

Poem contest seeks entries

The National Library of Poetry has issued a \$12,000 challenge around the nation through the North American Open Poetry Contest. The contest is open to everyone, and entry is free.

To enter, send one original poem to: The National Library of Poetry; 11419

Cronridge Dr.; P.O. Box 704, Owings Mills, MD. 21117.

The poem should be no more than 20 lines, and the poet's name and address should appear on the top of the page.

Entries must be postmarked by March 31, 1994.



Photo by Becky Nichols

UT Tyler's Chapter of the Student Council for Exceptional Children recently attended the Texas Council for Exceptional Children conference where they received the "Chapter Excellence Award" and \$100 as runner-up for the "Super Chapter Award." Seen here are club members (left to right) first row: Tammy Risinger, Cynthia Sample, Shannon Simmons; second row: Elisabeth Mobely, Shawna Atwood, Kristin Cotton; back row: Dr. Brenda Gilliam, sponsor; Mary Lee Brown, Kim Miller, Susann Roden and Dan Hopper.

Consular's office issues warnings

The Bureau of Consular Affairs recently released the following advice concerning drugs in foreign nations for UT Tyler students planning a spring break abroad or summer international study trip.

Unlike the United States, few countries believe you are innocent until proven guilty.

The truth is that Americans suspected of drug violations can face severe

penalties, even the death penalty, in some foreign countries. It is not uncommon to spend months or even years in pretrial detention, only to be sentenced to a lengthy prison stay without parole.

United States consular officers cannot get them out of jail or intervene on their behalf.

You should be particularly wary of persons who ask you to drive a car across a

border. Once that package or anything in the car is in your possession, you become responsible for it. You will be blamed for it, no matter who has put it there. You might unknowingly become a narcotics trafficker.

To local authorities, ignorance is not an excuse. You will have to pay the fine and may even spend time in jail for a crime that you did not know you committed.

If for medical reasons you

must take medication or other prescriptions containing narcotics, carry a doctor's certificate attesting to the fact and keep all medications in original and labeled containers.

Getting involved with drugs overseas can do more than spoil your vacation, it can destroy your life.

For further information, contact the Bureau of Consular Affairs, Public Affairs Staff, (202) 647-1488.

Caring about people is Nida's business — along with property management

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knew so well.

"Bricks and mortar can be replaced but not the people," he said.

Caring about people and serving them is Nida's business. Speaking of his new position, he said that he is at U-Pines to be "very available" and open for students to come in with what they have to say. "I want to serve the needs of our staff also so they can best do their work," he said.

He thinks that there is fundamental work to be done which requires taking philosophies of management and turning them into action.

"I think I'm bringing in something, the experiences and ideas, from San Diego State University and Oklahoma City University, which are very different schools," Nida said.

Five years of student life, three of those as resident director for community advisers, while attending SDSU, has provided Nida with the background for his work at U-Pines.

"At SDSU, I worked with 600 students in a freshman dorm," Nida said.

Somewhere between school and work, he found time to go to the gym and water ski or jet ski. Nida still enjoys these activities.

He completed his BA in political science at San Diego before working as an assistant general manager for Century Properties Management Co. at OCU.

He will live on the U-Pines premises and plans to take graduate courses in either public administration or education. "I find it easier to do my job if I take classes. It helps me be more in touch with the student body at the university," he said.

As for growth and development at UT Tyler in opening up a student housing facility, Nida said, "Anytime there is student housing on a campus that was previously a commuter campus, or anything new, it creates a number of adjustments for the community as a whole."

Around Campus

Martinez finds home in UTT counseling office specializing in students with disabilities

By Andrea Armstrong
Patriot Staff

Ida Martinez has become the newest councilor at UT Tyler. She has been in the counseling department since Sept. 27, 1994. Martinez coordinates disability accommodation services and personal counseling. Martínez says she enjoys the challenge and diversity her career offers.

Martinez has written policies and procedures for disability accommodations which will go to a student committee and university committee for approval this month. She has designed a specialized close captioning for the deaf on a laptop computer.

A person from a temporary service types the lecture allowing the student to look at the screen and lecturer simultaneously. The typist gives a transcript to the student to keep. Martinez has also acquired a talking computer, TTD (telecommunications for the deaf) and hospital tables so students in scoot-

ers and wheelchairs can have desks.

Martinez said she has been a vocational rehabilitation councilor for the public and private sectors for 4-5 years and has worked as a councilor and a therapist. "I enjoy my job at UTT because it combines all of these things," she said.

Martinez received her bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice at Stephen F. Austin University with a minor in psychology and sociology. Martinez got her master's degree in counseling at Chapman University in Orange County, California. She has done post graduate work at the University of Nebraska in psychology/counseling.

Martinez has wanted to be in counseling most of her life. Her job requires that she verify medicines to suit disabilities and psychological evaluations to find appropriate accommodations according to the law.

She has also written a student guide for the Americans with Disabilities Act. A.D.A was passed in

1990 under President Bush. It basically states equal access for everyone. "ADA has a broader spectrum than the 1973 Rehabilitation Act Section 504 because it covers public and private institutions," she said.

"More changes are being made in businesses removing architectural barriers that get in the way of the disabled," she said. "People are more aware of discrimination on the job for people with disabilities," she said. Martinez also said the main problem is people needing to become more comfortable around people with disabilities. "They have learned to accept their disabilities...why shouldn't we?"

Martinez says she is developing a reference library that will offer information on disabilities and training programs for a department or groups on the subject.

Martinez says her goals are for people to become more aware through education. She says all students should be afforded equal access to any opportunity at UTT.



Photo by Becky Nichols

Sometimes you feel like a nut

Warmer weather has the UT Tyler rodent population becoming friendlier, friskier and squirrely.

UTT vocational professor honored nationally

Dr. W. A. Mayfield traveled in December to Nashville, Tenn., where he was honored as Outstanding Industrial Teacher from Texas. Only two instructors from Texas have ever received this award by the National American Vocational Association.

Mayfield got his bachelor's, master's and doctorate in Industrial Technology at Texas A.M. University. He has also attended Texas Tech State at Greyle, Colorado. Mayfield is certified to teach all levels of education elementary through university and has been involved in education for 40 years. "Over the years I have learned to glean a lot of concern for education. It needs as much help as it can get - we must pull together and focus," Mayfield said.

Mayfield started a teachers organization which began as Industrial Arts Association and grew into the Association of Texas Technology Education. Mayfield served as executive secretary for the state association and was on several committees for the international technology association.

He said the purpose of the organization is to help Texas students better understand technology in our society and to be able to come together.

Mayfield came to Tyler in 1974 as the Dean of the School of Applied Studies.

Hart's service will benefit the entire university, Hamm says

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Hamm thinks that Hart's service will benefit the entire university community.

Hart will handle several projects and one will be coordinating the communication between the 30 committees at UTT. "They need to know what each other is doing," said Hart.

Because Hart will be half-time faculty and half-time administration, her interaction with the students will be affected.

Candis Blankinship, Jacksonville graduate student, said, "I hope the administration realizes the diamond they have uncovered in Dr. Hart."

"UT will be the winner but the students may be the losers," Blankinship said. "She has expertise in so many areas and is always in demand. We really need a fe-

male mentor like her."

Hart expressed the student's reaction as a humbling experience.

"This is what makes teaching such an honor. It is the fuel that keeps teachers going," Hart said.

Her teaching schedule will be shorter but she plans to continue teaching the courses she has developed like *Crimes of Violence*, *Research Methods* graduate course and *Serial Murder*.

Hart, who joined the faculty in 1987, received the Chancellor's Council Outstanding Teaching Award in 1992 that recognizes excellence in teaching.

In addition to teaching, Hart co-authored *Multi-Agency Investigative Team Manual*, a product of a grant from the National Institute of Justice; "Domestic MIAs: Our Forgotten Victims" published in *The Justice Professional*; and "Serial Murder: A Criminal Justice

Response" in *Police Chief*.

Hart is a member of the American Society of Criminology, the Academy of Criminal Justice Science and the South Western Association of Criminal Justice Educators. She serves as peer reviewer to evaluate grant proposals for the U.S. Department of Justice's Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention. Prior to joining the UT Tyler faculty, Hart served as a senior research specialist and head of the Sunset Liaison Office for the Texas Department of Corrections.

She holds a Ph.D. in criminal justice from Sam Houston State University where she is still working on the Criminal Justice Alumni Board.

With this list of accomplishments and more she says there is still more she wants to do. "I am having a great time," Hart said.

Shreveport professor lectures about the effects violence has on a community

By Kristin Smith
Patriot Staff

A presentation titled the "Effects of Campus and Community Violence in Modern Society" was

given Monday in the UC by Dr. Robert Benefield. Benefield, chairman of the Louisiana State University-Shreveport psychology department, spoke of alterna-

tive ways to overcome potentially violent situations through prevention programs.

"Very few people have no violence in their lives; most do,"

Benefield said. Violent offenders usually start out with problems as children in school.

According to Benefield, a child with low self-esteem thinks nega-

tively about himself and others - so he tends to verbally and physically irritate others until he winds up having no friends. That's where the trouble usually begins.

Sports

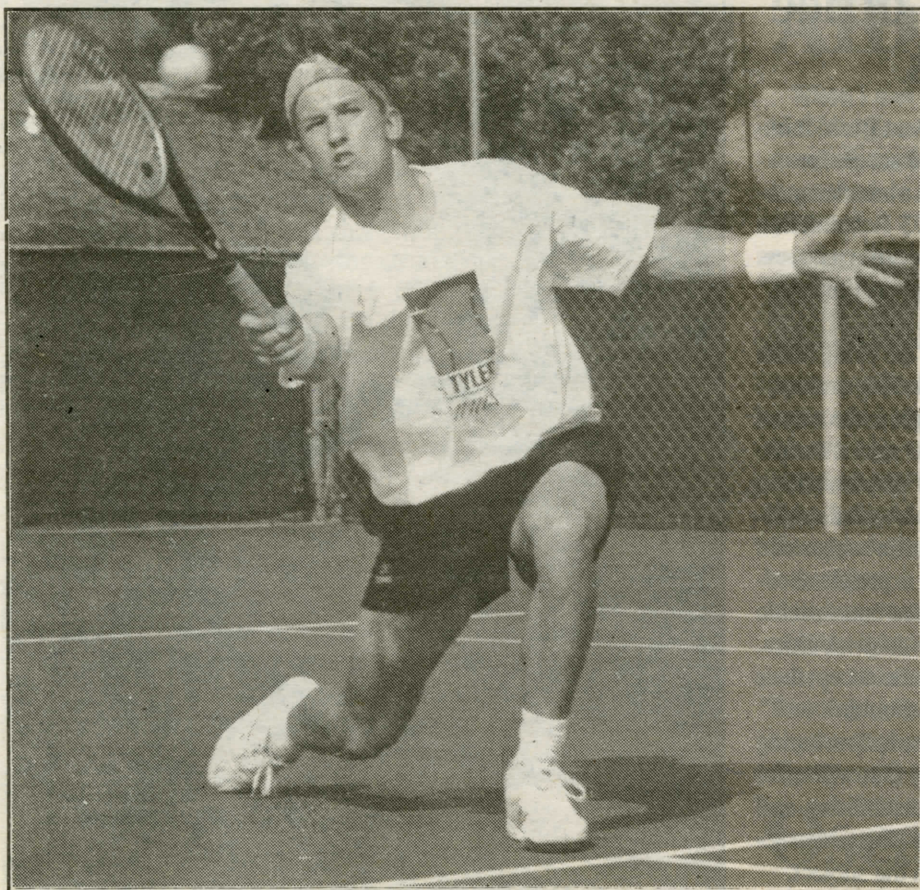


Photo by Greg Wells

Making the shot is Canadian junior Guillaume Gauthier of the UT Tyler Patriots' No. 1 NAIA ranked tennis team. Gauthier won over Hernan Giraldo of UT Arlington in the second match with a score of 6-2, 6-2.

UT Tyler netters fire up, blow away regional tennis foes

By Curtis Walker
Special to the Patriot

The UT Tyler men's tennis team recently competed in the UT Tyler Tennis Tournament.

The Patriots trounced an eight-team field to win the tournament.

Schreiner College, of Kerrville, was the Patriot's first victim. UTT players Jonas Lundblad, Marco Sitepu, Guillaume Gauthier, Rony Pollard, Charles Gembes, and Brian Notis were unstoppable in straight set victories.

In the second round, UTT was able to score four more

straight set victories. Unfortunately, UT Arlington squeezed out narrow wins in the other singles matches. Because neither team had five victories, they were forced to play doubles.

UTT tennis coach Fred Kniffen gave his team a brief pep talk before the doubles matches began.

The players responded with excellent performances in all three doubles matches, making the final total UTT-7, UTA-2.

In the finals, the Patriots were on fire and Oklahoma City University was powerless to do anything about it. The Patriots were victori-

ous 5 to 1. In fact, UTT was so dominant that one OCU player started complaining about the calls.

He also shouted obscenities at the UTT players and fans.

Despite this, his skills just could not match those of UTT's Pollard, who ignored the distractions, and easily defeated his angry opponent.

"I feel good, really good," said Kniffen afterward. "The players played good tennis," Kniffen said.

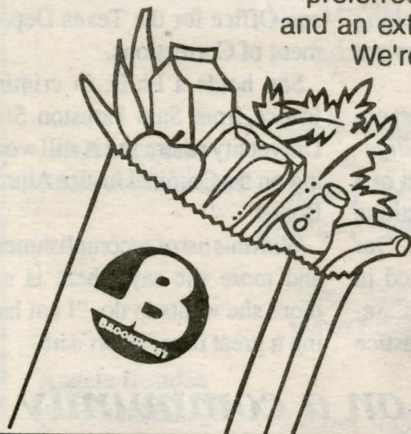
"The weather was good. Everything went our way," Kniffen said.

"I'd like to have more days like today," he continued.

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